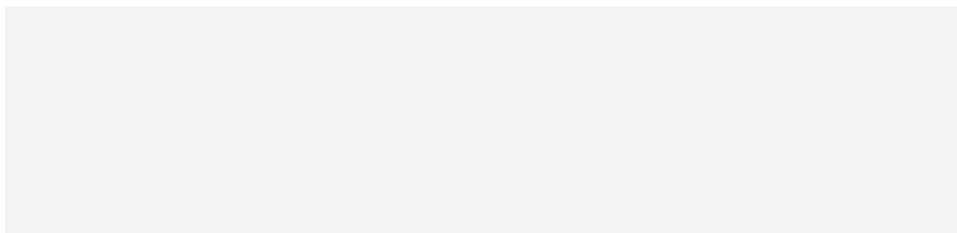
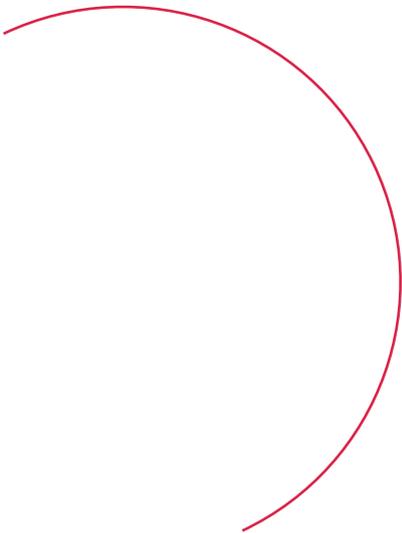


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Profile

Ascencio, a Regulated Real Estate Company (SIR, or “Belgian REIT”), is a real estate investor specialising in retail properties on the outskirts of towns and cities¹.

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The company is active in Belgium, France and Spain.

Its portfolio, valued at €623 million, consists of approximately one hundred properties, with a total surface of nearly 410,000 m².

Ascencio stock has been listed on Euronext Brussels since 2007. Its stock market capitalisation amounted to €373 million at 30 September 2019.

In France, Ascencio has opted for the SIIC regime, while in Spain Ascencio SCA has established a subsidiary in respect of which it is awaiting a reply from the tax authorities to its application for a similar regime, that of “SOCIMI”².

¹ Ascencio is a Public Regulated Real Estate Company (SIRP) subject to the Belgian law of 12 May 2014 as amended by the law of 22 October 2017 and the Royal Order of 13 July 2014 on regulated real estate companies as amended by the Royal Order of 23 April 2018 (the “SIR law” or the “B-REITs Act”).

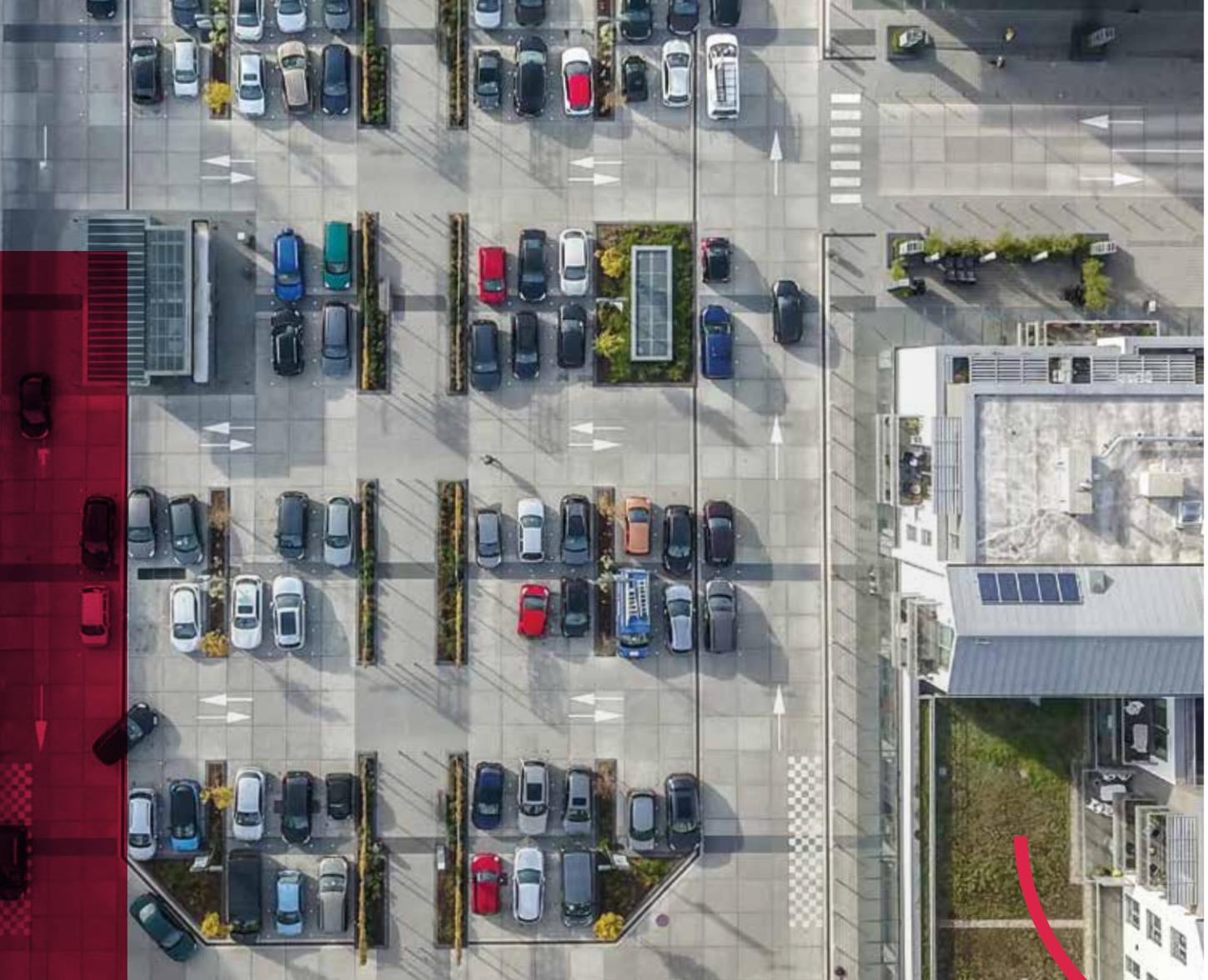
² Sociedades Anónimas Cotizadas de Inversión en el Mercado Inmobiliario.

€623
million
| Value of
the portfolio

€373
million
| Market
capitalisation

101
properties

409,000 m²
Portfolio area



Commitments



E-COMMERCE & OMNICALITY



MIX OF SHOPS



FLEXIBILITY OF SPACES



EASE OF ACCESS AND PARKING



CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE

Letter to the shareholders

Dear Shareholders,

This past financial year was marked by a difficult political, economic and social context which did not contribute to the recovery of retail operators faced with structural challenges associated with changes in consumer behaviour and the move towards omnichannel and e-commerce. Brexit, crises of government in numerous European countries, President Trump's trade policy, weak world economic growth and the gilets jaunes disturbances in France all weighed down on the sector.

In view of these factors we can but be pleased with Ascencio's good performance. From an operational point of view, the main indicators are all up relative to the previous financial year: rental income, EPRA results, fair value of the portfolio and EPRA net asset value. The occupancy rate of the properties, unchanged from 2017/2018 at 97.3%, remained at a very good level, whereas the rental market as a whole deteriorated. Thanks to excellent management of our financial resources, the average cost of borrowing fell sharply, from 2.69% to 1.87%.

By carrying out some astute asset rotation, such as the sale of the Pont retail park in Avignon and the strengthening of our control of the Caen retail park, we enhanced the quality of our portfolio.





During these past twelve months we also put our strategic plan for 2021 into operation. This plan involves setting up a marketing and communication plan, bolstering our real estate team, strengthening our position as asset managers, digitising the business and improving Ascencio's positioning in the financial markets.

The inclusion of Ascencio's shares in the EPRA index during the financial year is a real success, which improves the stock's liquidity and opens up our capital to new international investors.

Based on the food sector, the strategic pillar of our investment policy, our portfolio has a resilient profile and allows us to distribute a handsome dividend of nearly 6%, up by 2.9 percentage points compared with the previous financial year.

With our focus on growth, our highly selective investment policy and our substantial capacity as regards our level of indebtedness, we are confident of being able to seize attractive opportunities in the coming years.

We thank you for the trust you have placed in us.
Yours sincerely,

Carl Mestdagh
Chairman of the Board
of Directors

Vincent H. Querton
Chief Executive Officer

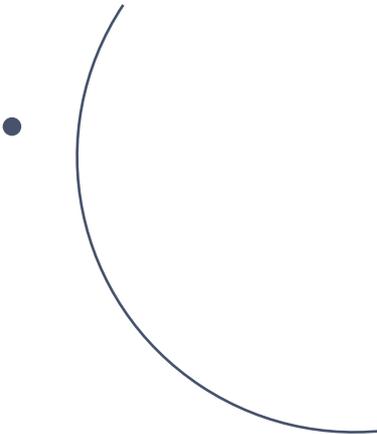
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Management report



Management report¹

Ascencio's annual report is a combined report in the meaning of Articles 96 and 119 of the Belgian Company Code.

This report contains forward-looking statements. Such statements entail unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that might lead actual results, financial situation, performance and achievements to differ from whatever future results, financial situation, performance and achievements may be expressed or implied in these forward-looking statements. In view of these uncertain factors, the forward-looking statements do not imply any guarantee.

¹ This report is based on the consolidated financial statements. The statutory financial statements and Management Report are filed with the BNB (National Bank of Belgium) within the legal time frames and may be obtained free of charge from the Company's website or on request from the Company.

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KEY FIGURES

	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2017
DISTRIBUTION OF THE PORTFOLIO (% OF FAIR VALUE)			
Belgium	60.4%	61.4%	62.2%
France	34.4%	33.2%	33.1%
Spain	5.3%	5.4%	4.7%
VALUE OF THE ASSETS (€000s)¹			
Fair value	623,741	619,029	613,317
Investment value	647,040	642,266	640,333
CONSOLIDATED RESULTS (€000s)			
Property result	41,198	40,884	40,297
Operating result before result on portfolio	33,879	33,912	34,216
Operating result	34,443	38,038	42,789
EPRA Earnings	28,628	26,728	26,268
Net result	21,348	34,024	41,197
Gross dividend	23,086	22,426	21,442
CONSOLIDATED RESULTS PER SHARE (€)			
Weighted average number of shares in circulation	6,595,985	6,595,985	6,497,594
Property result	6.25	6.20	6.20
Operating result before result on portfolio	5.14	5.14	5.27
Operating result after result on portfolio	5.22	5.77	6.59
EPRA Earnings	4.34	4.05	4.04
Net result	3.24	5.16	6.34
Gross dividend ²	3.50	3.40	3.30
Net dividend ³	2.45	2.38	2.31
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (€000s)			
Equity	363,124	364,026	346,281
Debts and other liabilities included in the debt ratio	257,406	257,389	265,892
Debt ratio ⁴	40.49%	40.81%	42.57%
Total number of shares in existence at balance sheet date	6,595,985	6,595,985	6,497,594
Net asset value EPRA per share (in euros)	57.13	56.34	54.95

¹ Including development projects and assets held for sale.

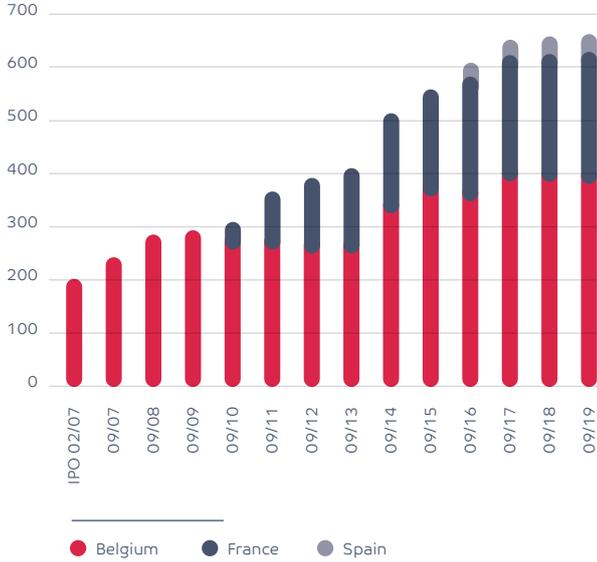
² For 2018/2019, this concerns the dividend proposed to the General Meeting of Shareholders to be held on 31 January 2020.

³ Based on withholding tax of 30%.

⁴ Debt ratio calculated in accordance with the Royal Decree of 13 July 2014, as amended by the Royal Decree of 23 April 2018, on B-REITs.

PORTFOLIO GROWTH

(€ millions)



€41.6 million

Annual rental incomes

€28.6 million

EPRA Earnings

€3.50

gross per share

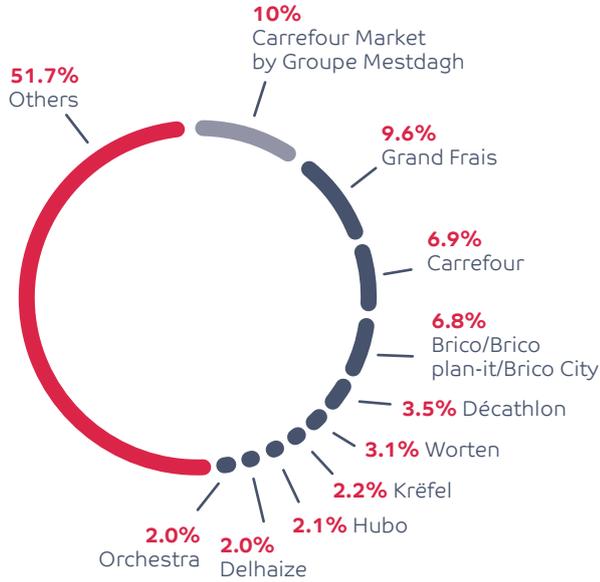
Regular growth of dividends

GROWTH IN GROSS DIVIDEND PER SHARE

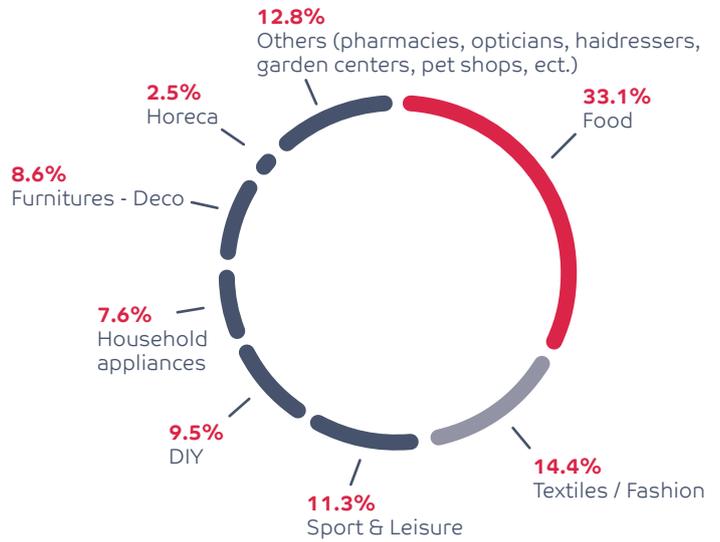


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TOP 10 TENANTS

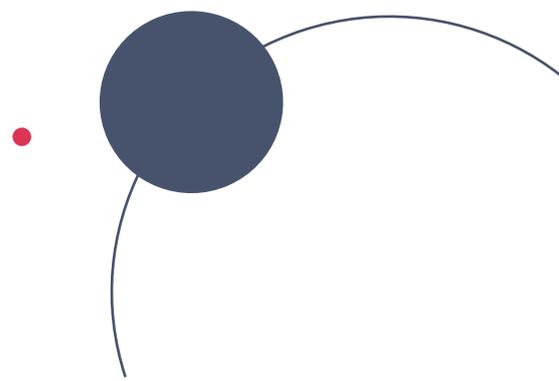


COMPLEMENTARY SECTORS



101
properties

> 300
tenants



HIGHLIGHTS

2008

Acquisition of a retail park located at Jemappes (Belgium).

2011

Acquisition of the retail park “Le Parc des Bouchardes” near Macon (France).

Acquisition of the retail park development project “Les Cyprès” in the Montpellier region, at Saint Aunès (France).

2013

Acquisition of around thirty commercial units across five Cora shopping galleries (at Anderlecht, Châtelineau, La Louvière, Messancy and Rocourt (Belgium)).

2007

Ascencio was listed on the stock exchange for the first time.

Acquisition of the retail park “L’Orchidée Plaza” in Hannut (Belgium).

2010

Adoption of the SIIC status.

Acquisition of seven outlets operated by the innovative Grand Frais brand in France.

2012

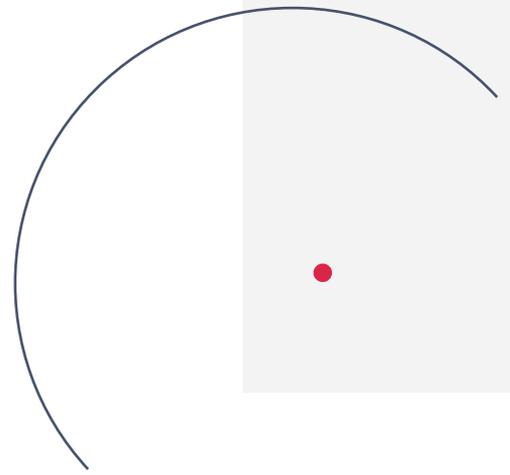
On December 17th, capital increase of €2,425,282 by means of a contribution in kind of five properties.

Acquisition of the retail park “Le Parc des Drapeaux” in Caen (France).

2006

Creation of Ascencio.

Approval as SICAFI (fixed-capital real estate investment company).



2015

Acquisition of the retail park Bellefleur located in Couillet (Belgium).

2018

Ascencio receives an award from the European Public Real Estate Association (EPRA) for its financial reporting and directly obtains a Gold Award.

2014

Ascencio was approved as a public SIR (public Regulated Real Estate Company).

Capital increase of €81,502,605.

2016

Acquisition of the "Papeteries de Genval" retail site which hosts more than 30 retailers.

First investment in Spain with the acquiring of three stores operated under the Worten banner (located in the best retail parks of Madrid, Barcelona and Valencia).

2017

Acquisition of an urban commercial building at Anderlecht (Belgium). A Carrefour Market has been opened in October 2018.

EVENTS OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR

2019

In May, Ascencio and its tenant Grand Frais reached agreement on the renewal, with no change in conditions, of the leases expiring 31 March 2019 on a total of 13 stores. These leases were renewed for nine years, to 2027/2028. In all Ascencio's portfolio contains 18 Grand Frais stores, mainly located in Bourgogne and Rhône-Alpes.

Since 18 March 2019 Ascencio's shares have formed part of the FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed Europe Index. This stock index brings together a large number of listed property companies in Europe.

2018

Ascencio signed a purchase agreement for six retail spaces representing a total of 1,950 m², in the Parc des Drapeaux retail park in Caen, France, and at the same time signed a promise to buy three additional retail spaces totalling 2,400 m². The transaction will be completed on 25 January 2019.

This acquisition enables Ascencio to strengthen its control of the retail park, which has gone from 60% to more than 70% of the retail areas, and to welcome some new strong brands, namely Marie Blachère, Cello, Jennyfer, Krys, Promod, Vertbaudet, Tape à l'Oeil, Armand Thierry and Besson Chaussures.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

On 3 October 2019 Ascencio absorbed its subsidiary Etudibel SA ("silent" merger).

Research and development

Ascencio has no research and development activity.

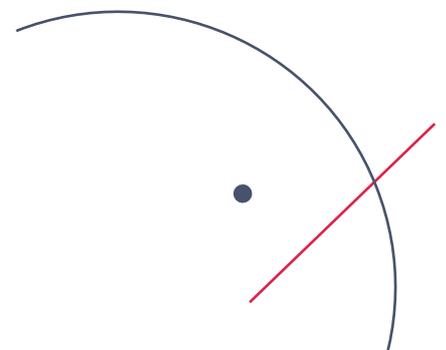
Risks and uncertainties

The main risks and uncertainties are set out at the end of the report.

Use of financial instruments

Ascencio's financial management aims to ensure its permanent access to credits and to monitor and minimise the interest rate risk.

The use of financial instruments (which is the subject of the "financial risks" sub-section in the "risk factors" section of this annual report) is detailed in the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements. The following matters are dealt with there: structure of debt, interest rate risk, risk associated with changes in credit margins, financial liquidity risk, financial counterparty risk and the risk associated with obligations contained in financing agreements.



STRATEGY - OUT-OF-TOWN COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

Changes in consumer habits

In its reflections on strategy, the statutory manager has attached central importance to changes in consumer behaviour and the need to accept and indeed embrace the omnichannel nature of the retail business; the need for customer “experience” and the necessity of integrating digital as a given of the sector and not seeing it as a threat. At the heart of Ascencio’s growth strategy is the out-of-town retail park, adapted to the new modes of consumption and incorporating the demands of omnichannel distribution and technological developments so as to respond to the aspirations of current and future generations.

Quality first

With acknowledged expertise in commercial real estate, Ascencio concentrates on proactively managing its existing assets and seeks to make new high-quality investments. The objective of this approach is to generate regular growth in results, cash-flow and value per share. Beyond the usual due diligence tests, potential assets are analysed from the point of view of the intrinsic qualities of the buildings (including those associated with its energy performance) but also their location, accessibility, the quality of the tenants occupying them and, as referred to above, the need to be omnichannel. In the interests of geographical consistency, Ascencio now concentrates on areas on the outskirts of Belgian, French and Spanish cities. In the future, Ascencio might extend its field of

action to other countries of the euro zone after analysing the commercial, financial and tax possibilities.

Operating performance

By investing in quality projects, maintaining a good occupancy rate and holding regular dialogues with the chains operating in this market, Ascencio is able, with a reasonable degree of foreseeability, to produce operating performances which will in turn underpin the operating cash flow and earnings per share.

Securing durable long-term development

Ascencio keeps a close watch on the control of its costs (property costs and corporate overheads) while at the same time fully integrating the imperatives of sustainable development into all its renovations in order to secure its development in the long term.

In the same vein, as regards finances the Company adopts prudent interest rate hedging measures to avoid volatility in interest charges and to improve the predictability of EPRA earnings while keeping risk exposure relatively low in the absence of exceptional events.



Offering stable dividends

In accordance with the legal regime under which it operates, Ascencio distributes most of its EPRA earnings to its shareholders in the form of cash or stock dividends. Ascencio's objective is to offer them a stable dividend, or if possible a regularly increasing one, without altering the Company's risk profile. In this spirit, each new investment must offer financial prospects having a positive effect on Ascencio's performance.

Strategic divestments

In order to re-centre its activities on retail property, for several years now Ascencio has gradually been selling the properties in the office and semi-industrial sectors that had been contributed to it on its incorporation. Certain retail assets offering limited growth prospects in the medium or long term were also sold in the course of the past few years.

Increasing the occupancy rate

In order to ensure the durability of its revenues, Ascencio takes care to maintain the highest possible occupancy rates over time in its portfolio. To do so, the Company pursues a sales policy aimed at anticipating possible de-partures of certain tenants and finding other chains likely to take over the vacated premises quickly. Knowledge of its market and of the chains that operate in it is an essential skill of Ascencio's.

Choosing quality tenants

To limit the risk of insolvency of its tenants, Ascencio favours leases to national or international chains, whose financial health is regularly assessed. By maintaining regular contact with its tenants and acquiring first class property assets and letting them to solid chains, Ascencio succeeds in durably consolidating its activity.

PROPERTY REPORT

THE RETAIL PROPERTY MARKET IN BELGIUM

Macro-economic indicators

Belgium ended 2018 with respectable GDP growth of 1.4% (1.7% in 2017).

However, the fall in European growth in the second half of 2018 had knock-on effects on trading in the first half of 2019.

Based on current trends, economic forecasts for the country have been revised downwards appreciably, to 1.2% for 2019 and 1.1% for 2020.

Consumer confidence peaked in the second half of 2018, since when it has declined. Households are worried about savings and jobs, although the unemployment rate continues to set record lows and steadied at 5.6% in Q1 2019 (below that of the euro zone as a whole, which was 7.7%).

As a result of trade tensions and the European Central Bank's monetary policy, Belgium's long-term interest rate fell below zero for the first time

in history in July 2019, leading to large volumes of liquid assets being put into circulation - assets for which a home must be found.

Low interest rates are favourable for real estate in general, and investments remained substantial in the first half of 2019.

Business demographics proved vigorous in 2018, with more new companies being created than companies being wound up, although entrepreneurial dynamism was less than in 2017.

Lastly, for several years now consumer prices have been increasing faster in Belgium than in its main trading partners, but the increase in purchasing power has sustained growth in household consumption despite their declining confidence.

Economic indicators (in %)	2019 (S1)	2018	2017	2016
Annual GDP growth	1.2%	1.4%	1.7%	1.5%
Annual growth in consumer prices	1.7%	1.7%	2.1%	2%
Unemployment rate	5.6%	6.0%	7.1%	7.8%

Source: BNB

Retail market

Rental take-up

The year 2018 was characterised by record occupancy take-up in the retail market in Belgium, with more than 430,000 m² of take-up recorded over the course of the year, a continuous increase seen since 2007.

In view of past performances, the first part of 2019 seems to mark a turning point in this market, at both the European and Belgian levels. Firstly, as regards Europe as a whole, the signs of slowdown in real estate activity already observed at the end of 2018 are apparently being confirmed: slowdown in occupancy take-up, rationalisation of brands, increase in retail vacancies in secondary zones, declining footfalls, downward pressure on rentals, tendency of yields to increase, etc. We note however that these trends are not linked to the bursting of a bubble but are in response to a healthy correction of the retail market as it strives to adapt to the new consumer habits of the younger generations and to the effects of the new technologies.

The trends observed at European level in the past six to twelve months now seem to be materialising at the Belgian level, but to a lesser extent. Furthermore, in Belgian retail property it is all a matter of nuances, with growing disparities among segments of activity, major and secondary cities and also central and secondary locations within the same zone.

As regards the occupancy take-up first of all, the first 6 months of 2019 saw a take-up of the order of 155,000m², or 15% less than in the first six months of 2018. This decline is seen mainly in the high street and shopping centre sectors (-30% and -47% respectively), being more limited in out-of-town retail parks (-12%), which seem to offer greater stability.

TAKE-UP BY SECTOR
(in thousands of m²)



Source: Cushman & Wakefield - Belgium

This decline in activity is more marked in number of transactions, where an overall fall of close to 30% is seen.

NUMBER OF TRANSACTIONS BY SECTOR



Source: Cushman & Wakefield - Belgium

However this decline must be seen in context, 2018 having been an exceptional year for openings, extensions and renovations of retail sites (City 2, Anspach, IKEA retail park, etc.).

Moreover, this overall decline in occupancy take-up hides some very different situations depending on the type of retailer. Specifically, while the mass market sectors seem to be most affected at present (especially fashion), the food & beverage sector and the hard discounters like Action or newcomer Centrakor, with strong presences in peripheral locations, have been showing relatively strong growth these past few months, as have food retailers, which may be considered to be in a relatively defensive sector compared with others.

Food retailers are indeed the least affected by e-commerce (replaced in part by click & collect) although certain formats (basically hypermarkets) are going to find themselves facing other challenges such as what to do with surplus space (car parks, storage areas, service stations, superfluous shelf space, etc.).

At the Belgian level, it seems clear that this market will show considerable stability in the next few years, and the arrival of foreign chains such as Jumbo from the Netherlands and Grand Frais from France (actively looking for sites) seems to confirm the attraction of this stability and positive dynamic of the food sector nationally.

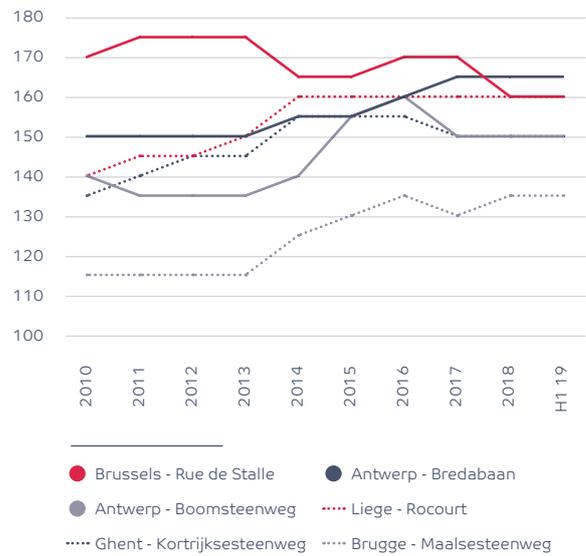
Rental values

We have seen corrections in the high street sector since the beginning of the year, with the first reductions in prime rentals observed on the Meir in Antwerp and other possible reductions in Rue Neuve in Brussels by year-end 2019. In other Belgian cities corrections have been observed for longer, although actual rental reductions remain limited.

In shopping centres, the trend is slightly different, since we have seen great stability in prime rentals for some years now. This trend is unlikely to change in the coming months, the main shopping centres in Belgium posting performances in line with previous years.

The trend is different again in the peripheral retail sector, which is the only segment posting increases in prime rentals in the past few years - a generalised trend throughout Belgium. Outlying or peripheral retail is in fact the most stable sector in the Belgian retail landscape at present. It continues to show relatively strong occupancy take-up, thanks in particular to the success of the hard discounters and the repositioning of certain brands. New developments are also coming on stream every year in this category.

**PRIME-RENTS
IN THE OUT-OF-TOWN RETAIL**
(€/m²/year)



Source: Cushman & Wakefield - Belgium

Investment market and outlook

Volume of investment and transactions

In the retail investment market, 2018 was an exceptional year, with nearly €2 billion being invested in Belgium, notably as a result of the sale of the W

Shopping Center and the Docks Brussels mall in Brussels and then of the Rive Gauche centre in Charleroi.

Compared with 2018, 2019 got off to a slow start, with just €540 million invested in the first half of the year, mainly in the high street segment.

INVESTMENT VOLUMES IN THE RETAIL SECTOR

(in million EUR)



As with occupancy take-up, we see a growing disparity between small and large assets, and also between units in prime locations and those in secondary locations.

This is particularly noticeable in terms of liquidity, with assets costing less than €5 million continuing in general terms to exert greater attraction, mainly on private investors. Bigger volume assets and less well located units are suffering more and struggling to find buyers.

**TOP 3 TRANSACTIONS
H1 2019**

TYPE	CITY	ASSET	M ²	PRICE (M EUR)	SELLER	BUYER
Unit Shop	Antwerp	Zara, Meir	2.000	80	Inditex	Deka Immobilien
Retail Warehousing	Mouscron	Les Dauphins	22.900	38	Fidelity	Deka Immobilien
Unit Shop	Various	Galeria Inno Leuven & Charleroi	20.910	35	Redevco	Private

Source: JLL Belgium – retail market Pulse mid-year 2019

Yields

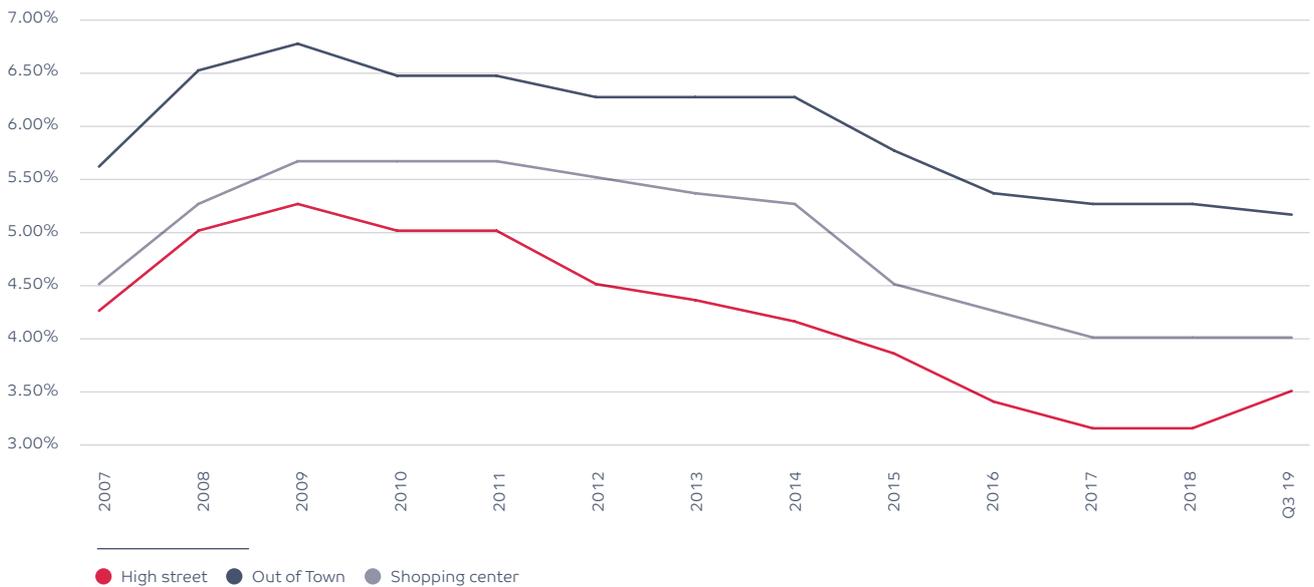
Investors' cautious stance in the face of evolving patterns of consumer purchasing behaviour and changes in the retail scene in general have inevitably had an impact on prime yields in Belgium.

Prime yields on high streets have seen a slight correction: they were at 3.15% at the end of 2018 on Antwerp's Meir and Brussels' Rue Neuve, and are now at 3.50% for both.

While prime yields for shopping centres are currently steady at around 4%, a slight correction is expected by year-end.

However, as with the rental market, peripheral retail shows trends contrary to the other two market segments, with prime yields being slightly compressed during the first half of 2019. They now stand at 5.15% as against 5.25% last year.

PRIME YIELDS PER SECTOR
(in %)



The sources regarding the section "The rental property market in Belgium" are:

- National Bank of Belgium
- FPS Economy, SMEs, Middle Classes, and Energy
- Cushman & Wakefield Belgium, Ascencio Property Expert: Retail Market Report



THE RETAIL PROPERTY MARKET IN FRANCE

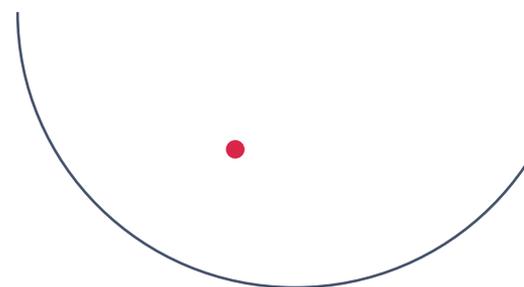
Macro-economic indicators

A disorderly Brexit, an abrupt slowdown of the Chinese economy, US trade pressure and higher oil prices are among the main uncertainties weighing on the European economy. In this stormy international climate and faced with the gilets jaunes crisis, the French economy nonetheless proved resilient.

In 2019, domestic demand is proving to be the main driver of French growth. Indeed, the increase in households' purchasing power brought about by both increases in real wages and the urgent measures announced in December 2018 (increases in wages and benefits, exemption from tax of overtime pay, increase in the minimum wage, etc.) in response to the gilets jaunes protests have stimulated households' consumption.

This situation, which contrasts with 2018, is fuelled by linear growth prospects estimated at 0.3% until the end of 2019.

At this rate, average annual GDP growth is expected to reach 1.3% in 2019, ahead of the 1.2% forecast for the euro zone as a whole.



Economic indicators (in %)	2016	2017	2018	2019p	2020p	2021p
GDP	1.0	2.4	1.7	1.3	1.4	1.4
Inflation	0.3	1.2	2.1	1.3	1.3	1.4
Household consumption	1.6	1.6	0.9	1.1	1.7	1.5
Household income ¹	1.6	1.4	1.2	2.3	1.5	1.3
Unemployment (whole of France)	10.1	9.4	9.1	8.6	8.3	8.1

¹ Real gross disposable income of households / f: forecast.
Source: Banque de France, Macroeconomic projections

Household savings, up strongly since January 2019, should also play a crucial role in adjusting the performance of consumer indicators over the next few quarters.

Inflation, which had reached 2.1% in 2018, is now hovering around 1%; having stood at 1.3% in April, it fell to 0.9% in May before recovering in June to 1.2%.

The slow decline in the unemployment rate, which started in 2015, should continue over the coming months.

At a horizon of 2020, Oxford Economics foresees the unemployment rate standing at 8.7% in Metropolitan France and 7.7% in the Greater Paris Region, slightly down on the figures for 2018 (9.1% and 8.3% respectively).

Retail market

The year 2018 had ended on a negative note because of the gilets jaunes movement and the financial losses sustained by retailers. Besides, last year's scorecard was also spoilt by the poor performances of certain activities with a big out-of-town presence, such as garden centres with children's zoos (down by 1.5% on 2018) and furniture (down by 2.7%). Since then, sales of the interior decorating sector have recovered smartly, with a cumulative increase of nearly 5% in the first half of 2019.

But while the overall environment may seem more favourable, the market recovery needs to be seen in context. For example difficulties have intensified for

several large out-of-town brands such as Vivarté and Orchestra, which have been unable to meet debt repayments. The past few months have also seen the winding up of Chantemur, while the Kingfisher group has decided to close several Castorama and Brico Dépôt stores in mainland France.

These difficulties contrast with the continuing expansion of major discount players such as Action, Stockomani, Gifi and Centrakor (which for example is starting its international expansion in Belgium, with a first opening in Gosselies).

Other sectors of activity remain very dynamic. Such is the case of the sports sector (sportswear and fitness equipment) but also food and catering. Organic foods for example are posting strong growth, underpinned by the expansion of brands already present on the outskirts or testing their first out-of-town formats to target a new clientele (Naturalia in Brétigny-sur-Orge, a southern suburb of Paris, being a case in point).

In fact the brands' adaptation to the omnichannel nature of retailing narrows the dividing line between city centre and out-of-town location criteria.

For their part, the out-of-town retail establishments have shown signs of resilience in a chaotic social and economic context.

As far as development is concerned, the programme of openings of retail parks and peripheral activity parks for 2019 is still very ambitious. But the rate of transformation, which has been in constant decline these past few years for this type of assets, is estimated at 50% (the same rate as shopping centres) and slightly below that of the spaces completed in 2016 and 2017 with some forty complexes concerned.

As with shopping centres, we see a decline in the number of new-build projects (though they still account for 82% of the market) in favour of extensions and renovations.

BREAKDOWN OF DELIVERIES OF RETAIL PARKS BY TYPE OF PROJECT

(in thousands of m²)



*p: projections
Source: Cushman & Wakefield

The start of 2019 was very quiet as regards openings: Transactions of between 10,000 m² and 25,000 m² in the regions and some thirty projects of less than 10,000 m² close to existing hypermarkets.

Among the significant openings of 2019 we would mention PUIZOS in Vénissieux (55,000 m²), EDEN II (Apsys) in Servon, the Leclerc retail parks (Courlières in Joué-les-Tours and l'Oseraie in Osny) and OPEN SKY in Buchelet (33,000 m² - Compagnie de Phalsbourg).

These new projects rely on improved building quality and merchandising, reinforcing the image of the new generation retail parks.

Lastly, the activity of brand centres should continue in the short term given that there are nearly 100,000 m² in the pipeline at a horizon of 2021.

**RETAIL PARKS:
EXAMPLES OF OPENINGS AND SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS 2019-2020**

CENTRE	VILLE	TYPE	AREA (M ²)
Steel	Saint-Étienne (42)	Creation	70 000
Coeur d'Alsace Shopping Promenade	Vendenheim (67)	Redevelopment	70 000
Puisoz	Vénissieux (69)	Creation	50 000
Les Promenades de Brétigny	Brétigny-sur-Orge (91)	Creation	50 000
Woodshop	Cesson (77)	Redevelopment	42 000
Open Sky	Buchelay (78)	Redevelopment	40 000
Shopping Promenade	Claye-Souilly (77)	Creation	40 000
Eden (phase 2)	Servon (77)	Creation	33 000

Source: Knight Frank



Rental take-up and rental values

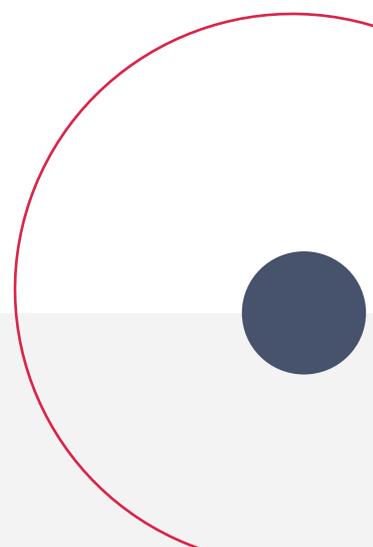
Stimulated by vigorous demand on the part of the brands, rental values of new generation retail parks and prime out-of-town retail areas are holding up well across all segments, and even trending upwards for the most sought-after locations (between €180 and €200 per m² per year for premises of less than 500 m² in catchment areas of more than 100,000 inhabitants).

For secondary locations and second class retail areas, the situation is more complex, particularly for small spaces, which are more difficult to let because of still relatively limited demand, and also for very large spaces, for which there are relatively few players in the market.

PRIME RENTS IN RETAIL PARKS IN Q2 2019 ACCORDING TO THE SIZE OF THE UNIT (€/m²/year)

POPULATION	< 500 m ²	500 - 1 000 m ²	1 000 - 2 000 m ²	> 2 000 m ²
< 100 000 inhabitants	125 - 150	80 - 130	70 - 120	50 - 120
100 - 300 000 inhabitants	180 - 200	120 - 150	100 - 140	80 - 130
> 300 000 inhabitants	180 - 200	120 - 150	100 - 140	80 - 130
Regional city	200 - 270	150 - 200	140 - 170	100 - 150
Ile-de-France	270 - 350	160 - 270	140 - 210	100 - 175

Source: JLL



Investment market and outlook

Volume of investment and transactions

With nearly €3.25 billion invested at the end of September 2019, the retail market has posted an unprecedented volume for this period since 2014, the best ever year in retail.

**VOLUMES INVESTED:
€3.25 BILLION INVESTED,
A RESULT NOT SEEN SINCE 2014...**
(in € billions)



Source: JLL

This performance is partly linked to the return of sale transactions of over €100 million. This volume is relatively well spread among predominantly food-related non-specialised assets (the sale of two Casino portfolios by Mercialis to a Fortress Investment group/Casino JV for a total of nearly €392 million, sale by Casino to Apollo Global Management of a portfolio of 12 Casino and 20 Monoprix stores for €470 million), high street assets (Leonardo portfolio for €250 million, 53 Avenue Montaigne for €110 million, Monoprix portfolio acquired by Mata Capital) and shopping centres (€203 million with Passage du Havre in Paris acquired by AXA IM-RA).

The return of the big volumes, combined with a smaller number of transactions, down by 20% on the same period of the previous year, naturally increased the average unit amount, which went back above the €20 million mark.

Predominantly food-related assets retained their strong presence in the market at the end of June 2019, accounting for about one third of the total volume invested in retail. This segment was basically fuelled by the various divestment transactions that the Casino group has been carrying out for several months and which are likely to continue in the short term.

Significant transactions in 2019:

YEAR	QUARTER	BUYER	VENDOR	NAME/ADDRESS	CITY	AMOUNT (€M)	AREA
2019	T3	Apollo Glob. Man.	Casino	Portfolio - 12 Casino + 20 Monoprix	France	470	-
2019	T1	Fortress inv. GP	Mercialys	Portfolio - 26 Casino	France	392	-
2019	T3	AXA Reim	Eurocommercial PPT.	Passage du Havre	Paris 09	203	23 400 m ²
2019	T2	Paref Gestion	Meyer Bergman	Portfolio of 27 assets	France	94	51 408 m ²
2019	T3	Imocompartners	Frey	Portfolio - 3 Retail parks	France	80	46 000 m ²
2019	T3	AEW	Altarea Cogedim	14 ^{ème} Avenue	Herblay	70	14 200 m ²

Source: JLL

Yields

As in 2018, prime yields remain stable at a historically low level for the majority of categories of retail assets.

EVOLUTION OF PRIME YIELDS - RETAIL ASSETS

(in %)



The softening of yields seen in the past few months is leading to extreme polarisation of the market and of assets depending on the quality and security of their revenues.

Levels of renewal now constitute the best indicator of the health of a retail asset; they show a significant gap between the stability of prime assets and the correction taking place with assets punished by the decline in turnover.

For example we see corrections in excess of 100 basis points for some hypermarkets, more particularly those suffering stiff competition or in secondary locations where levels of renewal have been falling.

New generation retail parks and prime high street sites are showing the clearest signs of resilience for now.

The sources regarding the section "The retail property market in France" are:

- Cushman & Wakefield – Property experts advising Ascencio - "MarketBeat France Commerces" – Quarterly publications
- Jones Lang LaSalle – Property experts advising Ascencio – "Panorama du marché des commerces en France" and "Etude Globale - Marché des commerces en France – 1^{er} semestre 2019".
- Knight Franck "Le marché immobilier des Commerces" France – 1st half 2019
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- INSEE, Banque de France



THE RETAIL PROPERTY MARKET IN SPAIN

Macro-economic indicators

International investors continue to show interest in Spain, and mainly in its property market.

The total average volume of professional investment (non-residential sector) over the past four years was approximately €12 billion per year (2015-2018), the outlook for 2019 being similar. The current level of activity, both direct and indirect (through Spanish REITs) is testimony to property investors' continuing confidence underpinned by a growing economy.

Following the recession of 2008-2014, unemployment has fallen and net wages have increased, leading to a resumption of consumption.

Although falling, the unemployment rate remains high. On the other hand one must not lose sight of the fact that the official employment figures do not take into account the importance of seasonal work in Spain, which is particularly widespread in rural and tourist areas.

On the domestic front, in spite of political uncertainty, the national economic context and outlook is relatively positive, with a tourist sector that reached a record of 80 million visitors in 2017 and 2018.

Consumer confidence has held up, as have both turnover and visitor numbers at commercially valuable sites.

In terms of economic prospects, conditions are considered favourably stable, thanks in essence to consumers' behaviour, low inflation (which boosts

Economic Indicators	2019	2020	2021
Annual GDP Growth%	2.3%	2.0%	1.7%
Annual Consumption%	1.8%	1.8%	1.4%
Unemployment rate%	13.7%	12.7%	12.0%

Source: Oxford Economics July 2019

real net wages), the low price of oil and energy and as already mentioned the fall in unemployment which is forecast to show a further constant decline in 2019 and 2020, also with the hope of creating 800,000 new jobs in the same period.

Prospects for the real estate market are also positive overall; in terms of property financing, conditions remain favourable, with greater credit availability since mid-2015.

Investments are also supported by the current competitive and stable level of rentals, which seem to give the assets a reasonable value, not overpriced relative to previous cycles.

Lastly, we see a lack of new developments in these past few years in certain sectors, more particularly in the office sector but also in retail, a sector in which many assets have suffered from under-investment these past 10-15 years.

Retail market

Despite a wave of asset rotation (by 46% of retailers), 69% of national and international brands confirm their intention of continuing with their expansion strategies, while at the same time being very aware of current rental levels. These reflect among other things the high occupancy rates in the prime sections of the high streets of Spain's major cities.

The French brands with a presence, in some cases a strong one, in Spain, that are suffering in their home market or rethinking their concept, are halting their expansion at least for now.

Prime rentals in retail parks remain generally stable but depending on the site can vary by as much as 100%. In Madrid they stand at €21 per m² per month, compared with €18 in Barcelona and just €9.50 in other major Spanish cities.

Despite the maturity of the shopping centre sector, the next two years will be active in terms of development.

In 2018, ten shopping complexes (more than 270,000 m² GLA, of which 45,000 m² in retail parks) opened their doors, bringing the national density to 358 m² of GLA per 1,000 inhabitants.

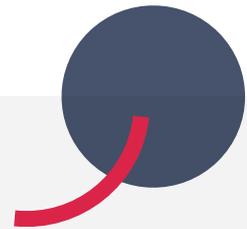
In 2019, ten projects totalling more than 260,000 m² are scheduled to open.

The retail projects planned for 2019 and 2020 all have one thing in common: "differentiation" relative to the existing ageing parks, not just by being new but also through their diversity, their architecture and their originality: Sky Shopping Center (Madrid), Lagoh (Seville) and X-Madrid are projects with very markedly distinctive characteristics, replete with new technologies and innovative concepts that are as yet little known to the Spanish public at large.

The retail park format will develop strongly in the next two years in Spain, and three new factory outlets will also be opened.

Investment market and outlook

As already mentioned, we have seen substantial flows of capital into Spain over the past five years. As regards the property market, interest is mainly directed to core products, which have been in notably short supply of late. As for secondary sites, despite potential buyers' caution, the favourable financing conditions contribute positively to investments in this segment, with the exception of retail, for which investors concentrate on prime zones.



Yields in retail

As far as the retail market is concerned, the graph below shows how yields have evolved in prime areas from 2006 to now by asset class.

EVOLUTION OF THE RETAIL PRIME YIELD



Source: Cushman & Wakefield - Research & Insight

Despite the continued significance of investment in real estate and a certain propensity on the part of banks to grant credit, albeit very selectively, we are currently in a retail market in which the volume of transactions in 2019 has decreased considerably compared with previous years, and many investors are now apprehensive about how retail will evolve in the next 12 months.

Specifically, this translates into increased yields for shopping centres and retail parks, reflecting the significant decline in the number of buyers in this segment.

This trend is even more pronounced in the case of secondary assets, which hardly attract anyone any more.

Yields on the top shopping centres in Spain are currently hovering around 4.75%.

As regards out-of-town, a distinction has to be made between stand-alone properties and retail parks, for which prime yields stand at around 5.50%.

Volume of investment:

The number of transactions, a decline in which had already been observed in 2018 relative to 2017, has continued to fall in 2019 too. Some long-established players in the retail segment have clearly let it be known that they will no longer invest in this category of assets where the stability and securing of rentals is no longer assured.

On the other hand, investment funds continue to believe in the fundamentals characterising quality assets, despite ever higher entry prices.

In 2018, the total volume of transactions in the retail sector amounted to €3.65 billion (more or less similar to 2017) making it the sector attracting the most professional investment (33%). This percentage looks likely to fall to 26% in 2019.

**RETAIL INVESTMENT
BY TYPE OF PRODUCT**

(in mill. €)



Source: Savills Aguirre Newman

Outlying retail:

The investment market for outlying retail and retail parks posted modest performances in 2018, with an overall volume of €233 million (half the amount of 2017).

The average value per transaction also fell, from €37 million to €33 million.

One of the biggest transactions was carried out by Lar España Real Estate SOCIMI, SA, which bought the 36,700 m² Rivas Futura retail park in Madrid from Credit Suisse for €61.6 million.

Apart from this, Lar continued to divest non-strategic assets, completing the sale of two retail parks (Nuevo Alisal in Santander and Villaverde in Madrid) to the French fund Pierre Plus for €33.2 million and the sale of 3 commercial buildings occupied by Aldi, El Corte Inglés and Feu Vert in Parque Galaria, Pamplona, to AEW.

At the same time, Frey acquired Parc Vallès, Barcelona, for €82.5 million, while Procinco sold the Millennium retail park in Majadahonda, Madrid, to Ores SOCIMI for €31 million.

In contrast, the first three quarters of 2019 saw no notable transactions at all in this sector.

The sources regarding the section "The retail property market in Spain" are:
Cushman & Wakefield – quarterly appraisal reports
Savills Aguirre Newman – Spain Retail (may 2019)

CONCLUSION & TRENDS

Macro-economic indicators

With the trade conflict between China and the US, the gilets jaunes crisis in France, the stirrings of independence in Catalonia, the uncertain outcome of Brexit, the political crisis in Italy and the geopolitical tensions in Syria and elsewhere, the general socio-economic climate can hardly be said to have improved as 2019 has gone by.

Despite this tense context, GDP growth in the euro zone was stronger than expected in the first quarter of 2019 (+0.4%), driven by domestic demand, with an increase in households' consumption and investments and growth in exports.

However, in the second quarter the European Commission revised its estimates downwards to 1.2% for 2019 and 1.4% for 2020.

Unemployment on the other hand, which economists expected to see stagnate, eventually fell once again, to 7.7%, its lowest level since July 2008.

For 2020, the Commission foresees an acceleration in growth (+1.6% for the EU and +1.5% for the euro zone). But "downside risks to the outlook remain prominent" and could turn out to be more persistent than expected in the coming months.

Investments in out-of-town retail property

The economic stresses are reflected in the property market, where the trends discerned in 2018 have been confirmed in 2019: we are seeing brands clearly disconcerted by changes in consumer habits, and this inevitably has an adverse effect on investors, making them cautious and, to the extent that they invest in commercial real estate at all, they concentrate mainly on prime assets or sectors less affected by e-commerce, such as food.

Out-of-town retail sites, although highly diverse, have shown signs of resilience in this chaotic social and economic context and have been undergoing far-reaching structural changes for some years through the numerous developments that have come about in this asset class in the past ten years in continental Europe.

The most innovative concepts, often influenced by shopping centres codes, responding to the new modes of consumption, offering first-class services and sites in terms of transport and road infrastructure, are seeing good take-up and occupancy rates and managing to maintain satisfactory levels of rentals.

Yields on these prime retail parks, which have been at all-time lows since 2017, are still under pressure.

In contrast, less well located and ageing infrastructures are looked at less by brands, consumers and investors alike and are suffering reduced footfalls and increased vacancies.

Trends and prospects in Europe

The total area of retail parks in Europe in 2018 was 51 million m², most of it (45 million m²) in Western Europe.

Whereas retail parks were previously aimed at a specialist target group, more and more brands are showing interest in this type of format, the main attractions of which are moderate rentals, low operating costs, flexible retail units and large-scale sales formats likely to attract low-margin brands, which have been very dynamic in their development these past few years.

In Eastern Europe, the relative under-supply of retail-parks (45% of retail-parks are less than ten years old) and their ability to operate in relatively unattractive areas from the sales point of view (secondary towns) point to growth potential for this format.

In Western Europe, markets are mature; cities have their stock of retail square footage and some retail parks are obsolescent, particularly stand-alone centres dedicated to the sale of bulky products such as furniture, DIY, garden centres, etc.

The latest generation retail parks continue to develop, although demand in the UK is down and the uncertain outlook in France has led to lower volumes in the pipeline - and these two countries, together with Spain, are precisely the most dynamic ones.

In terms of development, some other trends are starting to appear, such as “co-renting” of sites, reinforcing zones by locating retail parks alongside major shopping centres, the creation of hybrid products, and mixed formats involving shopping centres and retail parks, such as Frey’s Shopping Promenade concept or the Apsys Group’s “Steel” centre, sometimes with residential units and hotels or a more pronounced presence of fitness centres, leisure activities and services.

Lastly, hypermarkets and other operators of large spaces are adapting their square footage and modifying their uses by creating smaller spaces for food & beverage, organic supermarkets, residential units, etc.

As regards the brands, while bricks and mortar retail will certainly never disappear and can even offer a growth solution for pure online players, at the same time those that do not adapt their stores quickly enough to the demands of the new consumer behaviours by making use precisely of the solutions offered by the new technologies are doomed to disappear.

Beyond the usual criteria they apply in selecting assets, such as location for example (visibility, accessibility, visitor numbers, etc.) investors must also be more and more demanding as to the nature of the occupants, welcoming brands that align themselves with these new consumer behaviours (effective omnichannel strategy, flexible delivery, customer loyalty programmes, customer identification with the values conveyed by the brand, convivial fit-out of stores, ease of payment, etc.).

Despite the continued growth of online sales, peripheral retail, apart from its accessibility so prized by car-borne shoppers and the improvement of its retail mix (food and beverage, leisure), still offers an economic low-cost alternative for brands, and their sites at the entrances of major cities remain a solution to the (extra) cost of the last mile with online sales.

Sources:

Jones Lang LaSalle – Property experts advising Ascencio
Business IMMO
Gondola



KEY FIGURES

(000EUR)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Investment value (excl. projects in development) [A]	646,172	642,266
Fair value (excl. projects in development)	622,894	619,029
Contractual rents [B]	42,433	41,593
Contractual rents including estimated rental value of unoccupied properties	43,631	42,726
Gross yield = [B] / [A]	6.57%	6.48%
Occupancy rate,%	97.3%	97.3%

At 30 September 2019 Ascencio held a portfolio of 101 properties spread among Belgium, France and Spain with a total surface of 409,157 m².

Its fair value¹ amounted to €622.9 million at 30 September 2019, compared with €619.0 million one year earlier.

	Surface (m ²)		Fair value (000EUR)	
	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Belgium	284,748	289,674	375,664	380,094
France	112,156	113,991	214,480	205,635
Spain	12,253	12,253	32,750	33,300
TOTAL	409,157	415,918	622,894	619,029

¹ Excl. projects in development.

Based on the contractual rents in force at 30 September 2019, average rents per m² stood at: €96 per m² in Belgium, €130 per m² in France and €159 per m² in Spain.

Investments during the financial year:

During the financial year, Ascencio made €10.3 million of investments. These mainly concerned the acquisition of 9 newly constructed commercial surfaces (4,350 m²) in the retail park “Le Parc des Drapeaux” in Caen.

Divestments during the financial year:

On 26 February 2019 Ascencio sold the Le Pontet retail park in France for an amount of €4 million not including duty. This retail park, with an area of 3,585 m², has an occupancy rate of 100% and is occupied by Basic-Fit, Pacific Pêche and the health food chain Satoriz.

On 24 June 2019 Ascencio also sold the Deurne site, a stand-alone of 3,980 m² which had been unoccupied for several years, for an amount of €2.5 million not including duty.

On 25 September 2019 Ascencio signed a commitment to sell the site occupied by a Carrefour Market (Mestdagh Group) in Gosselies. At 30 September 2019, this property was transferred to held-for-sale assets.

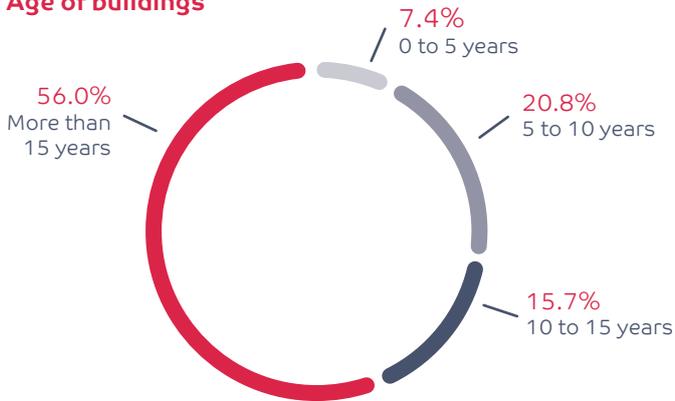
Change in value on a like-for-like basis:

On a like-for-like basis, the fair value of the property portfolio held steady (-0.01%) relative to 30 September 2018.



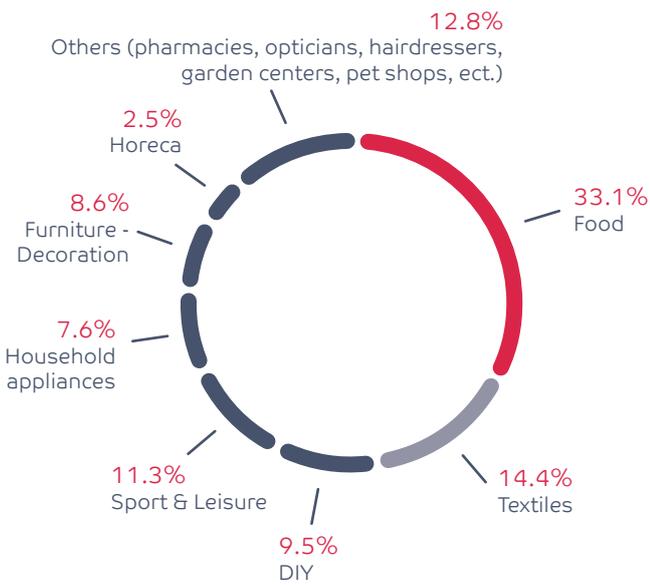


Age of buildings

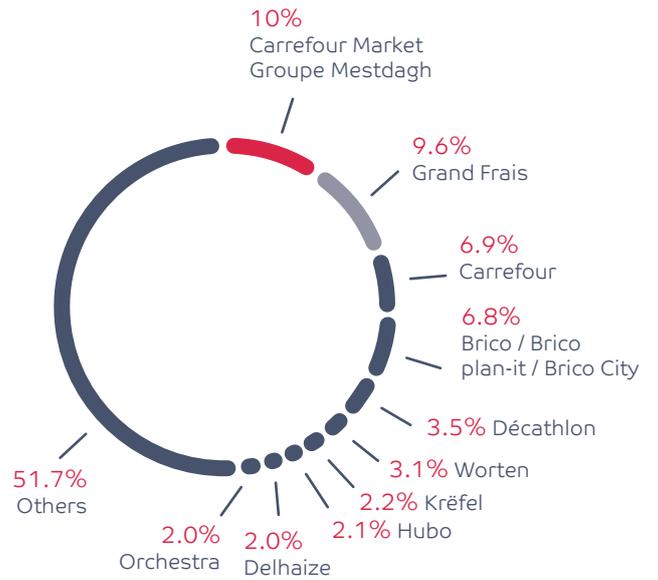


Breakdown of the property portfolio

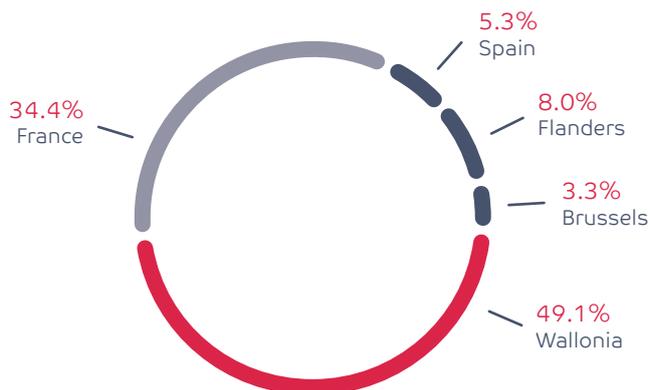
Breakdown by retail activity of tenants¹



Breakdown by brands¹



Geographical distribution²



¹ Distribution established on the basis of rentals received.

² Distribution established on the basis of fair value.

INSURED VALUE

In accordance with the B-REITs legislation, the Company and its subsidiaries subscribe appropriate insurance cover for all their properties. At 30 September 2019, the insured value represented 51% of the fair value of the portfolio¹. This cover conforms to the conditions usually applied in the market.

In order to avoid the risk of recourse, and to be able to benefit from advantageous premiums, the standard lease provides for the insurance policy on the asset to be subscribed by the lessor, with a mutual clause renouncing recourse and confirming that the premiums are to be passed on to the lessee.

In Belgium, the assets insured directly by Ascencio under a framework agreement are covered on the basis of new reconstruction value of the buildings, indexed each year to the ABEX index. Furthermore, a portion of the Belgian portfolio is insured directly by holders of emphyteuses and surface rights. The greater part of the premiums paid is re-invoiced to tenants.

In France, the assets insured directly by Ascencio under a framework agreement or directly by tenants in the case of Grand Frais are covered on the basis of the new reconstruction value of the buildings as determined by an expert based on real costs following loss. All premiums are for tenants' account.

In Spain, the assets are insured directly by the tenants on the basis of new reconstruction value of the buildings.

The following table shows the initial acquisition values, insured values, fair values and gross yields of Ascencio's various sub-portfolios of property assets.

¹ The difference relative to the fair value of the portfolio is due to the fact that land, car parks, cabling and in general, anything that is in the ground, is not insured. Furthermore, assets on which an emphyteusis has been granted are not included in the insured value.

	Acquisition value (000 EUR)	Insured value (000 EUR)	Fair value (000 EUR)	Gross yield
Belgium	337,866	211,368	375,664	6.77%
France	196,087	88,795	214,480	6.35%
Spain	27,693	17,581	32,750	5.76%
TOTAL	561,646	317,744	622,894	6.57%

OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT

The Company aims to develop and manage its property portfolio actively.

For this purpose, Ascencio has a team of nineteen people, two thirds of whom devote themselves to Ascencio's operating activity.

The **Development department** and the **Asset Management & Acquisitions department** are responsible for optimising the profitability of the assets. They implement and coordinate with the teams all actions aimed at maximising the value of the assets (works, redevelopment, repositioning, restructuring, re-establishing the lease valuation basis, (re) negotiating the leases, marketing, relations with key accounts, etc.) and also take charge of financial monitoring (business plan, forecast budgets, etc.). They also manage insurance and co-properties. They carry out the analysis and integration of new acquisitions.

The **Property Management department** is responsible for conserving and maximising the value of the assets. It establishes the budgets of charges, participates in the due diligence operations and establishes the reports. It defines the technical policy and establishes the renovation and maintenance plans, planning and budget. In certain cases the team is assisted on the ground by "external" suppliers, while still retaining responsibility for and coordination of this task. See hereunder. The Property Management department also provides inventories, takes charge of delivering properties and manages incidents.

The **Customer Services department** handles the rent administration of the assets, namely the administration of the database, (re)-invoicing and rental and lease contracts and in general ensures that tenants meet their contractual obligations

(rental guarantee, insurance, etc.). In coordination with the finance department, the Customer Services department monitors rental collections, issues reminders and follow-ups and assists in preparing pre-litigation and legal proceedings.

The **legal department** is the point of reference for all legal matters concerning real estate. Responsible for identifying risks and seeking solutions, it is the principal point of contact of the operational teams. To monitor and ensure compliance with regulatory constraints, the legal department is also responsible for drafting the various real estate contracts and managing conflicts.

Ascencio has established a **Marketing & Communication department** in order to disseminate Ascencio's image, implement the marketing strategy defined by the management, manage public relations and develop communication with our various stakeholders including through the use of digital means. The marketing department also takes charge of coordinating the marketing and communication of the retail parks.

Mainly because of their geographical distance, and for specific assignments, management of certain French retail parks is entrusted to specialist external suppliers. Depending on the particular case, the assignments entrusted consist of:

- rental, accounting and administrative management aimed at the proper execution of the tenants' contractual obligations deriving from the leases;
- technical and operational management of the sites aimed at optimising the functioning of the communal services and equipment;
- and providing any assistance that may be needed

for communication, marketing and sales.

Ascencio retains overall coordination, makes the decisions and assumes full responsibility for the assignments entrusted. The external managers are selected by means of a competitive bidding process. Contracts are generally for a limited duration and accompanied by Service Level Agreements allowing performance to be evaluated over the life of the contracts.

Ascencio’s external managers for France are:

- TERRANAE SAS, with its registered office at Place de la Défense 12, Courbevoie (92400), registered with the Nanterre Trade & Companies Registry under number 478.511.124;
- NEVEZ, SARL, with its registered office at Chemin Edouard Tavan, 8D, 1206 Geneva, registered with the Geneva Trade & Companies Registry under no. 117793/2012 and Federal no. CH-660-2690012-8;
- GOUNY & STARKLEY, SAS, with its registered office at Opéra - 7 Rue Meyerbeer, 75009 Paris, registered with the Paris Trade & Companies Registry under number 520.807.397.

In France, the external managers’ remuneration is partly proportional to the rentals received. The portion not re-invoiceable to tenants amounted to €106,000 incl. tax for the financial year ended 30 September 2019.

Ascencio’s external managers for Belgium are:

- PaM’s s.à.r.l., with its registered office at Avenue de Tervueren 197, Brussels 1150, registered with the Banque Carrefour des Entreprises under number 0686.856.010;

- SOCIÉTÉ DE DÉVELOPPEMENT IMMOBILIER-CONSEIL SA (Devimo-Consult for short), with its registered office at Avenue Jules Bordet 142, Brussels 1140, registered with the Banque Carrefour des Entreprises under number 0423.855.455;
- CUSHMAN & WAKEFIELD SNC, with its registered office at Avenue des Arts 56, Brussels 1000, registered with the Banque Carrefour des Entreprises under number 0418.915.383;
- Jacques Berns, a natural person, with his offices at Rue du Dolberg 15, Messancy 6780, registered with the Banque Carrefour des Entreprises under number 0724.427.474.

In Belgium, the external managers’ remuneration is partly proportional to the rentals received. The portion not re-invoiceable to tenants amounted to €38,000 incl. tax for the financial year ended 30 September 2019.



STANDARD COMMERCIAL LEASE

Ascencio generally enters into commercial lease agreements, preferably for a period of nine years, cancellable in accordance with legal requirements. Rentals are payable in advance at the beginning of each month or quarter. They are indexed each year on the anniversary of the lease agreement.

A provision for charges is stipulated in the lease agreement and adapted if necessary depending on consumption and costs actually incurred. A breakdown of actual charges is sent to tenants each year. Advance property levies and taxes are paid annually after notification to the tenant of the tax advice received by the landlord after any necessary breakdown.

A rental guarantee is required of the tenant in order to safeguard the interests of Ascencio and to guarantee compliance with the obligations imposed by the lease agreement. This guarantee, in the form of a bank guarantee payable on first demand or a deposit in guarantee, generally represents three months' rentals.

The formalisation of the lease includes drawing up and mutually agreeing an initial inventory. Ascencio also takes care of transferring the utility meters and registering the lease. Upon expiry of the lease, a final inventory is drawn up in order to assess the amount of any loss or damage.

The tenant may not assign the lease or sub-let the areas without Ascencio's prior agreement in writing. This is given only occasionally except in the case of major chains working either with so-called integrated stores or franchisees. In this case, the franchisor remains jointly and severally liable with its franchisees.

Commercial leases in Belgium are subject to the Law of 30 April 1951 on commercial leases. In France, the status of commercial leases is governed by the French Commercial Code. This Code has been amended by the so-called "Pinel Law". In Spain, commercial leases are subject to law 29/1994 of 24 November 1994, the Ley de Arrendamientos Urbanos or "Urban Lease Act", abbreviated as "LAU". However this law is merely supplementary to the parties' wishes, which prevail in Spain.

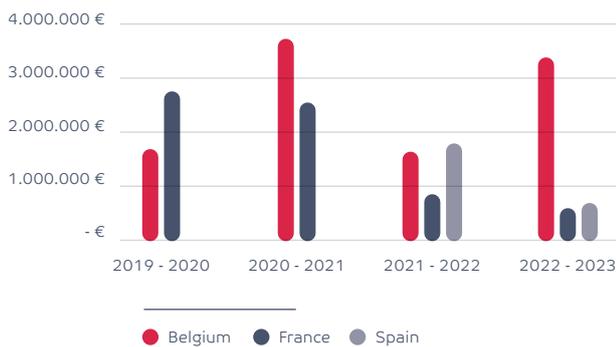
ESTIMATED RENTAL VALUE (ERV)

The estimated rental value (ERV) is the value as determined by independent property experts based on their knowledge of the property market taking account of various factors such as location, terms of leases, the quality of the property and market conditions.

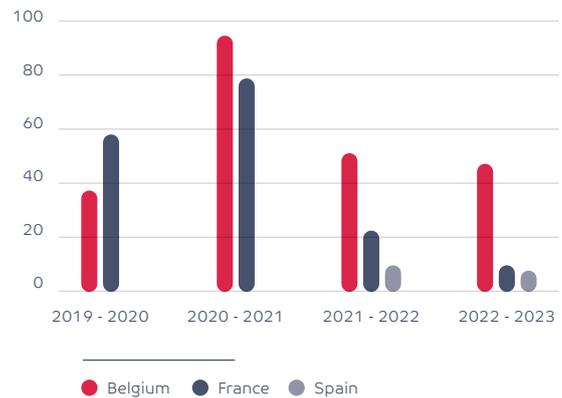
For further information on the valuation methods used by the independent property experts and the valuation process, please refer to the Nots to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

RESIDUAL DURATION OF AGREEMENTS

MATURITIES OF CONTRACTS AND FIRST POSSIBILITIES OF THREE-YEARLY TERMINATION WITH ASSOCIATED POTENTIAL LOSSES OF RENTAL INCOME



NUMBER OF CONTRACTS AFFECTED BY MATURITIES AND FIRST POSSIBILITIES OF THREE-YEARLY TERMINATION, BY COUNTRY

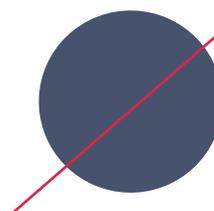


Maturity of Contracts:

The average durations calculated by country are the following:

- for Belgium: 8.4 years
- for France: 3.9 years
- for Spain: 10.5 years

ASCENCIO'S CONSOLIDATED PORTFOLIO¹



COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES IN BELGIUM - AVAILABLE TO LET

Sites (at 30/09/2019 all Belgian sites were held by Ascencio S.C.A.)	Description	Year of construction /renovation	Area	Contractual rent (€000s)	% occupancy	Contractual rent + ERV on vacant (€000s)	Estimated Rental Value (ERV) (€000s)
Aarschot (3200) Liersesteenweg 21	Property complex comprising two retail outlets	2000	2,955 m ²	278	100%	278	248
Andenne (5300) Avenue Roi Albert	Large food store forming part of a retail complex	2000	2,386 m ²	163	100%	163	179
Anderlecht (1070) Chaussée de Ninove 1024	Furniture retailer	1962	1,061 m ²	140	100%	140	101
Anderlecht (1070) Digue du Canal 112-113	Large food store	2018	1,977 m ²	265	100%	265	257
Auderghem (1160) Chaussée de Wavre 1130	Household appliance store	2006	1,810 m ²	288	100%	288	262
Berchem (2600) Fruithoflaan 85	Large food store	1971	2,685 m ²	251	100%	251	242
Bonnelles (4100) Route du Condroz 20-24	Building comprising several chains in a major retail centre	1995	3,000 m ²	526	100%	526	437
Bonnelles (4100) Rue de Tilff 114	Building comprising several chains in a major retail centre	2004	597 m ²	121	100%	121	103
Braine l'Alleud (1420) Place St Sébastien 15	Large food store	1978	1,525 m ²	96	100%	96	114

¹ Reporting the composition of the portfolio of property assets of Ascencio and its subsidiaries on an individual basis, or based on other criteria such as geography, sector or category of user or tenant is not justified.

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Bruges (8000) Legeweg 160	Retail area	1995	999 m ²	86	100%	86	80
Chapelle-lez-Herlaimont (7160) Rue de la Hestre 93	Large food store	1973	2,237 m ²	206	100%	206	179
Châtelet (6200) Rue de la Station 55	Large food store	1998	2,500 m ²	164	100%	164	175
Châtelineau (6200) Rue des Prés 45	Large food store	1993	1,924 m ²	114	100%	114	125
Châtelineau (6200) Rue du Trieu-Kaisin	Property complex comprising several chains in a major shopping centre	1990	23,183 m ²	2,371	100%	2,371	2,193
Couillet (6010) Chaussée de Philippeville 219	Shopping centre with several chains	1970	2,726 m ²	271	100%	271	246
Couillet (6010) Chaussée de Philippeville 304-317	Small retail outlets forming part of a shopping centre	1990	220 m ²	43	100%	43	39
Couillet (6010) Chaussée de Philippeville 329	Shopping centre with several chains	2014	17,077 m ²	2,062	100%	2,062	1,916
Courcelles (6180) Rue du 28 Juin	Large DIY store	2005	2,495 m ²	175	100%	175	176
Dendermonde (9200) Heirbaan 159	Large food store	1970	3,090 m ²	386	100%	386	201
Dendermonde (9200) Mechelsesteenweg 24	Building comprising a large food store and a DIY store	1983	4,356 m ²	400	100%	400	353
Frameries (7080) Rue Archimède 5	Large food store	1978	2,180 m ²	160	100%	160	153
Gembloux (5030) Avenue de la Faculté d'Agronomie 28	Building comprising two retail stores	1976	2,095 m ²	195	100%	195	178

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Gent Dampoort (9000) Pilorijstraat 20	Large food store	1960	2,889 m ²	317	100%	317	275
Genval (1332) Square des Papeteries	Shopping centre with several chains	2015	10,257 m ²	1,625	89%	1,832	1,716
Gerpennes (6280) Route de Philippeville 138	Shopping centre with several chains	2000	8,053 m ²	550	100%	550	519
Gerpennes (6280) Route de Philippeville 196	Large food store	1979	3,369 m ²	294	100%	294	335
Gerpennes Bultia (6280) Rue Neuve 182-184	Retail building comprising two chains	1988	1,511 m ²	137	100%	137	147
Ghlin (7011) Rue du Temple 23	Large food store	1975	1,957 m ²	154	100%	154	127
Gilly (6060) Chaussée de Ransart 252	Large food store	1989	2,725 m ²	249	100%	249	232
Gozée (6534) Rue de Marchienne 204A	Large food store	1977	2,431 m ²	183	100%	183	207
Hamme Mille (1320) Chaussée de Louvain 27	Shopping centre with several chains	2013	3,696 m ²	315	90%	351	334
Hannut (4280) Route de Huy 54	Shopping centre with several chains	1986	9,643 m ²	579	65%	895	916
Hannut (4280) Route de Landen 57	Property complex comprising three retail outlets	2000	3,431 m ²	365	100%	365	327
Hannut (4280) Route de Landen 51	Property complex comprising two retail outlets	2000	1,888 m ²	168	100%	168	189
Hoboken (2660) Sint Bernardsesteenweg 586	Large food store	1988	4,620 m ²	437	100%	437	347
Huy (4500) Quai d'Arona 19A	Commercial building	2002	1,969 m ²	185	100%	185	167

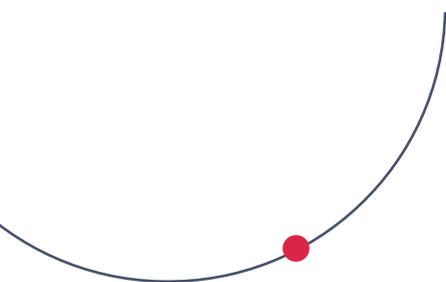
Sites (at 30/09/2019 all Belgian sites were held by Ascencio S.C.A.)	Description	Year of construction /renovation	Area	Contractual rent (€000s)	% occupancy	Contractual rent + ERV on vacant (€000s)	Estimated Rental Value (ERV) (€000s)
Jambes (5100) Rue de la Poudrière 14	Shopping centre with several chains	1986	2,760 m ²	206	100%	206	221
Jemappes (7012) Avenue Maréchal Foch 934	Shopping centre with several chains	1966	9,926 m ²	641	94%	681	586
Jemeppe Sur Sambre (5190) Rue Hittélet 143	Shopping centre with several chains	2006	1,553 m ²	146	100%	146	148
Jodoigne (1370) Rue du Piétrain 61A	Large food store	1987	2,245 m ²	150	100%	150	168
Jumet (6040) Rue de Dampremy 22	Large food store	1975	1,730 m ²	170	100%	170	130
Kortrijk (8500) Gentsesteenweg 50-56	Large food store	1965	2,309 m ²	229	100%	229	196
La Louvière (7100) Avenue de la Wallonie 5	Household appliance store	1991	1,000 m ²	98	100%	98	90
La Louvière (7100) Rue de la Franco Belge 28	Property complex comprising several chains in a major shopping centre	1990	24,758 m ²	2,572	100%	2,572	2,328
Laeken (1020) Rue Marie-Christine 185-191	Retail building comprising several chains	2001	1,638 m ²	294	100%	294	256
Lambusart (6220) Route de Fleurus et Wainage	Large food store	1976	2,600 m ²	127	100%	127	156
Leuze (7900) Avenue de l'Artisanat 1	Retail complex comprising household goods chains	2006	3,463 m ²	210	75%	279	259
Liège (4000) Rue du Laveu 2-8	Shopping centre comprising a retail outlet and a DIY store	1991	2,290 m ²	157	100%	157	160

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Loverval (6280) Allée des Sports 11	Retail complex notably including a DIY store	2002	5,621 m ²	457	100%	457	420
Marchienne au Pont (6030) Rue de l'Hôpital 3-5	Large food store	1976	2,010 m ²	150	100%	150	131
Messancy (6780) Route d'Arlon 220	Property complex comprising several chains in a major shopping centre	2001	19,482 m ²	784	81%	969	905
Morlanwelz (7140) Rue Pont du Nil 19	Shopping centre with several chains	2004	3,951 m ²	294	80%	367	338
Nivelles (1400) Rue du Tienne à Deux Vallées 6	Large food store	1983	3,308 m ²	248	100%	248	265
Ottignies (1340) Avenue Provinciale 127	Large food store	1984	2,127 m ²	166	100%	166	180
Philippeville (5600) Rue de France 47	Large food store	1989	1,677 m ²	193	100%	193	168
Philippeville (5600) Rue de Neuville 2	Household appliance store	2003	1,228 m ²	122	100%	122	114
Rocourt (4000) Chaussée de Tongres 269	Property complex comprising several chains in a major shopping centre	1990	7,367 m ²	578	100%	578	700
Saint-Vaast (7100) Rue Albert Dufrane 99	Large food store	1980	2,026 m ²	156	100%	156	142
Schelle (2627) Boomsesteenweg 35	Sports store	1993	5,375 m ²	554	100%	554	538
Sint Niklaas (9100) Stationstraat 16-24	Downtown retail spaces	1988	1,031 m ²	122	80%	152	154
Soignies (7060) Rue du Nouveau Monde 17	Large food store	1975	2,899 m ²	230	100%	230	246

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Sites (at 30/09/2019 all Belgian sites were held by Ascencio S.C.A.)	Description	Year of construction /renovation	Area	Contractual rent (€000s)	% occupancy	Contractual rent + ERV on vacant (€000s)	Estimated Rental Value (ERV) (€000s)
Tournai (7500) Rue de la Tête d'Or 22-24	Large food store	1958	2,713 m ²	499	100%	499	231
Trazegnies (6183) Rue de Gosselies 76	Large food store	1974	2,869 m ²	111	100%	111	201
Tubize (1480) Rue du Pont Demeur 2	Out-of-town retail complex comprising two outlets	2002	3,043 m ²	298	100%	298	285
Turnhout (2300) Korte Gasthuistraat 38	Large food store	1966	2,503 m ²	501	100%	501	288
Uccle (1180) Avenue de Fré 82	Shopping arcade located on major thoroughfare	1970	4,170 m ²	341	80%	425	415
Walcourt (5650) Rue de la Forge 34	Large food store	2004	1,680 m ²	148	100%	148	143
Waremme (4300) Chaussée Romaine 189	Large food store	2003	2,043 m ²	140	100%	140	174
Wavre (1300) Avenue des Princes 9	Large food store	1986	2,358 m ²	177	100%	177	224
TOTAL RETAIL SITES, BELGIUM			277,270 m²	25,586	96.1%	26,627	24,752





COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES IN FRANCE - AVAILABLE TO LET

Sites (at 30/09/2019 all Belgian sites were held by Ascencio S.C.A.)	Description	Year of construction /renovation	Area	Contractual rent (€000s)	% occupancy	Contractual rent + ERV on vacant (€000s)	Estimated Rental Value (ERV) (€000s)
Bourgoin Jallieu (38300) Rue Edouard Branly 1 (held by SCI La Pierre de l'Isle)	Property complex comprising three retail outlets	1975	4,961 m ²	465	100%	465	465
Brives Charensac (43700) Av. Charles Dupuy 127 (held by SCI Candice Brives)	Large food store	2006	1,576 m ²	257	100%	257	255
Chalon sur Saône (71100) Rue René Cassin (held by SCI Les Portes du Sud)	Retail park	2010	11,675 m ²	1,371	98%	1.401	1.353
Chanas (38150) Lieu dit Les Etises (held by SCI du Rond Point)	Property complex comprising two retail outlets	1997	1,750 m ²	114	100%	114	114
Chasse-sur-Rhône (38670) Lieu dit les Charneveaux - Rue Pasteur (held by SCI du Rond Point)	Large food store	2002	1,394 m ²	315	100%	315	285
Choisey (39100) Rue du Mail - Zone Le Paradis (held by SCI Seynod Barral)	Large food store	2005	1,510 m ²	323	100%	323	320
Clermont Ferrand (63100) Rue Keppler 1 (held by SCI Clermont Saint Jean)	Large food store	2006	1,538 m ²	309	100%	309	302
Cormontreuil (51350) Avenue des Goisses (held by the French branch)	Retail park	2008	13,471 m ²	1.460	100%	1,460	1,356

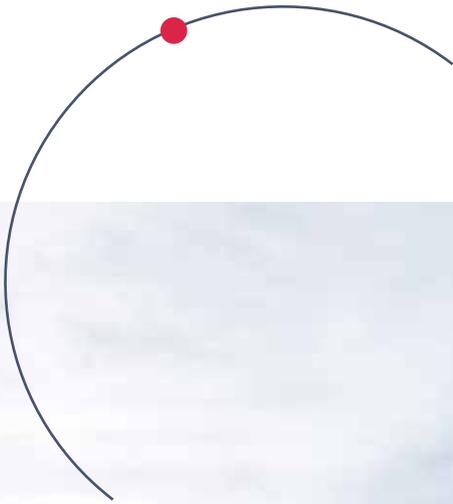


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Sites (at 30/09/2019 all Belgian sites were held by Ascencio S.C.A.)	Description	Year of construction /renovation	Area	Contractual rent (€000s)	% occupancy	Contractual rent + ERV on vacant (€000s)	Estimated Rental Value (ERV) (€000s)
Crêches-sur-Saône (71150) ZAC des Bouchardes (held by the French branch)	Retail park	2009	11,618 m ²	1,241	91%	1,368	1,325
Crêches-sur-Saône (71150) ZAC des Bouchardes (held by SCI Les Halles de Crêches)	Large food store	2009	1,403 m ²	193	100%	193	192
Echirolles (38130) Avenue de Grugliasco 13 (held by SCI Echirolles Grugliasco)	Large food store	2006	1,742 m ²	337	100%	337	337
Essey-lès-Nancy (57270) ZAC du Tronc qui Fume (held by SCI ZTF Essey les Nancy)	Large food store	2007	1,460 m ²	225	100%	225	225
Guyancourt (78280) Route de Dampierre et rue Denis Papin (held by SCI GFDI 37 Guyancourt)	Large food store	2015	1,794 m ²	564	100%	564	546
Houdemont (54180) Avenue des Erables 6 (held by the French branch)	Household appliance store	2014	7,000 m ²	666	100%	666	650
Isle d'Abeau (38080) ZAC St Hubert - Secteur les Sayes (held by SCI La Pierre de l'Isle)	Large food store	2006	1,226 m ²	250	100%	250	250
Isle d'Abeau (38080) ZAC St Hubert - Secteur les Sayes (held by SCI La Pierre de l'Isle)	Property complex comprising two retail outlets	2013	1,050 m ²	151	100%	151	151
Le Cannet (06110) Boulevard Jean Moulin 17-21 (held by SCI Cannet Jourdan)	Large food store	2007	1,408 m ²	269	100%	269	267

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Le Creusot (71200) Avenue de la République 83 (held by SCI Harfleur 2005)	Large food store	2006	1,545 m ²	214	100%	214	187
Lozanne (69380) Lieudit Vavre (held by SCI Les Halles de Lozanne)	Large food store	2010	1,585 m ²	232	100%	232	232
Marsannay-La-Côte (21160) Allée du Docteur Lépine (held by SCI de la Cote)	Large food store	2010	1,649 m ²	272	100%	272	272
Nîmes (30900) Route de Saint Gilles 1245 (held by SCI du Mas des Abeilles)	Large food store	2003	1,511 m ²	220	100%	220	215
Rots (14980) Delle de la Croix (held by the French branch)	Retail park	2011 & 2016	23,979 m ²	2,838	100%	2,838	2,748
Saint Aunès (34130) Rue des Tamaris 200 (held by SCI Saint Aunès Retail Parc)	Retail park	2012	9,726 m ²	1,239	100%	1,239	1,194
Seynod Barral (74600) ZI de Vovray - Avenue Zanaroli 18 (held by SCI Seynod Barral)	Large food store	2004	1,062 m ²	206	100%	206	206
Seyssins (38180) Rue Henri Dunant 2 (held by SCI Kevin)	Large food store	1992	1,195 m ²	197	100%	197	197
Teste de Buch (33260) Avenue de Binghampton (held by SCI GFDI 62 La Teste de Buch)	Large food store	1997	1,922 m ²	324	100%	324	324
Viriat (01440) Rue du Plateau (held by SCI Viriat la Neuve)	Large food store	2009	1,406 m ²	178	100%	178	178
TOTAL RETAIL SITES, FRANCE			112,156 m²	14,430	98.9%	14,587	14,146





COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES IN SPAIN - AVAILABLE TO LET

Sites (at 30/09/2019 all Belgian sites were held by Ascencio S.C.A.)	Description	Year of construction /renovation	Area	Contractual rent (€000s)	% occupancy	Contractual rent + ERV on vacant (€000s)	Estimated Rental Value (ERV) (€000s)
Sant Boi (08830, Barcelona) Centro Comercial Sant Boi - C/Hortells, 6-8	Retail area	2003	3,479 m ²	623	100%	623	631
San Sebastián de los Reyes (28703, Madrid) Centro Comercial Megapark Plaza del Comercio, 2	Retail area	2002	3,683 m ²	756	100%	756	794
Aldaia (46960, Valencia) Parque Comercial Bonaire Carretera N-III, Km. 345	Retail area	2005	5,091 m ²	569	100%	569	500
TOTAL RETAIL SITES, SPAIN			12,253 m²	1,948	100.0%	1,948	1,925

NON-COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES - AVAILABLE TO LET

Sites (at 30/09/2019 all Belgian sites were held by Ascencio S.C.A.)	Description	Year of construction /renovation	Area	Contractual rent (€000s)	% occupancy	Contractual rent + ERV on vacant (€000s)	Estimated Rental Value (ERV) (€000s)
BELGIQUE							
Dendermonde (9200) Mechelsesteenweg 24	Vacant offices	1983	375 m ²	-	-	-	-
Gosselies Aéroport (6041) Avenue Jean Mermoz	Semi-industrial buildings and offices	1992	6,807 m ²	449	100%	449	374
Hannut (4280) Route de Huy 54	Apartments	1986	296 m ²	19	100%	19	18
TOTAL OTHERS BELGIUM			7,478 m²	468	100.0%	468	391

TOTAL PORTFOLIO	409,157 m²	42,432	97.3%	43,630	41,215
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COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES - HELD-FOR-SALE ASSETS

Sites (at 30/09/2019 all Belgian sites were held by Ascencio S.C.A.)	Description	Year of construction /renovation	Area	Contractual rent (€000s)	% occupancy	Contractual rent + ERV on vacant (€000s)	Estimated Rental Value (ERV) (€000s)
Gosselies (Belgique)	Large food store	1972	1,323 m ²	72	100%	72	79
TOTAL COMMERCE			1,323 m²	72	0%	72	79

The following assets and property complexes each represent more than 5% of the consolidated assets of the Company and its subsidiaries:

- The Châtelineau retail park (Belgium). The main tenants are Decathlon, Brico Plan-it, Quick and Tournesol.
- The La Louvière retail park (Belgium). The main tenants are Brico Plan-it, Sportsdirect.com, Leenbakker and McDonald's.

- The Couillet Bellefleur retail park (Belgium). The main tenants are Krefel, Orchestra, Action, Luxus Maniet and Ava Papier.

- The Caen retail park (France). The main tenants are Decathlon, Kiabi, Darty, Intersport, Foirfouille and Gémó.

The Company does not hold any property complex representing more than 20% of its consolidated assets.

EXPERTS' REPORT¹

Brussels, 30th September 2019

Dear Sir, Dear Madam,

In accordance to the article 47 of the law of 12 May 2014 on the Belgian Real Estate Investment Trusts (SIR/GVV), you asked Jones Lang LaSalle, CBRE and Cushman & Wakefield to value the buildings situated in Belgium, France and Spain and belonging to the BE-REIT.

Our mission has been realized in complete independence.

In accordance with established practice, our mission has been realized based on the information communicated by Ascencio regarding rental condition, charges and taxes carried by the lessor, work to be realized, as well as all other elements that might influence the value of the buildings. We suppose this information to be exact and complete. As stated explicitly in our valuation reports, this does not include in any way the valuation of structural and technical quality of the building, nor an analysis of the presence of any harmful material. These elements are known by Ascencio, that manages its portfolio in a professional manner and carries a technical and juridical due diligence before the acquisition of each building.

Every building has been visited by the experts. The details of our calculations, our comments on the real estate market and the conditions of our engagement are put in attachment. The experts work with the software "Circle Investment Valuer" or Excel.

¹ Letter from the property experts of 30 September 2019 reproduced verbatim with their agreement.

The investment value can be defined as the estimated amount for which a property should exchange on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's length transaction after proper marketing wherein the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion.

The experts have adopted two different methods: the "Term and Reversion" method and the "Hardcore" method. Besides, they also did a control in terms of price per m².

According to the "Term and Reversion" method, the capitalization of the revenues considers the actual revenue until the end of the current contract, and then takes the estimated rental value in perpetuity. According to the "Hardcore" method, the estimated rental value is capitalized in perpetuity before looking at adjustments that consider surfaces that are rented below or above their rental value, void, etc.

The yield, used for both methods, represents the expected yield for investors for this kind of properties. It reflects the intrinsic risks of the good and the sector (future void, credit risk, maintenance obligations, etc.). To determine this yield, experts based themselves on the most comparable transactions and current transactions in their investment department.

When there are unusual factors or specific factors applicable to a property, corrections will be applied (important renovations, non-recoverable costs...).

The sale of a property is in theory subjected to transaction costs. This amount depends among others on the method of transfer, the type of buyer and the geographic location of the property. This

amount is known once the sale is closed. In Belgium, as independent real estate experts we can admit that based on a representative sample of transactions in the market between 2002 and 2005 (and recently revised for the period 2013-2016), the weighted average of the costs (average of the transaction costs) was 2.5% (for goods with a net value superior to €2,500,000). The Belgian properties are considered as a portfolio.

The transaction costs for buildings located in France is 1.8% when the building is less than 5 years old and 6.9% otherwise.

Based on the remarks in previous paragraphs, we confirm that the investment value of the real estate portfolio of Ascencio on the 30th of September 2019 amounts to:

€647,039,830

(Six hundred forty-seven million thirty-nine thousand eight hundred thirty euro)



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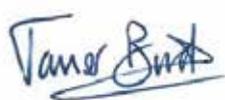
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This amount takes into account the value attributed to the buildings valued by the companies CBRE, Jones Lang LaSalle and Cushman & Wakefield.

After deduction of respectively 2.5% for buildings located in Belgium (average rate of transaction costs defined by the experts of the BE-REITS), 1.8%/6.9% for building located in France and 2.5% for buildings located in Spain, as transaction cost on the investment value, we obtain a Fair Value of:

€623,741,106

(Six hundred twenty-three million seven hundred forty-one thousand one hundred six euro)

This amount takes into account the value attributed to the buildings valued by the companies CBRE, Jones Lang LaSalle and Cushman & Wakefield.

We stay at your entire disposition if any questions about the report would remain. In the meantime, we offer you our kind salutations.

SUMMARY OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CONSOLIDATED RESULTS FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2018/2019

CONSOLIDATED RESULTS (€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
RENTAL INCOME	41,585	40,954
Rental related charges	-225	50
Taxes and charges not recovered	-162	-120
PROPERTY RESULT	41,198	40,884
Property charges	-3,585	-2,575
Corporate overheads	-3,807	-4,383
Other income and operating costs	73	-15
OPERATING RESULT BEFORE RESULT ON PORTFOLIO	33,879	33,912
Operating margin¹	81.5%	82.8%
Financial income	0	0
Net interest charges	-4,376	-6,370
Other financial charges	-388	-410
Taxes	-488	-404
EPRA EARNINGS	28,628	26,728
Net gains and losses on disposals of investment properties	963	-15
Change in the fair value of investment properties	-399	4,141
Other result on the portfolio	0	0
Portfolio result	564	4,126
Change in fair value of financial assets and liabilities	-8,570	3,292
Exit Tax	969	0
Taxes on net gains and losses on disposals of investment properties	0	0
Deferred tax	-242	-122
NET RESULT	21,348	34,024
EPRA EARNINGS PER SHARE	4.34	4.05
EARNINGS PER SHARE (EPS)	3.24	5.16
NUMBER OF SHARES	6,595,985	6,595,985

¹ Alternative Performance Measure (APM). See glossary at the end of the financial report.

Rental income for the year was up by 1.5% at €41.58 million compared with €40.95 million for the previous financial year.

The following table shows rental income by country:

RENTAL INCOME (€000s)	30/09/2019		30/09/2018	
Belgium	25,435	61%	25,240	62%
France	14,224	34%	13,803	34%
Spain	1,926	5%	1,912	5%
TOTAL	41,585	100%	40,954	100%

On a like-for-like basis, rental income on the whole portfolio was up by 0.6%. By country, the change on a like-for-like basis was as follows:

- Belgium: +0.5%
- France: +0.8%
- Spain: +0.7%

The **property result** amounted to €41.2 million (+0.8% compared to 30 September 2018).

After deduction of property charges and corporate overheads, **the operating result before result on portfolio** was €33.88 million (€33.91 million for the year to 30 September 2018). **The operating margin**² came to 81.5%.

The decline in general expenses for the year ended 30 September 2019 relative to the previous year is linked to due diligence costs of a major investment project studied during the third quarter of the previous financial year which did not come to fruition. These non-recurring costs had amounted to €0.82 million.

Net interest charges, including the cash flows generated by interest rate hedging instruments, amounted to €4.38 million (- 31.3% compared to 30 September 2018).

² Alternative Performance Measure (APM).
See glossary at the end of the financial report.

The **average cost of debt**² (1.87% including margins and the cost of hedging instruments) was down significantly compared with the year ended 30 September 2018 (2.69%).

Thanks to the interest rate hedging policy put in place, the Group's hedging ratio is currently 87% and based on the current level of debt it will be above 80% for the next five financial years.

After deduction of the tax charge on French and Spanish assets, **EPRA Earnings** amounted to €28.63 million for the year to 30 September 2019, which was 7.1% more than in the year ended 30 September 2018.

Non-monetary items in the income statement comprised

- - €0.4 million representing the change in fair value of investment properties (IAS 40);
- - €8.6 million increase in the fair value of interest rate hedging instruments (IFRS 9);
- - €0.2 million of deferred taxation (5% withheld at source) on unrealised capital gains on French assets.

Net result came to €21.35 million, compared with €34.02 million for the year ended 30 September 2018.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2019

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
ASSETS	635,806	631,258
Investment properties	622,894	619,029
Other non-current assets	1,736	2,193
Assets held for sale	847	0
Trade receivables	4,107	4,307
Cash and cash equivalents	4,650	4,027
Other current assets	1,573	1,703
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	635,806	631,258
Equity	363,124	364,026
Non-current financial debts	165,742	132,772
Other non-current liabilities	14,689	6,898
Deferred tax	903	3,357
Current financial debts	81,430	114,698
Other current liabilities	9,918	9,508
DEBT RATIO (*)	40.5%	40.8%

(*) Calculated in accordance with the Royal Decree of 13 July 2014, as amended by the Royal Decree of 23 April 2018, on B-REITs.

Assets

At 30 September 2019, investment property was measured at its fair value (as defined by IAS 40) for an amount of €622.9 million. This represents 98.0% of consolidated assets, of which

- €375.7 million for properties located in Belgium;
- €214.5 million for properties located in France;
- €32.8 million for properties located in Spain.

Equity & Liabilities

Financial debt amounted to €247.2 million (compared with €247.5 million at 30 September 2018), of which

- €165.7 million at more than one year;
- €81.4 million at less than one year.

Financial debts at less than one year consisted of

- an amount of €50.0 million in commercial paper issued under a €50.0 million programme put in place in June 2016 with a view to reducing the Company's average cost of financing;
- €31.4 million in credit lines expiring during financial year 2018/2019.

The Company's debt ratio stood at 40.5% at 30 September 2019 as against 40.8% at 30 September 2018.

At 30 September 2019, Ascencio still had investment capacity of some €121 million before reaching the 50% debt ratio threshold (before appropriation of profit).

PROPERTY PORTFOLIO AT 30 SEPTEMBRE 2019

The fair value of the property portfolio stood at €622.9 million at 30 September 2019, compared with €619.0 million at 30 September 2018.

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF THE PERIOD	619,029	613,317
Acquisitions	10,304	4,930
Disposals	-5,192	-3,359
Transfer from assets held for sale	-847	0
Change in fair value	-399	4,141
BALANCE AT THE END OF THE PERIOD	622,894	619,029

Investments during the financial year

During the year Ascencio acquired nine newly constructed retail areas representing a total of 4,350 m², in the “Parc des Drapeaux” retail park in Caen (France), where it already held 19,629 m².

This investment, totalling €10 million, enables Ascencio to strengthen its control of the retail park, which rises from 60% to more than 70% of the retail areas, and to welcome some new strong brands, namely Marie Blachère, Celio, Jennyfer, Krys, Promod, Vertbaudet, Tape à l’Oeil, Armand Thiery and Besson Chaussures. This transaction generates indexed gross annual income for Ascencio of close to €558,000.

The Parc des Drapeaux, next to the Cora hypermarket, to the west of Caen (Rots), has an occupancy rate of 100%. Ever since its opening in 2011 it has been a great commercial success and attracted sustained interest on the part of numerous brands.

Divestments during the financial year

On 26 February 2019 Ascencio sold the Le Pontet retail park in France for an amount of €4 million not including duty. This retail park, with an area of 3,585 m², has an occupancy rate of 100% and is occupied by Basic-Fit, Pacific Pêche and the health food chain Satoriz.

On 24 June 2019 Ascencio also sold the Deurne site (Belgium), a stand-alone of 3,980 m² which had been unoccupied for several years, for an amount of €2.5 million not including duty.

On 25 September 2019 Ascencio signed a promise to sell the site occupied by a Carrefour Market (Mestdagh Group) in Gosselies (Belgium). At 30 September 2019, this property was transferred to “held-for-sale assets”.

These three sales were carried out as part of Ascencio’s investment switching policy.

Change in value on a like-for-like basis

On a like-for-like basis, the fair value of the property portfolio held steady (-0.01%) relative to 30 September 2018.

Geographical distribution of the portfolio

At 30 September 2019, the breakdown of the portfolio (not counting development projects) among the three countries in which Ascencio operates was as follows:

COUNTRY	INVESTMENT VALUE (000 EUR)	FAIR VALUE (%) (000 EUR)	CONTRACTUAL RENTS (000 EUR)	OCCUPANCY RATE (%)	GROSS YIELD (%)	
Belgium	385,080	375,664	60.3%	26,054	96.2%	6.77%
France	227,240	214,480	34.4%	14,431	98.9%	6.35%
Spain	33,852	32,750	5.3%	1,949	100.0%	5.76%
TOTAL	646,172	622,894	100%	42,433	97.3%	6.57%

At 30 September 2019, the occupancy rate of the portfolio stood at 97.3%, unchanged from that of 30 September 2018.

CONSOLIDATED DATA PER SHARE

	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
NUMBER OF SHARES		
Weighted average number of shares	6,595,985	6,595,985
Total number of existing shares	6,595,985	6,595,985
CONSOLIDATED RESULT PER SHARE (EUROS)		
EPRA EARNINGS per share (euros)	4.34	4.05
Earnings per share (EPS) (euros)	3.24	5.16
	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Net asset value (NAV) (€000s)	363,124	364,026
NAV per share (euros)	55.05	55.19
Restatements		
Deferred tax (€000s)	903	3,357
Fair value of hedging instruments (IRS and CAP) (€000s)	12,800	4,238
Net asset value (NAV) EPRA (€000s)	376,827	371,620
Number of shares	6,595,985	6,595,985
Net asset value (NAV) EPRA per share (euros)	57.13	56.34

APPROPRIATION OF PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR

The Board of Directors will propose to the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of 31 January 2020 that it approve the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2019 (a summary of which is given in the section headed “Summary of the annual statutory accounts” in this Annual

Report) and the distribution of a gross dividend of €3.50 per share.

Based on this proposal, the net statutory profit would be appropriated as shown in the following table:

PROPOSED APPROPRIATION (€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
A NET RESULT	21,348	34,024
B TRANSFERS TO/FROM RESERVES	-1,738	11,598
1. Transfer to/from reserves of net change in fair value of property assets (-/+)	-399	4,141
- accounting financial year	-399	4,141
- previous financial years	0	0
- realisation of property assets	0	0
2. Transfer to/from reserves of transaction costs resulting from hypothetical disposal of investment properties (-/+)	0	0
3. Transfer to reserve for changes in fair value of authorised hedging instruments to which IFRS hedge accounting is applied (-)	0	0
4. Transfer from reserve for changes in fair value of authorised hedging instruments to which IFRS hedge accounting is applied (+)	0	0
5. Transfer to reserve for changes in fair value of authorised hedging instruments to which IFRS hedge accounting is not applied (-)	-8,570	3,292
- accounting financial year	-8,570	3,292
- previous financial years	0	0
6. Transfer from reserve for changes in fair value of authorised hedging instruments to which IFRS hedge accounting is not applied (+)	0	0
- accounting financial year	0	0
- previous financial years	0	0
7. Transfers to/from reserves of net differences on conversion of monetary assets and liabilities (-/+)	0	0
8. Transfers to/from reserves of fiscal latencies related to investment properties abroad (-/+)	0	0
9. Transfers to/from reserves of the received dividends aimed at the reimbursement of financial debts (-/+)	0	0
10. Transfers to/from reserves	7,230	4,165
11. Transfer to/from the result carried forward of the previous years	0	0
C REMUNERATION OF CAPITAL (ART. 13, SECTION 1, PARA. 1)	20,048	12,334
D REMUNERATION OF CAPITAL - OTHER THAN C	3,038	10,093

In this way the Statutory Manager aims to maintain a dividend distribution policy based on the EPRA Earnings of the Company.

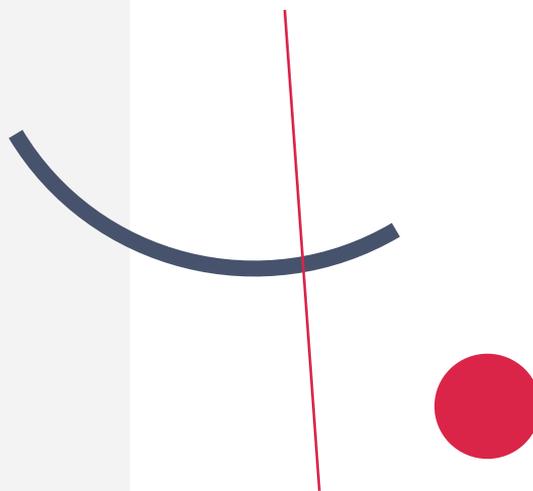
	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2017
EPRA Earnings per share (euros)	4.34	4.05	4.04
Gross dividend ¹ per share	3.50	3.40	3.30

¹ For 2018/2019, this concerns the dividend proposed to the General Meeting of Shareholders to be held on 31 January 2020.

The proposed dividend complies with the provisions of Article 13, section 1, para. 1 of the Royal Decree of 13 July 2014 on B-REITs:

OBLIGATION TO DISTRIBUTE AS PER ROYAL DECREE OF 13 JULY 2014, AS AMENDED BY THE ROYAL DECREE OF 23 APRIL 2018, ON B-REITS	30/09/2019 (000 EUR)	30/09/2018 (000 EUR)
STATUTORY NET RESULT	21,348	34,024
(+) Depreciation	64	61
(+) Reductions in value	138	-24
(+/-) Other non-monetary items (Change in value of financial interests)	-1,595	-3,358
(+/-) Other non-monetary items (Change in value of financial instruments)	8,570	-3,292
(+/-) Other non-monetary items	0	0
(+/-) Net gains/(losses) on disposals of property assets	-963	15
(+/-) Change in fair value of property assets	1,995	-783
= CORRECTED RESULT (A)	29,557	26,643
(+/-) Capital gains and losses realised ^(*) on property assets during the financial year	-4,496	-3,749
(-) Capital gains realised ^(*) on property assets during the financial year, exonerated from the distribution obligation, subject to reinvestment within 4 years	0	0
(+) Capital gains realised on property assets earlier, exonerated from the distribution obligation and not reinvested within 4 years	0	0
= NET CAPITAL GAINS ON THE REALISATION OF PROPERTY ASSETS NON-EXONERATED FROM THE DISTRIBUTION OBLIGATION (B)	-4,496	-3,749
TOTAL (A + B) x 80%	20,048	18,315
(-) REDUCTION IN BORROWINGS	0	-5,982
OBLIGATION TO DISTRIBUTE	20,048	12,334
AMOUNT DISTRIBUTED	23,086	22,426
% DISTRIBUTED OF CORRECTED RESULT (A)	78.11%	84.17%

(*) Relative to the acquisition value plus capitalised renovation costs.



The following table shows equity not distributable under Article 617 of the companies code:

	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Paid-up capital, or if greater, subscribed capital (+)	38,659	38,659
Share premium account unavailable for distribution according to the Articles of Association (+)	253,353	253,353
Reserve for the positive balance of changes in fair value of property assets (+)	51,236	47,086
Reserve for estimated transaction costs resulting from hypothetical disposal of investment properties (-)	-10,049	-10,221
Reserve for changes in fair value of authorised hedging instruments to which IFRS hedge accounting is not applied (+/-)	-13,021	-4,451
Equity not distributable under Article 617 of the companies code	320,178	324,427
Statutory equity after distribution	339,873	341,435
Remaining margin after distribution	19,695	17,008

E P R A

EPRA (the European Public Real Estate Association) is the voice of Europe's publicly traded real estate sector, representing more than 270 members and over €450 billion in real estate assets.

EPRA publishes recommendations for defining the main performance indicators applicable to listed real-estate companies. These recommendations are included in the report entitled "EPRA Reporting: Best Practices Recommendations Guidelines" ("EPRA Best Practices"). This report is available on the EPRA website (www.epra.com).

Since October 2017 Ascencio has been part of this move to standardise financial reporting with a view to improving the quality and the comparability of the information for investors.

On 11 September 2019 Ascencio received the **"EPRA Gold Award"** for its 2018/2019 annual financial report.



EPRA KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

		30/09/2019	30/09/2018
1	EPRA Earnings (000 EUR) Earnings from operational activities	28,628	26,728
	EPRA Earnings per share (EUR)	4.34	4.05
2	EPRA NAV (000 EUR) Net Asset Value adjusted to include properties and other investment interests at fair value and to exclude certain items not expected to crystallise in a long-term investment property business model	376,827	371,620
	EPRA NAV per share (EUR)	57,13	56,34
3	EPRA NNNAV (000 EUR) EPRA NAV adjusted to include the fair values of financial instruments, debt and deferred taxes	361,205	363,043
	EPRA NNNAV per share (EUR)	54.76	55.04
4	EPRA Net Initial Yield (NIY) Annualised rental income based on the cash rents passing at the balance sheet date, less non-recoverable property operating expenses, divided by the market value of the property, increased with (estimated) purchaser's costs	6.15%	6.15%
5	EPRA Topped-up NIY This measure incorporates an adjustment to the EPRA NIY in respect of the expiration of rent-free periods or other unexpired lease incentives such as discounted rent periods and step rents	6.21%	6.22%
6	EPRA Vacancy Rate Estimated Market Rental Value (ERV) of vacant space divided by ERV of the whole portfolio	2.91%	2.76%
7	"EPRA Cost Ratio (including direct vacancy costs)" Administrative & operating costs (including costs of direct vacancy) divided by gross rental income	18.53%	17.20%
8	"EPRA Cost Ratio (excluding direct vacancy costs)" Administrative & operating costs (excluding costs of direct vacancy) divided by gross rental income	17.68%	16.37%

These data are not compulsory according to the RREC regulation and are not subject to verification by public authorities. The auditor verified (through a limited review) whether these data EPRA are calculated according to the definitions included in the EPRA

Best Practices Recommendations Guidelines and whether the financial data used in the calculation of these figures comply with the accounting data included in the audited consolidated financial statements.

EPRA EARNINGS

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
EARNINGS (OWNERS OF THE PARENT) PER IFRS INCOME STATEMENT	21,348	34,024
ADJUSTMENTS TO CALCULATE EPRA EARNINGS	7,279	-7,296
(i) Change in value of investment properties, development properties held for investment and other interests	399	-4.141
(ii) Profits or losses on disposal of investment properties, development properties held for investment and other interests	-963	15
(iii) Profits or losses on disposal of trading properties including impairment charges in respect of trading properties	0	0
(iv) Tax on profits or losses on disposals	0	0
(v) Negative Goodwill / Goodwill impairment	0	0
(vi) Change in fair value of financial instruments and associated close-out costs	8,570	-3.292
(vii) Acquisition costs on share deals and non-controlling joint venture interests (IFRS 3)	-969	0
(viii) Deferred tax in respect of EPRA adjustments	242	122
(ix) Adjustments (i) to (viii) above in respect of joint ventures	0	0
(x) Non-controlling interests in respect of the above	0	0
EPRA EARNINGS (OWNERS OF THE PARENT)	28,628	26,728
Number of shares	6,595,985	6,595,985
EPRA EARNINGS PER SHARE (EPRA EPS - €/SHARE)	4.34	4.05

EPRA NET ASSET VALUE (NAV)

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
NAV PER THE FINANCIALS STATEMENTS (OWNERS OF THE PARENT)	363,124	364,026
Number of shares	6,595,985	6,595,985
NAV PER THE FINANCIALS STATEMENTS (€/SHARE) (OWNERS OF THE PARENT)	55.05	55.19
Effect of exercise of options, convertibles and other equity interests (diluted basis)	0	0
DILUTED VAN, AFTER THE EXERCISE OF OPTIONS, CONVERTIBLES AND OTHER EQUITY INTERESTS	363,124	364,026
Include		
(i) Revaluation of investment properties	0	0
(ii) Revaluation of investment properties under construction	0	0
(iii) Revaluation of other non-current investments	0	0
Exclude		
(iv) Fair value of financial instruments	12,800	4,238
(v.a) Deferred tax	903	3,357
(v.b) Goodwill as a result of deferred tax	0	0
Include/exclude		
Adjustments (i) to (v) in respect of joint venture interests	0	0
EPRA NAV (OWNERS OF THE PARENT)	376,827	371,620
Number of shares	6,595,985	6,595,985
EPRA NAV PER SHARE (€/SHARE) (OWNERS OF THE PARENT)	57.13	56.34

EPRA TRIPLE NET ASSET VALUE (NNNAV)

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
EPRA NAV (OWNERS OF THE PARENT)	376,827	371,620
Include	-15,621	-8,577
(i) Fair value of financial instruments	-12,800	-4,238
(ii) Fair value of debt	-1,918	-983
(iii) Deferred tax	-903	-3,357
EPRA NNNAV (OWNERS OF THE PARENT)	361,205	363,043
Number of shares	6,595,985	6,595,985
EPRA NNNAV PER SHARE (€/SHARE) (OWNERS OF THE PARENT)	54.76	55.04

EPRA NET INITIAL YIELD (NIY) AND EPRA TOPPED-UP NIY

(€000s)	30/09/2019			TOTAL
	Belgium	France	Spain	
Investment properties in fair value	375,664	214,480	32,750	622,894
Properties held for sale (+)	847	0	0	847
Developments (-)	0	0	0	0
PROPERTIES AVAILABLE FOR LEASE	376,511	214,480	32,750	623,741
Allowance for estimated purchasers' costs (+)	9,437	12,760	1,102	23,299
GROSS UP COMPLETED PROPERTY PORTFOLIO VALUATION	385,948	227,240	33,852	647,040
Annualised cash passing rental income (+)	25,702	14,431	1,949	42,081
Property outgoings ¹ (-)	-1,790	-528	0	-2,318
ANNUALISED NET RENTS	23,912	13,903	1,949	39,763
Add notional rent expiration of rent free periods or other lease incentives (+)	352	72	0	424
TOPPED-UP NET ANNUALISED RENT	24,264	13,974	1,949	40,188
EPRA NIY (%)	6.20%	6.12%	5.76%	6.15%
EPRA TOPPED-UP NIY (%)	6.29%	6.15%	5.76%	6.21%

(€000s)	30/09/2018			TOTAL
	Belgium	France	Spain	
Investment properties in fair value	380,094	205,635	33,300	619,029
Properties held for sale (+)	0	0	0	0
Developments (-)	0	0	0	0
PROPERTIES AVAILABLE FOR LEASE	380,094	205,635	33,300	619,029
Allowance for estimated purchasers' costs (+)	9,540	12,577	1,121	23,237
GROSS UP COMPLETED PROPERTY PORTFOLIO VALUATION	389,634	218,212	34,421	642,266
Annualised cash passing rental income (+)	25,383	13,942	1,970	41,296
Property outgoings ¹ (-)	-1,447	-368	0	-1,815
ANNUALISED NET RENTS	23,936	13,574	1,970	39,480
Add notional rent expiration of rent free periods or other lease incentives (+)	298	181	0	479
TOPPED-UP NET ANNUALISED RENT	24,234	13,755	1,970	39,959
EPRA NIY (%)	6.14%	6.22%	5.72%	6.15%
EPRA TOPPED-UP NIY (%)	6.22%	6.30%	5.72%	6.22%

¹ The scope of the real-estate charges to be excluded for calculating the EPRA Net Initial Yield is defined in the EPRA Best Practices and does not correspond to "real-estate charges" as presented in the consolidated IFRS accounts.

EPRA VACANCY RATE

(€000s)	30/09/2019			
	Belgium	France	Spain	TOTAL
Estimated rental value (ERV) of vacant space	1,042	157	0	1,198
Estimated rental value (ERV) of total portfolio	25,143	14,145	1,926	41,214
EPRA VACANCY RATE (%)	4.14%	1.11%	0.00%	2.91%

(€000s)	30/09/2018			
	Belgium	France	Spain	TOTAL
Estimated rental value (ERV) of vacant space	1,062	70	0	1,132
Estimated rental value (ERV) of total portfolio	25,190	13,823	1,976	40,989
EPRA VACANCY RATE (%)	4.22%	0.51%	0.00%	2.76%

Over the last 12 months, the EPRA vacancy rate has increased in France (from 0.51% to 1.11%), following the departure of a tenant and has slightly decreased in Belgium (from 4.22% to 4.14%) mainly explained by the relocation of several rental vacancy.

PROPERTIES UNDER CONSTRUCTION OR IN DEVELOPMENT

(€000s)	30/09/2019						
	Cost to date	Costs to completion	Future interest to be capitalised	Forecast total cost	Forecast completion date	Lettable space (m ²)	ERV on completion
PROPERTIES BEING CONSTRUCTED OR DEVELOPED	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

(€000s)	30/09/2018						
	Cost to date	Costs to completion	Future interest to be capitalised	Forecast total cost	Forecast completion date	Lettable space (m ²)	ERV on completion
PROPERTIES BEING CONSTRUCTED OR DEVELOPED	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

EPRA COST RATIOS

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
ADMINISTRATIVE/OPERATING EXPENSE LINE PER IFRS STATEMENT	-7,706	-7,042
Rental-related charges	-225	50
Recovery of property charges	0	0
Rental charges and taxes normally paid by tenants on let properties	-180	-176
Other revenue and expenditure relating to rental	18	56
Technical costs	-1,164	-635
Commercial costs	-103	-124
Charges and taxes on unlet properties	-354	-337
Property management costs	-1,432	-1,163
Other property charges	-531	-315
Corporate overheads	-3,807	-4,383
Other operating income and charges	73	-15
EPRA COSTS (INCLUDING DIRECT VACANCY COSTS)	-7,706	-7,042
Charges and taxes on unlet properties	354	337
EPRA COSTS (EXCLUDING DIRECT VACANCY COSTS)	-7,352	-6,705
GROSS RENTAL INCOME	41,585	40,954
EPRA COST RATIO (INCLUDING DIRECT VACANCY COSTS) (%)	18.53%	17.20%
EPRA COST RATIO (EXCLUDING DIRECT VACANCY COSTS) (%)	17.68%	16.37%

Expenses incurred on works carried out on investment properties are charged to the property operating result if they do not add to the economic benefits. They are capitalised if they add to the expected economic benefits.

Outside the above-mentioned work expenses, Ascencio does not capitalize corporate overheads or operating charges.

The increase in technical costs result from the increased number of renovation works (roofs, car parks) carried out during the financial year. The decrease in general expenses is mainly due to due diligence and structuring costs of a major investment project studied during the third quarter of the financial year which did not come to fruition. These non-recurring costs amounted to €0.82 million.

EPRA
CAPEX

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Investments relating to investment properties		
(1) Acquisitions	10,000	2,785
(2) Development	0	1,341
(3) Like-for-like portfolio	427	804
(4) Others	0	0
TOTAL	10,427	4,930

Expenses incurred on works carried out on investment properties are charged to the property operating result if they do not add to the economic benefits. They are capitalised if they add to the expected economic benefits.

During the financial year, Ascencio made €10.4 million of investments. These mainly concerned

- €10.0 million for the acquisition of 9 newly constructed commercial surfaces in the retail park “Le Parc des Drapeaux” in Caen (France);
- €0.4 million for the remodeling of 2 existing commercial surfaces and the demolition/rebuilding of a commercial surface on the site of Hannut (Belgium).

All investments are made by entities that are 100% owned by Ascencio (there are no joint ventures).



ASCENCIO ON THE STOCK EXCHANGE

Ascencio's stock (ASC) has been listed on Euronext Brussels since 2007. It forms part of the BEL Mid Index.

KEY FIGURES

	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2017
Total number of shares	6,595,985	6,595,985	6,497,594
Number of shares listed	6,595,985	6,595,985	6,497,594
Highest price (euros)	57.60	61.13	64.93
Lowest price (euros)	45.60	49.50	57.55
Closing price at 30/09 (euros)	56.60	51.00	61.25
Stock market capitalisation ⁽¹⁾	373,332,751	336,395,235	397,977,633
Net asset value IFRS per share (euros)	55.05	55.19	53.29
Net asset value EPRA per share (euros)	57.13	56.34	54.95
Premium (+) Discount (-) ⁽²⁾	-0.9%	-9.5%	11.5%
Annual volume	1,338,307	801,200	1,022,891
Velocity	20.3%	12.1%	15.7%
Gross dividend per share (euros) ⁽³⁾	3.50	3.40	3.30
Gross yield ⁽⁴⁾	6.2%	6.7%	5.4%
Pay out ratio as compared to the corrected result ⁽⁵⁾	78.1%	84.2%	81.6%

¹ Based on the closing price at 30/09.

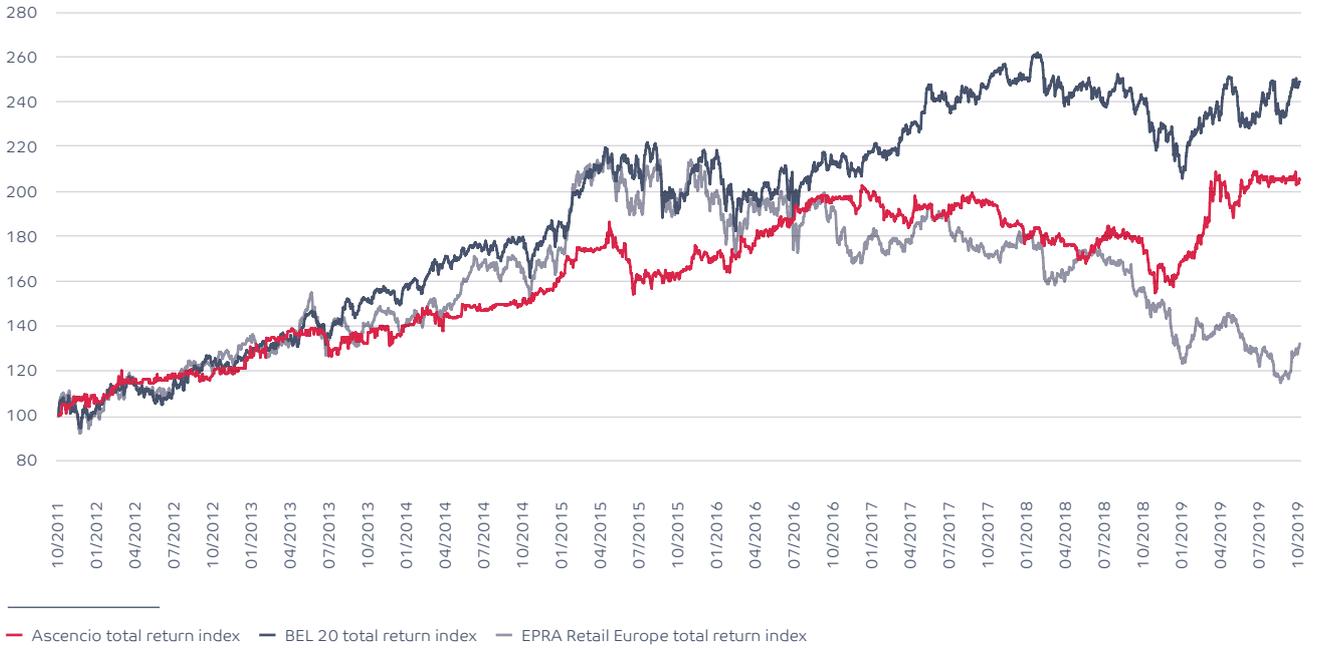
² Based on the closing price at 30/09, as compared to the Net asset value EPRA per share.

³ For 2018/2019, this concerns the dividend proposed to the General Meeting of Shareholders to be held on 31 January 2020.

⁴ Based on the closing price at 30/09.

⁵ Corrected result as defined in art.13, section 1, para. 1 of the Royal Decree of 13 July 2014, as amended by the Royal Decree of 23 April 2018, on B-REITs.

EVOLUTION OF ASCENCIO'S TOTAL RETURN INDEX COMPARED WITH THOSE OF THE BEL 20 AND EPRA RETAIL EUROPE



TRENDS IN SHARE PRICE, VOLUMES AND (IFRS) NET ASSET VALUE



DIVIDEND POLICY

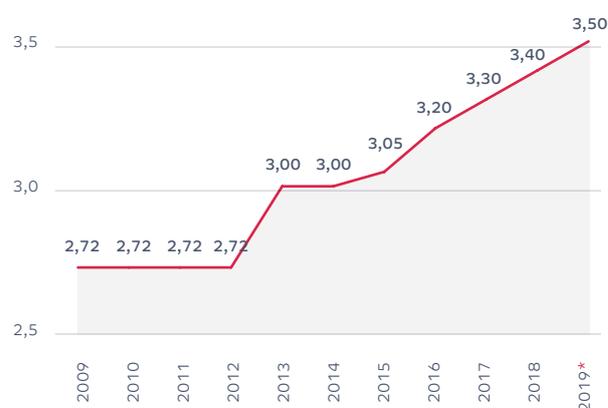
Obligation to distribute dividend

In accordance with the Royal Decree of 13 July 2014 as amended by the Royal Decree of 23 April 2018, on B-REITs, these companies are obliged to distribute at least 80% of the sum of corrected result and net capital gains on the realisation of non-exempt property assets. However, the net decrease in debt during the period may be deducted from the amount to be distributed.

Dividend

The Board will propose to the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of 31 January 2020 that it approve the distribution of a gross dividend of €3.50 per share.

Growth in gross dividend per share



* For 2018/2019, this concerns the dividend proposed to the General Meeting of Shareholders to be held on 31 January 2020.

SHAREHOLDING

Based on the declarations of transparency recorded at 30 September 2019, the shareholding of Ascencio is as follows:

AG Finance SA	12.10%
Carl, Eric and John Mestdagh and Fidagh SA	9.49%
Free float	78.41%
TOTAL	100.00%

SHAREHOLDERS' DIARY¹

Ordinary general meeting	31 January 2020 at 2.30 p.m.
Interim statement as at 31 December 2019	6 March 2020
Semi-annual financial report as at 31 March 2020	12 June 2020
Interim statement as at 30 June 2020	7 August 2020
Annual press release as at 30 September 2020	27 November 2020
Ordinary general meeting	29 January 2021 at 2.30 p.m.

¹ These dates are subject to change. Any changes will be announced to shareholders by press release or on Ascencio's website (www.ascencio.be).

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE DECLARATION

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CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

This corporate governance declaration is made under the provisions of the 2009 Belgian Code on Corporate Governance¹ (the “2009 Code”) and the Law of 6 April 2010 amending the Companies Code².

Ascencio strives to comply with the 2009 Code of ethics, but has concluded that the application of certain principles or lines of conduct in the Code is not appropriate to its particular structure.

Ascencio’s consideration of its governance is constantly evolving and the Company would like to give a snapshot evaluation on this subject. Ascencio’s rules of governance take account of the specific organisational characteristics of B-REITs, the form

chosen by Ascencio, the close ties it intends to keep with its reference shareholders and its small size, while at the same time preserving its independence.

The corporate governance charter describes the main aspects of corporate governance of Ascencio SCA and of its Statutory Manager, Ascencio SA It can be consulted on the Company’s website: www.ascencio.be.

The Charter is completed by the following documents, which form an integral part of it:

- the internal regulations of the Audit Committee;
- the internal regulations of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee;
- the internal regulations of the Investment Committee;
- the remuneration policy.

Once the Company has adopted the “new” Companies and Associations Code³ and in any case not later than 1 January 2024, this Declaration will conform to it. In any case the Company already complies with the imperative provisions of the new Code.

The “new” Code of Corporate Governance or “2020 Code” will come into force on 1 January 2020.

¹ The 2009 Belgian Code on Corporate Governance is available at: <http://www.corporategovernancecommittee.be> or in the Moniteur Belge (official Belgian state gazette).

² Law of 6 April 2011 aimed at strengthening the corporate governance of listed companies and autonomous public enterprises and amending the system of professional prohibitions in the banking and finance sector, published in the Moniteur Belge (Official State Gazette) no. 22709 of 23 April 2011.

³ Law of 23 March 2019, published in the Moniteur Belge of 4 April 2019.

- SCI Saint Aunès Retail Parc *
- SCI Echirolles Grugliasco *
- SCI du Mas des Abeilles *
- SCI Kevin *
- SCI Harfleur 2005 *
- SCI Clermont Saint Jean *
- SCI de la Cote *
- SCI ZTF Essey les Nancy *
- SCI La Pierre de l'Isle *
- SCI Candice Brives *
- SCI Cannet Jourdan *
- SCI du Rond Point *
- SCI Seynod Barral *
- SCI Les Halles de Lozanne *
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- SCI Les Portes du Sud *
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- SCI GFDI 37 Guyancourt *
- SCI GFDI 62 La Teste de Buch *



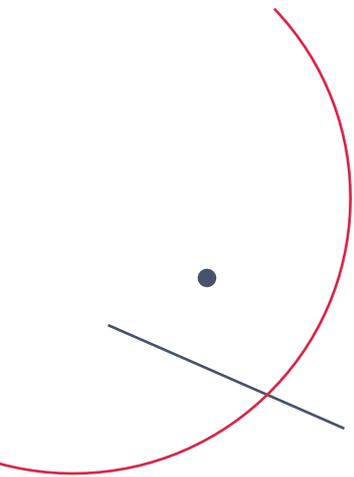
- **Belgium**
- France
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- Spain

MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE OF THE COMPANY

Ascencio SCA is established in the form of a corporate partnership limited by shares, whose statutory manager and general partner is the public limited company Ascencio SA. The limited partners are shareholders. They assume joint and several liability up to the amount of their participation only.

Ascencio’s corporate governance structure comprises:

- the shareholders, limited partners;
- the management bodies, namely:
 - the Statutory Manager of Ascencio SCA: Ascencio SA;
 - the Board of Directors;
 - the specialist committees of the Board of Directors: the Audit Committee, the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and the Investment Committee;
 - the dirigeants effectifs (“effective managers”) of the Company.



● **The shareholders
Limited partners**



● **The B-REIT
Ascencio SCA**

● **Carl, Eric and
John Mestdagh
100%**



● **The Statutory Manager
Ascencio SA
General partner**

SHAREHOLDING STRUCTURE

All shareholders of Ascencio SCA are treated in exactly the same way, and the Company respects their rights.

Shareholders have access to the “Investors” section of the website, where they can find all the information needed to take informed decisions. They can also download the documents needed to take part in voting in the Company’s General Meetings of Shareholders.

At 30 September 2019 the share capital stood at €39,575,910 represented by 6,595,985 ordinary shares fully paid up. Each share confers one vote in the General Meeting of Shareholders. There are no preferred shares.

In accordance with the conditions, time frames and methods stipulated by the Law of 2 May 2007 on the publication of significant shareholdings in issuers whose shares are admitted to trading on a

regulated market, each natural or legal person who directly or indirectly acquires or sells shares in the Company conferring voting rights must inform the Company and the FSMA of the number and percentage of voting rights held following such acquisition or sale whenever the voting rights associated with the shares in that person’s possession exceed or cease to exceed the legal threshold of 5%. The Company has not established a statutory threshold lower than the legal one⁴.

The Company’s obligations and shareholders’ rights regarding the General Meeting of Shareholders, its calling and participation in voting, are set out extensively in the “Investors” section of Ascencio’s website (www.ascencio.be). This information remains accessible on the website.

The shareholding of Ascencio SCA is as follows according to the transparency declarations recorded at the end of the reporting period:

⁴ Article 16 of the Articles of Association of Ascencio SCA.

AG Finance SA	12.10%	798,224
Carl, Eric et John Mestdagh et Fidagh SA	9.49%	625,809
Free float	78.41%	5,171,952
TOTAL	100%	6,595,985

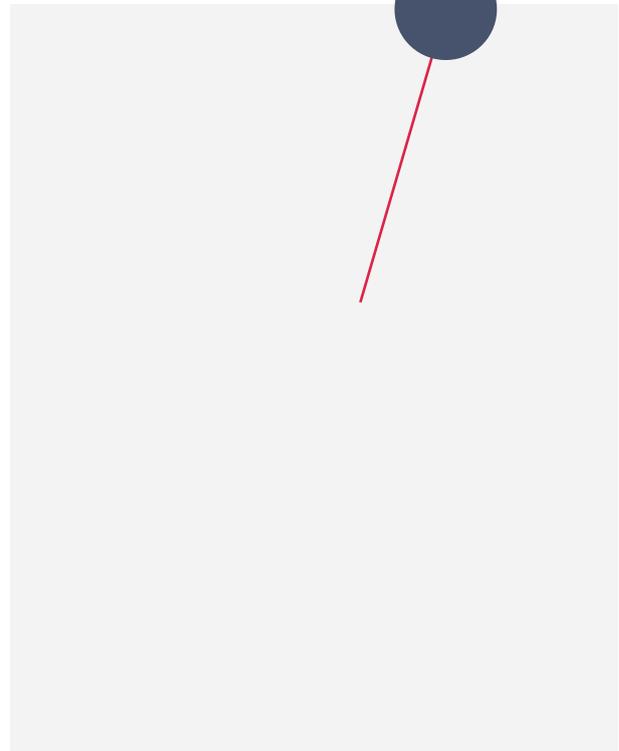
THE STATUTORY MANAGER AND ITS BODY: THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

In accordance with the Articles of Association, as Statutory Manager, Ascencio SA is empowered, in particular:

- to perform such acts as may be necessary or conducive to the fulfilment of the corporate object of Ascencio SCA;
- to draw up on the Company's behalf the interim statements, the annual and half-yearly financial reports and any prospectus or document publicly offering securities of the Company in accordance with the applicable legal and regulatory framework;
- to appoint the property experts in accordance with applicable legislation on the Company's behalf;
- to increase the Company's authorised capital and to acquire shares in the Company or take them in guarantee on its behalf;
- to carry out any transactions with the purpose of bringing about an interest of the Company, by means of merger or otherwise, in any businesses having the same corporate object as that of the Company.

Resolutions of the Company's General Meeting of Shareholders, including amendments to the Articles of Association, are valid only if passed with the Manager's agreement.

In accordance with the Companies Code, Ascencio SA is represented in Ascencio SCA by a permanent representative, Vincent H. Querton. The permanent representative is responsible for implementing the resolutions passed by the Statutory Manager's Board of Directors in the name and on behalf of the Company.



Responsibilities of the Board of Directors

The functions and powers of the Manager of the Company are performed by the Board of Directors of Ascencio SA or under its responsibility.

The Board of Directors of the Statutory Manager is responsible for performing all such acts as may be necessary or conducive to the fulfilment of the corporate object of Ascencio SCA, and in particular:

- taking important decisions, notably those regarding strategy, investments and divestments, quality and occupancy of properties, financial conditions, long-term financing; approving the operating budget; and deciding on any initiatives submitted to the Board of Directors;
- putting in place the structures and procedures necessary for the Company's smooth operation and shareholders' trust, notably mechanisms for preventing and managing conflicts of interest and internal control mechanisms; dealing with conflicts of interest;

- approving the annual accounts and drawing up the semi-annual accounts of Ascencio SCA; drawing up the Management Report to the General Meeting of Shareholders; approving merger projects; ruling on the use of authorised capital and calling Ordinary and Extraordinary General Meetings of Shareholders;
- keeping a close watch on the rigour, accuracy and transparency of communications to shareholders, financial analysts and the public, e.g. prospectuses, annual and half-yearly reports and press releases;
- making sure the reference shareholders make judicious use of their position and ensuring dialogue between the promoters and Ascencio, complying with rules of corporate governance.

In addition to carrying out its general responsibilities described above, the Board of Directors of the Statutory Manager also pronounced on various matters during the past financial year, including notably:

- the Company's strategy;
- organisation of the property department;
- the Company's financing and hedging policy;
- investment cases.

Functioning of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of the Statutory Manager meets at least four times a year when called by the Chairman. Additional meetings are held in accordance with the Company's requirements. During the past financial year the Board of Directors of Ascencio SA met six times.

All resolutions of the Board of Directors relating to the management of Ascencio SA and, for as long as it is the Statutory Manager of the Company, relating to the management of the Company, are passed by simple majority vote of Directors present or duly represented, and in the event of one or more absences, by a majority of the remaining Directors. In the event of a tie, the Chairman of the Board does not have a casting vote.

During the past financial year the Board of Directors carried out a self-assessment and an assessment of its committees.

This assessment pursues several objectives:

- to assess the operation and composition of the Board and its committees;
- to check to see whether important matters are appropriately prepared, documented, discussed and addressed;
- to assess the degree of constructive contribution and the attendance record of each Director.



Composition of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is composed of at least three directors: The directors of Ascencio SA are nominated in compliance with the principles summarised hereunder:

- the Board is composed of a majority of non-executive directors;
- the Board is composed of at least three independent directors in the meaning of the Belgian Companies Code and Corporate Governance Code;
- the Board is composed of a majority of directors not linked to the property developers;
- the Board is composed of a majority of directors not linked to shareholders (other than property developers):

For as long as AG Insurance SA (“AGI”), a company forming part of the Ageas Group, of which AG Real Estate (“AGRE”) also forms part, holds shares in Ascencio SCA representing at least 8% of the total shares issued, the Board of Directors shall include two directors nominated by AGRE. This number will be reduced to one if the shares held by AGI should represent less than 8% but at least 5% of the total shares issued.

The downward crossing of these thresholds shall entail the right to require the resignation of one of the AGRE-nominated directors or of the only such director as the case may be.

The nomination and remuneration committee, composed of two independent directors and the Chairman of the Board, sees to it that a permanent balance is maintained among the executive director, the independent non-executive directors and the other non-executive directors, while at the same time taking account of the principles of continuity and diversity.

The Board of Directors regularly evaluates, on the initiative of the nomination and remuneration committee, its size and composition taking account of the size of the B-REIT and its shareholding and making sure there is an appropriate distribution of skills.

Directors are appointed for a term of four years and may be re-elected. Their appointment may be revoked at will without compensation.

The Chairman of the Board of Directors

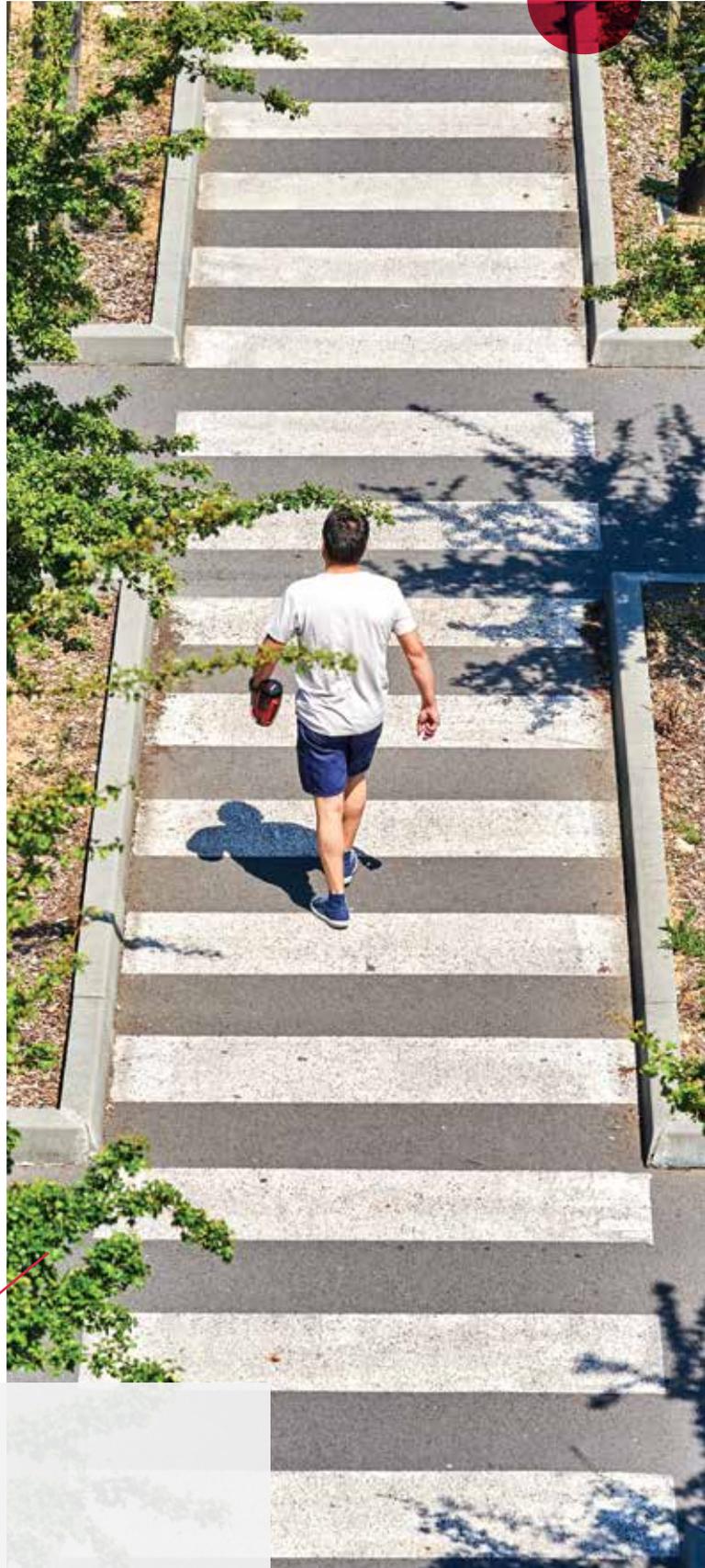
The Board of Directors elects its Chairman from among the directors nominated by Carl, Eric and John Mestdagh. The office of Chairman of the Board is performed by Carl Mestdagh.

The Chairman takes the necessary steps to develop a climate of trust within the Board of Directors, contributing to open discussions, the constructive expression of divergent views and compliance with the decisions taken by the Board of Directors. He establishes the agenda for meetings after consulting with the CEO and the effective managers and sees to it that the procedures relating to the preparation, discussion, taking and execution of decisions are correctly applied.

More specifically, the Chairman of the Board of Directors:

- will be entrusted with specific assignments associated with the B-REIT’s strategy and development;
- will establish close relations, depending on each case, with the CEO and the effective managers, providing them with support and advice while respecting their executive responsibilities;
- may at any time require from the CEO and effective managers a report on all or part of the Company’s activities;

- will organise the meetings of the Board of Directors; will establish the calendar and agenda of Board meetings, in consultation with the CEO and the effective managers if necessary;
- will prepare, chair and direct meetings of the Board of Directors and make sure that the documents are distributed before the meetings so as to give recipients time to study them;
- will oversee and ensure the quality of interaction and ongoing dialogue at Board level;
- may at any time, without having to move from his office, obtain access to the books, correspondence, minutes and in general all the B-REIT's documents; in performing his functions, he may require from the B-REIT's directors, executives and employees all such explanations or information and carry out all such checks as he may deem necessary;
- will chair and direct the General Meetings of Shareholders of the B-REIT and ensure that they are efficiently run.



The Directors



Carl Mestdagh,
Chairman of the Board of Directors, non-executive

Equilis Europe SA, Avenue Jean-Mermoz 4/1, 6041 Gosselies

Carl Mestdagh⁵ is Chairman of the Board of Directors of Mestdagh SA, CEO of Equilis SA and Chairman of the Board of Directors of Equilis Europe SA. After studying management and tax, Carl Mestdagh placed his property skills mainly at the service of companies linked to the Mestdagh group.

Start of mandate: May 2008⁶
End of term: June 2021



Serge Fautré,
Vice-Chairman

AG Real Estate SA, Avenue des Arts 58, 1000 Brussels

Serge Fautré joined AG Real Estate as CEO in May 2012. He had previously been CEO of Cofinimmo (March 2002

– April 2012). Before that he had held positions with Belgacom, JP Morgan, Glaverbel and Citibank, having started his professional career in New York with J. Henry Schroder Bank and Trust Company. He holds a degree in economic sciences (UCL 1982) and a Master's in Business Administration (University of Chicago 1983). He also holds a diploma from the Dartmouth Executive Program 2009.

Start of mandate: June 2012
End of term: June 2021

⁵ As a private individual or via the SPRL CAI.

⁶ Previously performed his functions as a natural person or through an SPRL (private limited liability company).



Vincent H. Querton,
CEO, executive

Ascencio SCA, Avenue Jean-Mermoz 4/1, 6041 Gosselies

Vincent H. Querton holds a law degree and an MBA from INSEAD-CEDEP, Fontainebleau. Vincent H. Querton has recognised experience in the banking and real estate sectors in Belgium and abroad. In particular he was Senior Vice President with Fortis Real Estate from 1996 to 2002 and then worked for Jones Lang Lasalle (JLL) from 2003 to February 2017 as International Director and CEO Benelux.

Start of mandate: October 2017
End of term: June 2021



Benoît Godts,
non-executive Director

AG Real Estate SA, Avenue des Arts 58, 1000 Brussels

Benoît Godts holds a position in the Corporate Finance, Participations and Funds team of AG Real Estate. After studying law at UCL (1983), he held various positions of responsibility in the Bruxelles-Lambert Group. He joined the Bernheim-Comofi property group in 1992 as Secretary General, going on to develop real estate certificate transactions and participating in the creation of the B-REIT Befimmo.

Start of mandate: May 2008
End of term: November 2018



Amand-Benoît D'Hondt,
non-executive Director
AG Real Estate SA, Avenue
des Arts 58, 1000 Brussels

Amand-Benoît D'Hondt has an international career behind him with wide experience of legal affairs and real estate. He has been Head of Corporate Finance, Funds, Alternative & Healthcare Investments with AG Real Estate since 2015. Amand-Benoît D'Hondt started his career in 2001 as a lawyer in the Corporate and Real Estate departments of Allen & Overy. From 2013 to 2015 he was COO & General Counsel of DTH Capital, a joint-venture between Eastbridge and AG Real Estate in New York. Amand-Benoît D'Hondt holds a master's degree in law from the University of Louvain, an MBA from the Vlerick Business School and an LLM from Columbia University.

Start of mandate: December 2018
End of term: June 2022



Olivier Beguin,
non-executive Director
Equilis Europe SA – Avenue
Jean-Mermoz 4/1, – 6041
Gosselies

Olivier Beguin is CEO of Equilis Europe, a property development company. Olivier Beguin started out as a consultant at Fortis before moving on to head various projects within Arcelor International in Europe and Iran. He joined Equilis in 2006. Olivier Beguin is a UCL management and commercial engineering graduate and holds an MBA from the Vlerick Business School.

Start of mandate: March 2018
End of term: June 2022



Yves Klein,
independent
non-executive Director
Rue du Rond-Point 16, 6110
Montigny-le-Tilleul

Yves Klein has an MBA from Liège University and has been active in the field of banking since 1984. He has held various positions, first with CBC, then with Dexia from 1999 to 2013 as manager of Corporate Banking for Wallonia. He is currently a member of the Management Committee of CPH.

Start of mandate: July 2009
End of term: June 2021



Laurence Deklerck,
independent
non-executive Director
Avenue des Chênes 19/A,
1180 Uccle

Having graduated in law from the Free University of Brussels in 1980, Laurence Deklerck has been a barrister specialising in tax matters at the Brussels Bar since 1981. She is also a member of the Tax Committee of the French Order of Lawyers of the Brussels Bar, Associate Professor at the EPHEC business school and head of courses of the EMI (Executive Master Immobilier) programme at the ICHEC business school in Brussels.

Start of mandate: January 2015
End of term: June 2021



Patrick Tacq,
independent
non-executive Director
 Zwanenlaan 28 - 2610 Wilrijk

Patrick Tacq holds a law degree from the Free University of Brussels (1982) and is the founder of Zurich-based advisory firm Shalita GmbH. After obtaining a master's degree from the George Washington University Law School, he held various posts with InterTan Europe. He subsequently worked for a number of different companies specialising in property, such as LRE Consulting Services, C&T Retail and latterly CB Richard Ellis.

Start of mandate: June 2017
 End of term: June 2021



Stéphanie Boniface,
independent
non-executive Director
 Rue Jean Baptiste Lebas 74
 - 59 493 – Villeneuve D'Ascq
 - France

Stéphanie Boniface has extensive expertise in the French retail property market. After completing a master's degree in business management and administration at the University of Lille Law School, Stéphanie Boniface worked for the Sedaf Group as a commercial property consultant. She then joined Immochan in 2007 as North East Region sales manager for Projects and Renovations.

Start of mandate: March 2018
 End of term: June 2022



Alexandra Leunen,
independent
non-executive Director
 Rue Van Hammée 41 – 1030
 Bruxelles

Alexandra Leunen has proven experience in the Lean UX approach and digital transformation (Manager of the Anais Digital UX Department - Founder and Managing Partner of Lemon Crush). Alexandra Leunen graduated in marketing from EPHEC, holds a certificate in User Research & Design from the Université Libre de Bruxelles, and is a qualified member of the International Advertising Association. She is a director of various companies, including Smartphoto Group.

Start of mandate: March 2018
 End of term: June 2022

THE COMMITTEES

The Board of Directors of the Statutory Manager has set up three committees.

Ascencio has established an Audit Committee in accordance with Article 526 bis introduced by the Law of 17 December 2008 to the Companies Code and a Nomination and Remuneration Committee in accordance with Article 526 quater introduced by the Law of 6 April 2010 on corporate governance.

In accordance with its Corporate Governance Charter, Ascencio has created an Investment Committee.

The Audit Committee

The Audit Committee is composed of three non-executive Directors: Laurence Deklerck, Amand-Benoît D'Hondt and Yves Klein. Two of them are independent Directors and have the qualities and skills required in the field of auditing and accounting. Their terms of office expire at the same time as their terms of office as Directors.

The Audit Committee meets at least four times a year, at each quarterly closing, after which it reports to the Board of Directors of the managing general partner. It met five times during the past financial year.

The responsibilities of the Audit Committee are as follows:

- to monitor the process of drawing up the financial information;
- to monitor the effectiveness of the Company's internal control, internal audit and risk management systems;
- to oversee the legal control of the annual financial statements and the consolidated financial statements, and to follow up on questions and recommendations made by the Statutory Auditor;
- to examine and monitor the independence of the Statutory Auditor, particularly as regards the provision of additional services to the Company.

The Audit Committee reports regularly to the Board of Directors on the performance of its responsibilities, and at least at the time the Board approves the annual and half-yearly accounts, the consolidated accounts and, if applicable, the abridged financial statements for publication.

The Company's Statutory Auditor reports to the Audit Committee on important matters coming to light in the exercise of its legal audit of the accounts. The Audit Committee informs the Board of Directors of this report.

During the past financial year the Audit Committee addressed the following matters in particular:

- quarterly, half-yearly and annual accounting positions and related financial communication;
- financing and interest rate hedging policy;
- examination of key performance indicators;
- budget and outlook;
- independent internal auditor's report;
- internal control policy and executive managers' report on internal control;
- summary of disputes and appropriate provisions;
- compliance programme.

The Audit Committee's internal regulations, which form an integral part of Ascencio's Corporate Governance Charter, set out in detail the responsibilities of the Audit Committee and are available on Ascencio's website (www.ascencio.be).

The nomination and remuneration committee

The Nomination and Remuneration Committee is composed of three non-executive Directors: Carl Mestdagh, Laurence Deklerck and Patrick Tacq. Their terms of office expire at the same time as their terms of office as Directors.

The Nomination and Remuneration Committee meets whenever it considers it necessary in order to perform its responsibilities, and in principle at least twice a year. It met twice during the past financial year.

The role of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee is to advise and assist the Board of Directors of the Statutory Manager. The Nomination and Remuneration Committee performs its duties under the supervision and responsibility of the Board of Directors of the Statutory Manager.

The Nomination and Remuneration Committee assists and reports to the Board of Directors in all matters relating to the nomination and remuneration of the Company's Directors, CEO, executive managers and, where applicable, members of management.

In particular, the committee is responsible for:

1. As regards nominations and renewals of terms of office:

- a. periodically assessing the optimal size and composition of the Board of Directors and its committees and submitting opinions to the Board of Directors on any proposed changes, complying with the relevant legal rules and Articles of Association;
- b. conducting, under the direction of its Chairman, the process of searching for candidates, where necessary with the help of consultants, and examining the candidacies presented by shareholders, Directors or any other persons as well as spontaneous candidacies;
- c. managing the process of renewing terms of office and proposing succession solutions to the Board of Directors in the case of foreseeable vacancies in order to ensure the continuity of the work of the Board of Directors and its committees and to maintain the balance of skills and experience;
- d. making sure that new Directors are properly informed and trained so that they can quickly familiarise themselves with the characteristics of the Company, its activities and its business environment and so perform their office optimally without delay.

2. As regards remuneration

- a. making proposals to the Board of Directors on the policy regarding remuneration of Directors, the CEO, the executive managers and, if applicable, members of management;
- b. making proposals to the Board of Directors on the individual remuneration of Directors, the CEO, the executive managers and, if applicable, members of management, including, for these last-named, variable remuneration and long-term performance bonuses – share-based or otherwise – granted in the form of stock options or other financial instruments and end-of-service indemnities;
- c. making proposals to the Board of Directors on the setting and evaluation of performance objectives linked to individual remuneration of Directors, the CEO, the executive managers and, if applicable, members of management.

- d. preparing the remuneration report in accordance with Article 96 section 3 of the Companies Code with a view to its inclusion in the Corporate Governance Declaration in the Annual Report;
- e. commenting on the remuneration report in the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company;
- f. submitting proposals to the Board of Directors regarding the terms and conditions of contracts of Directors, the CEO, the executive managers and, if applicable, members of management.

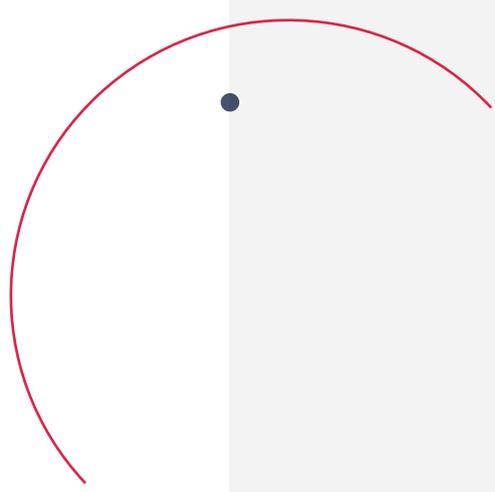
3. As regards assessment of the Board of Directors and its committees:

- a. evaluating the functioning, performance and effectiveness of the Board of Directors and its committees and their interactions with the Board of Directors;
- b. ensuring that these evaluations are carried out regularly, at least once every three years;
- c. putting in place a smooth evaluation process and appropriate questionnaires;
- d. submitting to the Board of Directors the conclusions of these evaluations and the measures for improvement proposed;
- e. Re-examining internal regulations and recommending any necessary adjustments to the Board of Directors.

Activities of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee during the past financial year notably included:

- supporting the recruitment process for the new Director;
- evaluating performance objectives and the related criteria linked to executive managers' variable remuneration;
- preparing the remuneration report.

The Nomination and Remuneration Committee's internal regulations are available on Ascencio's website (www.ascencio.be).



The Investment Committee

The investment committee consists of the Chairman of the Board of Directors, Carl Mestdagh, three non-executive Directors (Amand-Benoît D'Hondt, Patrick Tacq and Stéphanie Boniface), and one non executive Director linked to the promoters Carl, Éric and John Mestdagh (Olivier Beguin), the effective managers, the Manager of Asset Management & Acquisitions and the Manager, Development. The Investment Committee may also invite anyone whose presence it considers useful to its meetings.

The Investment Committee meets as often as required for the performance of its responsibilities. It met three times during the past financial year.

The Investment Committee is a consultative committee whose responsibility is to give advice to the Board of Directors on all investment cases submitted to it.

The aim in creating the Investment Committee was to optimise the Company's decision making process as regards investment and divestment proposals.

The Investment Committee performs its duties under the supervision and responsibility of the Board of Directors.

The Investment Committee performs its duties in strict compliance with the rules of good corporate governance laid down in the Ascencio Charter.

The Investment Committee's internal regulations are available on Ascencio's website (www.ascencio.be).



Effective managers

In accordance with the B-REITs Act, executive management of the Company has been entrusted for an indefinite period to three dirigeants effectifs ("effective managers"):

Apart from Vincent H. Querton, who assumes the function of CEO, the effective managers are:

- **Michèle Delvaux, Chief Financial Officer**
Michèle Delvaux joined Ascencio in 2012.

Previously she had worked in the Corporate Finance department of Banque Degroof, then as Chief Financial Officer of City Hotels and lastly as Finance Manager with the B-REIT Befimmo. She started her professional career in the field of auditing, with Arthur Andersen. She holds commercial engineering qualifications from Solvay Business School, 1983, and a financial analyst diploma from the Belgian Association of Financial Analysts, 1988.



• **Stéphanie Vanden Broecke, Secretary General & General Counsel**

Stéphanie Vanden Broecke joined Ascencio in 2008

After several years of experience at the Brussels Bar with law firms specialising in property law, in 2003 Stéphanie Vanden Broecke joined the Lhoist Group, world leaders in lime and dolomite. As head of corporate housekeeping for the group's subsidiaries, she gained great experience in company law and corporate governance. She holds a law degree from the Free University of Brussels (1998) and a Master's in International Relations from the Catholic University of Leuven (1999). She also holds a diploma in Risk Management from the ICHEC Brussels Management School (2016).

Responsibility and functioning

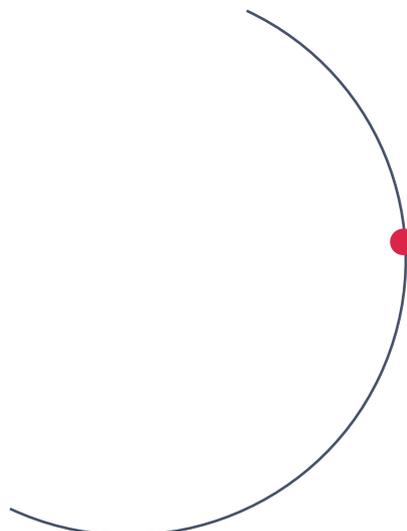
Members of executive management are responsible for the operation of the Company and for determining its policy, in accordance with the decisions of the Board of Directors of the Statutory Manager.

The effective managers are also responsible, under the oversight of the Board of Directors, for taking the measures necessary to ensure compliance with the rules relating to the structure of management and organisation, internal control, internal audit, compliance and risk management. They must report at least once a year to the Board of Directors, the FSMA and the Statutory Auditor.

As main points of contact for the FSMA, they organise themselves so as to be permanently available.

The members of the executive management work in close collaboration and in a collegial manner. Their decisions are taken by majority vote. The effective managers meet as often as needed with the management team of Ascencio.

The effective managers prepare the cases for submission to the Board of Directors of the Statutory Manager and report to it on their activities.



REMUNERATION REPORT

This report falls within the framework of Article 96 § 3 of the Companies Code.

Information relating to the general principles of the remuneration policy

The remuneration policy forms an integral part of the Company's Corporate Governance Charter, which is published on Ascencio's website (www.ascencio.be).

The remuneration policy has been established in accordance with the provisions of the Law of 6 April 2010 on the strengthening of corporate governance in listed companies and with the recommendations of the Belgian Corporate Governance Code ("Code 2009").

It aims to remunerate the various persons involved in the management of Ascencio SCA and its subsidiaries in a way that makes it possible to attract, retain and motivate them while at the same time maintaining sound and effective risk management and keeping the cost of the various kinds of remuneration under control.

This report on remuneration mentions the main principles of this policy and how they were applied during the past financial year.

Any significant deviation during the year relative to the remuneration policy, and any significant changes made to this policy are mentioned explicitly.

Information on the remuneration of the Statutory Manager, the Directors and the effective managers

The remuneration and benefits shown hereunder are in accordance with the remuneration policy established by Ascencio.

There is no stock option or purchase plan in place for Directors or executive managers.

• The Statutory Manager, Ascencio SA

The means of remuneration of the statutory manager are described in the Articles of Association of Ascencio SCA. They can therefore be changed only by a resolution to amend the Articles of Association passed by the General Meeting of Shareholders of Ascencio SCA.

The Manager receives a portion of the B-REIT's profits. It is further entitled to reimbursement of all expenses directly linked to the management of the B-REIT. The Manager's share is calculated each year depending on the gross dividend for the accounting financial year concerned, as approved by the Company's General Meeting of Shareholders. This share is equal to 4% of the gross dividend distributed. The share thus calculated is due on the last day of the financial year concerned, but is not payable until the dividend has been approved by Company's General Meeting of Shareholders.

The calculation of the Manager's share is subjected to checks by the Statutory Auditor.

The interests of Ascencio SA, whose remuneration is linked to the B-REIT's results, are thus aligned with those of all the shareholders.

For the financial year last ended, the Manager's remuneration was €923,000.

• Non-executive Directors of Ascencio SA

The remuneration of the non-executive Directors of Ascencio SA is established by the General Meeting of Shareholders of Ascencio SA at the proposal of its Board of Directors, which in turn is based on the proposals of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee. This remuneration is charged to Ascencio SCA.

Remuneration consists of:

- a fixed annual amount,
- attendance fees.

The basic remuneration of the Chairman of the Board of the Statutory Manager is €15,000 p.a. excl. VAT. That of the other non-executive directors is €6,000 p.a. excl. VAT.

Attendance fees are €1,500 for each attendance of a Board meeting of the Statutory Manager or meeting of the Audit Committee, Nomination and Remuneration Committee or Investment Committee.

No employment contracts have been entered into with Directors. The Directors' remuneration is not linked directly or indirectly to transactions carried out by the Company.

For the financial year last ended, the members of the Board of Directors will receive a total amount of €183,000.

This will be paid in June 2020 after the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of the Statutory Manager.

Non-executive Directors do not receive performance-linked remuneration such as bonuses or long-term incentives, nor do they receive benefits in kind or benefits linked to pension schemes.

In accordance with the law, Directors can be removed at will without compensation.

• The Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

The CEO of Ascencio SA, the only executive Director, performs the function of CEO. He is also the permanent representative of the statutory manager and an effective manager (*dirigeant effectif*) of Ascencio SCA in the meaning of Article 14.3 of the law on Regulated Property Companies (the "B-REITS Act").

The office of the CEO in his capacity as an executive Director of Ascencio SA is not remunerated.

His remuneration as CEO is set by the Board of Directors at the proposal of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and is paid by Ascencio SCA. This remuneration consists of a fixed portion and a variable portion.

The fixed remuneration is determined on the basis of comparisons with fixed remuneration in the market for comparable positions in companies of comparable size. It is paid irrespective of results and is not indexed. Variable remuneration rewards quality performance meeting expectations as regards results, professionalism and motivation. It cannot be more than 25% of total remuneration (fixed plus variable). Variable remuneration will be paid by Ascencio before the end of the calendar year.

In order to determine the amount of the variable remuneration to be granted, if any, the Board of Directors - at the proposal of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee - evaluates the CEO's performance, before the end of each financial year, relative to the objectives set for the financial year in question. This involves a combination of quantitative and qualitative financial and property objectives, to which weightings are assigned.

Ascencio bears the operational expenses reasonably incurred by the CEO in the performance of his office, against presentation of documentary evidence and subject to the prior agreement of Ascencio if the nature and amount of such expenses so require. These expenses may not exceed the amount of a budget which is established each year by the Board of Directors of Ascencio SA

Apart from being provided with a laptop computer and a secure Internet connection, the CEO does not receive any other benefit in kind.

In the event of the early termination of the agreement between the CEO and Ascencio SCA on Ascencio S.C.A.I's initiative and with the exception of the cases provided contractually, in which no indemnity is due, the CEO is contractually entitled to an end-of-service indemnity equal to twelve months' remuneration, corresponding to the monthly average of the fixed and variable remuneration during the twelve months preceding the termination.

For the financial year last ended, the Manager's fixed annual remuneration was €307,000⁷.

In the financial year last ended the CEO's variable remuneration was decided taking account of the quantitative and qualitative target plans and performance criteria (net profit before non-recurring items, property performance of the portfolio, cost of financing and management of human resources). Objectives specific to the financial year last ended were also used (organisation of the real estate division, development of the marketing and communication policy, sales policy and development of the Company's strategic vision).

The CEO's variable remuneration for the financial year last ended amounted to €100,000.

⁷ This amount includes the remuneration received by ANEMO s.p.r.l. for the specific assignments that it carries out for the French branch of Ascencio SCA (investment strategy, development support, searching for investment and asset management projects).

• Other effective managers of Ascencio SCA

The other effective managers are paid on the basis of employment contracts. The Board of Directors decides on the recruitment, promotion and fixed and variable remuneration of each of these "other" managers of Ascencio SCA, at the proposal of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, which will itself have previously consulted the CEO on the subject.

The fixed remuneration is determined on the basis of information relating to the levels of remuneration applied to comparable positions and for comparable profiles in comparable companies, particularly in the financial and property sectors. This information is collected by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee.

Fixed remuneration is paid monthly in arrears and is adjusted every January by reference to indexation.

Variable remuneration rewards quality performance meeting expectations as regards results, professionalism and motivation. In order to determine the amount of the variable remuneration to be granted, if any, the Board of Directors - at the proposal of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, which will itself have previously consulted the CEO on the subject - evaluates the other effective managers' performance, before the end of each financial year, relative to the objectives set them for the financial year in question. This involves a combination of quantitative and qualitative financial and property objectives, to which weightings are assigned.

Verification of the degree of fulfilment of the financial evaluation criteria was carried out in light of the financial statements. The qualitative evaluation criteria are subjected to an overall assessment by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, which then submits its opinion to the Board of Directors.

For the past financial year, the variable remuneration of the other effective managers was decided taking account of recurring criteria linked to their function. Complementary individual objectives were also used, corresponding to the specific operational responsibilities of each one of them.

There is no provision for a right of claw-back for the Company or the effective managers if variable remuneration should prove to have been granted on the basis of erroneous financial information.

Other effective managers have the use of a company car and the accessories normally associated with it. They are also provided with a mobile phone, a laptop computer and an entertainment allowance. The employer makes contributions to health insurance and group insurance policies.

The indefinite duration employment contracts entered into with the other effective managers do not contain specific end-of-contract provisions.

Fixed and variable remuneration of the other effective managers for the financial year 2018/2019 totalled €422,000 including benefits in kind with an estimated total cost of €57,000.

	Mestdagh Carl	Godts Benoît	D'Hondt Amand Benoît	Fautré Serge	Deklerck Laurence	Klein Yves	Tacq Patrick	Beguin Olivier	Boniface Stéphanie	Leunen Alexandra	
Board of directors	5	2	4	5	5	5	5	5	6	5	
Audit committee	0	1	2	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	
Investment committee	0	0	1	0	0	0	5	2	5	0	
Nomination and remuneration committee	2	0	0	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	
Independent directors committee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total attendances to 30/09/2019	7	3	7	5	13	10	12	7	11	5	
Basic remuneration (in €)	15.000	1.000	5.000	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000	63.000
Attendance fees (1.500 €/meeting)	10.500	4.500	10.500	7.500	19.500	15.000	18.000	10.500	16.500	7.500	120.000
Total remuneration for financial year to 30/09/2019 (in €)	25.500	5.500	15.500	13.500	25.500	21.000	24.000	16.500	22.500	13.500	183.000

SETTLEMENT OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Principles

As regards the prevention of conflicts of interest, Ascencio is governed simultaneously by:

- the relevant applicable legal provisions common to listed companies as provided in Articles 523, 524 and 524 ter of the Companies Code;
- a specific regime provided by Article 37 of the law of 12 May 2014 on REITs, notably establishing the obligation to inform the FSMA in advance of certain transactions with the persons referred to in this provision, to carry out these transactions on normal market terms and to disclose them publicly;
- and also by the rules provided in its Corporate Governance Charter.

These rules, and their application over the course of the financial year last ended, are described hereunder.

Applicable legal provisions

I. Article 523 of the Companies Code

In accordance with Article 523 of the Companies Code, if a Director has a direct or indirect financial or equity interest that is in conflict with a decision or a transaction falling within the remit of the Board of Directors, he must report this to the other members before the matter is debated in the Board. His declaration, and the reasons behind the conflict of interest, must appear in the minutes of the Board meeting passing the relevant decision. The Company's Statutory Auditor must be informed of this and the Director concerned may not attend the deliberations of the Board of Directors relating to the transactions or decisions concerned or take part in the voting. The relevant minutes must subsequently be reproduced in the management report.

II. Article 524 of the Companies Code

If a listed company envisages carrying out a transaction with a related company (subject to certain exceptions), Article 524 of the Companies Code requires an ad hoc Committee composed of three independent Directors to be put in place; this Committee, assisted by an independent expert, must communicate a reasoned assessment of the transaction envisaged to the Board of Directors, which cannot take its decision before it has taken note of this report. The Statutory Auditor must deliver an assessment as to the consistency of the information contained in the Committee's opinion and in the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting. The Board of Directors then specifies in its minutes whether the procedure was complied with and, if applicable, the reasons why the Committee's opinion was derogated from. The Committee's decision, the extract of the minutes of the Board meeting and the Statutory Auditor's assessment are covered in the management report.

III. Articles 37 and 49 § 2 of the B-REITs Act

Article 37 of the B-REIT Act obliges public REITs, with certain exceptions, to inform the FSMA in advance of any transaction that they propose to carry out with a related company, a company with which the B-REIT has an equity link, the other shareholders of a company in the consolidation scope of the B-REIT, Directors, managers or members of the Management Committee of the B-REIT. The Company must establish that the transaction envisaged is of benefit to it and is in line with its strategy and that the transaction will be carried out on normal market terms. If the transaction concerns property, by virtue of Article 49 § 2 of the B-REIT Act, the independent property expert must evaluate its fair value, which constitutes the minimum price at which this asset can be sold or the maximum price for which it can be acquired. The B-REIT must inform the public at the time the transaction is entered into and comment on this information in its Annual Financial Report.

IV. Obligatory references

During the past financial year one resolution of the Board of Directors gave rise to the application of the procedure referred to in Article 523 of the Companies Code.

In the meeting of the Board of Directors of 29 November 2018, Vincent H. Querton, CEO, abstained from the deliberations and the resolution on the assessment and establishment of the CEO's variable remuneration for the financial year 2017/2018.

The following is an extract from the minutes of the meeting:

“After due deliberation, the Board of Directors, except for the CEO, who did not take part in either the deliberations or the decisions relating to this point, resolved to grant, in respect of financial year 2017/2018, variable remuneration of:

- €68,000 to Vincent H. Querton in his capacity as Chief Executive Officer,
- €20,000 to AN&MO Sprl for the assignments carried out for Ascencio's French branch”

During the past financial year the Company did not carry out any transaction referred to in Article 524 of the Companies Code.

During the past financial year the Company did not carry out any transaction referred to in Article 37 of the B-REIT Act.

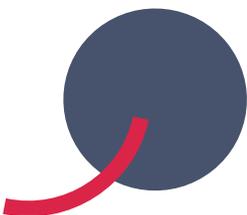
Provisions of the Charter of Governance

I. Policy of Ascencio SCA regarding transactions with a director not covered by Article 523 of the Companies Code (with the exception of corporate opportunities)

If Ascencio SCA proposes to agree with a Director or a company linked to a Director on a transaction that is not covered by Article 523 of the Companies Code (with the exception of corporate opportunities, to which only the rules of this Charter apply, without prejudice to the legal provisions on conflicts of interest), Ascencio SCA nevertheless considers it necessary that this Director inform the other Directors of it before the Board of Directors deliberate on it; that his declaration and the reasons justifying non-application of Article 523 of the Companies Code appear in the minutes of the Board meeting taking the decision; that said Director abstain from attending the deliberation of the Board of Directors relating to this transaction and from taking part in the vote; and that when it would be contrary to the interests of Ascencio SCA for the Director concerned to be informed of the conditions on which Ascencio SCA would be prepared to undertake the transaction in question, the preparatory notes not be sent to him and the item be the subject of an appendix to the minutes which is not communicated to him.

In any case such transaction must be entered into on normal market conditions.

Such transaction will be mentioned in the chapter headed “Corporate Governance” of the annual report, but without the entire minutes relating to the transaction concerned having to be reproduced there.



II. Corporate opportunities

The Directors of Ascencio SA being appointed largely in view of their skill and experience in the field of real estate, it is possible that they perform corporate offices or functions in other real estate companies or companies controlling real estate companies.

It may therefore happen that a transaction submitted to the Board of Directors (for example acquisition of a property in the context of an auction process) is likely to be of interest to another company in which a Director performs a corporate office. For these kinds of situations, which in certain cases may involve a conflict of functions, Ascencio SCA has decided to apply a procedure based largely on that provided by Article 523 of the Companies Code regarding conflicts of interest.

The Director concerned immediately informs the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the existence of such a situation. The Chairman also keeps a watching brief to detect the existence of any such situation.

Once the risk has been identified the Director concerned and the Chairman of the Board of Directors examine together the procedures for “Chinese walls” adopted within the entity to which the Director concerned belong to see whether they allow it to be considered that he may, on his sole responsibility, attend meetings of the Board of Directors. Where such procedures have not been put in place, or if the Director concerned considers it judicious to abstain, he will withdraw from the process of deliberation and voting: the board meeting papers will not be sent to him and he will withdraw from the meeting when the agenda item is discussed. This agenda item will be reported in an appendix to the minutes which will not be shown to him.

The minutes of the Board meeting will either record compliance with this procedure or explain why it has not been applied.

This procedure ceases to apply once the risk ceases to exist (for example because either Ascencio SCA or the competing company decides not to submit a bid).

This procedure is applied in addition to Article 523 of the Companies Code when it is applicable (for example because the Director in question has an equity interest in conflict with that of Ascencio SCA, in the transactions’ being carried out by a company other than Ascencio SCA). In this latter case, the passages of the minutes of the Board meeting relating to the transaction must be reproduced in full in the management report.

INTERNAL CONTROL

General

Ascencio has organised a system of internal control under the responsibility of the Board of Directors of the Statutory Manager. The Board is assisted by the Statutory Auditor, the Audit Committee and an independent internal auditor.

The organisation of the Company’s internal control system is based on the COSO (Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission) 2013 Framework. COSO is a private international body recognised in the field of internal control and risk management.

Internal control comprises a set of means, behaviours, procedures and actions adapted to the particular characteristics of the Company, which:

- contributes to the control of its activities, the effectiveness of its operations and the efficient use of its resources, and
- allows it to take account appropriately of significant risks, be they operational, financial or compliance-related.

Specifically, internal control aims to ensure:

- the reliability and integrity of financial reporting such that in particular the annual and half-yearly financial statements and reports comply with the regulations in force;
- the orderly and prudent conduct of business with-in well-defined objectives;
- the economic and effective use of the resources committed;
- the implementation of general policies, internal plans and procedures;
- compliance with laws and regulations.

In order to ensure an effective approach to risk management and the control environment, the Board of Directors and the effective managers based themselves on international recommendations and best practices as well as on the model of the three lines of defence:

- the first line of defence is that of operations;
- the second line of defence is formed by the Risk Manager and Compliance Officer functions;
- the third line of defence is the independent assurance provided by the internal audit.

These functions are performed appropriately and with the required independence bearing in mind the size of the business and its resources as described later.

In accordance with the Law and with FSMA Circular 2019 05 of 19 February 2019, the effective managers draw up a report on internal control in the month preceding the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders year for the attention of the FSMA

and the Company's Statutory Auditor. This report contains descriptions of the Company's internal control process and its key procedures and an assessment of the process.

In accordance with Article 17 of the law of 12 May 2014, the "B-REIT Act", the Company has the three internal control functions, namely a Compliance Officer, a Risk Manager and an independent internal auditor.



Compliance Officer

The Compliance Officer is responsible for supervising compliance with the laws, regulations and rules of conduct applicable to the Company, in particular the rules associated with the integrity of the Company's activities and compliance with the obligations regarding transactions with the Company's shares.

Stéphanie Vanden Broecke has been appointed Compliance Officer.

Policy of integrity

Ascencio's integrity policy is an important part of its good governance.

Ascencio implements, manages and evaluates a set of instruments aimed at standardising conduct, so as to ensure that conduct is consistent with the pursuit of the goals of the organisation and its values.

Corporate ethics

Ascencio observes ethics to the greatest extent possible, emphasising the values of honesty, integrity and fairness in all its activities.

It does not tolerate any form of corruption and refuses to deal with people involved in illegal activities or those suspected of being so.

Political activities

Ascencio operates in a socially responsible manner, in accordance with the laws of the country in which it operates, and pursues legitimate commercial objectives. It does not finance and does not belong to any political party or organisation.

Conflicts of interest

Ascencio ensures that every person working for it behaves ethically and accordingly to the principles of good conduct in business and professional secrecy. Any member of staff with a conflict of interest has the duty to immediately advise his or her manager. Similarly, a Director must inform the Chairman of the Board of Directors of any such situation, and abstain from participating in the decision-making process. Lastly, a Director faced with a corporate opportunity must immediately inform the Chairman and apply the "Chinese wall" procedure.

For further information on the preventive rules in the area of conflicts of interest, we refer you to the details in the section devoted to this in this report.

Prevention of insider trading

Members of the Company's corporate bodies and employees intending to carry out transactions with Ascencio shares must declare this to the Compliance Officer beforehand. They are strictly prohibited from buying or selling shares during closed periods. They are also prohibited from communicating this information to third parties – including family members.

Rules to prevent market abuse

In application of the EU Regulation⁸ (hereinafter the “Regulation”) and of the Law⁹ (hereinafter the “Law”) on market abuse, the Company in its capacity as issuer has defined a policy for the prevention of the misuse of privileged information relating to its financial instruments.

These rules apply:

- to members of the governing body of Ascencio’s Statutory Manager;
- to senior executives who, while not members of the above-mentioned body, have regular access to privileged information directly or indirectly concerning the Company and the power to take management decisions concerning the future development of the Company and its business strategy;

hereinafter the “managers”

- to persons likely to come into possession of privileged information by reason of their involvement in the preparation of a given transaction.

⁸ Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 on market abuse and repealing Directive 2003/6/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Commission Directives 2003/124/EC, 2003/125/EC and 2004/72/EC.

⁹ Law of 27 June 2016 amending, with a view to transposing Directive 2013/50/EU and implementing Regulation 596/2014, the law of 2 August 2002 on supervision of the finance sector and financial services, the law of 16 June 2006 on public offers of investment instruments and the admission of investment instruments to trading on regulated markets, as well as the law of 2 May 2007 on disclosure of significant shareholdings in issuers whose shares are admitted to trading on a regulated market.

Privileged information

Any information of a precise nature which has not been made public, relating, directly or indirectly, to [the Company] or to one or more financial instruments and which, if it were made public, could have a significant effect on the evolution and forming of the prices of the financial instruments concerned or of related derivative financial.

Ascencio sees to it that privileged information is made public as soon as possible and in such a way as to allow quick and complete access to and assessment of it by the public.

Ascencio posts all privileged information that it is obliged to publish on its website and leaves it there for at least five years.

Ascencio may defer publication of privileged information, under its own responsibility, providing all the following conditions are met:

- immediate publication would be likely to harm the issuer’s legitimate interests;
- the delay in publication is not likely to mislead the public;
- the issuer is in a position to ensure the confidentiality of the information.

When the issuer has deferred publication of privileged information, it must inform the FSMA in writing immediately after the publication of the information.

Insider trading

No person in possession of privileged information may:

- make use of the privileged information to acquire or sell financial instruments on his own behalf or on behalf of a third party;
- make use of the privileged information to cancel or alter a stock exchange order that has been given before the person came into possession of the privileged information;
- recommend, on the basis of this privileged information, to another person that he acquire or sell the Financial Instruments concerned or encourage such person to make such an acquisition or sale;
- recommend, on the basis of this privileged information, to another person that he cancel or alter an existing stock exchange order or encourage such person to carry out such a cancellation or alteration;
- disclose the privileged information to another person, except if:
 - such disclosure takes place in the normal course of the performance of his or her work, profession or duties;
 - the recipient of the information is subject to a legal, regulatory, statutory or contractual obligation of confidentiality; and
 - such disclosure is limited on a “need to know” basis.

List of insiders

The Compliance Officer draws up a list of all persons with access to privileged information, and keeps it updated. This list will include a section called “permanent insiders”, containing all the persons who by reason of their function or position have permanent access to all the Company’s privileged information.

The Compliance Officer will take all reasonable steps to ensure that the persons on the list of insiders acknowledge in writing the legal and regulatory obligations deriving from such access and confirm that they are aware of the sanctions applying to insider trading or the disclosure of privileged information.

Disclosure of transactions carried out by persons with management responsibilities

Managers and closely related persons must inform the Compliance Officer and the FSMA of any transaction¹⁰ carried out on their behalf and relating to the Company’s financial instruments not later than three business days after the date of the transaction, by means of an online notification using the application available on the FSMA’s website.

These transactions will then be published on the FSMA’s website.

¹⁰ i.e. all subsequent transactions once the total amount of €5,000 has been reached during a calendar year.

Closed and prohibited periods

In addition to the prohibitions set out above, managers may not carry out transactions with financial instruments, whether on their own behalf or that of third parties, directly or indirectly, during a closed period, namely:

- the thirty calendar days preceding the date of publication of the annual results;
- the thirty calendar days preceding the date of publication of the half-yearly results;

It being understood that to each period is added the stock exchange day during which publication of the results takes place.

Furthermore, managers may not carry out transactions with financial instruments, whether on their own behalf or that of third parties, directly or indirectly, during a period in which the Company and/or certain managers are in possession of privileged information.

Risk Manager

Stéphanie Vanden Broecke, an effective manager, assumes the function of Risk Manager in Ascencio.

The risk management policy forms an integral part of Ascencio's strategy and corporate governance. It is an ongoing process whereby the Company deals methodically with the risks inherent in or external to its activities as part of its pursuit of sustainable performance.

The risk management policy and the method developed consist in identifying, analysing and dealing with the risks in accordance with an annual process carried out by the Risk Manager in collaboration with Ascencio's key executives and as a function of the competences and responsibilities of each one in the organisation. If necessary the risk manager calls on an external consultant to assist.

The method applied consists of:

- a critical review of the risk universe by discussion with the management of Ascencio. The main focus areas are:
 - the Company's general environment ("The Market");
 - its core business ("Transactions");
 - management of its financial resources;
 - changes in laws and regulations applicable to the Company and its activities.
- an evaluation of the possible impact of each risk by reference to four criteria (financial, operational, legal and reputational) in accordance with a four-level scale of severity by the management of Ascencio assisted by key persons of the organisation;
- an assessment of the appetite for each risk by the Board of Directors;
- an evaluation in terms of risk management (maturity of control procedures, existence of history of damage).

The risk management process must allow the risks and opportunities presented by factors affecting the Company's activities or strategy to be identified and assessed.

A structured approach to risk management requires correct interpretation of the guidelines, standards and reference framework of risk management and implementation of various tools such as risk mapping and the risk register.

The risks are evaluated annually and the conclusions of the analysis are presented to the audit committee, which reports on them to the Board of Directors.

For further information on risk management we refer you to the section headed “Risk factors” in this report.

Independent internal audit

The internal audit function was entrusted for a term of three years, until 30 September 2021, to Mr Christophe Quiévreux of BDO.

Michèle Delvaux, executive manager, has been designated as internally responsible for the internal audit function.

The internal auditor performs a controlling and advisory role and makes sure that the business is properly managed in terms of adherence to its procedures.

Factors likely to have an effect in the event of a takeover bid

Ascencio sets out hereunder the factors which, by virtue of Article 34 of the Royal Decree of 14 November 2007 on the obligations of issuers of financial instruments admitted to trading on a regulated market, could have an effect in the event of a takeover bid.

1. *the capital structure, with an indication of the different categories of shares if applicable and, for each category of shares, the rights and obligations attaching to it and the percentage of the total share capital that it represents;*

2. *any legal or statutory restrictions on the transfer of shares;*

3. *the holders of any securities conferring special rights of control, and a description of these rights;*

4. *the control mechanism provided for in any employee shareholding scheme if the rights of control are not exercised directly by employees;*

5. *any legal or statutory restrictions on the exercise of voting rights.*

The share capital of Ascencio SCA amounted to €39,575,910 and was represented by 6,595,985 shares at 30 September 2019. The shares are registered or paperless, all fully paid up and without specified nominal value. There is only one category of shares.

There are no legal or statutory restrictions on the transfer of shares.

There are no holders of securities conferring special rights.

There is no employee shareholding scheme.

There are no legal or statutory restrictions on voting rights.

6. *agreements among shareholders known to the issuer and which might entail restrictions on the transfer of securities and/or the exercise of voting rights;*

There is no restriction concerning the sale of their holding in the Company's share capital.

7. *the rules applicable to the appointment and replacement of members of the governing body and to amendments of the issuer's Articles of Association;*

As regards the rules applicable to the nomination and replacement of members of the governing body, please refer to the section on the composition of the Board of Directors in this report.

As regards the rules applying to amendments of the Articles of Association, in accordance with B-REITs legislation any proposed amendment to the Articles of Association must first be submitted to the FSMA for approval. Furthermore, the rules set out in the Companies Code also apply.

8. *powers of the governing body, in particular concerning the power to issue or buy back shares;*

9. On 17 October 2019 the Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of Ascencio SCA resolved to replace the authorisation granted to the statutory manager on 18 December 2014 to increase the share capital with a new authorisation to increase the share capital subscribed in application of Articles 603 et seq. of the Companies Code.

Thus in accordance with Article 8 of the Articles of Association of Ascencio SCA, the Statutory Manager is authorised to increase the share capital on such dates and conditions as it may establish in one or more times, in accordance with Article 603 of the Companies Code and the B-REIT legislation, subject to a maximum of €39,575,910.

This authorisation is valid for five years from the date of publication in the *Moniteur Belge* (official state gazette) of the authorisation granted (publication in process). This authorisation is renewable.

The Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of 17 October 2019 also renewed the general authorisation to the statutory manager, valid for three years from the publication of the minutes recording the adoption of the relevant resolution, to acquire on behalf of Ascencio shares in the Company itself without the need for a prior resolution of the general meeting of shareholders when such acquisition is necessary in order to avoid serious and imminent harm to the Company, in accordance with Article 620, section 1, paragraph 3, of the Companies Code.

For further information, we refer you to the section headed “Corporate Governance Declaration” in this report.

10. all the important agreements to which the issuer is party and which come into effect, are amended or come to an end in the event of a change of control of the issuer following a takeover bid, and their effects, except when their nature is such that their disclosure would seriously harm the issuer; this exception is not applicable when the issuer is specifically obliged to disclose this information by virtue of legal requirements;

In accordance with common practice, the Company has included change of control clauses in its financing agreements allowing the bank to demand early repayment of loans in the event of a change of control of the Company. Activation of these clauses could have a negative impact on the Company. These clauses are approved by the General Meeting of Shareholders in accordance with Article 556 of the Companies Code.

11. all agreements between the issuer and members of its governing body or personnel which provide for indemnities if members of the governing body resign or have to leave their positions without good reason or if the employment of members of the personnel is terminated as a result of a takeover bid.

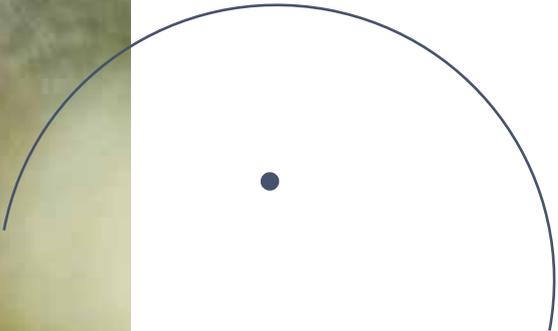
There is an agreement between Vincent H. Querton and Ascencio SCA in respect of the event in which the Company were unilaterally to early-terminate the management agreement between them. For an assessment of this potential indemnification, we refer you to the section headed “Remuneration report” in this report.





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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS (€000s)	Note	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
ASSETS			
I NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
A Goodwill		0	0
B Intangible assets	5	0	0
C Investment properties	6	622,894	619,029
D Other tangible assets	7	1,264	1,168
E Non-current financial assets	8	472	1,025
F Finance lease receivables		0	0
G Trade receivables and other non-current assets		0	0
H Deferred tax assets		0	0
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		624,631	621,222
II CURRENT ASSETS			
A Assets held for sale	9	847	0
B Current financial assets		0	0
C Finance lease receivables		0	0
D Trade receivables	11	4,107	4,307
E Tax receivables and other current assets	12	1,241	1,392
F Cash and cash equivalents		4,650	4,027
G Deferred charges and accrued income	13	332	311
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		11,176	10,037
TOTAL ASSETS		635,806	631,258

FINANCIAL REPORT

EQUITY AND LIABILITIES (€000s)	Note	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
EQUITY			
I EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE PARENT COMPANY		363,124	364,026
A Capital	14	38,659	38,659
B Share premium account	14	253,353	253,353
C Reserves		49,764	37,989
b. Reserve for changes in fair value of properties		48,460	39,770
c. Reserve for estimated transaction costs resulting from hypothetical disposal of investment properties		-10,049	-10,221
e. Reserve for changes in fair value of authorised hedging instruments to which IFRS hedge accounting is not applied		-4,451	-7,743
m. Other reserves		15,803	16,182
D Net result for the financial year		21,348	34,024
II NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS		0	0
TOTAL EQUITY		363,125	364,026
LIABILITIES			
I NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		181,333	143,026
A Provisions	15	0	21
B Non-current financial debts		165,742	132,772
a. Credit institutions	16	165,317	132,227
b. Finance leases	16	424	544
C Other non-current financial liabilities	17-18	14,689	6,876
D Trade debts and other non-current debts		0	0
F Deferred tax liabilities	19	903	3,357
a. Exit tax		0	2,696
b. Other		903	661
II CURRENT LIABILITIES		91,348	124,206
B Current financial debts		81,430	114,698
a. Credit institutions	16	31,310	63,660
b. Finance leases	16	120	1,038
c. Others	16	50,000	50,000
C Other current financial liabilities		0	0
D Trade debts and other current debts		8,345	7,837
a. Exit tax		0	0
b. Other	20	8,345	7,837
F Accrued charges and deferred income	21	1,573	1,671
TOTAL DU PASSIF		272,681	267,232
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		635,806	631,258

CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

CONSOLIDATED NET RESULT (€000s)		Note	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
I	Rental income	22	41,585	40,954
III	Rental related charges	23	-225	50
NET RENTAL RESULT			41,359	41,004
IV	Recovery of property charges		0	0
V	Recovery of rental charges and taxes normally paid by tenants on let properties	24	6,239	6,493
VII	Rental charges and taxes normally paid by tenants on let properties	25	-6,420	-6,668
VIII	Other revenue and rental related charges		18	56
PROPERTY RESULT			41,198	40,884
IX	Technical costs	26	-1,164	-635
X	Commercial costs	27	-103	-124
XI	Rental charges and taxes on unlet properties		-354	-337
XII	Property management costs	28	-1,432	-1,163
XIII	Other property charges	29	-531	-315
PROPERTY CHARGES			-3,585	-2,575
PROPERTY OPERATING RESULT			37,613	38,310
XIV	Corporate overheads	30	-3,807	-4,383
XV	Other operating income and charges	31	73	-15
OPERATING RESULT BEFORE RESULT ON PORTFOLIO			33,879	33,912
XVI	Net gains and losses on disposals of investment properties	32	963	-15
XVIII	Changes in the fair value of investment properties	33	-399	4,141
XIX	Other result on the portfolio		0	0
OPERATING RESULT			34,443	38,038
XX	Financial income	34	0	0
XXI	Net interest charges	35	-4,376	-6,370
XXII	Other financial charges	36	-388	-410
XXIII	Changes in fair value of financial assets and liabilities	37	-8,570	3,292
FINANCIAL RESULT			-13,333	-3,488
RESULT BEFORE TAX			21,109	34,550
XXV	Corporate tax	38	-730	-526
XXVI	Exit Tax		969	0
TAXES			239	-526
NET RESULT			21,348	34,024
- Net result - group share			21,348	34,024
- Net result - Non-controlling interests			0	0
BASIC NET RESULT AND DILUTED (€/SHARE, GROUP SHARE)			39	5.16

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (€000s)	Note	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
I NET RESULT		21,348	34,024
II OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME RECYCLABLE UNDER THE INCOME STATEMENT		176	194
A Impact on fair value of estimated transaction costs resulting from hypothetical disposal of investment properties		171	168
H Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax ^(*)	7	5	26
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR		21,524	34,219
Attributable to - Group share		21,524	34,219
- Non-controlling interests		0	0

(*) Revaluation at fair value of the property occupied by Ascencio.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW (€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	4,027	2,919
Result for the financial year	21,348	34,024
Financial result	13,333	3,488
Net capital gains or losses realised on disposal of assets	-963	15
Income tax expense (- tax income)	-239	526
Income statement items without treasury impact	688	-4,130
+/- Change in the fair value of investment properties	399	-4,141
+ Depreciation	64	61
+ Reductions in value	225	-50
Change in working capital requirement	285	-818
+/- Change in trade receivables	-25	-257
+/- Change in tax receivables and other current assets	151	580
+/- Change in deferred charges and accrued income	-22	18
+/- Change in trade debts and other current debts	280	-1,230
+/- Change in accrued charges and deferred income	-99	71
Change in non-current operating assets and liabilities	-2	0
+/- Change in non-current financial assets	-2	0
+/- Change in trade debts and other non-current debts	0	0
+/- Change in non-current deferred tax liabilities	0	0
Change in provisions and other non-monetary items	-21	-84
Taxes paid	-2,018	-576
NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	32,411	32,447
- Acquisition of investment properties	-10,427	-4,930
- Projects in course of development	0	0
- Acquisition of real estate companies	0	0
- Acquisition of intangible assets	0	0
- Acquisition of tangible assets	-155	432
+ Disposals of investment properties	6,450	3,600
NET CASH FLOW FROM INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES	-4,132	-898
Costs of capital increase	0	-32
Net change in financial liabilities	-298	-7,169
Reimbursement of financial debts and working capital of acquired companies	0	0
Other changes in financial assets and liabilities	-201	-56
Gross dividends paid	-22,426	-16,442
Finance charges paid	-4,731	-6,743
NET CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	-27,656	-30,441
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	4,650	4,027

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

(€000s)			Reserves*				Result for the financial year	Total equity
			C.b.	C.c.	C.e.	C.m.		
	Capital	Share premium account						
BALANCE AT 30/09/2017	38,069	248,975	27,347	-10,389	-14,327	15,409	41,197	346,281
Distribution of dividends							-16,443	-16,443
Appropriation to reserves			8,573		6,584	4,597	-19,754	0
Capital increase	590	4,378					-5,000	-32
Net result							34,024	34,024
Other elements recognised in the global result			26	168				194
Reclassification of reserves			3,824			-3,824		0
Adjustment to reserves								0
BALANCE AT 30/09/2018	38,659	253,353	39,770	-10,221	-7,743	16,182	34,024	364,026

(€000s)			Réserves*				Result for the financial year	Total equity
			C.b.	C.c.	C.e.	C.m.		
	Capital	Share premium account						
BALANCE AT 30/09/2018	38,659	253,353	39,770	-10,221	-7,743	16,182	34,024	364,026
Distribution of dividends							-22,426	-22,426
Appropriation to reserves			4,141		3,292	4,165	-11,598	0
Capital increase								0
Net result							21,348	21,348
Other elements recognised in the global result			5	171				176
Reclassification of reserves			4,544			-4,544		0
Adjustment to reserves								0
BALANCE AT 30/09/2019	38,659	253,353	48,460	-10,049	-4,451	15,803	21,348	363,125

* Reserves:

C.b.: Reserve for changes in fair value of properties.

C.c.: Reserve for estimated transaction costs resulting from hypothetical disposal of investment properties.

C.e.: Reserve for changes in fair value of authorised hedging instruments to which IFRS hedge accounting is not applied.

C.m.: Other reserves.

Capital increase:**• During the financial year 2017/2018**

On 27 February 2018, Ascencio carried out a capital increase of €5,000,230.62 by capitalising dividend receivables and issuing 98,391 new shares.

Based on the accounting par value of the shares (€6.00), the amount of the transaction broke down as follows:

- To share capital: €590,346.00
- To issue premium: €4,409,884.62 less €31,620.28 to cover transaction costs, giving a net amount of €4,378,264.34

• During the financial year 2018/2019

There has been no capital increase during the financial year 2018/2019.

Reclassification of reserves for changes in fair value of properties sold:

- During the financial year 2017/2018, Ascencio reclassified a negative amount of €3,824,000 from “Reserve for changes in Fair Value of Properties” to “Other Reserves”. This amount concerns the balance of cumulative changes in value at 30 Sept. 2017 in respect of the Overijse property sold on 9 March 2018.
- During the financial year 2018/2019, Ascencio reclassified a negative amount of €4,544,000 from “Reserves for changes in Fair Value of Properties” to “Other reserves”. This amount includes
 - the change in value on the Overijse property sold on 9 March 2018;
 - the balance of cumulative changes in value at 30 September 2018 in respect of the properties sold during the financial year 2018/2019 (Deurne property in Belgium and the Retail Park Le Pontet in France).

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 GENERAL INFORMATION AND ACCOUNTING METHODS

GENERAL INFORMATION

Ascencio SCA (hereinafter referred to as “Ascencio SCA” or the “Company”) is an SIR (Société Immobilière Réglementée or Regulated Property Company, hereinafter referred to in the English translation as a “B-REIT” (Belgian real estate investment trust) incorporated under Belgian law. The consolidated financial statements of the Company at 30 September 2019 covering the period from 1 October 2018 to 30 September 2019 were approved by the Board of Directors of the Statutory Manager in its meeting of 21 November 2019.

The figures presented for the previous financial year cover the period from 1 October 2017 to 30 September 2018.

All amounts are expressed in thousands of euros unless otherwise stated.

BASIS OF PREPARATION AND ACCOUNTING METHODS

A. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and the interpretations of the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC) as published and effective at 30 September 2019 and adopted by the European Union.

The consolidated financial statements have also been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Royal Decree of 13 July 2014, as amended by the Royal Decree of 23 April 2018, on regulated property companies.

Standards and interpretations applicable for the annual period beginning on 1 October 2018

- Amendments to IAS 40 “Transfers of Investment Property”
- Amendments to IFRS 2 “Classification and Measurement of Share-based Payment Transactions”
- Amendments to IFRS 4 “Applying IFRS 9 Financial Instruments with IFRS 4 Insurance Contracts”
- Annual improvements to IFRS Standards 2014-2016 Cycle: Amendments to IFRS 1, IFRS 12 and IAS 28
- IFRIC 22 “Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration”
- IFRS 15 “Revenue from Contracts with Customers”

These news standards and interpretations have not had any impact on these consolidated financial statements.

- IFRS 9 “Financial Instruments”

IFRS 9 was finalised and published by the IASB in July 2014 and adopted by the EU in November 2016. IFRS 9 contains requirements for the classification and measurement of financial assets and liabilities, impairment of financial assets and general hedge accounting. It will replace most of IAS 39 “Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement”.

Based on an analysis of Ascencio's situation as at 30 September 2019, IFRS 9 had no material impact on the statutory or consolidated financial statements. As regards impairment of financial assets measured at amortised cost, including trade receivables, initial application of the expected credit losses model as per IFRS 9 leads to credit losses being recognized sooner than under the credit losses incurred model currently applied under IAS 39. In view of the relatively small amounts of trade receivables and the low degree of associated credit risk, there has been no material impact on the statutory or consolidated financial statements.

Standards and interpretations published, but not yet applicable for the annual period beginning on 1 October 2018

- Amendments to IAS 1 and IAS 8 "Definition of Material" (applicable on 1 October 2020, but not yet endorsed in the EU)
- Amendments to IAS 19 "Plan Amendment, Curtailment or Settlement" (applicable on 1 October 2019)
- Amendments to IAS 28 "Long term interests in Associates and Joint Ventures" (applicable on 1 October 2019)
- Amendments to IFRS 3 "Business Combinations" (applicable on 1 October 2020, but not yet endorsed in the EU)
- Amendments to IFRS 9 "Prepayment Features with Negative Compensation" (applicable on 1 October 2019)
- Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28 "Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture" (the effective date has been deferred indefinitely, and therefore the endorsement in the EU has been postponed)
- Amendments to references to the Conceptual Framework in IFRS standards (applicable on 1 October 2020, but not yet endorsed in the EU)
- Annual improvements to IFRS Standards 2015-2017 Cycle (applicable on 1 October 2019)
- IFRIC 23 "Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments" (applicable on 1 October 2019)
- IFRS 14 "Regulatory Deferral Accounts" (applicable for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016, but not yet endorsed in the EU)
- IFRS 16 "Leases" (applicable on 1 October 2019)
- IFRS 17 "Insurance Contracts" (applicable on 1 October 2021, but not yet endorsed in the EU)

The group is in the process of assessing the consequences of the changes listed above. The following is the most pertinent aspect for Ascencio:

- IFRS 16 "Leases" (applicable on 1 October 2019):

IFRS 16 provides a comprehensive model for identifying lease contracts and their treatment in the financial statements of lessee and lessor. It will replace IAS 17 Leases and the associated interpretations when it comes into force.

IFRS 16 introduces significant changes in lessee accounting, with the removal of the distinction between operating and finance leases, with assets and liabilities for all leases now recognised in the balance sheet (with some exceptions limited to short-term leases and leases of low-value assets). In contrast with lessee accounting, IFRS 16 maintains in essence the provisions of IAS 17 as regards lessor accounting and maintains the lessor's obligation to classify leases as operating or finance.

Since Ascencio acts almost exclusively as lessor, IFRS 16 should not have a material impact on its statutory or consolidated financial statements. In the few cases where Ascencio is the lessee in contracts classed as operating leases as per IAS 17 and not subject to exemptions from IFRS 16, an asset in respect of the right of use and an associated liability will be recognised in the consolidated balance sheet.

B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The financial information is presented in thousands of euros. The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis with the exception of the following assets and liabilities which have been measured at their fair value: investment property¹, the property occupied by Ascencio (recognised in Other property, plant & equipment), held-for-sale investment property and financial assets and liabilities held for hedging or transaction purposes.

The basic principles applied in preparing the consolidated financial statements are as follows.

C. BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

The consolidated financial statements comprise the financial statements of the Company and those of the entities over which it has control and its subsidiaries. The Company has control when:

- it holds power over the issuing entity;
- it is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity;
- it has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity.

Companies controlled by the Company are fully consolidated. Full consolidation involves incorporating all the assets and liabilities of the consolidated entities as well as their revenue and expenditure, after elimination of the necessary items. Control constitutes the power to direct the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities. Consolidation of subsidiaries starts on the date on which Ascencio SCA acquires control of the entity and ends on the date on which that control ceases.

D. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Company uses derivative financial instruments in order to hedge its exposure to the interest rate risk arising from the financing of its activities.

The accounting treatment of derivative financial instruments depends on whether or not they are classed as hedging instruments and on the type of hedge. Derivatives are initially recognised at cost on the date on which the derivative contract is entered into. Subsequently, they are measured at fair value at closing date. Gains or losses arising from the application of fair value are recognised immediately in the income statement, unless the derivative is classed as a hedging instrument and meets the eligibility criteria for hedge accounting as per IFRS 9.

If a derivative financial instrument meets the hedge accounting criteria as per IFRS 9, the portion of the gain or loss on the hedging instrument that is defined as being effective is recognised directly in equity. The ineffective

¹ Investment properties include the fair value of projects in the course of development.

portion of the gain or loss on the hedging instrument is recognised immediately in the income statement.

The fair value of derivative financial instruments is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

Derivative financial instruments are recognised as financial assets if their value is positive, and as financial liabilities if their value is negative. Derivatives maturing at over twelve months are generally shown as non-current in the balance sheet, whereas remaining derivatives are shown as current.

E. GOODWILL

When the Company acquires control of a business as defined by IFRS 3 – Business combinations, the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of the business acquired are recognised at their fair value on acquisition date.

The positive difference between the cost of acquisition and the proportional part of the fair value of the net assets acquired is recognised as goodwill on the asset side of the balance sheet.

If this difference is negative, the surplus (often referred to as “negative goodwill” or “badwill”) is recognised directly in the income statement after confirmation of the values.

Goodwill is subjected to an impairment test at least once a year in accordance with IAS 36 – Impairment of assets.

F. IMPAIRMENT OF ASSETS

At each closing date, the Company reviews the carrying amounts of its assets (with the exception of investment properties) in order to assess whether there are any indications that an asset may have suffered a loss in value, in which case an impairment test is carried out.

An asset is impaired when its carrying amount is higher than its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount of an asset or of a cash generating unit (CGU) is the higher of its fair value less selling costs and its value in use.

If the carrying amount of an asset or a CGU exceeds its recoverable amount, the excess constitutes a loss in value, which is recognised directly as an expense and applied first in reduction of the goodwill allocated to the [asset or] CGU.

At each closing date the Company assesses whether there is any indication that a loss recognised in any previous period(s) on an asset other than goodwill is likely no longer to exist or to have diminished. If there is such an indication, the Company estimates the recoverable amount of the asset. The new carrying amount of this asset, as increased by the reversal of a loss of value, may not exceed the carrying amount that would have applied, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no loss of value had been recognised in respect of this asset in previous financial years. Losses of value on goodwill are never reversed.

G. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS**Measurement on initial recognition**

Investment properties are initially valued at acquisition cost including associated expenses. For properties acquired by merger, split or contribution, taxes due on the capital gains of the absorbed companies are included in the cost of acquisition.

Measurement subsequent to initial recognition

After initial recognition, properties are measured at their fair value.

At the end of each quarter, an independent real estate expert carries out a precise valuation of the following items:

- property assets, other assets attached to them and rights in rem to property assets held by Ascencio SCA and the real estate companies controlled by it;
- options on property assets held by Ascencio SCA and the real estate companies controlled by it, as well as the property assets to which these options refer;
- the rights deriving from the agreements whereby one or more property assets are leased to Ascencio SCA and the real estate companies controlled by it as well as the underlying property.

The experts carry out their valuation in accordance with national and international standards. The fair value, which is calculated by deducting an estimated amount for transfer expenses from the investment value, is defined as the most likely value that can reasonably be obtained between informed parties acting in good faith in normal selling conditions.

The amount estimated for transfer expenses is

- 2.5% for properties located in Belgium with a value of more than €2.5 million (being the average rate for transaction costs defined by BEAMA, the Belgian Asset Managers Association) and between 10% and 12.5% for properties valued at less than this, depending on their location. Ascencio considers its real estate portfolio as a whole, which can be sold in whole or in part, and applies a deduction of 2.5% for all its properties.
- from 1.8% to 6.9% for properties located in France, i.e. the rate of transfer expenses applicable locally depending on whether the property is more or less than five years old.
- at 2.5% for properties located in Spain, which is the average rate of transfer expenses applicable in Spain.

Method applied until 30 September 2016

Upon acquisition, the stamp duty that would be payable on a hypothetical subsequent sale is recognised

directly in equity through the consolidated statement of comprehensive income (heading “II.A. Effect on fair value of estimated transaction costs resulting from hypothetical disposal of investment properties”). Any subsequent adjustment to fair value is recognised in the income statement in the period in which it arises and applied to non-distributable reserves when appropriating profits. Subsequent adjustments to fair value do not affect the reserve for transfer expenses and stamp duty in equity.

Method applied since 1 October 2016

Since 1 October 2016 stamp duty on acquisition, as well as any change in the fair value of the properties during the financial year, has been recognised in the income statement.

The purpose of this change is to (i) simplify accounting recognition of stamp duty and (ii) bring accounting practices into line with those of other Belgian REITs and other comparable companies abroad.

Expenses incurred on works carried out on investment properties

Expenses incurred on works carried out on investment properties are charged to the property operating result if they do not add to the economic benefits. They are capitalised if they add to the expected economic benefits.

Accounting upon sale of a property

Upon sale of a property, realised gains or losses are recognised in the income statement under the heading “XVI Net gains and losses on disposals of investment properties”. The amount initially recognised in equity in the reserves for estimated transaction costs resulting from hypothetical disposal of investment properties is reversed out.

Commissions paid for the sale of properties, transaction costs and obligations assumed form an integral part of the gain or loss realised on the sale.

Development projects

Properties being built or developed with a view to future use as investment properties are classified as development projects and measured at their fair value until construction or development is completed.

At that time they are reclassified and recognised as properties available for lease, still at fair value.

H. OTHER PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

Property, plant and equipment other than property assets, the use of which is limited in time, are measured at their acquisition cost less straight-line depreciation over their estimated useful lives and any impairment.

The property occupied by the Company is measured at its fair value as per IAS 16.

During the financial year in which the investment is made, depreciation is recognised in proportion to the number of months during which the asset is in use.

Annual depreciation rates;

- Installations, machines and tooling: 20%
- Fixtures and fittings: 10%
- Computer equipment: 33%
- Standard software applications: 33%

If there are indications that an asset may have suffered a loss of value, its carrying amount is compared with its recoverable amount. If the carrying amount is more than the recoverable amount, a loss of value is recognised.

At the time of disposal or derecognition of property, plant and equipment, the acquisition values and associated depreciation or, for properties, their fair values, are removed from the balance sheet and the realised capital gains or losses are recognised in the income statement.

I. CURRENT ASSETS

Trade receivables are measured at amortised cost less any impairments for bad and doubtful debts. Cash investments are measured at the lower of acquisition or market value. Associated expenses are charged directly to the income statement.

J. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents comprise accounts at sight, cash and short-term investments. Since they are subject to only negligible changes in value, they are measured at nominal value.

K. EQUITY

Equity instruments issued by the Company are recognised at the value of the consideration received, net of issuance expenses.

Dividends are not recognised until they have been approved by the General Meeting of Shareholders.

L. PROVISIONS

A provision is recognised in the balance sheet when:

- Ascencio SCA or one of its subsidiaries has to fulfil an obligation (legal or constructive) resulting from a past event;
- it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation;
- the amount can be reliably estimated.

Provisions are measured by discounting the expected future cash flows to their present value at market rate and reflecting any risks specific to the obligation.

M. TRADE PAYABLES

Trade payables are measured at amortised cost at balance sheet date.

N. INTEREST-BEARING BORROWINGS

Interest-bearing borrowings are measured at the amount of proceeds received less directly attributable costs. They are subsequently recognised at amortised cost, the difference between the cost and the redemption value being charged to the income statement over the life of the borrowing in accordance with the effective interest rate method.

O. REVENUES

Revenues include gross rental income and revenue from services and property management, and are measured at the fair value of the consideration received. Rent-free periods and incentives granted to clients are recognised as deductions from rental revenue over the duration of the lease agreement (which is defined as the period between the date on which it comes into force and the first termination date of the agreement).

P. CHARGES

Costs incurred for services, including those borne on behalf of tenants, are included in direct rental charges. Their recovery from tenants is presented separately.

Q. COMMISSIONS PAID TO REAL-ESTATE AGENTS AND OTHER TRANSACTION COSTS

Commissions relating to property leases are expensed as incurred.

Commissions paid in respect of the acquisition of properties, registration fees, notaries' fees and other associated costs are considered as transaction costs and included in the acquisition cost of the properties acquired.

R. TAXES

Tax on income for the financial year comprises current tax and deferred tax. Taxes are recognised in the income statement except where they relate to items recognised directly in equity, in which case they too are recognised in equity. Current tax is the estimated tax on taxable income for the past year, using the tax rate in force at balance sheet, and any adjustment to tax liabilities in respect of previous years.

Exit tax is a tax on the capital gain resulting from the merger of a company that does not have the same tax status as the Company.

NOTE 2 MAIN SOURCES OF UNCERTAINTY REGARDING ESTIMATES AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS

Investment properties, which constitute almost the entire assets of the Company, are measured at their fair value as determined by an independent expert (see note 6).

The fair value of interest rate swaps is the estimated amount that Ascencio would receive or pay to close the position at balance sheet date, based on the spot and forward interest rates in force at that date, the value of the option and the solvency of the counterparties. The fair value of interest rate hedging instruments is calculated on each accounting closing date by the financial institutions from which these instruments were acquired (see note 17).

Any provisions recognised are estimated on the basis of the Company's experience, assistance from third parties (experts and lawyers) and any other source that the Company deems relevant (see the section headed Risk factors – Possible changes in environmental legislation).

In preparing its consolidated financial statements, the Company is required to make a number of significant judgements in applying accounting principles (for example when identifying business combinations or calculating deferred taxation) and to make a number of estimates. In arriving at these assumptions, management can rely on its experience, on the assistance of third parties (notably property experts) and on other factors judged to be pertinent. The actual results may differ from these estimates. These estimates are regularly reviewed, and modified if necessary.

NOTE 3 MANAGEMENT OF FINANCIAL RISKS

The financial risks to which the Company is exposed are also described in the section headed “Risk factors” in the annual report.

DEBT STRUCTURE AND DEBT RATIO

The debt structure as at 30 September 2019 is described in note 16.

The Company’s debt ratio must be held below the maximum authorised for B-REITs (65%) in accordance with Article 23 of the Royal Decree of 13 July 2014 as amended by the Royal Decree of 23 April 2018. Moreover, Article 24 of the Royal Decree of 13 July 2014 requires B-REITs to submit a financial plan to the FSMA (Financial Services and Markets Authority) in the event that the consolidated debt ratio should exceed 50%.

As at 30 September 2019, Ascencio’s debt ratio as defined by the Royal Decree of 13 July 2014 stood at 40.5% on a consolidated basis and 39.5% for the company alone.

After distribution of the dividend proposed to the General Meeting of Shareholders of 31 January 2020, the consolidated debt ratio will, *ceteris paribus*, come to 44.1% (assuming the dividend is paid entirely in cash, i.e. in the absence of optional stock dividend).

INTEREST RATE RISK

As at 30/09/2019, 78.5% of financial liabilities were at floating rates and as such exposed to changes in interest rates. In order to hedge this risk of an increase in interest rates, Ascencio pursues a policy aimed at securing the interest rates on a minimum of 70% of its financial borrowings on a horizon of several years.

The financial instruments that Ascencio has available to hedge the interest rate risk are described in Note 17.

Based on total financial indebtedness at 30 September 2019 (€247.17 million) and the hedges in place at that date, a portion of the debt equal to €160.53 million, representing 64.9% of total debt, was financed at fixed rates (agreed fixed rates or rates fixed by means of IRS (interest rate swaps)). The remainder of the indebtedness, €86.64 million, was at variable rates, of which €55,00 million were hedged by a CAP option.

With a view to benefiting from the particularly low level of interest rates, since October 2015 Ascencio entered into interest rate hedging contracts (IRS and CAPs) with deferred start dates for periods up to 2028. Details of the contracts entered into are shown in Note 17.

Based on the hedging in place (IRS and CAPs), the structure and level of financial debt at 30 September 2019, a rise in interest rates of 100 basis points would lead to an increase in financial charges estimated at €0.38 million in the financial year 2019/2020.

The Group’s hedging ratio² is 87% at 30 September 2019 and based on the current level of debt at 30 September 2019, it will be above 80% for the next five financial years.

² Alternative Performance Measure (APM). See glossary at the end of the financial report.

Since the hedging instruments in place do not meet the criteria for hedge accounting as laid down by IFRS 9, changes in the fair value of financial hedging instruments are recognised in the income statement.

Shifts in the interest rate curve during the financial year 2018/2019 translated into a negative change of €8.57 million in the fair value of Ascencio's financial hedging instruments. At 30 September 2019, these contracts had a negative value of - €12.80 million representing the amount that the Company would have to pay if it decided to unwind these contracts.

A simulation indicates that a fall of 25 basis points in long-term (ten-year) interest rates would translate into a new (non-monetary) charge of €3.45 million, corresponding to the negative change in the fair value of the hedging instruments.

RISK ASSOCIATED WITH CHANGES IN CREDIT MARGINS

The Company's average cost of debt also depends on the credit margins required by banks and in the financial markets. These margins evolve as a function of the global economic situation, but also of regulations applicable to the banking sector. The risk of an increase in the average cost of debt as a result of an increase in bank margins arises notably upon renewal or establishment of credit lines.

An increase in credit margins would lead to an increase in financial charges.

In order to limit this risk, the Company spreads the maturities of its financing over time and diversifies its sources of financing.

FINANCIAL LIQUIDITY RISK

Ascencio is exposed to a liquidity risk associated with the renewal of its borrowings at due date or any additional borrowings that might be needed to meet its commitments. The Company could also be faced with this risk in the event of the termination of any of its borrowing agreements.

If any of these situations were to arise, the Company might also be obliged to put in place new financing arrangements at a higher cost, or to dispose of certain assets on less than ideal terms.

In order to limit this risk, Ascencio diversifies its sources of financing. The Company currently finances itself by means of bank borrowing from about ten Belgian and French banks which form a diversified pool, and by means of commercial paper:

- At 30 September 2019, Ascencio had €275.5 million in credit lines with four Belgian financial institutions and two French banks, available in the form of fixed term advances with due dates ranging from 2020 to 2026. At 30 September 2019, Ascencio had available to it €85.2 million in undrawn balances under these credit lines.
- Ascencio has investment credits available with French banks on certain assets held in France and finance leases on certain Belgian properties.

- In order to reduce the cost of its financing, Ascencio has had, since June 2016, a commercial paper programme for up to €50,00 million. At 30 September 2019 this programme was used for short-term issues amounting to €50,00 million. In order to hedge the risk of non-renewal of commercial paper issued, Ascencio makes sure that, under its credit lines available by way of fixed term loans, it always has undrawn balances at least equal to its outstanding commercial paper.

At 30 September 2019, total financial liabilities amounted to €247.17 million. The principal repayment schedule of these borrowings is as follows:

- 2019/2020: €81.43 million
- 2020/2021: €1.39 million
- 2021/2022: €26.18 million
- 2022/2023: €50.74 million
- 2023/2024: €2.28 million
- 2024/2025: €49.16 million
- 2025/2026: €35.58 million
- >2025/2026: €0.40 million

FINANCIAL COUNTERPARTY RISK

Entering into a financing agreement or hedging contract with a financial institution creates a counterparty risk of the institution's defaulting. The Company could find itself in a situation in which it is unable to use the financing put in place or to receive the cash flows to which it is entitled by virtue of hedging instruments.

In order to limit this risk, Ascencio takes care to diversify its banking relationships. As at 30 September 2019, the Company had business relations with various banks:

- As at 30 September 2019, the banks that were counterparties in bank financing arrangements were, in alphabetical order, Banque Populaire Loire et Lyonnais, BECM, Belfius, BNP Paribas Fortis, Caisse d'Épargne Nord Europe, CBC, CIC, Crédit Agricole and ING.
- As at 30 September 2019, the banks that were counterparties for interest rate hedging instruments were, in alphabetical order, Belfius, BNP Paribas Fortis, CBC, ING and Natixis.

RISK ASSOCIATED WITH OBLIGATIONS CONTAINED IN FINANCING AGREEMENTS

The Company is exposed to the risk of its financing agreements being cancelled, renegotiated or terminated early in the event that it were to fail to comply with the undertakings given upon signing these agreements, particularly as regards certain financial ratios (covenants). These undertakings are in line with market practice for similar financing agreements.

The Company is also exposed to the risk of having to repay its financing contracts early in the event of a change of control or if it were to fail to comply with its obligations and more generally in the event of a situation of default as referred to by these contracts. A situation of default on one contract may lead to a situation of default on all contracts (cross-default clauses). Although based on the information in its possession and such forecasts that can reasonably be made on this basis the Company is not currently aware of anything that

would lead it to conclude that one or more of these commitments might not be met in the foreseeable future, the risk of non-compliance with commitments cannot be ruled out. Furthermore, the Company has no control over compliance with certain commitments that might lead to the early termination of loan agreements, such as a change of control.

In order to limit this risk, Ascencio negotiates with its counterparties levels of covenants compatible with its forecast estimates and regularly monitors trends in the relevant ratios.

Moreover, some financing agreements provide for the payment of a penalty in the event that early termination should be necessary.

If a financing agreement were to be called into question, the Company would have to put in place alternative financing, possibly at a higher cost.

EXCHANGE RISK

Ascencio obtains all its revenues and incurs all its expenses in the euro zone. Its financing is all provided in euros. Ascencio is therefore not exposed to any exchange risk.

NOTE 4 SECTOR INFORMATION

Ascencio specialises in investment in out-of-town commercial property.

Ascencio is active in Belgium, France and Spain.

As at 30 September 2019, commercial properties represented 99.2% of the fair value of the portfolio of investment properties. The remainder consists of a mixed-use offices and warehouses property (6,807 m²) and two apartments.

As at 30 September 2019, properties located in Belgium accounted for 60.2% of the fair value of the total holdings, those located in France for 34.4% and those in Spain 5.3%.

As per IFRS 8, the following operating segments have been identified:

- Belgium: properties located in Belgium;
- France: properties located in France;
- Spain: properties located in Spain.

This segmentation is consistent with the group's organisation and the Company's internal reporting provided to the General Management (see the Section Declaration of corporate governance, Management). The accounting methods described in Note 1 to the financial statements are used for internal reporting and this also for reporting operating segments as presented hereunder.

All revenues come from external clients.

All assets held in France and Spain are properties for commercial use.

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For the year ended 30 September 2019, one tenant accounted for 10% or more of consolidated rental income:

- Groupe Mestdagh: 10.0%

(€000s)		Belgium		France		Spain		Unallocated		Total	
		30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
I	Rental income	25,435	25,240	14,224	13,803	1,926	1,912	0	0	41,585	40,954
III	Rental related charges	-80	44	-145	6	0	0	0	0	-225	50
	NET RENTAL RESULT	25,355	25,283	14,079	13,809	1,926	1,912	0	0	41,359	41,004
V	Recovery of rental charges and taxes normally paid by tenants on let properties	3,579	3,828	2,473	2,469	188	196	0	0	6,239	6,493
VII	Recovery of rental charges and taxes normally paid by tenants on let properties	-3,726	-4,012	-2,505	-2,460	-188	-196	0	0	-6,420	-6,668
VIII	Other revenue and rental related charges	16	56	0	0	3	0	0	0	18	56
	PROPERTY RESULT	25,223	25,155	14,046	13,817	1,928	1,912	0	0	41,198	40,884
IX	Technical costs	-1,080	-515	-85	-80	0	-40	0	0	-1,164	-635
X	Commercial costs	-75	-82	-28	-42	0	0	0	0	-103	-124
XI	Rental charges and taxes on unlet properties	-336	-277	-17	-60	0	0	0	0	-354	-337
XII	Property management costs	-1,100	-967	-332	-195	0	0	0	0	-1,432	-1,163
XIII	Other property charges	-352	-202	-179	-113	0	0	0	0	-531	-315
	PROPERTY CHARGES	-2,944	-2,044	-641	-490	0	-40	0	0	-3,585	-2,575
	PROPERTY OPERATING RESULT	22,280	23,111	13,405	13,327	1,928	1,872	0	0	37,613	38,310
XIV	Corporate overheads	0	0	0	0	0	0	-3,807	-4,383	-3,807	-4,383
XV	Other operating income and charges	101	-14	-1	-1	-27	0	0	0	73	-15
	OPERATING RESULT BEFORE RESULT ON PORTFOLIO	22,381	23,097	13,404	13,326	1,901	1,872	-3,807	-4,383	33,879	33,912
XVI	Net gains and losses on disposals of investment properties	1,096	-15	-133	0	0	0	0	0	963	-15
XVIII	Change in the fair value of investment properties	-2,715	-1,864	2,883	1,823	-568	4,181	0	0	-399	4,141
XIX	Other result on the portfolio	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	OPERATING RESULT	20,762	21,218	16,154	15,150	1,333	6,053	-3,807	-4,383	34,443	38,038

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(€000s)	Belgium		France		Spain		Unallocated		Total	
	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
XX Financial income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
XXI Interest charges	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4,376	-6,370	-4,376	-6,370
XXII Other financial charges	0	0	0	0	0	0	-388	-410	-388	-410
XXIII Change in fair value of financial assets and liabilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	-8,570	3,292	-8,570	3,292
FINANCIAL RESULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	-13,333	-3,488	-13,333	-3,488
RESULT BEFORE TAX	20,762	21,218	16,154	15,150	1,333	6,053	-17,140	-7,871	21,109	34,550
XXV Corporate tax	-7	-25	-411	-237	-312	-264	0	0	-730	-526
XXVI Exit Tax	969	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	969	0
TAXES	962	-25	-411	-237	-312	-264	0	0	239	-526
NET RESULT	21,724	21,193	15,743	14,913	1,022	5,789	-17,140	-7,871	21,348	34,024

(€000s)	Belgium		France		Spain		Unallocated		Total	
	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Intangible assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Investment properties	375,664	380,094	214,480	205,635	32,750	33,300	0	0	622,894	619,029
Other tangible assets	1,264	1,168	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,264	1,168
Other non-current assets	68	621	9	9	396	396	0	0	472	1,025
Current assets	5,110	4,204	5,552	5,636	514	197	0	0	11,176	10,037
TOTAL ASSETS	382,107	386,086	220,041	211,280	33,659	33,893	0	0	635,806	631,258

NOTE 5 INTANGIBLE ASSETS

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	0	41
Transfer from tangible assets	0	0
Acquisitions	0	0
Depreciation	0	-41
BALANCE AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	0	0

Intangible assets at 30 Sept. 2018 comprised software applications (property management and accounting) acquired and developed in 2012 and 2013.

NOTE 6 INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Properties available for rental	622,894	619,029
Development projects	0	0
Assets held for own use	0	0
Other	0	0
BALANCE AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	622,894	619,029

Investment properties comprise properties available for rental (see point A hereunder) and development projects (see point B hereunder).

A. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES AVAILABLE TO LET

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	619,029	609,693
Acquisitions	10,427	3,589
Transfer from development projects	0	5,051
Disposals	-5,316	-3,359
Transfer from assets held for sale	-847	0
Change in fair value	-399	4,055
BALANCE AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	622,894	619,029

Changes in the fair value of investment properties available for rental reflect the investments and divestments made during the financial year as well as the change in fair value of the properties.

Investments during the financial year:

During the financial year, Ascencio made €10.3 million of investments. These mainly concerned the acquisition of 9 newly constructed commercial surfaces (4,350 m²) in the retail park “Le Parc des Drapeaux” in Caen (France).

Divestments during the financial year:

On 26 February 2019 Ascencio sold the Le Pontet retail park in France for an amount of €4 million not including duty. This retail park, with an area of 3,585 m², has an occupancy rate of 100% and is occupied by Basic-Fit, Pacific Pêche and the health food chain Satoriz.

On 24 June 2019 Ascencio also sold the Deurne site (Belgium), a stand-alone of 3,980 m² which had been unoccupied for several years, for an amount of €2.5 million not including duty.

On 25 September 2019 Ascencio signed a promise to sell the site occupied by a Carrefour Market (Mestdagh Group) in Gosselies (Belgium). At 30 September 2019, this property was transferred to held-for-sale assets.

Change in value on a like-for-like basis:

On a like-for-like basis, the fair value of the property portfolio held steady (-0.01%) relative to 30 September 2018.

Properties held under leases:

As at 30 September 2019, Ascencio held two properties under finance leases for which a purchase option has to be exercised at the end of the lease in order to acquire freehold of the properties. These purchase options amount to a total of €214,000 and are recognised as liabilities in the annual accounts at 30 September 2019.

B. DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	0	3,624
Investments	0	1,341
Acquisitions	0	0
Transfer to investment properties	0	-5,051
Disposals	0	0
Change in fair value	0	86
BALANCE AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	0	0

Projects in course of development are works in progress by way of investments in various properties. Projects in course of development do not form part of the calculation of the occupancy rate.

There was no development project at 30 September 2019.

FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT

Investment properties were appraised at 30 September 2019 by independent experts (CBRE, Jones Lang LaSalle and Cushman & Wakefield) at their fair value. The fair value of a property corresponds to its investment value, i.e. its value including registration fees and other transaction costs, from which is deducted a provision for transfer expenses (see Note 1.G).

All investment properties have been classified since first adoption of IFRS 13 as level 3 in the fair value hierarchy defined in IFRS 13. This hierarchy has three levels:

- Level 1: observable prices quoted on active markets
- Level 2: observable inputs other than the quoted prices referred to in Level 1
- Level 3: unobservable inputs

During the financial year 2018/2019 there were no transfers among levels 1, 2 and 3.

VALUATION METHODS USED

Two valuation methods are used by Ascencio's independent experts to determine the fair value of the portfolio properties: the term and reversion method and the hardcore method. They also carried out a check in terms of price per square metre.

Under the term and reversion method, the capitalisation of revenues first takes account of current revenue until the end of the current lease agreement and then takes the estimated rental value (ERV) in perpetuity. Under the hardcore method, the estimated rental value is capitalised in perpetuity, after which adjustments are made to take account of the areas let above or below their rental value, void periods, etc.

The yield used for both methods represents the yield expected by investors on this type of asset. It reflects the risks intrinsic to the asset and the sector (future rental vacancies, credit risk, maintenance obligations, etc). To determine this yield, the experts based themselves on the most comparable transactions and on transactions currently under way in their investment departments.

When there are unusual factors specific to the asset, corrections are applied (major renovations, non-recoverable costs, etc).

QUANTITATIVE INFORMATION CONCERNING FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS USING UNOBSERVABLE INPUTS

The main quantitative information relating to the establishment of the fair value of investment properties based on unobservable inputs (level 3) presented below have been extracted from the reports drawn up by the independent property experts:

COUNTRY	FAIR VALUE 30/09/2019 (€000s)	EVALUATION METHOD	UNOBSERVABLE DATA	MIN	MAX	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Belgium	375,664	Capitalisation	Estimated rental value	46 €/m ²	175 €/m ²	96 €/m ²
			Capitalisation rate	5.00%	8.57%	6.46%
France	214,480	Capitalisation	Estimated rental value	65 €/m ²	304 €/m ²	137 €/m ²
			Capitalisation rate	5.48%	7.30%	6.16%
Spain	32,750	Capitalisation	Estimated rental value	98 €/m ²	216 €/m ²	173 €/m ²
			Capitalisation rate	5.76%	6.66%	6.00%
TOTAL	622,894					

COUNTRY	FAIR VALUE 30/09/2018 (€000s)	EVALUATION METHOD	UNOBSERVABLE DATA	MIN	MAX	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Belgium	380,093	Capitalisation	Estimated rental value	47 €/m ²	175 €/m ²	97 €/m ²
			Capitalisation rate	5.00%	8.76%	6.46%
France	205,635	Capitalisation	Estimated rental value	52 €/m ²	314 €/m ²	135 €/m ²
			Capitalisation rate	5.64%	7.65%	6.28%
Spain	33,300	Capitalisation	Estimated rental value	103 €/m ²	222 €/m ²	177 €/m ²
			Capitalisation rate	5.78%	6.54%	5.99%
TOTAL	619,028					

The estimated rental value (ERV) of a property depends on several factors, mainly its location (major cities, secondary provincial cities), the quality of the property, the nature of the areas (sales, storage, etc.) and the size of the areas let. These factors explain the gap between the lowest and highest ERVs.

The residual duration of agreements and the areas let can be found in the foregoing management report – property report.

SENSITIVITY OF FAIR VALUE OF PROPERTIES TO CHANGES IN UNOBSERVABLE INPUTS

- An increase of 5% in the estimated rental values (ERVs) of the properties would lead to an increase of €20,397,000 in the fair value of the portfolio.
- A decrease of 5% in the estimated rental values (ERVs) of the properties would lead to a decrease of €21,252,000 in the fair value of the portfolio.
- An increase of 0.5% in the capitalisation rate would lead to a decrease of €44,896,000 in the fair value of the portfolio.
- A decrease of 0.5% in the capitalisation rate would lead to an increase of €52,486,000 in the fair value of the portfolio.

There may also be correlations among unobservable inputs, since they are partly determined by market conditions. This correlation was not taken into account however in the aforementioned sensitivity test, which refers to changes that are independent of the rise and fall of these two parameters.

VALUATION PROCESS

The property valuation process is carried out quarterly in the following manner:

- At the end of each quarter the Company sends detailed information on the rental situation of the portfolio to the experts (areas let, leases in progress, break dates and expiries of contracts, investments to be made, etc). These data are extracted from the property management systems. Rental contracts for new acquisitions and addenda to existing ones are also sent to the experts.
- The experts then incorporate this information into their valuation model. Based on their market experience, they maintain or modify the valuation parameters used in their model, mainly in terms of estimated rental value (ERV), capitalisation rate and assumptions on rental vacancies.
- The experts then inform the Company of the individual valuations of the real estate portfolio as produced by their model.
- The valuations are reviewed by the finance and property departments to ensure that the Company has a good understanding of the assumptions used by the experts.
- The summary tables of the individual property valuations are sent to the accounting department for them to pass the necessary entries for the quarterly re-evaluation of the portfolio.
- The portfolio values thus recognised are submitted to the Audit Committee before the financial statements are submitted to the board of directors for approval.

USE OF PROPERTIES

The Company considers that the current use of the investment properties shown at fair value in the balance sheet is optimal, bearing in mind their technical characteristics and the possibilities offered by the rental market.

NOTE 7 OTHER TANGIBLE ASSETS

(€000s)	Assets held for own use		Others		Total	
	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	1,096	1,069	72	525	1,168	1,594
Acquisitions	0	0	155	60	155	60
Disposals	0	0	0	-493	0	-493
Depreciation	0	0	-63	-20	-63	-20
Change in value	5	26	0	0	5	26
BALANCE AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	1,101	1,096	164	72	1,264	1,168

The item “Property for own use” includes the part of the property located at Avenue Jean-Mermoz, Gosselies, used by the Company as its head office, for an amount of €1,101,000. The carrying amount of this part-property was revalued by €5,000 in order to bring it into line with its fair value at 30 September 2019. The fair value of the part used by Ascencio was determined in proportion to the fair value determined by the expert for the part occupied not by Ascencio but by a third party.

None of these assets is encumbered.

NOTE 8 CURRENT AND NON-CURRENT FINANCIAL ASSETS

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Held-to-maturity assets	0	0
Available-for-sale assets	0	0
Assets at fair value through the income statement	1	556
Loans and receivables	0	0
Other	472	470
NON-CURRENT FINANCIAL ASSETS	472	1,025
CURRENT FINANCIAL ASSETS	0	0

The heading “Assets at fair value with changes through the income statement” reflects the measurement of the fair value of derivative financial instruments in accordance with IFRS 9 “Financial Instruments”, which have a positive value. If they do not have a positive value, their value is shown in the equivalent heading of liabilities (see note 18).

NOTE 9 ASSETS HELD FOR SALE

(000 EUR)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	0	0
Investments	0	0
Acquisitions	0	0
Transfer to investment properties	847	0
Disposals	0	0
Change in fair value	0	0
BALANCE AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	847	0

At 30 September 2019, the item “Assets held for sale” relates to the site of Gosselies occupied by a Carrefour Market (Group Mestdagh) for which a commitment to sell was signed on 25 September 2019.

NOTE 10 CATEGORIES AND DESIGNATION OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

(€000s)	30/09/2019		30/09/2018		Category	Level
	Carrying amount	Fair value	Carrying amount	Fair value		
NON-CURRENT ASSETS	472	472	1,025	1,025		
Deposits in guarantee received	472	472	470	470	A	2
Derivative instruments (IRS-CAP)	1	1	556	556	C	2
CURRENT ASSETS	9,769	8,756	9,377	9,377		
Trade receivables	4,107	4,107	4,307	4,307	A	2
Receivables and other current assets	1,013	0	1,043	1,043	A	2
Cash and cash equivalents	4,650	4,650	4,027	4,027	A	2
TOTAL	10,241	9,229	10,402	10,402		

(€000s)	30/09/2019		30/09/2018		Category	Level
	Carrying amount	Fair value	Carrying amount	Fair value		
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	180,430	182,349	139,647	140,630		
Bank borrowings	165,742	167,660	132,771	133,754	A	2
Derivative instruments (IRS)	12,800	12,800	4,793	4,793	C	2
Guarantees received	1,889	1,889	2,083	2,083	A	2
CURRENT LIABILITIES	89,775	89,775	122,535	122,535		
Bank borrowings	31,430	31,430	64,698	64,698	A	2
Others current financial debts	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	A	2
Trade debts	5,986	5,986	5,649	5,649	A	2
Other current debts	2,359	2,359	2,188	2,188	A	2
TOTAL	270,206	272,124	262,182	263,165		

These categories follow the classification specified by IFRS 9:

- category A: Financial assets or liabilities (including accounts receivable and loans) carried at amortised cost
- category B: Assets or liabilities recognized at fair value through the net income
- category C: Assets or liabilities that must be measured at fair value through the net income.

The fair value of financial instruments can be ranked in a hierarchy of three levels (1, 2 and 3) each corresponding to a degree of observability of fair value:

- Level 1 fair value measurements are those established based on unadjusted prices quoted on active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 fair value measurements are those established on the basis of inputs other than quoted prices as per level 1 but which are observable for the asset or liability concerned, either directly (i.e. from prices) or indirectly (from data deriving from prices);
- Level 3 fair value measurements are those established on the basis of valuation techniques comprising data relating to the asset or liability which are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

There were no transfers between levels during the financial year.

The fair value of financial instruments has been determined in accordance with the following methods:

- For short-term financial instruments such as trade receivables and payables, the fair value is considered not to be significantly different from the carrying amount as a function of the amortised cost;
- For floating rate borrowings, the fair value is considered not to be significantly different from the carrying amount as a function of the amortised cost;
- For fixed rate borrowings, the fair value corresponds to the net present value of the future flows of principal and interest;
- For derivatives, the fair value is determined by discounting the estimated future cash flows to their net present value based on interest rate curves.

NOTE 11 CURRENT TRADE RECEIVABLES

(€000s)	More than 90 d	From 30 to 90 d	From 0 to 30 d	Total
Non-doubtful receivables	162	46	3,790	3,998
Doubtful debtors	440	0	0	440
Write-downs on doubtful debtors	-332	0	0	-332
BALANCE AT 30/09/2019	271	46	3,790	4,107
Non-doubtful receivables	197	138	3,925	4,260
Doubtful debtors	242	0	0	242
Write-downs on doubtful debtors	-195	0	0	-195
BALANCE AT 30/09/2018	244	138	3,925	4,307

The carrying amount of trade receivables should be recovered in twelve months. This carrying amount constitutes an approximation to the fair value of the assets, which do not bear interest.

The credit risk associated with trade receivables is limited thanks to the diversity of the customer base and the rental guarantees established by tenants to cover their commitments. The amounts shown in the balance sheet are net of value reductions for doubtful debts. As a result, the exposure to credit risk is reflected by the carrying amount of the receivables in the balance sheet.

At 30 September 2019, doubtful accounts amounted to €440,000 (compared with €242,000 at 30 September 2018). Doubtful accounts were been reduced in value by €332,000 (compared with €195,000 at 30 September 2018). This amount represents the risk of default estimated at 30 September 2019 on the basis of the analysis of trade receivables at that date. The non-impaired portion of these doubtful accounts (€108,000) is either covered by guarantees established by tenants or corresponds to French VAT due only in the event of actual payment of the receivable.

The risk associated with trade receivables (risk of tenants' insolvency) is described in the section headed "Risk factors - Risk of tenants' insolvency" in the Annual Report.

The breakdown of tenants (by rents received) is shown in the section headed "Real estate report" of the Annual Report.

Reductions in value have evolved as follows:

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	195	488
Additions	235	0
Charged to provisions	-89	-244
Reversals	-9	-49
Acquisitions of subsidiaries	0	0
BALANCE AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	332	195

NOTE 12 TAX RECEIVABLES AND OTHER CURRENT ASSETS

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Taxes	228	349
Salaries and social charges	0	0
Other	1,013	1,043
TOTAL	1,241	1,392

The heading “Taxes” comprises amounts of VAT to be recovered.

The heading “Other” consists mainly of French property managers’ calls for provisions in respect of charges invoiced to tenants.

NOTE 13 DEFERRED CHARGES AND ACCRUED INCOME

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Accrued rental income	0	0
Rent-free periods and incentives granted to tenants to be spread	0	0
Prepaid property charges	0	0
Prepaid interest and other financial charges	99	80
Other	232	231
TOTAL	332	311

NOTE 14 SHARE CAPITAL, SHARE PREMIUM AND RESERVES

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Subscribed capital	39,576	39,576
Costs of capital increase	-917	-917
TOTAL	38,659	38,659

At 30 September 2019 the share capital stood at €39,576,000 represented by 6.595.985 shares with no nominal value. Issue premiums amounted to €256,252,000.

After deduction of capital increase expenses (on creation of the Company and on the occasion of subsequent capital increases), the capital and share premium as shown in the consolidated financial statements at 30 September 2019 amounted to €38,659,000 and €253,353,000 respectively.

Changes in the number of shares since the company's establishment can be summarised as follows:

Number of shares at the time of establishment of the Company	2,500
Stock split (by 4) dated 23 October 2006	10,000
Shares created when constituting the Company's assets in 2006	2,968,125
New shares issued on the occasion of the capital increase of 3 November 2010	1,192,250
New shares issued on the occasion of the capital increase of 17 December 2012	53,186
New shares issued on the occasion of the capital increase of 31 March 2014	1,811,169
New shares issued on the occasion of the capital increase of 26 February 2015	145,538
New shares issued on the occasion of the capital increase of 26 February 2016	181,918
New shares issued on the occasion of the capital increase of 19 December 2016	132,908
New shares issued on the occasion of the capital increase of 27 February 2018	98,391
NUMBER OF SHARES AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2019	6,595,985

The Statutory Manager declares that there are no different voting rights attaching to shares in the company.

NOTE 15 PROVISIONS

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Pensions	0	0
Other	0	21
TOTAL	0	21

At 30 September 2018, the provisions consisted exclusively of the amount relating to the remaining clean-up works at one site, as described in the section headed "Risk factors - 4. Risks associated with regulation and others" in the annual report.

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	21	105
Additions	0	0
Charged to provisions	-21	-84
Reversals	0	0
BALANCE AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	0	21

NOTE 16 CURRENT AND NON-CURRENT FINANCIAL DEBT

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Non-current financial debts	165,742	132,772
a. Credit institutions	165,317	132,227
b. Finance leases	424	544
Current financial debts	81,430	114,698
a. Credit institutions	31,310	63,660
b. Finance leases	120	1,038
c. Other - Commercial paper	50,000	50,000
TOTAL	247,172	247,469

At 30 September 2019, financial liabilities totalled €247,172,000. They are divided into four types of financing:

- credit lines available in the form of fixed term advances: €190,300,000
- liabilities under finance leases: €544,000
- investment loans: €6,327,000
- commercial paper: €50,000,000

The principal maturities of these financial liabilities are as follows:

(€000s)	Date	Total	Falling due within 1 year	Falling due from 1 to 5 years	Falling due over 5 years
Fixed term advances	30/09/2018	188,200	62,300	115,400	10,500
	30/09/2019	190,300	30,000	76,700	83,600
Liabilities under finance leases	30/09/2018	1,582	1,038	544	0
	30/09/2019	544	120	424	0
Investment credits	30/09/2018	7,687	1,360	4,206	2,121
	30/09/2019	6,327	1,310	3,475	1,542
Commercial paper	30/09/2018	50,000	50,000	0	0
	30/09/2019	50,000	50,000	0	0
TOTAL	30/09/2018	247,469	114,698	120,150	12,621
	30/09/2019	247,172	81,430	80,600	85,142

The following table shows, for information purposes, the future cash flows of principal and interest relating to these financial liabilities, not discounted to present value, based on market rates and the conditions of the credit lines as at 30 September 2019.

(€000s)	Falling due within 1 year	Falling due from 1 to 5 years	Falling due over 5 years	Total
At 30/09/2018	117,242	125,194	12,939	255,374
At 30/09/2019	83,958	87,144	86,152	257,254

Credit lines available in the form of fixed term advances:

At 30 September 2019, Ascencio had €275.5 million in credit lines with six banks (BNP Paribas Fortis, ING, CBC, Belfius, Caisse d'Épargne Nord Europe and Société Générale) available in the form of fixed term advances with due dates ranging from 2020 to 2026.

At 30 September 2019, the unutilised portion of these lines amounted to €85.2 million.

Investment loans:

At 30 September 2019, Ascencio had €6.3 million in investment loans from French banks, with maturities ranging from 2019 to 2027. The majority of these investment loans are at fixed rates of interest.

Commercial paper:

In order to reduce its average cost of debt, Ascencio has had, since June 2016, a commercial paper programme for up to €50 million. At 30 September 2019 this programme was used for short-term issues amounting to €50 million. In order to hedge the risk of non-renewal of commercial paper issued, Ascencio makes sure that, under its credit lines available by way of fixed term loans (see above), it always has undrawn balances at least equal to its outstanding commercial paper.

Fixed rate borrowings - Variable rate borrowings:

As at 30 September 2019, financial liabilities consisted of:

- €194,137,000 of floating rate debt (before taking account of IRS (interest rate swaps)).
- €53,035,000 of fixed-rate debt.

The carrying amount of the variable rate financial liabilities is an approximation to their fair value. Based on Ascencio's financing conditions and market rates as at 30 September 2019, the fair value of fixed rate financial liabilities is estimated at €54,939,000. This estimate is mentioned for information purposes.

The carrying amount of fixed-rate liabilities corresponds to their amortised cost.

Average cost of financial debts

During financial year 2018/2019, the average cost of debt³ (including margins, non-utilisation commissions and upfront opening fees) declined further, amounting to:

- 1.87% after the impact of interest rate hedging instruments (i.e. including interest charges paid in respect of IRS).
- 1.13% before the impact of interest rate hedging instruments (i.e. before interest charges paid in respect of IRS).

The liquidity and counterparty risks and the risk associated with the cost of financing are described in Note 3 – Management of financial risks.

NOTE 17 DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

At 30 September 2019, 78.5% of the Company's borrowings were at variable rates. With a view to limiting the interest rate risk associated with this type of financing, the Company has put in place an interest rate risk hedging policy which aims to lock in interest rates on at least 70% of its financial debt at a horizon of several years.

At 30 September 2019, interest rate hedging was composed of:

- 41 IRS (interest rate swap) contracts on a total notional amount of €577,500,000 million, of which €107,500,000 million was effective at 30 September 2019 and €470,000,000 million will be effective at a later date.
- 5 CAP option contracts on a notional amount of €65,000,000 million, of which €55,000,000 million was effective at 30 September 2019 and €10,000,000 million will be effective at a later date.

Based on financial indebtedness at 30 September 2019 and the interest rate hedging instruments active at that date, the hedging ratio³⁺⁴ was 87.2%.

³ Alternative Performance Measure (APM). See glossary at the end of the financial report.

⁴ This is not the indicator referred to in Article 8 of the B-REITs Act.

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Type	Notional amount (000 EUR)	Start date	End date	Interest rate	Floating reference rate	Fair value (€000s)	
						30/09/2019	30/09/2018
IRS	10,000	29/02/2012	28/02/2019	1.80%	3-month Euribor	0	-106
IRS	5,000	29/02/2012	28/02/2019	1.81%	3-month Euribor	0	-53
IRS	10,000	30/06/2013	30/06/2020	1.50%	3-month Euribor	-150	-302
IRS	10,000	03/07/2013	30/06/2020	1.50%	3-month Euribor	-150	-302
IRS	7,500	12/08/2011	12/08/2021	2.76%	3-month Euribor	-501	-638
IRS	20,000	28/09/2007	30/09/2022	3.70%	3-month Euribor	-2,591	-2,863
IRS	20,000	29/06/2018	30/06/2020	0.38%	3-month Euribor	-128	-203
IRS	10,000	29/06/2018	30/06/2020	0.29%	3-month Euribor	-57	-86
IRS	20,000	29/06/2018	30/06/2019	0.19%	3-month Euribor	0	-73
IRS	30,000	30/06/2019	30/06/2020	0.28%	3-month Euribor	-170	-120
IRS	15,000	31/12/2019	31/12/2022	0.34%	3-month Euribor	-396	38
IRS	10,000	30/09/2019	31/12/2023	0.39%	3-month Euribor	-388	58
IRS	10,000	30/09/2019	31/12/2023	0.40%	3-month Euribor	-391	49
IRS	10,000	30/06/2020	30/06/2023	0.35%	3-month Euribor	-267	70
IRS	15,000	30/06/2020	30/06/2023	0.15%	3-month Euribor	-308	196
IRS	30,000	30/06/2020	31/12/2021	0.18%	3-month Euribor	-336	74
IRS	20,000	30/06/2020	30/06/2021	0.26%	3-month Euribor	-165	0
IRS	20,000	30/06/2020	30/06/2023	0.62%	3-month Euribor	-705	-21
IRS	10,000	30/06/2021	31/12/2022	0.83%	3-month Euribor	-209	-25
IRS	10,000	30/06/2021	31/12/2022	0.63%	3-month Euribor	-177	7
IRS	15,000	31/12/2021	30/06/2023	0.72%	3-month Euribor	-281	20
IRS	15,000	31/12/2021	31/03/2023	0.67%	3-month Euribor	-226	23
IRS	10,000	30/06/2022	30/06/2023	0.80%	3-month Euribor	-132	10
IRS*	10,000	30/09/2021	30/09/2023	0.65%	3-month Euribor	-235	-
IRS*	10,000	30/09/2022	30/09/2023	0.73%	3-month Euribor	-123	-
IRS*	10,000	31/12/2022	31/12/2023	0.49%	3-month Euribor	-97	-
IRS*	10,000	31/12/2022	31/12/2024	0.61%	3-month Euribor	-207	-
IRS*	10,000	31/12/2022	31/12/2023	0.53%	3-month Euribor	-99	-
IRS*	20,000	31/03/2023	31/03/2025	0.62%	3-month Euribor	-405	-
IRS*	20,000	30/06/2023	30/06/2024	0.50%	3-month Euribor	-185	-
IRS*	15,000	30/06/2023	30/06/2025	0.46%	3-month Euribor	-247	-
IRS*	15,000	30/06/2023	30/06/2025	0.46%	3-month Euribor	-245	-
IRS*	10,000	30/09/2022	30/09/2023	0.12%	3-month Euribor	-60	-
IRS*	10,000	30/09/2022	30/09/2027	0.57%	3-month Euribor	-414	-
IRS*	10,000	30/06/2023	30/06/2025	0.38%	3-month Euribor	-148	-
IRS*	20,000	30/06/2023	30/06/2027	0.58%	3-month Euribor	-649	-
IRS*	10,000	31/12/2023	31/12/2025	0.47%	3-month Euribor	-155	-
IRS*	20,000	31/12/2023	31/12/2027	0.68%	3-month Euribor	-680	-
IRS*	20,000	31/12/2022	31/12/2025	-0.04%	3-month Euribor	-181	-

Type	Notional amount (000 EUR)	Start date	End date	Interest rate	Floating reference rate	Fair value (€000s)	
						30/09/2019	30/09/2018
IRS*	20,000	30/09/2023	30/09/2029	0.34%	3-month Euribor	-471	-
IRS*	10,000	31/12/2023	31/12/2028	0.31%	3-month Euribor	-195	-
IRS*	10,000	30/06/2024	30/06/2029	0.22%	3-month Euribor	-115	-
IRS*	10,000	30/06/2024	30/06/2029	0.22%	3-month Euribor	-114	-
IRS*	10,000	31/12/2024	31/12/2026	0.08%	3-month Euribor	-46	-
CAP purchased	20,000	30/06/2017	30/06/2020	0.15%	3-month Euribor	0	8
CAP purchased	20,000	31/12/2017	31/12/2018	0.45%	3-month Euribor	0	0
CAP purchased	15,000	30/06/2018	31/12/2019	0.45%	3-month Euribor	0	0
CAP purchased	10,000	31/12/2018	31/12/2019	0.25%	3-month Euribor	0	0
CAP purchased	10,000	31/12/2018	30/09/2019	0.25%	3-month Euribor	0	0
CAP purchased	15,000	28/02/2019	30/06/2019	0.45%	1-month Euribor	0	0
CAP purchased*	10,000	31/12/2020	31/12/2021	0.25%	3-month Euribor	1	-

(*) Contract concluded after 30/09/2018

These hedging instruments are measured at their fair value at the end of each quarter as calculated by the issuing financial institution.

Ascencio does not apply hedge accounting to the financial hedging instruments that it holds. Therefore these instruments are considered as instruments held for trading under IFRS, and changes in their market value are recognised directly and in full in the income statement.

The market value of derivative financial instruments is advised on each accounting closing date by the financial institutions from which these instruments were acquired.

For the financial year ended 30 September 2019, the financial result was income of €8.57 million (as against income of €3.29 million for the year ended 30 September 2018), representing the change in fair value of financial instruments to which hedge accounting in the meaning of IFRS 9 is not applied. This income item does not affect the Company's cash flow.

At the final expiry date of each financial instrument, its value will be zero and the changes in value recognised from one financial year to another will have been entirely reversed out of the income statement.

A simulation carried out indicates that an additional fall of 25 basis points in long-term (10-year) interest rates would lead to a (non-monetary) charge of €3,453,000.

The risk associated with hedging instruments is described in Note 3 – Management of financial risks.

These financial instruments are all “level 2” derivative products in the meaning of IFRS 13.

The net cash flows, not discounted to present value, of the financial hedging instruments at balance sheet date were as follows:

- Falling due within one year: €2,089,000
- Falling due at between one and five years: €7,582,000
- Falling due at more than five years: €3,908,000

NOTE 18 OTHER NON-CURRENT FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Authorised hedging instruments	12,800	4,793
Other	1,889	2,083
TOTAL	14,689	6,876

NOTE 19 DEFERRED TAX LIABILITIES

This heading comprises:

- the deferred tax relating to the deferred taxation (5% withheld at source) of unrealised capital gains on the French assets.
 - 30 September 2018: €661,000
 - 30 September 2019: €903,000
- At 30 September 2018, the estimated amount of exit tax that would be due in the event of the merger of subsidiary Rix Retail SA into Ascencio, namely €2,696,000. Rix Retail SA was merged by absorption by Ascencio in October 2018.

NOTE 20 TRADE PAYABLES AND OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Suppliers	5,087	4,659
Tenants	899	990
Taxes, salaries and social charges	2,359	2,188
TOTAL	8,345	7,837

The heading “Taxes, salaries and social charges” basically consists of

- VAT payable, mainly in respect of rental of properties in France. In France, unlike Belgium, rentals for commercial properties are subject to VAT.
- tax due by the French branch (5% withholding on the statutory result established on the basis of French accounting standards).
- tax due by the Belgian and Spanish subsidiaries which are subject to ordinary local rates of corporation tax.
- provisions for holiday allowances and end-of-year bonuses.

NOTE 21 ACCRUED CHARGES AND DEFERRED INCOME

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Property income received in advance	27	139
Accrued interest and other charges not yet dues	1,547	1,533
Other	0	0
TOTAL	1,574	1,671

The heading “Accrued interest and other charges not yet dues” mainly concerns the Statutory Manager’s remuneration, the Statutory Manager’s directors’ remuneration and pro-rata of interest, on financial debt.

NOTE 22 RENTAL INCOME

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Rents	41,937	41,252
Guaranteed income	0	0
Cost of rent-free periods	-352	-298
Concessions granted to tenants (incentives)	0	0
Indemnification for early termination of rental contracts	0	0
Finance lease fees and similar	0	0
TOTAL	41,585	40,954

NOTE 23 RENTAL RELATED CHARGES

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Rents payable on rented premises	0	0
Write-downs on trade receivables	-9	-19
Write-back of write-downs on trade receivables	235	69
TOTAL	225	50

NOTE 24 RECOVERY OF RENTAL CHARGES AND TAXES NORMALLY ASSUMED BY THE TENANT ON LET PROPERTIES

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Rebilling of rental charges invoiced to the landlord	2,280	2,502
Rebilling of property taxes and other taxes on let properties	3,960	3,990
TOTAL	6,239	6,493

For certain tenants, rental charges are periodically invoiced in the form of provisions and are thus recovered from the tenants before being effectively incurred by the Company. There may be a slight timing mismatch between charges actually billed to tenants and those effectively incurred by the Company, since the regularisation is performed annually.

NOTE 25 RENTAL CHARGES AND TAXES NORMALLY ASSUMED BY THE TENANT ON LET PROPERTIES

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Rental charges invoiced to the landlord	-2,280	-2,486
Property taxes and other taxes on let properties	-4,140	-4,182
TOTAL	-6,420	-6,668

NOTE 26 TECHNICAL COSTS

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Recurring technical costs		
- Repairs	-614	-525
- Total-guarantee charge	0	0
- Insurance premiums	0	0
Non-recurring technical costs		
- Major repairs	-484	-110
- Damage expenses	-66	0
TOTAL	-1,164	-635

Technical costs represent expenses incurred for works on investment properties. They are charged to the property operating result if they do not bring about economic benefits.

NOTE 27 COMMERCIAL COSTS

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Letting fees paid to real estate brokers	-5	-60
Advertising and marketing costs relating to the properties	-12	-41
Fees paid to lawyers and other legal costs	-86	-23
TOTAL	-103	-124

NOTE 28 PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COSTS

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Fees paid to external managers	-126	-115
Internal property management charges	-1,307	-1,048
TOTAL	-1,432	-1,163

NOTE 29 OTHER PROPERTY CHARGES

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Insurance	-31	-57
Taxes and duties for landlord's account	-281	-39
Property renting, emphyteuses, rental charges	-220	-219
Other	1	0
TOTAL	-531	-315

NOTE 30 CORPORATE OVERHEADS

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Employee benefits	-1,055	-1,009
Remuneration of the statutory manager	-923	-897
Remuneration of directors	-183	-214
Operating costs	-750	-534
Fees	-509	-1,358
Tax on UCIs	-323	-310
Depreciation	-64	-61
TOTAL	-3,807	-4,383

The decrease in general expenses is mainly due to due diligence and structuring costs of a major investment project studied during the third quarter of the financial year which did not come to fruition. These non-recurring costs amounted to €0.82 million.

NOTE 31 OTHER OPERATING INCOME AND CHARGES

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Other operating income	117	7
Other operating charges	-44	-21
TOTAL	73	-15

NOTE 32 NET GAINS AND LOSSES ON DISPOSALS OF INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Losses on disposals of investment properties	-133	-15
Gains on disposals of investment properties	1,096	0
TOTAL	963	-15

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Net sales of properties (selling price - transaction costs)	6,327	3,513
Carrying amount of properties sold	-5,364	-3,527
TOTAL	963	-15

NOTE 33 CHANGES IN THE FAIR VALUE OF INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Positive changes in the fair value of investment properties	7,012	15,906
Negative changes in the fair value of investment properties	-7,411	-11,765
TOTAL	-399	4,141

NOTE 34 FINANCIAL INCOME

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Interest and dividends received	0	0
TOTAL	0	0

NOTE 35 NET INTEREST CHARGES

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
(-) Nominal interest on borrowings	-2,498	-2,592
(-) Reconstitution of the face value of financial debts	0	0
(-) Charges arising from authorised hedging instruments	-1,878	-3,779
Authorised hedging instruments to which IFRS hedge accounting is not applied	-1,878	-3,779
(+) Income arising from authorised hedging instruments	0	0
(-) Other interest expense	0	0
TOTAL	-4,376	-6,370

NOTE 36 OTHER FINANCIAL CHARGES

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Bank charges and other commissions	-388	-410
TOTAL	-388	-410

NOTE 37 CHANGES IN FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Authorised hedging instruments		
Authorised hedging instruments to which IFRS hedge accounting is not applied	-8,570	3,292
TOTAL	-8,570	3,292

NOTE 38 CORPORATE TAX

	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
PARENT COMPANY		
Pre-tax result	20,637	34,263
Result exempted from income tax due to the RREC regime	-20,637	-34,263
Taxable result	0	0
Tax at standard rate	0	0
Other taxes	-176	-108
Deferred tax	-242	-122
SUBSIDIARIES		
Current tax	-312	-297
TOTAL	-730	-526

Ascencio has the status of a public B-REIT. This status provides for the application of Belgian corporation tax at the standard rate of 33.99% to a reduced tax base, i.e. mainly on its non-allowable expenses.

The heading "Parent company - Other taxes" comprises the 5% withholding tax at source on the statutory profit of the French branch established on the basis of French accounting standards.

Subsidiaries' tax payable consists of corporation tax of subsidiaries not operating under the same tax regime as the Company:

- the Spanish subsidiary Ascencio Iberia SA is also subject to the ordinary income tax regime in Spain (25%).

Deferred taxation represents the change relative to the previous year in the estimated amount of deferred taxation (5% withholding at source) on unrealised capital gains on French assets.

NOTE 39 EARNINGS PER SHARE

The basic EPS is obtained by dividing the net result for the financial year (numerator) by the weighted average number of shares in circulation during the financial year (denominator).

The diluted EPS is identical, since the Company has no diluting instruments.

	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Net result for the financial year (€000s)	21,348	34,024
Weighted average number of shares in circulation	6,595,985	6,595,985
Basic and diluted EPS (euros)	3.24	5.16

The weighted average number of shares during the financial year ended 30 September 2019 consisted of

- the 6,595,958 shares in existence at the beginning of the financial year;

The weighted average number of shares during the financial year ended 30 September 2018 consisted of

- the 6,497,594 shares in existence at the beginning of the financial year;
- the 98,391 new shares issued on 27 February 2018, entitled to dividends from 01/10/2017 and weighted 100%.

NOTE 40 INFORMATION ON RELATED PARTIES

We report hereunder the amounts of transactions carried out with co-promoters Carl Mestdagh, Eric Mestdagh and John Mestdagh on the one hand and AG Real Estate on the other, as well as with parties related to the co-promoters.

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Rental income		
Mestdagh SA	4,242	3,979
Equilis SA	73	72
Purchase of services		
Equilis SA	0	0
Remuneration of the manager	923	897
Remuneration of manager's directors	183	214
Assets		
Trade receivables Mestdagh SA	310	409
Trade receivables Equilis SA	19	20

The remuneration granted to executives of the statutory manager is referred to in Note 41 hereunder.

NOTE 41 MANAGERS' REMUNERATION

The remuneration of Ascencio SA, the statutory manager, is set at 4% of the amount of the gross dividend distributed, namely €923,000 for the financial year last ended (€897,000 for the previous financial year). This amount will not be paid until after the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of Ascencio SCA.

Additionally, basic remuneration and attendance fees paid by Ascencio SA to its directors for their attending board, audit committee and nomination and remuneration committee and investment committee meetings amounted to €183,000 for the financial year last ended (€214,000 for 2017/2018). These amounts are passed on by Ascencio SA to the Company. The breakdown of these amounts is shown in the report on remuneration above. This remuneration will not be paid until after the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of Ascencio SCA.

Lastly, remuneration of the Company's dirigeants effectifs (executive managers), Vincent H. Querton, Stéphanie Vanden Broecke and Michèle Delvaux, amounted to €829,000 for the financial year last ended.

NOTE 42 SUBSIDIARIES

SUBSIDIARIES	Held directly	Held indirectly
ETUDIBEL SA - Avenue Jean Mermoz 1 Bte 4 - 6041 Gosselies Company number BE 883 633 970	100%	None
SCI CANDICE BRIVES Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SCI ECHIROLLES GRUGLIASCO Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SCI HARFLEUR 2005 Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SCI KEVIN Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SCI LA PIERRE DE L'ISLE Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SCI MAS DES ABEILLES Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SCI ZTF ESSEY LES NANCY Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SCI CANNET JOURDAN Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SCI DE LA COTE Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SCI DU ROND POINT Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SCI SEYNOD BARRAL Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SCI CLERMONT SAINT JEAN Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SCI SAINT AUNES RETAIL PARK Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SCI LES HALLES DE CRECHES Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SCI LES HALLES DE LOZANNE Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SCI LES PORTES DU SUD Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SCI GUYANCOURT Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SCI TESTE DE BUCH Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SCI VIRIAT Tour Pacific, 11-13 cours Valmy - 92977 Paris La Défense - France	100%	None
SAU ASCENCIO IBERIA Calle Hermosilla 11 Planta 3A - 28001 Madrid - Spain	100%	None

NOTE 43 FEES OF THE STATUTORY AUDITOR

(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Audit of the financial statements	46	44
Other assignments carried out by the Statutory Auditor	14	11
TOTAL	60	55

NOTE 44 EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

There have been no significant events after the reporting period at the date on which this report was prepared.

REPORT OF THE STATUTORY AUDITOR

TO THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
ON THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2019

In the context of the statutory audit of the consolidated financial statements of Ascencio SCA (“the Company”) and its subsidiaries (jointly “the Group”), we hereby submit our statutory audit report. This report includes our report on the consolidated financial statements and the other legal and regulatory requirements. These parts should be considered as integral to the report.

We were appointed in our capacity as statutory auditor by the shareholders’ meeting of 31 January 2017 in accordance with the proposal of the board of directors issued upon recommendation of the Audit Committee. Our mandate will expire on the date of the shareholders’ meeting approving the consolidated financial statements for the year ending 30 September 2019. We have performed the statutory audit of the consolidated financial statements of Ascencio SCA for 12 subsequent years.

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Unqualified opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of the Group, which comprise the consolidated balance sheet as at 30 September 2019, the consolidated income statement, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended and the consolidated statement of changes in equity, as well as the summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes. The consolidated balance sheet shows total assets of 635,806 (000) EUR and the consolidated income statement a consolidated net profit for the year then ended of 21,348 (000) EUR.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements of Ascencio SCA give a true and fair view of the Group’s net equity and financial position as of 30 September 2019 and of its consolidated results and its consolidated cash flow for the year then ended, in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union and with the legal and regulatory requirements applicable in Belgium.

Basis for the unqualified opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISA), as applicable in Belgium. In addition, we have applied the International Standards on Auditing approved by the IAASB applicable to the current financial year, but not yet approved at national level. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the “Responsibilities of the statutory auditor for the audit of the consolidated financial statements” section of our report. We have complied with all ethical requirements relevant to the statutory audit of consolidated financial statements in Belgium, including those regarding independence.

We have obtained from the board of directors and the Company's officials the explanations and information necessary for performing our audit.

We believe that the audit evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Key audit matters

VALUATION OF INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

- Ascencio owns and manages a portfolio of investment properties valued at EUR 623 million as at September 30, 2019 representing 98% of the total consolidated balance sheet. Changes in the value of the real estate portfolio have a significant impact on consolidated net income and shareholders' equity.
- The Group uses independent real estate experts each quarter to value its investment property portfolio at fair value. These experts are appointed by the Group management. They have a confirmed knowledge of the real estate markets in which the Group operates.
- The portfolio (excluding development projects) is valued at fair value. Development projects are valued according to the same methodology but taking into account all the costs necessary for the finalization of the development project as well as a risk premium related to the risks of project realization. The key data of the valuation exercise are the capitalization rates as well as current market rents, which are influenced by market trends, comparable transactions and the specific characteristics of each building in the portfolio.
- The valuation of the portfolio is subject to significant judgments and is based on a number of assumptions. The uncertainties related to estimates and judgments, combined with the fact that a small percentage difference in individual property valuations could have, in aggregate, a significant impact on the income statement and on the balance sheet, require a particular attention in the context of our audit work.

How our audit addressed the key audit matters?

- We evaluated the process of reviewing and approving the work of real estate experts set up by the Group.
- We assessed the competence, independence and integrity of the real estate experts.
- We also reviewed the key assumptions by comparing them with market data or comparable real estate transactions provided by real estate experts, particularly with respect to the capitalization rate.
- We compared the amounts included in the valuation reports of real estate experts to the accounting data and then reconciled them to the financial statements.
- We reviewed and challenged the valuation process, portfolio performance, significant assumptions and judgments especially for capitalization rates.
- As part of our audit procedures performed on acquisitions and disposals of investment properties, we reviewed significant contracts and documentation of the accounting treatment applied to these transactions.
- We conducted audit procedures to assess the integrity and completeness of the information provided to the independent experts on rental income, key characteristics of leases and tenancies.
- We refer to the financial statements, including the notes to the financial statements: Note 1, General Information and Accounting Policies and note 6, Investment Property.

Responsibilities of the board of directors for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements

The board of directors is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union and with the legal and regulatory requirements applicable in Belgium, and for such internal control as the board of directors determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, the board of directors is responsible for assessing the group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters to be considered for going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the board of directors either intends to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or has no other realistic alternative but to do so.

Responsibilities of the statutory auditor for the audit of the consolidated financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a statutory auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISA will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

During the performance of our audit, we comply with the legal, regulatory and normative framework as applicable to the audit of consolidated financial statements in Belgium.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISA, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from an error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control;
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control;
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the board of directors;

- conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our statutory auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our statutory auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern;
- evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation;
- obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities and business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with the audit committee regarding, amongst other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the audit committee with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and we communicate with them about all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated the audit committee, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes any public disclosure about the matter.

OTHER LEGAL AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

Responsibilities of the board of directors

The board of directors is responsible for the preparation and the content of the directors' report on the consolidated financial statements and other matters disclosed in this report.

Responsibilities of the statutory auditor

As part of our mandate and in accordance with the Belgian standard complementary (revised in 2018) to the International Standards on Auditing (ISA) as applicable in Belgium, our responsibility is to verify, in all material respects, the director's report on the consolidated financial statements, as well as to report on these matters.

Aspects regarding the directors' report on the consolidated financial statements and other information disclosed in the annual report on the consolidated financial statements

In our opinion, after performing the specific procedures on the directors' report on the consolidated financial statements, this report is consistent with the consolidated financial statements for that same year and has been established in accordance with the requirements of article 119 of the companies code.

In the context of our statutory audit of the consolidated financial statements we are also responsible to consider, in particular based on information that we became aware of during the audit, if the directors' report on the consolidated financial statements is free of material misstatement, either by information that is incorrectly stated or otherwise misleading. In the context of the procedures performed, we are not aware of such material misstatement.

Statements regarding independence

- Our audit firm and our network have not performed any prohibited services and our audit firm has remained independent from the Group during the performance of our mandate.
- The fees for the non-audit services compatible with the statutory audit of the consolidated financial statements as defined in article 134 of the companies code have been properly disclosed and disaggregated in the disclosures to the consolidated financial statements.

Other statements

- This report is consistent with our additional report to the audit committee referred to in article 11 of Regulation (EU) No 537/2014.

Zaventem, 3 December 2019

The statutory auditor

Deloitte Bedrijfsrevisoren/Réviseurs d'Entreprises CVBA/SCRL
Represented by Kathleen De Brabander

STATUTORY ACCOUNTS

ASSETS (€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
ASSETS		
I NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
A Goodwill	0	0
B Intangible assets	0	0
C Investment properties	470,471	443,983
D Other tangible assets	1,264	1,168
E Non-current financial assets	98,479	106,286
F Finance lease receivables	0	0
G Trade receivables and other non-current assets	0	0
H Deferred tax assets	0	0
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	570,214	551,437
II CURRENT ASSETS		
A Assets held for sale	847	0
B Current financial assets	0	0
C Finance lease receivables	0	0
D Trade receivables	3,169	3,478
E Tax receivables and other current assets	47,672	50,289
F Cash and cash equivalents	3,215	2,227
G Deferred charges and accrued income	297	168
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	55,199	56,162
TOTAL ASSETS	625,413	607,599

FINANCIAL REPORT

EQUITY AND LIABILITIES (€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
EQUITY		
A Capital	38,659	38,659
B Share premium account	253,353	253,353
C Reserves	49,599	37,825
a. Legal reserve	0	0
b. Reserve for changes in fair value of properties	51,635	42,945
c. Reserve for estimated transaction costs resulting from hypothetical disposal of investment properties	-10,049	-10,221
e. Reserve for changes in fair value of authorised hedging instruments to which IFRS hedge accounting is not applied	-4,451	-7,743
m. Other reserves	12,464	12,843
D Net result for the financial year	21,348	34,024
NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS	362,959	363,862
LIABILITIES		
I NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	174,563	121,942
A Provisions	0	21
B Non-current financial debts	160,724	116,044
a. Credit institutions	160,300	115,500
b. Finance leases	424	544
C Other non-current financial liabilities	12,935	5,216
D Trade debts and other non-current debts	0	0
E Other non-current liabilities	0	0
F Deferred tax liabilities	903	661
II CURRENT LIABILITIES	87,891	121,796
A Provisions	0	0
B Current financial debts	80,120	113,338
a. Credit institutions	30,000	62,300
b. Finance leases	120	1,038
c. Other	50,000	50,000
C Other current financial liabilities	0	0
D Trade debts and other current debts	6,241	6,885
a. Exit tax	0	0
b. Other	6,241	6,885
E Other current liabilities	0	0
F Accrued charges and deferred income	1,531	1,574
TOTAL LIABILITIES	262,454	243,739
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	625,413	607,599

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(€000s)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018
I Rental income	31,472	29,609
III Rental related charges	-138	24
NET RENTAL RESULT	31,334	29,633
V Recovery of rental charges and taxes normally paid by tenants on let properties	4,786	4,590
VII Rental charges and taxes normally paid by tenants on let properties	-4,967	-4,707
VIII Other revenue and rental related charges	16	58
PROPERTY RESULT	31,170	29,574
IX Technical costs	-1,088	-382
X Commercial costs	-81	-82
XI Rental charges and taxes on unlet properties	-348	-302
XII Property management costs	-1,419	-1,143
XIII Other property charges	-394	-106
PROPERTY CHARGES	-3,330	-2,015
PROPERTY OPERATING RESULT	27,840	27,559
XIV Corporate overheads	-3,634	-4,204
XV Other operating income and charges	522	425
OPERATING RESULT BEFORE RESULT ON PORTFOLIO	24,728	23,779
XVI Net gains and losses on disposals of investment properties	963	-15
XVIII Change in the fair value of investment properties	-1,995	783
OPERATING RESULT	23,697	24,547
XX Financial income	8,387	9,367
XXI Net interest charges	-4,098	-5,918
XXII Other financial charges	-374	-383
XXIII Change in fair value of financial assets and liabilities	-6,974	6,650
- Change in value of hedging instruments	-8,570	3,292
- Proportional part of the change in value of financial equity interests linked to properties	1,595	3,358
FINANCIAL RESULT	-3,059	9,716
PRE-TAX RESULT	20,637	34,263
XXV Corporate tax	-418	-239
XXVI Exit Tax	1,129	0
TAXES	711	-239
NET RESULT	21,348	34,024
Basic net result and diluted (€/share)	3.24	5.16

FINANCIAL REPORT

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (€000s)		30/09/2019	30/09/2018
I	NET RESULT	21,348	34,024
II	OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME RECYCLABLE UNDER THE INCOME STATEMENT	176	194
A	Impact on fair value of estimated transaction costs resulting from hypothetical disposal of investment properties	171	168
H	Other comprehensive income (*)	5	26
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR		21,524	34,219

(*) Revaluation at fair value of the property occupied by Ascencio

PROPOSED APPROPRIATION (€000s)		30/09/2019	30/09/2018
A	NET RESULT	21,348	34,024
B	TRANSFERS TO/FROM RESERVES	-1,738	11,598
1.	Transfer to/from reserves of net change in fair value of property assets (-/+)	-399	4,141
	- accounting financial year	-399	4,141
	- previous financial years	0	0
	- realisation of property assets	0	0
2.	Transfer to/from reserves of transaction costs resulting from hypothetical disposal of investment properties (-/+)	0	0
3.	Transfer to reserve for changes in fair value of authorised hedging instruments to which IFRS hedge accounting is applied (-)	0	0
4.	Transfer from reserve for changes in fair value of authorised hedging instruments to which IFRS hedge accounting is applied (+)	0	0
5.	Transfer to reserve for changes in fair value of authorised hedging instruments to which IFRS hedge accounting is not applied (-)	-8,570	3,292
	- accounting financial year	-8,570	3,292
	- previous financial years	0	0
6.	Transfer from reserve for changes in fair value of authorised hedging instruments to which IFRS hedge accounting is not applied (+)	0	0
	- accounting financial year	0	0
	- previous financial years	0	0
7.	Transfers to/from reserves of net differences on conversion of monetary assets and liabilities (-/+)	0	0
8.	Transfers to/from reserves of fiscal latencies related to investment properties abroad (-/+)	0	0
9.	Transfers to/from reserves of the received dividends aimed at the reimbursement of financial debts (-/+)	0	0
10.	Transfers to/from reserves	7,230	4,165
11.	Transfer to/from the result carried forward of the previous years	0	0
C	REMUNERATION OF CAPITAL (ART. 13, SECTION 1, PARA. 1)	20,048	12,334
D	REMUNERATION OF CAPITAL - OTHER THAN C	3,038	10,093

FINANCIAL REPORT

OBLIGATION TO DISTRIBUTE AS PER ROYAL DECREE OF 13 JULY 2014, AS AMENDED BY THE ROYAL DECREE OF 23 APRIL 2018, ON B-REITS	30/09/2019 (000 EUR)	30/09/2018 (000 EUR)
STATUTORY NET RESULT	21,348	34,024
(+) Depreciation	64	61
(+) Reductions in value	138	-24
(+/-) Other non-monetary items (Change in value of financial interests)	-1,595	-3,358
(+/-) Other non-monetary items (Change in value of financial instruments)	8,570	-3,292
(+/-) Other non-monetary items	0	0
(+/-) Net gains/(losses) on disposals of property assets	-963	15
(+/-) Change in fair value of property assets	1,995	-783
= CORRECTED RESULT (A)	29,557	26,643
(+/-) Capital gains and losses realised ^(*) on property assets during the financial year	-4,496	-3,749
(-) Capital gains realised ^(*) on property assets during the financial year, exonerated from the distribution obligation, subject to reinvestment within 4 years	0	0
(+) Capital gains realised on property assets earlier, exonerated from the distribution obligation and not reinvested within 4 years	0	0
= NET CAPITAL GAINS ON THE REALISATION OF PROPERTY ASSETS NON-EXONERATED FROM THE DISTRIBUTION OBLIGATION (B)	-4,496	-3,749
TOTAL ((A + B) x 80%)	20,048	18,315
(-) REDUCTION IN BORROWINGS	0	-5,982
OBLIGATION TO DISTRIBUTE	20,048	12,334
AMOUNT DISTRIBUTED	23,086	22,426
<small>(*) Relative to the acquisition value plus capitalised renovation costs.</small>		
% DISTRIBUTED OF CORRECTED RESULT (A)	78.11%	84.17%

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(€000s)			Reserves*				Result for the financial year	Total equity
	Capital	Share premium account	C.b.	C.c.	C.e.	C.m.		
BALANCE AT 30/09/2017	38,069	248,975	30,522	-10,389	-14,327	12,070	41,197	346,116
Distribution of dividends							-16,443	-16,443
Appropriation to reserves			8,573		6,584	4,597	-19,754	0
Capital increase	590	4,378					-5,000	-32
Net result							34,024	34,024
Other elements recognised in the global result			26	168				194
Reclassification of reserves			3,824			-3,824		0
Adjustment to reserves								0
BALANCE AT 30/09/2018	38,659	253,353	42,945	-10,221	-7,743	12,843	34,024	363,861

(€000s)			Reserves*				Result for the financial year	Total equity
	Capital	Share premium account	C.b.	C.c.	C.e.	C.m.		
BALANCE AT 30/09/2018	38,659	253,353	42,945	-10,221	-7,743	12,843	34,024	363,861
Distribution of dividends							-22,426	-22,426
Appropriation to reserves			4,141		3,292	4,165	-11,598	0
Capital increase								0
Net result							21,348	21,348
Other elements recognised in the global result			5	171				176
Reclassification of reserves			4,544			-4,544		0
Adjustment to reserves								0
BALANCE AT 30/09/2019	38,659	253,353	51,635	-10,049	-4,451	12,464	21,348	362,959

* Réserves:

C.b.: Reserve for changes in fair value of properties.

C.c.: Reserve for estimated transaction costs resulting from hypothetical disposal of investment properties.

C.e.: Reserve for changes in fair value of authorised hedging instruments to which IFRS hedge accounting is not applied.

C.m.: Other reserves.

GLOSSARY OF ALTERNATIVE PERFORMANCE MEASURES (APMS)

An APM is a financial indicator, historical or forward-looking, of the performance, financial situation or cash flows other than a financial indicator defined or described by the applicable accounting standards.

In its financial reporting Ascencio has for many years used APMs (Alternative Performance Measures) within the meaning of the guidelines recently laid down by the European Securities and Markets Authority, ESMA. These APMs have been defined by Ascencio with a view to offering the reader a better understanding of its results and performances. Performance indicators defined by IFRS or by law are not considered to be APMs. Nor are indicators that are not based on balance sheet or income statement account headings.

CONTRACTUAL RENTS

Definition:

The sum of the rents on an annual basis at the balance sheet closing date, as defined contractually in the lease agreements, after deduction of any rental discounts granted to tenants.

Use:

- This APM allows us to estimate the rents to be generated by the property portfolio over the coming 12 months from the closing date based on the rental situation at that date;
- it allows us to calculate the gross yield on the portfolio at a given date (Contractual rents / Investment value).

AVERAGE COST OF DEBT

Definition:

This is the average cost of the financial debts, obtained by dividing the annual charges on these debts by the weighted average debt outstanding during the period.

The numerator is the sum

- net interest charges shown under the heading XXI in the income statement, annualised
- plus commissions on undrawn balances of credit facilities and opening commissions and charges on credit facilities, annualised.

The denominator is the average level of financial debts by reference to daily drawings of the various facilities (bank loans, finance leases and commercial paper).

The components of this APM relate to the last period ended on the closing date of the financial year.

Use:

The Company finances itself partly by means of financial debt. This APM allows us to measure the cost of this source of financing and its effect on the results. It also allows an analysis of how it evolves over time.

Reconciliation:

Details of the calculation of this APM are provided hereunder.

		30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Net interest charges (heading XXI) (€000S)		4,376	6,370
Commissions on undrawn balances under credit facilities		313	331
Opening commission and charges for credit facilities		33	37
Change in fair value of caps		17	62
TOTAL COST OF FINANCIAL DEBTS	= A	4,739	6,800
WEIGHTED AVERAGE DEBT FOR THE PERIOD	= B	252,755	253,138
AVERAGE COST OF DEBT	= A / B	1.87%	2.69%

HEDGING RATIO

Definition:

This is the percentage of financial debts the interest rate of which is fixed or capped relative to total financial debts.

The numerator is the sum

- of fixed-rate financial debts;
- variable-rate financial debts converted into fixed-rate debts by means of IRS;
- and variable-rate financial debts converted into fixed-rate debts by means of CAPs;

The denominator is the total amount of financial debts.

The components of this APM relate to the debts and hedging instruments as at the closing date of the financial year.

Use:

A significant portion of the Company's financial debts is at variable rates. This APM measures the risk associated with interest rate fluctuations and its potential effect on the results.

Reconciliation:

Details of the calculation of this APM are provided hereunder

(€000s)		30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Fixed-rate financial debts		53,035	55,000
Financial debts converted into fixed-rate debts by means of IRS		107,500	112,500
Financial debts converted into capped-rate debts by means of caps		55,000	55,000
TOTAL FIXED RATE OR CAPPED FINANCIAL DEBTS	= A	215,535	222,500
TOTAL VARIABLE RATE FINANCIAL DEBTS		31,636	24,969
TOTAL FINANCIAL DEBTS	= B	247,172	247,469
HEDGING RATIO	= A / B	87.20%	89.91%

OPERATING MARGIN

Definition:

This is the operating result before result on portfolio divided by rental income.

The components of this APM relate to the last period ended on the closing date of the financial year.

Use:

This APM allows us to measure the operating profitability of the Company as a percentage of rental income.

Reconciliation:

Details of the calculation of this APM are provided hereunder

		30/09/2019	30/09/2018
Operating result before result on portfolio (€000S)	= A	33,879	33,912
Rental income (€000S)	= B	41,585	40,954
OPERATING MARGIN	= A / B	81.5%	82.8%



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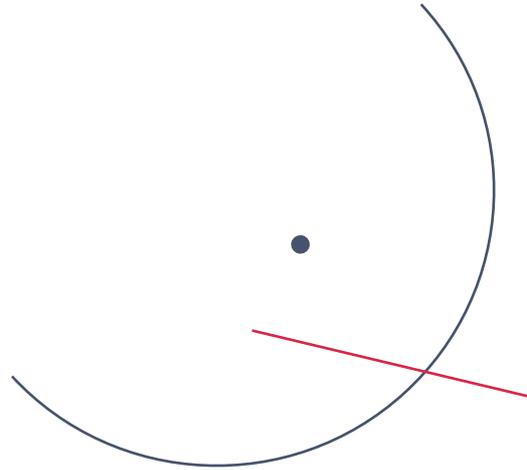
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Risk factors

In this chapter the main risks to which Ascencio is exposed are described, together with a number of measures aimed at offsetting and/or limiting the potential impact of the risks identified. If some of these risks were to materialise, it is likely that Ascencio's results would be negatively affected.

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MARKET RISKS

The property market is affected by general developments in the economic situation, considered as systemic risk.

Although the commercial property market is relatively healthy, quality supply from competitors is constantly increasing, while consumer trends are evolving rapidly. For example, the growth in online sales might lead major retailing chains to question the need to open (or retain) physical stores in the same format and/or with the same concept. In order to respond to these trends, Ascencio pays close attention to the quality of the sites made available to its tenants, promoting the profile of its major retail parks, particularly through online marketing.

The broad trends in the commercial property market in Belgium, France and Spain are covered in the section headed “Property report”.

The main risks associated with the market, their potential impact and the mitigation and control measures put in place are set out hereunder.

DESCRIPTION OF THE RISK	POTENTIAL IMPACT	MITIGATION AND CONTROL FACTORS
<p>The economic situation Substantial deterioration of the economic situation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall in demand for renting and increased rental vacancy • Fall in rentals: pressure on rentals when negotiating new leases or (re)-negotiation downwards of rentals before expiry of contracts • Freeze on rent indexation • Tenants’ insolvency and/or bankruptcy. • Fall in the fair value of the properties 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing dialogue with tenants aimed at finding solutions allowing the interests of both/all parties to be protected. For this, Ascencio has a dynamic team of Real Estate Account management and Property management. • Regional diversification of properties. • Diversification by sector: food, DIY, clothing, leisure, etc. • Average market rental • Defensive nature of the food sector in Ascencio’s portfolio
<p>The commercial property market Fall in demand for retail property, rental vacancy, pressure on rental conditions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall in occupancy rate • Fall in rental income • Increase in direct costs associated with rental vacancy (charges and taxes on unlet properties) and marketing expenses • Fall in the fair value of the properties 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Close watch on sales competition • Investment strategy aimed at acquiring sites in prime locations and rejuvenating the property portfolio, in particular by acquiring new or recent projects representative of the new generation of retail parks in outlying urban areas. • Continuous improvement of accessibility, visibility and commercial attractiveness. • A flexible player in the commercial property market in responding to clients’ needs.
<p>E-commerce</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall in demand for renting and increased rental vacancy. • Fall in rentals: pressure on rentals when negotiating new leases or (re)-negotiation downwards of rentals before expiry of contracts. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constant reflection on strategy. • Proximity to tenants, incorporating omnichannel facilities into existing stores. • Modular approach to units and adaptation of sites and car parks. • Resilience of the food sector. • Proactive rental management. • Marketing of sites.

RISK FACTORS

DESCRIPTION OF THE RISK	POTENTIAL IMPACT	MITIGATION AND CONTROL FACTORS
<p>Risk of deflation</p> <p>Ascencio's leases are indexed to the Health Index (CPI minus products detrimental to health) in Belgium, the Construction Costs Index (ICC) or the Commercial Rentals Index (ILC) in France, and the CPI in Spain, so these revenues are exposed to the risk of deflation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deterioration of the Company's earnings. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ascencio protects itself contractually whenever the law allows against the risk of negative indexation, and its standard leases contain "floor" rental clauses.
<p>Liquidity risk in respect of Ascencio's shares</p> <p>Ascencio's shares still suffer from limited liquidity.</p> <p>For further information on the liquidity of the shares, please refer to the chapter headed "Ascencio on the stock exchange" in this report.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Difficulty in accessing capital markets. • Impact in terms of image. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frequent dialogue with the capital markets through financial analysts or by holding road shows in order to raise the company's profile with institutional investors and the general public. • Continuous listing of the stock and signing of liquidity provider agreements¹ with Petercam and Kempen. • Building trust-based relationships with existing shareholders. • Joining the EPRA index
<p>Risk of sector or geographical concentration</p> <p>Concentration in one sector increases the risk in the event of adverse trends in the market associated with this sector.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall in demand for renting and increased rental vacancy. • Fall in rentals: pressure on rentals when negotiating new leases or (re)-negotiation downwards of rentals before expiry of contracts. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Particular attention paid when analysing investment opportunities and analysis criteria. • Permanent watch on KPIs relating to concentration and (re)definition if necessary of the investment and asset rotation policy. • Scrupulous compliance with the 20% limit imposed by the B-REIT Act.

¹ This contract provides for a watch to be kept on the circulation of the shares and possible intervention to avoid as far as possible an accidental and transitory imbalance between supply and demand leading to a significant and unwarranted change in the share price.

OPERATIONAL RISKS

Implementation of the company's investment strategy leads to a property portfolio that is diversified geographically and across sectors. Ascencio's portfolio is mainly managed in-house in Belgium and Spain, at both rental and technical level, while in France it is partly managed externally. The operational risks are associated either with the property portfolio or with its management.

The main operational risks, their potential impact and the mitigation and control measures put in place are set out hereunder.

DESCRIPTION OF THE RISK	POTENTIAL IMPACT	MITIGATION AND CONTROL FACTORS
<p>Strategy</p> <p>Inappropriate choice of investments.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forecast returns not attained. • Portfolio not matching demand. • Rental vacancy. • Fall in the fair value of the portfolio. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishment and implementation of a clear and coherent investment strategy. • Directors' and managers' experience. • Sound procedures for approval by the Board of Directors based on recommendations of the Investment Committee. • Strategic analysis of the risks attaching to each acquisition. • Internal and external assessment and audit of each proposed acquisition.
<p>Analysis of investments</p> <p>Failings in the analysis of technical, legal, financial, tax or environmental aspects of a proposed acquisition and risk of hidden liabilities resulting from merger, split or contribution transactions.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Estimated returns not attained. • Buildings not conforming to the Company's standards and quality requirements. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic and real estate analysis by management and the Board of Directors. • Rigorous due diligence studies of technical, legal, financial, tax and environmental aspects, adapted to the market standards and the specific characteristics of each acquisition. • Appraisal of the asset by the Company's property expert. • Negotiation with vendors of asset and liability guarantees and specific guarantees depending on use.

DESCRIPTION OF THE RISK

POTENTIAL IMPACT

MITIGATION AND CONTROL FACTORS

Projects in state of future completion, redevelopment or change of use

Risk associated with acquisitions of projects in state of future completion (off-plan), with the management of redevelopments and the obtainment of all the town planning and/or operating approvals required.

- Impossibility of obtaining building and/or operating permits.
- Significant unwarranted delays and budget overruns.
- Bankruptcy of subcontractors.
- Estimated returns not attained.

- Support from external advisers specialising in redevelopments or changes of use.
- Commitments of experienced businesses offering sufficient guarantees in terms of professionalism and solvency.
- Ascencio does not invest in high-risk projects. Projects are not acquired or commenced until permits have been obtained and floor space rented out.
- Negotiation with subcontractors or vendors of sufficient clauses and guarantees aimed at ensuring the successful completion of the works and timely handover to the retail chains.

Risk of decline in the fair value of the property assets influenced by supply and demand in the buying and rental property markets

- Negative impact on net result, net asset value (NAV) per share and debt ratio.
- Impact on dividend distribution capacity if cumulative changes exceed distributable reserves.

- Quarterly valuation of the portfolio carried out by several independent experts, leading to corrective measures being taken where necessary.
- Investment strategy focusing on prime out-of-town retail at quality sites in terms of visibility, surface, catchment area, road infrastructure and means of transport reinforcing sites' accessibility.
- Diversified portfolio comprising different types of assets subject to different trends.

Risk of rental vacancy

Unforeseen circumstances such as bankruptcies, moves, etc.

Non-renewal at maturity.

High risk resulting from the imperative right to terminate commercial leases at each three-year maturity.

- Fall in rental income.
- Fall in the fair value of the portfolio.
- Increase in direct costs associated with rental vacancy (charges and taxes on unlet properties) and marketing expenses.

- Support for tenants' commercial projects from a dynamic in-house team and tangible action by the landlord in terms of commercial coordination as regards site cleanliness, aesthetics and safety.
- Geographical diversification of the portfolio across more than a hundred sites in Belgium, France and Spain.
- Diversification across sectors and staggered lease maturities.
- Dynamic and proactive marketing of vacant units, with support from specialist agents.
- Negotiation of rental conditions, including balanced compensation clauses for breaks, aimed at ensuring the durability of contractual relationships.
- Defining appropriate policy and criteria for asset rotation, taking account in particular of the level of occupancy of the site, reflecting the quality and attractiveness of the asset to retail chains.

RISK FACTORS

DESCRIPTION OF THE RISK

POTENTIAL IMPACT

MITIGATION AND CONTROL FACTORS

Risk of obsolescence and impairment of the properties

The cyclical deterioration of the buildings at the technical and conceptual level may lead to a temporary loss of value and the need to incur substantial expenses for renovation or repair.

However the commercial sector is less affected by obsolescence, since the owner is responsible only for the outer shell and not for the interior fit-out.

- Carrying out of major works and associated risks (planning and budget overruns, failings of subcontractors, rental vacancy of the building, etc.)
- Damage to the commercial attractiveness of the buildings, possibly resulting in rental vacancy.
- Fall in fair value of the properties.

- Annual and medium-term planning of major works involving constraints for tenants.
- Consistent annual budget integrated into the Company's cash-flow forecasts.
- Competitive selection of providers through calls for tender and negotiation of appropriate performance guarantees.
- Policy of periodic conversations followed up by the Property team and regular visits to the sites followed by reporting.

Risk of destruction of properties

Damage caused by fire, flood, explosion or any other natural disaster.

- Definitive or temporary loss of rental income.
- Increase in rental vacancy.

- Policy of appropriate insurance cover in accordance with market standards. Policies are subscribed either by Ascencio, or by the association of co-owners or by the tenants themselves for Lessor's account.
- Geographical diversification of the portfolio.
- Monitoring of compliance obligations transferred to tenants upon expiry of leases.

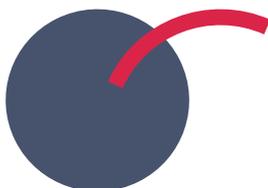
Risk of tenants' insolvency

Risk of non-payment of rentals and bankruptcy of tenants.

- Fall in rental income.
- Unexpected rental vacancy.
- Legal expenses.
- Re-marketing costs to be incurred.
- Risk of re-renting at a lower rate.

- Precise selection criteria for new tenants.
- Staying close to tenants, with frequent exchanges.
- Diversification across sectors and retail chains.
- Advance rental payments and guarantees designed to cover part of the commitments that might not be met.
- Rigorous procedures for following up on receivables.

For further information on receivables, we refer you to the section headed "Financial report" in this report.



FINANCIAL RISKS

Ascencio pursues a policy aimed at ensuring broad access to the capital markets. It takes care to cover its short-, medium- and long-term financing needs while at the same time minimising its cost of borrowing.

The main risks associated with financial management, their potential impact and the mitigation and control measures put in place are set out hereunder.

For further information on the management of financial risks, we refer you to the Notes in the section headed “Financial report” in this report.

DESCRIPTION OF THE RISK	POTENTIAL IMPACT	MITIGATION AND CONTROL FACTORS
<p>Interest rate risk</p> <p>Fluctuations in interest rates and increase in lending margins.</p> <p>The risk of fluctuations in interest rates concerns only borrowings at variable interest rates.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased cost of borrowing. • Deterioration of the Company’s earnings. • Deterioration of distributable profit. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ascencio pursues a policy aimed at locking in the interest rates on at least 75% of its financial borrowings at a horizon of several years. • Diversification of forms of financing. • Putting fixed rate borrowings and interest rate hedging instruments in place. • Regular staggering of due dates on credit facilities entered into. <p>The measures taken to mitigate the interest rate risk and the risk of fluctuation in lending margins are more fully described in the Notes to the consolidated financial statements included in this report.</p>
<p>Liquidity risk</p> <p>Non-availability of financing or of financing at the desired term.</p> <p>This risk must be assessed together with the risk of early termination of credit lines in the event of non-compliance with covenants, notably the debt ratio of 65% set for B-REITs as elaborated on below.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-renewal or cancellation of existing credit lines leading to additional restructuring costs and possibly higher costs associated with the new facilities. • Acquisitions not being financeable at all, or only at higher costs, leading to a fall in profitability relative to estimates. • Pressure to sell assets on less than ideal terms. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prudent financing and hedging policy. • Diversification of sources and forms of financing, together with spreading of maturities (credit lines, commercial paper, investment credits and liabilities under finance leases). • Diversification of banking relationships. • Rigorous treasury policy. • Solid reference shareholders.

RISK FACTORS

DESCRIPTION OF THE RISK	POTENTIAL IMPACT	MITIGATION AND CONTROL FACTORS
<p>Counterparty risk</p> <p>Insolvency of financial or banking counterparties.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acquisitions not being financeable at all, or only at higher costs, leading to a fall in profitability relative to estimates. • Pressure to sell assets on less than ideal terms. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diversification of sources and forms of financing, together with spreading of maturities (credit lines, commercial paper, investment credits and liabilities under finance leases). • Diversification of banking relationships.
<p>Hedging instruments</p> <p>Risk of change in fair value of derivative products intended to hedge the interest rate risk.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complexity, volatility and possible sharp variation of the fair value of hedging instruments and impact on NAV as published in accordance with IFRS² and on the result. • Counterparty risk. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes in the fair value of hedging instruments are unrealised and non-cash, and are shown separately in the accounts in order to facilitate analysis. • All such instruments are held for purposes of hedging and not for speculative purposes.
<p>Exchange rate risk</p> <p>Risk of currency fluctuation for activities outside the euro zone.</p>	<p>Ascencio invests exclusively in Belgium, France and Spain. All rentals and all credits are denominated in euros. The Company does not therefore assume any exchange risk.</p>	<p>NA.</p>
<p>Risk associated with obligations contained in financing agreements</p> <p>The Company is exposed to the risk of its financing agreements being cancelled, renegotiated, or having to be repaid early if it were to fail to comply with the undertakings given upon signing these agreements, particularly as regards certain financial ratios (covenants).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possible termination of credit agreements in the event of non-compliance with covenants, involving additional costs for refinancing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Company negotiates covenants with its counterparties in accordance with market practice and compatible with its estimates of how the relevant parameters will evolve.
<p>Article 617 of the Companies Code</p> <p>Under this Article, distribution of dividends may be restricted. Specifically, no distribution may be made if at the date of closing of the last financial year net assets as shown in the financial statements are less than - or would as a consequence of such distribution become less than - the amount of paid-up capital or less than the amount of called-up capital if the latter is higher, plus all distributable reserves.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited dividend yield for shareholders. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See to it that the Company's earnings are at least maintained and preferably increased. • Regularly transfer part of net profits to reserves. <p>For further information on the calculation as per Article 617 and the remaining margin, we refer you to the section headed "Summary of consolidated financial statements" in this report.</p>

² Given that the hedging instruments chosen by Ascencio do not meet the hedge accounting criteria of IAS 39, application of IFRS requires the positive or negative change in their fair value to be recognised entirely in profit and loss (IAS 39 - Change in fair value of financial instruments).

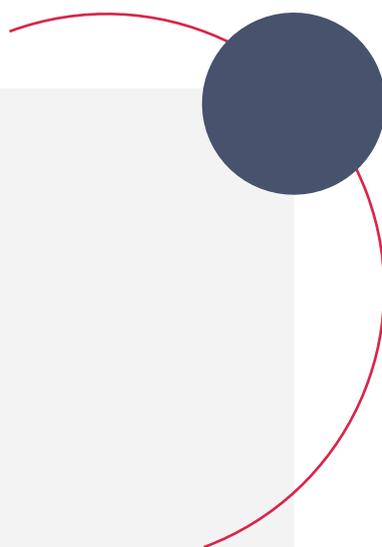


RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH REGULATION AND OTHERS

Ascencio is a regulated real estate company (B-REIT), which must maintain its approval as such in order to benefit from the favourable tax status. Furthermore, the Company must comply with the Belgian Companies Code and with the specific regulations concerning town planning and the environment in Belgium, France and Spain. Since neither France nor Spain is Ascencio's home country, it enlists the assistance of local professionals in the context of its activities and applicable legislation.

The risk associated with regulation concerns non-compliance with the regulations currently in force, and also the negative effect of new regulations or of amendments to those in force.

DESCRIPTION OF THE RISK	POTENTIAL IMPACT	MITIGATION AND CONTROL FACTORS
<p>Risk associated with non-compliance with the SIR (B-REIT) regime</p> <p>Non-compliance with the legal SIR/SIIC regime.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loss of approval and hence of tax transparency regime. • Non-compliance with covenants and obligation to repay borrowings early. • Negative impact on results and/or NAV. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professionalism of the teams and supervision of compliance with legal obligations. • Ongoing dialogue with the market authority in the context of prudential control. • Membership of organisations representing the SIR sector and notably B-REITs. • Constant legal watch and collaboration with leading law firms and tax experts.
<p>Changes in international accounting regulations (IFRS)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Influence on reporting, capital requirements and the use of financial products. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constant monitoring of developments in this area and assessment of their impact. • Frequent discussions with the Company's statutory auditor on these developments.



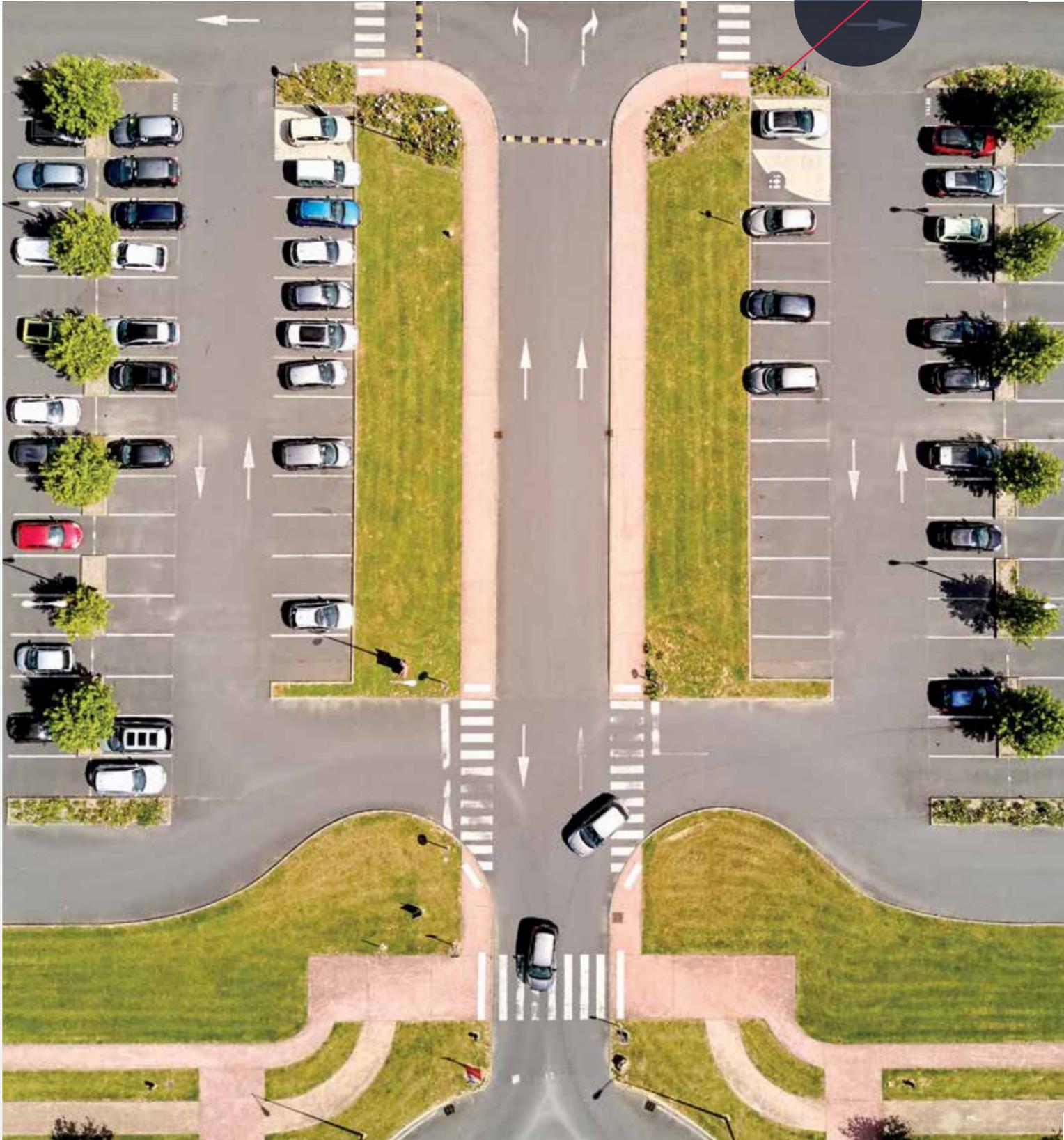
RISK FACTORS

DESCRIPTION OF THE RISK	POTENTIAL IMPACT	MITIGATION AND CONTROL FACTORS
<p>Changes in tax legislation Any changes in tax legislation could affect the Company.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possible effect on acquisition or sale price. • Potential impact on assessment of the fair value of the properties and therefore on NAV. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constant watch on legislative changes in these fields and, where necessary, support from specialist advisers. • Membership of organisations representing the SIR sector and notably B-REITs.
<p>Changes in town planning or retail licensing legislation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restrictions on possible uses of properties, with potentially negative effects on rental income and vacancies affecting the Company's profitability. • Potentially negative impact on the fair value of the properties and therefore on NAV. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constant watch on legislative changes in these fields and, where necessary, support from specialist advisers. • Close attention to and enhancement of the commercial attractiveness of Ascencio's portfolio. • Ongoing exchanges with the competent authorities in the field.
<p>Possible changes in environmental legislation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potentially negative impact on the fair value of the properties and therefore on NAV. • Possible clean-up costs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constant watch on legislative changes in these fields and, where necessary, support from specialist advisers. • Under environmental law, responsibility for pollution rests with the polluter. Given the nature of its business, Ascencio does not perform any polluting actions, and responsibility for any new pollution lies with the tenants. However, additional requirements of regional regulations could expose any holder of rights in rem to clean-up costs. In carrying out its acquisitions, Ascencio pays particular attention to these questions and makes use of the services of specialist companies to identify potential problems and quantify the corrective measures to be envisaged so as to include them in the final establishment of the acquisition price.
<p>Possible changes to laws and regulations New laws or regulations could come into force, or existing ones be amended. Moreover, any legislation or regulation may be subject to new interpretation by the authorities or the courts as to how it is to be applied.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Negative effect on the Company's activities, its results, its profitability and, more generally, its financial position. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constant watch on legislative changes in these fields and, where necessary, support from specialist advisers. • Membership of various associations bringing together professionals of the sector and lobbying. • Periodic reporting to the audit committee on the basis of a compliance dashboard.

OTHER RISKS

DESCRIPTION OF THE RISK	POTENTIAL IMPACT	MITIGATION AND CONTROL FACTORS
<p>Risk associated with members of the team</p> <p>Risk linked to the unexpected departure of a key employee.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Negative impact on the Company's development and growth. • Temporary disorganisation of the Company. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Human resources policy based on personal development and Company's values. • Implementation of a permanent back-up system. • Full data sharing.
<p>IT risk</p> <p>IT system not making accurate information available to the personnel concerned when needed.</p> <p>Unreliable database, network, software media or hardware devices.</p> <p>Information not secured.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possible impact on operational response times. • Loss of information. • Blockage of automated invoicing systems. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business continuity plan. • Permanent monitoring and internal control and double manual check. • Databases appropriately secured. • Half-yearly system evaluation by an outside consultant.

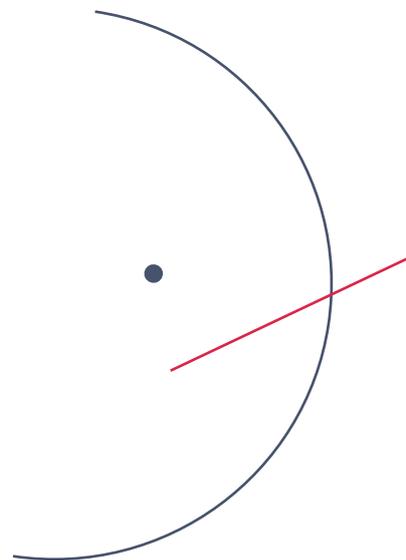






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| IDENTIFICATION

Name

The name of the Company is “Ascencio”, preceded or followed by the words “Société Immobilière Réglementée publique de droit belge” (Public Regulated Real Estate Company (REIT) under Belgian Law) or “SIR publique de droit belge” (Public REIT under Belgian Law).

Incorporation, legal form and publication

The Company was incorporated as a société en commandite par actions (corporate partnership limited by shares) on 10 May 2006 by deed drawn up by notary Olivier Vandenbroucke, in Lambusart, Fleurus, and executed before notary Louis-Philippe Marcelis, published in extract in the Appendices to the Moniteur Belge (Belgian State Gazette) of 24 May 2006 under number 06087799.

The Coordinated Articles of Association are available on Ascencio’s website (www.ascencio.be).

Head office

The registered office is established at Avenue Jean Mermoz, 1, Box 4, B-6041 Gosselies, Charleroi, Belgium.

Ascencio’s French branch is established at Cours Valmy 11/13, Tour Pacific, 92977 Paris La Défense.

Corporate object – Article 4 of the Articles of Association

The Company's exclusive corporate object is:

- (a)** to make properties available to users, either directly or through a company in which it holds an interest in accordance with the provisions of the B-REIT regulations and;
- (b)** within the limits set by the B-REIT regulations, to hold the real estate assets referred to in Article 2, section 5, vi to x of the B-REIT Act.

Property (or real estate) assets are understood to mean:

- i.** properties as defined in Articles 517 et seq. of the Belgian Civil Code, and rights in rem to properties, excluding properties of a forestry, agricultural or mining nature;
- ii.** shares or units with voting rights issued by real estate companies under the exclusive or joint control of the Company;
- iii.** option rights on property assets;
- iv.** shares of public regulated real estate companies or institutional regulated real estate companies, provided in the latter case that joint or exclusive control over these companies is exercised by the Company;
- v.** the rights deriving from contracts making one or more assets available to the Company under a finance lease or conferring other analogous rights of use;
- vi.** shares in public "SICAFIs" (sociétés d'investissement à capital fixe en immobilier, or "fixed capital real estate investment companies");
- vii.** units in foreign collective real estate funds included in the list referred to in Article 260 of the Law of 19 April 2014 on alternative investment funds and their managers;

viii. units in collective real estate funds established in another Member State of the European Economic Area and not included in the list referred to in Article 260 of the Law of 19 April 2014 on alternative investment funds and their managers, providing they are subject to supervision equivalent to that applying to public SICAFIs (fixed capital real-estate investment companies);

ix. shares or units issued by companies (i) with legal personality; (ii) under the law of another Member State of the European Economic Area; (iii) whose shares are admitted to trading on a regulated market and/or are subject to prudential supervision; (iv) whose main activity consists in acquiring or building properties in order to make them available to users, or directly or indirectly holding equity interests in certain types of entities with a similar corporate object; and (v) that are exempt from income tax as regards profits deriving from the activity referred to in (iv) above, subject to compliance with constraints pertaining at least to the legal obligation to distribute part of their income to their shareholders (real estate investment trusts, or "REITs");

x. real estate certificates as referred to in Article 5, section 4 of the Law of 16 June 2006.

In the context of the making available of properties, the company can, in particular, perform all activities relating to the construction, rebuilding, renovation, development, acquisition, disposal, management and operation of properties.

On an ancillary or temporary basis, the Company may make investments in negotiable securities which are not property assets in the meaning of the B-REIT regulations. These investments must be made in compliance with the risk management policy adopted by the Company and diversified so as to ensure an appropriate spread of risks. The Company may also hold unallocated liquid assets, in any currency, in the form of sight or term deposits or any monetary market instruments that can easily be realised.

It may also carry out transactions with hedging instruments, with the exclusive aim of hedging the interest rate and exchange risk in the context of the financing and management of the Company's property assets, and excluding any transaction of a speculative nature.

The Company may lease (as lessee) or lease out (as lessor) one or more properties. The activity of leasing out under a finance lease property with a purchase option may be carried out only as an incidental activity, unless these properties are intended for purposes of public interest, including social housing and education (in which case the activity may be carried on as a main activity).

The Company may, by way of merger or otherwise, take an interest in any businesses, undertakings or companies having a similar or related object and which are of a nature such as to favour the development of its business, and, in general, carry out any transactions directly or indirectly linked to its corporate object as well as performing any acts that are conducive or necessary to the fulfilment of its corporate object.

The Company is obliged to carry out all its activities and transactions in accordance with the rules and within the limits provided by the B-REIT regulations and all other applicable legislation.

Duration

The Company was incorporated for an indefinite period.

Share capital

Ascencio's share capital is €39,575,910. It is represented by 6.595.985 shares without nominal value, each representing a six million five hundred and ninety-five thousand nine hundred and eighty-fifth of the share capital and fully paid up.

There are no shares that do not represent capital.

The Company does not hold any of its own shares, either in its own name or through the intermediary of its subsidiaries.

There are no convertible or exchangeable securities or securities with subscription warrants.

There are no rights, privileges or restrictions attaching to any different category of share.

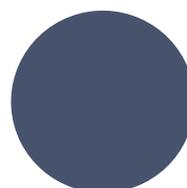
Authorised capital

The Statutory Manager is authorised to increase the share capital in one or more stages on such dates and terms as it may determine, by a maximum amount of €39,575,910, in accordance with Article 603 of the Companies Code and the B-REIT regulations.

This authorisation is valid for five years from the date of publication in the Moniteur Belge (official state gazette) of the authorisation granted by the Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of 17 October 2019, namely 25 November 2019.

It is renewable.

The nominal value per share is €6.00.



General Meetings of Shareholders

The Annual General Meeting of Shareholders shall be held on 31 January each year at 2.30 p.m., or if that day is not a business day, on the immediately preceding business day.

An extraordinary general meeting may be called whenever the Company's interests so require.

The threshold from which one or more shareholders may, in accordance with Article 532 of the Companies Code, require a general meeting of shareholders to be called in order to submit one or more proposals is 5% of all the shares with voting rights.

One or more shareholders, together holding at least 3% of the Company's share capital may, in accordance with the provisions of the Company Code, request the addition of items to be dealt with on the agenda of any general meeting of shareholders, as well as presenting proposed resolutions regarding the items included or to be included in the agenda. The additional items or proposed resolutions to be dealt with must reach the Company no later than the twenty-second (22nd) day preceding the date of the general meeting of shareholders.

Ordinary or extraordinary general meetings of shareholders will be held at the registered office or at any other place indicated in the meeting notice.

Admission to the meeting

The registration procedure is as follows:

- Holders of registered shares must be registered in the register of nominative shares of Ascencio on the fourteenth (14th) day preceding the General Meeting of Shareholders, at midnight, Belgian time (the "registration date") for the number of shares for which they wish to participate in the General Meeting of Shareholders.

- Owners of paperless shares must notify their financial intermediary or approved account holder not later than the fourteenth (14th) day preceding the General Meeting of Shareholders, at midnight, Belgian time (the "registration date") of the number of shares for which they wish to be registered and for which they wish to participate in the General Meeting of Shareholders.

Only persons who are shareholders on the Registration Date shall be entitled to attend and vote in the General Meeting of Shareholders, irrespective of the number of shares held by the shareholder on the day of the General Meeting of Shareholders.

Confirmation of participation is as follows:

- Shareholders intending to attend the General Meeting of Shareholders must give notice of such intention not later than the sixth (6th) day before the date of the meeting. In addition to the registration procedure described above, shareholders must inform Ascencio by ordinary letter, fax or e-mail of their intention to attend the meeting not later than the sixth (6th) day prior to the date of the meeting.

In accordance with Articles 547 and 547bis of the Companies Code, shareholders may also have themselves represented by a proxy, using the form of proxy established by the Company. This form can be obtained from the Company's website (www.ascencio.be) or from the Company on request.

Shareholders wishing to have themselves represented must comply with the registration and confirmation procedure described above, and the original form signed on paper must be sent to the registered office of Ascencio not later than the sixth (6th) day prior to the date of the meeting.

The general partner(s) is/are admitted ipso jure to any General Meeting of Shareholders without having to complete any admission formalities.

Actions necessary to alter the rights of shareholders

Any change to shareholders' rights can be made only by an Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders, in accordance with Articles 558 and 560 of the Companies Code.

Change in the shareholding of Ascencio SA- Change of control

The shareholders of Ascencio SA have not mutually granted one another pre-emptive rights to shares.

Provision concerning members of administrative, management and supervisory bodies

The provisions concerning this point are contained in Title IV of the Articles of Association of Ascencio SCA.

Article 16 of the Articles of Association of the Statutory Manager, Ascencio SA, stipulates that the Company is administered by a board composed of at least three directors, shareholders or not, at least three of whom must be independent in the meaning of Article 526 ter of the Companies Code and Appendix A to the Belgian Code of Corporate Governance. Directors are appointed for a maximum of four years by the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders and their appointment may be revoked at will.

The Board of Directors of the Statutory Manager shall elect a Chairman from among its members, at the proposal of Carl, Eric and John Mestdagh, and shall meet when called by the Chairman or by two Directors with at least 24 hours prior notice.

The Board of Directors of the Statutory Manager is empowered to perform all such acts as may be necessary or conducive to the fulfilment of the Compa-

ny's corporate object, with the exception of those reserved by Law or by the Articles of Association to the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders. For as long as Ascencio SA is the Statutory Manager of the Company, it shall be represented in accordance with its own rules as regards general representation and day-to-day management.

Articles of Association of Ascencio SCA

The Articles of Association of Ascencio SCA were last amended on 17 October 2019. The Articles of Association are available from the Clerk of the Court of the Charleroi Trade Tribunal, from Ascencio at its registered office, and on its website (www.ascencio.be).

The statutory auditor

The statutory auditor is appointed subject to prior agreement of the FSMA (Financial Services and Markets Authority). It also performs a dual control.

Firstly, in accordance with the Companies Code, it checks and certifies the accounting information in the financial statements.

Secondly, in accordance with the law, it cooperates with the FSMA's controls. The FSMA may also ask it to confirm the accuracy of information requested by it.

Deloitte Réviseurs d'Entreprises, represented by Kathleen De Brabander, having its registered office at Gateway Building, Luchthaven Nationaal 1 J, 1930 Zaventem, was appointed by the Company's Ordinary General Meeting on 31 January 2017 for a term of three years, i.e. until the adjournment of the 2020 Annual Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders.

Property experts

In accordance with applicable legislation, Ascencio SCA calls on several independent experts for regular or ad hoc valuations of its assets.

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The experts are not tied, have no equity connections with major shareholders, do not perform any management function in the Company and have no other ties or relations with it of a nature such as might affect their independence.

The experts have the professional integrity required and the appropriate experience to carry out property valuations, and their organisation is appropriate to the exercise of the activity of expert.

The experts are appointed for a maximum term of three years, renewable. An expert may not be entrusted with the valuation of a particular property asset for more than three years. In order to ensure compliance with this rule, the Company has put in place a system of rotation of its experts and of the portion of the portfolio that they value.

At the end of each financial year, the experts value the property assets in detail, and this valuation binds the company for the preparation of the financial statements. Additionally, at the end of each of the first three quarters of the financial year, the experts update the overall valuation of the property assets

in the light of their characteristics and of market developments. The experts also value the Company's property assets whenever the Company issues shares, registers shares with a stock exchange or buys shares other than on the stock exchange.

The experts also value each property asset to be acquired or sold by the Company before the transaction takes place. If the acquisition or sale price of the property asset differs by more than 5% from this valuation to the Company's disadvantage, the transaction concerned must be justified in the Annual Report and, if applicable, the interim (half-yearly) report.

The value of the portfolio is estimated on a quarterly and annual basis.

The remuneration of the property experts, excluding VAT, is set on a flat basis per property valued.

In accordance with Article 24 of the B-REIT act, Ascencio rotates its experts every three years.

Until 30 September 2021 the Company's real estate experts are:

	Jones Lang LaSalle SPRL	Greet Hex	Avenue Marnix 23 1000 Bruxelles
BELGIUM	Cushman & Wakefield SPRL	Emeric Inghels	Avenue des Arts 58 1000 Bruxelles
	CBRE SA	Tom Maes	Avenue Lloyd George 7 1000 Bruxelles
FRANCE	Cushman & Wakefield (ex DTZ)	Patrice Roux	Rue de l'Hôtel de Ville 8 92522 Neuilly-Sur-Seine
	Jones Lang LaSalle Expertises SAS	Nicolas Cadoux	Rue de la Boétie 40-42 75008 Paris
SPAIN	Cushman & Wakefield	James Bird	Jose Ortega 4 Gasset 29 - 6ªPlanta 28006 Madrid

Financial services

For its financial services the Company relies on BNP Paribas Fortis Banque SA

Historical information included by reference

The annual financial reports, interim announcements and half-yearly financial reports of the past three financial years are included by reference in this document and may be consulted at the Company's registered office or downloaded from Ascencio's website (www.ascencio.be).

The conclusions of the property experts updated at the end of the first three quarters in accordance with applicable legislation are also included by reference (Article 47 section 2 of the B-REIT Act).

Place where documents accessible to the public can be consulted

The following documents can be consulted in physical form at the Company's registered office or electronically on its website (www.ascencio.be).

- latest Articles of Association of the Company;
- historical financial information on the Company;
- annual reports including the reports of the Statutory Auditor and the property experts;
- press releases;

The Deed of Incorporation and Articles of Association are available on the website of Moniteur Belge, the official Belgian state gazette: www.ejustice.just.fgov.be



LEGAL FRAMEWORK

STATUS OF PUBLIC REGULATED REAL ESTATE COMPANY (SIRP)

From its establishment in 2006, Ascencio held the status of a “SICAFI” (société d’investissement à capital fixe en immobilier, literally “fixed capital real estate investment company”, also known as “Belgian REIT”).

On 18 December 2014, Ascencio adopted the status of “SIRP” (Société Immobilière Réglementée Publique or Public Regulated Real Estate Company, hereinafter referred to in the English translation as a “public B-REIT”).

In this capacity, the Company is subject to the provisions of the Law of 12 May 2014 as amended by the law of 22 October 2017, and the Royal Decree of 13 July 2014 as amended by the Royal Decree of 23 April 2018 (“the Law”).

Ascencio is incorporated in the form of an “SCA” (société en commandite par actions or corporate partnership limited by shares), whose Statutory Manager, the general partner, is the société anonyme (public limited company) Ascencio SA. The functions and powers of the Manager of the public B-REIT are performed by the Board of Directors of Ascencio SA or under its responsibility.

As a public B-REIT, the Company benefits from a transparent tax regime. Its results (rental income) are exempt from corporate tax at public B-REIT level but not at the level of its subsidiaries.

In order to preserve its status, the public B-REIT complies with the constraints imposed by the Law, the authorised activities consisting notably of:

- (i) making property assets available to users, (ii), within the limits of the legal framework, holding other types of property assets (shares in public SICAFs (closed-ended investment companies), units in mutual funds, shares issued by other REITs and title deeds), and (iii) in making available property assets, all activities relating to the construction, rebuilding, renovation, development (for its own portfolio), acquisition, disposal, management and operation of property assets. The public B-REIT may not act either directly or indirectly as a real estate promoter (except on an occasional basis). It must also:
- pursue a strategy aimed at holding its assets in the long term;
- give preference to active management in the exercise of its activities;
- be listed on the stock exchange and maintain a free float of at least 30% of its shares;
- comply with strict rules concerning conflicts of interest and internal control structures.

The public B-REIT may have subsidiaries controlled exclusively or jointly, with or without the status of institutional B-REIT; the public B-REIT is subject to the prudential control of the FSMA.

SPECIAL REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO PUBLIC B-REITS

Real estate assets

The B-REIT’s assets must be diversified so as to ensure an appropriate spread of risks in terms of property assets, by geographical region and by category of user or tenant; no transaction may lead to more than 20% of its consolidated assets being invested in assets forming “a single property complex”.

Accounting

European legislation stipulates that public B-REITs, like all other listed companies, must prepare their consolidated annual accounts in accordance with IAS/IFRS. Moreover a public B-REIT (like an institutional B-REIT) must also, in application of the Law, prepare its statutory annual accounts in accordance with IAS/IFRS.

Since investment properties represent the greater part of the assets of a B-REIT, B-REITs must measure these investments at their fair value pursuant to IAS 40.

Valuation of properties

The fair value of a given property asset is estimated at the end of each financial year by a property expert. This fair value is updated by the expert at the end of each of the first three quarters of the financial year in line with market developments and the characteristics of the property asset concerned. These valuations are binding on public B-REITs as regards the preparation of the financial statements (both statutory and consolidated).

The property expert also sometimes has to value specific property assets. Such is the case, inter alia, on the occasion of an issue of shares or a merger, split or similar transaction.

Property assets held by a public B-REIT are not depreciated.

Pay-out ratio

The REIT must distribute by way of remuneration of capital an amount equal to at least the positive difference between

- 80% of the sum of adjusted earnings and net capital gains on the realisation of property assets not exempt from the obligation to distribute and
- the net reduction in the Company's borrowings during the financial year.

This obligation applies only if the net result is positive and the Company therefore has a distributable margin in accordance with company law.

Debts and guarantees

Total statutory and consolidated borrowings of a public REIT may not exceed 65% of total statutory or consolidated assets as the case may be (after deduction of authorised hedging instruments). If the consolidated debt ratio of the REIT and its subsidiaries exceeds 50% (after deduction of authorised hedging instruments), a financial plan has to be drawn up, accompanied by an execution schedule, describing the measures designed to avoid the consolidated debt ratio's exceeding 65% of consolidated assets.

A public B-REIT or its subsidiaries may not grant mortgages or create pledges or issue guarantees other than in the framework of the financing of the group's real estate activities. The total amount covered by mortgages, pledges or guarantees may not exceed 50% of the total fair value of the property assets held by the public B-REIT and its subsidiaries. Also, no mortgage, pledge or guarantee on a given asset may exceed 75% of its value.

TAX REGIME

REITs (both public and institutional) are subject to corporate tax at the standard rate but on a reduced tax base consisting of the sum of (1) abnormal or gratuitous benefits received and (2) expenses and costs that are non-deductible as professional expense other than reductions in value and capital losses realised on shares.

The advance levy on dividends paid by a public B-REIT is in principle equal to 30%. This levy is in full discharge for private individuals domiciled in Belgium.

Companies seeking approval as REITs that merge with a REIT or split off part of their property assets and transfer it to a REIT are subject to a specific tax on the capital gain (exit tax) of 15%¹. The exit tax is the percentage of tax that these companies must pay in order to leave the standard tax regime under ordinary law.

STATUS OF FRENCH “SIIC” (SOCIÉTÉ D’INVESTISSEMENT IMMOBILIER COTÉE OR LISTED REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT COMPANY)

The tax regime for “SIICs” (Sociétés d’investissement immobilier cotées or Listed Real Estate Investment Companies), introduced by the French Finance Act for 2003 No. 2002-1575 of 30 December 2002, allows the creation in France of real estate companies with a favourable tax regime similar to the Belgian regime applicable to the Company.

This regime allows Ascencio’s French branch and subsidiaries to benefit from a corporate tax exemption on their rental income and realised capital gains in return for the obligation to distribute 95% of their profits from the leasing out of their real estate assets.

¹ With effect from 1 January 2020.

The main characteristics of the SIIC regime are as follows:

- the parent company must be an SA (société anonyme, or public limited company) or another form of company limited by shares admissible for trading on a European stock market;
- the main activity of the SIIC must be the letting of properties;
- a majority shareholder or a group of shareholders acting in concert may not hold more than 60% of the shares of Ascencio;
- the Company benefits from a corporate tax exemption on the portion of the profits deriving from (i) real estate leases, (ii) capital gains on the disposal of properties, (iii) capital gains on the disposal of securities of subsidiaries opting for the SIIC regime or partnerships with an identical object, (iv) income distributed by their subsidiaries opting for the SIIC regime and (v) the proportional part of the profits of partnerships carrying on a real estate activity;
- the Company must comply with a pay-out ratio of 95% of the exempted profit from rental income, 60% of the exempted gains from the disposal of properties, securities of partnerships and subsidiaries coming under the SIIC system and 100% of the dividends distributed to them by their subsidiaries liable for corporate tax on companies opting for the SIIC system;
- when the Company opts for the SIIC system, this option gives rise to payment over four years of an exit tax at the reduced rate of 19% on unrealised capital gains relating to properties held by the SIIC or its subsidiaries opting for the SIIC system, and to the securities of partnerships not liable for corporate tax.

DECLARATIONS

Person responsible

The Statutory Manager of Ascencio SCA, Ascencio SA, whose registered office is at Avenue Jean Mermoz 1, box 4, 6041 Gosselies:

- declares that it assumes responsibility for the information contained in this report except for the information provided by third parties, among which the reports of the statutory auditor and the property experts;
- declares that to the best of its knowledge the financial statements were prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and give a true and fair view of the assets, financial position and results and of the companies included in the consolidation; the financial statements are in accordance with reality and are free of omission;
- declares that to the best of its knowledge the Management Report contains a true statement of the development of the business, the results and situation of Ascencio SA and the entities included in the consolidation, as well as a description of the main risks to which they are exposed;
- confirms, after taking all reasonable steps to this end, that the information contained in the registration document is, to the best of its knowledge, in accordance with reality and free of any material omission;
- subject to the press releases published by the Company since the preparation of this Annual Report, there have been no significant changes in the Company's financial or commercial position since 30 September 2019.

Declaration regarding the Directors and executive managers

The Statutory Manager of Ascencio SCA declares that based on the information provided to it, during the past five years none of its Directors or of the dirigeants effectifs ("effective managers") of the Company:

- has been convicted of fraud;
- has been convicted or declared bankrupt or placed in administration or liquidation;
- has been the subject of any accusation or official public sanction on the part of statutory or regulatory authorities or has been prevented by a court from acting as a member of an administrative, management or supervisory body of an issuer or from being involved in the management or conduct of business.

Judicial and arbitration proceedings

significant effect on the Company's financial position or profitability.

Information from third parties, experts' declarations

Ascencio confirms that the information provided by property experts and the approved statutory auditor have been faithfully reproduced with their agreement and that to the best of Ascencio's knowledge and as far as it can ascertain in light of the data published by these third parties, nothing has been omitted that would make the information reproduced inaccurate or misleading.

GENERAL INFORMATION

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WEBSITE	www.ascencio.be
COMPANIES REGISTRY	Charleroi
COMPANY NUMBER	0881.334.476
DATE ESTABLISHED	10 May 2006
APPROVAL AS A PUBLIC B-REIT	28 October 2014
DURATION	indefinite
STATUTORY AUDITOR	Deloitte - Kathleen De Brabander
PROPERTY EXPERTS	JLL - Cushman & Wakefield - CBRE
FINANCIAL SERVICE	BNP Paribas Fortis Banque SA
FINANCIAL YEAR-END	30 September
SHARE CAPITAL	€39,575,910
NUMBER OF SHARES	6.595.985
LISTING	Euronext Brussels
FAIR VALUE OF THE PROPERTY PORTFOLIO	€622.9 million
NUMBER OF PROPERTIES	101
TYPES OF PROPERTIES	Commercial properties in outlying urban areas and others

The annual financial report is also available in Dutch and English, but only the French version of the document is official.
The English and Dutch versions are free translations.



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