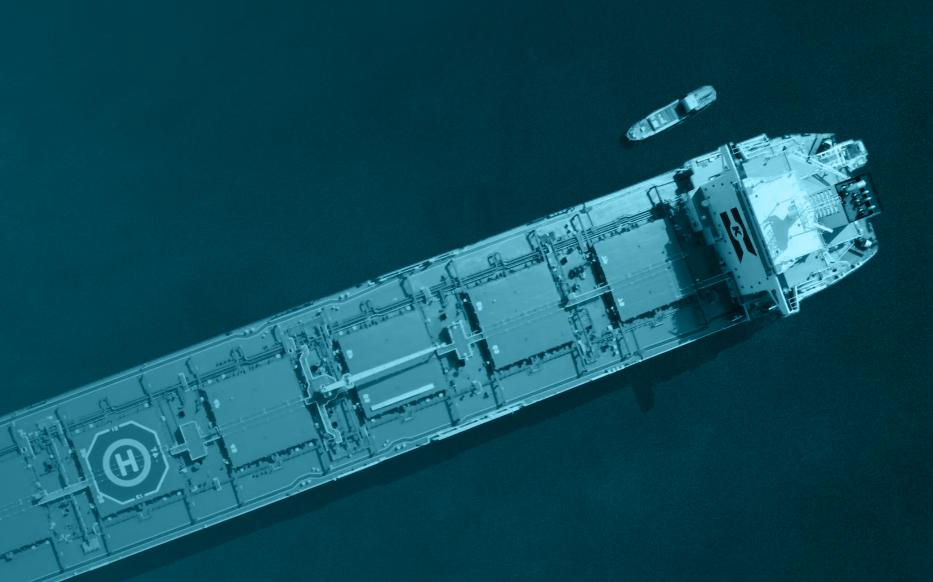


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## > What we do and how we create value

Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA (KCC, Company) is the world leader in combination carriers. The fleet consists of 16 vessels, eight CABU vessels and eight CLEANBU vessels.

The CABU (Caustic Soda-bulk) and CLEANBU (Clean Petroleum Product-bulk) vessels mainly transport Clean Petroleum Products (CPP) or Caustic Soda Solution (CSS) from refineries and production plants located in Middle East/India, Far East or US Gulf to end users or distributors in Australia and South America, the world's main export hubs of dry bulk commodities. On the return voyage the combination carriers transport dry bulk commodities including alumina, bauxite, grains, salt, iron ore and coal.

Exploration and production

Crude oil carriers

Clean petroleum products value chain

Chemical production

Caustic soda value chain

Aluminium smelters, Steel companies, Energy producers

Dry bulk value chain

Crude oil carriers

Oil refining

Clean petroleum terminals & distribution

Petroleum terminals & distribution

Petroleum terminals & distribution

Alumina refineries

Dry bulk value chain

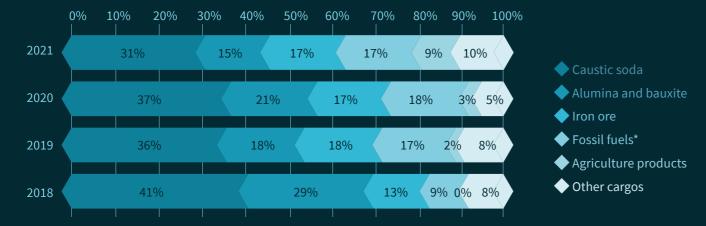
Mining companies, Grain producers, Alumina refineries

Dry bulk value chain

The aluminum/alumina industry through the transportation of Caustic Soda Solution (CSS), bauxite and alumina accounted for 46% of KCC's transported volumes in metric tons (MT) in 2021. Iron ore shipments

for mining companies or steel plants accounted for 17% in 2021. KCC had 9 coal shipments in 2021 (7%), and total fossil fuel shipments including coal accounted in total for 17%.

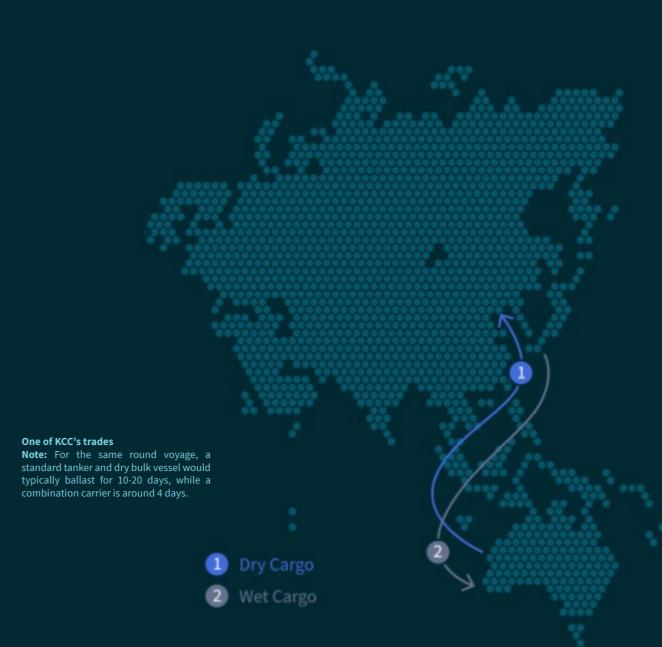
#### Split of cargoes transported by KCC in 2018 –2021



\*Fossil fuels include aasoil, coal, aasoline and iet fuel and other CPP. Naphta and condensate to the petrochemical industry included in other carac

KCC strives to solve inefficiencies by consecutively switching between dry and wet cargo shipments with minimum ballast between the laden voyages.

- Lower carbon emissions: Fuel consumption and hence emissions are 30-40% lower than standard tanker and bulk vessels per ton-mile transported cargo
- 2. Lower earnings volatility: Diversified market exposure as the vessels transport both dry bulk and tanker products and a positive correlation to bunker prices
- Premium earnings: Higher asset utilization compared to standard vessels due to two laden legs, giving a higher number of revenue days



## > ESG 2021 in brief

#### Environmental performance

Carbon intensity EEOI 7.4

0% Y-o-Y

CO<sub>2</sub>/vessel 18,800 tons

-9% Y-o-Y

Sustainability-linked COA signed
 USD 25 million equity issued to fund energy efficiency initiatives
 Sustainability-linked bank facility signed

CDP
DISCLOSER
2021

Score: B

## Social performance

**LTIF 0.6** 

-76% Y-o-Y Target < 1 O COVID-19 infections on-board Average high-risk SIRE observations

1.9

0% Y-o-Y Target < 2

#### Governance performance

26
Demands for and avoided facilitation payments

Confirmed incidents of corruption

Online

whistleblowing

channel

launched, open

for external parties

#### **Sustainability Priorities**

# Low carbon future

Decarbonization is the main task of our generation



We aim to be a driver in the transition towards low carbon shipping through our own fleet, new solutions and close co-operations with customers, suppliers and other stakeholders.

#### Area of focus

• Emission reductions from our vessels

# Always safe and secure

Safety is priority number one



Our goal is that no one shall be injured doing work for Klaveness. Everyday we work to improve our safety performance, believing that operational accidents are preventable.

#### Area of focus

- Crew health and safety
- Vessel safety
- Spills to the environment
- · Human capital development

# Trusted and responsible partner

We set high standards on how we conduct our business



We strive to have a high level of corporate governance securing predictability and transparency for all stakeholders.

#### Area of focus

- Anti-corruption and business ethics
- Responsible ship recycling

## > Future bound

#### Letter from the CEO

2021 has been a year where Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA (KCC) has passed a number of important milestones while experiencing many operational challenges from increasing port congestions and COVID-19 related restrictions.

We took delivery of the eight and last CLEANBU newbuilding, MV Balzani, in May 2021 marking the end of KCC's newbuilding program where we have taken delivery of in total eleven CABU and CLEANBU newbuldings over the five years period 2016-2021. With the full fleet on water from July 2021, a new chapter has begun for our company.

The COVID-19 situation has continued to severely affect the daily lives of our seafarers and the operation of our fleet. KCC and its ship manager Klaveness Ship Management (KSM) has spared no efforts to minimize the effects of the COVID-19 situation for our seafarers including securing repatriation of seafarers with minimal delays after the end of their service period onboard and minimizing risks of COVID19 contamination from shore. We have through frequent vessel deviations carried through a high share of planned crew changes without delays and there have been no COVID-19 cases onboard our vessels in 2021. We are also pleased to have maintained a high quality service to our customers throughout the year with a 92% on-time performance in tanker mode in 2021.

Our business model continued to prove its strength in the past year. The flexibility of our combination carriers, servicing both tanker and dry bulk trades, and our efficient combination trading, have made it possible to both take benefit of the strong dry bulk market from early last spring and limit the worst negative effects of a historical weak tanker market. While maintaining a high proportion of our fleet in combi-trading, we temporarily allocated more capacity into the dry bulk market during part of the year when the tanker market was at its most depressed levels. We also used the strong dry bulk market to continue renewing of our CABU fleet, by selling our oldest CABU vessel, MV Banasol, built January 2001, as a dry bulk vessel during Q4-2021. 2021 result before tax ended at USD 22.6 million, including a sales gain of USD 6.4 million.

The pressure on the shipping industry to decarbonize its business has increased further in 2021. IMO's short term measures were approved at the MEPC76 meeting in June and the EU Commission presented its proposal for including shipping into its ETS scheme in July. We believe this is just the start of a development with ever stricter international regulations and customer requirements for the shipping industry. In KCC we are scrutinizing every possibility to improve carbon efficiency across our business to prepare for this development and to improve our lead as the lowest carbon shipping provider in the tanker and dry bulk market. In KCC we start to see positive results from our efforts with an around 9% improvement in average CO<sub>2</sub> emission per vessel in 2021 relative to 2020. As part of our energy efficiency improvement program, we raised USD 25 million new equity in November 2021 which will be allocated exclusively for these efforts which are described in more detailed in our 3rd Sustainability report released together with this Annual Report.

The first quarter of 2022 has been marked by the sad and incomprehensible Russian invasion of Ukraine severely impacting both commodity and shipping markets. While the immediate effect on KCC's markets is positive, the medium-term outlook for both the tanker and dry bulk market is more uncertain with possible negative demand effects from spiking commodity feeding through the world economy. KCC's business model remains more resilient to these uncertainties than standard shipping with its efficient trading pattern based, strong customer relations and freight contracts, positive diversification effects from three markets and a strong balance sheet.

We are future bound!



## **Engebret Dahm**

Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA

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## **Board of Directors**



Lasse Kristoffersen
Chair of the Board



Rebekka Glasser Herlofsen

Board Member and Chair of Audit Committee



Magne Øvreås

Board Member and Member of Audit Committee



**Winifred Patricia Johansen** 

**Board Member** 

# ▶ Board of Directors' report 2021



## Key developments 2021 and future priorities

Klaveness Combination Carriers (KCC, Company, Group) delivered a record strong financial result for 2021 despite a challenging tanker market and continued operational challenges related to COVID-19. 2021 was another year where KCC demonstrated the value of flexibility and diversification through its combination carrier concept.

The CABU fleet delivered the highest TCE earnings since 2015 on the back of high caustic soda volumes and strong dry bulk markets. The 2001-built CABU vessel, MV Banasol, was sold as a dry bulk vessel and delivered to new owners in December 2021, with a positive effect on profit and cash.

The CLEANBU fleet continued to expand its activities. A milestone was achieved in July 2021 as KCC secured clean petroleum product (CPP) contract of affreightment (COA) with one of the main players in the industry. Despite an increase in share of days in combination trading and improved ballast percentage, TCE earnings decreased year-on-year because of the weaker tanker market in 2021. Three CLEANBU newbuilds were delivered in 2021 marking the end of this newbuild program.

COVID-19 continued to impact KCC's operations in 2021 mainly in relation to delivery of newbuilds and crew changes. No vessels experienced any infection cases onboard in 2021.

As a result of several initiatives made across KCC's business over the recent years, KCC made good headway on its environmental performance during 2021. While the carbon intensity (EEOI) for the fleet was stable compared to 2020 at 7.4, average CO2 emissions per vessel decreased by 9% to 18,800 mt. KCC in 2021 submitted for the first time to CDP and received a score B in the category "climate change".

KCC believes that a key challenge and opportunity for the shipping industry going forward is decarbonization. KCC raised USD 25 million in equity in November 2021 to fund energy efficiency measures on the existing fleet and the ambition is to deliver sizeable cuts in emissions over the part years.



#### People, health and safety<sup>1</sup>

KCC's main priority is to keep the crew safe and any injury or loss of lives are unacceptable. Despite our efforts, we are not always able to live up to targets and it is with great sadness we report that a deck cadet tragically lost his life after a fall accident on board one of the CLEANBU vessels in 2021. This has been investigated in full and revealed no breach in safety procedures or systems. However, several actions have been implemented fleet-wide based on the accident and the investigation.

The Loss Time Incident Frequency (LTIF) on the combination carriers, measured by every 1 million working hours, was reduced from 2.5 in 2020 to 0.6 in 2021, within the target of KCC. The improvement is mainly a result of a comprehensive safety culture program referred to as 'Klaveness Always Safe and Secure' (KLASS)<sup>2</sup>.

The COVID-19 pandemic had significant impact in 2021 as in 2020. Priority number one through the COVID-19 pandemic has been to avoid crew from being infected. Due to extensive measures taken, KCC did not experience any infection cases onboard in 2021. The main COVID-19 related challenges were taking delivery of newbuilds in China and limited possibilities for crew changes during operation. Focus during the year was on repatriating crew at the end of their service period without delays.

At year-end 2021, 13% of KCC's crew was on extended contracts but non above 12 months. Crew mental health has been a focus area during the pandemic and the ship manager Klaveness Ship Management AS (KSM) has implemented several initiatives to support the crew in relation to their mental health.

In 2021, there were 31 vetting inspections of the CABU and CLEANBU combination carriers. Average number of high-risk observations³ per inspection for the Ship Inspection Report Programme (SIRE) vettings were 1.9, stable compared to 2021 and better than the target of 2. The fleet went through 33 Port State Controls in 2021 without any detentions. Average number of deficiencies per inspection was 0.7, a 42% improvement from 2020, but still slightly above the target of 0.5.

The piracy risk in the Persian Gulf/Gulf of Oman eased in 2021. The threat for merchant vessels is considered moderate by Den Norske Krigsforsikring for Skib (DNK). No approaches or boarding attempts were reported for KCC vessels in 2021.

By the end of 2021, KCC had nine employees located in Oslo and Singapore. The work environment is good. Women represented 33% of the workforce (2020: 33%) and absence due to sick leave was satisfactory, averaging 0.29 % for the Group in 2021 (0.08% in 2020)<sup>4</sup>. COVID-19 and consequent measures have also in 2021 put additional pressure on all employees and on-shore personnel worked from home office for substantial parts of the year.

KCC is dedicated to ensuring equal opportunities for all, irrespective of gender, gender identification, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, disability or social status (read more in the Code of Conduct available on www.combinationcarriers.com).



#### Sustainability

Decarbonization is the main task of our generation and a central pillar in the KCC strategy. KCC aims at being a shaper in the transition towards low carbon shipping through its fleet, being at the forefront of introducing new solutions, and by working in close cooperation with customers, suppliers, and other stakeholders.

The regulatory push for shipping decarbonization continued, most notably through the inclusion of shipping in the EU emission trading scheme as of 2023. Progress in the International Maritime Organization (IMO) remains slow, but 2021 produced consensus on the need to strengthen the initial greenhouse gas (GHG) strategy. KCC has been outspoken in support of a strategy that aligns shipping emissions with the 1.5C target in the Paris Agreement, and it is encouraging to see that the shipping industry now starts rallying behind the introduction of a meaningful carbon levy in the IMO. In 2021, the IMO also agreed to start rating vessels on energy efficiency as of 2023 and to require compliance with an energy efficiency index for existing ships.

KCC aims at having a carbon neutral operation within 2030 and to reach a zero-emission operation by 2050. In addition, KCC has short-term emission reduction ambitions for 2022, including a reduction of 15% in absolute emissions per vessel compared to actual 2018 and a 25% reduction in carbon intensity Energy Efficiency Operational Indictor (EEOI) compared to actual 2018. This would reach IMO's 2030 carbon intensity target in 2022. While KCC is well on track to meet its CO2 emission reduction target, the EEOI-target for 2022 will likely not be met for the entire fleet. Part of the fleet looks, however, likely to have an EEOI in line with or below this target in 2022.

In November 2021, KCC raised USD 25 million in equity to fund energy

efficiency initiatives on its existing fleet. Initiatives such as the Becker Mewis Ducts, Wartsila EnergoProFins and Shipshave ITCH have been tested and/or implemented on part of the fleet during 2021 and additional measures will be implemented over the next years.

KCC is committed to full transparency on its environmental strategy, targets, and performance. The Sustainability Report for 2021 is aligned with the Global Reporting Initiative Standards (GRI) Core option and the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD)<sup>5</sup>. In its first year of submitting to the CDP, KCC achieved a B score in the category "climate change".

KCC adheres to the Hong Kong Convention and the EU Ship Recycling Regulation. No ships were sold for recycling in 2021.



#### Financial results

#### **Financial results**

Profit for the year ended at USD 22.6 million for 2021, up from USD 15.2 million in 2020. The 2021 profit includes gain from sale of MV Banasol and repayment of equity from Den Norske Krigsforsikring, in total USD 7.8 million. Delivery of three newbuilds in the first half of 2021 was challenging during the pandemic with extra costs and delayed start of trading. Total COVID-19 effects are estimated to be approximately USD 6.3 million in lost earnings and higher than normal costs for 2021, of which approximately 45% of the impact related to delivery of the newbuilds.

Net revenues from operation of vessels increased by 27% from USD 91.1 million in 2020 to USD 115.9 million in 2021, mainly driven by a larger fleet. Average TCE earnings<sup>6</sup> of \$20,961/day for the fleet for 2021 ended in line with 2020, however the underlying markets were substantially different with a strong dry bulk market and weak tanker market in 2021 and the opposite in 2020.

CABU TCE earnings increased by almost \$1,700/day in 2021 and ended at \$21,571/day in 2021, a multiple of 3.4 to standard spot earnings for MR tankers in 2021 as reported by brokers<sup>7</sup>. The main drivers were a strong dry bulk market and a high contract coverage for caustic soda shipments.

Average TCE earnings for the CLEANBU fleet for 2021 ended at \$20,195/ day for the year, a multiple of 1.9 to standard spot earnings for standard LR1-tankers<sup>8</sup> in 2020 as reported by brokers. Earnings ended approximately \$3,650/day lower than in 2020 due to fixing of three vessels on tanker time charters at the market peak in second quarter of 2020.

Operating expenses increased from USD 37.2 million in 2020 to USD 49.2 million in 2021 mainly due to a larger fleet. COVID-19 impacts on operating expenses (crew costs, deviations, forwarding cost for spare parts and supplies) for 2021 was in line with 2020.

Administrative costs for 2021 of USD 7.2 million was up by 22% compared to 2020 (USD 5.6 million) mainly due to higher activity and project team costs being accounted for over profit and loss and not capitalized on vessels as in 2020.

Based on solid earnings for the fleet, 2021 turned out to be a strong year for the Group with an Operating profit before depreciations (EBITDA) of USD 67.1 million (2020: USD 48.1 million). The increase is mainly driven by a larger CLEANBU fleet representing an increase of 3.4 vessel-years compared to 2020 and gain from sale of the CABU vessel, MV Banasol.

Depreciation increased from USD 19.2 million in 2020 to USD 28.7 million in 2021 and net financial result in 2021 ended at negative USD 15.8 million compared to negative USD 13.8 million in 2020, both mainly driven by a larger fleet.

#### Financial position

At year-end 2021, the consolidated book equity was USD 254.4 million (2020: USD 216.5 million), corresponding to a book equity ratio of 40%

(2020: 39%). Total interest-bearing debt ended at USD 354.5 million at the end of 2021, up from USD 309.9 million at year-end 2020. Cash and cash equivalents ended at USD 53.9 million against USD 65.7 million as of 31 December 2020 and total assets were up from USD 549.0 million to USD 629.9 million. Delivery of the three last CLEANBUs in 2021 impacts the equity ratio, interest-bearing debt, total assets and cash development.

#### ash flow

Net cash flow from operating activities was USD 45.8 million in 2021 (2020: USD 39.5 million) due to positive EBITDA offset by negative changes in working capital and non-cash effect gain on sale of vessels. Net cash flow from investments was negative USD 105.5 million (2020: negative 92.9 million) due to dry dock costs for four CABU vessels and yard installments and other costs related to the newbuilding program partly off-set by cash proceeds from sale of vessels. The cash flow from financing activities was positive USD 46.3 million (2020: USD 63.8 million) whereof proceeds from equity raise and mortgage debt exceed debt repayment, interests and paid out dividends.

#### Dividends

KCC paid USD 7.2 million (2020: USD 4.8 million) in dividends to shareholders in 2021, equal to USD 0.15 per share (2020: USD 0.10 per share).

#### Financing and going concern

KCC's capital commitments are fully funded, and the refinancing risk is limited over the next year as the first mortgage debt facility falls due in December 2023. During the year, the Group refinanced a bank facility into a senior secured sustainability linked term loan credit facility to finance the six newest CABU vessels. A 364-days overdraft facility was renewed in 2021.

The accounts are reported under the assumption of a going concern. The Board considers the financial position of the Group at year-end 2021 to be solid and the liquidity to be satisfactory. Current cash flow, existing and committed debt and liquidity position for the Group are considered sufficient to cover all commitments.

There have been no major transactions or events following the closing date that would have a negative impact on the evaluation of the financial position of Klaveness Combination Carriers.

#### Related parties' transactions

KCC purchases services related to business administration, ship management, project management and commercial operations from related parties in the Torvald Klaveness Group. All services are priced on arm's length basis and related party transactions and services have during 2021 been included as a recurring item in most of the Audit Committee meetings. The services are benchmarked on an annual basis and the benchmark is presented to the Board of Directors<sup>9</sup>. See note 19 to the Financial Statements for 2021 for more information on related party transactions.

#### The parent company

The result for the parent company, Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA, was a profit after tax of USD 2.8 million for 2021 (2020: profit USD 0.1 million). The profit is proposed transferred to other equity. The Board of Directors has proposed dividends of USD 5.2 million for Q4 2021 which has been booked as a provision in the accounts as per 31 December 2021.

#### Events after the balance sheet date

KCC has received the news of the Russian invasion of Ukraine with shock and sadness. KCC has no exposure to Russia or Belarus and has decided to not conduct any business with companies owned or controlled by Russian or Belarusian interests. Further, KCC has exempted all Russian ports, in addition to the war zone in the Black Sea.

On 17 February 2022, the Board of Directors declared to pay a cash dividend to the Company's shareholders of USD 5.2 million (USD 0.10 per share).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The vessels are on ship management to Klaveness Ship Management AS

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Please find more information on Safety Performance in the Sustainability Report for 2021

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> High risk observation is an internal definition of a significant legislative, safety or pollution risk

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> More employee information in **note 7** to the Financial Statements for 2021.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Read more in the Sustainability Report for 2021 published on <u>www.combinationcarriers.com</u>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Average TCE earnings is an alternative Performance Measure (APM); see reconciliation in published Q4 2021 report appendix 1 (page 26).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Average MR TCE earnings as reported by Clarksons. One month lag due to normal time of fixing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Average LR1 TCE earnings as reported by Clarksons. One month lag due to normal time of fixing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Detailed information of related party transactions described in **note 19** to the Financial Statements for 2021.



The objective of Klaveness Combination Carriers is to provide transportation for dry bulk, chemical and product tanker clients, as well as to develop new investment and acquisition opportunities that fit with the Group's existing business platform. The Group had a fleet of 16 vessels in operation at year-end 2021. KCC's registered business address is Drammensveien 260, 0283 Oslo, Norway.

The shares are listed on Oslo Stock Exchange with ticker KCC. The ten largest shareholders account for 87.2% of total shares, of which the largest shareholder is Rederiaksjeselskapet Torvald Klaveness with an ownership of 53.8%.

By year-end 2021, the CABU combination carrier fleet consisted of eight vessels. To optimize earnings in the strong dry bulk market one CABU vessel was reallocated from combination trades to/from Brazil to the dry bulk market and was employed in the MaruKlav Baumarine Panamax dry bulk pool from late August until the end of the year. The CABU service to/from Brazil was terminated from the end of 2021 mainly because of decreasing north bound dry bulk volumes over the last years.

Following the sale of MV Banasol and return of one vessel from the MaruKlav Baumarine Panamax dry bulk pool, all eight vessels will from April/May 2022 be employed in trades to/from Australia, where the CABU fleet over time has generated the highest earnings.

The share of days in main combination trades ended at 69% for 2021, down from 75% in 2020. The CABU's faced some scheduling challenges through the year with increasing port congestion in the Far East and negative effects of a tight CSS market. To maintain on-time service to the caustic soda customers. CLEANBU vessels lifted seven CSS cargoes in 2021. Consequently, CABU fleet capacity was reallocated to dry bulk trading, explaining a lower-than-normal share of days in combination

Four vessels were dry-docked in 2021 with in total 143 scheduled off-hire days. Unscheduled off-hire ended at 46 days, down from 77 days in 2020, mainly due to less COVID-19 related off-hire from quarantine.

The CABU wet capacity is to a high degree based on freight contracts with long-term COA relations. The caustic soda contract booking for 2022 is high with a contract coverage for first half of 2022 of 88% (71% fixed rate coverage), and 88% (58% fixed rate coverage) for second half.

Following the delivery of the eighth and last CLEANBU vessel in May 2021, the full CLEANBU fleet was in operation from the third quarter of 2021.

The primary focus for 2021 was to expand the customer base and employ the vessels in efficient combination trades. The number of trades, terminals, cargoes, and customers have increased through 2021 and in July 2021, KCC reached a milestone when signing a new contract of affreightment for its CLEANBU fleet with a major international charterer in the tanker market.

The share of days in main combination trades strengthened through the year and ended at an average of 66% for 2021, up from 59% in 2020. Off-hire was 105 days, whereof 85 days related to guarantee repairs for Barramundi and waiting related to a cancelled dry-dock.

The delivery and takeover of the CLEANBU vessels from the shipyard in China were impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic in 2021 as in 2020. It was not possible to get KCC's crew into China, hence Chinese crew were employed to sail the three delivered newbuilds to South Korea for crew change. Phase-in of the three CLEANBUs in first half of 2021 took in average 40 days from delivery from yard until start of trading.



#### Market developments and outlook

Earnings of KCC's combination carriers are driven by the Panamax dry bulk market, MR and LR1 product tanker markets and fuel markets.

Freight rates for global seaborne transportation is highly volatile and cyclical. The demand for global seaborne transportation depends on global economic growth, and in particular the development in the energy and commodities markets.

In 2021 the dry bulk market delivered strong earnings driven by solid demand growth and fleet inefficiencies, while product tanker earnings remained muted as oil consumption and production is still recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The 2022 outlook remains solid for both dry bulk and product tanker rates as demand growth is expected to outpace that of supply. However, the outlook remains uncertain. For example, disruptions of trade and commodities flows and impact on economic growth due to the Russian invasion of Ukraine, the COVID-19 pandemic, rising inflation and the global energy crunch can all have material impact on the demand for seaborne transportation.

#### Dry bulk market

Dry bulk freight rebounded strongly in 2021 and delivered the highest earnings since 2008 with an average P5TC10 of \$26,735/day. The global dry bulk demand growth accelerated from 2.1% in 2020 to 4.9% in 2021 according to Klaveness Research, while the nominal growth in the dry bulk fleet was 3.5% in 2021, down from 3.9% in 2020.

Despite volatility, dry bulk freight rates are expected to remain at elevated levels in 2022. The fleet is expected to grow by 2.1% in 2022 and fleet inefficiency, such as congestion, is expected to continue to reduce the availability of vessels. The order book to fleet ratio is low and overall speed reduction for the fleet is expected in the coming years due to introduction of new emissions IMO regulations from 2023. This will likely keep the fleet growth low for several years.

On the demand side the growth in demand for commodities are expected to remain resilient. High commodity prices will incentivize exporters to produce and to ship as much as possible in the seaborne market.

Specifically, the long-distance Brazilian iron ore trade is expected to grow while minor bulks will remain supported by a continued recovery in global industrial production and strong container rates leading to an influx of cargoes that normally would be containerized. Furthermore, the Bauxite trade is likely to grow driven by production expansion in Guinea.

For the coal and grains trade the ongoing invasion of Ukraine by Russia is expected to have significant impact. The EU will likely reduce Russian coal purchases while other regions will ramp up. The demand effect, although highly uncertain, is expected to be positive as the increase in average sailing distance will offset lower volumes.

The loss of grains exports from the Black Sea is expected to have negative effect on demand. The negative effect of lost volumes can only partly be offset by increased exports in other regions and increased sailing distances.

#### Product tanker market

2021 was an overall weak year for product tankers. The 2021 average TC5 TCE<sup>11</sup> ended at around \$6,200/day, down from \$19,400/day in 2020. Product tanker demand increased by 8%12 from 2020 to 2021 but is still well below 2019 and 2018 levels. Hence over-capacity in the product tanker market persisted. Product tanker earnings were as well negatively impacted by increased competition from crude tanker newbuilds lifting CPP cargos in response to the low rates for crude tankers and destocking

Consumption increased quarter-over-quarter during the year as travel restrictions in Europe and US were relaxed into the summer and autumn and oil consumption in 2021 is estimated to be around 97.5mn bbl/day, while the consumption increased to around 101.6mn bbl/day at the end of 202113

The outlook for the product tanker market remains strong with low fleet growth and solid demand growth.

On the demand side oil consumption has increased to just shy of pre-COVID levels and is expected to grow further during 2022. Oil production is expected to expand as the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC+) is expected to increase production quotas by 400,000 bbl/day per month until September 2022. Commercial crude oil and refined products inventories are at multi-year lows and further refinery dislocations will continue to drive ton-mile demand for product tankers.

When it comes to the ongoing Russian invasion of Ukraine it is still unknown what the market impact will be for product tankers. Initially arbitrage opportunities have emerged with elevated product prices in Europe causing freight rates to increase. It is highly uncertain if these can persist over time and if they can make up for lost Russian volumes.

Clarksons expects product tanker demand to grow 7% in 2022. On the supply side the product tanker orderbook is limited with book-to-fleet ratio at around 5% and an expected supply growth of 1% in 2022.

Oil prices increased by around 50% during 2021 from around USD 52/bbl to around USD 78/bbl. Strong demand growth during the year combined with lagging production and inventory drawdowns have left the oil markets in a tight supply/demand situation. Average VLSFO prices ended at around USD 520/mt in 2021 compared to USD340/mt 2020. Fuel prices have risen significantly year-to-date, reaching around USD 800m/mt by the middle of March.



#### Risk review and risk management

It is important for the Board of Directors that the right risk reward assessment is made and that internal control routines are good. Main risks related to KCC are discussed with the Audit Committee and the Board of Directors on a quarterly basis. Risks are identified and assessed based on a probability and impact matrix and mitigating actions are outlined for the main risks. Risks related to vessel technical operation and crew safety are assessed, monitored and handled by the ship manager, Klaveness Ship Management AS.

Below is a list of some of the principal risks identified that may affect business operations, reputation, financial condition, results of operations and, ultimately share price. A description of the risks can be found in note 16 to the Financial Statements for 2021. Please be reminded that the risk picture will change over time and based on events.

- · Introduction of new vessel concepts such as the CLEANBUs entails commercial and technical risks, including but not limited to building experience, trades and brand in the clean petroleum market and obtaining acceptance and/or exemptions from clients and terminals to operate in combination trades where the vessels trade consecutively with dry bulk and clean petroleum product (CPP) cargoes
- · Dependency on a limited number of customers and renewal of key/material contracts of affreightment for caustic soda
- · Volatile freight rates and unfavourable changes in trade flows and volumes, either structurally or due to events such as impact on market of the Russian invasion of Ukraine

In a longer-term perspective, the current assessment includes the following risks. A description of the risks can be found in note 16 to the Financial Statements for 2021 and in the climate-related risk chapter in the Sustainability Report for 2021:

- · Global economic growth and the impact on energy and commodity markets
- Impact of a low-carbon future with introduction of emission regulations, zero-emission vessels and lower demand for transportation of fossil fuels



#### Board development

The Board of Directors held ten meetings in 2021, whereof four related to quarterly reports only, with an attendance of 100% percent and the Audit Committee held six meetings. The Board of Directors consists of five members, whereof two women. Winifred Patricia Johansen joined, while Lori Wheeler Næss stepped down during 2021. The Company's Officers and Directors are covered by Rederiaksjeselskapet Torvald Klaveness' Commercial Management Liability Insurance with AXA.

The Board of Directors has an annual plan. It includes recurring topics such as strategy review, business planning, risk and compliance oversight, financial reporting as well as reporting on Health, Safety and Environment. High on the Board's agenda in 2021 was the delivery and phase-in of CLEANBU vessels, optimizing the CABU business by selling a vessel and focusing trading to Brazil, and pursuing investments in energy efficiency measures to meeting KCC's ambitious emissions reduction

This report contains certain forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. The forward-looking statements reflect current views about future events and are, by their nature, subject to significant risks and uncertainties because they relate to events and depend on circumstances that will occur in the future. There are a number of factors that could cause actual results and developments to differ materially from those expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forwardlooking statements are reasonable, we cannot assure you that our future results, level of activity, performance or achievements will meet these expectations. Moreover, neither we nor any other person assumes responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of the forward-looking statements. Unless we are required by law to update these statements, we will not necessarily update any of these statements after the date of this report, either to make them conform to actual results or changes in our expectations. You should therefore not place undue reliance on forward looking statements.

Oslo, 31 December 2021 Oslo, 28 March 2022

Lasse Kristoffersen **Engebret Dahm** Winifred Patricia Johansen Chair of the Board CEO Board member Magne Øvreås Rebekka Glasser Herlofsen Morten Skedsmo Board member Board member Board member

10 Kamsarmax Soure: Baltic Exchange

11 LR1 Middle East to Japan as reported by Baltic Exchange

12 Source: Clarksons Shipping Intelligence Network 13 Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration Short-Term Energy Outlook March 2022

# ➤ Corporate Governance Report

to protect and enhance shareholder values through openness, integrity and equal shareholder treatment, and sound corporate governance is a key element in KCC.

The corporate governance principles of the Company are adopted by the Board of Directors of Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA (the Board). The principles are based on the Norwegian Code of Practice for Corporate Governance, dated 14 October 2021 (the «Code of Practice»). The below description follows the same structure as the Code of Practice and covers all sections thereof.

The corporate governance report follows the "comply and explain" principles. Where KCC does not fully comply with the Code of Practice, an explanation of the reason for the deviation and what solution the Company has selected has been included.

#### Deviations from the Norwegian code of practice for corporate governance

In the Board of Directors' assessment, KCC has two minor deviations from the Code of Practice:

#### Section 3, Equity and dividends

KCC has one deviation from this section:

"The background to any proposal for the Board of Directors to be given a mandate to approve the distribution of dividends should be explained": The background for the authorisation to the Board of Directors to approve distribution of dividends was not explained in the AGM<sup>1</sup> in 2021, the reason being that the Company has an established and disclosed dividend policy as basis for the Board of Directors' dividend assessment.

#### **Section 6, General meetings**

KCC has one deviation from this section:

"Ensure that the members of the Board of Directors ... attend the General Meeting": All Board members have historically not been present at the General Meetings. Matters under consideration at the General Meeting of Shareholders have not previously required this. The Chair of the Board of Directors is always present at the meeting. Other board members participate as needed. The Board of Directors considers this to be adequate.

#### 1. Implementation and reporting on Corporate Governance

The Board of Directors ensures that appropriate goals and strategies are adopted, that the adopted strategies are implemented in practice, and that the results achieved are subject to measurement and follow-up. The principles also contribute to ensure that the activities of the Company are subject to adequate controls. An appropriate distribution of roles and adequate controls contribute to the largest possible value creation over time, for the benefit of the shareholders and other stakeholders.

The Company maintains a high ethical standard in its business concept and relations with customers, suppliers, employees and other stakeholders. Klaveness Code of Conduct (published on www.combinationcarriers.com) applies to the Company and all services provided to the Company under service or management agreements between the Company or any of its subsidiaries and Torvald Klaveness companies.

No deviations from the Code of Practice.

#### 2. Business

According to the Company's articles of association, its purpose is to invest in- and operate wet- and dry bulk combination carriers and everything associated with such, including by participating in other companies that own or operate wet- and dry bulk combination carriers.

Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA ("KCC" or the "Company") strives

The principal objectives and strategies of the Company are presented in the Annual Report, and on the Company's web site and are subject to annual assessments. Sustainability in general and more specifically decarbonization of KCC's activities are highly integrated in the Company's strategy and a focus area in everything from daily operations to Board decisions.

No deviations from the Code of Practice.

#### 3. Equity and dividends

Given the cyclical nature of the shipping industry and to accommodate the business strategy, the Company needs to maintain a solid capital structure at levels which will give sufficient assurance to the debt and equity providers that the Company is solid and sustainable. The Board regularly reviews and monitors the Company's capital structure to ensure it is in line with the Company's objective, strategy, and risk profile. The Company has prepared a statement of its Finance Policy, providing details of the Company's handling of financial risks, hedging, funding policies, etc. A summary of the Finance Policy can be found on www.combinationcarriers.com.

The book equity of the Klaveness Combination Carriers Group as per 31 December 2021 was USD 254.4 million, which represents an equity ratio of 40%. Cash and cash equivalents were USD 53.9 million per year-end 2021 and the Group has in addition USD 30 million in available longterm undrawn bank debt and USD 17.6 million available capacity under a 364-days overdraft facility. The debt sources are diversified (mortgage bank debt and bond issue) and have a well distributed maturity profile. The Board believes the capital structure is appropriate based on its objectives, strategies, and risk profile.

The Board has established a clear dividend policy based on a targeted quarterly dividend distribution. Although there can be no assurance of any such distribution being made, the Company currently intends to distribute a minimum 80% of free cash flow generation to equity after debt service and maintenance cost as dividends to its shareholders, provided that all known, future capital and debt commitments are accounted for, and the Company's financial standing remains acceptable. The Company further intends for any new material investments to be subject to separate funding through equity, debt or otherwise.

At the Annual General Meeting (AGM) in April 2021, the Board was granted an authorization to resolve distribution of dividends. The authorization is valid until the Annual General Meeting in 2022, however no longer than 30 June 2022. Dividends of USD 15 cents per share, in total USD 7.2 million, were approved and distributed to shareholders in 2021.

The Board's authorisations to increase the share capital and to buy own shares shall normally not be granted for periods longer than until the next Annual General Meeting of the Company.

At the AGM in 2021, the Board was granted an authorisation to acquire own shares, with a total nominal value of up to NOK 4,820,700, which equalled 10% of the share capital at the date of the AGM and equals 9% of the current share capital. The authorisation can be used for investment purposes, to realise the shares, use the shares as consideration in connection with acquisitions, mergers, demergers or other transactions or in connection with incentive programs, or to cancel the shares and consequently decrease the Company's share capital. The authorisation is valid until the AGM in 2022 but will last no longer than 30 June 2022. No shares have been repurchased during 2021.

Furthermore, at the AGM in 2021, the Board was granted an authorisation to increase the share capital by up to NOK 20,000,000. The authorisation may only be used to raise additional capital for future investments or for general corporate purposes, or to issue shares in connection with acquisitions, mergers, demergers or other transactions. The authorisation is valid until the AGM in 2022, but no longer than 30 June 2022. The Company in November 2021 issued 4,345,000 shares in a private placement, each with a nominal value of NOK 1.

Deviations from the Code of Practice: See "Deviations from the Norwegian code of practice for corporate governance" section on the first page of this report.

#### 4. Equal treatment of shareholders

The shares of KCC are listed on Oslo Børs (on Euronext Expand until 21 December 2021). All issued shares carry equal shareholder rights in all respects, including the right to participate and vote in general meetings, and there are no restrictions on transfer of shares. The articles of association place no restrictions on voting rights.

In an Extraordinary General Meeting held on 24 September 2018, the Company issued 229,088 non-transferable warrants, each of which entitle the holder to subscribe one new share of the Company at a subscription price of NOK 44.38 per share. More information about the warrants is provided in note 18 in Annual Report 2021.

No deviations from the Code of Practice.

#### 5. Shares and negotiability

KCC's shares are freely tradable and there are no restrictions on the sale and purchase of the Company's shares beyond those pursuant to Norwegian law.

Each share carries one vote.

No deviations from the Code of Practice.

#### 6. General meetings

The Annual General Meeting will normally be held before 30 April every year. Notice of the meeting shall be sent to the shareholders no later than 21 days prior to the meeting.

The notices for such meetings shall include documents providing the shareholders with sufficient detail in order for the shareholders to make an assessment of all the cases to be considered as well as all relevant information regarding procedures of attendance and voting.

 $Notices for General\,Meetings\,shall\,provide\,information\,on\,the\,procedures$ shareholders must observe in order to participate in and vote at the General Meeting. The notice should also set out: (i) the procedure for representation at the meeting through a proxy, including a form to appoint a proxy, and (ii) the right for shareholders to propose resolutions in respect of matters to be dealt with by the General Meeting.

The cut-off for confirmation of attendance shall be set as short as practically possible and the Board will arrange matters so that shareholders who are unable to attend in person, will be able to vote by proxy. The form of proxy will be distributed with the notice.

The Chair of the Board and the CEO are present at the meeting, and the Chair of the Nomination Committee and the auditor are normally present as well. An independent person has historically been elected to chair the Annual General Meeting.

Deviations from the Code of Practice: See "Deviations from the Norwegian code of practice for corporate governance" section on the first page of this report.

#### 7. Nomination Committee

According to the articles of association the Company shall have a Nomination Committee which is elected by the General Meeting. The Nomination Committee has the responsibility of proposing members to the Board of Directors and members of the Nomination Committee. The Nomination Committee also proposes fee payable to the members of the Board and the members of the Nomination Committee.

The members of the Nomination Committee are selected to take into account the interests of shareholders in general. The current three members of the Nomination Committee are considered independent of the Board and the executive management team. Members of the Board of Directors and the executive management team are not members of the Nomination Committee. Instructions for the Nomination Committee is approved by the Company's General Meeting.

The members of the Nomination Committee's period of service is two years unless the Annual General Meeting decides otherwise. The Nomination Committee is to maintain contact with shareholder groups, members of the Board of Directors and the Company's executive personnel in its works with proposing members to the Board of Directors. The Annual General Meeting held on 26 April 2021 elected the current Nomination committee consisting of Trond Harald Klaveness (elected for a period of one year), Espen Galtung Døsvig (elected for a period of two years) and Anne Lise Gryte (elected for a period of two years), hence one member is up for election in the AGM in April 2022.

No deviations from the Code of Practice.

#### 8. The Board of Directors: Composition and independence

In appointing members to the Board, it is emphasised that the Board shall have the requisite competency to independently evaluate the cases presented by the executive management team as well as the Company's operation. It is also considered important that the Board can function well as a body of colleagues and that they meet the Company's need for expertise and diversity.

The Directors are elected for a period of two years, with the possibility of re-election. Board Members are encouraged to own shares in the Company.

The Board currently consists of five Board Members. The Board Members work together to exercise proper supervision of the Company's business, compliance, performance, and work done by the Company's management. The Chair of the Board is elected by the shareholders.

Two out of five of the Board Members are independent of the Company's main shareholders and the majority of the Board Members are independent of the Company's material business contacts and executive management. The Company's executive management is not represented

The Board consists of the following members: Lasse Kristoffersen (Chair), Magne Øvreås, Winifred Patricia Johansen (independent), Rebekka Glasser Herlofsen (independent) and Morten Skedsmo. An introduction to the members of the Board of Directors and their expertise can be found on www.combinationcarriers.com.

No deviations from the Code of Practice.

#### 9. The work of the Board of Directors

Instructions have been issued for the Board of Directors, the Audit Committee, and the CEO.

The Board prepares an annual plan for its work with special emphasis on goals, strategy and implementation. The Board's primary responsibility is to (i) participate in the development and approval of the Company's strategy, (ii) perform necessary monitoring functions and (iii) act as an advisory body for the executive management team. Its duties are not static, and the focus will depend on the Company's ongoing needs. The Board is also responsible for ensuring that the operation of the Company compliant with the Company's values and ethical guidelines. The Board shall ensure that the Company has a competent management with clear internal distribution of responsibilities and duties. The Board is regularly briefed on the Company's financial situation. The Board performs evaluation of its work after every Board meeting. For information on how related party transactions are handled, see the Board of Directors Report and note 19 in Annual Report 2021.

The Board has established an Audit Committee consisting of Rebekka Glasser Herlofsen (Chair) and Magne Øvreås. The function of the Audit Committee is to prepare matters to be considered by the Board and to support the Board in the exercise of its management and supervisory responsibilities relating to financial reporting, statutory audit and internal control. The Audit Committee has prepared an annual plan of topics to be covered including internal audit procedures. The Company's CFO is the secretary of the Committee. The auditor participates in discussions of relevant agenda items in meetings of the Audit Committee and the Committee holds separate meetings with the auditor several times each year.

No deviations from the Code of Practice.

#### 10. Risk management and internal control

The Board shall ensure that the Company has sound internal control and systems for risk management that are appropriate in relation to the extent and nature of the Company's activities. The internal control and the systems shall also encompass the Company's corporate values and ethical guidelines. The objective of the risk management and internal control is to manage exposure to risks to ensure successful conduct of the Company's business and to support the quality of its financial reporting.

Governing documents, code of conduct, policies, guidelines, processes, and procedures are documented and available to the Company's employees and to employees of the main service providers, and shall ensure:

- that the Company facilitates targeted and effective operational arrangements and makes it possible to manage commercial risk, operational risk, climate related risks, the risk of breaching applicable legislation and regulations as well as all other forms of risk that may be material for achieving the Company's commercial objectives
- the quality of internal and external reporting
- that the Company operates in accordance with the relevant legislation and regulations as well as with its internal guidelines for its activities, including the Company's ethical guidelines and corporate values

The Board on a quarterly basis reviews the Company's most important areas of exposure to risk. Internal control and risk exposure are regularly tested and evaluated by the Audit Committee. Some of the main risks are presented in the Board of Directors report and note 16 in Annual Report 2021.

KCC encourages whistleblowing regarding blameworthy activities or circumstances within its business. The whistleblower shall be protected against retaliation because of such whistleblowing. The Chief Compliance Officer in Torvald Klaveness is the contact person for whistleblowing for KCC and whistleblowing may be done anonymously. The Chief Compliance Officer notifies the Audit Committee about notifications related to KCC.

No deviations from the Code of Practice.

## 11. Remuneration of the Board of Directors

Remuneration of Directors is determined by the Annual General Meeting. The fee reflects the responsibilities of the board, its expertise, the amount of time devoted to board-related work, and the complexity of the Company's businesses. To maintain the Board's independence, the Board's remuneration is not linked to the Company's performance, nor does the Company grant share options, similar instruments or retirement benefits to board members as consideration for their work.

In connection with the sales process of MV Banasol in second half of 2021, Board Member Morten Skedsmo contributed in the work to find a buyer. Compensation for the work was paid to Klaveness AS (a related party of the Company), Mr. Skedsmo's employer. For more information, see note 7 and note 19 in Annual Report 2021. None of the other Directors have performed assignments for the Company in addition to their appointment as member of the Board of Directors.

More information about the remuneration of the individual directors is provided in note 7 in Annual Report 2021.

No deviations from the Code of Practice.

## 12. Salary and other remuneration for executive personnel

The Board determines the salary and other compensation to the CEO. The CEO's salary, options granted and bonus shall be determined on the basis of an evaluation with emphasis on the following factors: Progress towards and achievement of strategic business goals; Overall profitability of the Company; Development of the Company's shares; and adherence to the Company's main values. Any fringe benefits shall be in line with market practice and should not be substantial in relation to the CEO's basic salary. The CEO determines the remuneration of executive employees. The remuneration is based on a base salary, bonus and share

options. The Board of Directors' guidelines and the report regarding compensation to key management executives is on the agenda of the Annual General Meeting in April 2022.

For information about remuneration of executive personnel see note 7 in Annual Report 2021 and the Remuneration Guidelines approved by the Annual General Meeting in 2021 are available one the Company's website.

No deviations from the Code of Practice.

#### 13. Information and communication

The Company has developed Investor Relations Guidelines and the Company aims to keep analysts, investors and other stakeholders continuously updated on the Company's operations and performance. The Company provides information to the market through quarterly and annual reports; investor- and analyst presentations open to the media and by making operational and financial information available on the Company's website. Information of importance is made available to the stock market through notification to the Oslo Stock Exchange in accordance with the Stock Exchange regulations. Information is provided in English. All stock exchange announcements and press releases, including the financial calendar, are made available on the Company's website.

No deviations from the Code of Practice.

#### 14. Take-overs

The Company has established key principles for how to act in the event of a take-over. In the event of a take-over process, the Board has a duty to ensure that the Company's shareholders are treated equally and that the Company's activities are not unnecessarily interrupted. The Board will also ensure that the shareholders have sufficient information and time to assess the offer.

In the event of a take-over bid, the Board will, in addition to complying with relevant legislation and regulations, seek to comply with the recommendations in the Norwegian Code of Practice for Corporate Governance.

No deviations from the Code of Practice.

#### 15. Auditor

The auditor participates in most Audit Committee meetings. Annually, the auditor submits an audit workplan to the Audit Committee.

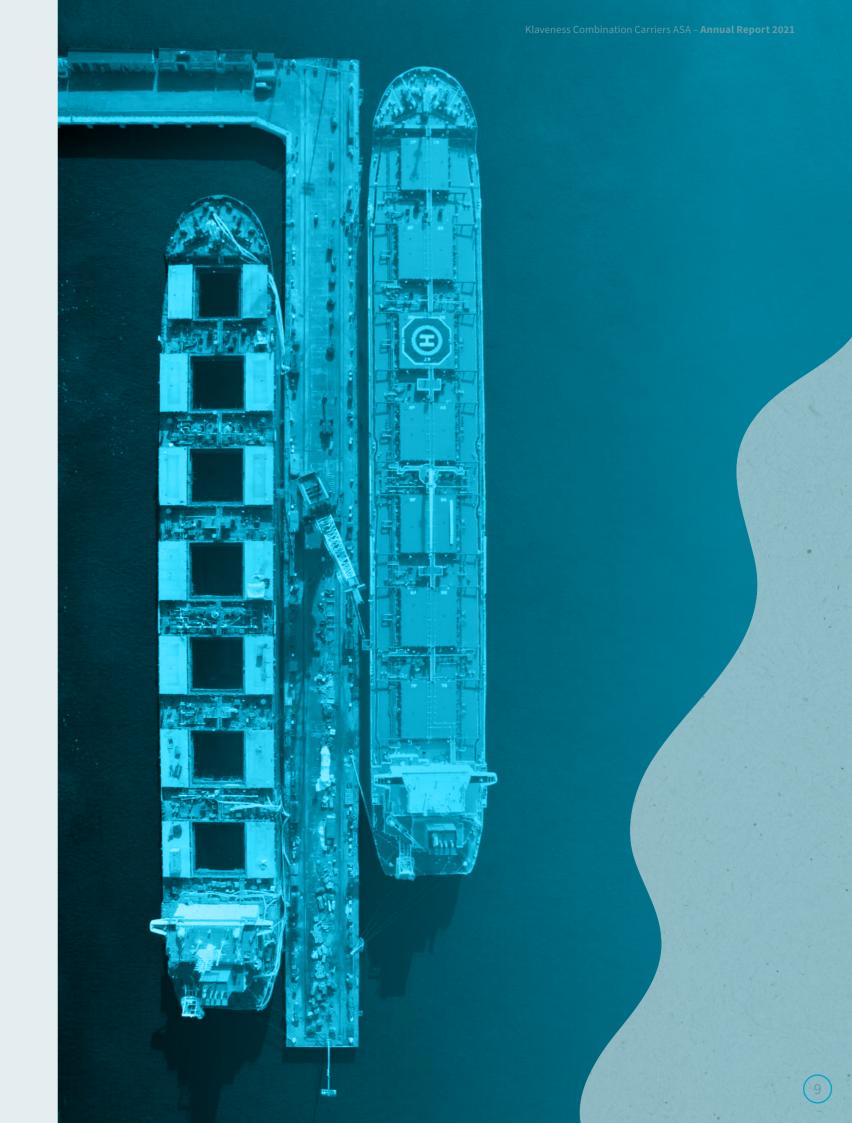
The auditor is present at Board meetings where the annual accounts are on the agenda. The auditor will assess any important accounting estimates and matters of importance on which there has been disagreement between the auditor and the Company's executive management and/or the Audit Committee. The auditor shall present to the Board or the Audit Committee a review of the Company's internal control procedures, including identified weaknesses and proposals for improvement. Further, the Board normally holds a meeting with the auditor at least once a year at which no representative of the executive management is present.

The auditor is required to annually confirm his or her independence in writing to the Audit Committee.

There were no disagreements between management or the Audit Committee and the auditor, EY, during 2021. For the financial year 2021, Johan Lid Nordby was the Company's engagement partner from EY.

The auditor's fee is approved by the Annual General Meeting. Auditor's fees are disclosed in note 6 in Annual Report 2021.

No deviations from the Code of Practice.



# > Consolidated Financial Statements

## Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA – Consolidated Group

#### **▶** INCOME STATEMENT

		Teal e	nded 31 Decembe
(USD ·000)	Notes	2021	2020
Freight revenue	3	155 564	142 289
Charter hire revenue	3	41 909	20 442
Other revenue	3	482	
Total revenues, vessels	3	197 955	162 731
Voyage expenses	4	(82 087)	(71 592)
Net revenues from operations of vessels		115 868	91 139
Gain on sale of vessels	3, 9	6 3 6 0	
Otherincome	3	1 422	
Operating expenses, vessels	5	(49 212)	(37 193)
Group commercial and administrative services	19	(3 709)	(3 538)
Salaries and social expense	7	(2 374)	(1 327)
Tonnage tax	21	(221)	(180)
Other operating and administrative expenses	6, 7	(1 069)	(776)
Operating profit before depreciation (EBITDA)		67 064	48 125
Depreciation	9	(28 666)	(19 155)
Operating profit after depreciation (EBIT)		38 398	28 971
Finance income	8	74	529
Finance costs	8	(15 866)	(14 317)
Profit before tax (EBT)		22 606	15 182
Income tax expenses	22	(7)	
Profit after tax		22 600	15 182
Attributable to:			
Equity holders of the parent company		22 600	15 182
Total		22 600	15 182
Attributable to:			
Basic earnings per share		0.46	0.32
Diluted earnings per share		0.46	0.32

## Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA – Consolidated Group

#### > STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Yeare	ended 31 Decembe	
(USD '000)	Notes	2021	2020
Profit/ (loss) of the period		22 600	15 182
Other comprehensive income to be reclassified to profit or loss			
Net movement fair value on cross-currency interest rate swaps (CCIRS)	13	(404)	1 253
Reclassification to profit and loss (CCIRS)		2 773	(3 715)
Net movement fair value on interest rate swaps	13	4 500	(2 491)
Net movement fair value bunker hedge	13	(69)	87
Net movement fair value FFA hedge	13	(7 730)	(1814)
Net changes on cost of hedging FFA hedge	13	(714)	-
Net other comprehensive income to be reclassified to profit or loss		(1 644)	(6 679)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period, net of tax		20 955	8 503
Attributable to:			
Equity holders of the parent company		20 955	8 503
Total		20 955	8 503

## Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA – Consolidated Group

#### > STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Assets (USD '000)	Notes	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Non-current assets			
Vessels	9	536 864	404 258
Newbuilding contracts	10	-	48 441
Right-of-use assets	11	1 553	1 672
Long-term receivables	7	70	70
Long-term financial assets	13	4 048	3 427
Total non-current assets		542 535	457 868
Current assets			
Short-term financial assets	13	678	87
Inventories	12	12 279	6 159
Trade receivables and other current assets	14	18 484	18 501
Short-term receivables from related parties	19	2 018	742
Cash and cash equivalents	15	53 937	65 685
Total current assets		87 396	91 174
Total assets		629 931	549 043

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## Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA – Consolidated Group

#### > STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Equity and liabilities (USD '000)	Notes	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Equity			
Share capital	18	6 2 3 5	5 725
Share premium		153 732	130 155
Other reserves		(8 154)	(6 511)
Retained earnings	17	102 605	87 162
Total equity		254 417	216 532
Non-current liabilities			
Mortgage debt	13	249 993	206 813
Long-term financial liabilities	13	2 017	5 409
Long-term lease liabilities		1 008	1 239
Bond loan	13	78 205	80 649
Total non-current liabilities		331 223	294 109
Current liabilities			
Short-term mortgage debt	13	23 936	22 473
Interest bearing liabilities	13	2 409	-
Short-term financial liabilities	13	-	757
Short-term lease liabilities		618	493
Trade and other payables		16 199	13 165
Short-term debt to related parties	19	895	1 339
Tax liabilities	21	233	175
Total current liabilities		44 291	38 401
Total equity and liabilities		629 931	549 043

	Oslo, 31 December 2021 Oslo, 28 March 2022	
Lasse Kristoffersen	Engebret Dahm	Winifred Patricia Johansen
Chair of the Board	CEO	Board member
Magne Øvreås	Rebekka Glasser Herlofsen	Morten Skedsmo
Board member	Board member	Board member



## Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA – Consolidated Group

#### > STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

#### Attributable to equity holders of the parent

2021 (USD '000)		Other paid in capital	Treasury shares	Hedging reserve	Cost of hedging reserve	Retained earnings	Total
Equity 1 January 2021	5 725	130 155	(147)	(6 363)	-	87 162	216 532
Profit (loss) for the period	-	-	-	-	-	22 600	22 600
Other comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	(931)	(714)	-	(1644)
Share option program	-	-	-	-	-	47	47
Dividends	-	-	-	-	_	(7 204)	(7 204)
Capital increase (November 4, 2021)	510	23 576	-	-	-	-	24 086
Equity at 31 December 2021	6 2 3 5	153 732	(147)	(7 294)	(714)	102 605	254 417

2020 (USD '000)	Share capital	Other paid in capital	Treasury shares	Hedging reserve	Cost of hedging reserve	Retained earnings	Total
		100.155		246		76.744	
Equity 1 January 2020	5 125	130 155	-	316	-	76 744	212 941
Profit (loss) for the period	-	-	-	-	-	15 182	15 182
Other comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	(6 679)	-	-	(6 679)
Purchase of own shares	-	-	(147)	-	-	-	(147)
Share option program	-	-	-	-	-	39	39
Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	(4 803)	(4 803)
Equity at 31 December 2020	5 725	130 155	(147)	(6 363)	-	87 162	216 532

## Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA – Consolidated Group

#### > CASH FLOW STATEMENT

		ica	ended 31 Decembe
(USD '000)	Notes	2021	2020
Profit before tax		22 606	15 182
Tonnage tax expensed		221	180
Depreciation	9	28 666	19 155
Amortization of upfront fees bank loans		882	693
Financial derivatives unrealised loss / gain (-)	8	82	(342)
Gain on sale of vessel	9	(6 360)	-
Gain /loss on foreign exchange	8	726	(4)
Interest income	8	(74)	(271)
Interest expenses	8	14 175	11 884
Change in current assets		(8 797)	(3 797)
Change in current liabilities		2 038	(3 438)
Collateral paid/refunded on FFA (variation margin)		(8 390)	-
Interest received		74	271
A: Net cash flow from operating activities		45 850	39 513
Acquisition of other tangible assets	9	(13 783)	(4 271)
Installments and other cost on newbuilding contracts*	10	(105 322)	(88 634)
Cash proceeds from sale of vessels	6	13 800	(00 034)
Transaction costs related to sale of vessels	· ·	(212)	
B: Net cash flow from investment activities		(105 517)	(92 905)
b. Net cash flow from investment activities		(103 311)	(32 303)
Proceeds from mortgage debt	13	169 000	60 450
Proceeds from bond loan (KCC04)	13	-	76 390
Buyback of bond loan (KCC03)	13	-	(33 861)
Transaction costs on issuance of loans	13	(1 944)	(1 914)
Repayment of mortgage debt	13	(123 041)	(17 367)
Terminated financial instruments	13,8	-	(3 101)
Interest paid	8	(13 970)	(11 276)
Repayment of lease liabilities	11	(582)	(454)
Interest paid leasing	8	(103)	(94)
Purchase of own shares		-	(147)
Paid in registered capital increase	18	24 977	-
Transaction costs on capital increase		(878)	-
Dividends	18	(7 204)	(4 802)
C: Net cash flow from financing activities		46 254	63 822
Net change in liquidity in the period (A+B+C)		(13 414)	10 431
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash		(742)	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		65 685	55 254
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period		51 529	65 685
Net change in cash and cash equivalents in the period		(13 414)	10 431
Cash and cash equivalents		53 937	65 685
Other interest bearing liabilities (overdraft facility)**		2 409	-
Cash and cash equivalents (as presented in cash flow staten	nent)	51 529	65 685

<sup>\*</sup>Related to delivery of newbuildings MV Baiacu, MV Bass and MV Balzani in 2021.

\*\*Cash and cash equivalents include overdraft facility of USD 2.4 million presented as other interest bearing liabilities in the balance sheet.

## Notes

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## > 01 Accounting policies

#### ➤ Corporate information

These consolidated financial statements of Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as "The Group") for the period ended 31 December 2021 were authorized by the Board of Directors on March 28, 2022. Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA ("The Company"/"The Parent Company") is a private limited company domiciled and incorporated in Norway.

The Parent Company has headquarters and is registered in Drammensveien 260, 0283 Oslo. The share is listed on Oslo Stock Exchange (transferred from Euronext Expand as per 21 December 2021) with ticker KCC. The Parent Company was established on 23 March, 2018, as a 100 % subsidiary of Klaveness Ship Holding AS.

The objective of the Group is to provide transportation for drybulk, chemical and petroleum product clients, as well as to develop new investment and acquisition opportunities that fit the Group's business platform (see note 2 for more information).

The ultimate parent of the Company is Rederiaksjeselskapet Torvald Klaveness. The consolidated financial statement for the ultimate parent is available at www.klaveness.com.

#### Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as endorsed by the European Union.

The Group's consolidated financial statements comprise Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA (KCC) and all subsidiaries over which the Group has control. Control is normally obtained when the Group owns more than 50 % of the shares in the company or through agreements are capable of exercising control over the company. Non-controlling interests are included in the Group's equity.

Subsidiaries are consolidated from the date of acquisition, being the date on which the Group obtains control, and consolidation is continued until the date when such control ceases. The financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared for the same accounting period as the Parent Company, using consistent accounting principles for similar transactions and events under otherwise similar circumstances.

All intra-group balances, transactions, unrealized gains and losses resulting from intra-group transactions and dividends are eliminated.

The consolidated financial statements are based on historical cost, except for derivative financial instruments which are measured at fair value. The consolidated financial statements are prepared under the going concern assumption.

#### > ESEF/iXBRL reporting

The Company is required to prepare and file the annual report in the European Single Electronic Format (ESEF), and the Annual Report for 2021 is therefore prepared in the XHTML format that can be displayed in a standard browser. The primary statements in the consolidated financial statements are tagged using inline eXtensible Business Reporting Language (iXBRL). The iXBRL tags comply with the ESEF taxonomy, which is included in the ESEF Regulation and developed based on the IFRS taxonomy published by the IFRS Foundation. Where a financial statement line item is not defined in the ESEF taxonomy, an extension to the taxonomy has been created. Extensions are anchored to elements in the ESEF taxonomy, except for extensions which are subtotals.

The Annual Report submitted to the Norwegian Financial Supervisory Authority consists of the XHTML document together with certain technical files.

## Significant accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions

Preparing financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the management to make judgments, use of estimates and assumptions which affect the application of the accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, revenues and expenses.

Management has made estimates and assumptions which have significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements. In general, accounting estimates are considered significant if:

- the estimates require assumptions about matters that are highly uncertain at the time the estimates are made
- different estimates could have been used
- changes in the estimates have a material impact on Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA financial position

The areas in which The Company is particularly exposed to material uncertainty over the carrying amounts as at the end of 2021 are included within the individual notes outlined below:

 ${\bf Note}\, {\bf 9} - {\bf Useful}\, life, residual\, value, cash-generating\, units\, and\, impairment\, testing\,$ 

#### Functional and presentation currency

The presentation currency for the Group is US Dollar (USD). The Group companies, including the Parent Company, have USD as their functional currency. Each entity in the Group determines its own functional currency and items included in the financial statements of each entity are measured using that functional currency.

## > Foreign currency transactions

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded in the functional currency rate at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities in foreign currency are translated at the functional currency rate prevailing at the balance sheet date. Exchange differences arising from translations into functional currency are recorded in the income statement.

Non-monetary assets and liabilities measured at historical cost in foreign currency are translated into the functional currency using the historical exchange rate. Non-monetary assets and liabilities recognised at fair value are translated using the exchange rate on the date of the determination of the fair value.

Income and expenses in NOK are converted at the rate of exchange on the transaction date. The average exchange rate was 8.5973 USD/NOK in 2021 (2020: 9.4264). At 31 December 2021 an exchange rate of USD/NOK 8.8363 (2020: 8.5375) was used for the valuation of balance sheet items.

#### > Financial assets

#### Initial recognition and measurement

At initial recognition, financial assets are classified, in the following categories: at amortised cost, fair value through other comprehensive income (OCI), and fair value through profit or loss.

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. Except for those trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component and are measured at the transaction price in accordance with IFRS 15, all financial assets

In order for a financial asset to be classified and measured at amortised cost or fair value through OCI, it needs to give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

#### Subsequent measurement

For purposes of subsequent measurement, financial assets are classified in two categories:

- Financial assets at amortised cost (debt instruments)
- Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

#### Financial assets at amortised cost

This category is the most relevant to the Group. The Group measures financial assets at amortised cost if both of the following conditions are met:

- The financial asset is held within a business model with the objective to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows
- The contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

Financial assets at amortised cost are subsequently measured using the effective interest method and are subject to impairment. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the asset is derecognised, modified or impaired.

The Group's financial assets at amortised cost include trade receivables and loan to related parties.

#### Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss include financial assets held for trading, financial assets designated upon initial recognition at fair value through profit or loss, or financial assets mandatorily required to be measured at fair value. Financial assets are classified as held for trading if they are acquired for the purpose of selling or repurchasing in the near term. Derivatives, including separated embedded derivatives, are also classified as held for trading unless they are designated as effective hedging instruments. Financial assets with cash flows that are not solely payments of principal and interest are classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss, irrespective of the business model. Notwithstanding the criteria for debt instruments to be classified at amortised cost or at fair value through OCI, as described above, debt instruments may be designated at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition if doing so eliminates, or significantly reduces, an accounting mismatch.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are carried in the statement of financial position at fair value with net changes in fair value recognised in the statement of profit or loss. This category includes derivative instruments which the Group had not irrevocably elected to classify at fair value through OCI.

#### > Financial liabilities

#### Initial recognition and measurement

Financial liabilities are classified, at initial recognition, as financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss, amortised cost, or as derivatives designated as hedging instruments in an effective hedge, as appropriate.

All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value and, in the case of loans and borrowings and payables, net of directly attributable transaction costs.

The Group's financial liabilities include trade and other payables, loans and borrowings including bank overdrafts, and derivative financial instruments.

#### Subsequent measurement

The measurement of financial liabilities depends on their classification, as described below:

#### Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss include financial liabilities held for trading and financial liabilities designated upon initial recognition as at fair value through profit or loss.

Financial liabilities are classified as held for trading if they are incurred for the purpose of repurchasing in the near term. This category also includes derivative financial instruments entered into by the Group that are not designated as hedging instruments in hedge relationships as defined by IFRS 9. Separated embedded derivatives are also classified as held for trading unless they are designated as effective hedging instruments.

Gains or losses on liabilities held for trading are recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

Financial liabilities designated upon initial recognition at fair value through profit or loss are designated at the initial date of recognition, and only if the criteria in IFRS 9 are satisfied. The Group has not designated any financial liability as at fair value through profit or loss.

#### Financial liabilities at amortised cost

This is the category most relevant to the Group. After initial recognition, interest-bearing loans and borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognised as well as through the EIR amortization process.

Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees or costs that are an integral part of the effective interest rate (EIR). The EIR amortization is included as finance costs in the statement of profit or loss.

This category generally applies to interest-bearing loans and borrowings. For more information, refer to Note 13.

#### Derecognition

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled or expires. When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as the derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability. The difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

#### Share issuance

Share issuance costs related to a share issuance transaction are recognised directly in equity. If share issuance costs, for tax purposes, can be deducted from other taxable income in the same period as they are incurred, the costs are recognised net after tax.

#### > Treasury shares

Where KCC has acquired own shares under a share buy-back program, the amount of consideration paid, including directly attributable costs, is recognised as a change in equity and classified as treasury shares. No gain or loss are recognised in profit and loss related to the purchase, sale, issue, reissue or cancellation of KCC's own equity instruments.

#### **>** Dividends

Dividend payments are recognised as a liability in the Group's financial statements from the date when the dividend is approved by the General Meeting

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#### > Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, when it is more likely than not that an outflow or resources representing economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

#### > Events after balance sheet date

New information on the Group's financial position at the balance sheet date is taken into account in the annual financial statements. Subsequent events that do not affect the Group's position at the balance sheet date, but which will affect the Group's position in the future, are disclosed if significant.

#### Classification of items in the balance sheet

Current assets and short-term liabilities include items due less than one year from the balance sheet date, as well as items due more than one year from the balance sheet date, that are related to the operating cycle. Liabilities with maturity less than one year from the balance sheet date are classified as current. All other debt is classified as long-term debt. The first year's repayment of long-term debt is classified as current.

#### Cash flow statements

The cash flow statements are based on the indirect method.

## Standards, amendments and interpretations

The financial statements have been prepared based on standards, amendments and interpretations effective for 2021. There was no material impact of new accounting standards or amendments adopted in the period.

The Group has not early adopted the mandatory amendments and interpretations to existing standards that have been published and are relevant to the Group's annual accounting periods beginning on 1 January 2022 or later periods.

## > 02 Segment reporting

The Group is an owner and operator of combination carriers and operates mainly within the dry bulk shipping industry and the product tanker industry. The Group owns eight CABUs and eight CLEANBUS.

The CABUs are from 72,456 dwt to 80,344 dwt and have the capacity to transport caustic soda solution (CSS), floating fertilizer (UAN) and molasses as well as all types of dry bulk commodities.

The CLEANBUs have approximately 82,500 dwt carrying capacity. The CLEANBUs are both full-fledged LR1 product tankers and Kamsarmax bulk carriers transporting clean petroleum products (CPP), heavy liquid cargoes such as CSS, UAN and molasses as well as all types of dry bulk products.

perating income and operating 2021				2020		
expenses per segment		2021			2020	
(USD '000)	CABU	CLEANBU	Total	CABU	CLEANBU	Total
Operating revenue, vessels	116 218	81 255	197 473	122 208	40 523	162 730
Other revenue	-	482	482	-	-	-
Voyage expenses	(50 099)	(31 989)	(82 087)	(60 281)	(11 311)	(71 592)
Net revenue from operations of vessels	66 119	49 749	115 868	61 926	29 212	91 139
Gain on sale of vessels (note 9)	6 360	-	6 360	-	-	-
Other income (note 3)	1 422	-	1 422	-	-	-
Operating expenses, vessels	(24 684)	(24 537)	(49 221)	(23 829)	(13 364)	(37 193)
Group commercial and administrative services	(1860)	(1 849)	(3 709)	(2 251)	(1 287)	(3 538)
Salaries and social expense	(1 191)	(1 184)	(2 374)	(844)	(483)	(1 327)
Tonnage tax	(126)	(88)	(214)	(134)	(46)	(180)
Other operating and administrative expenses	(536 <b>)</b>	(533)	(1 069)	(503)	(272)	(776)
Operating profit before depreciation (EBITDA)	45 505	21 559	67 064	34 364	13 760	48 125
Depreciation	(13 362)	(15 303)	(28 665)	(11 643)	(7 513)	(19 155)
Operating profit after depreciation (EBIT)	32 142	6 256	38 398	22 722	6 248	28 971

#### Alternative performance measures (APMs)

Average TCE earnings per onlire day is an alternative performance measure. Description and definition can be found on the company's homepage: https://www.combinationcarriers.com/alternative-performance-measures.

#### Reconciliation of average TCE earnings per onhire day

	2021			2020		
(USD '000)	CABU	CLEANBU	Total	CABU	CLEANBU	Total
Net revenue from operations of vessels	66 119	49 749	115 868	61 926	29 212	91 139
Adjustment *	177	213	390	(234)	(512)	(746)
Other revenue	-	(482)	(482)	-	(134)	(134)
Net revenue ex adjustment	66 297	49 479	115 776	61 692	28 566	90 259
Onhiredays	3 073	2 450	5 523	3 102	1 198	4 300
Average TCE earnings per onhire day (USD/d)	21 571	20 195	20 961	19 886	23 851	20 990

#### **Accounting policy**

The operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal financial reporting provided to the chief operating decision-maker, who is responsible for allocating resources, making strategic decisions and assessing performance. The chief operating decision-maker has been identified as the Board of the Company.

The reporting of the combination carriers results separates the CABUs and CLEANBUs as two segments, to better follow up on the performance of the different vessel concepts. CABU vessels are combinations carriers that transport caustic coda solution, floating fertiliser, molasses and all types of dry cargo. The CLEANBUs are combination carriers that transport clean petroleum products, heavy liquid cargoes and all types of dry bulk products like alumina, bauxite. Iron ore, salt and coal. The Group identifies and reports its segments based on information provided to the Management and the Board of Directors. Resources are allocated and decisions are made based on this information.

\*Adjustment: Net revenue in Income Statement is recognized from load-to-discharge, while revenue basis for average TCE earnings is based on discharge-to-discharge. The difference/adjustment relates to days in ballast from discharge to loading on next voyage.

## Revenue from contracts with customers

#### Disaggregated revenue information

The Group has income from COA contracts, spot voyages and TC contracts. Set out below is the disaggregation of the Group's revenue from contracts with customers.

Revenue types (USD '000)	Classification	2021	2020
Revenue from COA contracts	Freight revenue	83 626	100 659
Revenue from spot voyages	Freight revenue	71 938	41 631
Revenue from TC contracts	Charter hire revenue	41 909	20 308
Other revenue	Other revenue	482	134
Total revenue, vessels		197 955	162 731

Other income (USD '000)	Classification	2021	2020
Gain on sale of vessels (note 9)	Gain on sale of vessels	6 360	-
Otherincome	Other income	1 422	-
Total other income		7 782	-

Other income of USD 1.4 million in 2021 relates to equity distribution from the Norwegian Shipowners' Mutual War Risks Insurance Association (Den Norske Krigsforsikring for Skib, DNK).

The Group had four customers in 2021 that each represented more than five percent of operating revenue in the Group (USD 44.4 million, USD 18.4 million, USD 11.6 million respectively).

#### **Geographical information**

Revenue for the shipping activities is distributed based on the port of discharge for all vessels operated by the Group, including leased vessels on time charter agreements.

The table below presents revenue based on the port of discharge.

Region (USD '000)	2021	2020
North East Asia	69 992	31 584
Middle East	51 669	35 284
Australia / Oceania	41 160	52 258
South America	23 025	23 756
Europe	10 472	1 688
South East Asia	7 341	9 574
North America	6 036	2 194
South asia	5 344	2 301
Africa	2 466	1 233
Total revenue, regions	217 504	159 873
Gain/(loss) on FFAs	(19 642)	1 977
Adjustments	(390)	746
Other revenue	482	134
Total revenue, vessels	197 955	162 731

#### ▶ 03 Revenue from contracts with customers

#### **Contract balances**

(USD '000)	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Trade receivables from charterers (Note 14)	7 421	7 470
Contract assets (Note 14)	3 437	3 204
Contract liabilities	3 477	2 369

Contract assets are accrued income related to ongoing voyages (revenue recognised from load-to-discharge). Total income related to ongoing voyages as per 31 December 2021 to be recognized in 2022 is USD 10.8 million. Contract liabilities are prepaid revenue from customers.

For dry bulk cargo lifted, payment is generally due within 10 days after the cargo is loaded, while payment for wet cargo is due immediately upon discharge.

#### **Accounting policy**

The Group is in the business of transporting cargo at sea.

#### **Contracts of affreightment**

The combination carriers are employed on both long and short term contracts of affreightments (COAs) as well as in the spot market. The Company's intention is to own tonnage which will to a larger extent be operated under COAs in the wet product market and to a larger degree in the spot market in the dry bulk market, in order to give the COA customers a high degree of flexibility. In addition, the mix of COAs and spot business creates flexibility in optimizing the trading of the fleet. The COA contracts have duration between 1-6 years. Revenue from the Group's COA commitments are classified as freight revenue in the Income Statement.

Revenue from contracts with customers is recognised when control of the goods is transferred to the customer at an amount that reflects the consideration to which the Group expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods. The Group has concluded that the performance obligation under a voyage charter is satisfied over time, and begins from the point at which cargo is loaded until the point at which a cargo is discharged at the destination port.

Other revenue from services, such as demurrage, is recognised when earned and is included in freight revenue.

#### Performance obligations

IFRS 15 requires the Group to identify the performance obligations, determine the transaction price, allocate the transaction price to performance obligations for each contract with a customer to the extent that the contract covers more than one performance obligation, determine whether revenue should be recognised over time or at a point in time and recognise revenue when or as performance obligations are recognised. The Groups' voyage charters and time charter (TC) contracts qualify for recognition over time. The nature of the Group's revenue from TC contracts with its customers is categorised in two groups, the leasing element of the vessel and the service element related to the leased vessel.

Expenses between discharge and load are deferred and amortised over the voyage to the extent it qualifies as cost to fulfil under IFRS 15.

#### Time charter (TC) agreements

The time charter revenue is generated from fixed rate time charter contracts. Revenue from time charters are accounted for as lease in accordance with IFRS 16 and is classified as charter hire revenue in the Income Statement. The Group's time charter contracts have normally a duration of 1-3 months and a significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are retained by the lessor (KCC), hence the lease is classified as operating lease. In 2020, the Group entered into one TC agreement with 9 months duration with end date early February 2021. Payments received under operating leases are recognised as revenue on a straight line basis over the lease term.

# > 04 Voyage expenses

(USD '000)	2021	2020
Freight expenses	20 210	16 184
TC-hire	1 952	2 001
Voyage expenses	59 009	52 048
Voyage expenses Fuel hedge settlement	(224)	608
Various expenses	1 140	750
Total voyage costs, vessels	82 087	71 592

Voyage expenses include bunkers cost, port costs and other voyage related expenses. TC-hire is payment for vessels hired in on short-term TCs (1-3 months).

## **>** 05 Operating Expenses

(USD '000)	2021	2020
Technical expenses	14 040	11 753
Crewing expenses	24 760	17 483
Insurance	3 004	2 600
Crewing agency fee to Klaveness Ship Management AS	1 469	1 101
Ship management fee to Klaveness Ship Management AS	3 979	3 100
IT fee to Klaveness Ship Managment AS	81	63
Other operating expenses	1 886	1 093
Total operating expenses	49 219	37 193

Technical expenses are costs related to spare parts, consumables, cargo handling, power supply, navigation and communication. Crew costs include sea personnel expenses such as wages, social costs, travel expenses and training. Costs related to technical management, maintenance and crewing services are recognised as operating expenses, see note 19 for transactions with related parties.

The pandemic has impacted operating costs in 2020 and 2021 with higher crew costs, forwarding costs for spare parts and suppliers and bunkers costs during off-hire due to deviations or time in quarantine for crew change. Higher than normal costs due to COVID - 19 are estimated to be approximately USD 3.7 million in 2021 (2020: USD 2.8 million).

## **)** Other operating and administrative expenses

#### Remuneration to the auditor

(USD '000)		2020
Statutory audit	179	109
Other assurance services	29	30
Total	208	139

Auditor's fee are stated excluding VAT.

## **>** 07 Salary

(USD '000)	2021	2020
Salaries and other remuneration	2 006	1 123
Social security tax	185	124
Pension benefit	83	66
Other social costs	85	5
Other personel ralated expenses	16	8
Salaries and social expense	2 374	1 327



The Group has nine employees as per year end 2021. As from 1 June 2021, the commercial and operational team of four employees were transferred to the newly established subsidiary Klaveness Combination Carriers Asia Pte Ltd (Singapore).

Diversity of employees	202	21	2020	)
Diversity of employees	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
Women	3	33 %	2	33 %
Men	6	67 %	4	67 %
Total employees in KCC	9	100 %	6	100 %
Avarage number of employees in KCC	8	-	5	-
KCC ASA in Norway	6	67 %	6	100 %
KCC Asia in Singapore	3	33 %	-	-
Nationalities	3	-	1	-
Sick leave	_	0.29 %	-	0.08%

#### Remuneration to the management

(USD '000)	Base Salary	Bonus	Pension benefit	Total
Engebret Dahm (CEO)	373	79	16	468
Liv Hege Dyrnes (CFO)	259	38	16	312
Total	632	118	31	781

The Company has provided a loan to CEO Engebret Dahm of USD 50k. Interest on the loan is set to the Norwegian tax administration normal interest rate for the taxation of low-cost loans.

The Board has drawn up guidelines for determining remuneration to executive personnel. The remuneration is based on a base salary, bonus and option scheme. The Company's CEO has an agreement of 12-month severance payment including a 6-month period of notice in case of involuntary resignation or by redundancy.

#### **Bonus scheme**

The current bonus scheme is valid for the accounting years 2020 and 2021 and new bonus scheme has been rolled-out for 2022 - 2023. Bonus is distributed on an annual basis and is divided into two: i) Formula bonus based on return on equity for the relevant year, and ii) Discretionary element. The cap payment is set at 12 months fixed salary for the CEO and nine months for the CFO. Total bonus, included any discretionary element and holiday allowance, can in no circumstances exceed the individual cap. If not employed for a full year, the cap will be pro-rated according to number of months employed. The cap is reached at 20 % return on equity. The CFO is part of the overall discretionary bonus pool that is distributed among all employees included in the bonus scheme. The discretionary bonus pool is usually capped at 50% of total formula bonus for the employees included in the bonus pool, however, the BOD decided to distribute a discretionary bonus for the pool members of in total 74% of the formula bonus for 2021, to be paid in 2022. Provisions have been made for the main part in the 2021 accounts. The discretionary bonus is based on goal achievements and individual performance. Any discretionary bonus to the CEO to be set by the Board, however, total bonus to CEO should never be above the cap.

#### **Share Option Program**

The CFO and the CEO were granted 65,280 options in December 2019, each of one share, in total equal to 0.1 % of the share capital. The options are vested over a period of three years from the grant date, 1/3 per year and first vesting to take place one year after the grant date. Vested options may be exercised at any time as long as the option holder acts within all applicable securities legislation and internal guidelines and is still employed by the Company. KCC is entitled to, rather than issuing shares, to settle in cash. Unvested options immediately lapse and expire when an employee becomes a former employee, while the vested options will lapse on the date four months after the employee becomes a former employee as long as this complies with applicable securities legislation. The exercise price is set in NOK based on the average close trading price of the KCC share the last ten days before the grant date. The option scheme includes provisions related to public offers and mergers, adjustments related to changes in share capital among others. The share option program has been accounted for based on equity- settlement. See note 17 for more information.

#### Pension scheme for all employees

The Group has defined contributions plan for all employees in Norway. The contribution plan includes full-time and part- time employees with more than 20 % of a full time position and comprise 5 % of salary up until 7.1G and 20 % of salary between 7.1G and 12G. As of 31.12.2021 there were six members of the defined contribution plan. The expense recognised in the current financial period in relation to the contribution plan was USD 83k (2020: USD 69k). KCC does not make any pension contributions to employees in Singapore in line with national legal requirements.

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#### **Remuneration to the Board of Directors**

(USD '000)	2021	2020
Lasse Kristoffersen (Chair of the Board)*	57	53
Magne Øvreås (Board member and member of Audit Committee)	38	32
Morten Skedsmo (Board member) <sup>⋆</sup>	34	32
Rebekka G. Herlofsen (Board member and Chair of Audit Committee)	39	21
Winifred Patricia Johansen (Board member from 26 April 2021)	23	-
Stephanie S. Wu (Board member until 27 April 2020)	-	11
Lori W. Næss (Board member until 26 April 2021)	11	32
Total	203	180

\*Remuneration paid to Klaveness AS, a wholly owned subsidiary of the main shareholder Rederiaksjeselskapet Torvald Klaveness. The persons are employed by Klaveness AS. Compensation for Board work is thus included in the regular salary since such positions are a part of their regular employment.

Board remuneration is proposed by the Nomination Committee and approved by the Annual General meeting. The Directors receive a fixed payment for the year based on the Board position, i.e. the Chair receives higher pay than the Board Members, which have an equal pay. The Directors do not receive profit-related remuneration, share options or retirement benefits. Board Members participating in committees such as the Audit Committee have received extra payment for these tasks for 2021.

In connection with the sales process of MV Banasol in 2021, Board member Morten Skedsmo has contributed in the work to find a buyer. Compensation for the work, USD 31k, has been paid to Klaveness AS, see note 19.

Diversity of Board of Divertors	2021		2020	
Diversity of Board of Directors	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
Women	2	40 %	2	40 %
Men	3	60 %	3	60 %

In appointing members to the Board, it is emphasised that the Board shall have the requisite competency to independently evaluate the cases presented by the executive management team as well as the Company's operation. It is also considered important that the Board

can function well as a body of colleagues and that they meet the Company's need for expertise and diversity. An introduction to the members of the Board of Directors and their expertise can be found on www.combinationcarriers.com.

#### **Accounting policy**

#### **Pension obligations**

The Group is required to provide a pension plan towards its employees in Norway, and the Group has implemented a defined contribution plan. The plan complies with the requirements in the Mandatory Occupational Pension actin Norway ("Lov om obligatorisk tjenestepensjon"). A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the Group pays fixed contributions into a separate legal entity. The Group has no legal or constructive obligations to pay further contributions if the fund does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employees the benefits relating to employee service in the current and prior periods.

#### Employee share options scheme

Employee share options are calculated at fair value at the time they are granted and charged to expense over the vesting period as payroll cost with a corresponding increase in equity. The market value of the employee share options are estimated based on the Black-Scholes-Merton model.

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## > 08 Financial items

Finance income (USD '000)	2021	2020
Other interest income	74	398
Gain on foreign exchange	-	131
Finance income	74	529

Finance cost (USD '000)	2021	2020
Interest expenses mortgage debt	9 477	7 729
Interest expenses bond loan	4 371	4 062
Interest expenses lease liabilities	103	94
Amortization capitalized fees on loans	882	693
Other financial expenses	224	906
Fair value changes in forward freight agreements	-	21
Fair value changes and realization effects of interest rate swaps	82	687
Loss on foreign exchange	726	126
Finance cost	15 866	14 317

## > 09 Vessels

Vessels (USD '000)	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Cost price 1.1	599 826	492 075
Delivery of newbuildings	153 763	103 708
Adjustment acquisition value newbuildings delivered	1 408	(809)
Dry-docking	8 3 4 2	4 852
Technical upgrade	4 032	-
Disposal of vessel	(32 416)	-
Cost price end of period	734 955	599 826
Acc. depreciation 1.1	195 568	176 866
Disposal of vessel	(25 560)	-
Depreciation vessels	28 083	18 702
Acc. Depreciation end of period	198 092	195 568
Carrying amounts end of period*	536 864	404 258
*) carrying value of vessels includes dry-docking		
No. of vessels	16	14
Useful life vessel	25	25
Useful life dry-docking	3-5	3-5
Depreciation schedule	Straight-line	Straight-line

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Reconciliation of depreciations (USD '000)	2021	2020
Depreciation vessels	28 083	18 702
Depreciation right of use assets	582	453
Depreciations for the period	28 666	19 155

#### **Additions**

Three CLEANBU vessels MV Baiacu, MV Bass and MV Balzani were delivered from Jiangsu New Yangzi Shipbuilding Co.Ltd respectively 11 January 2021, 25 March 2021 and 25 May 2021. Four CABU vessels have performed scheduled dry-docking in 2021 with a total cost of USD 8.3 million. Technical upgrade of USD 4.0 million is related to general improvement of the technical performance of the vessels and energy efficiency initiatives (USD 3.4 million) and yard repairs of one CLEANBU (MV Barramundi; USD 0.6 million).

#### Pledged vessels

All owned vessels except MV Bangor and MV Barcarena are pledged to secure the various loan facilities (refer to note 13 for further information).

#### Disposals

MV Banasol was sold and delivered to new owner in December 2021, a gain of USD 6.4 million was recognised in 2021. Gain is calculated as sales price less book value of the vessel at time of sale less any direct costs of sale.

#### Impairment assessmen

Identification of impairment indicators is based on an assessment of development in market rates (dry bulk, MR tanker, LR1 tanker and fuel), TCE earnings for the fleet, vessel opex, operating profit, technological development, change in regulations, interest rates and discount rate. Expected future TCE earnings for both fleets of CABUs and CLEANBUs, diversified market exposure, development in secondhand prices and the combination carriers' trading flexibility support the conclusion of no impairment indicators identifed as per 31 December 2021.

#### Significant accounting estimates

#### Useful life and residual values

The carrying amount of vessels is based on management's assumptions of useful life. Useful life for the combination carrier vessels is reassessed on an annual basis. Useful life may change due to change in technological developments, competition, environmental and legal requirements, freight rates and steel prices. Management has also considered the impact of decarbonisation and climate related risks on the existing assets' useful lives. Such risks include new climate related legislation restricting the use of certain assets, new technology demanded by climate related legislation and customer requirements (see note 16).

KCC commits to perform recycling of its vessels in compliance with the Hong Kong convention and Norwegian Shipowner's Association's guidelines. Obtained steel prices for residual value assessment are in line with our strategy. In the assessment of residual value as per 1 January 2022 there is a high degree of uncertainty in current market prices for green recycling. Based on the assessment, the Group concluded to retain a scrap price of USD320/ltd as from 1 January 2022.

#### Impairment testing

At the end of each reporting period the Group will assess whether there is any indication of impairment. If any indication exists, the Group will estimate the recoverable amount of the asset. Recoverable amount is set as the highest of fair value less cost to sell and value in use. If carrying value exceeds the estimated recoverable amount, impairment is recognised. Impairments are reversed in a later period if recoverable

amount exceeds carrying amount.

Identification of impairment indicators is based on an assessment of development in market rates (dry bulk, MR tanker, LR1 tanker and fuel), TCE earnings for the fleet, vessel opex, operating profit, technological development, change in regulations, interest rates and discount rate. As per year end 2021 and 2020 no indicators for impairment were identified.

#### **Cash-generating units**

The Group operates combination carrier vessels that can switch between dry and wet cargo. The CABUs have the same characteristics in respect of what cargo to transport, number of cargo holds and size of the vessel. All the CLEANBUs are identical vessels with same characteristics. CLEANBU vessels have higher cargo carrying capacity than the CABUs, and can in addition transport other types of wet commodities. All the CABU vessels are interchangeable, same for all the CLEANBU vessels. Investment, continuance and disposal decisions are made by class of vessels. The CABU and CLEANBU vessels are operated by KCC Chartering AS (KCCC). Contracts (COAs) are not negotiated based on a specific vessel. It is the sum of vessel capacity at any time that determines the optimization of voyages. A portion of the voyages are also executed in the spot market, and KCCC is dependent on operating the vessels as a portfolio according to free vessel capacity and available cargos.

The Group has defined the fleet of CABUs and the fleet of CLEANBUS as two separate cash generating units.

#### **Accounting policy**

Non-current assets such as vessels, the cost of dry-docking and newbuildings are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment charges. Cost is defined as directly attributable cost plus borrowing cost during the construction period.

#### **Depreciation of vessels**

Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of a vessel taking its residual value into consideration. Useful life is estimated to be 25 years for the Group's fleet. Certain capitalized elements like costs related to periodic maintenance/dry-docking have shorter estimated useful lives and are depreciated until the next planned dry-docking, typically over a three to five years period. When newbuildings are delivered a portion of the cost is classified as dry-docking.

Costs of day-to-day servicing, maintenance and repairs are expensed.

#### Impairment of vessels and newbuildings

On a quarterly basis the balances are assessed whether there is an indication that vessels and newbuilding contracts may be impaired. If indicators are concluded to be present, an impairment test is performed. If the recoverable amount is lower than the book value, an impairment charge is recorded. Impairment losses are recognised in the profit and loss statement. An impairment loss recognised in prior periods for an asset is reversed if, and only if, there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the asset's recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognised.

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The Group took delivery of three CLEANBU vessels, MV Baiacu, MV Bass and MV Balzani in January, March and May 2021 (note 9), which completed the newbuilding programme at Jiangsu New Yangzi Shipbuilding Co., Ltd in China.

Newbuildings, net carrying amount (USD '000)	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Cost 1.1	48 441	62 316
Borrowing cost	84	1 023
Yard installments paid	97 650	80 851
Other capitalized cost	7 586	7 960
Delivery of newbuildings	(153 763)	(103 708)
Net carrying amount	-	48 441

#### **Accounting policy**

#### Newbuildings

Vessels under construction are classified as non-current assets and recognised at the cost incurred in relation to the non-current asset when paid. Newbuildings are not depreciated until delivery. Borrowing costs directly attributable to the construction of vessels are added to the cost of the vessels, until such time as the vessels are ready for their intended use.

## ▶ 11 Leasing

#### The Group as a lessee

#### Right-of-use assets

The Group has leasing agreements related to satellite communication and IT equipment onboard the vessels. The Group's right-of-use assets are presented in the table below:

Right-of-use assets (USD '000)	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Continuing 1.1	2.510	2.150
Cost price 1.1	2 510	2 150
Addition of right-of-use assets	538	360
Disposals	(75)	-
Costprice end of period	2 973	2 510
Accumulated depreciation 1.1	838	385
Depreciation right of use assets	582	453
Accumulated depreciation end of period	1 420	838
Carrying amounts end of period	1 553	1 672

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#### Lease liabilities

Undiscounted lease liabilities and maturity of cash outflows (USD '000)	31 Dec 2021	
Less than 1 year	662	579
1-5 years	1 107	1 300
More than 5 years	-	-
Total undiscounted lease liabilities at 31 December	1 769	1879

The leases do not contain any restrictions on the Group's dividend policy or financing. The Group does not have significant residual value guarantees related to its leases to disclose.

As a lessee, the Group leases mainly satellite communication and IT equipment onboard the vessels.

#### **Accounting policy**

#### Right of use assets

The Group applies the recognising exemptions proposed by the standard on lease contracts with a term of less than 12 months, and lease contracts for which are the underlying asset is of low value. Lease payments associated with short-term leases and leases of low-

value assets are recognised on a straight-line basis as an expense in profit or loss. Lease contracts which is not part of the exemptions are measured at the present value of remaining lease payments, discounted using the incremental borrowing rate. The right-of-use assets are measured at an amount equal to the lease liability at the date of implementation. The right-of-use asset is depreciated on a straight line basis over the lease term.

## 12 Inventories

Inventories (USD '000)	31 Dec 202	1 31 Dec 2020
Bunkers	10 810	5 075
Spare parts	160	166
Spare parts Luboil	1 30.	310
Inventories	12 27	

Inventories relate to bunkers, spare parts and luboil on board vessels.

#### **Accounting policy**

Bunkers and lubricant oil on board vessels are recorded in the balance sheet at acquisition cost. Acquisition cost is based on FIFO (first in, first out principle). Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Impairment losses are recognised if the net realizable value is lower than the cost price.



#### The below tables present the Group's financing arrangements as per 31 December 2021.

During 2021 the Group made a drawdown of USD 25 million under the SEB/SR- Bank/SPV facility in relation to the delivery of MV Baiacu and USD 60 million under the term loan facility of Nordea/Credit Agricole Sustainability Linked Term loan in relation to delivery of MV Bass and MV Balzani and revolving credit facilities. In addition the Group refinanced the USD100 million Nordea/Danske Bank facility into a USD 80 million senior secured sustainability linked term loan credit facility agreement with Nordea and Danske Bank. The interest rate on the new facility will be LIBOR + 210bps. The margin will be adjusted, up or down, based on the Group's sustainability performance, as defined by the Group's ability to meet its goal of reducing CO2 emissions per ton of transported cargo per nautical mile (EEOI) and reducing absolute CO2 emissions per vessel.

The new facility will refinance the CABU vessels MV Bantry, MV Bakkedal, MV Baffin, MV Ballard and MV Balboa built 2005-2017. The vessels MV Bangor and MV Barcarena, which were financed under the USD100 million Nordea/Danske Bank facility, will be left unencumbered. The new facility will mature in December 2026 and has a repayment profile of 9.2 years reflecting an age adjusted eighteen to zero repayment profile based on the average age of the vessels.

Furthermore, the Group repaid USD 2.7 million in debt prior to the sale of MV Banasol under the USD105 million DNB/SEB facility, and the Group repaid USD 30 million under a revolving credit facility and remaining part of USD 65.4 million under the USD 100 million Nordea/Danske Bank facility.

Mortgage debt (USD '000)	Description	Interest rate	Maturity	Carrying amount
Nordea/Danske facility	Term loan, USD 100 mill	LIBOR + 2.3 %	March 2022	-
DNB/SEB facility	Term loan, USD 105 mill	LIBOR + 2.3 %	December 2023	83 344
SEB/SR-Bank/SPV facility	Term loan/RCF, 90.675 mill	LIBOR + 2.3 %	October 2025	85 786
Nordea/Crédit Agricole facility*	Term loan/RCF, 60 mill	LIBOR + 2.75 %	March 2025	27 353
Nordea/ Danske facility**	Term loan, USD 80 mill	LIBOR + 2.3 %	December 2026	80 000
Capitalized loan fees				(2 554)
Mortgage debt 31 December 2021				273 929

<sup>\*</sup> Potential margin adjustments up to +/- 10 bps once every year based on sustainability KPIs.

The Group has available undrawn revolving credit facility capacity of USD 30 million and USD 17.6 million available capacity under a 364-days overdraft facility.

Bond loan	Face value (NOK '000)	Maturity date	Carrying amount (USD '000)
KCC04	700 000	11.02.2025	80 649
Exchange rate adjustment			(1 430)
Capitalized expenses			(779)
Bond discount			(234)
Total bond loan	700 000		78 205

Interest bearing liabilities (USD '000)	Fair value 31 Dec 2021	Carrying amount 31 Dec 2021	Carrying amount 31 Dec 2020
Mortgage debt	252 547	252 547	208 052
Mortgage debt  Capitalized loan fees	-	(2 554)	(1 239)
Bond loan	75 456	79 219	81 991
Bond premium	-	(234)	(310)
Capitalized expenses bond loan	-	(779)	(1 032)
Total non-current interest bearing liabilties	328 003	328 198	287 462
Mortgage debt, current	23 936	23 936	22 473
Overdraft facility (Secured)	2 409	2 409	-
Total interest bearing liabilities	354 347	354 543	309 934

#### Maturity profile of financial liabilities at 31 December 2021 is presented in note 16.

#### Covenan

As per 31 December 2021, the Group is in compliance with all financial covenants. On Group level financial covenants relate to minimum equity (USD 125 million), equity ratio (30%), and cash (USD 15 million). Financial covenants on KCC Shipowning AS level relate to minimum cash (the higher of USD 10 million and 5 % of net interest-bearing debt) and net interest-bearing debt to EBITDA (NIBD/EBITDA) of max 7x.

The NIBD/EBITDA ratio can be higher than 7x for one reporting period (measured semi-annually) provided that the NIBD/EBITDA was below 7x in the prior reporting period. The loan agreements also include a dividend restriction of 50% of net profit (based on audited annual consolidated accounts) if the equity ratio is below 35%. In addition, all secured loans contain minimum value clauses related to the value of the vessel compared to outstanding loan and a change of control clause. In

case of KCC Shipowning AS a change of control event occurs if it ceases to be owned, directly or indirectly, 100% (in issued shares and voting rights) by KCC and in case of KCC, if it ceases to be owned, directly or indirectly, 33.1/3% (in issued shares and voting rights) by Trond Harald Klaveness and/or his direct lineal descendants or if any other person or group of persons acting in concert, other than Trond Harald Klaveness and/or his direct lineal descendants, directly or indirectly, gain control of 33.1/3% or more of the shares and/or voting rights in KCC.

#### Securities

As security for the mortgage debt, the Group has included a first priority security in all vessels except two vessels and earnings accounts, and assignment of the earnings and insurances of the vessels in favour of the creditors

Book value of collateral and mortgaged assets (USD '000)	2021	2020
Vessels	520 063	404 258
Bunkers	10 810	5 075
Accounts receivables	18 484	18 501
Total book value of collateral and mortgaged assets	549 357	427 833

#### Risk management activities

To reduce interest rate risk, the Group has entered into vairous interest rate swaps derivatives, such as interest rate swaps, caps and crosscurrency interest rate swap (CCIRS). Interest rate swaps and CCIRS qualify for hedge accounting. These instruments have combined notional value of USD 213 million and duration until 2023-2028. Interest rate swaps qualifying for hedge accounting are recognised at fair value with changes through other comprehensive income. The Group also holds interest rate options recognised at fair value through profit and loss.

The Group has entered into bunker fuel swaps and forward freight agreements (FFA) that qualify for hedge accounting. The Group uses bunker fuel swaps to hedge a portion of its floating bunkers cost to a fixed cost for bunkers to reduce the Group's exposure to changes in bunker prices. Similarly, the Group can use FFAs to fix freight rates in a future period to reduce its exposure to the dry bulk freight market (via open capacity and index linked COA commitments).

Financial assets (USD '000)	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Financial instruments at fair value through OCI		
Cross-currency interest rate swap	2 556	2 917
Interest rate swaps	1 421	356
Fuel hedge	18	87
Forward freight agreements (FFA)	660	-
Financial instruments at fair value through P&L		
Interest rate swaps	71	154
Financial assets	4 727	3 515
Current	678	87
Non-current	4 048	3 427

Financial liabilities (USD '000)	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Financial instruments at fair value through OCI		
Cross-currency interest rate swap	43	-
Interest rate swaps	1 973	5 409
Fuel hedge	-	-
Forward freight agreements (FFA)	-	757
Financial liabilities	2 017	6 166
Current	-	757
Non-current	2 017	5 409

<sup>\*\*</sup> Potential margin adjustments up to +/- 5 bps once every year based on sustainability KPIs.

#### 13 Financial assets and financial liabilities

Set out below is a comparison by class of the carrying amounts and fair value of the Group's financial assets included in the financial statements.

(USD '000)	Carrying amount 31 Dec 2021	Carrying amount 31 Dec 2020	Fair value 31 Dec 2021	Fair value 31 Dec 2020
Financial assets at fair value through OCI				
Interest rate swaps	1 421	356	1 421	356
Forward freight agreements	660	-	660	-
Fuel hedge	18	87	18	87
Cross-currency interest rate swap	2 556	2 917	2 556	2 917
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss				
Forward freight agreements	-	-	-	-
Interest rate swaps	71	154	71	154
Total financial assets at fair value	4 727	3 515	4 727	3 515
Financial assets measured at amortised costs				
Accounts receivable	7 667	7 577	7 667	7 577
Receivables from related parties	2 018	742	2 018	742
Total financial assets measured at amortised costs	9 685	8 319	9 685	8 319
Cash and cash equivalents	53 937	65 685	53 937	65 685
Total financial assets	68 349	77 518	68 349	77 518
Total current	64 301	74 091	64 301	74 091
Total non-current	4 048	3 427	4 048	3 427

(USD '000)	Carrying amount 31 Dec 2021	Carrying amount 31 Dec 2020	Fair value 31 Dec 2021	Fair value 31 Dec 2020
Financial liabilities at fair value through OCI				
Interest rate swaps	1 973	5 409	1 973	5 409
Cross-currency interest rate swap	43	3403	1313	3 403
Forward freight agreements	73	757		757
Total financial liabilities at fair value	2 017	6 166	1973	6 166
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Other financial liabilities at amortised cost				
Accounts payable	4 361	937	4 361	937
Interest bearing debt, non-current	249 993	206 813	252 547	208 052
Interest bearing debt, current	23 936	22 473	23 936	22 473
Bond loan	78 205	80 649	75 456	78 097
Overdraft facility	2 409	-	2 409	-
Current debt to related parties	895	1 3 3 9	895	1339
Total financial liabilities at amortised cost	359 799	312 210	359 603	310 896
Total financial liabilities	361 815	318 375	361 577	317 062
Total current	31 601	24 748	31 601	24 748
Total non-current	330 215	293 627	329 976	292 314

The fair value of the financial assets and liabilities is recognised as the value at which they could be exchanged in a transaction between willing parties other than in forced or liquidation transactions. The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instrument:

- Cash and restricted cash, trade receivables, trade payables and other current liabilities are recognised at their carrying amounts largely due to the short term maturities of these instruments.
- Fair value of loans from banks and other financial liabilities is estimated by discounting future cash flows using rates currently available for debt on similar terms, credit risk and remaining maturities.
- Fair value of derivatives is based on mark to market reports received from banks.

#### **Accounting policy**

#### Derivative financial instruments and hedge accounting

The Group uses derivative financial instruments, such as forward currency contracts, fuel contracts and interest rate swaps to hedge its foreign currency risks, interest rate risks and to reduce exposure to volatile and potentially rising fuel costs. Such derivative financial instruments are initially recognised at fair value on the date on which a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently remeasured at fair value. Derivatives are carried as financial assets when the fair value is positive and as financial liabilities when the fair value is negative.

For the purpose of hedge accounting, hedges are classified as:
- Fair value hedges when hedging the exposure to changes in the fair value of a recognised asset or liability or an unrecognised firm

- Cash flow hedges when hedging the exposure to variability in cash flows that is either attributable to a particular risk associated with a recognised asset or liability or a highly probable forecast transaction or the foreign currency risk in an unrecognised firm commitment

As per 31 December 2021 all the Group hedges are classified as cash flow hedges.

Attheinception of a hedge relationship, the Group formally designates and documents the hedge relationship to which it wishes to apply hedge accounting and the risk management objective and strategy for undertaking the hedge. The documentation includes identification of the hedging instrument, the hedged item, the nature of the risk

being hedged and how the Group will assess whether the hedging relationship meets the hedge effectiveness requirements (including the analysis of sources of hedge ineffectiveness and how the hedge ratio is determined). A hedging relationship qualifies for hedge accounting if it meets all of the following effectiveness requirements:

- There is an economic relationship between the hedged item and the hedging instrument.
- The effect of credit risk does not dominate the value changes that result from that economic relationship.
- The hedge ratio of the hedging relationship is the same as that resulting from the quantity of the hedged item that the Group actually hedges and the quantity of the hedging instrument that the Group actually uses to hedge that quantity of hedged item.

The effective portion of the gain or loss on the hedging instrument is recognised directly as other comprehensive income in the cash flow hedge reserve, while any ineffective portion is recognised immediately in profit and loss. Amounts recognised as other comprehensive income are transferred to profit and loss when the hedged transaction affects profit and loss, such as when the hedged financial income or expense is recognised or when a forecast transaction occurs.

Derivative financial instruments that are designated as, and are effective hedging instruments are separated into a current and non-current portion consistent with the classification of the underlying item.

#### Fair value hierarchy

The Group uses financial hierarchy under IFRS 13 for determining and disclosing the fair value of financial instruments by valuation techniques. Below table presents fair value measurements to the Group's assets and liabilities at 31 December 2021.

31 December 2021 Assets (USD '000)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss				
Interest rate swaps		71		71
Financial assets at fair value through OCI				
Fuel hedge		18		18
Cross-currency interest rate swap		2 556		2 556
Forward freight agreements		660		660
Interest rate swaps		1 421		1 421

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		252 547	252 547
		23 936	23 936
		2 409	2 409
	75 456		75 456
	-		-
	1 973		1 973
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#### ▶ 13 Financial assets and financial liabilities

31 Dec 2020 Assets (USD '000)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss				
Interest rate swaps		356		356
Financial assets at fair value through OCI				
Fuel hedge		87		87
Cross-currency interest rate swap		2 917		2 917
Interest rate swaps		154		154

31 Dec 2020 Liabilities (USD '000)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial liabilities not measured at fair value, but for which				
fair value is disclosed			200.052	
Mortgage debt, non-current			208 052	208 052
Mortgage debt, current			22 473	22 473
Overdraft facility				
Bond loan		78 097		78 097
Financial liabilities at fair value through OCI				
Forward freight agreements		757		757
Interest rate swaps		5 409		5 409

#### Accounting policy

#### Fair value measurement

Derivatives are measured at fair value. The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets is determined by reference to quoted market prices or dealer price quotations, without any deduction for transaction costs. The fair value of financial instruments not traded in active markets is determined using appropriate evaluation techniques.

A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use. The Group uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, maximizing the use of relevant observable inputs and minimizing the use of unobservable inputs.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorized within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

**Level 1** – Quoted (unadjusted) market prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities

**Level 2** – Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable

**Level 3** – Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable.

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market (for example over-the-counter derivatives) is determined by using valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise the use of observable market data where it is available and rely as little as possible on entity specific estimates. If all significant inputs required to fair value an instrument are observable, the instruments are included in level 2.

If one or more of the significant inputs are not based on observable market data, the instrument is included in level 3. During the reporting periods there were no transfers between any of the levels.

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Reconciliation of movements of liabilities and equity to cash flow arising from financing activities.

		Liabilities			Equity		Total
(USD '000)	Interest payable	Current lea- se liabilites	Interest bearing short-term debt	Interest bearing long-term debt	Share capital/ premium/ reserve	Other equity	Total
Balance at 1 January 2021		493	22 473	287 462	135 734	80 799	499 456
Repayment of mortgage debt			(22 473)	(100 568)			(123 041)
Proceeds from mortgage debt				169 000			169 000
Transaction costs on issuance of loans				(1 944)			(1944)
Interest paid	(13 970)						(13 970)
Paid in registered capital increase					24 977		
Transaction costs on capital increase					(878)		
Repayment of lease		(582)					(582)
Interest paid lease		(103)					(103)
Dividends						(7 204)	(7 204)
Total changes from financing cash flow	(13 970)	(685)	(22 473)	66 488	24 099	(7 204)	46 254
Liability-related							
Expensed capitalised borrowing costs				882			882
Non-cash movement		811	26 345	(26 633)			522
Total liability-related changes		811	26 345	(25 751)			1 404
Total equity-related other changes					(13)	21 002	20 989
Balance at 31 December 2021	-	618	26 345	328 198	159 819	94 597	568 104

		Liabilities			Equity		Total
(USD '000)	Interest payable	Current lea- se liabilites	Interest bearing short-term debt	Interest bearing long-term debt	Share capital/ premium/ reserve	Other equity	Total
Balance at 1 January 2020		407	17 367	203 140	136 197	76 744	417 721
Repayment of mortgage debt	(11 370)		(17 367)				(28 737)
Proceeds from mortgage debt				60 450			60 450
Repayment bond loans				(33 861)			(33 861)
Proceeds from bond loan				76 390			76 390
Transaction costs on issuance of loans				(1 914)			(1 914)
Purchase of own shares					(147)		(147)
Repayment of lease		(454)					(454)
Terminated financial instruments						(3 101)	(3 101)
Dividends						(4 802)	(4 802)
Total changes from financing cash flow	(11 370)	(454)	(17 367)	101 064	(147)	(7 903)	63 823
Liability-related							
Expensed capitalised borrowing costs				693			693
Non-cash movement		540	22 473	(17 435)			5 578
Total liability-related changes		540	22 473	(16 742)			6 271
Total equity-related other changes					(316)	11 958	11 642
Balance at 31 December 2020		493	22 473	287 462	135 734	80 799	499 456



## Trade receivables and other current assets

(USD '000)	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Trade receivables from charterers	7 421	7 470
Contract assets	3 437	3 204
Prepaid expenses	2 467	4 538
Claims	378	167
Other short term receivables	4 780	3 122
Trade receivables and other current assets	18 484	18 501

Accounts receivable comprise all items that fall due for payment within one year after the balance sheet date. For dry bulk cargo lifted, payment is generally due within 10 days after the cargo is loaded, while payment for wet cargo is due immediately upon discharge. Trade receivables are non-interest bearing.

Claims consist of yard claims for vessels delivered in 2019 and are expected to be settled when all three vessels have completed guarantee repairs.



## 2 15 Cash and cash equivalents

The Group has bank deposits in the following currencies:

(USD '000)	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Bank deposits, NOK	9 3 4 0	653
Bank deposits, USD	44 092	64 670
Bank deposits, SGD	42	-
Cash	389	291
Payroll withholding tax account (restricted cash, NOK)	74	70
Total cash and cash equivalents	53 937	65 685

Cash includes cash in hand, bank deposits and other highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.



## Financial risk management

#### **Capital management**

The Group intends to maintain an efficient capital structure, provide financial ability to execute on the strategy and ensure the Group has sufficient liquidity to meet liabilities and commitments as they fall due. KCC aims at having an equity ratio above 40% and NIBD/EBITDA adjusted for delivery/sale of vessels below 5x but will be above during certain periods and the ability to withstand 12 months with weak markets/ earnings. The equity ratio as of 31 December 2021 was 40 % (2020: 39 %) and cash was USD 53.9 million (2020: USD 65.7 million). In addition, the Group had USD 47.6 million in undrawn revolving and overdraft credit facilities available as of 31 December 2021. The Group's covenants are described in note 13.

The capital structure and dividend payments are considered in view of debt service ability, capital commitments and expectations of future cash flows. Available cash, loan covenants and the balance sheet composition are monitored to make sure that the Group has the necessary financial strength to continue as a going concern.

The Group aims to spend free cash flows as follows:

- Maintain and/or improve financial capacity and flexibility. To accommodate the business strategy, the Group needs to maintain a solid capital structure at all times and an acceptable level of free liquidity, at levels which will give sufficient assurance to the debt and equity providers that the Group's financial position is solid and sustainable.
- Maintain an attractive dividend policy. KCC targets to distribute a substantial part of the free cash flow to the shareholders.

The Group's capital structure consists of mortgage debt (note 13), bond loan (note 13), overdraft facility (note 13), cash and cash equivalents and equity attributable to the shareholders.

#### **Risk Management**

The objective for the Company's risk management and internal control is to manage, rather than eliminate exposure to risks to successfully conduct the Group's business and to support the quality of its financial

The risk assessment is a multi-disciplinary process performed on a quarterly basis. The value chain is assessed both upstream and downstream in addition to direct effects on KCC's business activities. All relevant risks are assessed based on defined impact and probability levels and focus on the next 12 months shown in the table below:

Time horizon	Probability	Impact
Low	< 3%	< USD 2 million
Medium	3 -30 %	USD 2 - 10 million
High	> 30 %	> USD 10 million

In addition to the specific assessment for the rolling 12 months period, an assessment for the main risks from 12 months - 10 years is included from time to time and at least on an annual basis. The risk management process includes the following:

- \* On a quarterly basis a cross-functional team (finance, commercial, operations, management) discusses the overall risk development with focus on main risks and new risks discovered, including assessing impact and probability for each risk and define potential mitigating actions for the main risks
- \* The main risks are reported and discussed with the Audit Committee and the Board of Directors on a quarterly basis, or more often if needed. A main risk is a risk already identified and well understood that could materially impact the financial results, reputation, business model, or strategy
- \* When the combination of probability and impact is higher than what is accepted, mitigating actions are implemented either based on management decision or if relevant, after discussions with the Board of Directors

#### Main risks

The following table presents the risks considered to be the main risks for KCC over the next 12 months and the main longer-term risks.

Risk	Description	Risk type
Main risks next 12 months		,
	Introduction of new vessel concepts such as the CLEANBUs entails commercial and technical risks.	1 1 1 1 1
	Acceptance and/or exemptions in relation to the CLEANBU vessels from clients and terminals where policies require clean petroleum products (CPP) as the last two or three cargoes to avoid cargo contamination or where policies excludes use of combination carriers like the CLEANBU vessels.	
CLEANBU introduction	Introduction of new ship types or concepts will normally require technical adjustments and modifications, which will take time and may lead to off-hire and delayed deliveries.	Operational
	There are outstanding guarantee items relating to two of the CLEANBU vessels, implying additional off-hire related to the repairs in 2022 and 2023. While the shipyard is obliged to bear the cost of repairs, additional related costs may incur, and off-hire will be borne by KCC unless covered by KCC's loss of hire insurance.	
Weak freight rates and changes in trade flows	Freight rates are the main earnings driver for the Group. A fall in freight rates for dry bulk commodities or clean petroleum products can have a material effect on the financials of the Group. The effect of lower freight is somewhat offset by low historical correlation between dry bulk and product tankers freight rates. KCC is dependent on certain trade flows in order to obtain efficient combination trading. Production issues at plants and refineries in export regions as well as difference in regional commodity prices (arbitrage opportunities) may impact these trade flows.	Market
Caustic soda freight contract renewals	The Group is, to a certain degree, dependent on a limited number of key customers and renewal of key/material contracts with these customers, particularly related to caustic soda transportation. Unfavorable changes in trade flows and volumes may adversely affect the Group's earnings and financial position.	Market
Russian invasion of Ukraine	Russian invasion of Ukraine has caused major disruptions in trade flows and financial markets as, amongst others, European Union, United States and the United Kingdom have imposed strict sanctions on the Russian Federation economy. Example of sanctions imposed are excluding several banks from the SWIFT payment system and imposing an embargo on import of oil and gas (US and UK). Furthermore, the war has negatively impacted the trade of commodities from/to Ukraine and Russia for key dry bulk commodities and for the oil and oil products trade as Ukraine ports have been closed and there is a general skepticism among oil companies, traders and shipowners to lifting oil.  The Group does not have outstanding balances nor contracts with Ukrainan, Belarus or Russian companies and is as such not directly impacted by the war in Ukraine.	Counterparty/ credit, Market Operational, Compliance

Main long-term risks		
Global economic growth and the impact on energy and commo- dity markets	Freight rates for global seaborne transportation is highly volatile and cyclical. The demand for global seaborne transportation depends on global economic growth, and in particular the development in the energy and commodities markets.  Furthermore, the demand for seaborne transportation is dependent on open economies and low barriers to trade, trade restrictions such as tariffs and embargos can have a negative effect on the demand for seaborne transportation.	Market
Impact of a low-carbon future with intro-duction of emission regulations, zero-emission vessels and lower demand for transportation of fossil fuels	and / or material impairment of operational flexibility and / or operational limitations  - New regulations, such as the EU taxonomy, can reduce and restrict the access to capital	Climate-related

#### Risk types

The risks have been divided into the following categories

#### Financial risk

The Group is exposed to e.g. freight rate risk, bunker fuel price risk, as well as risks relating to foreign currency exchange rates, interest rate, counterparties (including credit), operations, technical, regulations and other risks. The Group's executive management oversees that the management of these risks are governed by appropriate policies and procedures. The Board of Directors reviews and agrees policies for managing these risks. Risk management activities to reduce interest rate risk, freight rate risk and bunker fuel risk are further described in note 13.

#### Operational risk

Operational risks are mainly related to the operation of vessels. The Group's vessels are on technical management to Klaveness Ship Management AS (affiliated company) which ensures compliance with IMO, flag and port state regulations. Quality and safety audits are performed regularly and the crew and officers onboard are trained to ensure that regulatory requirements are met.

Operational risk is managed through quality assurance procedures and systematic training of crew and land-based employees. All vessels sailing through piracy exposed areas take necessary steps to mitigate the threat of such attacks. Operational risk is also covered by insurance where relevant to cover loss of assets, revenues and contract commitments. The vessels are insured for loss of hire, protection and indemnity (P&I), physical damage to vessel and its equipment (Hull and Machinery) and total loss. The latter is aligned with vessel values and loan agreements. The financial impact of a total loss of a vessel will not be material for the Group.

The COVID-19 pandemic continued to have significant impact on vessel operations in 2021. The COVID-19 management plan with strict testing, quarantine procedures and routines for crew and visitors onboard the vessels worked as intended in 2021 with no infection cases onboard.

#### Market risk

Ownership of vessels involves risks related to vessel values, future vessel employment, freight rates and costs. Over time, vessel values

may fluctuate, which may result in an impairment of the book value of the Group's vessels. These risks are to some extent managed through contracts of affreightment and forward freight agreements (FFA) covering part of the Group's future fleet capacity for the nearby year and covering part of the exposure for the next 1-2 years.

A significant expense for transport at sea is bunkers. The price of fuel is unpredictable and fluctuates based on events outside the Group's control, including geopolitical developments, supply and demand for oil and gas, actions of OPEC and other energy producers, war and unrest in oil producing countries and regions, regional production patterns and environmental concerns. To reduce the risk of fluctuations in bunker fuel prices, the Group may decide to hedge the bunker price exposure by the use of bunker fuel swaps or options to hedge the inherent fuel oil exposure in its freight contracts or include bunker adjustment factors (BAF) in the contracts.

#### Foreign currency risk and interest rate risk

The Group's revenues and costs are denominated primarily in US Dollar (USD) which is the functional currency of all significant entities in the Group. Fluctuations in USD against NOK may affect the company's tax payable, which will be calculated and paid in NOK. This effect is considered to be limited.

The Group's interest bearing debt is exposed to floating interest rate, and the Group has some of its costs in other currencies than USD. The Group has bond debt denominated in NOK with NIBOR + 475 bps margin, however, the FX-effect is currently fixed to USD and the floating interest rate exposure has been converted to a fixed USD interest rate. Long term mortgage debt bears interest at LIBOR plus an applicable margin. In order to hedge the risk, the Group has entered into interest rate swaps. At 31 December 2021, 39 % of the floating interest mortgage debt loans are hedged. The Group evaluates on an ongoing basis the need to adjust interest rate exposure.

As of December 31, 2021 the publication of the one-week and two-month US Dollar (USD) London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) ceased to be published on a representative basis. The remaining tenors of US Dollar LIBOR will cease to be published on a representative basis on June 30, 2023. The Group is exposed to LIBOR mainly in US dollar denominated debt and interest rate derivatives with interest rates indexed to LIBOR.

The Group expects to initiate negotiations with counterparties to transition from LIBOR to an alternative benchmark within first half of 2023 for relevant agreements. As recommended by the Alternative Reference Rates Committee (a committee convened by the Federal Reserve), Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR) will likely replace LIBOR as a standard interest rate benchmark. The impact on the Group of the transition from LIBOR to SOFR or any other alternative rates is still uncertain but may potentially lead to increased cost of debt.

The table below shows estimated changes in profit before tax for the Group from changes in interest rates in 2021 and 2020, with all other variables held constant. The changes are estimated based on a change in LIBOR given capital structure and hedges as of year-end 2021.

Change in bps (effect in USD'000)	2021	2020
+100	- 1 680	-1220
+50	- 840	- 610
-50	120	180

#### Counterparty/credit risk

The performance of the Group depends on its counterparties' ability to perform their obligations under agreed contracts, a continued client need for the services performed by the combination carriers and KCC's ability to renew contracts with these clients. Default by a cargo customer counterparty of its obligations under, mainly cargo customers (CoA's), may have material adverse consequences on the contract portfolio earnings. The counterparty's financial strength will thus be very important. If the Group has a legal right to insurance coverage the Group will make provision for the deductible amount. As such, default by an insurance institution may have material financial consequences.

Further, the Group is exposed to credit risk through its deposits. Deposits are currently made with investment grade financial institutions with A rating or higher from public rating agency. However, there are concentration risk as deposits are held with only a few institutions.

#### Maturity profile of financial liabilities

The table below summarises the maturity profile of the Group's financial liabilities based on contractual undiscounted payments. Interest bearing debt includes interest payments.

Total unrisked credit exposure at 31 December 2021 amounts to USD 72.4 million, 2020: USD 84.2 million (book value of trade receivables, other current assets and bank deposits).

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group may not be able to fulfil its liabilities when they fall due.

The Group has capital commitments relating to borrowings. The Group keeps its liquidity reserves mainly in cash and bank deposits. The liquidity risk is considered to be limited as the deposits, committed bank debt and estimated cash flow are considered sufficient for all needs in the foreseeable future. The Group's bank financing is subject to financial and non-financial covenants. The table below illustrates the timing and magnitude of the Group's financial liabilities.

Maturity profile financial liabilities 31 Dec 2021	< 1 year	1-3 years	3-5 years	> 5 years	Total
Mortgage debt (incl interests)	33 815	129 950	178 242	-	342 007
Bond loan (incl interest)	4 757	9 515	77 110	-	91 382
Other interest bearing liabilities	2 409	-	-	-	2 409
Trade and other payables	16 199	-	-	-	16 199
Current debt to related parties	895	-	-	-	895
	58 075	139 465	255 352	-	452 892

Loan facilities to be refinanced during the next 12 months are included in <1 year.

Maturity profile financial liabilities 31 Dec 2020	< 1 year	1-3 years	3-5 years	> 5 years	Total
Mortgage debt (incl interests)	29 422	167 733	52 920	_	250 075
Bond loan (incl interest)	4 757	9 515	80 678	-	94 950
Trade and other payables	13 165	-	-	-	13 165
Current debt to related parties	1 3 3 9	-	-	-	1 3 3 9
	48 683	177 248	133 598	-	359 529

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#### Climate-related risks

Climate-related risks includes both transition risks and physical risks with focus on transition risks as this is considered to have a larger impact and probability for KCC. The risk mainly relates to effect of reduced demand for the Group's services and the risk of stranded assets and new regulations as the fleet moves to low-carbon fuel. For 2021, total fossil fuel shipments accounted for 17 % of the Group's transported volumes in metric tons.

#### Compliance risk

The legal and regulatory requirements of the company is increasingly challenging and complex. The Group has established systems and processes to ensure that all relevant laws and regulations are met, such as tax-laws, anti-corruption laws, securities laws, anti-trust laws and international sanctions. Two of the Group's subsidiaries are subject to the Norwegian tonnage tax regime. Non-compliance with the qualifying rules of this regime will have material negative impact on the Group's financial position.

## **17** Share options program

In December 2019, the Board approved the adoption of a share option program, and 65,280 share options to senior management (CEO and CFO) were issued at the same date. The share options have an exercise price of NOK 46.14, adjusted for any distribution of dividends made before the relevant options are excercised. The share options have a five year term

and vest over a three year period equally at a rate of 1/3 of the number of share options granted on each annual anniversary of the date of grant, subject to the option holder continuing to be employed by the Company from the grant date through the applicable vesting date. The share options have no voting or other shareholder rights.

The fair value of the share options granted was calculated on the Black-Scholes-Merton method. The significant assumptions used to estimate the fair value of the share options are set out below:

	Model inputs
Dividend yield (%)	-
Expected volatility (%)*	36 %
Risk-free interest rate (%)**	2.05 %
Expected life of share options (year)	3
Weighted average share price (NOK)	48

<sup>\*</sup>The expected volatility reflects the assumption that the historical shipping industry average is indicative of future trends, which may not necessarily be the actual outcome.

The following table summarizes the unvested option activity for the year ended December 31, 2021:

Number of shares	Average exercise price	2021	2020
Outstanding at 1 January	NOK 46.14	65 280	65 280
Granted during the year		-	-
Exercised during the year		-	-
Forfeited during the year		-	-
Expired during the year		-	-
Outstanding at 31 December		65 280	65 280

The fair value of the share options granted is calculated to USD 100k, i.e USD 1.542 per share option. The cost incurred in 2021 is USD 42k (2020: USD 39k).

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## 18 Share capital, shareholders, dividends and reserves

A capital increase of USD 25 million was completed on 4 November 2021 through a private placement to fund energy efficiency initiatives for the existing fleet. The Board approved the allocation of 4 345 000 shares in the private placement at a price of NOK 49.00 per share.

Dividends of in total USD 7.2 million were paid to the shareholders in 2021 (in average USD 0.15 per share).

#### Share capital

Date	Shares	Notional (NOK)	Share capital (NOK)
Shares and sharecapital at 31 December 2019	48 027 000		48 027 000
Shares and sharecapital at 31 December 2020	48 027 000		48 027 000
Shares issued 4 November 2021	4 345 000	1	4 345 000
Shares and share capital at 31 December 2021	52 372 000		52 372 000

All shares have equal voting rights and equal rights to dividends. The ordinary shares are listed on Oslo Stock Exchange. KCC owns a total of 40,078 in treasury shares, corresponding to 0.0765 % of the total number of issued shares.

Basic earnings per Share (EPS) in Income Statment is calculated based on the weighted average number of ordinary shares for the period, whereas diluted earnings per Share (EPS) is based on all outstanding shares including dilutive shares if all convertible shares were excercised.

	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for basic EPS	48 677 360	47 994 938
Effects of dilution from:		
Share options	65 280	65 280
Warrants	229 088	229 088
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the effect of dilution	48 971 728	48 289 306

Largest shareholders at 31 December 2021	Ownership Number of shares	Ownership In %
Rederiaksjeselskapet Torvald Klaveness	28 154 231	53,8 %
EGD Shipholding AS	8 805 128	16,8 %
Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC (nominee)	2 579 841	4,9 %
Hundred Roses Corporation	2 227 250	4,3 %
T.D. VEEN AS	1 000 000	1,9 %
Verdipapirfondet Nordea Norge Verd	851 873	1,6 %
J.P. Morgan Bank Luxembourg S.A. (nominee)	727 066	1,4 %
Morgan Stanley & Co.Int. Plc	492 908	0,9 %
SIX SIS AG (nominee)	463 933	0,9 %
Verdipapirfondet Nordea Norge Kapital	353 900	0,7 %
Other	6715870	12,8 %
TOTAL	52 372 000	100 %

Management and members of the Board which hold shares in the Company are set out below.

Name	Position	Number of shares
Engebret Dahm	Chief Executive Officer	20 532 (held through E Dahm Invest AS)
Liv Hege Dyrnes	Chief Financial Officer	······································
Lasse Kristoffersen		3 000 (held through B7 Invest AS). Owns 0.7% of Rederiaksjeselskapet Torvald Klaveness which holds 28 154 231 shares
Morten Skedsmo	Board member	225
Magne Øvreås	Board member	Owns 8.5 % of EGD Shipholding AS which holds 8 805 128

In an Extraordinary General Meeting held on 24 September 2018, the Company issued 229,088 non-transferable warrants, each of which entitles the holder to subscribe one new share of the Company at a subscription price of NOK 44.38 per share.



<sup>\*\*</sup>Average five-year Norwegian Government bond risk-free yield-to-maturity rate of 2.05 % as of 2021 was used as an estimate for the risk-free rate.

The warrants for each subscriber may be exercised with one third from such time as when the Company's shares on a volume-weighted basis have traded at a price equal to minimum NOK 55.48 for ten consecutive trading days with an aggregate trading volume over such ten days of a minimum of USD 1 million. Another third may be exercised when there has been such trading at a price equal to a minimum of NOK 66.57, and

the last third when there has been such trading at a price equal to a minimum of NOK 77.67. The warrants must be exercised no later than 24 September 2023. The exercise price and the threshold trading prices which trigger the right to exercise warrants shall be adjusted for paid dividends or other distributions to the shareholders.

Holder	No. Of Warrants	Subscription price (NOK)	Exercise Levels (NOK) *	Expiry
Klaveness Ship Holding AS	159,377	44,38	55.48/66.57/77.67	September 2023
EGD shipholding AS	55,691	44,38	55.48/66.57/77.67	September 2023
Hundred Roses Corporation	14,020	44,38	55.48/66.57/77.67	September 2023
Total	229,088			

<sup>\*</sup> Not adjusted for dividends



## Transactions with related parties

The ultimate owner of the Group is Rederiaksjeselskapet Torvald Klaveness (RASTK), which owns 53.8 % of the shares in Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA.

#### Net revenue from operation of vessels

Type of service/transaction (USD '000)	Provider*	Receiver*	Price method	2021	2020
Pool Participation	BAU	КССС	Standard pool agreement**	3 735	-
Dry bulk	KAS	KCCC	1.25% of transaction value	(255)	(199)
Total net revenue from related parties				3 480	(199)

Relets of dry bulk cargoes between KCC Chartering AS and AS Klaveness Chartering (related party in the Torvald Klaveness Group) is made at spot pricing without any compensation either way.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Hire from BAU to KCCC less pool fee from KCCC to BAU.

Type of service/transaction (USD '000)	Provider*	Receiver*	Price method	2021	2020
Business administration services	KAS	KCC ASA, on behalf of KCC companies	Cost + 5% or overhead per employee	1 457	1 754
Business administration services	KA Ltd	KCCA Ltd	Cost + 5%	119	-
Commercial management	KSM, KAS	KCCC	Cost + 7.5%	1 203	1 588
FFA trading	KAS	KCCC	0.1% of transaction value	49	16
Project management	KSM, KAS	KCCS, KCC	Cost + 7.5%	881	180
Total group commercial and administr services	ative			3 708	3 538

As of 1 June 2021, employment of four key employees in Singapore were transferred from Klaveness Asia Pte. Ltd to the newly established company, Klaveness Combination Carriers Asia Pte Ltd, 100 % owned by KCC ASA (parent company). Prior to the transfer, the services of these employees were purchased through Klaveness AS.

All bunkers purchase is done through AS Klaveness Chartering (KC), a related party in the Torvald Klaveness Group, which holds the bunker contracts with the suppliers. The bunker purchase process has been centralized to enhance negotiating and purchasing power towards the suppliers. No profit margin is added to the transactions, but a service fee is charged on a cost-plus basis reflecting the time spent by the bunkering team and charged as part of the Business administration services from Klaveness AS.

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#### Other services/transactions

Type of service/transaction (USD '000)	Provider*	Receiver*	Price method	2021	2020
Technical management fee (opex)	KSM	KCCS	Fixed fee per vessel	3 979	3 163
Crewing and IT fee (opex)	KSM	KCCS	Fixed fee per vessel	1 550	1 101
Supervision fee and project management fee (newbuilding)	KSM, KAS	KCCS	Partly cost and partly cost + 7.5%	1 333	1 779
Board member fee (administrative expenses)	KAS	ксс	Fixed fee as per annual general meeting	94	91
Sales support, sale of vessel (gain on sale of vessels) (note 7)	KAS	KCCS	Cost for time used + 7.5%	31	-
Technical management fee for termination of agreement (gain on sale of vessels)	KSM	KCCS	3 months temination period	44	-
Total other services/ transactions				7 031	6 133

KCC Chartering AS sold 105 days P4TC FFAs OTC for November and December 2021 to Baumarine AS, and 180 days P4TC for Q3 and Q4 2022 to AS Klaveness Chartering, related parties in the Torvald Klaveness Group, at screen market pricing. Credit premium has not been included as the companies have the same rating. Market value of portfolio with AS Klaveness Chartering was USD 660k as per 31 December 2021 presented as financial assets in Statement of Financial Position.

Short term assets and debt related parties (USD '000)	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Klaveness Ship Management AS	1 502	-
Klaveness AS	12	742
Baumarine AS	505	-
Short-term receivables from related parties	2 018	742
AS Klaveness Chartering	660	-
Short-term financial assets	660	-
Klaveness AS	212	-
Klaveness Ship Management AS	341	1 127
Klaveness Chartering AS	312	212
Klaveness Asia Pte.Ltd	30	-
Short-term debt to related parties	895	1 3 3 9

#### **Accounting policy**

Parties are related if one party has the ability, directly or indirectly, to control the other party or exercise significant influence over the party in making financial and operating decisions. Parties are also related if they are subject to common control or common significant influence. Related parties transactions are recorded to estimated fair value.

<sup>\*</sup>Klaveness AS (KAS), Klaveness Ship Management AS (KSM), Klaveness Asia Pte.Ltd (KA Ltd), Klaveness Combination Carrier ASA (KCC), KCC Shipowning AS (KCCS), KCC Chartering AS (KCCC), Klaveness Combination Carriers Asia Pte.Ltd (KCCA Ltd), Baumarine AS (BAU)



## List of subsidiaries

Klaveness Combination Carriers Asia Pte Ltd (Singapore) was incorporated on 22 March 2021 based on capital injection of USD 300 000 from Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA (100% ownership, 300 000 shares). The commercial and operation team of four employees were transferred from Klaveness Asia Pte Ltd to this company on 1 June 2021.

Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA Group comprises of several subsidiaries. Below is a list of subsidiaries within the Group.

Company name	Location	Ownership interest per 31 Dec 2021	Ownership interest per 31 Dec 2020
KCC Shipowning AS	Oslo, Norway	100 %	100 %
KCC KBA AS	Oslo, Norway	100 %	100 %
KCC Chartering AS	Oslo, Norway	100 %	100 %
Klaveness Combination Carriers Asia Pte. Ltd	Singapore	100 %	-

#### Tonnage tax

The vessel owning company (KCC Shipowning AS) and KCC Chartering AS are subject to taxation under the Norwegian tonnage tax regime. For the financial year 2021 KCC Shipowning AS and KCC Chartering AS have payable tonnage taxes of USD 221k.

#### **Ordinary taxation**

The Parent Company (Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA) and the subsidiary KCC KBA AS are under ordinary taxation rules in Norway. The ordinary rate of corporation tax in Norway is 22 % for 2021 (2020: 22 %). The subsidiary Klaveness Combination Carriers Asia Pte. Ltd is subject to ordinary taxation in Singapore. The ordinary tax rate in Singapore is 17 % for 2021. For the financial year 2021 KCC Asia Pte. Ltd has a payable tax expense of USD 7k.

The subsidiary KCC KBAAS has net taxable profit mainly as a consequence of exchange rate effects following an internal vessel sale within the Group. This is offset against tax losses carried forward in the holding company. MV Barracuda was resold to KCC Shipowning AS in February 2021, and no further taxable profits are expected in the future for this company.

#### **Deferred tax assets**

Deferred tax assets are only recognised to the extent that future utilisation within the Group can be justified as per 31 December 2021. As a consequence, a tax position of USD 9.7 million per 31 December 2021 has not been recognised in the balance sheet. The tax position is mainly due to accumulated financial costs deductible under the tonnage tax regime as well as a tax loss on the internal vessel sales which will be deductible at a rate of 20 % annually going forward.

Income taxes for the year (USD '000)	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Income taxes navable	7	
Income taxes payable Change in deferred tax	-	-
Total tax expense / income (-) reported in the income statement	7	
Tax on net (gain)/loss on revaluation of cash flow hedges	-	-
Deferred tax charged to OCI	-	-

(USD '000) Tax payable	Income	31 Dec 2021 Tax effect	Income	31 Dec 2020 Tax effect
Profit / loss (-) before taxes, incl OCI	20 955	4 610	8 503	1 871
Income from shipping activity, tonnage tax system	(35 688)	(7 851)	(26 779)	(5 891)
Change in temporary differences	5 137	1 130	5 787	1 273
Change in tax losses carried forward	1 858	409	9 917	2 182
Exchange rate differences / Other permanent differences	7 737	1702	2 572	566
Tax payable foreign subsidiaries		7		
Tax payable in the balance sheet	-	7	-	-
Effective tax rate		0 %		0 %
Tonnage tax (included in operating profit)		221		180
Correction prior year tonnage tax		5		(5)
Total tax payable in the balance sheet		233		175

(USD '000) Temporary differences - ordinary taxation	Temporary difference	31 Dec 2021 Tax effect	Temporary difference	31 Dec 2020 Tax effect
	(4.4.000)	(0.070)	(0.701)	(0.1.0)
Temporary differences	(14 899)	(3278)	(9 761)	(2 148)
Tax losses carried forward	(29 057)	(6 392)	(27 199)	(5 984)
Deferred tax asset not recognised in the balance sheet	43 956	9 670	36 960	8 131
Net temporary differences - deferred tax liability/asset (-)	-	-	-	-
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Deferred tax asset in balance sheet	-	-	<del>-</del>	<u>-</u>
Deferred tax liability in balance sheet	-	-	-	-

#### **Accounting policy**

Under the tonnage tax regime, profit from operations are tax exempt. Companies within the tonnage tax system pay a tonnage tax based on the deadweight tonnage of the vessels. The tonnage tax is recognised as an operating expense in the profit & loss. Taxable profit is calculated on the basis of financial income after deduction of a portion of financial expenses (based on financial assets in percent of total assets).

For companies subject to ordinary taxation, tax expense comprises tax payable and changes in deferred tax assets. Tax payable corresponds to the amount expected to be paid to authorities while deferred tax assets/liabilities are calculated based on temporary differences at the reporting date. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that future utilisation is probable. Deferred tax liabilities/deferred tax assets within the same tax system that may be offset are recorded on a net basis. Income tax relating to items recognised directly in equity is included directly in equity and not in the statement of income.

## 22 Events after the balance sheet date

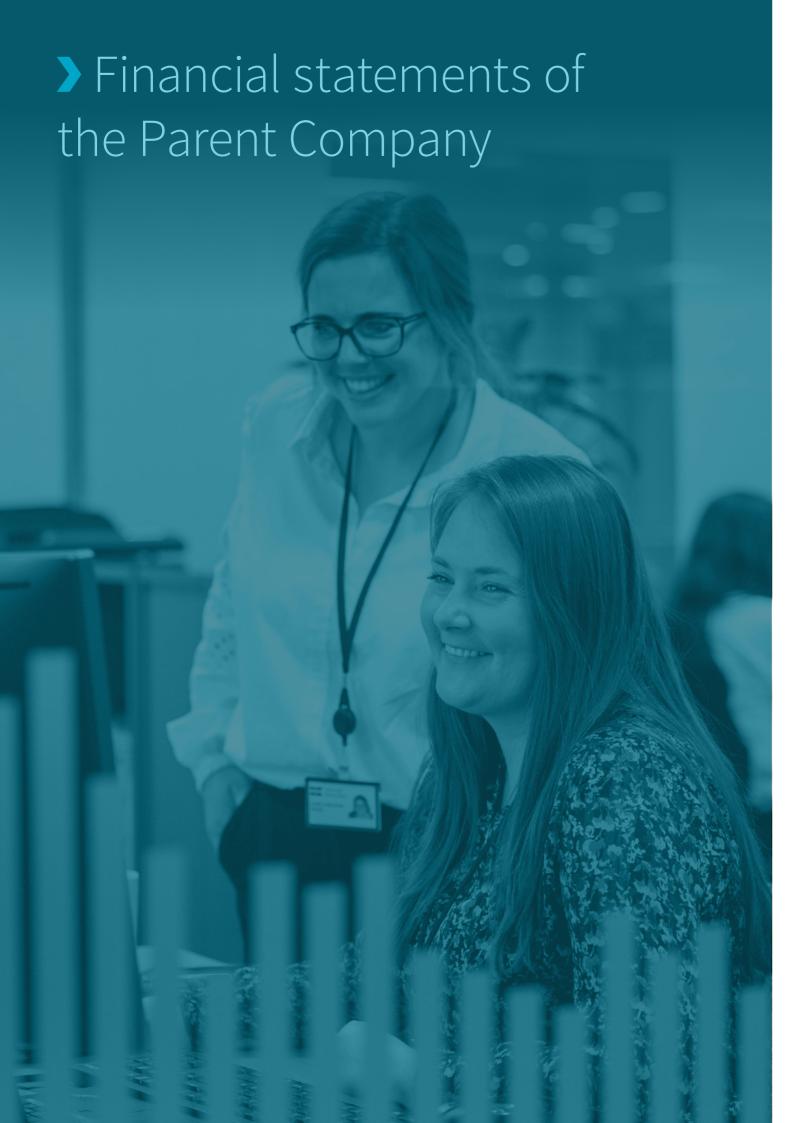
On 17 February 2022, the Company's Board of Directors declared to pay a cash dividend to the Company's shareholders of USD 5.2 million for Q4 2021 (USD 0.1 per share).

KCC has no exposure to Russia or Belarus and has decided to not conduct any business with companies owned or controlled by Russian or Belarusian interests. Further, KCC has exempted all Russian ports,

in addition to the war zone in the Black Sea. While the effect of the war has been strengthening dry bulk, product tanker and fuels markets, the indirect longer-term effects of the war on KCC's markets are uncertain.

There are no other events after the balance sheet date that have material effect on the financial statement as of 31 December 2021.





#### Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA – Parent Company

#### > INCOME STATEMENT

		Year ended 31 Decemb	
(USD '000)	Notes	2021	Restated* 2020
Service and management fee revenue	5	842	763
Total revenues		842	763
Group administrative services	5	(1 299)	(1 232)
Salaries and social expenses	6	(1 780)	(1 327)
Other operating and administrative expenses	2	(650)	(647)
Operating profit (EBITDA)		(2 886)	(2 442)
Operating profit after depreciation (EBIT)		(2 886)	(2 442)
Finance income	9	9 652	9 152
Finance expenses	9	(5 828)	(8 421)
Profit before tax		939	(1 712)
Income tax expenses	7	1 848	1 810
Profit after tax		2 787	98

#### > STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

O TATE OF COMMINICATION OF THE OFFI	Year	ended 31 December	
(USD '000)	Notes	2021	2020
Profit after tax		2 787	98
Other comprehensive income to be reclassified to profit or loss			
Net movement fair value on cross-currency interest rate swaps (CCIRS)		(404)	(5 379)
Reclassification to profit and loss (CCIRS)		2773	2 917
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the period, net of tax		2 368	(2 462)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period, net of tax		5 155	(2 363)
Attributable to:			
Equity holders of the parent company		(5 155)	(2 363)

<sup>\*2020</sup> is restated due to change from IFRS to simplified IFRS (note 11).

## Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA – Parent Company

#### > STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Assets (USD '000)	Notes	31 Dec 2021	Restated* 31 Dec 2020
Non-current assets			
Investment in subsidiaries	3	263 357	253 649
Deferred tax asset	7	-	-
Long-term loan to related parties	5	15 000	6 500
Financial assets	8	2 556	2 917
Other long-term receivables	5	70	70
Total non-current assets		280 982	263 137
Current assets			
Inventories		166	166
Trade receivables and other current assets		77	179
Cash and cash equivalents	4	21 029	15 004
Short-term loan to related parties	5	6 465	7 510
Short- term receivables from related parties	5	45	3 825
Total current assets		27 782	26 685
TOTAL ASSETS		308 764	289 822

Equity and liabilities (USD '000)		31 Dec 2021	Restated* 31 Dec 2020
Equity			
Share capital	Group 18	6 2 3 4	5 724
Share premium		243 054	219 478
Other reserves		(330)	(2 699)
Retained earnings		(26 077)	(16 100)
Equity attributable to equity holders of the parent		222 880	206 403
Non-current liabilities			
Bond loan	8	78 205	80 649
Financial liabilities	8	43	-
Total non-current liabilities		78 248	80 649
Current liabilities			
Current debt to related parties	5	1 099	180
Trade and other payables		6 536	2 590
Total current liabilities		7 636	2 770
Total equity and liabilities		308 764	289 822

\*2020 is restated due to change from IFRS to simplified IFRS (note 11).

Oslo, 31 December 2021 Oslo, 28 March 2022

Lasse Kristoffersen	Engebret Dahm	Winifred Patricia Johansen
Chair of the Board	CEO	Board member
Magne Øvreås	Rebekka Glasser Herlofsen	Morten Skedsmo
Board member	Board member	Board member

## Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA – Parent Company

#### > CASH FLOW STATEMENT

(100)			Restated*
(USD '000)	Notes	2021	2020
Profit before tax		939	(1 712)
Interest income		(1 254)	(88)
Interest expenses		5 050	4 078
Group Contribution	9	(8 398)	(8 231)
Amortization of transaction cost on issuance on loans		253	373
Financial derivatives loss / gain (-)		-	1 632
Gain (-) /loss on foreign exchange		525	791
Change in current assets		102	(25)
Change in current liabilities		215	167
Change in other working capital		1 226	(8 806)
Interest received		1 089	88
A: Net cash flow from operating activities		(253)	(11 731)
Investment in subsidiaries	3	(300)	-
Long term loan to related parties	5	(17 790)	(19 570)
Repayment of loan to related parties	5	10 500	13 000
B: Net cash flow from investment activities		(7 590)	(6 570)
Proceeds from bond loan	8	-	76 390
Transaction costs on issuance of loans		-	(1 715)
Repayment of bond loan	8	-	(33 861)
Interest paid		(5 041)	(4 117)
Terminated financial instruments		-	(3 101)
Purchase of own shares	Group 18	-	(147)
Paid in registered capital increase	Group 18	24 977	-
Transaction costs on capital increase	Group 18	(878)	
Group contribution		2 756	
Dividends	Group 18	(7 204)	(4 802)
C: Net cash flow from financing activities		14 609	28 646
Net change in liquidity in the period (A + B + C)		6 766	10 346
Net foreign exchange difference		(742)	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		15 004	4 659
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	4	21 029	15 004
Net change in cash and cash equivalents in the period		6 766	10 346

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## Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA – Parent Company

#### > STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

#### Attributable to equity holders of the parent

2021 (USD '000)		Other paid in capital	Treasury shares	Hedging reserve	Retained earnings	Total equity
Equity at 1 January 2021	5 724	219 478	(147)	(2 552)	(16 100)	206 403
Profit (loss) for the period					2 787	2 787
Other comprehensive income for the period				2 3 6 8		2 3 6 8
Dividends					(10 964)	(10 964)
Capital increase (4 November 2021)	510	23 576				24 086
Tax effect of group contribution received					(1848)	(1848)
Share option program (Group note 17)					47	47
Equity at 31 December 2021	6 234	243 054	(147)	(183)	(26 077)	222 880

2020 (USD '000)		Other paid in capital	Treasury shares	Hedging reserve	Retained earnings	Total equity
Equity at 1 January 2020	5 724	219 478	-	(91)	(8 184)	216 928
Profit (loss) for the period					98	98
Other comprehensive income for the period				(2 462)		(2 462)
Purchase of own shares (Group note 18)			(147)			(147)
Dividends					(6 243)	(6 243)
Tax effect of group contribution received					(1810)	(1810)
Share option program (Group note 17)					39	39
Restated* Equity at 31 December 2020	5 724	219 478	(147)	(2 552)	(16 100)	206 403

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# Notes

- (01) Accounting policies
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- (11) Restatement of 2020

#### ▶ Basis of preparation

Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA ("Parent Company") is a public limited company domiciled and incorporated in Norway. The Parent Company is headquartered and registered in Drammensveien 260, 0283 Oslo. Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA was established March 23, 2018. The share is listed on Oslo Stock Exchange with ticker KCC (transferred from Euronext Expand as per 21 December 2021).

The financial statements as per 31 December 2021 of Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA (referred to as the Company/the Parent Company) have been prepared in accordance with simplified IFRS pursuant to the Norwegian Accounting Act §3-9 and regulations regarding simplified application of IFRS issued by the Norwegian Ministry of Finance on 3 November 2014.

Accounting principles for the consolidated statement of Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA (the Group) also apply to the Parent Company except treatment of the dividends – see accounting policies related to dividend presented as part of the consolidated Group accounts.

The main activity of the Company is to be a holding company in the Group, which owns and operates combination carriers.

#### Dividend income

Dividend income and/or Group contribution (for the year ended 31 December 2021) are recognised in Company's financial statements as financial income and current assets per year- end 2021.

#### ▶ Dividend distribution/Group contribution

Distribution of dividends are approved by the Board of Directors based on authorisation from the Annual General Meeting. Dividend distribution to the Company's shareholders is recognised as a liability at the reporting date of the financial year that the proposal of dividend relates to (i.e. dividends for 2021, approved by the Board of Directors 17 February 2022, are recognised as a liability as per 31 December 2021).

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## **)** 02 Operating expenses

(USD '000)	2021	2020
Statutory audit	107	71
Other assurance services from auditor	26	15
Total	133	86

Auditor's fee are stated excluding VAT.

## ▶ 03 Investment in subsidiaries

(USD '000)	Business office, country	Voting share/ ownership	2021	2020
KCC Chartering AS	Oslo, Norway	100 %	7 456	7 456
KCC Shipowning AS	Oslo, Norway	97 %	240 093	240 093
KCC KBA AS	Oslo, Norway	100 %	15 507	6 100
KCC Asia Pte. Ltd	Singapore	100 %	300	-
Investment in subsidiaries			263 357	253 649

Klaveness Combination Carriers Asia Pte Ltd (Singapore) was incorporated on 22 March 2021 with a capital injection of USD 300 000 from Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA (100% ownership, 300 000 shares).

#### **Accounting policy**

#### Shares in subsidiaries

Shares in subsidiaries in the Parent Company accounts are recorded at cost. These investments are reviewed for impairment when there are indicators that carrying amount may not be recoverable.

#### **Use of estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to exercise its judgment in the process of applying the Company's accounting policies. It also requires the use of accounting estimates and assumptions that affect the reported

amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the financial year. Although these estimates are based on management's best knowledge of current events and actions, actual results may ultimately differ from those estimates.

Shares in subsidiaries and intercompany receivables are subject to impairment testing at the end of each reporting period. Valuation is subject to assessment of the recoverability in the underlying investment or receivable. Management's assessment can affect the level of impairment loss, or reversal of such, that is recognized in profit or loss.

## **) 04** Cash and cash equivalents

The Company has bank deposits in the following currencies:

(USD '000)	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Bank deposits, USD	12 282	14 804
Bank deposits, NOK	8 672	130
Payroll withholding tax account (restricted cash, NOK)	74	70
Total cash and cash equivalents	21 029	15 004

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## **Transactions with related parties**

#### Service agreements

The Parent Company has six employees as per year end 2021. The Parent Company delivers administrative and business management services

and commercial management services to subsidiaries. The level of fees are based on cost + a margin in accordance with the arm's length principle and OECD guidelines.

Type of service/transaction	Receiver*	Price method	2021	2020
Business administration services	KCCS	Cost + 5 %	325	286
Business administration services	KCC KBA AS	Cost + 5 %	14	32
Business administration services	KCCC	Cost + 5 %	364	81
Commercial management services	KCCC	Cost + 7.5 %	139	364
Service and management fee revenue			842	763

Klaveness AS and Klaveness Ship Management AS delivers administrative, commercial and project management services such as accounting, legal, IT, project and office services to Parent Company. The level of fees are based on cost + a margin in accordance with the arm's length principle and OECD guidelines

Type of service/transaction	Receiver*	Price method	2021	2020
Business administration services	KAS	Cost + 5% or overhead per employee	780	952
Business administration services	KSM	Cost + 5% or overhead per employee	-	71
Project management	KSM	Cost + 7.5%	424	118
Board member fee	KAS	Fixed fee as per annual general meeting	94	91
Group administrative services			1 299	1 232

Type of service/transaction	Receiver*	Price method	2021	2020
Interest income loan to related party	KCCS	2.2 %	760	250
Interest income loan to related party	KCC KBA	4.3 %	50	534
Interest income loan to related party	KCCC	3.65 % (3.4 % prior to 29.2.21)	394	49
Interest cost loan agreement	KCCS	Libor 3M + 2.2 %	-	(14)
Interest cost loan agreement	KCC KBA	Libor 3M + 6.5 %	-	(3)
Interest income and expenses to related party (	note 9)		1 204	817

#### Intercompany balances

Type of service/transaction	Receiver*	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Short- term receivables from related parties	KCCS	23	578
Short- term receivables from related parties	KCCC	22	458
Short-term receivables from related parties	KCC KBA	-	96
Net Group Contribution	KCC KBA	-	2 694
Short- term loan to related parties	KCCC	-	7 510
Short- term loan to related parties	KCCS	6 165	-
Short- term loan to related parties	KCC KBA	300	-
Current assets to related parties		6 510	11 335

(USD '000)	Counterparty *	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Long-term receivables to related parties	KCCC	15 000	-
Long-term receivables to related parties	KCC KBA	-	6 500
Other long-term receivables (loan to employees)	Employees	70	70
Long- term assets to related parties		15 070	6 570

KCC, as lender, has provided loans to subsidiaries KCC Chartering AS (USD 15 million), KCC Shipowning AS (USD 6.1 million) and KCC KBA AS (USD 300k).

Loan to employees (and affiliates to employees) has been made in connection with employees purchase of shares in the company. Interest rate in the loans are set in accordance with "Normal interest rate for the taxation of low-cost loans from an employer".

(USD '000)	Counterparty *	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
	WAG.	400	60
Short-term debt to related parties	KAS	128	62
Short-term debt to related parties	KCCC	57	-
Short-term debt to related parties	KCCS	25	-
Short-term debt to related parties	KSM	5	118
Short-term debt to related parties	KCC KBA	2	-
Net Group Contribution	KCC KBA	882	-
Current debt to related parties		1 099	180

Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA receives a Group Contribution with tax effect of MNOK 74.2 (USD 8.4 million) for 2021 and provides a Group Contribution without tax effect of MNOK 82 (USD 9.3 million) in 2021, both towards the subsidiary KCC KBA AS. Refer also to Changes in Equity and note 7) Taxes.

\*Klaveness AS (KAS), Klaveness Ship Management AS (KSM), KCC Shipowning AS (KCCS), KCC Chartering AS (KCCC), KCC KBA AS (KCC KBA)

## ▶ 06 Salary

(USD '000)	2021	2020
Salaries and other remuneration	1 679	1 247
Pension benefit	83	66
Other social costs	7	5
Other personel ralated expenses	11	8
Salaries and social expense	1 780	1 327

 $The \ Company \ has \ six\ employees\ as\ per\ year\ end\ 2021.\ For\ more\ information\ related\ to\ salary\ expenses\ -\ see\ Group\ note\ 7.$ 

The Company is regulated by ordinary taxation rules in Norway. The income, but tax exempt under the tax exemption method, and therefore ordinary rate of corporation tax in Norway is 22 % for 2021 (22 % in not part of taxable income. As a consequence of this contribution, the 2020). The Company has a positive result before tax, however a group contribution with tax effect of USD 8.4 million is recognised as financial

company has a net positive tax expense of USD 1.8 million.

Income taxes for the year (USD '000)	2021	2020
Tax pavable	_	-
Tax payable  Effect of the Group contribution	1848	1 810
Total tax expense / income (-) reported in the income statement	1848	1 810
Tax on net (gain)/loss on cash flow hedges	_	-
Deferred tax charged to OCI	-	-

Tax payable (USD '000)	Income	2021 Tax effect	Income	2020 Tax effect
Profit / loss (-) before taxes, incl OCI	939	207	(1 712)	(377)
Non-deductible expenses	2	0	7	2
Transaction cost capital increase charged over equity	(863)	(190)	-	_
Dividends/group contribution from investments covered by the tax exemption model	(8 398)	(1848)	(8 228)	(1810)
Unrealized gain/loss on financial instruments valued at fair value	305	67	(2 917)	(642)
Change in tax losses carried forward	(1 580)	(348)	6 999	1540
Total tax basis and tax payable before group contribution	(9 595)	(2 111)	(5 851)	(1 287)
Group contribution from KCC KBA AS	8 398	1848	8 228	1 810
Exchange rate differences	1 196	263	(2 377)	(523)
Tax payable in the balance sheet	-	-	-	-
Effective tax rate		0 %		0 %

Temporary differences - ordinary taxation (USD '000)	Temporary difference	2021 Tax effect	Temporary difference	2020 Tax effect
Temporary differences	-	-	-	-
Intercepted interest carry forward	(1 329)	(292)	(1 375)	(303)
Tax losses carried forward	(14 047)	(3 090)	(16 174)	(3 558)
Unrealised gain/loss financial instruments	2 513	553	2 917	642
Deferred tax asset not recognised in the balance sheet	12 862	2830	14 632	3 219
Net temporary differences - deferred tax liability/asset (-)	-	-	-	-
Deferred tax asset/liability in balance sheet	-	-	-	-

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## 08 Financial assets and financial liabilities

listed on Oslo Stock Exchange. The bond loan has a bullet structure coupon of 3 months NIBOR plus a margin of 4.75 % p.a with quarterly

The Company holds a bond loan of NOK 700 million (KCC04) which is

The total bond loan was swapped to USD with fixed rate (cross currency interest rate swaps /CCIRS). The CCIRS qualify for hedge accounting and with no repayment until maturity in February 2025. The bond carries a are recognised at fair value with changes through other comprehensive

Bond loan (KCC03)	Face value NOK' 000	Year of maturity	Carrying amount USD' 000
KCC04	700 000	11.02.2025	80 649
Exchange rate adjustment			(1 430)
Capitalized expenses			(779)
Bond discount			(234)
Total bond loan	700 000		78 205

#### Maturity profile to financial liabilities at 31 December 2021

The table below summarises the maturity profile of the Company's financial liabilities based on contractual undiscounted payments including interest payments and interest hedge.

Maturity profile (USD '000)	< 1 year	1-3 years	3-5 years	> 5 years	Total
Bond loan (incl interests)	(4 757)	(9 515)	(77 110)	-	(91 382)

As per 31 December 2021, the Company is in compliance with all financial covenants. Covenants relate to minimum equity (USD 125 million), equity ratio (30%), and cash (USD 15 million) on a consolidated basis.

Financial assets (USD '000)	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Financial instruments at fair value through OCI		
Cross-currency interest rate swap	2 556	2 917
Financial assets	2 556	2 917
Current	-	-
Non-current Service Control of the C	2 556	2 917
Financial liabilities (USD '000)	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Financial instruments at fair value through OCI		
Cross-currency interest rate swap	43	-
Financial liabilities	43	-
Current	-	-
Non-current	43	-

KCC guarantees on behalf of KCC Shipowning AS (part of the KCC Group) to the lending banks for the mortgage vessels loans including unpaid interest, costs and hedging agreements. As of 31.12.2021 sum of loans, accrued interest and net mark-to-mark on hedging contracts amounts to USD 276 million.

(USD '000)	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020
Loans	273 929	230 524
Net MtM hedging agreements	553	5 053
Accrued unpaid interest	1 355	1 262
Total	275 837	236 839

Finance income (USD '000)	2021	2020
Other interest income	50	702
Gain on foreign exchange	-	-
Group contribution (note 5)	8 398	8 231
Other financial income from related parties (note 5)	1 204	219
Finance income	9 652	9 152

Finance cost (USD '000)	2021	2020
Interest paid to related parties	_	16
Other interest expenses	589	581
Interest expenses bond loan	4 3 7 1	4 062
Amortization capitalized fees on loans	253	373
Other financial expenses	90	844
Loss on foreign exchange	525	-
Fair value changes and interest rate swaps	-	2 546
Finance expenses	5 828	8 421

## Events after the balance sheet date

On 17 February 2022, the Company's Board of Directors declared to pay

There are no other events after the balance sheet date that have material a cash dividend to the Company's shareholders of USD 5.2 million for Q4 effect on the Financial Statement as of 31 December 2021. 2021 (USD 0.1 per share).

## Restatement of 2020

Income Statement (USD '000)	31 Dec 2020	Adjustment	Restated 31 Dec 2020
Operating profit after depreciation (EBIT)	(2 442)		(2 442)
Finance income	921	8 231	9 152
Finance costs	(8 421)	-	(8 421)
Profit before tax	(9 943)	8 231	(1 712)
Income tax expenses	1 810	-	1 810
Profit after tax	(8 133)	8 231	98

Statement of Comprehensive Income (USD '000)	31 Dec 2020	Adjustment	Restated 31 Dec 2020
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period	(10 594)	8 2 3 1	(2 363)

Statement of Financial Position (USD '000)	31 Dec 2020	Adjustment	Restated 31 Dec 2020
Non-current assets			
Investment in subsidiaries	248 115	5 534	253 649
Deferred tax asset	1 810	(1 810)	-
Total non-current assets	259 413	3 724	263 137
Current assets			
Short- term receivables from related parties	1 129	2 696	3 825
Total current assets	23 989	2 696	26 685
TOTAL ASSETS	283 402	6 420	289 822
Equity			
Share capital	5 724	-	5 724
Share premium	219 478	-	219 478
Other reserves	(2 699)	-	(2 699)
Retained earnings	(21 080)	4 980	(16 100)
Total equity	201 423	4 980	206 403
Total non-current liabilities	80 649	-	80 649
Trade and other payables	1 150	1 440	
Total current liabilities	1 330	1 440	2 770
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	283 402	6 420	289 822

2020 (USD '000)	Share capital	Share premium	Treasury Shares	Hedging reserve	Retained earnings	Total equity
Equity at 1 January 2020	5 724	219 478	0	(91)	(8 184)	216 927
Profit (loss) for the period					(8 133)	(8 133)
Other comprehensive income for the period				(2 462)		(2 462)
Purchase of own shares (Group note 18)			(147)			(147)
Dividends					(4 803)	(4 803)
Share option program (Group note 17)					39	39
Equity at 31 December 2020	5 724	219 478	(147)	(2 552)	(21 080)	201 423
Adjustments						
Profit (loss) for the period					8 231	8 231
Net group contribution received/ (paid) with tax effect (2020)					(1 810)	(1 810)
Dividends					(1 440)	(1 440)
Restated* Equity at 31 December 2020	5 724	219 478	(147)	(2 552)	(16 100)	206 403

Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA (Parent Company) changed from IFRS to simplified IFRS reporting as per 31 December 2021 with retrospective effect. Income Statement, Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Financial Position and Statement of Changes in Equity for 2020 have been restated to reflect the change in accounting

policy for dividends/group contribution. For the Cash Flow Statement, the adjustment results in effects on profit before tax and group contribution with no effects on net cash flow from operation activities



# > Responsibility statement

The responsibility statement includes the Board of Directors and the CEO's approval of Annual Report 2021.

We confirm that, to the best of our knowledge, the consolidated financial statements for the period 1 January to 31 December 2021 have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards during the financial year and their impact on the consolidated financial (IFRS) as endorsed by the European Union and give a true and fair view statements of Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA, and a description of of the Company's assets, liabilities, financial position and profit. We the principal risks and uncertainties for 2022.

also confirm, to the best of our knowledge, that the Board of Directors' Report includes a fair review of important events that have occurred

#### The CEO and Board of Directors of Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA

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# ➤ Auditors report



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Annual Shareholders' Meeting of Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA

#### Report on the audit of the financial statements

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA (the Company) which comprise the financial statements of the Company and the consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries (the Group). The financial statements of the Company comprise the balance sheet as at 31 December 2021 and the income statement, statement of comprehensive income, statement of cash flows and statement of changes in equity for the year then ended and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The consolidated financial statements of the Group comprise the balance sheet as at 31 December 2021, the income statement, statement of comprehensive income, statement of cash flows and statement of changes in equity for the year then ended and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

#### In our opinion

- the financial statements comply with applicable legal requirements,
- the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company as at 31
  December 2021 and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in
  accordance with simplified application of international accounting standards according to section
  3-9 of the Norwegian Accounting Act,
- the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2021 and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU.

Our opinion is consistent with our additional report to the audit committee.

#### **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 financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Company and the Group in accordance with the requirements of the relevant laws and regulations in Norway and the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' *International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards)* (IESBA Code), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

To the best of our knowledge and belief, no prohibited non-audit services referred to in the Audit Regulation (537/2014) Article 5.1 have been provided.

We have been the auditor of the Company for 4 years from the election by the general meeting of the shareholders in 2018

#### Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements for 2021. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate



opinion on these matters. For each matter below, our description of how our audit addressed the matter is provided in that context.

We have fulfilled the responsibilities described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report, including in relation to these matters. Accordingly, our audit included the performance of procedures designed to respond to our assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements. The results of our audit procedures, including the procedures performed to address the matters below, provide the basis for our audit opinion on the financial statements.

#### Accounting estimates related to vessels

#### Basis for the key audit matter

The Group has eight CLEANBU vessels and eight CABU vessels in operation as of year-end 2021 after completing the newbuilding program during the year. The accounting estimates for these assets have a material impact for the Group due to their cumulative value and long-lived nature. The key estimates requiring judgment include determination of useful lives and residual values, identification of cash

lives and residual values, identification of cash generating units (CGU), evaluation of indicators of impairment, and if present, testing carrying values for impairment based on estimated recoverable amounts. As these estimates have material impact for the Group, this was considered a key audit matter.

Management estimated useful lives based on experience as well as industry practice for conventional dry bulk and tanker vessels respectively and considering the risk of assets becoming stranded. The residual value has been based on an average of observable recycling prices, considering the expected impact of the EU Ship Recycling Regulation for safer and greener recycling. We compared the estimates of useful lives and residual values to industry practice, available data for green recycling, experience from prior years and plans for docking and maintenance. We further recalculated depreciations for the year.

Management considers the fleet of CLEANBU and the fleet of CABU as separate cash generating units ("CGUs") in their assessment of impairment indicators. Management did not identify indicators of impairment for the CGUs, and therefore no impairment test was performed. The assessment included an evaluation of external and internal factors, including market rates, changes in technological, economic or legal environment, changes to discount rates, market capitalization, physical damage and actual utilization of the vessels.

#### Our audit response

Based on our understanding of the nature of the Group's business and the economic environment in which its vessels operate, we assessed the determination of the different CGUs that make up the Group.

We evaluated the management's estimation of useful lives and residual value, and compared these to industry practice, experience with similar type of vessels and environmental developments.

We reviewed the potential indicators of impairment that would require impairment testing of CGUs and evaluated management's assessment of indicators.

Finally, we read the disclosure regarding these judgments, which are included in note 9 of the Group's consolidated financial statements.

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#### Other information

Other information consists of the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Management (the board of directors and the Chief Executive Officer) is responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information, and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information, and, in doing so, consider whether the board of directors' report, the statement on corporate governance and the statement on corporate social responsibility contain the information required by applicable legal requirements and whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information or that the information required by applicable legal requirements is not included, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard, and in our opinion, the board of directors' report, the statement on corporate governance and the statement on corporate social responsibility are consistent with the financial statements and contain the information required by applicable legal requirements.

#### Responsibilities of management for the financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements of the Company in accordance with simplified application of international accounting standards according to section 3-9 of the Norwegian Accounting Act and of the consolidated financial statements of the Group in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company's and 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 Company or the Group, or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the 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 financial statements.

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 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.

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- 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 Company's and 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 Company's and 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 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 Company and the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the
  disclosures, and whether the 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 the board of directors 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 the audit committee 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, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with the board of directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the 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 requirement

#### Report on compliance with regulation on European Single Electronic Format (ESEF)

#### Opinion

As part of our audit of the financial statements of Klaveness Combination Carriers ASA we have performed an assurance engagement to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements included in the annual report, with the file name KCCASA-2021-12-31-en, has been prepared, in all material respects, in compliance with the requirements of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/815 on the European Single Electronic Format (ESEF Regulation) and regulation given with legal basis in Section 5-5 of the Norwegian Securities Trading Act, which includes requirements related to the preparation of the annual report in XHTML format and iXBRL tagging of the consolidated financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements included in the annual report have been prepared, in all material respects, in compliance with the ESEF Regulation.

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#### Management's responsibilities

Management is responsible for the preparation of an annual report and iXBRL tagging of the consolidated financial statements that complies with the ESEF Regulation. This responsibility comprises an adequate process and such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of an annual report and iXBRL tagging of the consolidated financial statements that is compliant with the ESEF Regulation.

#### Auditor's responsibilities

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether, in all material respects, the financial statements included in the annual report have been prepared in accordance with the ESEF Regulation based on the evidence we have obtained. We conducted our engagement in accordance with the International Standard for Assurance Engagements (ISAE) 3000 - "Assurance engagements other than audits or reviews of historical financial information". The standard requires us to plan and perform procedures to obtain reasonable assurance that the financial statements included in the annual report have been prepared in accordance with the ESEF Regulation.

As part of our work, we performed procedures to obtain an understanding of the company's processes for preparing its annual report in XHTML format. We evaluated the completeness and accuracy of the iXBRL tagging and assessed management's use of judgement. Our work comprised reconciliation of the iXBRL tagged data with the audited financial statements in human-readable format. We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Oslo, 29 March 2022 ERNST & YOUNG AS

The auditor's report is signed electronically

Johan Lid Nordby State Authorised Public Accountant (Norway)

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