

voestalpine AG

NOTES

GENERAL INFORMATION/ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These Interim Consolidated Financial Statements of voestalpine AG as of September 30, 2024, for the first half of the business year 2024/25 were prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)—as adopted by the European Union—pursuant to IAS 34, Interim Financial Reporting, as well as the interpretations of the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRS-IC), which require application in 2024. The accounting policies are unchanged from the Consolidated Financial Statements for the business year 2023/24, with the exception of the changes below.

The following new and revised Standards and Interpretations were adopted for the first time in the business year 2024/25:

Standard	Content	Effective date¹
IFRS 16, amendments	Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback	January 1, 2024
IAS 1, amendments	Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current and Non-current Liabilities with Covenants	January 1, 2024
IAS 7/IFRS 7, amendments	Disclosures: Supplier Finance Arrangements	January 1, 2024

¹ In accordance with EU endorsements, these Standards are applicable to reporting periods beginning on or after the effective date.

The amendments and new versions of Standards and Interpretations did not have any material effect on the voestalpine Group's net assets, financial position, and results of operations. The amendment to IAS 7/IFRS 7 extends the disclosure requirements in connection with supplier finance arrangements. The transitional provisions clarify that an entity is not required to make these disclosures in its interim financial statements in the year of initial application of the amendments.

Further information on the other principles of preparation is provided in the Consolidated Financial Statements as of March 31, 2024, on which these Interim Consolidated Financial Statements are based.

The Interim Consolidated Financial Statements are presented in millions of euros (the functional currency of the parent company). The use of automated calculation systems may result in rounding differences that affect amounts and percentages.

Unless otherwise stated, comparative information relates to the first half of the business year 2023/24 (reporting date: September 30, 2023).

The present Interim Consolidated Financial Statements have not been audited or reviewed by auditors.

ERROR CORRECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH IAS 8

Towards the end of the fourth quarter of the business year 2023/24, it was discovered within a company of the Metal Forming Division that intentional journal entries had been made in the recognition and measurement of assets and liabilities to improve reported profits. Specifically, regarding advance payments within inventories and other receivables (including contract assets), assets were overstated or derecognitions were omitted in the context of accounting for tools and development services, as well as price adjustments for serial production.

During extensive analyses conducted in the preparation period, the necessary corrections were identified. The determined adjustments were allocated to and retrospectively adjusted for the previously reported periods in accordance with IAS 8.42. Tax-related counter-effects were not originally recognized due to significant uncertainties.

The following tables show the effects of the error correction on the affected items of the Consolidated Income Statement in the first half of the business year 2023/24 and the second quarter of the business year 2023/24:

CHANGE IN CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

04/01 – 09/30/2023	Values as originally reported	Restatement according to IAS 8	Retroactively restated
Revenue	8,512.8	0.0	8,512.8
Cost of sales	-7,004.3	-9.3	-7,013.6
Gross profit	1,508.5	-9.3	1,499.2
Other operating income	320.6	-2.5	318.1
EBIT	531.1	-11.8	519.3
Profit before tax	439.6	-11.8	427.8
Profit after tax from continuing operations	334.5	-11.8	322.7
Profit after tax	332.5	-11.8	320.7
Equity holders of the parent	271.7	-11.8	259.9
Basic earnings per share (euros) from continuing operations	1.59	-0.06	1.53
Basic earnings per share (euros) from discontinued operations	-0.01	0.00	-0.01
Basic earnings per share (euros)	1.58	-0.06	1.52
Diluted earnings per share (euros) from continuing operations	1.56	-0.06	1.50
Diluted earnings per share (euros) from discontinued operations	-0.01	0.00	-0.01
Diluted earnings per share (euros)	1.55	-0.06	1.49

In millions of euros

07/01 – 09/30/2023	Values as originally reported	Restatement according to IAS 8	Retroactively restated
Revenue	4,067.1	0.0	4,067.1
Cost of sales	-3,374.8	-4.9	-3,379.7
Gross profit	692.3	-4.9	687.4
Other operating income	153.8	-1.5	152.3
EBIT	214.9	-6.4	208.5
Profit before tax	161.2	-6.4	154.8
Profit after tax from continuing operations	114.5	-6.4	108.1
Profit after tax	114.3	-6.4	107.9
Equity holders of the parent	94.9	-6.4	88.5
Basic earnings per share (euros) from continuing operations	0.55	-0.03	0.52
Basic earnings per share (euros) from discontinued operations	0.00	0.00	0.00
Basic earnings per share (euros)	0.55	-0.03	0.52
Diluted earnings per share (euros) from continuing operations	0.55	-0.04	0.51
Diluted earnings per share (euros) from discontinued operations	0.00	0.00	0.00
Diluted earnings per share (euros)	0.55	-0.04	0.51

In millions of euros

ANALYSIS OF UNCERTAINTIES IN ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND ASSUMPTIONS

The uncertainties in accounting estimates and assumptions specified in the Consolidated Financial Statements as of March 31, 2024, have been repeatedly examined in connection with the preparation of the present Interim Consolidated Financial Statements and remain valid.

EFFECTS OF SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY—DECARBONIZATION AND GREEN TRANSFORMATION

The voestalpine Group continually observes and analyzes relevant developments. All disclosures as of March 31, 2024, remain valid.

There was no need to recognize impairment losses in the first half of the business year 2024/25 on account of climate-related risks. The assumptions in this connection were considered in both the medium-term business plan and the updated forecasts based on the insights available as of the reporting date using best possible estimates.

CHANGES IN THE SCOPE OF CONSOLIDATION

The changes made in the scope of consolidation during the first half of the business year 2024/25 were as follows:

	Full consolidation	Equity method
As of April 1, 2024	282	13
Additions from acquisitions	1	
Change in the consolidation method and incorporation		
Additions		
Disposals		
Reorganizations	-3	
Divestments or disposals		
As of September 30, 2024	280	13
Of which foreign companies	222	5

The following fully consolidated entities were deconsolidated during the first half of the business year 2024/25:

Name of entity	Date of deconsolidation
Full consolidation in the business year 2023/24	
Reorganizations	
voestalpine Bohler Welding USA Technology LLC	April 1, 2024
Metaltec AG	April 1, 2024
Torri Immobiliare s.r.l.	April 1, 2024

The following entities are being included in the Interim Consolidated Financial Statements for the first time as of the first half of the business year 2024/25:

Name of entity	Equity interest in %
Full consolidation	
Italfil S.p.A.	90.000%

The additions of fully consolidated entities to the scope of consolidation include one acquisition.

On July 10, 2024, voestalpine Böhler Welding Group GmbH, a company of the Metal Engineering Division, acquired control over 90% of the shares in the premium welding wire manufacturer Italfil S.p.A., Gazzo Padovano, Italy, with around 110 employees.

With the acquisition of Italfil S.p.A., the Welding business unit is taking a further step towards becoming a full-service provider for the “perfect weld seam.” The in-house production range is thus essentially supplemented by unalloyed and low-alloy solid wires, which are used in particular for demanding, highly automated welding applications and surface protection.

The acquisition has the following impact on the interim Consolidated Financial Statements:

	Recognized values
Non-current assets	38.6
Current assets	26.4
Non-current liabilities	-7.3
Current liabilities	-19.6
Net assets	38.1
Addition of non-controlling interests	-3.8
Goodwill	8.0
Acquisition costs	42.3
Cash and cash equivalents acquired	0.0
Earn-out clause	-3.2
Purchase price not yet paid	-30.1
Net cash outflow	9.0

In millions of euros

The goodwill of EUR 8.0 million arises from the company's earnings potential and the effects of the integration and expansion of the overall portfolio of the Welding business unit. In accordance with IFRS, this difference cannot be allocated to individually capitalizable items and is allocated to the goodwill-carrying Welding unit. It is not expected that portions of the recognized goodwill will be deductible for corporate income tax purposes.

Since initial consolidation, the acquisition has contributed revenue of EUR 6.4 million to consolidated revenue. The share of the Group's profit after taxes for the same period amounted to EUR 0.0 million. If the company acquisition had already been consolidated as of April 1, 2024, reported consolidated revenue would have been around EUR 9.9 million higher and reported Group's profit after taxes around EUR 1.1 million lower.

As part of the first-time full consolidation of Italfil S.p.A., fair values for trade receivables amounting to EUR 9.2 million (gross carrying amount: EUR 9.2 million) and other receivables amounting to EUR 1.9 million (gross carrying amount: EUR 1.9 million) were taken over. Receivables expected to be irrecoverable are considered immaterial.

In August 2024, voestalpine Railway Systems Nortrak LLC, a company of the Metal Engineering Division, acquired the assets for the production of turnouts and turnout components with around 75 employees at the site in Knoxville, Tennessee, USA, from Wabtec Components LLC. This asset deal accelerates necessary capacity expansions for the growing North American rail market and strengthens the strategic market position on the U.S. East Coast.

The asset deal has the following impact on the Interim Consolidated Financial Statements:

	Recognized values
Non-current assets	11.2
Current assets	4.4
Non-current liabilities	-3.7
Current liabilities	-1.1
Net assets = Acquisition costs = Net cash outflow	10.8

In millions of euros

DISPOSAL GROUP (ASSETS AND LIABILITIES HELD FOR SALE)

On March 14, 2024, the Management Board decided to sell **Buderus Edelmetall** in the High Performance Metals Division.

The criteria for classifying as “held for sale” were satisfied in the fourth quarter of the business year 2023/24. Buderus Edelmetall has since been classified as a disposal group by the management.

As of September 30, 2024, the disposal group included assets of EUR 48.6 million and liabilities of EUR 95.2 million. In the first half of the business year 2024/25, the binding offers received in the meantime resulted in an additional impairment requirement of EUR 82.6 million, of which EUR 81.0 million was allocated to current assets and is recognized in cost of sales. EUR 1.6 million relates to non-current assets and is recognized in other operating expenses, as a result of which the non-current assets were fully depreciated.

On October 22, 2024, the negotiations for the sale were concluded with the signing of the contract. The equity entrepreneur Mutares SE & Co. KGaA takes over the special steel company based in Wetzlar, subject to approval by the relevant competition authorities. Based on the management's assessment, the signing of the contract is not expected to have any further significant impact on earnings. The transaction is expected to be closed by the end of the 2024 calendar year.

SUBSIDIARIES WITH MATERIAL NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS

Name of the subsidiary	Domicile	03/31/2024	09/30/2024
voestalpine Tubulars GmbH & Co KG	Kindberg, Austria		
Proportion of ownership		49.8875%	49.8875%
Proportion of ownership interests held by non-controlling interests		50.1125%	50.1125%
CNTT Chinese New Turnout Technologies Co., Ltd.	Qinhuangdao, China		
Proportion of ownership		50.0000%	50.0000%
Proportion of ownership interests held by non-controlling interests		50.0000%	50.0000%

As of September 30, 2024, the total of all non-controlling interests is EUR 243.1 million (September 30, 2023: EUR 311.2 million), of which EUR 146.0 million (September 30, 2023: EUR 215.0 million) is attributable to voestalpine Tubulars GmbH & Co KG and EUR 25.9 million (September 30, 2023: EUR 25.9 million) is attributable to CNTT Chinese New Turnout Technologies Co., Ltd. The remaining non-controlling interests, considered individually, can be deemed immaterial to the Group.

Summarized financial information for each subsidiary with non-controlling interests that are material to the Group is depicted in the following chart. The figures correspond to the amounts prior to the elimination of intra-Group transactions.

SUMMARIZED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	voestalpine Tubulars GmbH & Co KG		CNTT Chinese New Turnout Technologies Co., Ltd.	
	03/31/2024	09/30/2024	03/31/2024	09/30/2024
Non-current assets	132.7	132.7	12.2	11.5
Current assets	443.9	240.9	76.2	80.1
Non-current liabilities	26.9	26.2	0.9	0.8
Current liabilities	125.7	57.8	35.7	39.1
Net assets (100%)	424.0	289.6	51.8	51.7

In millions of euros

SUMMARIZED INCOME STATEMENT

	voestalpine Tubulars GmbH & Co KG		CNTT Chinese New Turnout Technologies Co., Ltd.	
	04/01– 09/30/2023	04/01– 09/30/2024	04/01– 09/30/2023	04/01– 09/30/2024
Revenue	432.1	314.8	16.1	39.1
EBIT	100.0	16.9	5.3	10.6
Profit after tax	102.2	17.5	4.5	9.6
Attributable to:				
Equity holders of the parent	51.0	8.7	2.3	4.8
Non-controlling interests	51.2	8.8	2.3	4.8
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests	15.0	76.8	5.8	4.7

In millions of euros

SUMMARIZED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	voestalpine Tubulars GmbH & Co KG		CNTT Chinese New Turnout Technologies Co., Ltd.	
	04/01- 09/30/2023	04/01- 09/30/2024	04/01- 09/30/2023	04/01- 09/30/2024
Cash flows from operating activities	117.4	34.5	-2.9	11.6
Cash flows from investing activities	-88.2	136.3	-0.2	0.0
Thereof additions to/divestments of other financial assets	-72.9	152.1	0.0	0.0
Cash flows from financing activities	-29.2	-170.8	-11.7	-9.5
Change in cash and cash equivalents	0.0	0.0	-14.8	2.1

In millions of euros

INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATES AND JOINT VENTURES

SHARES IN MATERIAL ASSOCIATES

Following the sale of 80% of its equity interest in the ArcelorMittal Texas HBI Group (formerly the voestalpine Texas Group), domiciled in the State of Delaware, USA, voestalpine now holds a 20% share and exercises substantial influence over this company and its subsidiary. This share is accounted for at equity.

The deal was closed on June 30, 2022. Control was transferred to the buyer as of said date. This was followed by the deconsolidation of the subsidiary and its initial recognition as an associate. The ArcelorMittal Texas HBI Group operates a direct reduction plant and supplies hot briquetted iron (HBI) to the voestalpine Group. The company is not a listed entity.

The following tables contain the financial data on the ArcelorMittal Texas HBI Group.

SUMMARIZED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	ArcelorMittal Texas HBI Group	
	03/31/2024	09/30/2024
Non-current assets	411.8	365.3
Current assets	385.5	389.1
Non-current liabilities	34.2	32.0
Current liabilities	120.4	113.1
Net assets (100%)	642.7	609.3

In millions of euros

SUMMARIZED INCOME STATEMENT

	ArcelorMittal Texas HBI Group	
	04/01– 09/30/2023	04/01– 09/30/2024
Revenue	364.3	296.2
Profit after tax	13.3	-24.6
Profit after tax (20%)	2.7	-4.9
Other comprehensive income	2.7	-2.9
Periodic update of PPA	2.8	2.1
Elimination of intra-Group profits incl. deferred taxes	0.0	0.0
Comprehensive income (20%)	8.2	-5.7
Proportional dividends received	0.0	0.0

In millions of euros

RECONCILIATION OF CARRYING AMOUNTS

	ArcelorMittal Texas HBI Group	
	03/31/2024	09/30/2024
Net assets, closing balance	642.7	609.3
20% Group share of net assets	128.6	121.9
Goodwill incl. net exchange differences	3.1	3.0
Impairment incl. net exchange differences	-31.8	-30.7
Carrying amount of the Group's equity interest	99.9	94.2

In millions of euros

SHARES IN IMMATERIAL JOINT VENTURES

Profits from the joint ventures, which are individually immaterial to voestalpine's Interim Consolidated Financial Statements, are included using the equity method. This information relates to the interests of the voestalpine Group in the immaterial joint ventures and is broken down as follows:

	04/01– 09/30/2023	04/01– 09/30/2024
Group share of		
Profit after tax	0.0	0.0
Other comprehensive income	-0.1	0.0
Comprehensive income	-0.1	0.0
Carrying amount, immaterial joint ventures	4.5	4.3

In millions of euros

SHARES IN IMMATERIAL ASSOCIATES

The profit from associates that are individually immaterial to voestalpine's Interim Consolidated Financial Statements are included using the equity method. This information relates to the interests of the voestalpine Group in associates and is broken down as follows:

	04/01– 09/30/2023	04/01– 09/30/2024
Group share of		
Profit after tax	13.0	11.3
Other comprehensive income	-0.7	-0.2
Comprehensive income	12.3	11.1
Carrying amount, immaterial associates	168.9	166.1

In millions of euros

IMPAIRMENT LOSSES AND REVERSAL OF IMPAIRMENT LOSSES

The general descriptions of plans and models—as specified in Note 11, Impairment losses and reversal of impairment losses, of the Annual Report 2023/24—still apply.

IMPAIRMENT TESTS OF CASH GENERATING UNITS OR GROUPS OF CASH GENERATING UNITS CONTAINING GOODWILL

The voestalpine Group generally determines the recoverable amount of cash-generating units using the value in use approach. A management decision to restructure the goodwill-carrying **Automotive Components** business unit with goodwill of EUR 38.8 million was made on September 23, 2024 and communicated to the workforce on October 18, 2024. This leads to a change in cash flow planning, which may not yet be taken into account when determining the value in use as of September 30, 2024. The recoverable amount was therefore determined on the basis of an income-based fair value less costs to sell. The forecast cash flows are discounted to a present value using a capital value-oriented method (discounted cash flow method). Accordingly, the uncertainties described in the Consolidated Financial Statements associated with a discounted cash flow valuation and, in particular, uncertainties relating to the assessment of the cash flow effects of the restructuring—in particular the success of non-personnel-related measures, the amount of savings, and their timing—apply.

The restructuring is a response to structural changes and declining customer demand in the automotive sector by reorganizing the Automotive Components locations in Germany. In future, the plants in Dettingen, Schmöln, Schwäbisch Gmünd, and Böhmenkirch will work together in a production network, each with its own technology and product specialization. The business operations in Birkenfeld are to be discontinued, taking into account the results of negotiations with the works council and IG Metall.

The fair value measurement is categorized in its entirety in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy, as significant input factors (in particular cash flows) are not observable on the market.

The comparison of the recoverable amount determined and the carrying amount as of September 30, 2024, does not result in any need for impairment. As of September 30, 2024, a perpetual annuity was calculated with a growth rate of 1.37% (2023/24: 1.37%). The after-tax WACC was 8.78% (2023/24: 9.32%), the pre-tax WACC was 11.11% (2023/24: 12.14%).

The discount rate and the cash flows are the most important forward-looking assumptions. There is the risk that any change in these assumptions will necessitate a material adjustment of the carrying amounts in the future.

For the goodwill-carrying units **Automotive Components and HPM Production**, any increase in the after-tax discount rate by one percentage point or any decrease in cash flows by 10% or 20% would trigger the following shortfall in the carrying amounts:

	Excess of carrying amount over recoverable amount	Increase in discount rate by 1% point	Decrease in cash flows by 10%	Decrease in cash flows by 20%
09/30/2024				
Automotive Components	35.9	-47.9	-34.0	-103.8
HPM Production	71.2	-192.3	-128.6	-328.3
03/31/2024				
Automotive Components	0.0	-76.7	-56.8	-113.6
HPM Production	144.4	-106.1	-56.6	-257.6

In millions of euros

NOTES ON THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

In the first half of the business year 2024/25, depreciation totaling EUR 379.6 million was less than actual investments of EUR 500.7 million. This effect mainly increased non-current assets from EUR 7,877.2 million to EUR 7,958.7 million. The decrease in cash and cash equivalents of EUR 975.9 million in the first half of the business year 2024/25 is mainly due to the repayment of the 2017 corporate bond in the amount of EUR 500 million, as well as increased capital expenditure and the dividend payment.

The decrease in other assets and other provisions compared to the balance sheet date is due, in particular, to the required surrender of emission certificates in April of each calendar year for the greenhouse gas emissions of the previous calendar year.

As of September 30, 2024, voestalpine AG's share capital is EUR 324,391,840.99 (March 31, 2024: EUR 324,391,840.99) and is divided into 178,549,163 shares (March 31, 2024: 178,549,163). The company held 7,098,547 of its treasury shares as of the reporting date.

On April 28, 2023, voestalpine AG issued senior unsecured convertible bonds in the amount of EUR 250 million with a term of five years in order to further optimize its financing structure. The convertible bonds, denominated in EUR 100,000 and with a maturity of five years, were issued at 100% of their nominal value and could initially be converted into approximately 6.1 million new and/or existing no-par bearer shares of voestalpine AG. The offering is being made by way of an accelerated bookbuilding process and is exclusively targeted at institutional investors in defined countries. The equity component of the convertible bond amounts to EUR 18.8 million.

If the dividend of voestalpine AG is more than EUR 1.20 per share, the conversion price is reduced. Due to the dividend of EUR 1.50 per share in July 2023, the conversion price has been reduced from EUR 40.8915 to EUR 40.4874 and the reference dividend was adjusted from EUR 1.20 to EUR 1.1881 per share. The adjustment of the conversion price serves as protection against dilution. Since then, there has been no change in either the conversion price or the reference dividend. The convertible bonds are considered potential ordinary shares and are included in the calculation of diluted earnings per share from the date of issue if they have a dilutive effect on earnings per share. See also the calculation of diluted and basic earnings per share in the notes to the consolidated income statement.

Due primarily to changes in the actuarial result (negative), the currency translations (negative), and the cash flow hedges (positive), the profit after tax of EUR 182.9 million was reduced to total comprehensive income of EUR 147.1 million. The Annual General Meeting on July 3, 2024, resolved a dividend per share of EUR 0.70 for the business year 2023/24. Therefore, voestalpine AG has distributed dividends of EUR 120.0 million to its shareholders in the current business year. A dividend of EUR 93.7 million was distributed to non-controlling interests. As these dividend distributions exceed the overall result, equity decreased to EUR 7,426.3 million.

In the current business year, the adjustment of the discount rate from 3.6% as of March 31, 2024, to 3.3% as of September 30, 2024, in particular, results in an increase in the provisions for pension and severance obligations and consequently in an actuarial loss of EUR 29.5 million (after deferred taxes) that is recognized in other comprehensive income. The adjustment in the discount rate leads to an increase (recognized in income) of EUR 8.4 million (or EUR 6.5 million after deferred taxes) in the provisions for long-service bonuses.

The reduction in financial liabilities is primarily attributable to the repayment of the aforementioned 2017 corporate bond in the amount of EUR 500 million. The decline in both raw material/energy prices and production volumes has led to a decrease in both trade payables from bills of exchange and trade payables from reverse factoring agreements and trade and other payables during the first half of the 2024/25 business year.

NOTES ON THE CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

At EUR 8,042.3 million, revenue for the period from April 1, 2024, to September 30, 2024, fell by 5.5% compared with EUR 8,512.8 million in the same period of the previous year. In the first half of the business year 2024/25, EBIT is EUR 338.5 million compared with EUR 519.3 million for the same period of the previous year. EBIT is EUR 110.7 million for the second quarter of 2024/25 compared with EUR 208.5 million for the second quarter of 2023/24. After consideration of the financial result and taxes, the profit after tax is EUR 182.9 million compared with EUR 320.7 million for the same period of the previous year.

Due to the reduction of uncertainties in the assessment of the tax effects of the “intentional journal entries to improve reported profits.” item, tax refund claims of EUR 17.1 million were recognized in profit or loss in the current financial period (April 1–September 30, 2024).

The convertible bond issued on April 28, 2023, is included in the calculation of diluted earnings per share as of September 30, 2024. If the conversion right is exercised, the number of shares would increase by 6,174,761 on the basis of the conversion price as of the balance sheet date.

Diluted and basic earnings per share are calculated as follows in accordance with IAS 33:

	04/01– 09/30/2023 ¹ restated	04/01– 09/30/2024
Profit attributable to equity holders of the parent (in millions of euros)	259.9	160.5
Weighted average number of outstanding ordinary shares (millions)	171.5	171.5
Basic earnings per share (euros) from continuing operations	1.53	0.94
Basic earnings per share (euros) from discontinued operations	-0.01	0.00
Basic earnings per share (euros)	1.52	0.94
Profit attributable to equity holders of the parent (in millions of euros)	259.9	160.5
Earnings effect from elimination of interest on notional conversion (in millions of euros)	3.4	4.1
Total number of shares after notional conversion (millions)	176.8	177.6
Diluted earnings per share (euros) from continuing operations	1.50	0.93
Diluted earnings per share (euros) from discontinued operations	-0.01	0.00
Diluted earnings per share (euros)	1.49	0.93

¹ H 1 2023/24 retroactively restated. For further details see General Information/Accounting Policies and Annual Report 2023/24, B. Summary of Accounting Policies.

CLASSIFICATION OF REVENUES

The following table contains information on the classification of external revenues by region and industry of the voestalpine Group for the first half of the business years 2024/25 and 2023/24, respectively:

REVENUE BY REGION

	Steel Division		High Performance Metals Division	
	04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024	04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024
European Union (excluding Austria)	2,020.4	1,994.6	712.3	647.8
Austria	336.8	272.0	90.8	58.9
USMCA	157.0	151.0	268.4	249.6
Asia	26.8	57.8	291.1	307.2
South America	27.7	8.6	195.4	159.0
Rest of World	290.6	184.3	208.7	188.3
Total revenue by region	2,859.3	2,668.3	1,766.7	1,610.8

REVENUE BY INDUSTRY

	Steel Division		High Performance Metals Division	
	04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024	04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024
Automotive	1,128.3	1,067.0	418.7	377.8
Energy	449.2	579.8	406.5	302.4
Railway systems	4.4	3.0	6.6	7.7
Construction	257.7	213.1	54.7	53.9
Mechanical engineering	186.7	153.4	336.4	303.4
White goods/Consumer goods	74.5	66.0	184.6	172.9
Aerospace	0.0	0.0	213.7	246.9
Other	758.5	586.0	145.5	145.8
Total revenue by industry	2,859.3	2,668.3	1,766.7	1,610.8

	Metal Engineering Division		Metal Forming Division		Holding & Group Services		Total Group	
	04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024	04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024	04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024	04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024
	1,014.7	999.9	970.7	873.1	0.2	0.4	4,718.3	4,515.8
	159.0	181.9	54.2	49.6	1.4	1.4	642.2	563.8
	506.9	383.5	287.8	352.8	16.6	0.0	1,236.7	1,136.9
	189.7	287.8	113.5	120.6	0.0	0.0	621.1	773.4
	44.5	47.0	88.0	65.4	0.0	0.0	355.6	280.0
	275.7	261.3	163.9	138.5	0.0	0.0	938.9	772.4
	2,190.5	2,161.4	1,678.1	1,600.0	18.2	1.8	8,512.8	8,042.3

In millions of euros

	Metal Engineering Division		Metal Forming Division		Holding & Group Services		Total Group	
	04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024	04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024	04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024	04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024
	251.1	210.7	913.4	819.5	0.0	0.0	2,711.5	2,475.0
	552.8	436.9	62.6	42.1	0.0	0.0	1,471.1	1,361.2
	1,069.4	1,200.7	0.6	2.5	0.0	0.0	1,081.0	1,213.9
	51.3	52.4	363.9	441.3	0.0	0.0	727.6	760.7
	80.4	68.1	171.0	133.5	0.0	0.0	774.5	658.4
	34.5	30.4	57.0	55.1	0.0	0.0	350.6	324.4
	0.0	0.0	7.1	10.1	0.0	0.0	220.8	257.0
	151.0	162.2	102.5	95.9	18.2	1.8	1,175.7	991.7
	2,190.5	2,161.4	1,678.1	1,600.0	18.2	1.8	8,512.8	8,042.3

In millions of euros

OPERATING SEGMENTS

The following table contains information on the operating segments of the voestalpine Group for the first half of the business years 2024/25 and 2023/24, respectively:

OPERATING SEGMENTS

	Steel Division		High Performance Metals Division	
	04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024	04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024
Segment revenue	3,128.3	2,918.1	1,787.7	1,619.7
Of which revenue with third parties	2,859.3	2,668.3	1,766.7	1,610.8
Of which revenue with other segments	269.0	249.8	21.0	8.9
EBITDA	355.3	395.2	143.2	15.8
EBIT	226.7	264.3	59.0	-62.5
EBIT margin	7.2%	9.1%	3.3%	-3.9%
Segment assets	4,889.2	5,005.3	4,829.3	4,246.1
Employees (full-time equivalent)	10,748	10,924	13,492	13,202

¹ H 1 2023/24 retroactively restated. For further details see General Information/Accounting Policies and Annual Report 2023/24, B. Summary of Accounting Policies.

The reconciliation of the key ratios, EBITDA and EBIT, is shown in the following tables:

EBITDA

	04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024
Net exchange differences and result from valuation of derivatives	-0.9	-1.3
Consolidation	-0.8	-3.1
EBITDA – Total reconciliation	-1.7	-4.4

In millions of euros

Metal Engineering Division		Metal Forming Division		Holding & Group Services		Reconciliation		Total Group	
04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024	04/01-09/30/2023 ¹ restated	04/01-09/30/2024	04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024	04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024	04/01-09/30/2023 ¹ restated	04/01-09/30/2024
2,214.7	2,181.4	1,700.1	1,619.2	539.0	547.5	-857.0	-843.6	8,512.8	8,042.3
2,190.5	2,161.4	1,678.1	1,600.0	18.2	1.8	0.0	0.0	8,512.8	8,042.3
24.2	20.0	22.0	19.2	520.8	545.7	-857.0	-843.6	0.0	0.0
315.3	252.6	150.1	117.5	-58.8	-58.6	-1.7	-4.4	903.4	718.1
223.0	160.6	77.1	45.8	-64.8	-65.3	-1.7	-4.4	519.3	338.5
10.1%	7.4%	4.5%	2.8%					6.1%	4.2%
3,986.1	4,042.0	2,639.7	2,534.4	11,343.2	10,123.3	-11,086.3	-10,623.7	16,601.2	15,327.4
14,247	14,977	11,668	11,317	1,057	1,313	0	0	51,212	51,733

In millions of euros

EBIT

	04/01-09/30/2023	04/01-09/30/2024
Net exchange differences and result from valuation of derivatives	-0.9	-1.3
Consolidation	-0.8	-3.1
EBIT – Total reconciliation	-1.7	-4.4

In millions of euros

All other key performance indicators contain solely the effects of consolidation.

NOTES ON THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Non-cash expenses and income include EUR 378.4 million in depreciation/revaluation (also of financial assets). Taking the change in working capital into account, the cash flows from operating activities in the reporting period are EUR 345.6 million compared with EUR 390.8 million in the first half of the previous year. A total of EUR –448.3 million in cash flows from investing activities (which include EUR 62.8 million in divestments in other financial assets) and EUR –868.2 million in cash flows from financing activities lead to a change in cash and cash equivalents (excluding net exchange differences) of EUR –970.9 million. The investments in other financial assets include repo transactions entailing CO₂ repos (purchases of CO₂ allowances subject to simultaneous repurchase agreements) in the amount of EUR –54.9 million.

NOTES ON FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Categories of financial instruments

Categories	Financial assets measured at AC ¹	Hedge accounting	Financial assets measured at FVTPL	Total
Assets 03/31/2024				
Other financial assets, non-current	2.9	–	60.2	63.1
Trade receivables, other receivables and other assets	1,097.5	5.5	176.5	1,279.5
Other financial assets, current	54.9	–	103.3	158.2
Cash and cash equivalents	1,322.1	–	–	1,322.1
	2,477.4	5.5	340.0	2,822.9

¹ The carrying amount of the financial assets measured at AC represents an adequate approximation of the fair value.

In millions of euros

Categories	Financial assets measured at AC ¹		Hedge accounting	Financial assets measured at FVTPL		Total
Assets 09/30/2024						
Other financial assets, non-current	2.8		-	61.0		63.8
Trade receivables, other receivables and other assets	1,015.3		15.2	198.0		1,228.5
Other financial assets, current	-		-	98.0		98.0
Cash and cash equivalents	346.2		-	-		346.2
	1,364.3		15.2	357.0		1,736.5

¹ The carrying amount of the financial assets measured at AC represents an adequate approximation of the fair value.

In millions of euros

Categories	Financial liabilities measured at AC		Hedge accounting	Financial liabilities measured at FVTPL		Total
	Carrying amount	Fair value	Carrying amount (= fair value)	Carrying amount (= fair value)	Carrying amount	Fair value
	Liabilities 03/31/2024					
Financial liabilities, non-current	1,459.7	1,414.8	-	-	1,459.7	1,414.8
Financial liabilities, current	1,688.0	1,680.4	-	-	1,688.0	1,680.4
Trade and other payables ¹	1,904.3	1,904.3	29.5	11.5	1,945.3	1,945.3
Trade payables from bills of exchange and trade payables from reverse factoring agreements ¹	868.3	868.3	-	-	868.3	868.3
Total	5,920.3	5,867.8	29.5	11.5	5,961.3	5,908.8

¹ The carrying amount of the trade and other payables, the trade payables from bills of exchange, and the payables from reverse factoring agreements represents an adequate approximation of the fair value.

In millions of euros

Categories	Financial liabilities measured at AC		Hedge accounting	Financial liabilities measured at FVTPL		Total	
	Carrying amount	Fair value	Carrying amount (= fair value)	Carrying amount (= fair value)	Carrying amount	Fair value	
Liabilities 09/30/2024							
Financial liabilities, non-current	1,443.1	1,410.3	-	-	1,443.1	1,410.3	
Financial liabilities, current	1,072.1	1,072.0	-	-	1,072.1	1,072.0	
Trade and other payables ¹	1,688.6	1,688.6	14.5	11.3	1,714.4	1,714.4	
Trade payables from bills of exchange and trade payables from reverse factoring agreements ¹	778.3	778.3	-	-	778.3	778.3	
Total	4,982.1	4,949.2	14.5	11.3	5,007.9	4,975.0	

¹ The carrying amount of the trade and other payables, the trade payables from bills of exchange, and the payables from reverse factoring agreements represents an adequate approximation of the fair value.

In millions of euros

The financial liabilities measured at amortized cost, excluding bonds issued, fall under Level 2. Valuation is performed according to the discounted cash flow method, whereby the input parameters for the calculation of the fair values are the foreign exchange rates, interest rates, and credit spreads observable on the market. Using the input parameters, the fair values are calculated by discounting estimated future cash flows at market interest rates.

Bonds issued are measured using Level 1 inputs based on the quoted price as of the reporting date.

The table below analyzes regular fair value measurements of financial assets and financial liabilities. These measurements are based on a fair value hierarchy that categorizes the inputs included in the valuation methods used to measure fair value into three levels. The three levels are defined as follows:

INPUTS

Level 1	Comprises quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date.
Level 2	Comprises inputs other than the quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.
Level 3	Comprises unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY LEVELS USED FOR RECURRING FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
03/31/2024				
Financial assets				
Other financial assets, non-current	13.7	-	46.5	60.2
Receivables from derivatives – hedge accounting	-	5.5	-	5.5
Trade receivables, other receivables and other assets	-	3.9	172.6	176.5
Other financial assets, current	103.3	-	-	103.3
	117.0	9.4	219.1	345.5
Financial liabilities				
Liabilities from derivatives – hedge accounting	-	29.5	-	29.5
Trade and other payables	-	11.5	-	11.5
	-	41.0	-	41.0

09/30/2024

Financial assets				
Other financial assets, non-current	14.4	-	46.6	61.0
Receivables from derivatives – hedge accounting	-	15.2	-	15.2
Trade receivables, other receivables and other assets	-	13.2	184.8	198.0
Other financial assets, current	98.0	-	-	98.0
	112.4	28.4	231.4	372.2
Financial liabilities				
Liabilities from derivatives – hedge accounting	-	14.5	-	14.5
Trade and other payables	-	11.3	-	11.3
	-	25.8	-	25.8

In millions of euros

The derivative transactions (Level 2) are measured using the discounted cash flow method by determining the value that would be realized if the hedging position were closed out (liquidation method). The observable currency exchange rates and raw materials prices as well as interest rates are the input for the calculation of fair values. Fair values are calculated based on the inputs by discounting expected future cash flows at market interest rates.

The voestalpine Group recognizes reclassifications between different levels of the fair value hierarchy as of the end of the reporting period in which the change occurred. There were no reclassifications in the business year 2023/24, nor from April 1, 2024, through September 30, 2024.

The table below presents the reconciliation of Level 3 financial assets measured at fair value between the opening balance and the closing balance, as follows:

LEVEL 3 – FVTPL – OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS – NON-CURRENT

	04/01– 09/30/2023	04/01– 09/30/2024
Opening balance	44.1	46.6
Total of gains/losses recognized in the income statement:		
Finance costs/Finance income	0.0	0.0
Closing balance	44.1	46.6

In millions of euros

Level 3 includes the equity investment in Energie AG Oberösterreich that is measured at fair value. The fair value of this entity can be reliably determined based on the valuation report that is prepared once a year for Energie AG Oberösterreich as a whole, taking into account all relevant information.

Significant sensitivities in the determination of the fair values may result from changes in the underlying market data of comparable entities and the input factors used to determine the net present value (particularly discount rates, non-current forecasts, plan data, etc.).

LEVEL 3 – FVTPL – TRADE RECEIVABLES (SALE BUSINESS MODEL)

	04/01– 09/30/2023	04/01– 09/30/2024
Opening balance	193.8	172.6
Disposals	-193.8	-172.6
Additions	177.3	184.8
Closing balance	177.3	184.8

In millions of euros

The receivables in this portfolio are sold monthly on a rolling basis as part of the Group's factoring programs. The measurement gains or losses allocable to this portfolio are of secondary significance.

The credit risk associated with a particular debtor is the key factor in the fair value determination of the portfolio entitled "Trade and other receivables held for factoring." Any increase/decrease by 1% in the established default rates thus would change the fair value of this portfolio at most in the same amount; as a rule, however, the fair value change is disproportionately low, because credit insurance has been purchased for significant portions of the portfolio.

SEASONALITY AND CYCLICALITY

Regardless of economic trends, the second business quarter is generally expected to see seasonally slightly weaker revenue, especially due to vacations or shutdowns of key customer segments.

RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Business transactions in the form of deliveries and services are carried out with non-consolidated subsidiaries, joint ventures, and associated Group companies as part of operational activities. These business transactions are carried out exclusively based on customary market terms.

The volume of business transactions with associated companies and parties is similar to that reported in the Consolidated Financial Statements 2023/24. Neither the financial position nor the earnings of the voestalpine Group were materially affected during the first six months of the current business year.

Receivables are sold to core shareholders at arm's length in connection with the first type of factoring agreement (see Note 29 of the Consolidated Financial Statements 2023/24, Disclosures of transactions not recorded in the statement of financial position, for a description). As of September 30, 2024, these receivables totaled EUR 151.4 million (March 31, 2024: EUR 191.5 million).

ANTITRUST PROCEEDINGS

In the second quarter of the current business year, the provision in connection with the antitrust investigations of the German Federal Cartel Office (*Bundeskartellamt*) concerning railway superstructure materials was fully reversed.

Provisions were recognized as of the interim reporting date for potential negative effects of the remaining cartel proceedings described on page 199 in Note 19, Provisions, of the Consolidated Financial Statements 2023/24 (Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements – G. Explanations and Other Disclosures).

PROVISIONS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Note that we are invoking the safeguard clause in accordance with IAS 37.92, pursuant to which detailed information on provisions and contingent liabilities is not disclosed if doing so could seriously and adversely impact the company's interests.

EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

On October 3, 2024, voestalpine AG issued a fixed-interest green bond of EUR 500.0 million. The bond will be redeemed in October 2029 and carries an annual interest rate of 3.750%. The entire proceeds of the issue will be used to finance sustainable voestalpine projects, such as greentec steel.

On October 18, 2024, the management decision to restructure the Automotive Components business segment of the Metal Forming Division (for further details, see Chapter Impairment losses and reversal of impairment losses) was communicated to the workforce. The estimated financial impact of the obligation resulting from the resolution is around EUR 30.0 million. This mainly comprises costs in connection with redundancy plans.

On October 22, 2024, the signing in the sales process for the German Group subsidiary Buderus Edelstahl took place (see Chapter Disposal Group).

MANAGEMENT BOARD STATEMENT

IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 125 (1) AUSTRIAN STOCK EXCHANGE
ACT 2018 (BÖRSEGESETZ 2018 – BÖRSEG 2018)

The Management Board of voestalpine AG confirms to the best of its knowledge that the Condensed Interim Financial Statements give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position, and profit or loss of the Group as required by the applicable accounting standards and that the Group Management Report gives a true and fair view of important events that have occurred during the first six months of the business year and their impact on the Condensed Interim Financial Statements, of the principal risks and uncertainties for the remaining six months of the business year, and of the major related party transactions to be disclosed.

Linz, November 4, 2024

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