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# Report on the audit of the consolidated financial statements

#### Our opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Emirates Integrated Telecommunications Company PJSC ("EITC" or "the Company") and its subsidiaries (together the "Group") as at 31 December 2022, and its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

#### What we have audited

The Group's consolidated financial statements comprise:

- the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2022;
- the consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the year then ended;
- the consolidated statement of changes in equity for the year then ended;
- the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended; and
- the notes to the consolidated financial statements from pages 11 to 72, which include significant accounting
  policies and other explanatory information.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Independence

We are independent of the Group in accordance with the International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) issued by the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants (the "IESBA Code") and the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements in the United Arab Emirates. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA Code.

#### Our audit approach

Overview

Key Audit Matters

- Revenue recognition and complexity of related IT systems
  - Federal Royalty

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#### Our audit approach (continued)

As part of designing our audit, we determined materiality and assessed the risks of material misstatement in the consolidated financial statements. In particular, we considered where management made subjective judgements; for example, in respect of significant accounting estimates that involved making assumptions and considering future events that are inherently uncertain. As in all of our audits, we also addressed the risk of management override of internal controls, including among other matters consideration of whether there was evidence of bias that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

We tailored the scope of our audit in order to perform sufficient work to enable us to provide an opinion on the consolidated financial statements as a whole, taking into account the structure of the Group, the accounting processes and controls, and the industry in which the Group operates.

#### 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 matter

#### How our audit addressed the Key audit matter

# Revenue recognition and complexity of related IT systems

The Group reported revenue of AED 12,754 million from telecommunication and related activities during the year ended 31 December 2022.

We focused on this area as the generation of the financial information in respect of revenue recognition is heavily dependent on information technology (IT) systems, reflecting a high volume and complexity of the Group's transactions.

A significant portion of our audit effort was directed towards this area as we placed high reliance on the Group's IT systems and key internal controls, which is a normal practice for an audit of a large telecommunications business.

Further, there is an inherent risk related to revenue recognition given the complexity of the IT systems and the mix of business products and services, including a variety of plans available for consumer and enterprise customers, different tariff structures, roaming and international hubbing ('wholesale') agreements, and site sharing agreements. Our audit procedures included a combination of internal controls testing and substantive testing, which covered the following:

- assessed the accounting policies adopted by the Group and testing whether the management has appropriately applied these to the Group's transactions and balances;

- obtained an understanding of the significant revenue processes including performance of an end to end walkthrough of the revenue process to identify the relevant controls, including IT systems, interfaces, management's revenue assurance reconciliations and other similar reports.

- tested the relevant infrastructure IT environment in which billing, rating and other relevant support systems reside, including testing the controls in place around systems that generate revenues;

- tested of the operating effectiveness of these controls to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence that they operated effectively throughout the year as intended;

- performed data analysis and substantive analytical procedures for significant revenue streams;

- tested key reconciliations performed by the Revenue Assurance team;



#### Our audit approach (continued)

#### Key audit matters (continued)

# Key audit matterHow our audit addressed the Key audit matterWe have considered this matter as a key audit matter<br/>due to the critical estimates and judgements made by<br/>the management in determining the revenue for the<br/>year, underpinned by complex IT systems and<br/>processes in the revenue cycle.- carried out test call samples in order to obtain assurance over<br/>the rating and duration of calls by extracting data from support<br/>systems;<br/>- tested third party key reconciliations to wholesale revenue<br/>recognised in the general ledger;

Refer to Notes 2.3 and 3.19 for the critical accounting estimates and judgements and accounting policies made by the management, respectively. Details of the Group's revenue are disclosed in Note 34 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### -inspected significant new contracts and assessed management's regulatory determination for these contracts, along with their other accounting treatment.

We considered the application of the Group's accounting policies to amounts billed and accrued, and the accounting implications of new postpaid, fixed line and broadcast business initiatives to assess whether the Group's accounting policies were appropriate for these initiatives and were consistently followed. In addition, we tested the adequacy of the related disclosures contained in the consolidated financial statements.

#### Federal royalty

The federal royalty is a significant charge levied against regulated revenues and against regulated profits of the Group, based on fixed percentages as disclosed in Note 27 to the consolidated financial statements.

The royalty charge for the year ended 31 December 2022 is AED 1,744 million with an accrual of AED 1,830 million as at that date.

We considered this to be a key audit matter as the royalty calculations are subject to management's judgement, interpretations and assumptions in respect of the definition of regulated items; the determination of certain allowable deductions and allocated costs; and the treatment of royalties on site sharing transactions. These are also subject to change from time to time as the guidelines provided by the UAE Ministry of Finance ("MoF") are amended and/or as revenue streams are reclassified by the MoF for the purposes of the royalty calculations.

Refer to Note 2.3 to the consolidated financial statements for critical accounting estimates and judgements used by management for federal royalty.

In responding to this risk, our audit procedures included the following:

- we obtained an understanding of, and we have tested management's controls around the calculation and approval of the federal royalty charge;

- we obtained an understanding of the guidelines provided to the Group by the MoF and inspected other relevant correspondence. We have traced management's assumptions made in their computation model for federal royalty to the key elements of the MOF guidelines and correspondence.

- we tested (i) the accuracy of the segregation of items between regulated and other activities and items which management judged as not being subject to the federal Royalty or which may be set off against revenue which is subject to federal royalty within management's computation model; and (ii) the accuracy of the calculations contained within the model.

- we tested the appropriateness of the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements



#### Other information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Board of Director's report but does not include the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon, which we obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, and the Group's Annual Report which is expected to be made available to us after that date.

Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and will not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

When we read Group's Annual Report, if we conclude that there is a material misstatement therein, we are required to communicate the matter to those charged with governance.

# Responsibilities of management and those charged with governance for the consolidated financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and their preparation in compliance with the applicable provisions of the UAE Federal Decree Law No. (32) of 2021 and for such internal control as management 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, management is responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

#### Auditor's responsibilities 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 an 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 ISAs 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.



Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements (continued)

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism 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 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 management.
- 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 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 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, including the
  disclosures, 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 or 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 those charged with governance regarding, among 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 those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, 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 public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.



#### Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Further, as required by the UAE Federal Decree Law No. (32) of 2021, we report that:

- i) we have obtained all the information we considered necessary for the purposes of our audit;
- ii) the consolidated financial statements have been prepared and comply, in all material respects, with the applicable provisions of the UAE Federal Decree Law No. (32) of 2021;
- iii) the Group has maintained proper books of account;
- iv) the financial information included in the Board of Directors' report is consistent with the books of account of the Group;
- v) as disclosed in note 1 to the consolidated financial statements the Group has not purchased or invested in shares during the year ended 31 December 2022;
- vi) note 15 to the consolidated financial statements discloses material related party transactions, and the terms under which they were conducted;
- vii) based on the information that has been made available to us, nothing has come to our attention which causes us to believe that the Group has contravened during the year ended 31 December 2022 any of the applicable provisions of the UAE Federal Decree Law No. (32) of 2021, or in respect of the Company, its Articles of Association which would materially affect its activities or its financial position as at 31 December 2022; and
- viii) note 26 to the consolidated financial statements discloses the social contributions made during the year ended 31 December 2022.

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Murad Alnsour Registered Auditor Number 1301 Dubai, United Arab Emirates

#### Consolidated statement of financial position

		As at 31 December	
	Notes	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
	Inotes	ALD 000	ALD 000
ASSETS Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	6	9,425,711	9,068,070
Right-of-use assets	7	1,415,750	1,649,765
Intangible assets and goodwill	8	962,204	859,195
Lease receivable	9	125,111	139,422
Investments accounted for using the equity method	10	7,863	24,272
Financial asset at fair value through other comprehensive income	11	4,517	18,368
Trade receivables, contract assets and other assets	13	239,546	231,049
Contract costs	13A _	198,665	125,699
Total non-current assets	_	12,379,367	12,115,840
Current assets			50.4(0
Inventories	14	95,235	58,469
Lease receivable	9	17,213	16,371
Trade receivables, contract assets and other assets	13	2,153,779	2,173,938
Contract costs	13A	283,752	250,445
Due from related parties	15	94,597	48,655
Term deposits	16	674,628	1,374,248
Cash and bank balances	17 _	871,081	641,380
Total current assets	-	4,190,285	4,563,506
Total assets	=	16,569,652	16,679,346
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Equity	22	4 522 000	1 522 006
Share capital	23	4,532,906	4,532,906 232,332
Share premium	24	232,332	2,018,485
Other reserves	25	2,126,590 1,878,324	1,748,164
Retained earnings	-	8,770,152	8,531,887
Total equity	-	6,770,132	0,001,007
Non-current liabilities	1.0	1 221 250	1,553,484
Lease liabilities	18	1,321,259	247,073
Contract liabilities	12	218,211 197,166	238,438
Provision for employees' end of service benefits	20 21	208,801	198,588
Other provisions	21 _	1,945,437	2,237,583
Total non-current liabilities	-	1,945,457	2,237,303
Current liabilities			4 500 010
Trade and other payables	22	4,642,888	4,592,913
Lease liabilities	18	737,952	671,502
Contract liabilities	12	467,489	438,734 6,727
Due to related parties	15 19	5,734	200,000
Borrowings	17 _	5,854,063	5,909,876
Total current liabilities	-	7,799,500	8,147,459
Total liabilities	-	16,569,652	16,679,346
Total equity and liabilities	=	10,509,052	10,079,510

To the best of our knowledge, the financial information included in these consolidated financial statements fairly presents in all material respects the financial position, results of operation and cash flows of the Group as of, and for, the periods presented therein. The consolidated financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 13 February 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Sara Awad Issa Musallam Board Member

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The notes on pages 11 to 72 form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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### Consolidated statement of comprehensive income

		For the year ended 31 December		
		2022	2021	
	Notes	<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000	
Revenue	34	12,754,492	11,681,970	
Operating expenses	26	(9,551,929)	(9,089,523)	
Expected credit losses (net off recoveries)		(173,566)	(156,033)	
Other income	35	1,637	130,574	
Federal royalty on regulated revenue*	27	(1,303,275)	(1,071,699)	
Finance income	28	33,924	27,560	
Finance costs	28	(93,406)	(106,347)	
Share of loss of associate and joint venture	10	(7,913)	(5,563)	
Profit before royalty on regulated profit		1,659,964	1,410,939	
Federal royalty on regulated profit*	27	(440,403)	(310,195)	
Profit for the year		1,219,561	1,100,744	
Other comprehensive income/(loss)				
Items that will not be re-classified to profit or loss				
Actuarial gain/(loss) on defined benefit obligations	20	29,795	(5,042)	
Fair value changes on financial asset at fair value				
through other comprehensive income	11	(13,851)	-	
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the year		15,944	(5,042)	
Total comprehensive income for the year				
attributable to shareholders of the Company		1,235,505	1,095,702	
Basic and diluted earnings per share (AED)	29	0.27	0.24	

\*Refer to Note 27 regarding presentation of comparative for federal royalty.

#### Consolidated statement of changes in equity

	Share capital AED 000	Share premium AED 000	Other reserves (Note 25) AED 000	Retained earnings AED 000	Total AED 000
At 1 January 2021	4,532,906	232,332	1,908,411	1,895,763	8,569,412
Profit for the year	-	-	-	1,100,744	1,100,744
Actuarial loss on defined benefit obligations	_	-	-	(5,042)	(5,042)
Total comprehensive income for					
the year	-	-	-	1,095,702	1,095,702
Transfer to other reserves	-	-	110,074	(110,074)	-
Final cash dividend paid	-	-	-	(679,936)	(679,936)
Interim cash dividend paid				(453,291)	(453,291)
At 31 December 2021	4,532,906	232,332	2,018,485	1,748,164	8,531,887
At 1 January 2022	4,532,906	232,332	2,018,485	1,748,164	8,531,887
Profit for the year	-	-	-	1,219,561	1,219,561
Fair value changes on financial asset at fair value through other comprehensive income			(13,851)		(13,851)
Actuarial gain on defined benefit	_	-	(15,651)	_	(13,651)
obligations				29,795	29,795
Total comprehensive income for			(12.951)	1 240 256	1 225 505
the year	-	-	(13,851)	1,249,356	1,235,505
Transfer to other reserves	-	-	121,956	(121,956)	-
Final cash dividend paid* Interim cash dividend paid**	-	-	-	(498,620) (498,620)	(498,620) (498,620)
At 31 December 2022	4,532,906	232,332	2,126,590	1,878,324	8,770,152

\*For the year 2021, a final cash dividend of AED 0.11 per share amounting to AED 498,620 thousand was approved by the shareholders at the Annual General Meeting held on 21 March 2022 and paid on 18 April 2022.

\*\*For the year 2022, an interim cash dividend of AED 0.11 per share amounting to AED 498,620 thousand was paid on 17 August 2022.

For the year 2022, a final cash dividend of AED 0.13 per share amounting to AED 589,278 thousand is proposed.

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#### **Consolidated statement of cash flows**

	For the year ended 31 Decembe		
		2022	2021
	Notes	<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Profit for the year		1,219,561	1,100,744
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation and impairment of property, plant and equipment	6	1,607,280	1,473,014
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	7	350,859	367,607
Amortisation and impairment of intangible assets	8	154,084	184,623
Impairment of investment in joint venture	10	8,496	-
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment and intangible			
assets		1,296	142
Provision for employees' end of service benefits	20	24,099	23,539
Release of provision for employees' end of service benefits	20	-	(27,674)
Release of loss allowance for inventory obsolescence	14	(5,361)	(8,574)
Loss allowances	13	195,294	178,118
Finance income	28	(33,924)	(27,560)
Finance costs	28	93,406	106,347
Share of loss of associate and joint venture	10	7,913	5,563
Changes in working capital	30	1,452,653	1,184,794
Cash generated from operations		5,075,656	4,560,683
Federal royalty paid	27	(1,412,797)	(1,507,186)
Payment of employees' end of service benefits	20	(40,059)	(22,350)
Net cash generated from operating activities	_	3,622,800	3,031,147
Cash flows from investing activities		(2, 289, 002)	(1.860.100)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(2,288,093)	(1,869,109)
Purchase of intangible assets		(276,556)	(129,064)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets		423	826
Interest received		25,064	32,068
Margin on guarantees released		157	52,008
Term deposits released (net)		700,000	655,000
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Net cash used in investing activities	_	(1,839,005)	(1,310,279)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Repayment of lease liabilities		(282,618)	(251,850)
Proceeds from borrowings		-	200,000
Payment of borrowings upfront fee		-	(18,112)
Repayment of borrowings		(200,000)	-
Dividends paid		(997,240)	(1,133,227)
Interest paid on lease liabilities		(70,957)	(82,767)
Interest paid others	_	(3,122)	(6,907)
Net cash used in financing activities	_	(1,553,937)	(1,292,863)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		229,858	428,005
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January		638,877	210,872
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	17	868,735	638,877
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Non-cash transactions are disclosed in Note 30 of the consolidated financial statements.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

#### **1** General information

Emirates Integrated Telecommunications Company PJSC ("the Company") is a public joint stock company with limited liability. The Company was incorporated according to Ministerial Resolution No. 479 of 2005 issued on 28 December 2005. The Company is registered in the commercial register under No. 77967. The principal address of the Company is P.O Box 502666 Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE). These consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 include the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries (together "the Group").

The Company's principal objective is to provide fixed, mobile, wholesale, broadcasting and associated telecommunication services in the UAE.

The Group has not made investments in any shares during the financial year ended 31 December 2022.

The Company has either directly or indirectly the following subsidiaries:

				Country of
Subsidiaries	Principal activities	Shareh	olding	incorporation
	-	2022	2021	-
EITC Investment Holdings Limited	Holding investments in new business i.e. content, media, data and value added services for telecommunications	100%	100%	UAE
Telco Operations FZ-LLC	Outsourcing services	100%	100%	UAE
Smart Dubai Platform Project Company LLC	Software development, IT infrastructure, public networking and computer systems housing services	100%	100%	UAE
EITC Singapore PTE. LTD.	Telecommunications resellers/third party telecommunications providers (including value added network services)	100%	100%	Singapore

UAE Federal Law No. 32 of 2021 concerning Commercial Companies (the "New Companies Law") was issued on 20 September 2021 to replace UAE Federal Law No. 2 of 2015 on Commercial Companies, as amended (the "2015 Law") and came into force on 2 January 2022. In compliance with the New Companies Law, EITC adjusted its affairs within the statutory time-frame of one year starting from 2 January 2022, pursuant to Article 359 of the New Company Law.

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# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### 2 Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and interpretations issued by the IFRS Interpretations Committee (IFRS IC) applicable to companies reporting under IFRS. The consolidated financial statements comply with IFRS as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB). These consolidated financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) that have been measured at fair value. The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies.

#### *(i) Functional and presentation currency*

The individual financial statements of each of the Group's subsidiaries, associates and joint venture are presented in the currency of the primary economic environment in which they operate (its functional currency). For the purpose of these consolidated financial statements, the results, financial position and cash flows of each company are expressed in UAE Dirhams, which is the functional currency of the Company, and the presentation currency of these consolidated financial statements.

#### (ii) Basis of consolidation

A subsidiary is an entity controlled by the Company. The financial statements of a subsidiary are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date that control commences until the date that control ceases.

#### (iii) Going concern

The Directors have, at the time of approving the consolidated financial statements, a reasonable expectation that the Group has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the consolidated financial statements.

#### 2.1 New standards, amendments and interpretations

#### a) New and amended standards adopted by the Group

The Group has applied the following amendments for the first time for their annual reporting period commencing 1 January 2022:

- Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds before Intended Use Amendments to IAS 16
- Onerous Contracts Cost of Fulfilling a Contract Amendments to IAS 37
- Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2018-2020, and
- Reference to the Conceptual Framework Amendments to IFRS 3.

The amendments listed above did not have any impact on the amounts recognised in prior periods and are not expected to significantly affect the current or future periods.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### 2. Basis of preparation (continued)

#### 2.1 New standards, amendments and interpretations (continued)

#### (b) New standards and interpretations not yet adopted by the Group

Certain new accounting standards, amendments to accounting standards and interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for 31 December 2022 reporting periods and have not been early adopted by the Group. These standards, amendments or interpretations are not expected to have a material impact on the entity in the current or future reporting periods and on foreseeable future transactions.

• *IFRS 17 Insurance Contracts (issued on 18 May 2017 and effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023).* IFRS 17 was issued in May 2017 as replacement for IFRS 4 Insurance contracts. It requires insurance liabilities to be measured at a current fulfilment value and provides a more uniform measurement and presentation approach for all insurance contracts. These requirements are designed to achieve the goal of a consistent, principle-based accounting for insurance contracts.

• Classification of liabilities as current or non-current – Amendments to IAS 1 (issued on 23 January 2020 and effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023). The amendments aim to promote consistency in applying the requirements by helping companies determine whether, in the statement of financial position, debt and other liabilities with an uncertain settlement date should be classified as current (due or potentially due to be settled within one year) or non-current;

• Disclosure of Accounting policies - Amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2 (issued on 12 February 2021 and effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023). IAS 1 was amended to require companies to disclose their material accounting policy information rather than their significant accounting policies. The amendment provided the definition of material accounting policy information that is likely to be considered material to the entity's financial statements. To support this amendment, IFRS Practice Statement 2, 'Making Materiality Judgements' was also amended to provide guidance on how to apply the concept of materiality to accounting policy disclosures.

• Definition of Accounting Estimates - Amendments to IAS 8 (issued on 12 February 2021 and effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023). The amendment to IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors clarifies how companies should distinguish changes in accounting policies from changes in accounting estimates. The distinction is important, because changes in accounting estimates are applied prospectively to future transactions and other future events, whereas changes in accounting policies are generally applied retrospectively to past transactions and other past events as well as the current period.

• Deferred tax related to assets and liabilities arising from a single transaction – Amendments to IAS 12 (issued on 7 May 2021 and effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023). The amendments to IAS 12 specify how to account for deferred tax on transactions with equal amounts of deferred tax assets and liabilities such as leases and decommissioning obligations. In specified circumstances, entities are exempt from recognising deferred tax when they recognise assets or liabilities for the first time. The amendments clarify that the exemption does not apply to transactions, that on initial recognition, give rise to equal taxable and deductible temporary differences.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### 2. Basis of preparation (continued)

#### 2.1 New standards, amendments and interpretations (continued)

#### (b) New standards and interpretations not yet adopted by the Group

• Sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture - Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28. The amendments clarify the accounting treatment for sales or contribution of assets between an investor and their associates or joint ventures. In December 2015, the IASB decided to defer the application date of this amendment until such time as the IASB has finalised its research project on the equity method

• Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback - Amendments to IFRS 16 (issued on September 2022 and effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024). Lease liability in a sale and leaseback amends IFRS 16 by adding subsequent measurement requirements for sale and leaseback transactions.

• Non-current Liabilities with Covenants - Amendments to IAS 1 (issued on October 2022 and effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024). Non-current liabilities with covenants amends IAS 1 presentation of financial statements. The amendments improve the information an entity provides when its right to defer settlement of a liability for at least twelve months is subject to compliance with covenants. The amendments also respond to stakeholders' concerns about the classification of such a liability as current or non-current.

There are no other applicable new standards and amendments to published standards or IFRIC interpretations that have been issued and expected to have a material impact on the consolidated financial statements of the Group.

#### 2.2 Earnings per share

The Group presents basic earnings per share (EPS) data for its ordinary shares. Basic EPS is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to the ordinary shareholders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year. Diluted EPS is calculated by adjusting the weighted average number of equity shares outstanding for the dilutive effects of potential ordinary shares. The Group does not have any dilutive potential ordinary shares.

#### 2.3 Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Group's accounting policies, the management is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### 2 **Basis of preparation (continued)**

#### 2.3 Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty (continued)

The key assumptions concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year, are disclosed below:

#### **Critical accounting judgements**

#### (i) Asset retirement obligations

The Group exercises judgement in determining the expected cash outflows related to its asset retirement obligations. Judgement is necessary in determining the timing of outflow as well as quantifying the possible range of the financial settlements that may occur.

The present value of the Group's provision is based on management's best estimate of the future cash outflows required to settle the obligations, discounted using appropriate discount rate. Additional information on this provision is disclosed in Note 21.

#### (ii) Federal royalty

The computation of federal royalty in accordance with the Cabinet of Ministers of UAE decision No. 320/15/23 of 2012 and various guidelines issued by the UAE Ministry of Finance ("the MoF") and subsequent clarification letters require use of certain judgements, interpretations and assumptions. These guidelines mainly relate to the segregation of items between regulated and non-regulated and items which the Group judges as not subject to federal royalty or which may be set off against revenue which are subject to federal royalty, and allocation of costs between regulated and non-regulated results.

#### (iii) Allocation of the transaction price

Products with multiple deliverables that have value to customers on a stand-alone basis are defined as multiple element arrangements. The transaction price for these contracts is allocated to the performance obligations on a relative stand-alone selling price basis.

Management estimates the stand-alone selling price at contract inception based on observable prices of the type of goods to be provided and the services rendered in similar circumstances to similar customers. If a discount is granted, it is allocated to both performance obligations based on their relative stand-alone selling prices. Where the stand-alone selling prices are not directly observable, they are estimated based on expected cost plus margin.

#### *(iv) Determining the lease term*

In determining the lease term, management considers all facts and circumstances that create an economic incentive to exercise an extension option, or not exercise a termination option. Extension options (or periods after termination options) are only included in the lease term if the lease is reasonably certain to be extended (or not terminated). The assessment is reviewed if a significant event or a significant change in circumstances occurs which affects this assessment and that is within the control of the lessee.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### 2 **Basis of preparation (continued)**

#### 2.3 Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty (continued)

#### Key sources of estimation uncertainty

*(i) Provision for expected credit losses of contract assets, trade receivables and due from related parties* 

The Group recognises a loss allowance for expected credit losses (ECL) on its contract assets, trade receivables and due from related parties. The amount of expected credit losses is updated at the end of each reporting period to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition of the respective financial asset.

The Group recognises lifetime ECL for contract assets, trade receivables and due from related parties, using the simplified approach. The expected credit losses on these financial assets are estimated using a provision matrix based on the Group's historical credit loss experience, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors, general economic conditions and an assessment of both the current as well as the forecast direction of conditions at the reporting date.

For financial assets other than contract assets, trade receivables and due from related parties, the Group will calculate ECL using the general approach.

#### (ii) Provision for impairment of other financial assets

For all other financial assets, the Group recognises lifetime ECL when there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition. If, on the other hand, the credit risk on the financial instrument has not increased significantly since initial recognition, the Group measures the loss allowance for that financial instrument at an amount equal to 12 months ECL. The assessment of whether lifetime ECL should be recognised is based on significant increase in the likelihood or risk of a default occurring since initial recognition instead of evidence of a financial asset being credit-impaired at the end of the reporting period or an actual default occurring.

#### (iii) Impairment of goodwill

The Group tests goodwill for impairment on an annual basis, in accordance with the accounting policy. The recoverable amount of the cash-generating units (CGUs) has been determined based on value-in-use calculations. The cash flows are derived from the budget for the next five years and do not include restructuring activities that the Group is not yet committed to or significant future investments that will enhance the asset base of the cash generating units being tested, but do include the Group's expectations of future capital expenditure necessary to maintain the Group's network existing operations.

These calculations are performed internally by the Group and require the use of estimates and assumptions. The input factors most sensitive to change are management estimates of future cash flows based on budgets, growth rates and discount rate. Further detail on these assumptions has been disclosed in Note 8. The sensitivity analysis in respect of recoverable amount of the CGUs is prescribed in Note 8 to the consolidated financial statements.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### 2 Basis of preparation (continued)

#### 2.3 Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty (continued)

#### Key sources of estimation uncertainty (continued)

#### *(iv)* Useful lives of property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment represent a significant proportion of the Group's asset base. Therefore, the judgements made in determining their estimated useful lives and residual values are critical to the Group's financial position and performance. Useful lives and residual values are reviewed on an annual basis with the effects of any changes in estimates accounted for on a prospective basis.

In determining residual values, the Group uses historical sales and management's best estimate based on market prices of similar items. Useful lives of property, plant and equipment are based on management estimates and take into account historical experience with similar assets, the expected usage of the asset, physical wear and tear, technical or commercial obsolescence and legal restrictions on the use of the assets. The useful lives of the property, plant and equipment are provided in Note 3.2.

#### (v) Discounting of lease payments

The lease payments are discounted using the Group's incremental borrowing rate (IBR). For calculation of IBR, the Group has taken the 12 months LIBOR and the rate is adjusted for Group's specific risk, term risk and underlying asset risk.

#### (vi) Impairment of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets

Property, plant and equipment and intangible assets are assessed for impairment based on assessment of cash flows on individual cash-generating units when there is indication of impairment. Management did not identify any impairment indicators in the current or prior year for individual cash-generating units. However, management identified certain individual items of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets for which future economic benefit is not expected and, accordingly, recorded an impairment in Notes 6 and 8.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### 3 Summary of significant accounting policies

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these consolidated financial statements are set out below:

#### 3.1 Consolidation

#### (a) Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are all entities (including structured entities) over which the Group has control. The Group controls an entity when the Group is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power to direct the activities of the entity. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. They are deconsolidated from the date that control ceases.

The Group applies the acquisition method to account for business combinations. The consideration transferred for the acquisition of a subsidiary is the fair values of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred to the former owners of the acquiree and the equity interests issued by the Group.

The consideration transferred includes the fair value of any asset or liability resulting from a contingent consideration arrangement. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date. The Group recognises any non-controlling interest in the acquiree on an acquisition-by-acquisition basis, either at fair value or at the non-controlling interest's proportionate share of the recognised amounts of acquiree's identifiable net assets.

Acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred.

If the business combination is achieved in stages, the acquisition date carrying value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquiree is re-measured to fair value at the acquisition date; any gains or losses arising from such re-measurement are recognised in consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

Any contingent consideration to be transferred by the Group is recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. Subsequent changes to the fair value of the contingent consideration that is deemed to be an asset or liability is recognised in accordance with IFRS 9 either in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income or as a change to other comprehensive income. Contingent consideration that is classified as equity is not re-measured, and its subsequent settlement is accounted for within equity.

Intercompany transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between Group companies are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the transferred asset. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### **3** Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### 3.1 Consolidation (continued)

#### (b) Changes in ownership interests in subsidiaries without change of control

Changes in the Group's ownership interests in subsidiaries that do not result in the Group losing control over the subsidiaries are accounted for as equity transactions. The carrying amounts of the Group's interests and the non-controlling interests are adjusted to reflect the changes in their relative interests in the subsidiaries. Any difference between the amount by which the non-controlling interests are adjusted and the fair value of the consideration paid or received is recognised directly in equity and attributed to the Owners of the Group.

When the Group loses control of a subsidiary, a gain or loss is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income and is calculated as the difference between (i) the aggregate of the fair value of the consideration received and the fair value of any retained interest and (ii) the previous carrying amount of the assets (including goodwill), and liabilities of the subsidiary and any non-controlling interests. All amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income in relation to that subsidiary are accounted for as if the Group had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities of the subsidiary.

The fair value of any investment retained in the former subsidiary at the date when control is lost is regarded as the initial carrying amount for the purposes of subsequent accounting for the retained interest as an investment in an associate or a joint venture or financial asset.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### **3** Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### 3.2 Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the assets. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of any component accounted for as a separate asset is derecognised when replaced. All other repairs and maintenance expenses are charged to the consolidated statement of comprehensive income during the financial year in which they are incurred.

Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate their cost or revalued amounts to their residual values over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

Buildings	25
Plant and equipment	
Network civil works/buildings	10-25
Infrastructure	3-25
IT hardware	3-10
Mobile network	8-10
Fixed network	2-10
Broadcasting	5-7
Furniture and fixtures	3-5
Motor vehicles	4

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period. An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount (Note 3.17.2).

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised within "other income" in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

Capital work in progress includes assets which are under construction or inspection pending certification for their intended use and are stated at cost net of any accumulated impairment losses. When available for use, capital work in progress is transferred to property, plant and equipment and depreciated in accordance with the Group's policies. No depreciation is charged on such assets until available for use.

#### 3.3 Leases

The Group assesses at contract inception whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. That is, if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

#### Group as a lessee

The Group applies a single recognition and measurement approach for all leases. The Group recognises lease liabilities to make lease payments and right-of-use assets representing the right to use the underlying assets.

Years

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### **3** Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### 3.3 Leases (continued)

#### Group as a lessee (continued)

#### i) Right-of-use assets

The Group recognises right-of-use assets at the commencement date of the lease (i.e., the date the underlying asset is available for use). Right-of-use assets are measured at cost, less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, and adjusted for any re-measurement of lease liabilities. The cost of right-of-use assets includes the amount of lease liabilities recognised, initial direct costs incurred, and lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received. Right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the lease term and the estimated useful lives of the assets, as follows:

	Years
Land and buildings	1-25
Furniture and fixtures - space	8-13
Motor vehicle	2

If ownership of the leased asset transfers to the Group at the end of the lease term or the cost reflects the exercise of a purchase option, depreciation is calculated using the estimated useful life of the asset.

Right-of-use assets are assessed for impairment annually as per non-financial assets impairment policy given in Note 3.17.2.

#### ii) Lease liabilities

At the commencement date of the lease, the Group recognises lease liabilities measured at the present value of lease payments to be made over the lease term. The lease payments include fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments) less any lease incentives receivable, variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate. The lease payments also include the exercise price of a purchase option reasonably certain to be exercised by the Group and payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the Group exercising the option to terminate.

Variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are recognised as expenses (unless they are incurred to produce inventories) in the period in which the event or condition that triggers the payment occurs. In calculating the present value of lease payments, the Group uses its incremental borrowing rate at the lease commencement date because the interest rate implicit in the lease is not readily determinable. After the commencement date, the amount of lease liabilities is increased to reflect the accretion of interest and reduced for the lease payments made. In addition, the carrying amount of lease liabilities is re-measured if there is a modification, a change in the lease term, a change in the lease payments (e.g., changes to future payments resulting from a change in an index or rate used to determine such lease payments) or a change in the assessment of an option to purchase the underlying asset.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### **3** Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### 3.3 Leases (continued)

#### Group as a lessor

The Group also enters into lease agreements as a lessor. Leases for which the Group is a lessor are classified as finance or operating leases. Whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee, the contract is classified as a finance lease. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

When the Group is an intermediate lessor, it accounts for the head lease and the sub-lease as two separate contracts. The sub-lease is classified as a finance or operating lease by reference to the right-of-use asset arising from the head lease.

Rental income from operating leases is recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Amounts due from lessees under finance leases are recognised as lease receivables at the amount of the Group's net investment in the leases. Finance lease income is allocated to accounting periods so as to reflect a constant periodic rate of return on the Group's net investment outstanding in respect of the leases. Subsequent to initial recognition, the Group regularly reviews the estimated unguaranteed residual value and applies the impairment requirements of IFRS 9, recognising an allowance for expected credit losses on the lease receivables.

Finance lease income is calculated with reference to the gross carrying amount of the lease receivables, except for credit-impaired financial assets for which interest income is calculated with reference to their amortised cost (i.e. after a deduction of the loss allowance).

When a contract includes both lease and non-lease components, the Group applies IFRS 15 to allocate the consideration under the contract to each component.

#### 3.4 Intangible assets

#### Goodwill

Goodwill arises on the acquisition of subsidiaries or businesses and represents the excess of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree and the acquisition-date fair value of any previous equity interest in the acquiree over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired.

If the total of consideration transferred, non-controlling interest recognised and previously held interest measured at fair value is less than the fair value of the net assets of the subsidiary acquiree, in the case of a bargain purchase, the difference is recognised directly in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash inflows which are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets (cash-generating units). Each unit or group of units to which the goodwill is allocated represents the lowest level within the Group at which the goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes. Goodwill is monitored at the operating segment level.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### **3** Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### **3.4** Intangible assets (continued)

#### Goodwill (continued)

Goodwill impairment reviews are undertaken annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate a potential impairment. The carrying value of the cash-generating units (CGUs) containing the goodwill is compared to the recoverable amount, which is the higher of value in use and the fair value less costs of disposal. Any impairment is recognised immediately as an expense and is not subsequently reversed.

#### Licences and indefeasible rights of use

Separately acquired licences and rights of use are shown at historical cost. Licences and rights of use acquired in a business combination are recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. Licences and rights of use have a finite useful life and are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation. Amortisation is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate the cost of licences and rights of use over their estimated useful lives as shown below:

	I cal s
Telecommunications license fee	20
Indefeasible rights of use	10-15

#### Computer software

Acquired computer software are capitalised on the basis of the costs incurred to acquire and bring to use the specific software. These costs are amortised over their estimated useful lives of three to five years. Costs associated with maintaining computer software programmes are recognised as an expense as incurred.

Capital work in progress includes assets which are under development or inspection pending certification for their intended use and are stated at cost net of any accumulated impairment losses. When available for use, capital work in progress is transferred to software in use and amortised in accordance with the Group's policies. No amortisation is charged on such assets until available for use.

#### Derecognition of intangible assets

An intangible asset is derecognised on disposal, or when no future economic benefits are expected from use or disposal. Gains or losses arising from recognition of an intangible asset, measured as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset, are recognised in profit or loss when the asset is derecognised.

#### 3.5 Associate and joint venture

An associate is an entity over which the Group has significant influence. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee, but is not control or joint control over those policies. A joint venture is a type of joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the arrangement have rights to the net assets of the joint venture. Joint control is the contractually agreed sharing of control of an arrangement, which exists only when decisions about the relevant activities require the unanimous consent of the parties sharing control.

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# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### **3** Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### **3.5** Associate and joint venture (continued)

The considerations made in determining significant influence or joint control are similar to those necessary to determine control over subsidiaries. The Group's investment in its associate and joint venture are accounted for using the equity method.

Under the equity method, the investment in an associate or a joint venture is initially recognised at cost. The carrying amount of the investment is adjusted to recognise changes in the Group's share of net assets of the associate or joint venture since the acquisition date. Goodwill relating to the associate or joint venture is included in the carrying amount of the investment and is not tested for impairment separately.

The statement of profit or loss reflects the Group's share of the results of operations of the associate or joint venture. Any change in Other Comprehensive Income (OCI) of those investees is presented as part of the Group's OCI. In addition, when there has been a change recognised directly in the equity of the associate or joint venture, the Group recognises its share of any changes, when applicable, in the statement of changes in equity. Unrealised gains and losses resulting from transactions between the Group and the associate or joint venture are eliminated to the extent of the interest in the associate or joint venture.

The aggregate of the Group's share of profit or loss of an associate and a joint venture is shown on the face of the consolidated statement of comprehensive income outside operating profit and represents profit or loss after tax and non-controlling interests in the subsidiaries of the associate or joint venture.

The financial statements of the associate or joint venture are prepared for the same reporting period as the Group. When necessary, adjustments are made to bring the accounting policies in line with those of the Group.

After application of the equity method, the Group determines whether it is necessary to recognise an impairment loss on its investment in its associate or joint venture. At each reporting date, the Group determines whether there is objective evidence that the investment in the associate or joint venture is impaired. If there is such evidence, the Group calculates the amount of impairment as the difference between the recoverable amount of the associate or joint venture and its carrying value, and then recognises the impairment loss in the statement of profit or loss.

Upon loss of significant influence over the associate or joint control over the joint venture, the Group measures and recognises any retained investment at its fair value. Any difference between the carrying amount of the associate or joint venture upon loss of significant influence or joint control and the fair value of the retained investment and proceeds from disposal is recognised in profit or loss.

#### 3.6 Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost comprises direct materials and where applicable, directs labour costs and those overheads that have been incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. It excludes borrowing costs. Allowance is made, where appropriate, for deterioration and obsolescence. Cost is determined in accordance with the weighted average cost method. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price less all estimated costs of completion and costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### **3** Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### 3.7 Contract assets

A contract asset is the right to consideration in exchange for goods or services transferred to the customer. If the Group performs by transferring goods or services to a customer before the customer pays consideration or before payment is due, a contract asset is recognised for the earned consideration. Contract assets are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using effective interest rate method, less provision for impairment.

Contract costs (subscriber acquisition cost) are incurred to obtain a contract to provide goods or services to the customer, which the Group capitalises as these costs are expected to be recovered. These costs are amortised over the average customer life with the Group for each segment and tested for impairment regularly.

#### 3.8 Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are amounts due from customers for goods sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business. If the contractual collection date is in one year or less, they are classified as current assets. If not, they are presented as non-current assets. Trade receivables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using effective interest rate method, less provision for impairment.

#### 3.9 Contract liabilities

A contract liability is the obligation to transfer goods or services to a customer for which the Group has received consideration (or an amount of consideration is due) from the customer. If a customer pays consideration before the Group transfers goods or services to the customer, a contract liability is recognised when the payment is made or the payment is due (whichever is earlier). Contract liabilities are recognised as revenue when the Group performs under the contract.

#### 3.10 Cash and bank balances

Cash and bank balances comprise cash balances and call deposits with original maturities of three months or less. Bank overdrafts, if any that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Group's cash management are included as a component of cash and cash equivalents for the purpose of the consolidated statement of cash flows.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### **3** Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### **3.11** Financial instruments

#### 3.11.1 Non-derivative financial assets

#### Classification, initial recognition and measurement

The Group classifies its financial assets as financial assets measured at amortised costs and financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI). The classification of financial assets at initial recognition depends on the financial asset's contractual cash flow characteristics and the Group's business model for managing them. With the exception of trade receivables that do not contain a significant financial asset at its fair value plus, in the case of a financial asset not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs. Trade receivables that do not contain a significant for which the Group has applied the practical asset not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs. Trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component or for which the group has applied the practical expedient asset at the transaction price determined under IFRS 15. For investments in equity instruments that are not held for trading, this will depend on whether the Group has made an irrevocable election at the time of initial recognition to account for the equity investment at FVOCI.

#### (a) Financial assets measured at amortised cost

Financial assets measured at amortised cost applies to instruments for which the Group has a business model to hold the financial asset to collect the contractual cash flows. The characteristics of the contractual cash flows are that of solely payments of the principal amount and interest (referred to as solely payments of principal and interest "SPPI").

- Principal is the fair value of the instrument at initial recognition;
- Interest is the return within a basic lending arrangement and typically consists of consideration for the time value of money, and credit risk. It may also include consideration for other basic lending risks such as liquidity risk as well as a profit margin.

Financial assets measured at amortised costs are included in current assets, except for maturities greater than 12 months after the end of the reporting period which are then classified as non-current assets. The Group's financial assets measured at amortised costs comprise trade and other receivables, contract assets, due from related parties, term deposits and cash and bank balances in the consolidated statement of financial position.

#### (b) Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)

FVOCI is the classification for instruments for which Group has a dual business model, i.e. the business model is achieved by both holding the financial asset to collect the contractual cash flows and through the sale of the financial assets. The characteristics of the contractual cash flows of instruments in this category must still be solely payments of principal and interest. They are included in non-current financial assets unless the investment matures or management intends to dispose of it within 12 months of the end of the reporting period. The Group elected to classify irrevocably its listed equity investments under this category.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### **3** Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### **3.11** Financial instruments (continued)

#### 3.11.1 Non-derivative financial assets (continued)

(b) Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) (continued)

#### Subsequent measurement

#### Financial assets measured at amortised cost

Financial assets measured at amortised cost are subsequently measured using the effective interest (EIR) method and are subject to impairment. Gains and losses are recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income when the asset is derecognised, modified or impaired.

#### Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)

Upon initial recognition, the Group can elect to classify irrevocably its equity investments as equity instruments designated at FVOCI when they meet the definition of equity under IAS 32 Financial Instruments: Presentation, and are not held for trading. The classification is determined on an instrument-by-instrument basis.

Gains and losses on these equity instruments are not subsequently reclassified to profit or loss following its derecognition. Dividends are recognised as other income in the statement of comprehensive income when the right of payment has been established, except when the Group benefits from such proceeds as a recovery of part of the cost of the equity instruments, in which case such gains are recorded in OCI. Impairment losses (and reversal of impairment losses) on equity investments measured at FVOCI are not reported separately from other changes in fair value.

#### 3.11.2 Non-derivative financial liabilities

The Group non-derivative financial liabilities include borrowings, due to related parties and trade and other payables in the consolidated statement of financial position.

Such financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition these financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. The Group derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged or cancelled or expired.

#### 3.11.3 Offsetting of financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the consolidated statement of financial position if, and only if, there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

## Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### **3** Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### 3.12 Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity.

#### 3.13 Dividend on ordinary shares

Dividends payable on ordinary shares are recognised as a liability in the period in which they are approved by the Group's shareholders.

#### 3.14 Trade payables

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Trade payables are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less (or in the normal operating cycle of the business if longer). If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade payables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

#### 3.15 Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation, and the amount can be reliably estimated. Provisions are not recognised for future operating losses.

Where there are a number of similar obligations, the likelihood that an outflow will be required in settlement is determined by considering the class of obligations as a whole. A provision is recognised even if the likelihood of an outflow with respect to any one item included in the same class of obligations may be small.

Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period. The discount rate used to determine the present value is a pretax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the obligation. The increase in provision due to the passage of time is recognised as finance costs in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

#### Asset retirement obligations

This provision relates to the estimate of the cost of dismantling and removing an item of property, plant and equipment and restoring the site on which the item was located to its original condition. The Group provides for the anticipated costs associated with the restoration of leasehold property to its original condition at inception of the lease, including removal of items included in plant and equipment.

## Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### **3** Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### 3.16 Employee benefits

Payments made to state-managed pension schemes are dealt with as payments to defined contribution schemes where the Group's obligations under the schemes are equivalent to those arising in a defined contribution scheme. Accordingly, the accrued cost of contribution is charged to the consolidated statement of comprehensive income as incurred.

Provision for employees' end of service benefits for non-UAE nationals is made in accordance with UAE Labour Law. The provision is calculated in accordance with the Projected Unit Credit method as per IAS 19 'Employee Benefits' taking into consideration the UAE Labour Laws.

The present value of the defined benefit obligations is calculated using assumptions on the average annual rate of increase in salaries, average period of employment of non-UAE nationals and an appropriate discount rate. The assumptions used are calculated on a consistent basis for each period and reflect management's best estimate.

The net interest cost is calculated by applying the discount rate to the defined benefit obligation. This cost is included in finance costs in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

Re-measurement gains and losses arising from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are recognised in the period in which they occur, directly in other comprehensive income. They are included in retained earnings in the consolidated statement of changes in equity and in the consolidated statement of financial position.

Changes in the present value of the defined benefit obligation resulting from plan amendments or curtailments are recognised immediately in profit or loss as past service costs.

Payments to defined contribution schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due. Payments made to state-managed pension schemes are dealt with as payments to defined contribution schemes where the Group's obligations under the schemes are equivalent to those arising in a defined contribution scheme.

Provision is also made for the estimated liability for employees' unused entitlements to annual leave and flights as a result of services rendered by eligible employees up to the reporting date. The provision relating to annual leave and air passage is disclosed as a current liability, while that relating to end of service benefits is disclosed as a non-current liability.

The Group also provides discount on mobile and fixed line charges to employees for official and personal purposes. This benefit is not separately accounted for as staff costs.

## Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### **3** Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### 3.17 Impairment

#### 3.17.1 Financial assets

The Group recognises a loss allowance for expected credit losses on financial assets measured at amortised cost. The amount of expected credit losses is updated at the end of each reporting period to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition of the respective financial instrument.

The Group recognises lifetime ECL for trade receivables and contract assets, using the simplified approach. The expected credit losses on these financial assets are estimated using a provision matrix based on the Group's historical credit loss experience, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors, general economic conditions and an assessment of both the current as well as the forecast direction of general economic conditions at the reporting date.

(a) Approach selected for measurement lifetime ECL

Simplified approach - The Group is measuring the impairment at an amount equal to lifetime expected credit losses (ECL) for trade receivables, due from related parties and contract assets.

#### (b) Measurement of lifetime ECL on trade receivables and contract assets

The Group evaluates the expected credit loss for its trade receivables and contract assets based on probability of default using the Group's historical information adjusted with forward looking collection factors.

Periodic impairment losses based on the above debt flow rates are adjusted against security deposit and any other legally binding offsets at customer level. Provision for impairment is also taken on unbilled receivables based on the applicable rate.

In addition, an allowance for impairment loss may be considered for a financial asset on case to case basis based on specific information, company risk profile, market conditions and any other relevant information.

#### (c) Measurement of lifetime expected credit losses on term deposits and bank balances

Impairment for terms deposits and bank balances is based on probability of default, calculated on the basis of ratings provided by credit rating agencies (e.g. Fitch, Moody's, etc.) of each bank and Loss Given Default (LGD) driven by rating from reputable financial institutions.

For all other financial assets, the Group recognises lifetime ECL when there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition. If, on the other hand, the credit risk on the financial instrument has not increased significantly since initial recognition, the Group measures the loss allowance for that financial instrument at an amount equal to 12 months ECL. The assessment of whether lifetime ECL should be recognised is based on significant increase in the likelihood or risk of a default occurring since initial recognition instead of evidence of a financial asset being credit-impaired at the end of the reporting period or an actual default occurring.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### **3** Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### 3.17 Impairment (continued)

#### 3.17.2 Non-financial assets

Intangible assets that have an indefinite useful life or intangible assets/property, plant and equipment (including capital work in progress) not ready to use are not subject to amortisation/depreciation and are tested annually for impairment. Assets that are subject to amortisation/depreciation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs of disposal and value in use.

For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are largely independent cash inflows (CGUs). Prior impairments of non-financial assets (other than goodwill) are reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

#### 3.18 Foreign currency translation

#### (a) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the consolidated financial statements are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Group operates ('the functional currency'). The consolidated financial statements are presented in AED which is the Company's and its subsidiaries functional and presentation currency. The figures have been rounded to the nearest thousand except when otherwise stated.

#### (b) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions.

Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income within finance income or costs.

For the purpose of presenting consolidated financial statements, the assets and liabilities of the Group's foreign operations are translated at exchange rates prevailing on the reporting date. Income and expense items are translated at the average exchange rates for the period, unless exchange rates fluctuate significantly during that period, in which case the exchange rates at the date of transactions are used. Exchange differences arising, if any, are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in a foreign exchange translation reserve. Since the presentation currency of the Group and its subsidiaries is AED or USD which is pegged to AED, there is no foreign currency translation reserve at reporting date.

#### 3.19 Revenue recognition

IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers established a single comprehensive model for entities to use in accounting for revenue arising from contracts with customers.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### **3** Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### **3.19** Revenue recognition (continued)

The core principle of IFRS 15 is that an entity should recognise revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services.

The standard introduces a 5-step approach to revenue recognition:

- Step 1: Identify the contract(s) with a customer;
- Step 2: Identify the performance obligations in the contract;
- Step 3: Determine the transaction price;
- Step 4: Allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract; and

Step 5: Recognise revenue when (or as) the entity satisfies a performance obligation.

Revenue comprises the invoiced or accrued amounts from the sale of goods and services (telecommunication and others) in the ordinary course of the Group's activities. Revenue is shown net of returns, discounts and rebates allowed.

Revenue recognition policies for product and services of the Group based on IFRS 15 guidelines are given below:

Revenue from telecommunication services comprise amounts charged to customers in respect of monthly access charges, airtime usage, messaging, the provision of other mobile telecommunications services, including data services and information provision and fees for connecting fixed line and mobile users to the Group's network. The Group recognises revenue, as mobile/telecommunication services are provided.

Products with multiple deliverables that have value to a customer on a stand-alone basis are defined as multiple element arrangements. Contracts typically include the sale of equipment, subscriber identification module (SIM) card and a service package which mainly include voice, data, SMS/MMS, VAS or other services. These arrangements are divided into separate performance obligations. Where the contracts include multiple performance obligations, the transaction price will be allocated to each performance obligation based on the stand-alone selling prices. Where these are not directly observable, they are estimated based on expected cost plus margin. Revenue recognition for voice, data, SMS/MMS, VAS or other services is over the period when these services are provided to the customers.

Revenue from sale of stand-alone handsets under separate contract is recognised when the handset is delivered to the end customer and control has been transferred.

Revenue from the sale of prepaid credit is recognised on the actual utilisation of the prepaid credit. Unused prepaid credit is deferred as contract liability until such time as the customer uses the credit, expires or becomes unutilised. Unused prepaid vouchers are recognised as revenue on expiry of 24 months.

Revenue from sale of SIM cards is recognised on the date of activation of SIM.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### **3** Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### 3.19 Revenue recognition (continued)

Contract revenue, i.e. certain revenue from managed services provided by the Group, is recognised over time based on the cost-to cost method, i.e. based on the proportion of contract costs incurred for work performed to date relative to the estimated total contract costs. This input method is considered as an appropriate measure of the progress towards complete satisfaction of these performance obligations under IFRS 15.

Revenue from interconnection of voice and data traffic with other telecommunication operators is recognised at the time the services are performed based on the actual recorded traffic.

When the Group sells goods or services as a principal, revenue from customers and payments to suppliers are reported on a gross basis in revenue and operating expenses. If the Group sells goods or services as an agent, revenue and payments to suppliers are recorded in revenue on a net basis, representing the margin earned.

The Group operates loyalty programmes where customers accumulate points for purchases made, which entitle them to discounts on future purchases. The reward points are recognised as a separately identifiable component of the initial sale transaction by allocating the fair value of the consideration received between the reward points and the other components of the sale such that the reward points are initially recognised as contract liabilities at their fair value. Revenue from the reward points is recognised when the points are redeemed. Breakage (forfeiture of points) is recognised when redemption becomes remote.

#### Variable Consideration

Certain customer contracts include variable discounts, rebates, refunds, credits, and incentives etc, which are provided to the customers during the contract period. Variability arises due to contractual terms and conditions, whereby customers are provided discounts/rebates/incentives, etc. upon reaching certain volume thresholds. Under IFRS 15, if consideration promised in the contract (either explicit or implicit) includes a variable amount, then the Group should estimate the amount and adjust the total transaction price at contract inception. The Group has certain interconnect and roaming contracts which contain such variable considerations, which are estimated by using the most likely amount method. Variable consideration adjusted to the transaction price at contract inception.

#### Contract Modification

Contract modifications exist when the parties to the contract approve a modification that creates or changes the enforceable rights and obligations of the parties to the contract.

A modification is accounted for as either a separate contract (accounted for prospectively) or as part of the existing contract (accounted through a cumulative catch-up adjustment). This assessment is to be based on whether:

- (a) the modification adds distinct goods and services and
- (b) the distinct goods and services are priced at their stand-alone selling prices.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### **3** Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### 3.19 Revenue recognition (continued)

#### Contract Modification (continued)

If the modification results only in a change in price of the contract, then that change is allocated to separate performance obligations under the contract on the same basis as at contract inception including the satisfied performance obligations at the date of modification. This will result in a cumulative catch-up adjustment to revenue.

If the modification results in change in scope of the contract adding distinct goods or services at a price reflecting their stand-alone selling price, the contract is accounted for as a new contract till the end of the contract term.

#### Significant financing component

Significant financing component exists if the timing of payments agreed to by the parties to the contract (either explicitly or implicitly) provides the customer or the Group with a significant benefit of financing the transfer of goods or services to the customer. In such circumstances, the contract contains a significant financing component.

Currently, in the case of handsets instalment products (bundled and stand-alone) with periods exceeding one year, since the list price, cash selling price and the promised consideration are significantly equal, the Group has assessed that financing component does not exist. In principle, the Group considers any price difference above 5% as significant in making necessary accounting based on the practical expediency. However, if there are any changes in products structure indicating the existence of a financing component, above 5%-6% of the stand-alone selling price of the products will be considered significant and accounted for accordingly.

#### 3.20 Commission to intermediaries

Intermediaries are paid commissions by the Group mainly in return for selling recharge credits. Such commissions are recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income in the same period of services provided.

#### **3.21** Recognition of finance income and costs

Finance income comprises interest income on short-term investments and other bank deposits. Interest income is recognised as it accrues in consolidated statement of comprehensive income, using the effective interest rate method.

Finance costs is mainly interest payable on borrowing facilities obtained from financial institutions at normal commercial rates, amortisation of loan arrangement fees, interest on lease liabilities, interest on employees' end of service benefits, interest on asset retirement obligations and is recognised as an expense in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income in the period in which it is incurred.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### **3** Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

### 3.22 Cash dividend distribution to equity holders of the parent

The Group recognises a liability to make cash distributions to equity holders when the distribution is authorised and the distribution is no longer at the discretion of the Company. As per the UAE Federal Law No. 32 of 2021 concerning Commercial Companies (the "New Companies Law") a distribution is authorised when it is approved by the shareholders. A corresponding amount is recognised directly in equity.

### 3.23 Segmental information

Information regarding the Group's operating segments is reported in accordance with IFRS 8 Operating Segments. IFRS 8 requires operating segments to be identified on the basis of internal reports that are regularly reviewed by the Group's chief operating decision maker and used to allocate resources to the segments and to assess their performance.

### **3.24** Government grants

Government grants relating to non-monetary assets are recognised at nominal value. Grants that compensate the Group for expenses are recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income on a systematic basis in the same period in which the expenses are recognised. Grants that compensate the Group for the cost of an asset are recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income on a systematic basis over the expected useful life of the related asset upon capitalisation.

### 4 Determination of fair values

A number of the Group's accounting policies and disclosures require the determination of fair value, for both financial and non-financial assets and liabilities. Fair values have been determined for measurement and/or disclosure purposes, based on the following methods.

### 4.1 Contract assets

The fair value of contract assets is estimated as the present value of future cash flows, discounted at the market rate of interest at the reporting date where applicable.

#### 4.2 Non-derivative financial liabilities

Fair value, which is determined for disclosure purposes, is calculated based on the present value of future principal and interest cash flows, discounted at the market rate of interest at the reporting date.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 5 Financial risk management

### 5.1 Financial risk factors

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including currency risk, cash flow and fair value interest rate risks and price risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The Group's overall risk management process focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Group's financial performance.

This note presents information about the Group's exposure to each of the above risks, the Group's objectives, policies and processes for measuring and managing risk, and the Group's management of capital. Further quantitative disclosures are included throughout these consolidated financial statements.

The Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Group's risk management framework. The Board is responsible for developing and monitoring the Group's risk management policies.

The Group's risk management policies are established to identify and analyse the risks faced by the Group, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor risks and adherence to limits. Risk management policies and systems are reviewed regularly to reflect changes in market conditions and the Group's activities. The Group, through its training and management standards and procedures, aims to develop a disciplined and constructive control environment in which all employees understand their roles and obligations.

The Group's Audit Committee oversees how management monitors compliance with the Group's risk management policies and procedures and reviews the adequacy of the risk management framework in relation to the risks faced by the Group. The Audit Committee is assisted in its oversight role by Internal Audit and Risk Management department. Both departments undertakes both regular and ad hoc reviews of risk management controls and procedures, the results of which are reported to the Audit Committee.

### (a) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Group if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations, and arises principally from the Group's receivables from customers.

### Trade receivables, contract assets and due from related parties

The Group's exposure to credit risk is influenced mainly by the individual characteristics of each customer and the extent to which credit terms are offered.

The management has established a credit policy under which new customer is analysed for creditworthiness before credit terms are offered. The Group's review can include external ratings, when available, customer segmentation, and in some cases bank references. Credit limits are established for each customer in accordance with this policy, which represents the maximum exposure without requiring approval from senior management. These limits are reviewed periodically.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 5 Financial risk management (continued)

### 5.1 Financial risk factors (continued)

(a) Credit risk (continued)

#### Trade receivables, contract assets and due from related parties (continued)

In monitoring customer credit risk, customers are classified according to their credit characteristics, including whether they are an individual or legal entity, projected business volumes, new or established businesses and existence of previous financial relationships with the Group.

The Group may require deposit or collateral in respect of granting credit subject to results of risk assessment and the nature and volumes contemplated by the customer.

The Group recognises lifetime ECL for trade receivables, contract assets, due from related parties and due from other telecommunication operators using the simplified approach. The expected credit losses on these financial assets are estimated using a provision matrix based on the Group's historical credit loss experience, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors, general economic conditions and an assessment of both the current as well as the forecast direction of conditions at the reporting date. All individually significant assets (such as receivables from broadcast customers and distributors etc.) are assessed for specific impairment.

Information on the ageing of trade receivables, contract assets, due from related parties and due from other telecommunication operators is given in Note 32.1.

The carrying amount of financial assets recorded in the consolidated financial statements, net of any allowances for impairment losses, represents the Group's maximum exposure to credit risk without taking account of the value of any collateral obtained.

## Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 5 Financial risk management (continued)

### 5.1 Financial risk factors (continued)

(a) Credit risk (continued)

#### Term deposits and cash and bank balances

Cash is placed with reputable banks and the risk of default is considered remote. The table below presents the external credit ratings as at 31 December of the Group's term deposits and bank balances.

Ratings	Term dej	posits	Cash and bar	ık balances
	2022	2021	2022	2021
	<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000	<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000
Aa3/AA-	-	-	200,122	75,174
A1/A+	-	-	200,083	37,387
A2/A	100,000	-	134,572	11,766
A3/A-	-	-	8,439	34,657
Baa1/BBB+	575,000	1,375,000	310,923	307,959
Baa2/BBB	-	-	-	121,394
Others	-	-	17,425	53,333
	675,000	1,375,000	871,564	641,670
Less: loss allowance	(372)	(752)	(483)	(290)
	674,628	1,374,248	871,081	641,380

#### (b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due.

The Group's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Group's business and reputation. A major portion of the Group's funds are invested in short-term investments which are readily available to meet expected operational expenses, including servicing of financial obligations. The table in Note 32.2 analyses the Group's non-derivative financial liabilities and derivative financial liabilities, if any, into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the reporting date to the contractual maturity date. Derivative financial liabilities, if any, are included in the analysis if their contractual maturities are essential for an understanding of the timing of the cash flows. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 5 Financial risk management (continued)

### 5.1 Financial risk factors (continued)

### (c) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices such as foreign exchange rates, interest rates and equity prices will affect the Group's income or the value of its holdings of financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters, while optimising the return. The Group's exposure to market risk arises from:

- Foreign exchange risk
- Cash flow and fair value interest rate risks

#### (i) Foreign exchange risk

The Group is exposed to currency risk on sales and purchases that are denominated in a currency, primarily the Euro/GBP, other than the functional currency of the Company and its subsidiaries. In respect of the Group's transactions denominated in US Dollars (USD), the Group is not exposed to material currency risk as the AED is currently pegged to the USD at a fixed rate of exchange.

The Group's exposure and sensitivity analysis in respect to the foreign exchange risk is detailed in Note 32.3.

#### (ii) Cash flow and fair value interest rate risks

The Group's interest rate risk arises from borrowings. Borrowings issued at variable rates expose the Group to cash flow interest rate risk which is partially offset by short-term investments held at variable rates. Borrowings issued at fixed rates expose the Group to fair value interest rate risk.

The Group analyses its interest rate exposure on a dynamic basis. Various scenarios are simulated taking into consideration refinancing, renewal of existing positions, alternative financing and interest rate swaps. The scenarios are run only for liabilities that represent the major interest-bearing positions.

The sensitivity analysis performed by the Group in respect to the interest rate risk is detailed in Note 32.4. The sensitivity analysis is done on a regular basis to verify that the maximum loss potential is within the limit given by the management.

## Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 5 Financial risk management (continued)

### 5.2 Capital risk management

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain an optimal capital structure.

Consistent with others in the industry, the Group monitors capital on the basis of the gearing ratio. This ratio is calculated as net debt divided by total equity. Net debt is calculated as total borrowings as shown in the consolidated statement of financial position, less cash and bank balances and term deposits.

	2022	2021
	<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000
Total borrowings (Note 19)	-	200,000
Less: Cash and bank balances/term deposits (Notes 16 and 17)	(1,545,709)	(2,015,628)
Net debt	(1,545,709)	(1,815,628)
Total equity	8,770,152	8,531,887
Gearing %	(18%)	(21%)

Under the terms of the major borrowing facility, the Group is required to comply with net debt to EBITDA financial covenant. The Group has complied with this covenant in 2022.

### 5.3 Fair value estimation

The fair values of the Group's financial assets and liabilities approximated their carrying values as reflected in these consolidated financial statements.

The table below analyses financial instruments carried at fair value, by valuation method. The different levels have been defined as follows:

- Level 1 Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices).
- Level 3 Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs).

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 5 Financial risk management (continued)

#### **5.3** Fair value estimation (continued)

	<b>In AED 000</b>				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	
<b>At 31 December 2022</b> Financial asset at fair value through other					
comprehensive income (Note 11)	4,517	-	-	4,517	
-	4,517	-	-	4,517	
At 31 December 2021 Financial asset at fair value through other			10.250	10.0.00	
comprehensive income (Note 11)	-	-	18,368	18,368	
	-	-	18,368	18,368	

Financial instruments comprise financial assets and financial liabilities.

Financial assets of the Group include financial assets at FVOCI, cash and bank balances, trade and other receivables, contract assets, due from related parties and short-term investments. Financial liabilities of the Group include borrowings, trade payables and accruals, due to other telecommunication operators, accrued royalty, due to related parties and other payables and accruals. The fair values of these financial assets and liabilities are not materially different from their carrying values unless stated otherwise (Note 32).

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 6 **Property, plant and equipment**

	Buildings AED 000	Plant and equipment AED 000	Furniture and fixtures AED 000	Motor vehicles AED 000	Capital work in progress AED 000	Total AED 000
Cost						
At 1 January 2021	52,532	19,934,123	327,900	4,403	610,990	20,929,948
Additions	-	1,999,128	6,979	-	457,825	2,463,932
Addition: asset retirement obligations	-	8,095	-	-	-	8,095
Transfers	-	412,735	8,570	-	(421,305)	-
Disposals/write-offs		(208,785)	(1,880)	-	(74,001)	(284,666)
At 31 December 2021	52,532	22,145,296	341,569	4,403	573,509	23,117,309
Additions	-	1,551,147	57,487	-	352,648	1,961,282
Addition: asset retirement obligations	-	5,357	-	-	-	5,357
Transfers	-	557,237	25,805	-	(583,042)	-
Disposals/write-offs	(30,902)	(260,701)	(84,603)	-		(376,206)
At 31 December 2022	21,630	23,998,336	340,258	4,403	343,115	24,707,742
Depreciation / impairment						
At 1 January 2021	33,449	12,444,290	288,694	3,849	96,244	12,866,526
Reclassifications (Note 6.1)	-	5,205	-	-	(11,761)	(6,556)
Charge for the year	6,701	1,388,812	19,825	344	1,718	1,417,400
Disposals/write-offs	-	(208,014)	(1,730)	-	(74,001)	(283,745)
Impairment charge	8,866	45,917	136	-	695	55,614
At 31 December 2021	49,016	13,676,210	306,925	4,193	12,895	14,049,239
Reclassifications	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charge for the year	2,365	1,461,274	23,635	210	3,675	1,491,159
Disposals/write-offs	(30,902)	(259,097)	(84,489)	-	-	(374,488)
Impairment charge	-	116,121	-	-		116,121
At 31 December 2022	20,479	14,994,508	246,071	4,403	16,570	15,282,031
Net book value At 31 December 2022	1,151	9,003,828	94,187		326,545	9,425,711
At 31 December 2021	3,516	8,469,086	34,644	210	560,614	9,068,070

The carrying amount of the Group's buildings include a nominal amount of AED 2 (2021: AED 2) in relation to plots of land granted to the Group by the UAE Government.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### 6 **Property, plant and equipment (continued)**

6.1 During the year 2021, the management of the Group undertook a review and re-classified impairment amounting to AED 6,556 thousand from accumulated impairment of property, plant and equipment (PPE) to allowance for inventory obsolescence.

7 <b>Right-of-use assets</b>				
	Land and buildings	Furniture & fixtures -	Motor vehicles	Total
	<b>AED 000</b>	space AED 000	<b>AED 000</b>	<b>AED 000</b>
Cost				
At 1 January 2021	2,482,982	945	2,572	2,486,499
Additions	143,608	-	-	143,608
Re-measurement	32,857	-	206	33,063
Disposals	(35,149)		(2,778)	(37,927)
At 31 December 2021	2,624,298	945	-	2,625,243
Additions	57,809	-	-	57,809
Re-measurement	68,259	-	-	68,259
Disposals	(94,770)	-	-	(94,770)
At 31 December 2022	2,655,596	945	-	2,656,541
Depreciation				
At 1 January 2021	632,493	200	2,377	635,070
Charge for the year	367,106	100	401	367,607
Disposals	(24,421)	-	(2,778)	(27,199)
At 31 December 2021	975,178	300		975,478
Charge for the year (Note 26)	350,759	100	-	350,859
Disposals	(85,546)	-	-	(85,546)
At 31 December 2022	1,240,391	400		1,240,791
Net book value				
At 31 December 2022	1,415,205	545		1,415,750
Net book value				
At 31 December 2021	1,649,120	645	<u> </u>	1,649,765

The Group leases several assets including shops, technical sites, offices, warehouses, billboards and motor vehicles. The average lease term is 8.04 years. Short-term and low value leases are also included in rightof-use assets.

### Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### 8 Intangible assets and goodwill

	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
Goodwill	413,220	413,220
Intangible assets	548,984	445,975
	962,204	859,195

#### Goodwill

The Group acquired the business of three wholly owned subsidiaries/divisions of Tecom Investments FZ LLC with effect from 31 December 2005. Goodwill represents the excess of purchase consideration paid over the fair value of net assets acquired.

Carrying amount of goodwill allocated to each cash-generating unit is as follows:

	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
Fixed line business	413,220 413,220	413,220 413,220

The Group tests goodwill for impairment annually. The recoverable amount of the cash-generating units is determined using the Discounted Cash Flow method based on the five-year business outlook.

In 2022, the estimated recoverable amount of the fixed line business CGU exceeded its carrying amount by approximately 162%.

The key assumptions for the fixed line business CGU value-in-use calculations at 31 December 2022 include:

- 5-year revenue growth projections;
- a pre-tax discount rate of 9.49% (2021: 8.26%) based on the historical industry average weightedaverage cost of capital;
- maintenance capital expenditure projections allowing for replacement of existing infrastructure at the end of its useful life; and
- terminal growth rate of 2%, determined based on management's estimate of the long-term compound EBITDA growth rate, consistent with the assumption that a market participant would make.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 8 Intangible assets and goodwill (continued)

#### Goodwill (continued)

The fixed line model calculations are particularly sensitive to the revenue growth assumptions, including expectations around the impact of future competition in the Group's existing network zones. However, management considers that it would require a significant decline in revenue growth before any impairment of the fixed line CGU would be required.

#### Sensitivity analysis

The Group has conducted an analysis of the sensitivity of impairment test to changes in the key assumptions used to determine the recoverable amount.

For fixed line business CGU, Management has identified that any reasonably possible change in key assumptions could not cause the carrying amounts to exceed the recoverable amounts.

#### **Intangible assets**

Capital Telecom - Indefeasible Software work in munications rights of in use progress licence fees use AED 000 AED 000 AED 000 AED 000	Total AED 000
Cost	
At 1 January 20212,444,079183,895124,500207,359	2,959,833
Additions 19,017 124,633	143,650
Transfers 108,489 (108,489)	-
Disposals/write-offs (225,054) (41,208)	(266,262)
At 31 December 2021 2,346,531 158,831 124,500 207,359	2,837,221
Additions 36,006 221,087	257,093
Transfers 122,392 (122,392)	-
Disposals/write-offs (4,032)	(4,032)
At 31 December 2022         2,500,897         257,526         124,500         207,359	3,090,282
Amortisation/impairment	
At 1 January 2021 2,137,555 41,208 92,516 201,559	2,472,838
Charge for the year 168,350 - 6,223 5,800	180,373
Impairment charge 4,144 106	4,250
Disposals/write-offs (225,007) (41,208)	(266,215)
At 31 December 2021 2,085,042 106 98,739 207,359	2,391,246
Charge for the year 146,512 - 6,223 -	152,735
Impairment charge 1,349	1,349
Disposals/write-offs (4,032)	(4,032)
At 31 December 2022         2,228,871         106         104,962         207,359	2,541,298
Net book value	
At 31 December 2022 272,026 257,420 19,538 -	548,984
At 31 December 2021 261,489 158,725 25,761 -	445,975

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 8 Intangible assets and goodwill (continued)

### Intangible assets

The software in use includes all applications such as ERP and billing systems which are currently in use while the capital work in progress relates to the development of software.

Telecommunication license fees represent charge by the Telecommunications and Digital Government Regulatory Authority (TDRA) to the Group to grant the license to operate as a telecommunications service provider in the UAE.

Indefeasible right of use represents the fees paid to a telecom operator to obtain rights to use Indoor Building Solutions relating to certain sites in the UAE. Also included in the balance is an amount charged by an operator of a fibre-optic cable system for the right to use its submarine fibre-optic circuits and cable system.

#### 9 Lease receivable

	Current		Non-current		
	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000	
Lease receivable	17,213	16,371	125,111	139,422	

During the year 2020, the Group signed a sub-lease agreement to lease its data centre with a customer for a period of 10 years.

	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
Maturity analysis:		
Not later than 1 year	19,917	19,337
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	85,828	83,328
Later than 5 years	58,939	81,357
	164,684	184,022
Less: unearned interest on lease receivable	(22,360)	(28,229)
	142,324	155,793

The interest income on lease receivable is presented in (Note 28).

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

## 10 Investments accounted for using the equity method

Investments	<b>Principal activities</b>	Shareholding		ities Shareholding Coun		Country of	
		2022	2021	incorporation			
Dubai Smart City Accelerator FZCO	To run accelerator programmes with the purpose of sourcing innovation and technology applicable to the Smart City Industry	23.53%	23.53%	UAE			
Advanced Regional Communications Solutions Holding Limited	Provision of connectivity and data centre services	50%	50%	UAE			

### Movement in investments in associate and joint venture

2022			
Associate AED 000	Joint venture AED 000	Total AED 000	
2,492	21,780	24,272	
-	(8,496)	(8,496)	
(364)	(7,549)	(7,913)	
2,128	5,735	7,863	
	2021		
Associate	Joint venture	Total	
AED 000	AED 000	AED 000	
1,356	28,479	29,835	
1,136	(6,699)	(5,563)	
2,492	21,780	24,272	
	AED 000 2,492 (364) 2,128 Associate AED 000 1,356 1,136	Associate AED 000         Joint venture AED 000           2,492         21,780           -         (8,496)           (364)         (7,549)           2,128         5,735           2021         Associate AED 000           Associate AED 000         Joint venture AED 000           1,356         28,479           1,136         (6,699)	

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### **10** Investments accounted for using the equity method (continued)

Summarised financial information for the associate and joint venture are as follows:

Associate and joint venture statement of financial position as of 31 December and statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December:

		2022	
	Associate	Joint venture	Total
	<b>AED 000</b>	<b>AED 000</b>	<b>AED 000</b>
Non-current assets	8,511	43,688	52,199
Current assets	547	28,328	28,875
Current liabilities	(11)	(5,414)	(5,425)
Non-current liabilities		(38,142)	(38,142)
Net assets	9,047	28,460	37,507
Revenue	-	8,951	8,951
Loss for the year	(1,547)	(15,098)	(16,645)
		2021	
	Associate	Joint venture	Total
	AED 000	AED 000	AED 000
Non-current assets	10,073	16,548	26,621
Current assets	713	39,319	40,032
Current liabilities	(195)	(2,840)	(3,035)
Non-current liabilities		(9,467)	(9,467)
Net assets	10,591	43,560	54,151
Revenue		4,400	4,400
Profit/(loss) for the year	4,828	(13,337)	(8,509)

### Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 11 Financial asset at fair value through other comprehensive income

	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
Listed shares		
Anghami	4,517	18,368

During the year 2022, total loss of AED 13,851 thousand was recognised in other comprehensive income.

### 12 Contract liabilities

	Cur	Current		rrent
	2022	2021	2022	2021
	<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000	<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000
Contract liabilities	467,489	438,734	218,211	247,073

Revenue recognized during the year for the contract liabilities was AED 283,016 thousand (2021: AED 229,400 thousand)

There was no revenue recognised in the current reporting period that is related to performance obligations that were satisfied in the prior year. The Group's contracts with customers are for periods of one year or less or are billed based on service provided. As permitted under IFRS 15, the transaction price allocated to the unsatisfied contracts is not disclosed.

### Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 13 Trade receivables, contract assets and other assets

	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
Trade receivables	1,732,395	1,822,391
Due from other telecommunication operators*	293,786	205,341
Contract assets	489,874	439,103
Less: provision for impairment of trade receivables and due from other		
telecommunication operators	(706,965)	(712,797)
Trade receivables and contract assets - net	1,809,090	1,754,038
Prepayments**	149,778	147,611
Advances to suppliers	352,470	397,445
Other receivables	81,987	105,893
Total trade and other receivables	2,393,325	2,404,987
Non-current***	239,546	231,049
Current	2,153,779	2,173,938
Total trade and other receivables	2,393,325	2,404,987

\*Due from other telecommunication operators are presented after netting of payable balances (where right to set off exists) amounting to AED 1,417,486 thousand (31 December 2021: AED 1,133,698 thousand).

\*\*Prepayments include unamortised loan fees amounting to AED 14,264 thousand (31December 2021: AED 16,818 thousand) related to the borrowings secured during the period (Note 19).

\*\*\* Total non-current includes the non-current portion for the unamortised loan fees amounting to AED 11,676 thousand and receivable amounting to AED 47,074 thousand against settlement of a legal dispute which will be collected over period of three years.

The movement in the allowance for expected credited losses of trade receivables, contract assets and due from other telecommunication operators is as follows:

L L	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
At 1 January Charge for the year Write-off during the year Transfer of provision from due from related parties	712,797 195,294 (201,126)	700,553 178,039 (199,486) 33,691
At 31 December	706,965	712,797

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 13A Contract costs

<b>2022</b> 2021	2022	2021
<b>AED 000</b> AED 000	<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000
Contract costs         283,752         250,445	198,665	125,699

Contract costs (subscriber acquisition cost) are incurred to obtain a contract to provide goods or services to the customer, which the Group capitalises as these costs are expected to be recovered.

Contract costs in prior year was included within contract assets.

### 14 Inventories

	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
Goods held for sale Less: allowance for inventory obsolescence	110,290 (15,055)	78,885 (20,416)
At 31 December	95,235	58,469
Inventories recognised as an operating expense during the year	964,083	945,903
Release of allowance for inventory obsolescence recognised as an operating expense during the year	(5,361)	(8,574)

### 15 Related party balances and transactions

Related parties comprise the founding shareholders of the Company, entities under common shareholding, its Directors, key management personnel and entities over which they exercise control, joint control or significant influence. The founding shareholders are Emirates Investment Authority, Mamoura Diversified Global Holding PJSC & Emirates International Telecommunications Company LLC. Transactions with related parties are in the ordinary course of business and are approved by the Group's management or by the Board of Directors.

### **Related party balances**

	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
Due from related parties	94,597	48,655
Due to related parties	5,734	6,727

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### **15** Related party balances and transactions (continued)

The movement in loss allowances for due from related parties is as follows:

	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
At 1 January	-	33,691
Reclassified to trade receivables, contract assets and other assets	-	(33,691)
Expected credit losses during the year	-	-
Closing balance	-	

Due to the short-term nature of related party balances, their carrying amount is considered to be the same as their fair values.

#### **Related party transactions**

Transactions between the Company and its subsidiaries, which are related parties, have been eliminated on consolidation and are not disclosed in this note. All transactions with related parties referred to below are in the ordinary course of business. The following table reflects the value of transactions with related parties.

	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
Net revenue Rent and services	720,361 34,388	725,707 59,550
Recharge of operating expenses incurred on behalf of joint venture	755	3,020
Key management compensation	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
Short-term employee benefits Employees' end of service benefits Post-employment benefits Long-term incentives	30,162 448 1,085 4,926 36,621	35,088 377 1,139 4,000 40,604

Board of Directors fees during the year were AED 11,086 thousand (2021: AED 10,992 thousand).

No loan has been provided to Directors, their spouses, children and relatives of the second degree and any corporates in which they own 20% or more.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### **15** Related party balances and transactions (continued)

The Group also provides telecommunication services to the Federal Government (including Ministries and local bodies). These transactions are at normal commercial terms. The credit period allowed to Government customers ranges from 15 to 150 days. Refer to Note 27 for disclosure of the royalty payable to the Federal Government of the UAE. In accordance with IAS 24 (revised 2009): Related Party Disclosures, the Group has elected not to disclose transactions with the UAE Federal Government and other entities over which the Federal Government exerts control, joint control or significant influence.

### 16 Term deposits

	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
Term deposits*	674,628	1,374,248

\*Term deposits represented net of loss allowance.

Term deposits represent bank deposits with maturity periods exceeding three months from the date of acquisition. These term deposits denominated primarily in UAE Dirham, with banks. Interest is earned on these term deposits at prevailing market rates. The carrying amount of these term deposits approximates to their fair value.

### 17 Cash and bank balances

For the purposes of the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise:

	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
Cash at bank (on deposit and call accounts)*	870,266	640,564
Cash on hand	815	816
Cash and bank balances	871,081	641,380
Less: margin on guarantees (Note 31)	(2,346)	(2,503)
Cash and cash equivalents	868,735	638,877

\* Cash at bank represented net of loss allowance.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 18 Lease liabilities

10 Lease natimites				
			2022	2021
			<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000
At 1 January			2,224,986	2,308,623
Lease liabilities during the year			57,809	143,608
Interest expense during the year			70,957	82,767
Payments made during the year			(354,072)	(334,617)
Re-measurement during the year			68,259	33,063
Disposals during the year			(8,728)	(8,458)
Closing balance			2,059,211	2,224,986
	Cur	rent	Non-cu	rrent
	2022	2021	2022	2021
	<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000	<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000
Lease liabilities	737,952	671,502	1,321,259	1,553,484

The Group does not face a significant liquidity risk with regard to its lease liabilities.

The Group does not have any variable component in lease payments.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### **19** Borrowings

On 29 April 2021, the Group signed a long-term financing agreement with a group of local and international banks for an unsecured credit facility (the "Financing") of AED 3,769 million equivalent. The Financing is composed of (a) a term loan facility of AED 1,788 million equivalent and a maturity of 7 years; and (b) a revolving credit facility of AED 1,981 million equivalent and a maturity of 5 years extendable to 7 years. The Financing proceeds will be used for general corporate purposes.

The details of borrowings are as follows:

	Cu	Current	
	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000	
Bank borrowings		200,000	
		200,000	

The transaction costs allocated to the Financing have been capitalised and is being amortised to profit or loss over the term of the agreement. Unamortised transaction costs as at 31 December 2022 are presented within Note 13 as a prepayment. In September 2022, the Group paid the outstanding amounts under the revolving credit facility, totalling AED 200 million.

### 20 Provision for employees' end of service benefits

The Group provides end of service benefits (defined benefit obligations) to its eligible employees. The most recent actuarial valuations of the present value of the defined benefit obligations were carried out as at 31 December 2022 by a registered actuary in the UAE. The present value of defined benefit obligations and the related current and past service cost, were measured using the Projected Unit Credit Method. Changes in the present value of defined benefit obligations is as follows:

	2022	2021
	<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000
At 1 January	238,438	254,037
Current service cost	24,099	23,539
Interest cost	4,483	5,844
Actuarial (gain)/loss recognised in other comprehensive income*	(29,795)	5,042
Release of past service cost**	-	(27,674)
Benefits paid during the year	(40,059)	(22,350)
At 31 December	197,166	238,438

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 20 Provision for employees' end of service benefits (continued)

\*Actuarial gain recognised in other comprehensive income relates to re-measurement of the employees' end of service benefits obligation net gain from changes in financial assumptions amounting to AED 29,282 thousand (2021: loss of AED 4,079 thousand), net gain from experience adjustments amounting to AED 513 thousand (2021: loss of AED 963 thousand) and demographic assumptions amounting to AED nil (2021: AED nil).

\*\* During the year 2021, the Group has changed its employees' end of service benefits structure, which has resulted in a release of past service cost.

The provision is recognised based on the following significant actuarial assumptions:

	2022	2021
Average period of employment (years)	5.87	7.38
Average annual rate of salary increase	2.00%	2.00%
Average annual rate of salary increase for next two years	1%	1%
Discount rate	4.24%	2.10%

Through its defined benefit plan, the Group is exposed to a number of actuarial risks, the most significant of which include, longevity risk, withdrawal risk and salary increase risk.

Sensitivity of the provision for employees' end of service benefits to changes in principal assumptions is included below:

			Impact on defined benefit obligation			gation
	Change in assumption		-	rease in Imption		rease in mption
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021
Withdrawal rate	10%	10%	0.68%	(0.14%)	(0.75%)	0.15%
Mortality age	1 year	1 year	0.04%	(0.04%)	(0.04%)	0.04%
Average annual rate of salary increase	1%	1%	6.81%	7.56%	(6.20%)	(6.83%)
Discount rate	1%	1%	(5.55%)	(6.29%)	6.19%	7.08%

Expected contribution to defined benefit obligations for the year ending 31 December 2023 is AED 28,012 thousand.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 21 Other provisions

#### Asset retirement obligations

In the course of the Group's activities a number of sites and other commercial premises are utilised which are expected to have costs associated with exiting and ceasing their use. The associated cash outflows are expected to occur at the dates of exit of the assets to which they relate. These assets are long-term in nature, primarily in the period up to 10 years from when the asset is brought into use.

	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
At 1 January	198,588	184,581
Additions during the year (net) Adjustment for change in discount/inflation rates	3,258	5,844 669
Unwinding of discount	6,955	7,494
At 31 December	208,801	198,588
The provision is recognised based on the following significant assumptions:		
I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I	2022	2021
Average period of restoration (years)	10	10
Inflation rate	2.06%	2.06%
Discount rate	3.86%	3.86%
22 Trade and other payables		
	2022	2021
	<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000
Trade payables and accruals	2,087,312	2,259,681
Due to other telecommunication operators*	340,454	443,533
Accrued federal royalty (Note 27)	1,830,421	1,499,540
Valued Added Tax (VAT) payable	24,841	20,622
Other payables and accruals	359,860	369,537
	4,642,888	4,592,913

\*Due to other telecommunication operators are presented after netting of receivable balances (where right to set off exists) amounting to AED 1,417,486 thousand (31 December 2021: AED 1,133,698 thousand).

The carrying amounts of trade and other payables approximate their fair value.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### 23 Share capital

	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
Authorised, issued and fully paid up share capital (4,532,905,989 shares of AED 1 each)	4,532,906	4,532,906
24 Share premium	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
Premium on issue of common share capital	232,332	232,332

#### 25 Other reserves

	Statutory reserves (Note 25.1) AED 000	Other reserves (Note 25.2) AED 000	Total AED 000
At 1 January 2021	1,908,411	-	1,908,411
Transfer from retained earnings	110,074	-	110,074
At 31 December 2021	2,018,485		2,018,485
At 1 January 2022	2,018,485	-	2,018,485
Transfer from retained earnings Fair value changes on financial asset at fair value through other comprehensive	121,956	-	121,956
income At 31 December 2022	2,140,441	(13,851) (13,851)	(13,851) 2,126,590

25.1 In accordance with the UAE Federal Law No. 32 of 2021 concerning Commercial Companies (the "New Companies Law") and the Company's Articles of Association, 10% of the net profit is required to be transferred annually to a non-distributable statutory reserve. Such transfers are required to be made until the balance of the statutory reserve equals one half of the Company's paid up share capital.

25.2 This relates to the change in the fair value of financial asset at fair value through other comprehensive income.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

# 26 Operating expenses

	<b>31 December</b>	
	2022	2021
	<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000
Interconnect costs	2,768,016	2,842,683
Depreciation and impairment on property, plant and equipment (Note 6)	1,607,280	1,473,014
Product costs	1,303,426	1,167,403
Staff costs	1,053,655	996,419
Network operation and maintenance	857,081	783,357
Commission	463,784	398,158
Telecommunication licence and related fees	389,359	359,365
Depreciation on right-of-use assets (Note 7)	350,859	367,607
Marketing	245,996	203,532
Amortisation and impairment on intangible assets (Note 8)	154,084	184,623
Outsourcing and contracting	103,545	107,186
Others	254,844	206,176
	9,551,929	9,089,523

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Group has paid AED 2,187 thousand (2021: AED 1,576 thousand) for various social contribution purposes.

## Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 27 Federal royalty

The royalty rates payable to the UAE Ministry of Finance for the period from 2017 to 2022 are 15% on regulated revenue and 30% on regulated profit after deducting royalty on regulated revenue.

Total revenue for the year (Note 34) Broadcasting revenue for the year Other allowable deductions Total regulated revenue	<b>2022</b> <b>AED 000</b> 12,754,492 (149,832) (3,916,226) 8,688,434	2021 AED 000 11,681,970 (148,236) (3,924,101) 7,609,633
Profit before royalty on regulated revenue Allowable deductions Total regulated profit	2,963,242 (191,968) 2,771,274	2,482,638 (307,209) 2,175,429
Royalty on regulated revenue - 15% of total regulated revenue Adjustment to charge Royalty on regulated revenue	1,303,265 10 1,303,275	1,141,445 (69,746) 1,071,699
Royalty on regulated profit - 30% of regulated profit (after deducting royalty on regulated revenue)	440,403	310,195
Movement in the royalty accruals is as follows:		
At 1 January Payment made during the year Charge for the year	<b>2022</b> <b>AED 000</b> 1,499,540 (1,412,797) 1,743,678	2021 AED 000 1,624,832 (1,507,186) 1,381,894
At 31 December (Note 22)	1,830,421	1,499,540

In 2022, presentation of federal royalty was disaggregated as royalty on regulated revenue and royalty on regulated profit. The disaggregation reflects components of the royalty regime for telecommunication operators in the UAE, as applicable to the Group's operations. The comparative amounts for year 2021 are disaggregated to conform with current year presentation.

Federal royalty for the year 2022 is to be paid within four months from the year ended 31 December 2022.

## Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 28 Finance income and costs

	2022	2021
	<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000
Finance income		
Interest income	28,055	21,169
Finance income on lease receivable	5,869	6,391
	33,924	27,560
Finance costs		
Interest expense on lease liabilities	70,957	82,767
Interest expense others*	22,449	23,580
	93,406	106,347

\*Interest expense others includes interest cost on defined benefit obligations, unwinding of discount on asset retirement obligations and finance costs on borrowings.

### 29 Earnings per share

	2022	2021
Profit for the year (AED 000)	1,219,561	1,100,744
Weighted average number of shares (000)	4,532,906	4,532,906
Basic and diluted earnings per share (AED)	0.27	0.24

Diluted earnings per share have not been presented separately as the Group has no commitments that would dilute earnings per share.

### **30** Changes in working capital

	2022	2021
	<b>AED 000</b>	<b>AED 000</b>
Change in:		
Inventories	(31,405)	11,618
Contract costs	(106,272)	(61,856)
Trade receivables, contract assets and other assets	(169,946)	(491,992)
Trade and other payables	1,807,318	1,502,073
Contract liabilities	(107)	132,120
Due from related parties	(45,942)	91,214
Due to related parties	(993)	1,617
Net changes in working capital	1,452,653	1,184,794
Non-cash transactions:		
Accruals for property, plant and equipment	324,712	603,677
Accruals for intangible assets	19,463	14,539
Additions to right-of-use assets	126,068	176,671

### Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### **30** Changes in working capital (continued)

	2022	2021
	<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000
Loss allowances:		
Trade receivables, contract assets and others assets	195,294	178,039
Loss allowance on term deposits	(380)	79
	194,914	178,118

The reconciliation for the changes in liabilities arising from financing activities are presented in Notes 18 and 19 of the consolidated financial statements.

### **31** Contingencies and commitments

The Group has outstanding bank guarantees amounting to AED 60,624 thousand (2021: AED 71,837 thousand). Bank guarantees are secured against margin of AED 2,346 thousand (2021: AED 2,503 thousand) (Note 17).

The Group is subject to litigations in the normal course of business and the management is of the view that the outcome of these court cases will not have a material impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements. Details of these cases are not disclosed in order not to prejudice the Group's position in these litigations.

The Group has outstanding capital commitments amounting to AED 1,166,993 thousand (2021: AED 1,033,232 thousand).

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 32 Financial instruments and risk management

#### 32.1 Credit risk

#### Exposure to credit risk

The carrying amount of financial assets represent the maximum credit exposure. The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date was:

	Notes	Notes Carrying amount			Fair value		
		2022	2021	2022	2021		
		<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000	<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000		
Non-derivatives							
Financial asset at fair value through other							
comprehensive income	11	4,517	18,368	4,517	18,368		
Lease receivable	9	142,324	155,793	142,324	155,793		
Trade receivables, contract assets and							
other assets*	13	1,891,077	1,859,931	1,891,077	1,859,931		
Due from related parties	15	94,597	48,655	94,597	48,655		
Term deposits	16	674,628	1,374,248	674,628	1,374,248		
Cash and bank balances	17	871,081	641,380	871,081	641,380		
		3,678,224	4,098,375	3,678,224	4,098,375		

\*For the purpose of the exposure to credit risk on financial assets disclosure, non-financial assets (prepayments and advances to suppliers) amounting to AED 502,248 thousand (2021: AED 545,056 thousand) have been excluded from trade receivables, contract assets and other assets

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 32 Financial instruments and risk management (continued)

### 32.1 Credit risk (continued)

#### Exposure to credit risk (continued)

#### Impairment of financials assets and due from other telecommunication operators

The ageing of trade receivables, contract assets, due from related parties and due from other telecommunication operators as follows:

### **31 December 2022**

	Not past due AED 000	Past due 0-30 days AED 000	Past due 31-180 days AED 000	More than 180 days AED 000	Total AED 000
Gross carrying amount – trade receivables, contract assets and due					
from related parties	739,012	143,469	341,837	1,092,549	2,316,867
Loss allowance	(43,917)	(25,202)	(115,405)	(509,024)	(693,548)
Expected loss rate	5.94%	17.57%	33.76%	46.59%	

	Not past due AED 000	Past due 0-30 days AED 000	Past due 31-180 days AED 000	More than 180 days AED 000	Total AED 000
Gross carrying amount – due from other telecom					
operators	140,794	85,270	278,085	1,207,123	1,711,272
Loss allowance	(2)	-	(52)	(13,363)	(13,417)
Expected loss rate	0%	0%	0%	1.11%	

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 32 Financial instruments and risk management (continued)

### 32.1 Credit risk (continued)

#### Exposure to credit risk (continued)

31 December 2021

Expected loss rate

	Not past due AED 000	Past due 0-30 days AED 000	Past due 31- 180 days AED 000	More than 180 days AED 000	Total AED 000
Gross carrying amount – trade receivables, contract assets and due					
from related parties	928,938	215,955	179,967	985,289	2,310,149
Loss allowance	(35,921)	(26,514)	(76,671)	(563,823)	(702,930)
Expected loss rate	3.87%	12.28%	42.61%	57.22%	
Gross carrying amount –	Not past due AED 000	Past due 0-30 days AED 000	Past due 31- 180 days AED 000	More than 180 days AED 000	Total AED 000
due from other telecom operators	167,992	155,488	183,955	831,604	1,339,039
Loss allowance	(4)		(21)	(9,842)	(9,867)

0%

Non-financial assets (prepayments and advances to suppliers) amounting to AED 502,248 thousand (2021: AED 545,056 thousand) have been excluded from contract assets, trade and other receivables and due from related parties. The above gross carrying amount of due from other telecommunication operators amount excludes netting amounting to AED 1,417,486 thousand (31 December 2021: AED 1,133,698 thousand) (Note 13)

0.01%

1.18%

0%

To measure the expected credit losses, contract assets, trade receivables and due from related parties have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due. The expected credit losses are based on the analysis of billing, collection and outstanding balance over an appropriate period adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors, general economic conditions and an assessment of both the current as well as the forecast direction of conditions at the reporting date.

The impairment provision in respect of contract assets, trade receivables and due from related parties is used to record impairment losses unless the Group is satisfied that there is no reasonable expectation of recovery of the amount due; at that point the amounts considered irrecoverable are written-off. Indicators that there is no reasonable expectation of recovery include, amongst others, the failure of a debtor to engage in a repayment plan with the Group, and a failure to make contractual payments for a period of greater than 365 days past due.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### **32** Financial instruments and risk management (continued)

### 32.2 Liquidity risk

The following are the contractual maturities of financial liabilities along with fair values:

### **31 December 2022**

		Contractual cash flows					
	Fair value AED 000	Carrying amount AED 000	Total AED 000	6 months or less AED 000	6-12 months AED 000	1-2 years AED 000	Above 2 years AED 000
<b>Non-derivative</b> <b>financial liabilities</b> Borrowings				-	-		-
Lease liabilities	2,059,211	2,059,211	2,059,211	374,241	363,711	253,668	1,067,591
Trade payables and accruals	2,087,312	2,087,312	2,087,312	2,087,312	-	-	-
Due to other telecommunication							
operators	340,454	340,454	340,454	340,454	-	-	-
Accrued royalty	1,830,421	1,830,421	1,830,421	1,830,421	-	-	-
Other payables and accruals	359,860	359,860	359,860	359,860	-	-	-
Due to related							
parties	5,734	5,734	5,734	5,734		-	
	6,682,992	6,682,992	6,682,992	4,998,022	363,711	253,668	1,067,591

#### 31 December 2021

51 December 2021				Contractual cash flows			
	Fair	Carrying		6 months	6-12		Above 2
	value	amount	Total	or less	months	1-2 years	years
	AED 000	AED 000	AED 000	AED 000	AED 000	AED 000	AED 000
Non-derivative							
financial liabilities							
Borrowings	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	-	-	-
Lease liabilities	2,224,986	2,224,986	2,224,986	361,663	309,839	246,389	1,307,095
Trade payables and							
accruals	2,259,681	2,259,681	2,259,681	2,259,681	-	-	-
Due to other							
telecommunication	l						
operators	443,533	443,533	443,533	443,533	-	-	-
Accrued royalty	1,499,540	1,499,540	1,499,540	1,499,540	-	-	-
Other payables and							
accruals	369,537	369,537	369,537	369,537	-	-	-
Due to related							
parties	6,727	6,727	6,727	6,727			
	7,004,004	7,004,004	7,004,004	5,140,681	309,839	246,389	1,307,095

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### **32** Financial instruments and risk management (continued)

### 32.3 Currency risk

#### Exposure to currency risk

The Group's exposure to foreign currency risk was as follows:

	31 December 2022		31 December 2021	
	Thousand Thousand		and	
	EUR	GBP	EUR	GBP
Trade receivables	13,786	538	7,943	345
Trade payables	(104)	(83)	(1,148)	(245)
Net exposure	13,682	455	6,795	100

The following significant exchange rates against AED have been applied during the year:

	Average rate		Reporting date spot rat	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
EUR 1	3.8957	4.3715	3.9325	4.1507
GBP 1	4.5705	5.0011	4.4429	4.9500

#### Sensitivity analysis

A 10% strengthening of the AED against the following currencies at 31 December would have increased/(decreased) equity and profit by the amounts shown below. This analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular interest rates, remain constant.

	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
Increase/(decrease) in profit		1122 000
EUR	(5,330)	(2,971)
GBP	(208)	(50)

Conversely a 10% weakening of the AED against the above currencies at 31 December will have the exact reverse effect. In each of the above cases the impact on equity would have the same values as the above amounts.

### Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### **32** Financial instruments and risk management (continued)

### **32.4** Interest rate risk

#### Exposure to interest rate risk

The interest rate profile of the Group's interest bearing financial instruments was:

	Carrying	Carrying amount		
	2022	2021		
	<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000		
Variable interest rate instruments				
Bank borrowings		200,000		

#### Sensitivity analysis

An increase of 100 basis points in interest rates at the reporting date would have decreased equity and profit or loss by the amounts shown below. This analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular foreign currency rates, remain constant.

	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
<b>Decrease in profit</b> Variable interest rate instruments	<u> </u>	(500)

Conversely a decrease in interest rates by 100 basis points will have had the exact reverse effect. In each of the above cases the impact on equity would have the same values as the above amounts.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### **32** Financial instruments and risk management (continued)

### **32.5** Financial instruments by category

The accounting policies for financial instruments have been applied to the line items below:

	2022 AED 000	2021 AED 000
Financial asset at fair value through other comprehensive income	4,517	18,368
Financial assets measured at amortised cost		
Lease receivable	142,324	155,793
Trade receivables, contract assets and other assets*	1,891,077	1,859,931
Due from related parties	94,597	48,655
Term deposits	674,628	1,374,248
Cash and bank balances	871,081	641,380
	3,673,707	4,080,007
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost		
Lease liabilities	2,059,211	2,224,986
Borrowings	-	200,000
Trade and other payables**	4,618,047	4,572,291
Due to related parties	5,734	6,727
	6,682,992	7,004,004

\*Non-financial assets (prepayments and advances to suppliers) amounting to AED 502,248 thousand (2021: AED 545,056 thousand) have been excluded from trade receivables, contract assets and other assets.

\*\*Non-financial liability (Value Added Tax) amounting to AED 24,841 thousand (2021: AED 20,622 thousand) has been excluded from trade and other payables.

### **33** Offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the consolidated statement of financial position if, and only if, there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### **33** Offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities (continued)

The following table presents the recognised financial instruments that are offset in the statement of financial position, as at 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021

	31 December 2022			31 December 2021		
	Gross Net			Gross	Net	
	Gross	amounts	amount	Gross	amounts	amount
	amounts	set off	presented	amounts	set off	presented
	<b>AED 000</b>	<b>AED 000</b>	<b>AED 000</b>	AED 000	AED 000	AED 000
<b>Financial assets</b> Trade receivables, contract assets and other assets	3,810,811	(1,417,486)	2,393,325	3,538,685	(1,133,698)	2,404,987
ussets and other ussets	3,010,011	(1,417,400)	2,373,323	3,330,005	(1,155,070)	2,404,907
Financial liabilities						
Trade and other payables	6,060,374	(1,417,486)	4,642,888	5,726,611	(1,133,698)	4,592,913

### 34 Segment analysis

The Group mainly has operations in the UAE. The Group is organised into four major business segments as follows:

- Mobile segment offers mobility services to the enterprise and consumer markets. Services include mobile voice and data, mobile content and mobile broadband wi-fi. Mobile handset sales, including instalment sales, are also included in this segment.
- Fixed segment provides wire line services to the enterprise and consumer markets. Services include broadband, IPTV, IP/VPN business internet and telephony.
- Wholesale segment provides voice and SMS to national and international carriers and operators. Services include termination of inbound international voice traffic and international hubbing.
- Others include broadcasting services, international roaming, site sharing, etc.

Segment contribution, referred to by the Group as gross margin, represents revenue less direct costs of sales. It is calculated before charging network operating costs, sales and general and administration expenses. This is the measure reported to the Group's Board of Directors for the purpose of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

# 34 Segment analysis (continued)

31 December 2022	Mobile AED 000	Fixed AED 000	Wholesale AED 000	Others AED 000	Total AED 000
Segment revenue					
Timing of revenue recognition					
Over time	5,747,598	3,474,941	1,806,917	913,246	11,942,702
At a point in time	777,407	4,466		29,917	811,790
	6,525,005	3,479,407	1,806,917	943,163	12,754,492
Segment contribution	3,300,750	2,866,843	1,442,014	615,020	8,224,627
Unallocated costs					(5,195,630)
Other income					1,637
Federal royalty					(1,743,678)
Finance income/costs and share of profit of investments accounted for					
using equity method (net)					(67,395)
Profit for the year				-	1,219,561

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### 34 Segment analysis (continued)

31 December 2021					
	Mobile	Fixed	Wholesale	Others	Total
	AED 000	AED 000	AED 000	AED 000	AED 000
Segment revenue Timing of revenue recognition					
Over time	5,300,882	2,839,409	1,923,564	835,457	10,899,312
At a point in time	763,533	4,897	-	14,228	782,658
-	6,064,415	2,844,306	1,923,564	849,685	11,681,970
Segment contribution	3,060,801	2,425,731	1,374,676	421,091	7,282,299
Unallocated costs Other income Federal royalty Finance income/costs and					(4,845,885) 130,574 (1,381,894)
share of profit of investments accounted for using equity method (net) Profit for the year					(84,350)

The Group's assets and liabilities have not been identified to any of the reportable segments as the majority of the operating fixed assets are fully integrated between segments. The Group believes that it is not practical to provide segment disclosure relating to total assets and liabilities since a meaningful segregation of available data is not feasible.

### 35. Other income

In 2021, the Group has recognised AED 130,109 thousand under other income against settlement of a legal dispute

### **36.** Comparatives

In order to conform with current year presentation, the comparative figures for the previous year has been re-presented, where necessary. Such re-presented figures did not affect the previously reported profit, comprehensive income or equity.