

Esselunga Group: Board of Directors approved the draft of the Financial Statements and Group Consolidated Report as of 31 December 2020

Sales at € 8,373.7 million. Adjusted Net Financial Position € +174.2 million at the end of 2020.

On March 16 2021, the Board of Directors of Esselunga reviewed the draft of the Financial Statements and Group Consolidated Report as of 31 December 2020, summarized as follows:

- The Esselunga Group generated sales totalling € 8,373.7 million, up by 2.9% vs the same period in 2019. If we exclude Bar Atlantic and EsserBella perfumeries' sales, which were partially closed due to the Covid-19, Esselunga grew by +3.6% vs 2019.
- Esselunga remains at the top ranking for price competitiveness with 2.4% below the market average (Source NRPS Nielsen, Trading Area).
- Shelf prices showed a 1.1% inflation vs a 2.7% suppliers' inflation.
- Savings granted to Customers totalled € 1,523 million.
- **EBITDA** amounted to \notin 718.2 million (8.6%) compared to \notin 716.9 million (8.8%) at the end of 2019.
- **EBIT** amounted to € 396.6 million (4.7%) compared to € 391.3 million (4.8%) at the end of 2019.
- Net Profit amounted to € 270 million (3.2%) compared to € 258.6 million (3.2%) at the end of 2019.
- The **average workforce** was 24,694 people, with an increase of 789 full-time equivalent compared to 2019.
- During 2020 the Esselunga Group opened **six new stores** (Viale Tibaldi in Milan, Barzanò, Montecatini Terme, Via Verdi in Parma, Via Piave in Genova and Viale Matteotti in Pistoia) and **four** *laESSE* urban stores in Milano.

- Capital expenditures were € 389.4 million, up by approx. +30% vs 2019.
- Adjusted Net Financial Position was € +174.2 million, with an improvement of € 323.9 million compared to 31 December 2020, as summarized below:

Net Financial Position € million	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
Adjusted Net Financial Position	174.2	(149.7)
IFRS 16 Leases impact	(403.2)	(360.0)
Net Financial Position	(229.0)	(509.7)

• Following the Merger of Superit Finco S.p.A and Supermarkets Italiani S.p.A. into Esselunga S.p.A., completed on March 1 and previously announced in the March 21 and November 12 2020 press releases, Esselunga will assume the debt incurred by Superit Finco for the acquisition of the 30% stake in Supermarkets Italiani.

Below the proforma effects on the Net Financial Position of the Esselunga Group, as if the Merger had occurred on 31 December 2020.

€ million	December 31, 2020	IFRS 16 Leases	December 31, 2020 adjusted
Net Financial Position	(229.0)	403.2	174.2
Net Financial Position Supermarkets Italiani			
S.p.A.	(269.9)	-	(269.9)
Net Financial Position Superit Finco S.p.A.	(1,321.2)	-	(1,321.2)
Proforma Net Financial Position	(1,820.1)	403.2	(1,416.9)

Below breakdown of the Net Financial Position of Superit Finco S.p.A.

€ million	December 31, 2020	IFRS 16 Leases	December 31, 2020 adjusted
Cash and cash equivalents	7.4	-	7.4
Bridge to cash facility	(551.0)	-	(551.0)
Acquisition facility	(765.5)	-	(765.5)
Fair value derivative instruments	(12.0)	-	(12.0)
Net Financial Position Superit Finco S.p.A.	(1,321.2)	-	(1,321.2)

In addition, Esselunga informs you that:

- Following the Merger of Superit Finco S.p.A. and Supermarkets Italiani S.p.A. into Esselunga S.p.A. the € 550 million Bridge to Cash facility was fully repaid on March 5, 2021.
- The Board of Directors of Esselunga today approved also the Non-Financial Information for 2020, pursuant to the Legislative Decree n. 254/2016.

• The draft of the Financial Statement as of December 31, 2020 approved today by the Board of Directors will be submitted to the Annual Shareholding Meeting to be held by March 2021.

Limito di Pioltello, 16th March 2021

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ESSELUNGA is one of the leading Italian chains in the large-scale retailing sector, operating through a network of 165 stores in Lombardy, Tuscany, Emilia Romagna, Piedmont, Veneto, Liguria and Lazio and 5 LaEsse. Esselunga was founded in 1957 with the opening in Milan of the first supermarket in Italy. Today the company has over 24,000 employees and more than ϵ 8 billion revenue.

Financial Performance as of December 31, 2020

Consolidated Profit & Loss and Net Financial Position

Consolidated Profit & Loss € million	FY 2020	FY 2019
Total Sales	8,373.7 +2.9%	8,141.6
EBITDA	718.2 8.6%	716.9 8.8%
EBIT	396.6 4.7%	391.3 4.8%
Net Income	270.0 3.2%	258.6 3.2%

ϵ million	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
Net Financial Position	(229.0)	(509.7)

Consolidated Balance Sheet

Consolidated Balance Sheet	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
€ million	December 31, 2020	December 51, 2019
Non current assets	5,072.3	4,971.8
Current assets	2,436.6	2,158.3
Assets held for sale	-	16.8
Total Assets	7,508.9	7,146.9
Shareholders' equity	3,573.5	3,318.3
Non current liabilities	1,816.8	1,877.2
Current liabilities	2,118.6	1,951.4
Total liabilities and Shareholders' equity	7,508.9	7,146.9

Consolidated Cash Flow

Consolidated Cash Flow	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
€ million		
Net Financial Position		
at the beginning of the year	(509.7)	(772.1)
Cash flow from operations	725.2	644.1
Cash flow from investing activities	(395.1)	(330.2)
Cash flow from financing activities	(34.5)	(35.4)
Dividend paid	(15.0)	(16.0)
Net cash flow	280.7	262.4
Net Financial Position		
at the end of the year	(229.0)	(509.7)