

HAMBURGER HAFEN UND LOGISTIK AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT Interim Report January to March 2012

# **Key Figures**

		HHLA Group			
in € million	1–3 2012	1-3 2011	Change		
Revenue and Earnings					
Revenue	286.8	289.8	- 1.0 %		
EBITDA	64.0	75.0	- 14.7 %		
EBITDA margin in %	22.3	25.9	- 3.6 pp		
EBIT	34.0	44.0	- 22.6 %		
EBIT margin in %	11.9	15.2	- 3.3 pp		
Profit after tax	19.1	25.1	- 24.0 %		
Profit after tax and minority interests	9.7	16.4	- 40.8 %		
Cash Flow and Investments					
Cash flow from operating activities	53.0	38.4	38.1 %		
Investments	30.4	13.3	129.6 %		
Performance Data					
Container throughput in thousand TEU	1,731	1,654	4.7 %		
Container transport in thousand TEU	454	454	0.0 %		
in € million	31.03.2012	31.12.2011	Change		
Balance Sheet					
Total assets	1,806.8	1,811.5	- 0.3 %		
Equity	646.2	644.7	0.2 %		
Equity ratio in %	35.8	35.6	0.2 pp		
Employees					
Number of employees	4,775	4,797	- 0.5 %		

	Port Logistics Subgroup <sup>2,3</sup>			Real Estate Subgroup <sup>2,4</sup>		
in € million	1-3 2012	1-3 2011	Change	1-3 2012	1-3 2011	Change
Revenue	280.2	283.4	- 1.2 %	8.0	7.5	7.8 %
EBITDA	60.5	70.8	- 14.5 %	3.5	4.3	- 17.3 %
EBITDA margin in %	21.6	25.0	- 3.4 pp	43.7	57.0	- 13.2 pp
EBIT	31.5	40.7	- 22.6 %	2.5	3.2	- 23.0 %
EBIT margin in %	11.2	14.4	- 3.2 pp	30.6	42.9	- 12.3 pp
Profit after tax and minority interests	8.8	15.0	- 41.6 %	1.0	1.4	- 32.2 %
Earnings per share in € <sup>5</sup>	0.13	0.21	- 41.6 %	0.35	0.52	- 32.2 %

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The transport volume was fully consolidated <sup>2</sup> Before consolidation between subgroups <sup>3</sup> Listed Class A shares <sup>4</sup> Non-listed Class S shares <sup>5</sup> Basic and diluted

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# The Share

#### Stock Market Data

30.12.2011 - 30.03.2012	HHLA	MDAX	DAX
Change in %	10.6	20.3	17.8
Closing 30.12.2011 in €	22.83	8,898	5,898
Closing 30.03.2012 in €	25.25	10,703	6,947
High in €	26.59	10,821	7,158
Low in €	23.00	9,115	6,017

In the first quarter of 2012, the main German indices as well as major international indices rose substantially. Buoyed by optimistic economic prospects and healthy company earnings, there was a palpable improvement in market sentiment. The markets received a further strong boost from consistently high liquidity levels, as an increasing risk tolerance prompted an inflow of funds into equity markets. Expectations were only temporarily subdued by uncertainty about the pace of growth in China and the protracted debt crisis in the eurozone. The steady rise was interrupted by a slight correction in early March which had no lasting impact on overall market performance. By the end of the quarter, all relevant German share indices had made strong gains: the German blue-chip index, DAX, was up 17.8 % at 6,947 and the mid-cap MDAX index won 20.3 % at 10,703.

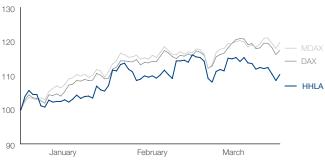
The HHLA share rose predominatly in line with the relevant market indices in the first quarter of 2012, but meanwhile experienced repeated phases of consolidation. Compared to the general market developments the share's performance was depressed in particular by the ongoing uncertainty surrounding the dredging of the river Elbe. The HHLA share price was initially boosted by the European Commission's positive response in late 2011 regarding the environmental impact of this infrastructure project. However, the necessary approval process in the federal state of Lower Saxony dragged on throughout the entire first quarter, thus heightening concerns about the project's swift realisation. Persistent overcapacities in the North Range were also viewed with scepticism, especially in view of investments being made in the expansion of various ports. At the same time, recently formed alliances and cooperation agreements between several major shipping companies and their possible effects on business for terminal operators led to considerable uncertainty and dampened the share price additionally. Despite these factors, however, the HHLA share benefited

from the generally upbeat mood among investors and a shift from other asset classes into shares. The share price was boosted in particular by the publication of preliminary figures for 2011 in early February. The company's operating result was within the general range of expectations and HHLA's market share gains in the North Range were also very well received. An positive reception was given to the expansion of the transport network in Central and Eastern Europe following the construction of an additional rail hub terminal in the Czech Republic. As a consequence, the share price enjoyed disproportionately strong growth amid declining indices. Following the general stock market correction in early March, the share price moved roughly sideways in anticipation of the final figures for the 2011 fiscal year, the forecast for 2012 and the dividend proposal announced on 30 March. At the end of the first quarter of 2012, the HHLA share closed at €25.25 and was thus 10.6% up on year-end 2011. This represents a market capitalisation for the publicly listed Port Logistics subgroup of €1.8 billion.

Numerous investor meetings were held again in the first quarter and HHLA was also present at investor conferences in the USA and continental Europe. Interest focused on the management of peak loads resulting from the trend towards ever-larger ships, further steps in the planned dredging of the river Elbe and the future shape of competition. The number of financial analysts tracking the HHLA share rose slightly to 25. The majority of analysts recommend the HHLA share either as a hold or a buy.

# Share price development January to March 2012

Closings in %, Index = 100



Source: Datastream

# Ladies and Gentlemen,

Hamburger Hafen und Logistik AG (HHLA) started the financial year 2012 with throughput growth at its container terminals, thereby expanding its position in relation to the major competing ports of Rotterdam and Antwerp. However, revenue and earnings were unable to keep pace with this sustained growth trend in the first quarter of 2012. While there was only a slight dip in revenue year on year, the Group's operating result (EBIT) decreased strongly by more than 20 % compared with last year's high base figure.

These developments were essentially caused by four factors impacting the Container segment in the first quarter of 2012.

- The robust increase in European feeder traffic, which generates substantially lower revenue and earnings per container.
- Whereas the Baltic Sea was frozen for a long time last year, causing a tailback of containers in Hamburg and therefore leading to disproportionately high storage fees, the mild winter at the beginning of 2012 meant this effect did not occur this year.
- The current transition to a new terminal management system at the Container Terminal Burchardkai HHLA's oldest and largest facility will enable large areas of the facility to be partially automated for the first time. The transition temporarily involves high additional costs, particularly for personnel.
- The delayed dredging of the river Elbe results in additional costs for ship handling and diminishes the competitiveness of the HHLA terminals in Hamburg.

We are expecting an improvement in HHLA's earnings quality to come from the Intermodal segment, which already developed positively in the first quarter of 2012. At the end of April 2012, we announced that the shareholdings of Deutsche Bahn and HHLA in the intermodal companies involved in rail hinterland traffic were to be separated. This will be recognised for the first time with HHLA's half-year financial statements for 2012 and will strengthen the segment's profitability in the short term. This realignment enables us to make greater use of our own production resources and line up our hinterland transport even more closely with the demands of maritime logistics.

In view of the structural changes ensuing from the realignment of our intermodal activities, we are now aiming for Group revenue of  $\in\!1.1$  billion and an operating result (EBIT) for the Group of at least  $\in\!200$  million for the full year 2012. This is subject to the proviso that the economy does not diverge from its present path of low but sustainable global economic growth.

Despite the current adverse environment and economic uncertainty, the delays in infrastructure development and increasing terminal overcapacities in Northern Europe, the circumstances described above make us confident that we can once again confirm our status as a growing, profitable port logistics Group over the further course of the current financial year.

Yours,

Klaus-Dieter Peters
Chairman of the Executive Board



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# **Business Development** at a Glance

- Moderate throughput growth from last year's high base
- Revenue including change in consolidation down by 1.0 % to €286.8 million
- I Temporary noticeable burden from terminal reorganisation
- Operating result (EBIT) declines by 22.6 % to €34.0 million
- Profit after tax and minority interests decreases by 40.8 % to €9.7 million
- I Forecast after structural changes with improved operational profitability



Container Terminal Altenwerder: European feeder traffic (Central) drives volume growth

# **Interim Management Report**

### **Economic Environment**

#### **Macroeconomic Development**

With the transition from 2011 to 2012, the global economy has gained in stability. The marked slowdown in economic growth over the course of 2011 has not given way to a global economic downturn. In fact, economic indicators rather brightened over the course of the first quarter of 2012. Industrial output picked up appreciably and the situation on the financial markets was also temporarily much less tense – with the exception of the eurozone. However, rising commodity and energy prices as well as persistent uncertainty on the financial markets mean that the general state of the global economy remains fragile.

In the first three months of 2012, growth was mainly driven by the emerging markets – and the BRIC states in particular. Although the pace of Chinese growth has slowed somewhat, it remains high. At the end of the first quarter of 2012, Chinese gross domestic product (GDP) was 8.1% up on the previous year. Among the industrialised countries, there has been a significant upturn in the US economy of late.

By contrast, the economies of the eurozone are now in a mild recession. Total economic output fell here in the first quarter, although there are now signs of a slow recovery. After a decline of 0.3% in the fourth quarter of 2011, GDP in the eurozone fell in the first quarter of 2012 by 0.2%. The German economy, on the other hand, appears to have gradually overcome the dip in growth it experienced in the winter half-year 2011/2012. In the first three months of 2012, it enjoyed quarter-on-quarter growth of 0.1%. At the same time, German exports in February 2012 were up 8.6%, and imports 6.1%, compared to February last year.

#### **Sector Development**

Container shipping activity got off to a sluggish start in 2012. According to preliminary estimates, the volume of containers handled in ports around the world grew by just 1.4% year on year in the first quarter of 2012. Market research institutes estimate that low freight rates and significantly higher operating costs – due in particular to fuel price hikes – resulted in losses of USD 6.5 billion for container shipping companies in the 2011 financial year.

However, freight rates bottomed out in late 2011 and recovered strongly in the first quarter of 2012 for new contracts. The freight rate index SCFI has risen by more than 370 points to 1,348 since the beginning of the year. At the same time, the number of container ships laid up worldwide fell for the first time since August 2011, while fleet growth continued with a increasing proportion of ships boasting a carrying capacity of more than 10,000 standard containers (TEU). Total capacity of the global container fleet was up 7.9 % year on year.

Initial figures for container volume at the main competing ports in the first quarter of 2012 show a decline of 3.8% in container throughput in Rotterdam and a slight increase of 0.7 % in Antwerp. By contrast, the HHLA container terminals once again reported growth, with an increase in container throughput of 4.7 %. The upturn was largely driven by a sharp increase in European feeder traffic to HHLA's Hamburg terminals, where growth reached 21.6%. Container traffic with the American continent also rose sharply again: driven by growth of 73.5% in North American containers, it improved by 34.6%. By contrast, Asian traffic fell short of last year's high level by 6.6%, but remained the backbone of HHLA's throughput in Hamburg with a share of 50.6%.

# Group Performance

#### **Key Figures**

in € million	1-3 2012	1-3 2011	Change
Revenue	286.8	289.8	- 1.0 %
EBITDA	64.0	75.0	- 14.7 %
EBITDA margin in %	22.3	25.9	- 3.6 pp
EBIT	34.0	44.0	- 22.6 %
EBIT margin in %	11.9	15.2	- 3.3 pp
Profit after tax and minority interest	9.7	16.4	- 40.8 %
ROCE in %	10.2	13.2	- 3.0 pp

#### **Notes on the Reporting**

In the first quarter of 2012, the consolidation method for two previously fully consolidated fruit companies in the Logistics segment was switched to the at-equity-method of consolidation. This change is based on the scheduled transfer of control to the other shareholder as of 1 January 2012. This resulted in the disappearance of €4 million in revenue for the reporting period. HHLA's proportionately attributable operating result of well under one million euros will now be shown net in the financial result. The figures for the previous year have not been restated. ▶ See also page 32 of the Notes.

There were no further effects at Group level resulting from changes in exchange rates or consolidation that had a material impact on the development of revenue and earnings in the reporting period. The unbundling of HHLA's and Deutsche Bahn's equity interests in the rail operators of the Intermodal segment announced in April will be reflected for the first time in HHLA's financial statements for the first half of 2012 − this structural change had no effect on the first quarter of 2012. ▶ See also page 14 Events after the Balance Sheet Date and page 14 Business Forecast.

There is normally no long-term order backlog for throughput and transport services, and thus no use is made of this particular reporting figure.

#### **Earnings Position**

In an environment characterised by low economic growth and great uncertainty, the HHLA Group's performance in the first three months of the year was unsatisfactory. This was largely due to lost productivity in the Group's most profitable Container segment as a result of reorganisation measures. The far reaching transitional phase meant the segment fell well short of its prior-year result.

Whereas throughput in the Container segment rose by a further 4.7 % year on year to 1,731 thousand TEU in the first three months, the Intermodal segment once again reached last year's transport volume of 454 thousand TEU.

Reduced storage fees due to weather conditions and an increase in the proportion of less profitable feeder traffic as well as the fact that revenue from the fruit business was no longer consolidated caused HHLA Group revenue at €286.8 million to fall just short of the prior-year figure (€289.8 million). As in the previous year, the listed Port Logistics subgroup generated 97.7 % of total revenue. With its Container, Intermodal and Logistics segments, the Port Logistics subgroup generated revenue of €280.2 million in the reporting period, which was slightly below the previous year's figure of €283.4 million. By contrast, the non-listed Real Estate subgroup increased its revenue by 7.8% to €8.0 million (previous year: €7.5 million) and thus accounted for 2.3% of Group revenue.

Changes in inventories at Group level of €1.6 million exceeded the prior-year figure of €0.1 million. Own work capitalised of €2.2 million was roughly the same as last year (€1.8 million). Other operating income rose to €7.3 million (previous year: €5.7 million).

#### **Expenses**

Despite noticeable price increases for the purchase of external services and supply, operating expenses increased roughly in line with volume growth at 4.1 % in the first three months of 2012. In relation to revenue, however, the increase was proportionately stronger.

The cost of materials – heavily volume dependent – increased by 3.0 % to a total of €106.2 million in the period January to March 2012 (previous year: €103.2 million). However, the burden represented by increased energy and fuel costs, as well as further intensive maintenance work on the Group's workshops was kept within reasonable limits. In relation to revenue, the cost of materials ratio rose to 37.0 % (previous year: 35.6 %).

Personnel expenses were up 8.9% year on year to €93.9 million (previous year: €86.3 million). This reflects the wage increases under the labour agreement for the port workers of German seaport companies in force since June 2011, together with wide-ranging changes in working practices at the largest handling facility in Hamburg which diminished productivity severely during the transitional phase. As this item went up by more than revenue, the personnel expenses ratio climbed to 32.7% (previous year: 29.8%).

Other operating expenses increased by 2.6% to €33.8 million in the reporting period (previous year: €32.9 million). Whereas lease expenses for land and quay walls remained largely stable, there was an increase above all in consultancy expenses in connection with terminal projects in Eastern Europe. The ratio of expenses to revenue was slightly higher than last year at 11.8% (11.4%).

As a result of these developments, the HHLA Group saw its operating result before depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA) declining by 14.7 % to €64.0 million (previous year: €75.0 million). There was a corresponding reduction in the EBITDA margin to 22.3 % for the first three months of the financial year (previous year: 25.9 %).

**Depreciation and amortisation** fell 3.5 % year on year, from €31.0 million to €30.0 million. The main reason for the decline was a one-off effect from the adjustment of provisions for demolition costs recognised in the first quarter of 2011 (burden of €2.3 million).

At Group level, the **operating result (EBIT)** therefore fell by 22.6 % to  $\leqslant$  34.0 million (previous year:  $\leqslant$  44.0 million). The EBIT margin declined by 3.3 percentage points from 15.2 % in the previous year to 11.9 %. The Port Logistics and Real Estate subgroups contributed 92.5 % and 7.5 % to EBIT, respectively.

Net financial expenses of  $\in$  8.0 million were virtually unchanged from last year.

Tax balance sheet matters at foreign subsidiaries in connection with exchange rate effects led to a reduction in the **effective tax rate** to 26.8 %, significantly below last year's figure of 30.3 %.

As a result, **profit after tax** fell by 24.0 % from €25.1 million in the first quarter of 2011 to €19.1 million for the first quarter of 2012. As the ongoing reorganisation affects the largest handling facility owned solely by HHLA and therefore not the earnings attributable to minority interests, **profit after tax and minority interests** fell more steeply year on year by 40.8 % to €9.7 million (previous year: €16.4 million).

Earnings per share of €0.13 were also 40.8% below last year's figure of €0.23. The publicly listed Port Logistics subgroup reported a 41.6% fall in earnings per share to €0.13 (previous year: €0.21). Earnings per share of the non-listed Real Estate subgroup fell by 32.2% to €0.35 (previous year: €0.52). As the operating result (EBIT) was lower, return on capital employed (ROCE) fell by 3.0 percentage points to 10.2% (previous year: 13.2%).

# Container Segment

#### **Key Figures**

in € million	1-3 2012	1-3 2011	Change
Revenue	166.1	172.2	- 3.6 %
EBITDA	51.4	62.9	- 18.3 %
EBITDA margin in %	31.0	36.5	- 5.5 pp
EBIT	28.7	40.5	- 29.2 %
EBIT margin in %	17.3	23.5	- 6.2 pp
Container throughput in thousand TEU	1,731	1,654	4.7 %

The HHLA container terminals increased their throughput year on year by 4.7 % to 1,731 thousand standard containers (TEU) in the first quarter of 2012. This is all the more impressive considering the high comparative base of the first quarter 2011. Throughput growth was largely driven by a leap of 21.6 % in European feeder traffic. There was a further boost from the five North America services, of which two were acquired in the spring and summer of 2011. This traffic now accounts for 7.9 % of throughput volume at the HHLA container terminals at the Port of Hamburg – compared to just 4.8 % last year.

Revenue was not able to keep up with this volume dynamic. The main factors behind the 3.6% decline to €166.1 million (previous year: €172.2 million) were:

- I the sharp increase in lower-margin feeder traffic and
- the strong fall in storage charges, which last year benefited from the icebound Baltic and the tailbacks this caused in Hamburg.

There was an even sharper decline in the operating result (EBIT), which fell year on year by 29.2 % to €28.7 million (previous year: €40.5 million). This partly reflects the additional expense needed to meet the rising demands on ship handling (greater volumes in shorter times) due to the delayed dredging of the river Elbe and ever-larger ships. General price hikes and wage increases in 2011, which mostly took effect from the middle of the year, also raised costs compared with the same period last year. However, the main reason for the EBIT decrease was the ambitious expansion project at the Container Terminal Burchardkai (CTB). Here, during regular operations, capacities are being more than doubled and processes completely overhauled. Although this expansion project already restricted productivity and caused additional expenses in previous years, the restructuring of the largest HHLA terminal has entered a decisive phase in 2012. Establishing a modern control centre for the entire facility and switching large sections of the terminal to the new block storage system requires additional training and a configuration phase. This temporarily resulted in higher personnel expenses and reduced productivity.



Maiden voyage of the "Hyundai Together": the first visit of a 13,000 TEU vessel at the Container Terminal Altenwerder

# Intermodal Segment

### **Key Figures**

in € million	1-3 2012	1-3 2011	Change
Revenue	88.3	84.8	4.2 %
EBITDA	10.8	9.1	18.8 %
EBITDA margin in %	12.2	10.7	1.5 pp
EBIT	6.8	5.4	26.1 %
EBIT margin in %	7.7	6.3	1.4 pp
Container throughput <sup>1</sup> in thousand TEU	454	454	0.0 %

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The transport volume was fully consolidated

The market environment for the transport companies in HHLA's Intermodal segment darkened considerably in early 2012. With unchanged transport volumes of 454 thousand standard containers (TEU) compared to the same period last year, the segment's companies succeeded in maintaining the volume leap of 20.1 % they achieved in the first quarter of 2011.

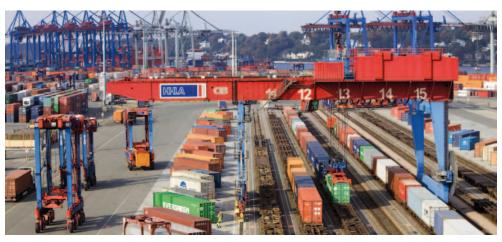
The price adjustments introduced in mid-2011 enabled revenue to outpace volume growth with an increase of 4.2% to  $\in$ 88.3 million in the first quarter of 2012 (previous year:  $\in$ 84.8 million). The operating result fared even better: disproportionately strong growth of 26.1% in EBIT to  $\in$ 6.8 million (previous year:  $\in$ 5.4 million) stemmed mainly from those companies which have their own means of production and therefore a high degree of value added, enabling them to align their processes more precisely with the demands of maritime logistics.

Despite partial, yet substantial increases in the cost of purchased goods and services, the segment succeeded in cutting unit costs by improving capacity utilisation on trains, optimising

scheduling and improving numerous other processes. As a result, the cost of materials – which accounts for the largest share of segment expenses – rose far less than revenue.

In its financial year 2012, HHLA continues to expand those Intermodal services in seaport-hinterland traffic with their own means of production by investing in new terminal projects and purchasing additional carriages and locomotives. The HHLA subsidiary Metrans, for example, is due to improve its competitive position even further with the purchase of additional locomotives and 250 rail waggons featuring an optimised design.

There are also a large number of terminal projects planned for 2012: these include preparations for a major new inland terminal in Poland, the expansion of facilities in Plzeň, Czech Republic, the construction of a new inland terminal in Košice, Slovakia, and the construction of a new hub terminal in Česká Třebová, Czech Republic. Located 180 kilometres east of Prague, the large modern terminal in Česká Třebová will supplement the present hub in Prague and relieve the strain on it.



Container rail terminal at the Container Terminal Burchardkai: higher capacity utilisation of shuttle trains

# Logistics Segment

#### **Key Figures**

in € million	1–3 2012	1-3 2011	Change
Revenue	22.7	33.6	- 32.7 %
EBITDA	2.1	2.1	1.2 %
EBITDA margin in %	9.4	6.2	3.2 pp
EBIT	1.3	0.1	805,8 %
EBIT margin in %	5.6	0.4	5.2 pp

The weakening of the economic climate had varying effects on those markets in which the companies of the Logistics segment operate. Business in the contract and project logistics sector, for example, had to face restrainned sales volumes with existing customers.

In all other areas, from vehicle and dry bulk logistics through to consulting activities, revenue improved substantially in some cases during the first quarter of 2012, compared with the previous year.

This upward trend is not reflected in the 32.7 % fall in segment revenue to €22.7 million (previous year: €33.6 million) due to two special items: the previously fully consolidated fruit logistics business was retroactively switched to consolidation using the at-equity-method as of 1 January 2012. ▶ See also page 32 of the Notes.

In addition, revenue for the first quarter of 2011 included an intra-Group settlement of a major IT contract worth around €7 million. Adjusted for these one-off effects, last year's segment revenue would have been around €20 million and the corresponding revenue increase 13%. The segment's strong performance is illustrated by its operating result (EBIT): compared with €0.1 million in the first quarter of 2011, EBIT of €1.3 million and an EBIT margin of 5.6% in the first three months of 2012 represent a considerable improvement.

This gratifying performance was due in particular to vehicle logistics, dry bulk activities and the consultancy business, which more than made up for the persistently unsatisfactory situation in contract logistics.

In vehicle logistics, seaborne handling including packing was up 14.6% on the same quarter last year at 392 thousand tons for the reporting period. Vehicle handling increased by 14.7 % to 48.8 thousand units in the same period. Rising demand for ore also drove year-on-year growth in dry bulk logistics: seaborne handling rose by 6.3% to 3,625 thousand tons. HHLA's global consultancy activities also performed well in early 2012, with a large number of new contracts.



Multi-function terminal O'Swaldkai: more new cars shipped

# Real Estate Segment

#### **Key Figures**

in € million	1-3 2012	1-3 2011	Change
Revenue	8.0	7.5	7.8 %
EBITDA	3.5	4.3	- 17.3 %
EBITDA margin in %	43.7	57.0	- 13.3 pp
EBIT	2.5	3.2	- 23.0 %
EBIT margin in %	30.6	42.9	- 12.3 pp

After picking up sharply in the 2011 financial year, the market for office real estate in Hamburg cooled down as expected. The market overview by Jones Lang LaSalle for the first quarter of 2012 put the year-on-year decline in new office space leases at 28 % to 84,500 m<sup>2</sup>. Compared with last year, the vacancy rate fell from 9.4% to 8.3%. The figure for the fourth quarter of 2011 was 8.5%. Although construction activity remains strong, the current forecast from Jones Lang LaSalle does not predict any increase in the vacancy rate for 2012. Demand is expected to shift further towards high-quality office space, which will be reflected in a further rise in prime rents.

In this market environment, HHLA's properties in the Speicherstadt historical warehouse district and around the Fischmarkt on the northern banks of the river Elbe managed to increase revenue noticeably by 7.8% to €8.0 million (previous year: €7.5 million), compared with the first quarter last year. High occupancy rates of nearly 100% in both districts contributed to this performance. Revenue was also boosted by the successful placement of new projects in 2011. The scheduled, large-scale maintenance work in the listed Speicherstadt historical warehouse

district, carried out and invoiced in the period under review, could not be capitalised, which led to the fact that growth in revenue failed to result in a corresponding improvement in earnings. The operating result (EBIT) fell over the first three months of the year 2012 by 23.0 % to €2.5 million (previous year: €3.2 million).

One example of the way the Real Estate segment is developing the area is the completion of the restoration and refurbishment project "Bei St. Annen 2", directly opposite the headquarters of the HHLA Group. The listed office building used to house the Hamburg Free Port Office. The building, by the well-known post-war architect Werner Kallmorgen, is now designated as a historical landmark and is being carefully converted into a modern office building in close cooperation with the tenants. It was erected in 1952/53 and demonstrates how modern architectural aesthetics can be integrated sensitively into the neo-Gothic surroundings of the Speicherstadt historical warehouse district (see picture). One of the world's largest agency groups is scheduled to move into the seven-storey building, which will strengthen the profile of the Speicherstadt as an important location for the media industry.



Bei St. Annen 2 (left): future headquarters of a major international agency group

#### Financial Position

#### **Liquidity Analysis**

in € million	1-3 2012	1-3 2011
Financial funds as of 01.01.	294.8	213.7
Cash flow from operating activities	53.0	38.4
Cash flow from investing activities	- 130.4	- 20.7
Free cash flow	- 77.4	17.7
Cash flow from financing activities	- 6.7	53.4
Change in financial funds	- 84.1	71.0
Change in financial funds due to exchange rates	0.8	1.3
Financial funds as of 31.03.	211.5	286.0

Compared with the same period last year, cash flow from operating activities went up from €38.4 million to €53.0 million, primarily because a larger proportion of revenue had been converted into cash inflows as of the reporting date. In the same quarter in 2011, by contrast, trade receivables had increased significantly.

While cash outflows for capital expenditure remained virtually unchanged, HHLA increased its short-term deposits by €103.0 million in the reporting period (previous year: unchanged). Mainly as a result of this transfer in liquidity, cash outflows for investing activities of €130.4 million were well above last year's figure of €20.7 million. Without the transfer of cash to short-term deposits, cash outflows for investing activities would have totalled €27.4 million.

Free cash flow (defined as the total of cash flow from operating activities and cash flow from investing activities) ended the first quarter with a negative balance of €-77.4 million (previous year: €17.7 million) due to these optimised financial investments. Without this increase in short-term deposits, free cash flow would have improved year on year with a positive balance of €25.6 million.

Principal repayments on financial liabilities during the reporting period resulted in cash outflows for financing activities of €6.7 million. In the same period last year, cash inflow of €53.4 million resulted from investment loans of €60 million taken out at the time.

The changes described above resulted in financial funds of €211.5 million as of 31 March 2012. This was below the figures for the previous year and the start of the current year (€286.0 million and €294.8 million respectively) due to the increase in short-term deposits. Including these deposits, the Group's liquidity came to €344.5 million, which was considerably more than a year ago (€306.0 million).

#### **Investment Analysis**

The investment volume in the reporting period totalled €30.4 million, well above the previous year's figure of € 13.3 million, which was reduced due to capacity utilisation levels. Of the Group's total capital expenditure, property, plant and equipment accounted for €28.2 million (previous year: €11.3 million) and intangible assets for €2.2 million (previous year: €1.9 million). As in previous periods, investments focused mostly on modernisation and extension work. A major part of capital expenditure was earmarked for the expansion of the container and hinterland terminals and the purchasing of handling equipment.

This investment approach will be continued in the financial year 2012, with capital expenditure focused on raising productivity in existing terminal areas by installing the latest handling technology and on improving the performance of hinterland connections in line with market requirements.

#### **Balance Sheet Analysis**

HHLA Group's total assets declined only marginally by €4.7 million compared with year-end 2011, to €1,806.8 million as of 31 March 2012.

#### **Balance Sheet Structure**

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A t -	04 00 0040	01 10 0011
Assets	31.03.2012	31.12.2011
Non-current assets	1,256.4	1,280.1
Current assets	550.4	531.5
	1,806.8	1,811.5
Equity and liabilities		
Equity and liabilities		
Equity	646.2	644.7
Non-current liabilities	876.1	877.6
Current liabilities	284.5	289.3
	1,806.8	1,811.5

The contraction related mainly to non-current assets, which at €1,256.4 million were below the comparable figure for 31 December 2011 (€1,280.1 million). The main reason for the change was a decline in property, plant and equipment, as two companies were no longer consolidated in full but by using the equity method (as described above).

The rise in current assets of €18.9 million to €550.4 million at the end of the quarter, however, was mainly due to higher receivables from related parties. The increase in this item of €27.3 million resulted from higher cash-pooling balances at HGV Hamburger Gesellschaft für Vermögensund Beteiligungsmanagement mbH. This was offset by a fall in trade receivables of €15.9 million to €135.9 million, which also includes an effect of €5.7 million from the change in consolidation method mentioned above.

Shareholders' equity amounted to €646.2 million as of the reporting date and was thus virtually unchanged from year-end 2011 (€644.7 million). The increase in equity due to the positive post-tax result of the reporting period was opposed by a decline in actuarial gains recognised in equity resulting from a reduction in the interest rate used to calculate pension provisions. As of the reporting date, the equity ratio was slightly up at 35.8 % (31 December 2011: 35.6%).

At €876.1 million, non-current liabilities were €1.4 million down on year-end 2011 (€877.6 million). An increase of €20.2 million in pension provisions following the above-mentioned adjustment to the discount rate was largely offset by a fall of €18.2 million in non-current financial liabilities due to the change in the consolidation method for two companies. Current liabilities fell

by €4.8 million, from €289.3 million at year-end to €284.5 million, as a result of net repayments.

There were off-balance-sheet obligations as of the balance sheet date. These were mainly payment obligations under long-term leases for port areas and quay walls. ► See also Annual Report 2011, page 172.

# **Employees**

The HHLA Group employed a total of 4,775 people as of 31 March 2012. This represents an increase of 1.4 % over the first quarter of 2011. Compared with the figure of 4,797 as of 31 December 2011, there was a slight fall in headcount of 0.5 %. The most striking changes compared with last year were in the Intermodal segment, with an increase of 11.1 % or 90 employees. The consolidation of two companies using the equity method resulted in employee numbers being reallocated from the Logistics segment to the Holding/Other segment due to an employee assignment model.

# Transactions with Respect to Related Parties

There are various contracts between the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg and/or the Hamburg Port Authority and companies in the HHLA Group for the lease of land and quay walls in the Port of Hamburg and in the Speicherstadt historical warehouse district. Moreover, the HHLA Group lets office space to other enterprises and public institutions affiliated with the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg. Further information about these business relationships can be found in the consolidated financial statements as of 31 December 2011.

#### Group employees as of 31.03.2012



- 2,924 Container
- 899 Intermodal
- 583 Holding/Other
- 331 Logistics
- 38 Real Estate

# Events after the Balance Sheet Date

With effect from 23 April 2012, HHLA made use of part of its authorised capital to issue a total of 73,508 new shares in the listed Port Logistics subgroup (Class A shares) with a corresponding increase in nominal capital. The new shares were used for an employee stock purchase plan and increased the total number of Class A shares by roughly 0.1% to 70,048,834. The number of non-listed Class S shares (Real Estate subgroup) remained unchanged at 2,704,500. Nominal capital is now divided across both two share classes into 72,753,334 no-par-value shares.

On 27 April 2012, HHLA and Deutsche Bahn (DB) announced that they would restructure their respective shareholdings in the rail container transport companies. DB is handing over its shares in the intermodal operators Polzug (33.3%) and Metrans (35.0%) to HHLA. In return, HHLA's existing 50 % stake in TFG Transfracht will be transferred to DB. Once the transactions have been completed, HHLA will hold 86.5% of Metrans and including a capital increase 74.5% of Polzug Intermodal, while TFG Transfracht will be wholly owned by DB Mobility Logistics AG. The transactions are still subject to the approval of the relevant antitrust authorities. The new investment structure will take effect as of HHLA's financial statements for the first half of 2012. ▶ Please refer to the following Business Forecast with regard to the effects on business performance.

# Risk and Opportunity Report

With regard to the HHLA Group's risk position, the statements made in the management report section of the 2011 Annual Report continue to apply, unless this report indicates otherwise. The risk factors associated with the HHLA Group's business activities are described there in the chapter "Risk and Opportunity Report". Any new potential opportunities which arose in the past quarter are described in the Business Forecast section of this report.

#### **Business Forecast**

#### **Macroeconomic Environment**

The general economic development in the first three months of 2012 largely confirmed the previously announced expectation of moderate global economic growth in a fragile environment. Although a number of business confidence and other leading indicators have picked up recently, the situation in the eurozone and on the world's financial markets remained tense. A viable solution to the sovereign debt crisis has yet to be found, and the risks of an economic downturn are still present given the massive pressure to cut public spending and the persistently unstable state of the financial sector. In its latest update, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) therefore only marginally upgraded expectations for the current year and is now predicting modest growth in global output of 3.5% for 2012 (previously: 3.3 %).

The slight adjustment applies to the IMF's forecasts for the industrialised countries, as well as for the emerging and developing economies. However, the pace of growth continues to vary considerably: in Asia, the IMF now predicts slower yet still robust economic growth of 7.3 %. China's gross domestic product (GDP) is expected to rise by 8.2%. By contrast, more moderate growth of 1.9% is predicted for the Central and Eastern European economies, whereby growth in Russia is likely to be slightly stronger at 4.0 %. The IMF also believes that somewhat stronger economic growth of 2.1 % is possible in the USA. In view of the efforts required to balance their respective state budgets, however, the eurozone countries are expected to face negative growth of 0.3 % in 2012. The recession is likely to be more severe among the member states in southern Europe. Against this trend, GDP in Germany, however, is expected to grow by almost 0.6%.

#### **Sector Development**

In anticipation of persistent economic uncertainty, with stronger reliance on domestic demand, the market research institutes recently lowered their forecasts for international container traffic in 2012, although faster growth is still predicted for the second half of the year. Drewry is now projecting a moderate rise in global container throughput of 4.7 % (previously: 5.5 %). The main drivers are expected to be the ports of Eastern Europe and the Far East, while growth in Northern Europe is likely to be weak at 1.0 %.

As a consequence, the situation on the container shipping market will remain tense. Although freight rates on the main shipping routes were recently increased, the financial pressure on shipping companies from further fuel price hikes is also increasing. With regard to demand, the unbroken stream of new tonnage is resulting in further overcapacities, which in turn may lead to intense pressure on yields over the remaining quarters. The shipping industry has responded with consolidation measures in the form of new cooperation agreements and alliances. These are currently leading to far-reaching changes in market structures and in turn to a noticeable increase in pressure on the earnings strengths of terminal operators.

In view of the knock-on effects on transport volumes in land-based pre-carriage and onwardcarriage systems, performance in the entire German rail freight network - including transit traffic - is only expected to grow by a meagre 0.5%. Road freight traffic is likely to expand slightly faster at 1.5%. Nevertheless, the German transport industry anticipates rising financial pressure on transport companies from higher fuel prices.

Business and new orders for logistics services are also expected to deteriorate in 2012. At present, modest growth is still forecast for steel and car production, and therefore for dry bulk handling and vehicle logistics. However, the intense pressure on contract logistics is likely to continue.

### **Group Performance Expected Earnings Position**

The realignment of intermodal activities announced in April will have a significant consolidation and transaction effects on HHLA's half-year financial statements. ▶ See also Events after the Balance Sheet Date, page 14, and the following comments on the Intermodal segment. This means that previous statements on year-on-year growth targets are no longer valid, as there is no basis for comparison. In order to aid orientation, the updated forecast therefore uses absolute target figures in these cases.

Taking account of structural changes and the market trends described above, HHLA is aiming for Group revenue in the region of €1.1 billion for the full year 2012. The anticipated earnings effects mean that the operating result (EBIT) at

Group level is forecast to reach at least €200 million. Compared with the figures reported for the previous year, this represents a lower revenue base due to consolidation changes and an almost comparable operating result, i.e. an increase in profitability (previously: EBIT margin in the region of the previous year).

#### **Business Forecast 2012**

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Throughput volume	in the region of 7.4 million TEU
Transport volume	in the region of 1.0 million TEU
Revenue	in the region of €1.1 billion
EBIT	at least €200 million
Investments	in the region of €250 million

The development will again depend to a large extent on the listed subgroup Port Logistics. For the Container segment - not affected by the structural changes - HHLA maintains its forecast of increasing throughput faster than market growth by around 5% to around 7.4 million TEU. However, it must now be assumed that the increase in revenue will fall noticeably short of volume growth and only slightly exceed the prioryear figure. HHLA intends to compensate for the productivity lost due to reorganisation in the first quarter with efficiency gains from new technology and new working structures. These should be noticeable in the second half of the year and offer unchanged significant margin potential in the medium term. Nevertheless, the short-termdevelopment of earnings remains unsatisfactory. For the full year, it must be assumed that the EBIT margin will be substantially below the prior-year figure - due in part also to a one-time compensation payment received last year.

Prospects for the current year in the Intermodal segment are fundamentally affected by the realignment of rail operations. Whereas the increased shareholding in Metrans will have no effect on operating results as it was already fully consolidated, the changed shareholder structure at Polzug and disposal of equity interests in Transfracht will have a significant impact on revenue and earnings for the Intermodal segment. Despite the loss of a relatively high proportion of transport volume and a somewhat lower revenue amount, the persistent losses at Transfracht will no longer affect the Intermodal segment in future. The changes in the shareholder structure

of Polzug will enable HHLA to align business operations more consistently with the demands of maritime logistics and to intensify collaboration with the Polish partner PKP Cargo. On the basis of these structural changes, HHLA is now aiming for a transport volume in the region of 1.0 million TEU, with revenue in the order of €250 million. A clear improvement is expected in the segment's operating result with an EBIT margin well into double figures.

In addition to the general course of business, the new at-equity consolidation of two previously fully consolidated fruit companies will alter the earnings situation in the Logistics segment. The forecast made at the beginning of the year for the remaining operating activities in this segment can be confirmed. On the basis of current Group estimates, vehicle logistics, dry bulk handling and consultancy services should all make stable revenue and earnings contributions; while the restructuring of contract logistics will probably result in a burden on earnings. All in all, HHLA expects revenue in the region of €100 million and a low, single-digit EBIT margin for the Logistics segment.

A stable development is still expected for earnings of the Real Estate subgroup. Revenue and EBIT margin should therefore be at a similar level to last year. Business developments in this field

will continue to focus on value-oriented portfolio development.

#### **Financial Position**

Planned capital expenditure in the region of €250 million means that a further rise in the HHLA Group's balance sheet total is expected in the financial year 2012, even after taking account of the realignment of the Intermodal segment and a change in the consolidation method in the Logistics segment. As well as investing in modernisation work at the container terminals - including a large-scale project to expand handling operations in Odessa on the Black Sea - the company will focus on ramping up hinterland traffic to further strengthen its vertical integration along the transport chain.

The Group's strong liquidity will be considerably reduced by the realignment of intermodal activities, continued high capital expenditure and the proposed dividend payments. On the basis of its forward-looking financing policy, HHLA foresees still sufficient funds and a stable credit quality for the steady continuation of its organic business development. Even taking into account the structural changes and project-related debt financing, the equity ratio is expected to improve over the entire year.

No material changes with regard to other topics occurred during the reporting period. The following table lists the topics concerned. The relevant disclosures are largely included in the Annual Report for 2011 and remain valid.

#### Areas in which no material changes occurred in the reporting period

(Page numbers refer to the Annual Report 2011)

Company organisation and structure ► See front flap, page 56 et seq.

Company goals/strategies ► See page 63 et seq.

Main services ► See page 58 et seq.

Sales markets/competitive position ▶ See page 59 et seq.

Research and development ► See page 71 et seq.

Legal parameters ► See page 65 et seq.

Principles and goals of financial management ► See page 88

Company disposals and acquisitions ► See page 91

Future services, sales markets/competitive position, R&D activities ► See page 111

Dividend policy ► See page 111

Medium-term developments ► See page 111 et seq.

# **Interim Financial Statements**

# Income Statement HHLA Group

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in €thousand	1-3 2012	1-3 2011
Revenue	286,800	289,755
Changes in inventories	1,601	128
Own work capitalised	2,167	1,753
Other operating income	7,327	5,697
Cost of materials	- 106,242	- 103,178
Personnel expenses	- 93,909	- 86,255
Other operating expenses	- 33,765	- 32,899
Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA)	63,979	75,001
Depreciation and amortisation	- 29,951	- 31,043
Earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT)	34,028	43,958
Earnings from associates accounted for using the equity method	25	64
Interest income	1,801	1,916
Interest expenses	- 9,818	- 9,797
Other financial result	0	- 137
Financial result	- 7,992	- 7,954
Earnings before tax (EBT)	26,036	36,004
Income tax	- 6,974	- 10,910
Profit after tax	19,062	25,094
of which attributable to non-controlling interests	9,350	8,680
of which attributable to shareholders of the parent company	9,712	16,414
Earnings per share, basic, in €		
Group	0.13	0.23
Port Logistics	0.13	0.21
Real Estate	0.35	0.52
Earnings per share, diluted, in €		
Group	0.13	0.23
Port Logistics	0.13	0.21
Real Estate	0.35	0.52

# Statement of Comprehensive Income HHLA Group

in €thousand	1-3 2012	1-3 2011
Profit after tax	19,062	25,094
Actuarial gains/losses	- 18,114	0
Cash flow hedges	- 22	513
Foreign currency translation differences	- 1,513	- 3,117
Deferred taxes on changes recognised directly in equity	5,843	- 121
Other	7	2
Income and expense recognised directly in equity	- 13,799	- 2,723
Total comprehensive income	5,263	22,371
of which attributable to non-controlling interests	9,410	8,784
of which attributable to shareholders of the parent company	- 4,147	13,587

# Income Statement HHLA Subgroups

in €thousand; subgroup Port Logistics and subgroup Real Estate; annex to the condensed notes	1-3 2012 Group	1-3 2012 Port Logistics	1-3 2012 Real Estate	1-3 2012 Consolidation
Revenue	286,800	280,155	8,039	- 1,394
Changes in inventories	1,601	1,604	- 3	0
Own work capitalised	2,167	2,155	0	12
Other operating income	7,327	6,215	1,320	- 208
Cost of materials	- 106,242	- 104,537	- 1,706	1
Personnel expenses	- 93,909	- 93,342	- 567	0
Other operating expenses	- 33,765	- 31,788	- 3,566	1,589
Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA)	63,979	60,462	3,517	0
Depreciation and amortisation	- 29,951	- 28,970	- 1,057	76
Earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT)	34,028	31,492	2,460	76
Earnings from associates accounted for using the equity method	25	25	0	0
Interest income	1,801	1,811	19	- 29
Interest expenses	- 9,818	- 8,673	- 1,174	29
Financial result	- 7,992	- 6,837	- 1,155	0
Earnings before tax (EBT)	26,036	24,655	1,305	76
Income tax	- 6,974	- 6,550	- 406	- 18
Profit after tax	19,062	18,105	899	58
of which attributable to non-controlling interests	9,350	9,350	0	
of which attributable to shareholders of the parent company	9,712	8,755	957	
Earnings per share, basic, in €	0.13	0.13	0.35	
Earnings per share, diluted, in €	0.13	0.13	0.35	

# Statement of Comprehensive Income HHLA Subgroups

in €thousand; subgroup Port Logistics and subgroup Real Estate; annex to the condensed notes	1-3 2012 Group	1–3 2012 Port Logistics	1-3 2012 Real Estate	1-3 2012 Consolidation
Profit after tax	19,062	18,105	899	58
Actuarial gains/losses	- 18,114	- 17,798	- 316	
Cash flow hedges	- 22	- 22	0	
Foreign currency translation differences	- 1,513	- 1,513	0	
Deferred taxes on changes recognised directly in equity	5,843	5,742	101	
Other	7	7	0	
Income and expense recognised directly in equity	- 13,799	- 13,584	- 215	0
Total comprehensive income	5,263	4,521	684	58
of which attributable to non-controlling interests	9,410	9,410	0	
of which attributable to shareholders of the parent company	- 4,147	- 4,889	742	

# Income Statement HHLA Subgroups

in €thousand; subgroup Port Logistics and subgroup Real Estate; annex to the condensed notes	1-3 2011 Group	1-3 2011 Port Logistics	1-3 2011 Real Estate	1-3 2011 Consolidation
Revenue	289,755	283,428	7,458	- 1,131
Changes in inventories	128	121	7	0
Own work capitalised	1,753	1,753	0	0
Other operating income	5,697	4,527	1,432	- 262
Cost of materials	- 103,178	- 101,584	- 1,593	- 1
Personnel expenses	- 86,255	- 85,736	- 519	0
Other operating expenses	- 32,899	- 31,759	- 2,534	1,394
Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA)	75,001	70,750	4,251	0
Depreciation and amortisation	- 31,043	- 30,065	- 1,055	77
Earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT)	43,958	40,685	3,196	77
Earnings from associates accounted for using the equity method	64	64	0	0
Interest income	1,916	1,926	22	- 32
Interest expenses	- 9,797	- 8,631	- 1,198	32
Other financial result	- 137	- 137	0	0
Financial result	- 7,954	- 6,778	- 1,176	0
Earnings before tax (EBT)	36,004	33,907	2,020	77
Income tax	- 10,910	- 10,225	- 666	- 19
Profit after tax	25,094	23,682	1,354	58
of which attributable to non-controlling interests	8,680	8,680	0	
of which attributable to shareholders of the parent company	16,414	15,002	1,412	
Earnings per share, basic, in €	0.23	0.21	0.52	
Earnings per share, diluted, in €	0.23	0.21	0.52	

# Statement of Comprehensive Income HHLA Subgroups

in €thousand; subgroup Port Logistics and subgroup Real Estate; annex to the condensed notes	1-3 2011 Group	1–3 2011 Port Logistics	1-3 2011 Real Estate	1-3 2011 Consolidation
Profit after tax	25,094	23,682	1,354	58
Cash flow hedges	513	513	0	
Foreign currency translation differences	- 3,117	- 3,117	0	
Deferred taxes on changes recognised directly in equity	- 121	- 121	0	
Other	2	2	0	
Income and expense recognised directly in equity	- 2,723	- 2,723	0	0
Total comprehensive income	22,371	20,959	1,354	58
of which attributable to non-controlling interests	8,784	8,784	0	
of which attributable to shareholders of the parent company	13,587	12,175	1,412	

# Balance Sheet HHLA Group

in €thousand

in €thousand		
Assets	31.03.2012	31.12.2011
Non-current assets		
Intangible assets	81,604	81,490
Property, plant and equipment	952,638	985,340
Investment property	178,808	180,062
Associates accounted for using the equity method	6,374	1,830
Financial assets	11,298	9,086
Deferred taxes	25,666	22,243
	1,256,388	1,280,051
Current assets		
Inventories	24,689	23,162
Trade receivables	135,914	151,771
Receivables from related parties	31,075	3,756
Other financial receivables	7,293	2,429
Other assets	16,272	16,776
Income tax receivables	7,625	3,591
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term deposits	327,572	329,996
	550,440	531,481
	1,806,828	1,811,532
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Equity and liabilities		
Equity		
Subscribed capital	72,680	72,680
Subgroup Port Logistics	69,975	69,975
Subgroup Real Estate	2,705	2,705
Capital reserve	139,728	139,728
Subgroup Port Logistics	139,222	139,222
Subgroup Real Estate	506	506
Retained earnings	394,748	385,124
Subgroup Port Logistics	376,634	367,967
Subgroup Real Estate		17,157
Other comprehensive income		42,872
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Subgroup Port Logistics	28,331	41,615
Subgroup Real Estate	1,042	1,257
Non-controlling interests	9,640	4,258
Subgroup Port Logistics	9,640	4,258
Subgroup Real Estate		0
N	646,169	644,662
Non-current liabilities		0.40 =00
Pension provisions	333,880	313,729
Other non-current provisions	51,064	53,526
Non-current liabilities to related parties	93,565	93,587
Non-current financial liabilities	384,986	403,184
Deferred taxes	12,641	13,557
	876,136	877,583
Current liabilities		
Other current provisions	31,426	28,759
Trade liabilities	74,027	72,003
Current liabilities to related parties	74,184	72,119
Current financial liabilities	81,644	88,332
Other liabilities	20,886	25,563
Income tax liabilities	2,356	2,511
	284,523	289,287
	1,806,828	1,811,532

# Balance Sheet HHLA Subgroups

in  $\mbox{\-\-in}$  thousand; subgroup Port Logistics and subgroup Real Estate; annex to the condensed notes

Assets	31.03.2012 Group	31.03.2012 Port Logistics	31.03.2012 Real Estate	31.03.2012 Consolidation
Non-current assets				
Intangible assets	81,604	81,596	8	0
Property, plant and equipment	952,638	930,270	5,571	16,797
Investment property	178,808	59,538	149,759	- 30,489
Associates accounted for using the equity method	6,374	6,374	0	0
Financial assets	11,298	9,642	1,656	0
Deferred taxes	25,666	34,362	0	- 8,696
	1,256,388	1,121,782	156,994	- 22,388
Current assets				
Inventories	24,689	24,558	131	0
Trade receivables	135,914	135,257	657	0
Receivables from related parties	31,075	43,533	625	- 13,083
Other financial receivables	7,293	7,229	64	0
Other assets	16,272	15,857	415	0
Income tax receivables	7,625	7,415	367	- 157
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term deposits	327,572	327,328	244	0
	550,440	561,177	2,503	- 13,240
	1,806,828	1,682,959	159,497	- 35,628
Equity and liabilities Equity				
Subscribed capital	72,680	69,975	2,705	0
Capital reserve	139,728	139,222	506	0
Retained earnings	394,748	376,634	28,414	- 10,300
Other comprehensive income	29,373	28,331	1,042	0
Non-controlling interests	9,640	9,640	0	0
	646,169	623,802	32,667	- 10,300
Non-current liabilities				
Pension provisions	333,880	328,070	5,810	0
Other non-current provisions	51,064	49,624	1,440	0
Non-current liabilities to related parties	93,565	93,565	0	0
Non-current financial liabilities	384,986	363,629	21,357	0
Deferred taxes	12,641	16,321	8,408	- 12,088
	876,136	851,209	37,015	- 12,088
Current liabilities				
Other current provisions	31,426	28,101	3,325	0
Trade liabilities	74,027	71,130	2,897	0
Current liabilities to related parties	74,184	8,018	79,249	- 13,083
Current financial liabilities	81,644	77,570	4,074	0
Other liabilities	20,886	20,616	270	0
Income tax liabilities	2,356	2,513	0	- 157
	284,523	207,948	89,815	- 13,240
	1,806,828	1,682,959	159,497	- 35,628

# Balance Sheet HHLA Subgroups

in  $\mbox{\-\-in}$  thousand; subgroup Port Logistics and subgroup Real Estate; annex to the condensed notes

Assets	31.12.2011 Group	31.12.2011 Port Logistics	31.12.2011 Real Estate	31.12.2011 Consolidation
Non-current assets				
Intangible assets	81,490	81,481	9	0
Property, plant and equipment	985,340	963,148	5,285	16,907
Investment property	180,062	60,890	149,848	- 30,676
Associates accounted for using the equity method	1,830	1,830	0	0
Financial assets	9,086	7,517	1,569	0
Deferred taxes	22,243	30,362	0	- 8,119
	1,280,051	1,145,228	156,711	- 21,888
Current assets				
Inventories	23,162	23,091	71	0
Trade receivables	151,771	151,023	748	0
Receivables from related parties	3,756	16,713	1,108	- 14,065
Other financial receivables	2,429	2,404	25	0
Other assets	16,776	16,626	150	0
Income tax receivables	3,591	3,465	283	- 157
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term deposits	329,996	329,868	128	0
	531,481	543,190	2,513	- 14,222
	1,811,532	1,688,418	159,224	- 36,110
Equity  Equity  Subscribed copital	72.690	60.075	2.705	
Subscribed capital	72,680	69,975	2,705	0
Capital reserve	139,728	139,222	506	0
Retained earnings	385,124	367,967	27,515	- 10,358
Other comprehensive income	42,872	41,615	1,257	0
Non-controlling interests	4,258	4,258		0
	644,662	623,037	31,983	- 10,358
Non-current liabilities				
Pension provisions	313,729	308,243	5,486	0
Other non-current provisions	53,526	52,108	1,418	0
Non-current liabilities to related parties	93,587	93,587	0	0
Non-current financial liabilities	403,184	380,690	22,494	0
Deferred taxes	13,557	16,814	8,273	- 11,530
0 18 1888	877,583	851,442	37,671	- 11,530
Current liabilities				
Other current provisions	28,759	25,719	3,040	0
Trade liabilities	72,003	69,755	2,248	0
Current liabilities to related parties	72,119	6,714	79,470	- 14,065
Current financial liabilities	88,332	83,828	4,504	0
Other liabilities	25,563	25,255	308	0
Income tax liabilities	2,511	2,668	0 570	- 157
	289,287	213,939	89,570	- 14,222
	1,811,532	1,688,418	159,224	- 36,110

# Cash Flow Statement HHLA Group

Odsit i low Statement i i i LA Group		
in €thousand	1-3 2012	1-3 2011
Cash flow from operating activities		
Earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT)	34,028	43,958
Depreciation, amortisation, impairment and reversals on non-financial non-current assets	29,951	31,043
Decrease in provisions	- 597	- 4,632
Gains/losses arising from the disposal of non-current assets	- 45	- 130
Increase in inventories, trade receivables and other assets not attributable to investing or financing activities	- 3,348	- 21,762
Increase in trade payables and other liabilities not attributable to investing or financing activities	9,434	6,739
Interest received	1,762	1,607
Interest paid	- 4,880	- 4,497
Income tax paid	- 11,714	- 11,287
Exchange rate and other effects	- 1,625	- 2,677
Cash flow from operating activities	52,966	38,362
Cash flow from investing activities		
Proceeds from disposal of intangible assets and property, plant and equipment	90	407
Payments for investments in property, plant and equipment and investment property	- 23,072	- 18,750
Payments for investments in intangible assets	- 2,194	- 1,928
Proceeds from disposal of non-current financial assets	15	5
Payments for investments in non-current financial assets	- 142	- 445
Payments for acquiring interests in consolidated companies and other business units	- 2,076	0
Payments for short-term deposits	- 103,000	0
Cash flow from investing activities	- 130,379	- 20,711
3. Cash flow from financing activities  Redemption of lease liabilities		- 1,048
•	- 1,102	
Proceeds from the issuance of (financial) loans  Powerste for the redemption of (financial) loans		60,000
Payments for the redemption of (financial) loans  Coal flavor from the paying activities	- 5,523	- 5,576
Cash flow from financing activities	- 6,685	53,376
4. Financial funds at the end of the period		
Change in financial funds (subtotals 13.)	- 84,098	71,027
Change in financial funds due to exchange rates	757	1,297
Financial funds at the beginning of the period	294,803	213,682
Financial funds at the end of the period	211,462	286,006

Cash Flow Statement HHLA Subgroups				
in €thousand; subgroup Port Logistics and subgroup Real Estate; annex to the condensed notes	1-3 2012 Group	1-3 2012 Port Logistics	1-3 2012 Real Estate	1-3 2012 Consolidation
Cash flow from operating activities				
Earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT)	34,028	31,492	2,460	76
Depreciation, amortisation, impairment and reversals on non-financial non-current assets	29,951	28,970	1,057	- 76
Change in provisions	- 597	- 831	234	
Gains/losses arising from the disposal of non-current assets	- 45	- 45	0	
Change in inventories, trade receivables and other assets not attributable to investing or financing activities	- 3,348	- 3,089	123	- 382
Increase in trade payables and other liabilities not attributable to investing or financing activities	9,434	7,678	1,374	382
Interest received	1,762	1,772	19	- 29
Interest paid	- 4,880	- 3,497	- 1,412	29
Income tax paid	- 11,714	- 11,460	- 254	
Exchange rate and other effects	- 1,625	- 1,625	0	
Cash flow from operating activities	52,966	49,365	3,601	0
2. Cash flow from investing activities				
Proceeds from disposal of intangible assets and property, plant and equipment	90	90	0	
Payments for investments in property, plant and equipment and investment property	- 23,072	- 21,819	- 1,253	
Payments for investments in intangible assets	- 2,194	- 2,194	0	
Proceeds from disposal of non-current financial assets	15	15	0	
Payments for investments in non-current financial assets	- 142	- 142	0	
Payments for acquiring interests in consolidated companies and other business units	- 2,076	- 2,076	0	
Payments for short-term deposits	- 103,000	- 103,000	0	
Cash flow from investing activities	- 130,379	- 129,126	- 1,253	0
3. Cash flow from financing activities				
Redemption of lease liabilities	- 1,162	- 1,162	0	
Payments for the redemption of (financial) loans	- 5,523	- 4,391	- 1,132	
Cash flow from financing activities	- 6,685	- 5,553	- 1,132	0
4. Financial funds at the end of the period				
Change in financial funds (subtotals 1. – 3.)	- 84,098	- 85,314	1,216	0
Change in financial funds due to exchange rates	757	757	0	
Financial funds at the beginning of the period	294,803	303,575	- 8,772	
Financial funds at the end of the period	211,462	219,018	- 7,556	0

# Cash Flow Statement HHLA Subgroups

in €thousand; subgroup Port Logistics and subgroup Real Estate; annex to the condensed notes	1-3 2011 Group	1-3 2011 Port Logistics	1-3 2011 Real Estate	1-3 2011 Consolidation
1. Cash flow from operating activities				
Earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT)	43,958	40,685	3,196	77
Depreciation, amortisation, impairment and reversals on				
non-financial non-current assets	31,043	30,065	1,055	- 77
Change in provisions	- 4,632	- 4,770	138	
Gains/losses arising from the disposal of non-current assets	- 130	- 130	0	
Increase in inventories, trade receivables and other assets not attributable to investing or financing activities	- 21,762	- 21,791	- 556	585
Increase in trade payables and other liabilities not attributable to investing or financing activities	6,739	7,134	190	- 585
Interest received	1,607	1,617	22	- 32
Interest paid	- 4,497	- 3,061	- 1,468	32
Income tax paid	- 11,287	- 10,596	- 691	
Exchange rate and other effects	- 2,677	- 2,677	0	
Cash flow from operating activities	38,362	36,476	1,886	0
Cash flow from investing activities				
Proceeds from disposal of intangible assets and property, plant and equipment	407	407	0	
Payments for investments in property, plant and equipment and investment property	- 18,750	- 17,328	- 1,422	
Payments for investments in intangible assets	- 1,928	- 1,927	- 1	
Proceeds from disposal of non-current financial assets	5	5	0	
Payments for investments in non-current financial assets	- 445	- 468	23	
Cash flow from investing activities	- 20,711	- 19,311	- 1,400	0
3. Cash flow from financing activities				
Redemption of lease liabilities	- 1,048	- 1,048	0	
Proceeds from the issuance of (financial) loans	60,000	60,000	0	
Payments for the redemption of (financial) loans	- 5,576	- 4,444	- 1,132	
Cash flow from financing activities	53,376	54,508	- 1,132	0
4. Financial funds at the end of the period				
Change in financial funds (subtotals 1. – 3.)	71,027	71,673	- 646	0
Change in financial funds due to exchange rates	1,297	1,297	0	
Financial funds at the beginning of the period	213,682	218,009	- 4,327	
Financial funds at the end of the period	286,006	290,979	- 4,973	0

# Segment Report HHLA Group

in €thousand; business segments;

in €thousand; business segments; annex to the condensed notes	Subgroup Port Logistics			
1–3 2012	Container	Intermodal	Logistics	
Segment revenue				
Segment revenue from non-affiliated third parties	165,495	87,890	20,987	
Inter-segment revenue	599	429	1,669	
Total segment revenue	166,094	88,319	22,656	
Earnings				
EBITDA	51,412	10,765	2,128	
EBITDA margin	31.0%	12.2%	9.4%	
EBIT	28,685	6,762	1,259	
EBIT margin	17.3%	7.7%	5.6%	
Segment assets	899,482	266,104	50,672	
Other segment information				
Investments				
Property, plant and equipment and investment property	21,326	4,392	779	
Intangible assets	1,960	95	7	
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment and investment property	20,833	3,929	817	
Amortisation of intangible assets	1,894	74	52	
Non-cash items	5,280	542	1,324	
Container throughput in thousand TEU	1,731		.,,,,	
Container transport <sup>1</sup> in thousand TEU		454		
1 212011				
1-3 2011 Segment revenue				
Segment revenue	169,562	84,334	24,684	
Segment revenue from non-affiliated third parties				
Inter-segment revenue	2,657	436	8,961	
Total segment revenue	172,219	84,770	33,645	
Earnings	00.007	0.004	0.100	
EBITDA PROPURIE	62,937	9,064	2,102	
EBITDA margin	36.5 %	10.7 %	6.2%	
EBIT	40,495	5,362	139	
EBIT margin	23.5 %	6.3 %	0.4%	
Segment assets	897,552	251,164	103,747	
Other segment information				
Investments				
Property, plant and equipment and investment property	6,627	2,315	702	
Intangible assets	1,366	115	13	
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment and investment property	20,912	3,615	1,909	
Amortisation of intangible assets	1,531	86	53	
Non-cash items	5,125	944	938	
Container throughput in thousand TEU	1,654	<u> </u>		
Container transport <sup>1</sup> in thousand TEU	<u> </u>	454		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The transport volume was fully consolidated.

Grou	Consolidation and reconciliation with Group	Total	Subgroup Real Estate	
			Real Estate	Holding/Other
286,80	0	286,800	7,399	5,029
	- 30,899	30,899	641	27,561
		317,699	8,040	32,590
63,97	2	63,977	3,517	- 3,845
			43.7 %	- 11.8%
34,02	265	33,763	2,460	- 5,403
			30.6%	- 16.6%
1,806,82	195,485	1,611,343	158,886	236,199
28,23	0	28,238	1,253	488
2,19	30	2,164	0	102
		<u> </u>		
27,93	- 108	28,038	1,056	1,403
2,02	- 156	2,177	2	155
12,11	77	12,033	322	4,565
289,75	0	289,755	6,847	4,328
	- 46,516	46,516	610	33,852
		336,271	7,457	38,180
75,00	13	74,988	4,252	- 3,367
			57.0%	- 8.8 %
43,95	529	43,429	3,197	- 5,764
			42.9%	- 15.1 %
1,792,09	160,597	1,631,495	158,862	220,170
11,32	0	11,326	1,422	260
1,92	235	1,694	0	200
29,50	- 256	29,760	1,052	2,272
1,53	- 259	1,798	3	125
10,74	17	10,724	209	3,508

# Statement of Changes in Equity HHLA Group

in €thousand

						Parent company	
	Subscribed	capital	Capital re	serve	Retained consolidated earnings	Reserve for foreign currency translation	
	A division	S division	A division	S division			
Balance as of 31.12.2010	69,975	2,705	139,222	506	337,337	- 15,046	
Total comprehensive income					16,414	- 3,147	
Balance as of 31.03.2011	69,975	2,705	139,222	506	353,751	- 18,193	
Balance as of 31.12.2011	69,975	2,705	139,222	506	385,124	- 13,547	
Change of consolidation method					- 88		
Total comprehensive income					9,712	- 1,594	
Other changes							
Balance as of 31.03.2012	69,975	2,705	139,222	506	394,748	- 15,141	

# Statement of Changes in Equity HHLA Subgroup Port Logistics (A division)

in €thousand; annex to the condensed notes

				Parent company	
	Subscribed capital	Capital reserve	Retained consolidated earnings	Reserve for foreign currency translation	
Balance as of 31.12.2010	69,975	139,222	322,200	- 15,046	
Total comprehensive income subgroup			15,002	- 3,147	
Balance as of 31.03.2011	69,975	139,222	337,202	- 18,193	
Balance as of 31.12.2011	69,975	139,222	367,967	- 13,547	
Change of consolidation method			- 88		
Total comprehensive income subgroup			8,755	- 1,594	
Other changes					
Balance as of 31.03.2012	69,975	139,222	376,634	- 15,141	

### Statement of Changes in Equity HHLA Subgroup Real Estate (S division)

in €thousand; annex to the condensed notes

Balance as of 31.12.2010	
Total comprehensive income subgroup	
Balance as of 31.03.2011	
Plus income statement consolidation effect	
Less balance sheet consolidation effect	
Total effects of consolidation	
Balance as of 31.03.2011	
Balance as of 31.12.2011	
Total comprehensive income subgroup	
Balance as of 31.03.2012	
Plus income statement consolidation effect	
Less balance sheet consolidation effect	
Total effects of consolidation	
Balance as of 31.03.2012	

Total subgroup consolidated equity	Non-controlling interests	Parent com- pany interests				
					nsive income	Other compreher
			Other	Deferred taxes on changes recognised directly in equity	Actuarial gains/losses	Cash flow hedges
547,552	- 12,257	559,810	11,585	- 15,174	48,074	- 1,026
20,959	8,785	12,174	1	- 85		404
568,512	- 3,472	571,984	11,586	- 15,259	48,074	- 622
623,037	4,258	618,779	11,498	- 20,845	65,827	- 1,318
- 3,761	- 4,029	268	0	- 169	- 18	543
4,521	9,410	- 4,889	6	5,734	- 17,768	- 22
4	0	4	4			
623,802	9,640	614,162	11,508	- 15,280	48,041	- 797

Total subgroup consolidated equity	ive income	Other comprehens			
	Deferred taxes on changes recognised directly in equity	Actuarial gains/losses	Retained consolidated earnings	Capital reserve	Subscribed capital
30,041	- 524	1,626	25,728	506	2,705
1,354			1,354		
31,394	- 524	1,626	27,082	506	2,705
58			58		
- 10,591			- 10,591		
- 10,532			- 10,532		
20,862	- 524	1,626	16,549	506	2,705
31,983	- 597	1,854	27,515	506	2,705
684	101	- 316	899		
32,667	- 496	1,538	28,414	506	2,705
58			58		
- 10,358			- 10,358		
- 10,300			- 10,300		
22,367	- 496	1,538	18,114	506	2,705

# Notes to the Condensed Interim Consolidated Financial Statements

# 1. Basic information on the Group

The Group's parent company is Hamburger Hafen und Logistik Aktiengesellschaft, Bei St. Annen 1, 20457 Hamburg (HHLA), registered in the Hamburg Commercial Register under HRB 1902. The holding company above the HHLA Group is HGV Hamburger Gesellschaft für Vermögens- und Beteiligungsmanagement mbH, Hamburg.

The condensed interim consolidated financial statements, and therefore the information in the Notes, are presented in euros (€). For the sake of clarity, the individual items are shown in thousands of euros (€thousand) unless otherwise indicated. Due to the use of rounding procedures it is possible that some figures do not add up to the stated sums.

# Significant events in the reporting period

HHLA Frucht- und Kühl-Zentrum GmbH, Hamburg, and Ulrich Stein Gesellschaft mit beschränkter Haftung, Hamburg, were previously consolidated in full, but since 1 January 2012 have been included in the consolidated financial statements using the equity method. The change as of 1 January 2012 is based on the loss of control of these subsidiaries in line with contractual provisions. The change in the consolidation method had no material impact on these interim consolidated financial statements.

# 3. Consolidation, accounting and valuation principles

#### 3.1 Basis for preparation of the financial statements

The condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the period from 1 January to 31 March 2012 were prepared in compliance with the rules of IAS 34 *Interim Financial Reporting*.

The IFRS requirements which apply in the European Union have been met in full.

The condensed interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements as of 31 December 2011.

#### 3.2 Principal accounting and valuation methods

The accounting and valuation methods used for the preparation of the condensed interim consolidated financial statements correspond to the methods used in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements as of 31 December 2011.

In addition, the company is applying the following rule for the first time as of 1 January 2012:

Amendments to IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures

Apart from that, there were no effects on the condensed interim consolidated financial statements.

# 4. Purchase and sale of shares in subsidiaries

No significant shares in subsidiaries were purchased or sold in the first quarter 2012.

# 5. Earnings per share

The following table illustrates the calculation for basic earnings per share:

Basic earnings per share in €	0.13	0.23
Number of shares in circulation	72,679,826	72,679,826
Net profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company in €thousand	9,712	16,414
	1-3 2012	1–3 2011

The basic earnings per share were calculated for the subgroup Port Logistics as follows:

Basic earnings per share in €	0.13	0.21
Number of shares in circulation	69,975,326	69,975,326
Net profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company in €thousand	8,755	15,002
	1-3 2012	1-3 2011

The basic earnings per share were calculated for the subgroup Real Estate as follows:

	1-3 2012	1-3 2011
Net profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company in €thousand	957	1,412
Number of shares in circulation	2,704,500	2,704,500
Basic earnings per share in €	0.35	0.52

Diluted earnings per share are identical to basic EPS as there were no conversion or option rights in circulation during the reporting period. The intention is to issue shares in the Port Logistics subgroup (Class A shares) from authorised capital I as part of the employee stock purchase plan for 2011. This will not cause any significant dilution of earnings per share. For further details we refer to ► Notes 6 and 11.

### 6. Dividends proposed

Executive Board and Supervisory Board have proposed, in 2012, to distribute a dividend of €0.65 per share to shareholders of the Port Logistics subgroup and of €1.00 per share to shareholders of the Real Estate subgroup. On the basis of shares outstanding as of 31 March 2012, this will result in a distribution of €45,484 thousand for the Port Logistics subgroup and of €2,705 thousand for the Real Estate subgroup. The Annual General Meeting will make a decision about the dividend payout on 14 June 2012. Taking account of the figures for the employee stock purchase plan from 2011 available when these financial statements were published, the amount to be distributed to the shareholders of the Port Logistics subgroup will go up by €48 thousand from €45,484 thousand to €45,532 thousand. For more information please refer to ▶ Note 11.

# 7. Segment report

The segment report is presented as an annex to the Notes to the condensed interim consolidated financial statements.

The HHLA Group's segment report is prepared in accordance with the provisions of IFRS 8 Operating Segments. IFRS 8 requires reporting on the basis of the internal reports to the Executive Board for the purpose of controlling the company's activities.

The segment performance indicator used is the internationally customary key figure EBIT (earnings before interest and taxes), which serves to measure the success in each segment and therefore aids the internal control function. For further information, please refer to the consolidated financial statements as of 31 December 2011.

The accounting and valuation principles applied for internal reporting comply with the principles used for the HHLA Group as described in Note 6 "Accounting and Valuation Principles" in the Notes to the consolidated financial statements as of 31 December 2011.

Segment information is reported on the basis of the internal control function, which is consistent with external reporting and is classified in accordance with the activities of the HHLA Group's business segments. These are organised and managed autonomously in accordance with the type of services being offered.

The HHLA Group operates unchanged in the following four segments:

#### Container

The Container segment pools the Group's container handling operations.

#### Intermodal

The Intermodal segment provides a comprehensive seaport-hinterland rail and truck network.

#### Logistics

The Logistics segment encompasses a wide range of contract and warehousing logistics, consulting and specialist handling services.

#### Real Estate

HHLA's Real Estate segment owns properties in and around the Port of Hamburg which are not used specifically for port handling. These include properties in the historical Speicherstadt warehouse district and the fish market area on the northern banks of the river Elbe.

The Holding/Other division used for segment reporting does not represent an independent business segment as defined by the IFRS standards. However, it has been allocated to the segments within the subgroup Port Logistics in order to provide a complete and clear picture.

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The reconciliation of segment assets with Group assets incorporates not only items for which consolidation is mandatory, but also claims arising from current and deferred income taxes, cash and cash equivalents, short-term deposits and financial assets which are not to be assigned to segment assets.

The reconciliation of the segment variable EBIT with consolidated earnings before taxes (EBT) incorporates not only transactions between the segments and the subgroups for which consolidation is mandatory, but also the proportion of companies accounted for using the equity method, net interest income and other financial result.

# Reconciliation of the segment variable EBIT to earnings before taxes (EBT)

in €thousand	1-3 2012	1-3 2011
Total segment earnings (EBIT)	33,763	43,429
Elimination of business relations between segments and subgroups	265	529
Group (EBIT)	34,028	43,958
Earnings from associates accounted for using the equity method	25	64
Net interest	- 8,017	- 7,881
Other financial result	0	- 137
Earnings before tax (EBT)	26,036	36,004

# 8. Equity

The breakdown and development of HHLA's equity for the first three months of 2012 and 2011 are presented in the statement of changes in equity.

# 9. Pension provisions

The calculation of pension provisions as of 31 March 2012 was based on an interest rate of 4.50% (31 December 2011: 5.00%; 31 March 2011: 4.50%). This means that there was one change in the actuarial gains or losses to be posted directly to equity for the reporting period.

Consequently, the actuarial gains or losses offset in equity developed as follows:

in €thousand	2012	2011
Actuarial gains as of 01.01.	67,019	49,838
Change as of 01.01. due to a change in the consolidation method	- 35	0
Change during the financial year due to a change in interest rate	- 18,114	0
Actuarial gains as of 31.03.	48,870	49,838

### 10. Investments

As of 31 March 2012, total capital expenditure on intangible assets, property, plant and equipment and investment property for the entire HHLA Group came to €30.4 million.

The largest investments up to the end of the first quarter of 2012 were made in the Container and Intermodal segments.

As of 31 March 2012, the Container segment and the Intermodal segment accounted for the bulk of investment commitments at  $\in$ 79.9 million.

# 11. Events after the balance sheet date

In April 2012, HHLA, in accordance with the Executive Board resolution and with the approval of the Supervisory Board, carried out a capital increase from authorised capital I. Specifically, the capital was increased against cash contributions while excluding the subscription rights of shareholders in the Port Logistics subgroup. In the process, 73,508 new no-par bearer Class A shares, each with a share of €1.00 in the nominal capital, were issued to employees of the company and of the domestic companies affiliated to it. The capital increase and its implementation were entered in the commercial register on 23 April 2012.

HHLA and Deutsche Bahn (DB) are restructuring their intermodal investments. HHLA is to take over DB's stake in the intermodal operators Polzug Intermodal GmbH, Hamburg (Polzug) and METRANS a.s., Prague (METRANS). Following the planned capital increase at Polzug, this will give HHLA a share of 74.5%. The intention is to extend the scope of cooperation with the remaining shareholder PKP Cargo, which may therefore increase its stake in Polzug at a later date. The HHLA interest in METRANS will rise from 35.0% to 86.5%. In exchange, HHLA's 50% stake in TFG Transfracht Internationale Gesellschaft für kombinierten Güterverkehr mbH & Co. KG, Frankfurt am Main, will be transferred to DB. At DB, the agreement is currently being examined by the relevant boards. The transactions are also subject to the approval of the applicable competition authorities.

There were no other notable events after the balance sheet date 31 March 2012.

Hamburg, 15 May 2012

Hamburger Hafen und Logistik Aktiengesellschaft

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# **Responsibility Statement**

To the best of our knowledge, and in accordance with the applicable reporting principles for interim financial reporting, the interim consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the group, and the interim management report of the group includes a fair review of the development and performance of the business and the position of the group, together with a description of the material opportunities and risks associated with the expected development of the group for the remaining months of the financial year.

Hamburg, 15 May 2012

Hamburger Hafen und Logistik Aktiengesellschaft

The Executive Board

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#### Note

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