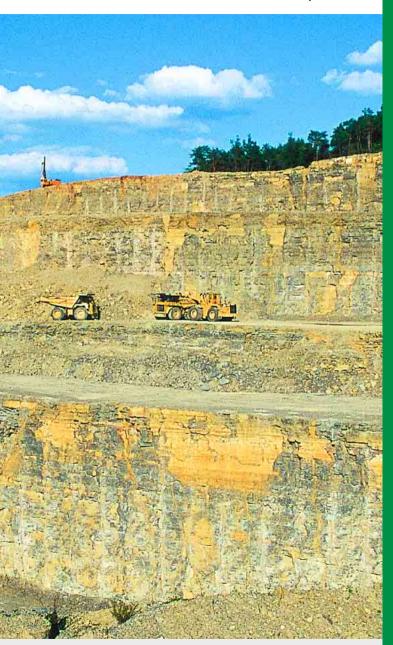
HEIDELBERGCEMENT

Interim report



January to March 2004

- Turning point in turnover and results becomes apparent
- Goodwill depreciation no longer applied
- Rating agencies have raised outlook to "stable"
- Strongest growth contributions from Central Europe East and West, Asia and maxit Group

Financial highlights January to March

	2003	200
Turnover	1,222	1,34
Operating income before depreciation (OIBD)	40	9
Operating income	-112	-3
Additional ordinary result	13	1
Results from participations	-4	
Earnings before interest and income taxes (EBIT)	-103	-1
Profit before tax	-163	-8
Profit for the financial year	-144	-6
Group share in profit	-140	-5
Investments	142	8

Letter to the shareholders

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The world economic development in the first quarter supports optimistic expectations for the whole year. Engine for the upswing are still the US and East Asia. In Germany, the economic recovery is only gradually beginning to get underway.

The increase in turnover in the first quarter by 10.2% to EUR 1,347 million (previous year: 1,222) is substantially shaped by the new consolidation of Indocement. A welcome growth in turnover could be achieved in Central Europe East and by the maxit Group. In North America, turnover in US-Dollar increased by 12.9%. Adjusted for exchange rate and consolidation effects, Group turnover improved by overall 5.3% against the comparable period of the previous year. The increase in operating income before depreciation (OIBD) to EUR 90 million (previous year: 40) is, in addition to the expansion of the consolidation scope, attributable to first successes in the revenue improvements aimed for in Central Europe West. The minus in operating results in the first quarter was only at EUR -33 million (previous year: -112) since regular goodwill depreciation no longer apply under IFRS 3.

The additional ordinary result in the amount of EUR 18 million essentially results from the sale of participations. The results from participations totalling EUR 2 million (previous year: -4) was influenced by positive market and seasonal developments and effects from consolidation. Exchange rate losses and interest payables of the newly consolidated companies mainly led to a decrease of the financial results to EUR -70 million (previous year: -60). Profit before tax rose by EUR 80 million to EUR -83 million (previous year: -163).

Our measures toward debt reduction are being continued in 2004. In the first quarter of 2004, we continued our concentration on the core business with the sale of the building chemicals brands Compakta and Pactan, the Swedish SRS Industry as well as the participation in the Danish H+H Fiboment. For 2004 overall, we anticipate net cash from disinvestments of at least FUR 250 million.

Emissions trading

The cement industry, as an energy intensive industry, is included in the European system for trade in CO_2 emissions starting on 1 January 2005. The preparations started with the definition of the national allocation plans. Due to a multiplicity of details still to be clarified, the evaluation of consequences for HeidelbergCement remains difficult. It is significant that the characteristics of our industry are considered in order to ensure competitive basic conditions and to avoid production misalignments.

Cement and clinker sales volumes

Group cement and clinker sales volumes increased in the first quarter of 2004 to nearly 13 million tonnes (previous year: 9.4). Without the effects of consolidations, the increase amounted to 2.5%. The additional quantity of 3.4 million tonnes related to consolidation is essentially due to the inclusion of Indocement.

Cement and clinker sales volumes January - March

	2003	2004
Central Europe West	996	1,302
Western Europe	2,073	2,068
Northern Europe	1,214	1,059
Central Europe East	1,123	1,262
North America	2,436	2,726
Africa-Asia-Turkey	1,515	4,535
Total	9,357	12,952

Employees

In the first three months, Heidelberg Cement employed 42,453 (previous year: 36,256) employees. The increase is mainly based on the consolidation of Indocement and our Chinese participation China Century Cement. These new consolidations more than compensate for the personnel reduction due to restructuring measures – in particular in Central Europe East – as well

as disinvestments, above all in Northern Europe and Central Europe East. Also in Central Europe West, regional increases related to consolidation exceed personnel adjustments.

Investments

In the first quarter, total cash relevant investments have fallen by 41% to EUR 84 million (previous year: 142) compared with the previous year. Investments in tangible fixed assets amounted to EUR 72 million (previous year: 83) and the financial fixed assets to EUR 12 million (previous year: 59). Proceeds from disinvestments in the amount of EUR 43 million (previous year: 59) and changes in the consolidation scope of EUR 63 million (previous year: 4) resulted in a cash flow from investing activities totalling EUR 23 million (previous year: -79).

Prospects

The international economic environment has embarked on a course of expansion. In Germany, early indications of a moderate recovery are visible. The development in Germany, Asia, Turkey and Central Europe East provide the greatest contributions to growth for Heidelberg Cement in 2004. For the full year 2004, we anticipate clear improvements in turnover and results. In addition to increases in revenues, cost reduction and restructuring measures are contributing elements. Apart from this, the regular depreciation of goodwill is eliminated starting with the 2004 annual accounts. The Standard & Poor's and Moody's rating agencies have raised the outlook assigned to ratings for Heidelberg Cement to "stable".

Heidelberg, 6 May 2004

Hours Danes

Yours sincerely,

Hans Bauer

Chairman of the Managing Board

Heidelberg Cement on the market

Central Europe West

In Germany, the economic recovery is more slowly than anticipated. The building activities profit in West Germany from effects resulting from anticipation of the announced curtailment of subsidies for home ownership. Cement and clinker sales of our plants increased in the first quarter by 30.7 % to 1.3 million tonnes (previous year: 1.0). Without the effects of new consolidations, sales volume fell by 5.3 %. The efforts to raise our proceeds in Germany again to an adequate level were connected with losses in sales volumes which varied from region to region. Our cost saving measures contributed to a clear improvement in OIBD in the first quarter. The sales volume of ready-mixed concrete and aggregates likewise increased, whereby, however, the high increases in ready-mixed concrete are related to consolidation.

The turnover of the Central Europe West region increased in the first three months by 24.6% to EUR 144 million (previous year: 116).

■ Western Europe

The opposite development in the countries of the Western Europe region continued in the first quarter 2004. In Belgium and the Netherlands, decreasing demand caused our cement and clinker sales volume to decrease by 1.5%. The joining of the cement business lines of both countries in the CEMBENE unit starting from beginning of the year is an important measure for the lowering of costs and use of synergies. In the UK, the sales volumes increased slightly. Castle Cement was able to successfully maintain its market share in an intensely competitive environment. Overall, the cement and clinker sales volume of the Western Europe region remained stable at 2.1 million tonnes. The cement imports from Germany also led to intensified price pressures within the readymixed concrete line. The sales volume of aggregates improved slightly in comparison.

The turnover of the Western Europe region fell compared with the first quarter 2003 by 5.3 % to EUR 213 million (previous year: 224).

Turnover by business lines January - March

Central Europe West

	2003	2004
Cement	52	68
Concrete	48	57
Building materials	20	29
Intra-Group eliminations	-4	-10
Total turnover	116	144

Western Europe

2003	2004
166	159
69	62
-11	-8
224	213
	166 69 -11

Northern Europe

While the domestic sales volume of our Scandinavian plants achieved an increase of 7.5% particularly due to the favorable construction activity in Norway, the exports decreased by 40%. This decrease is essentially related to the two-month shut down of a kiln in the Norwegian plant, Brevik, which was converted for the increased use of secondary fuels. In the Baltic states and Northwest Russia, the upward trend continues: The Kunda plant in Estonia and Cesla plant near Saint Petersburg achieved a strong increase in domestic sales with a plus of 35%. The exports could likewise be clearly increased. Overall, the cement and clinker sales volume of the Northern Europe region remained behind that of the previous year at 1.1 million tonnes (previous year: 1.2) by 12.8%. The ready-mixed concrete and aggregate activities showed positive developments.

The turnover of the Northern Europe region fell mainly due to the reduced scope of consolidation by $14.6\,\%$ to EUR 133 million (previous year: 156).

Central Europe East

In Central Europe East, the economic upswing and the positive development of the construction activity continued in the first quarter 2004. In our main market, Poland, the construction industry, meanwhile, was able to catch up with the overall economic recovery as well; here we could increase our cement sales volumes by 40% compared to the previous year level. In the Czech Republic, our cement deliveries remained behind the previous year due to bad weather conditions and increases in imports. The other countries of the region registered - in some cases significant – sales volume increases. Overall, the cement and clinker sales volume rose despite the sale of the Bulgarian cement activities as of year-end 2003 by 12.3% to 1.3 million tonnes (previous year: 1.1). Deliveries of ready-mixed concrete and aggregates rose still more clearly with a plus of 16% and 20%, respectively.

The turnover increased despite negative currency and consolidation effects by 8.3 % to EUR 83 million (previous year: 77).

Northern Europe

2003	2004
84	77
71	63
7	
-6	-7
156	133
	84 71 7 -6

Central Europe East

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	2003	2004
Cement	63	67
Concrete	19	21
Building materials		
Intra-Group eliminations	-5	-5
Total turnover	77	83

North America

In the US, the construction sector and, thus, also the cement consumption profited from the generally good economic situation. In Canada, the positive trend strengthened, particularly in the western provinces. According to the most recent forecasts, the rising trend will continue for construction volumes and cement consumption in North America in 2004. In almost all our market regions, sales volumes again clearly improved with approximately stable prices. In our market region, Lehigh North, with its agglomeration centres New York, Washington and Baltimore, the cement sales volumes registered a growth of more than 20% in the first three months. Only the Inland region, covering the prairie provinces of Canada, was still behind the previous year's volumes due to weather effects. Overall, the cement and clinker sales volume in the first quarter exceeded the previous year level by 11.9 % at 2.7 million tonnes (previous year: 2.4). In the ready-mixed concrete and aggregates operating lines, the sales volume rose respectively by 4% and 12%.

Turnover decreased in the first quarter by 2.8% to EUR 330 million (previous year: 340) due to the continuous weakness of the US dollar against the euro; in domestic currency, the turnover increased, however, by approximately 13% in relation to the previous year.

Africa-Asia-Turkey

In Africa, the positive development in demand also continued at the beginning of 2004. In particular, our participations in Sierra Leone, Benin, Nigeria, Liberia, Angola and Tanzania were partly able to achieve considerable increases in sales volume. In Asia, our cement and clinker sales volume rose more than tenfold to 3.2 (previous year: 0.3) million tonnes based on the proportionately inclusion of China Century Cement (as of 1 July 2003) and, in particular, the consolidation of Indocement as of 1 January 2004. In Indonesia, intense competition

Turnover by business lines January - March

North America

	2003	2004
Cement	200	196
Concrete	169	161
Building materials		
Intra-Group eliminations	-29	-27
Total turnover	340	330
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Africa-Asia-Turkey

2003	2004
99	208
7	16
-1	-5
105	220
	99 7 -1

continues to determine the market development. The sales volume of our subsidiary, Indocement, at 2.6 millions tonnes (previous year: 2.5) was 2.1% above the previous year level. Our Chinese joint venture, China Century Cement, achieved a renewed increase in sales volume of 1.3% to 0.74 million tonnes (consolidated: 0.36) operating at full capacity. In Turkey, domestic sales volume of our participation, Akçansa, rose by 33% due to increased demand in the Turkish market. Overall sales volumes, however, fell because of declining clinker exports.

The cement and clinker sales volume of the Africa-Asia-Turkey region tripled to 4.5 million tonnes (previous year: 1.5). The turnover rose to EUR 220 million (previous year: 105).

maxit Group

Since the beginning of the year, the most important markets of the maxit Group have recovered. Overall, maxit Group registered satisfactory development in the first quarter and was able to increase its turnover by 7.9% to EUR 212 million (previous year: 197). In the context of the expansion of our activities into growth markets, we are constructing production plants for dry mortar in China and in Russia. The two plants will be finished in spring 2005. In China, we successfully concluded joint venture negotiations in January with a local partner.

Group Services

In the first three months, the cement and clinker trading volume fell by 3.8 % to 2.5 million tonnes (previous year: 2.6).

The turnover within the Group Service unit, which also covers the trading in fossil fuels, rose due to significantly higher freight costs by 18.6% to EUR 110 million (previous year: 92).

maxit Group

	2003	2004
Cement		
Concrete		
Building materials	197	212
Intra-Group eliminations		
Total turnover	197	212

HeidelbergCement Group

Group profit and loss accounts

January - March

	2003	2004
Turnover	1,221,648	1,346,625
Change in stocks and	2.620	4.002
work in progress	2,620	1,082
Own work capitalised	373	442
Operating revenues	1,224,641	1,348,149
Other operating income	49,990	51,661
Material costs	-532,639	-566,006
Employees and personnel costs	-327,610	-329,804
Other operating expenses	-374,080	-413,942
Operating income before depreciation (OIBD)	40,302	90,058
Depreciation and amortisation of tangible fixed assets	-108,597	-116,880
Depreciation and amortisation of intangible fixed assets	-43,984	-5,718
Operating income	-112,279	-32,540
Additional ordinary result	13,228	17,689
Results from associated undertakings	2,952	3,020
Results from other participations	-6,466	-698
Earnings before interest and income taxes (EBIT)	-102,565	-12,529
Interest income and expense	-55,530	-58,270
Foreign currency exchange gains and losses	-4,755	-11,815
Profit before tax	-162,850	-82,614
Taxes on income	19,106	23,153
Profit for the financial year	-143,744	-59,461
Minority interests	3,599	1,252
Group share in profit	-140,145	-58,209
Earnings per share in EUR (IAS 33)	-2.20	-0.58

Group cash flow statement

January - March

	2003	2004
Operating income		
before depreciation (OIBD)	40,302	90,058
Additional ordinary result		
before depreciation	15,782	18,331
Dividends received	3,528	-1,248
Interest paid	-75,228	-60,855
Taxes paid	-28,598	-670
Elimination of non-cash items	36,000	17,501
Cash flow	-8,214	63,117
Changes in operating assets	-136,032	-170,052
Changes in operating liabilities	-22,738	-1,997
Cash flow from operating activities	-166,984	-108,932
Intangible fixed assets	-1,331	-1,330
Tangible fixed assets	-81,875	-70,087
Financial fixed assets	-58,509	-12,239
Investments (cash outflow)	-141,715	-83,656
Proceeds from fixed asset disposals	58,564	43,201
Cash from changes in consolidation scope	4,427	63,403
Cash flow from investing activities	-78,724	22,948
Dividend payments - minority shareholders	-2,813	-1,611
Proceeds from bond issuance and loans	256,986	99,248
Repayment of bonds and loans	-111,930	-184,736
Cash flow from financing activities	142,243	-87,099
Net change in cash		
and cash equivalents	-103,465	-173,083
Effect of exchange rate changes	-5,000	196
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	399,473	524,961
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March*	291,008	352,074

^{*}In the balance sheet, the item "Securities and similar rights" also lists the market value of hedging transactions and the "available for sale financial assets" amounting to EUR 87.5 million (previous year: 252.2).

Group balance sheet

Assets

	31 Dec. 2003	31 March 2004
Long-term assets		
Intangible fixed assets	2,505,258	2,587,025
Tangible fixed assets		
Land and buildings	1,621,290	1,940,440
Plant and machinery	2,492,667	2,975,843
Fixtures, fittings, tools	400.700	400 000
and equipment	188,732	190,208
Payment on account and assets under construction	240,140	286,446
	4,542,829	5,392,937
Financial fixed assets		
Shares in associated companies	683,649	653,699
Shares in other participations	401,072	209,507
Loans to participations	30,308	30,777
Other loans	62,852	61,376
	1,177,881	955,359
Fixed assets	8,225,968	8,935,321
Deferred taxes	167,776	196,897
Other long-term receivables	101,466	104,105
	8,495,210	9,236,323
Short-term assets		
Stocks		
Raw materials and consumables	343,506	403,571
Work in progress	74,093	83,303
Finished goods and goods for resale	235,361	255,624
Payments on account	13,944	15,044
	666,904	757,542
Receivables and other assets		
Short-term financial receivables	157,659	184,808
Trade receivables	660,486	785,331
Other short-term operating receivables	184,515	237,756
Current income tax assets	40,847	50,040
	1,043,507	1,257,935
Short-term investments	238,579	144,457
Cash at bank and in hand	448,528	295,069
	2,397,518	2,455,003
Balance sheet total	10,892,728	11,691,326

Liabilities

	31 Dec. 2003	31 March 2004
Shareholders' equity		
and minority interests		
Subscribed share capital	255,104	258,422
Capital reserves	1,888,454	1,930,491
Revenue reserves	2,237,338	2,202,250
Currency translation	-342,286	-330,993
Company shares	-7,465	-7,465
Capital entitled to shareholders	4,031,145	4,052,705
Minority interests	153,902	490,271
	4,185,047	4,542,976
Long-term provisions and liabilities		
Provisions		
Provisions for pensions	461,579	476,480
Deferred taxes	518,737	557,198
Other long-term provisions	354,946	373,986
<u> </u>	1,335,262	1,407,664
Liabilities		
Debenture loans	2,021,152	1,999,421
Bank loans	845,578	1,276,414
Other long-term financial liabilities	529,815	507,625
	3,396,545	3,783,460
Other long-term operating liabilities	30,615	30,396
	3,427,160	3,813,856
	4,762,422	5,221,520
Short-term provisions and liabilities		
Provisions	87,221	78,100
Liabilities		
Bank loans (current portion)	521,667	584,832
Other short-term financial liabilities	372,243	313,164
	893,910	897,996
Trade payables	439,696	437,622
Current income taxes payables	60,622	69,650
Other short-term operating liabilities	463,810	443,462
·	1,858,038	1,848,730
	1,945,259	1,926,830
Balance sheet total	10,892,728	11,691,326

Group equity capital grid

	Subscribed share capital	Capital reserves
1 January 2003	163,468	1,526,016
Profit for the financial year		
Capital increase		
from issuance of new shares	5,000	73,125
Issuance of company shares		
Dividends		
Changes without effects on results		
Consolidation adjustments		
Financial instruments IAS 39		
Exchange rate		
31 March 2003	168,468	1,599,141
1 January 2004	255,104	1,888,454
Profit for the financial year		
Capital increase		
from issuance of new shares	3,318	42,037
Dividends		
Changes without effects on results		
Consolidation adjustments		
Financial instruments IAS 39		
Exchange rate		
31 March 2004	258,422	1,930,491

¹⁾ Thereof '000s EUR 22.794 from adjustment according to IFRS 3.81

²⁾ Realised currency translation adjustments

Revenue reserves	Currency translation	Company shares	Capital entitled to share- holders	Minority interests	Total
2,123,302	-110,613	-10,123	3,692,050	153,957	3,846,007
-140,145			-140,145	-3,599	-143,744
			78,125		78,125
		2,658	2,658		2,658
				-2,813	-2,813
141			141	3,899	4,040
-23,573			-23,573		-23,573
-319 ²⁾	-72,282		-72,601	-2,768	-75,369
1,959,406	-182,895	-7,465	3,536,655	148,676	3,685,331
2,237,338	-342,286	-7,465	4,031,145	153,902	4,185,047
-58,209			-58,209	-1,252	-59,461
			45,355		45,355
				-1,611	-1,611
22,4261)			22,426	342,547	364,973
2,825			2,825		2,825
-2,130 ²⁾	11,293		9,163	-3,315	5,848
2,202,250	-330,993	-7,465	4,052,705	490,271	4,542,976

Notes to the interim accounts

Accounting and consolidation principles

HeidelbergCement Group has adopted for the quarterly closing the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) with the standards applicable at the balance sheet date.

Material changes in comparison to the accounting and valuation principles at 31 December 2003, result from the first time adoption of IFRS 3 (Business Combinations). In accordance to the standard published by IASB at the end of March 2004 all business combinations shall be accounted for by applying the purchase method. Goodwill acquired in a business combination shall not be amortised. Instead, it must be tested for impairment annually, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that it might be impaired, in accordance with IAS 36 (Impairment of assets). There were no indications that goodwill might be impaired for the first quarter 2004. IFRS 3 also prohibits the capitalization of a "negative goodwill" and requires to recognise it immediately in profit or loss. On the basis of this standard an amount of EUR 1 million was taken into account within the other operating income. Previously recognised negative goodwill of EUR 23 million were derecognised at the beginning of the first quarter with a corresponding adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings. Material goodwill have been arisen from the first time consolidation of PT Indocement Tunggal Prakarsa Tbk. and Bosenberg Bücker-Flürenbrock GmbH & Co. KG with an amount of EUR 43 million respectively EUR 45 million. The goodwill for these business combinations include acquired market shares for which the intangible asset's fair value could not be measured separately and reliably. The acquisition of Bosenberg Bücker-Flürenbrock GmbH & Co. KG was made by exchange of new HeidelbergCement AG shares.

The results from other participations include the revenues from other participations as well the depreciation of financial fixed assets.

Seasonal nature of the business

As a manufacturer of building materials, HeidelbergCement is regionally exposed to the seasonal weather conditions during the first months of the year. Production and sales volumes developed positively due to the mild winter weather and the economic recovery.

Scope of consolidation

Compared to 31 December 2003 the following changes occurred in the Group regions. With the exception of Lithonplus GmbH & Co. KG and TBG Transportbeton Franken GmbH & Co. KG, which were proportionately included, all other newly included companies were fully consolidated in the Group accounts. The percentage of consolidation is indicated in brackets.

Central Europe West

HeidelbergCement acquired the Westphalian company Portland-Zementwerk Bosenberg Bücker-Flürenbrock GmbH & Co. KG, Ahlen (100.0) as of 1 January 2004. In addition, Lithonplus GmbH & Co. KG, Lingenfeld (60.0), TBG Fertigbeton Köln GmbH & Co. KG, Cologne (97.4), TBG Transportbeton Rhein-Haardt GmbH & Co. KG, Speyer (70.0), TBG Transportbeton Franken GmbH & Co. KG, Nuremberg (51.0), and Wetterauer Lieferbeton GmbH & Co. KG, Bad Nauheim (57.5), were included for the first time.

Western Europe

While in Western Europe HC UK Ltd., Birmingham, United Kingdom (100.0), was included for the first time in the scope of consolidation, the two Dutch companies Enci-Ijmuiden B.V., IJmuiden and Enci-Maastricht B.V., Maastricht, were deconsolidated.

Northern Europe

In Northern Europe Kunda Port AS, Kunda, Estonia (75.5), and the Icelandic company Norcem a Islandi Ehf (100.0), Reykjavik, were included as of 1 January 2004.

Central Europe East

The Bulgarian companies Zlatna Panega AD, Zlatna Panega, and Zlatna Panega Beton EOOD Group, Zlatna Panega, left the scope of consolidation.

Africa-Asia-Turkey

The Indondesian company PT Indocement Tunggal Prakarsa Tbk. (32.8), Jarkata, is included for the first time in the Group accounts after the lifting of restrictions for funds transfer. Heidelberger Zement South East Asia GmbH, Heidelberg (50.3), is also included for the first time.

maxit Group

First-time inclusion in the scope of consolidation of maxit Group of m-tec UK Ltd., Warrington, United Kingdom (100.0), and of maxit Baustoffe GmbH, Lassee, Austria (100.0).

The following statements present the opening balance and first quarter results for the newly consolidated companies, as prescribed by IFRS 3.67 ff. (Business Combinations):

Assets

	Indocement	Others	Total
Long-term assets			
Intangible fixed assets		3,119	3,119
Tangible fixed assets	899,691	14,484	914,175
Financial fixed assets	2,301	6,835	9,136
Fixed assets	901,992	24,438	926,430
Deferred taxes	321		321
Other long-term receivables	7,463	24,438	7,463
Short-term assets			
Stocks	71,221	2,781	74,002
Receivables and other assets	37,231	7,036	44,267
Short-term investments	518		518
Cash at bank and in hand	62,636	1,153	63,788
	171,605	10,970	182,575
Balance sheet total	1,081,381	35,408	1,116,789

Results for the companies consolidated for the first time in the first quarter 2004 $\,$

	Indocement	Others	Total
Profit for the			
financial year	-3,161	-2,029	-5,190
Minority interests	-2,125	-152	-2,277
Group share in profit	-1,036	-1,877	-2,913

Liabilities

	Indocement	Others	Total
Shareholders' equity and minority interests			
Capital entitled to shareholders	511,447	4,288	515,735
Long-term provisions and liabilities			
Provisions	45,047	1,332	46,379
Liabilities	449,063	11,790	460,853
	494,110	13,122	507,232
Short-term provisions and liabilities			
Provisions		339	339
Liabilities	75,824	17,659	93,483
	75,824	17,998	93,822
Balance sheet total	1,081,381	35,408	1,116,789

Segment reporting

Regions January to March 2004 (primary reporting format under IAS 14 No. 50 ff.)

		Central Europe West		Europe
	2003	2004	2003	2004
External turnover	113	142	221	207
Inter-region turnover	3	2	3	6
Turnover Change to prior year in %	116	144 24.6%	224	213 -5.3%
Operating income before depreciation (OIBD) in % of turnover	-20 -17.2%	-10 -6.7%	15 6.7%	15 7.0%
Depreciation	17	18	31	20
Operating income in % of turnover	-37 -31.9%	-28 -19.5%	-16 -7.1%	-5 -2.5%
Results from participations	-4	3	1	
Additional ordinary result				
Earnings before interest and income taxes (EBIT)	-41	-25	-15	-6
Investments ¹⁾	8	9	12	8
Employees	4,316	4,438	3,851	3,736

 $^{^{\}circ}$ Investments = in the segments columns: tangible and intangible fixed asset investments; in the reconciliation column: financial fixed asset investments

Turnover development

by regions and business lines January to March 2004

	Ceme	ent
	2003	2004
Central Europe West	52	68
Western Europe	166	159
Northern Europe	84	77
Central Europe East	63	67
North America	200	196
Africa-Asia-Turkey	99	208
maxit Group		
Total	664	776
Group Services		
Inter-region turnover		
Total Group		

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2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
137	122	75	81	340	330	100	206
19	11	2	2			5	14
156	133 -14.6%	77	83 8.3%	340	330 -2.8%	105	220 109.0%
6	4	-4	4	24	19	10	39
3.8%	2.7%	-5.2%	5.1%	7.1%	5.8%	9.5%	17.8%
20	14	19	13	33	24	10	19
-14 -9.0%	-10	-23 -29.9%	-10.6%	-9 -2.6%	-4 -1.3%		21 9.3%
		-2	-2	-2	-2	2	2
-14	-10	-25	-11	-11	-6	2	23
8	8	19	11	23	20	7	7
4,902	4,066	10,121	8,369	5,899	5,693	2,351	11,200

Conc	rete	Buildi mater		Intra G elimina		Tot	al
2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
48	57	20	29	-4	-10	116	144
69	62			-11	-8	224	213
71	63	7		-6	-7	156	133
19	21			-5	-5	77	83
169	161			-29	-27	340	330
7	16			-1	-5	105	220
		197	212			197	212
383	379	224	242	-56	-61	1,215	1,335
						92	110
						-85	-98
						1,222	1,347

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2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
196	212	40	47			1,222	1,347
1		52	63	-85	-98		
197	212 7.9%	92	110 18.6%	-85	-98	1,222	1,347 10.2%
8	15	1	4			40	90
4.1%	6.9%	1.1%	3.4%			3.3%	6.7%
21	15	1				152	123
-13	0	0	4			-112	-33
-6.6%	0.1%	0.2%	3.3%			-9.2%	-2.4%
1	1					-4	2
				13	18	13	18
-12	1		4	13	18	-103	-13
6	9			59	12	142	84
4,773	4,901	43	50			36,256	42,453

Exchange rates

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	Exchang on repor		Average exchange rates				
	31 Dec.	31 March	01-03/	01-03/			
	2003	2004	2003	2004			
Country	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR			
USD US	1.2578	1.2312	1.0734	1.2465			
CAD Canada	1.6307	1.6123	1.6199	1.6435			
GBP Great Britain	0.7047	0.6672	0.6692	0.6787			
IDR Indonesia	10.6473	10.5723	9.5484	10.5846			
HRK Croatia	7.6516	7.4793	7.5779	7.5777			
NOK Norway	8.3887	8.4268	7.5740	8.6154			
PLN Poland	4.6922	4.7494	4.1878	4.7632			
ROL Romania	41,155	41,030	1)	1)			
SEK Sweden	9.0514	9.2762	9.1817	9.1880			
CZK Czech Republic	32.2902	32.8127	31.6205	32.8494			
HUF Hungary	262.5909	248.2099	243.7661	258.6954			
TRL Turkey	1,762,304	1,615,334	1)	1)			

 $^{^{\}rm 0}$ In accordance with IAS 21.30 (b) the income and expenses are converted using the exchange rates on the reporting day.

Financial calendar 2004/2005

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