



CARL ZEISS (1816 – 1888)
200th BIRTHDAY

Fiscal Year 2015/16 ZEISS Group

Short Version of the Annual Report of the ZEISS Group



Financial Highlights

(IFRSs)

	2015/16		2014/15		2013/14	
	€ m	%	€ m	%	€ m	%
Revenue	4,881	100	4,511	100	4,287	100
» Germany	612	13	547	12	515	12
» Other countries	4,269	87	3,964	88	3,772	88
Research and development expenses	436	9	466	10	448	10
EBIT	615	13	369	8	360	8
Consolidated profit/loss	404	8	208	5	190	4
Cash flows from operating activities	425		396		280	
Cash flows from investing activities	-357		-206		-288	
Cash flows from financing activities	-207		-25		-86	
Total assets	5,658	100	5,417	100	5,056	100
Property, plant and equipment	979	17	1,005	19	1,013	20
» Capital expenditures	154		160		188	
» Amortization, depreciation and impairment	155		150		152	
Inventories	1,118	20	1,081	20	1,080	21
Equity	1,416	25	1,357	25	1,249	25
Net liquidity	568		374		187	
Employees as of 30 September	25,433		24,946		24,817	
» Germany	10,770		10,895		10,773	
» Other countries	14,663		14,051		14,044	

Short version

This is a short version of the 2015/16 Annual Report.

The full report is available for download at www.zeiss.com/annualreport.



Today's company ZEISS continues to uphold the convictions of its founder. His passion for precision and quality, his constant exchange with science and research, his in-depth understanding of the needs of his customers and his entrepreneurial tenacity – these are all qualities that are firmly enshrined in the company and the ZEISS brand.

The first ZEISS Symposium titled *Optics in the Digital World* continued precisely this tradition. Experts from industry and science met to discuss how to address and shape the paradigm shift in technology confronting the modern world. The digital revolution would never have been possible without optics and photonics which ZEISS will continue to evolve and enhance with its leading-edge technologies. Recognizing and harnessing future-oriented trends such as digitalization and Industry 4.0 are an integral part of the ZEISS DNA.

You can find more information at www.zeiss.com/carlzeiss200.

200th birthday of Carl Zeiss

Carl Zeiss was born on 11 September 1816 in Weimar. Exactly 200 years later employees, partners, customers and the general public celebrated his birthday in Jena. Around 50,000 people made their way to downtown Jena to visit a large number of locations in which the company founder lived and worked.



Foreword from the Executive Board

**Ladies and Gentlemen,
Dear Friends of ZEISS,**

We can look back at an extremely successful 2015/16 fiscal year. We have continued the growth trajectory of the ZEISS Group and have made excellent progress: our record revenue of 4.881 billion euros (prior year: 4.511 billion euros) represents a sharp increase of 8 percent. Consolidated profit rose by 94 percent to 404 million euros, also the highest figure on record. This success is attributable to a very well balanced portfolio in all segments and was enabled by the consistent implementation of the corporate programs we have launched to increase our competitiveness.

A very pleasing trend was also reported by the individual segments: in the Research & Quality Technology segment the Industrial Metrology business group is benefiting in particular from the strong automotive market and from the buoyant demand for its Industry 4.0 solutions. The Microscopy business group significantly improved its competitiveness and has achieved a turnaround in its business. Medical Technology held its ground on the hotly contested health care market and further expanded its leading position. The Vision Care/Consumer Products segment has generated substantial growth thanks to the successful launch of new products and consistent brand management. The Semiconductor Manufacturing Technology segment also recorded pleasing growth and lies above our expectations in its solid Deep Ultra Violet (DUV) lithography business with immersion lithography systems. At the end of fiscal year 2015/16 an important step was achieved in the ongoing development and acceleration of the Extreme Ultra Violet (EUV) technology with an intensification of the long-standing, successful partnership with ASML. With this move, ZEISS and ASML are paving the way for even more powerful lithography systems and hence also for new generations of high-performance chips.

The healthy results obtained for the fiscal year emphatically underscore our determination to focus fully on our innovative strength: the ZEISS Agenda 2016 and the associated largest investment program in the company's history are paying off. Today we are already a highly sought-after provider of solutions addressing the key issues of the future. In many business groups we are actively shaping global trends such as digitalization and Industry 4.0. In this way we are succeeding in capturing and defending leading positions on the market. We can rightly say that ZEISS has become more modern, more global and more dynamic. We will continue on the same course with our new Agenda spanning the period to 2020.

This fiscal year we celebrated the 200th birthday of our company founder Carl Zeiss. His passion and his refusal to rest on his laurels in times of success continue to characterize our corporate culture to this very day. Our company founder would certainly see his principles and goals reflected in today's company – and in the unwavering efforts of our employees to win the trust of our business partners and customers every day anew. Also on behalf of my colleagues on the Executive Board, I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to them all.

Oberkochen, December 2016



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President and Chief Executive Officer



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Member of the Executive Board responsible for the Vision Care/ Consumer Products segment

Thomas Spitzenfeil

Member of the Executive Board responsible for Corporate Finance & Controlling among other areas

From an Optical Workshop to a Global Player

Carl Zeiss was born on 11 September 1816 in Weimar. In 1846 the mechanic opened a small workshop for precision mechanics and optics in Jena, laying the foundation for today's global technology player ZEISS. This year marks his 200th birthday – the perfect opportunity to look back at the achievements and the formative role played by Carl Zeiss, without which the company's current success would not have been possible.

Carl Zeiss opened his first workshop in Jena at the young age of 30. His work shaped the reputation of the city of Jena as an international hub of optics and photonics and home to global players and prestigious research institutes.

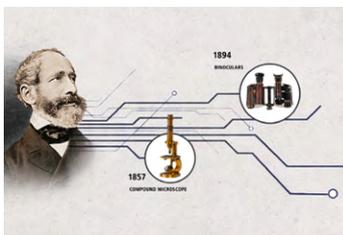
During his training as a young man, he already came into direct contact with scientists and mathematicians at the University of Jena. Within a very short time after founding his workshop, he built up a base of customers by repairing their scientific instruments or producing them to their own specifications. One of his legacies – the network he forged between industry and science – lives on to this very day. His passion for precision is legendary and still characterizes the company ZEISS, its employees and its products.

The personal history of Carl Zeiss could well describe the career of a start-up entrepreneur today. His principles of constantly pushing the boundaries and working on his goals with tenacity and determination are still upheld by the company. Numerous events were organized to celebrate his 200th birthday in honor of the extraordinary person Carl Zeiss and his outstanding achievements.



Day of Microscopy

In mid-September 2016 ZEISS organized the 15th Day of Microscopy in the Jena Volksbad. An extensive program of events focused on the life of the company founder, historical milestones and leading-edge microscopy technologies from ZEISS awaited the 400 international guests from the fields of research, science and industry.



The visionary entrepreneur on film

No other entrepreneur's vision of the future is more closely linked to quality, precision and science than that of Carl Zeiss. A new film provides fascinating insights into the pioneering founder of ZEISS.



Kickoff for German Optical Museum

In September the decision was made to set up the German Optical Museum Foundation in Jena. This secured the long-term financing of the future German Optical Museum which, as a modern education center, will be a leading museum for optics and photonics and therefore a major tourist attraction for the city and the surrounding region.



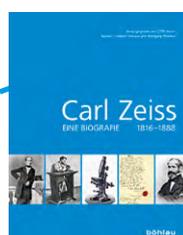
200 Years of Carl Zeiss exhibition

Who was Carl Zeiss? The exhibition *Carl Zeiss (1816–1888) – A Visionary Entrepreneur* provides information about the entrepreneur, family man and citizen. It was designed by the ZEISS Archives to mark the 200th birthday of the company founder.



Carl Zeiss Day

On 11 September 2016 more than 50,000 visitors attended the Carl Zeiss Day in downtown Jena. ZEISS celebrated the 200th birthday of its company founder together with protagonists from the city of Jena and partners from science, industry and society. The Carl Zeiss Route featured a whole host of places where the life and work of Carl Zeiss are still very much alive in Jena today.



New biography of Carl Zeiss

Issued in May 2016, the biography with around 100 photographs provides the reader with more details about the precision mechanic who revolutionized the design of optical instruments from his Jena base. The book, which was published by Böhlau in German and English, examines new aspects in the life of the company founder to mark his 200th birthday.

Optics and Photonics as Pioneers of Digital Transformation

The ability to interact with the scientific world played a key role in the economic success of company founder Carl Zeiss. In the face of the constant technological changes now facing society and industry as a result of increasing digitalization, this networking is as important today as it was then. Therefore, it was no coincidence that the first ZEISS Symposium titled *Optics in the Digital World* took place in the year of the company founder's 200th birthday.

200

international scientists and leading representatives took part in the first ZEISS Symposium

50%

of participants came from the world of science

Optics

4.0

The values held dearly by Carl Zeiss continue to be very relevant today. In June 2016, with the symposium titled *Optics in the Digital World*, ZEISS not only offered a platform for Optics 4.0, but also networked around 200 international scientists and leading representatives from industry in the fields of optics and photonics at Group headquarters in Oberkochen.

The keynote speakers Laura Waller from the University of California in Berkeley, Ingmar Posner from Oxford University and David Bohn from Microsoft first outlined the research requirements to be met in the future. The participants subsequently discussed trends in optics and photonics and presented the state of the art in technology. Together, they identified and defined where action was needed in strategically important fields of research in the coming years. These are characterized by increasing digitali-

zation and big data applications and are shaping trends in optical technologies. Examples include computer-aided image processing, processing large datasets in optics, obtaining information from data, visualization for augmented and virtual reality scenarios (AR/VR) as well as computer vision and machine learning.

As technologies sharply focused on the future, optics and photonics are impacting society, science and culture and are hence pioneering the digital revolution. New, additional subject areas here include communication, sensor systems, illumination and medical technology. Digitalization enables, for example, the production of microchips with increasingly smaller structures and hence more computing power on a smaller surface area. Another exciting field of innovation is immersive microscopy with the newly available VR/AR scenarios for digitalized big data visualizations using VR headsets, data gloves and other devices.

The extensive results obtained in the three workshops conducted at the ZEISS Symposium *Optics in the Digital World* were published in white papers.



www.zeiss.com/zeiss-symposium

WELCOME TO THE ZEISS SYMPOSIUM OPTICS IN THE DIGITAL WORLD

INCLUDING ZEISS RESEARCH AWARD



Future Trends in Focus

Carl Zeiss was compelled to chart a course through increasing industrialization in a rapidly changing world and to anticipate ways to be successful under these difficult conditions. He succeeded in his endeavors by resolving to always be at the leading edge of development and by being prepared to break new ground to achieve this goal. The company continues to follow the principles of its founder. In his day it was industrialization that was changing the global economy; today it is digitalization. The parallels between then and now are obvious. Recognizing the trends of the future and seeing them as a challenge to be harnessed are integral parts of the ZEISS DNA.

Digitalization is playing an increasingly important role in the global economy. This trend offers good opportunities for ZEISS, particularly in the areas of health care and Industry 4.0. Numerous new business opportunities are resulting from new networking possibilities and digital data exchange – using special software solutions from ZEISS, for example. These possibilities must be utilized by creating the appropriate solutions and products and by shaping the challenges, processes and structures in such a way that they become more customer-oriented, dynamic and efficient.

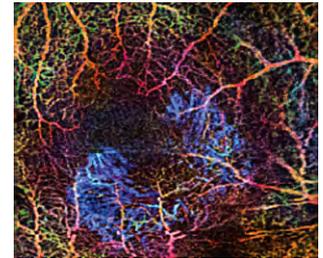
Technologies are evolving at tremendous speed – and this also applies to the digitalization of the optical industry. And digitalization would simply not exist without optics. Whether it is metrology, semiconductor manufacturing technology, medical technology, microscopy or optical systems – Industry 4.0 is impacting all

areas of ZEISS. Together with its partner ASML, for example, ZEISS is laying the foundations in semiconductor manufacturing technology to ensure that digitalization at today's performance level can take place in the first place. Furthermore, software solutions like ZEISS PiWeb blend perfectly and seamlessly into the digital factory concept of various sectors and industries and, through the central collection, storage and analysis of different measuring and quality data, form the core of Industry 4.0.

In the health care market of the future ZEISS also sees major opportunities to drive the diagnosis and treatment of eye diseases and microsurgery in various medical disciplines to new heights of excellence with its leading-edge products and solutions. In the past fiscal year ZEISS has already succeeded in identifying the trends of the future and hence actively addressing the resulting needs of its customers. This is underscored by a summary of some of the highlights from fiscal year 2015/16.

ZEISS techniques support doctors in clinical procedures

ZEISS AngioPlex OCT angiography helps doctors to visualize blood vessels in the patient's retina without the injection of fluorescent dyes: the retina and choroid can be examined non-invasively in three-dimensional maps using Optical Coherence Tomography (OCT), hence supporting doctors in making their clinical decisions.



New EUV optics impress customers

With the new Starlith 3400, ZEISS has further enhanced the optical performance attainable with EUV technology. This substantial improvement has been achieved thanks to improved imaging optics and a new illumination system design. As a result, the chip manufacturers benefit from greater flexibility and increased resolution, allowing even smaller structures to be imaged on the microchips.



ZEISS LSM 8 family with Airyscan

The ZEISS LSM 800 and LSM 880 systems with Airyscan enable confocal super-resolution microscopy with four to eight times higher sensitivity and up to four times greater scanning speed. The confocal laser scanning microscopes for flexible living cell examinations received several awards last fiscal year, including the Thuringia Innovation Prize in the category *Light & Life*.



ZEISS and ExoLens® – accessory lenses for the iPhone®

ZEISS and its strategic partner ExoLens have developed a wide-angle, telephoto and macro accessory lens for the iPhone. The new optics which can be mounted on the iPhone using an aluminum bracket offer smartphone photographers and videographers new creative possibilities and hitherto unparalleled quality.



ZEISS Metrology Cloud Services – networking quality data intelligently

The digital transformation and the increased demand for quickly and easily comparing and networking quality data have been standard practice in industry for quite some time. A study from ZEISS echoes this trend: ZEISS Metrology Cloud Services. This service makes it possible to network measuring machine data worldwide and therefore optimize production and cost efficiency.

Munich: the digital hub

As part of the digital transformation process, ZEISS is setting up a site in the German city of Munich. In this modern, agile development environment experts will design and bring to market new digital solutions for customers in close collaboration with the ZEISS business units.



ZEISS Car Body Solutions – quality assurance the systematic way

In the age of Industry 4.0 measuring and inspection technology is increasingly becoming a steering instrument for the production area. The ZEISS Car Body Solutions process chain offers multi-faceted solutions for the production workflow and ensures that quality data in car body construction are recorded and managed faster and more flexibly at various sites: in the measuring room as well as at and in the production line.



ZEISS PiWeb – software for the future

The high level of automation in production is leading to constantly increasing volumes of measuring and process data. Software solutions such as ZEISS PiWeb merge large amounts of data from different sources and analyze these in an extremely short time. In this way ZEISS PiWeb increases the customer's efficiency, further enhances the reproducibility of measurements and minimizes operator influence.



ZEISS DriveSafe eyeglass lenses – the ideal better vision solution for drivers

ZEISS DriveSafe are special eyeglass lenses designed by ZEISS. Thanks to a specially developed coating, they can reduce subjectively perceived glare while driving in the adverse light or poor visibility resulting from rain, fog or oncoming traffic in the dark. The optical design enhances the driver's vision in all situations and guarantees that the lenses are simultaneously suitable for all-day wear.

Sites

A lot has happened since ZEISS opened its first branch outside Germany in London in 1893. Today the ZEISS Group is represented in over 40 countries. Over 25,000 employees worldwide work at more than 30 manufacturing sites, over 50 sales and service locations and about 25 research and development facilities. The company is headquartered in Oberkochen in southwestern Germany.

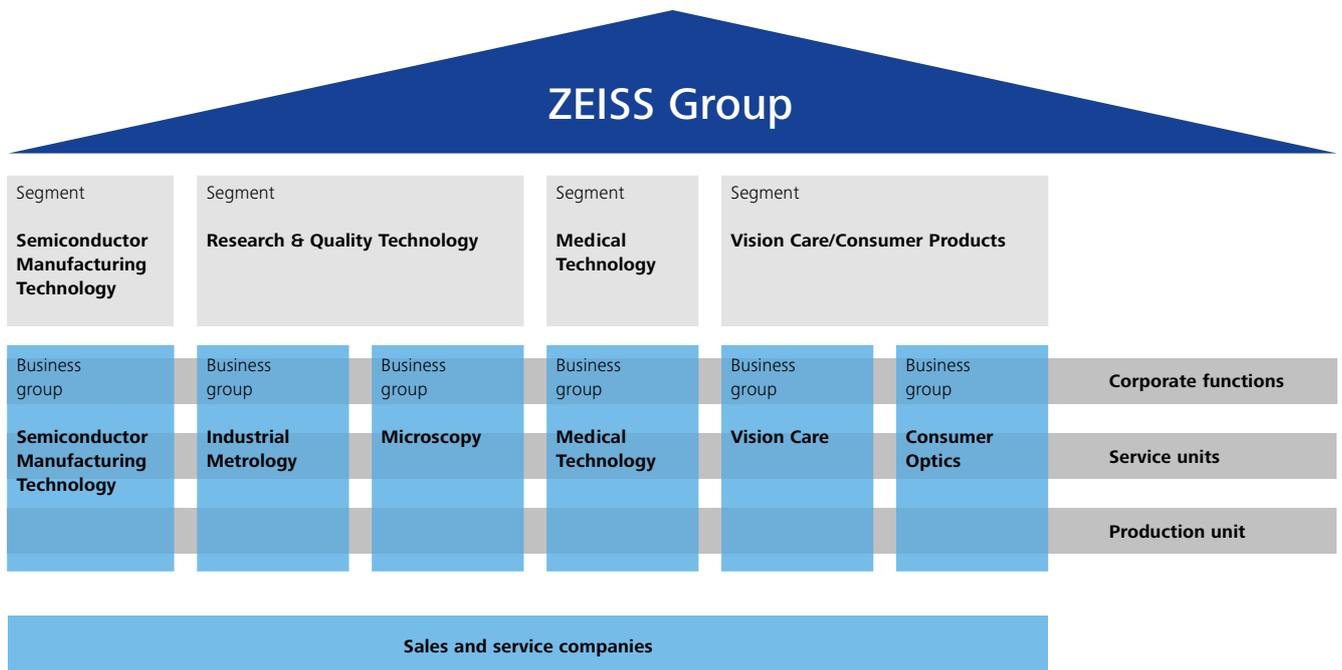


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- Manufacturing site
- Sales and service site
- ⊕ Research and development site

Organizational Structure

ZEISS is an internationally leading technology enterprise operating in the fields of optics and optoelectronics. The company has been helping to shape technological progress for 170 years. The broad portfolio of the ZEISS Group is divided up into four segments and comprises six business groups and various strategic business units.



Semiconductor Manufacturing Technology

Today, a large proportion of all microchips around the globe is produced with ZEISS technologies. As the technology leader in the field of semiconductor manufacturing equipment, ZEISS is playing a pivotal role in shaping the age of microelectronics with increasingly powerful, more energy-efficient and more cost-effective microchips.

Research & Quality Technology

ZEISS ensures standards of quality wherever maximum precision is a must: with coordinate measuring machines, metrology software and microscope systems for research and material inspection. ZEISS plays its part in ensuring that even the tiniest structures and processes become visible.

Medical Technology

With its products and solutions for ophthalmology, neurosurgery, ENT surgery and dentistry, ZEISS helps drive progress in medicine and assists doctors all over the world in enhancing the quality of life of their patients.

Vision Care/Consumer Products

As one of the world's leading manufacturers of eyeglass lenses, ZEISS stands for maximum visual comfort. The movie and camera lenses, binoculars, spotting scopes, planetariums and sighting systems for flight simulators from ZEISS offer their users outstanding optical quality and therefore unforgettable moments.

Responsibility

Responsibility has a long tradition at ZEISS. As a company belonging to the Carl Zeiss Foundation, the Group has adhered to the provisions on social responsibility enshrined in the foundation statutes for over 125 years. These include profitable growth, responsibilities toward employees, commitment to the interests of society and the promotion of science and education.

ZEISS commits to its social and societal responsibility, not only within the company itself but also in its direct surroundings. To fulfill these commitments, ZEISS founded the Carl Zeiss Promotion Fund to mark the 20th anniversary of the reunification of the company in the east and west of Germany. Since then, roughly five million euros have been used to promote social projects, initiatives and facilities at the company's main German sites.

The company's social commitment also extends beyond Germany. One example is the *Back to Bush* campaign that ZEISS launched in Australia and Oceania back in 2006. The goal of the program is to provide better access to surgical equipment in disadvantaged regions and therefore to enable better treatment outcomes for the diseases prevalent there. The campaign consists of two components: first, medical centers in the outback of Australia and Oceania in need of aid may apply to receive refurbished ZEISS surgical microscopes and other instruments if they meet the defined requirements. Second, surgeons in the region can apply to rent portable ZEISS technology for their voluntary work in underprivileged regions. ZEISS customers are key supporters of the *Back to Bush* campaign: when purchasing a new ZEISS product, they can trade in their old device and donate it to the campaign. ZEISS refurbishes the old product at no charge and makes it available to the campaign on behalf of the donor.

The *Back to Bush* program is only one of the many health care projects that ZEISS



Partners of the ZEISS *Back to Bush* program use a donated ZEISS surgical microscope to provide medical care in Papua-New Guinea

supports. ZEISS makes financial donations and donations in kind in the form of ZEISS instruments and solutions to provide many people around the globe with access to high-quality medical care.

Responsibility in the supply chain

As complying with legal requirements, ethical conduct and a good reputation all have a major influence on a company's success, ZEISS also attaches key importance to responsibility in the supply chain. The company therefore requires its

business partners and suppliers to meet stringent stipulations.

The social responsibility of companies and their employees is now growing, for example, in the context of modern forms of slavery. This includes child labor, forced labor and poor working conditions. This makes it more and more important to also sensitize business partners to these issues along the supply chain. Here ZEISS works closely with a global network of suppliers. Economic, environmental and

Ownership Structure

The Carl Zeiss Foundation is the sole shareholder of Carl Zeiss AG. This special ownership structure ensures stability and creates long-term perspectives: the Foundation's constitution prohibits the sale of shares, e.g. through an initial public offering. The shares are not therefore listed on any stock exchange.

ethical factors play an important role in the selection of and collaboration with the suppliers. ZEISS has triggered a string of different measures in a bid to live up to its social responsibility in the supply chain. For example, ZEISS informs all suppliers of the minimum standards set forth in the internationally recognized Electronic Industry Citizenship Coalition Code of Conduct and expects them to comply with these provisions. ZEISS therefore ensures that employees are treated with respect and that ecological and ethical considerations are taken into account in corporate processes. In addition, starting in the new fiscal year, selected suppliers will be required to complete a self-information form and undergo a risk assessment procedure. A further measure from 2016/17 onward will be a sustainability assessment, which involves audits being conducted at selected ZEISS supplier sites. These audits are aimed at identifying weak points in the supply chain and finding appropriate ways of eliminating them. ZEISS also offers its employees special training and information material to sensitize them to the subject of modern slavery and ensure that any breaches of the law are identified.

In 1889 the physicist and entrepreneur Ernst Abbe created the Carl Zeiss Foundation to which Carl Zeiss AG and SCHOTT AG belong. The objectives of the foundation stipulated by Abbe remain valid to this very day:

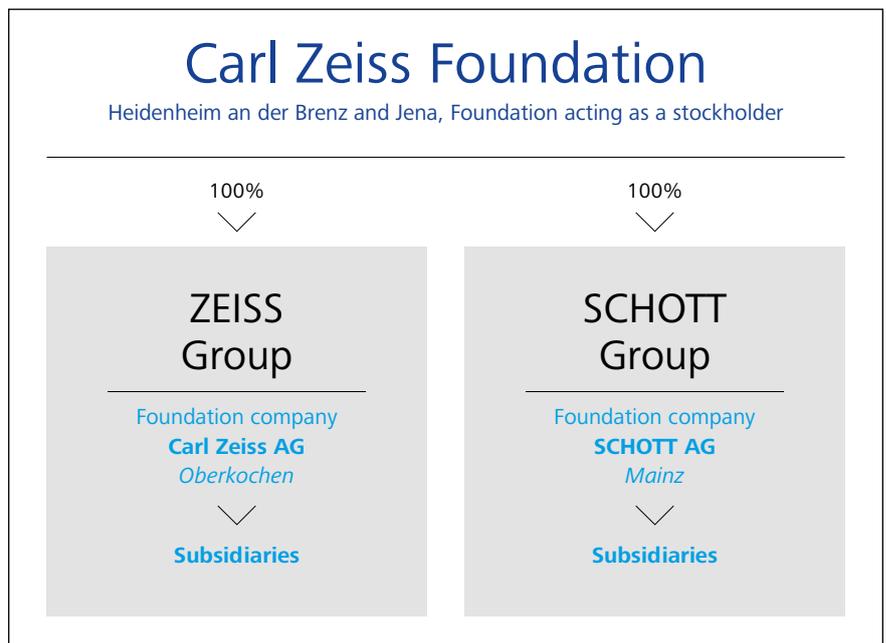
- » safeguarding the future and responsible management of the two foundation enterprises
- » fulfilling its special responsibility toward employees
- » meeting its responsibility toward society through the commitment of its member companies to non-profit activities in their surrounding regions
- » promoting science

With this unique corporate model, the Carl Zeiss Foundation and its two member enterprises wrote industrial and social history. The Foundation uses the dividends generated by Carl Zeiss AG and SCHOTT AG to promote science – in particular the natural and engineering sciences, mathematics and information technology at universities in the German federal states of Baden-Württemberg, Rhineland-Palatinate and Thuringia.



More information at:
<http://www.carl-zeiss-stiftung-125jahre.de/english/>

Structure of the Carl Zeiss Foundation



More information at:
www.zeiss.com/responsibility

Consolidated Income Statement

for the period from 1 October 2015 to 30 September 2016

	Note	2015/16	2014/15
		€ k	€ k
Revenue	7	4,880,839	4,510,862
Cost of sales		2,533,789	2,431,247
Gross profit		2,347,050	2,079,615
» Sales and marketing expenses		971,937	928,611
» General administrative expenses		328,920	323,047
» Research and development expenses		435,725	466,495
» Other income	8	9,328	15,561
» Other expenses	9	4,972	7,828
Earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT)		614,824	369,195
» Share of profit/loss from investments accounted for using the equity method		-810	-11,493
» Interest income	10	11,529	7,475
» Interest expenses	10	67,134	56,451
» Other financial result	10	-10,955	-44,563
Financial result		-67,370	-105,032
Earnings before taxes (EBT)		547,454	264,163
» Income taxes	11	143,610	55,956
Consolidated profit/loss		403,844	208,207
» thereof profit/loss attributable to non-controlling interests		31,471	23,652
» thereof profit/loss attributable to the stockholder of the parent company		372,373	184,555

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

for the period from 1 October 2015 to 30 September 2016

	Note	2015/16	2014/15
		€ k	€ k
Consolidated profit/loss		403,844	208,207
Earnings to be reclassified:			
» Currency translation differences		6,917	40,321
» Gains/losses from available-for-sale financial assets		442	-15,758
» Gains/losses from cash flow hedges		8,300	4,211
» Deferred income tax		-126	9,879
Earnings not to be reclassified:			
» Remeasurement of defined benefit plans		-450,610	-159,631
» Deferred income tax		118,840	42,511
Other comprehensive income (after taxes)		-316,237	-78,467
Total comprehensive income		87,607	129,740
» thereof profit/loss attributable to non-controlling interests		23,164	27,586
» thereof profit/loss attributable to the stockholder of the parent company		64,443	102,154

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

as of 30 September 2016

Assets	Note	30 SEP 16	30 SEP 15*	1 OCT 14*
		€ k	€ k	€ k
Non-current assets				
» Intangible assets	12	782,065	794,961	776,801
» Property, plant and equipment	13	978,686	1,004,726	1,012,562
» Investments accounted for using the equity method	14	0	0	0
» Trade and other receivables	24	30,640	27,258	29,458
» Other non-current financial assets	15	142,926	128,938	110,364
» Other non-current non-financial assets	16	6,903	8,355	8,138
» Deferred taxes	11	705,870	548,677	451,112
		2,647,090	2,512,915	2,388,435
Current assets				
» Inventories	17	1,118,173	1,080,689	1,079,757
» Trade and other receivables	24	969,684	923,495	873,558
» Other current financial assets*	15	310,363	154,980	122,535
» Tax refund claims		25,370	14,003	14,773
» Other current non-financial assets	16	88,516	91,691	93,766
» Cash and cash equivalents	18	498,733	638,876	483,333
		3,010,839	2,903,734	2,667,722
		5,657,929	5,416,649	5,056,157
Equity and liabilities				
	Note	30 SEP 16	30 SEP 15*	1 OCT 14*
		€ k	€ k	€ k
Equity				
» Issued capital	19	120,000	120,000	120,000
» Capital reserves		52,770	52,770	52,770
» Equity earned by the Group		1,851,412	1,493,731	1,317,938
» Other reserves		-865,147	-557,217	-474,816
» Non-controlling interests		257,320	247,908	232,696
		1,416,355	1,357,192	1,248,588
Non-current liabilities				
» Provisions for pensions and similar obligations	20	1,718,558	1,482,746	1,333,095
» Other non-current provisions	21	197,619	168,629	155,792
» Non-current financial liabilities	22	230,245	426,629	424,434
» Other non-current non-financial liabilities	23	38,045	39,217	33,474
» Deferred taxes	11	60,892	64,267	74,501
		2,245,359	2,181,488	2,021,296
Current liabilities				
» Current provisions*	21	247,464	246,956	228,779
» Current financial liabilities	22	127,639	109,892	131,353
» Trade payables	24	297,158	228,354	214,010
» Current income tax payables		33,695	37,377	38,485
» Other current non-financial liabilities*	23	1,290,259	1,255,390	1,173,646
		1,996,215	1,877,969	1,786,273
		5,657,929	5,416,649	5,056,157

* The prior-year figures were adjusted due to changes in disclosures in the group chart of accounts. For more information, please refer to note 6 of the notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

for the period from 1 October 2015 to 30 September 2016

	2015/16	2014/15
	€ k	€ k
Consolidated profit/loss	403,844	208,207
Amortization, depreciation and impairment net of reversals of impairment losses	203,156	202,056
Share of profit/loss from investments accounted for using the equity method	810	11,493
Other material non-cash income and expenses	0	2,273
Changes in provisions for pensions and similar obligations	2,236	19,483
Amounts allocated to the contractual trust arrangement and other plan assets outside Germany	-218,316	-36,697
Changes in other provisions	27,859	25,542
Gain/loss from the disposal of intangible assets and property, plant and equipment	748	1,234
Gain/loss from the disposal of affiliates	0	-9,410
Gain/loss from the disposal of current securities	319	228
Changes in inventories	-35,487	16,787
Changes in trade receivables	-15,415	-26,727
Changes in deferred taxes	-39,527	-50,954
Changes in other assets	-8,771	-38,267
Changes in trade payables	66,760	12,193
Changes in current accruals	23,778	21,070
Changes in advances received	17,706	26,806
Changes in other liabilities	-4,564	10,949
Cash flows from operating activities	425,136	396,266
Proceeds from the disposal of intangible assets and property, plant and equipment	28,032	27,334
Purchases of intangible assets and property, plant and equipment	-190,873	-186,540
Net cash outflow from investments in financial assets including fixed-term investments and securities maturing in >90 days	-191,803	-49,461
Net cash inflow/outflow for the acquisition of shares in affiliates	-2,709	2,409
Cash flows from investing activities	-357,353	-206,258
Dividend paid to Carl Zeiss Foundation (Carl Zeiss Stiftung)	-12,500	-6,400
Payments to non-controlling interests	-13,176	-12,374
Proceeds from (financial) loans	15,398	10,908
Repayments of (financial) loans and bonds	-196,789	-17,536
Cash flows from financing activities	-207,067	-25,402
Changes in cash and cash equivalents	-139,284	164,606
Changes in cash and cash equivalents from exchange rate movements and changes in the basis of consolidation	-859	-9,063
Cash and cash equivalents as of 1 October	638,876	483,333
Cash and cash equivalents as of 30 September	498,733	638,876

Additional information on the statement of cash flows	2015/16	2014/15
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Payments of		
» Income taxes	135,675	94,170
» Interest	18,846	18,483
» Dividends	25,676	18,774
Proceeds from		
» Income taxes	7,312	10,277
» Interest	6,666	7,298
» Dividends	433	594

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