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Letter from the Chairwoman of the Managing Board

Dear Shareholders, Ladies and Gentlemen!

The title on the cover page of this half-year financial report is "We are a reliable partner", something we would like to convey not only to our employees, customers and business partners, but also to our stakeholders including investors and analysts. A long-term forward-looking insurance company of our size with complex geographical organisations and prod-



uct ranges is always built on trust and reliability. This also applies to the cooperation agreement with Erste Group that was renewed on 17 May 2018, thereby extending our partnership for another ten years to 2033.

Historically, we share a sustainable business philosophy with Erste Group and a similar understanding of how we want to operate in our Central and Eastern European markets. This strategic partnership is based on mutual trust, stability and reliability, allowing us to offer an extensive range of bancassurance products in the ten markets where we currently cooperate, both in branches and online. We feel that the potential is particularly great for expanding our health and property and casualty lines of business through Erste Group.

The renewal of the cooperation allows us to exploit this potential over the long term and provides an additional safety factor for our business development, which continued to be very satisfactory in the 1st half of 2018. We increased our premium volume again 3.6% to EUR 5.2 billion and our result before taxes 5.5% to EUR 232.7 million. With the improvement of the combined ratio to 96.3% (compared to 96.9% in the 1st half of 2017) we once again emphasise the value of our strategic focus on profitable growth and come closer to our aimed target of 95% in 2020.

All of our segments recorded premium growth in the 1st half of 2018, and the double-digit growth rates in the result before taxes in the Czech Republic, Hungary and Remaining CEE segment contributed to the overall increase in our result. It was only in Romania that the current market environment led us to review the planning data for our Romanian

companies. Based on VIG's well-known conservative valuation policy, the impairment test in the 2nd quarter of 2018 led to a EUR 50.1 million goodwill impairment charge in Romania. This did not, however, have a considerable impact on the earnings capacity of the Group overall.

Following the successful 1st half of 2018, we look with great confidence at the business development for the year as a whole. Continued high rates of GDP growth in the CEE markets, together with rising private consumption and lower unemployment offer an ideal opportunity for sustainable profitability and further growth of our insurance business.

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Interim management report

ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

According to the latest publications of the Austrian Institute of Economic Research (WIFO), the Austrian economy continued to be strong in the 1st half of 2018, recording 3.4% growth in the 1st quarter of 2018, above the level of the previous year. This rapid growth was driven by both domestic demand and foreign trade. Continued improvement in the labour market and highly optimistic consumer sentiment increased private household consumption, which rose 0.4% in the 1st quarter of 2018 alone. The standardised unemployment rate fell to 4.9% in April 2018 and the inflation rate declined slightly to 1.8%.

The Austrian economy also received additional stimulus from foreign trade. This equally applies to the larger CEE markets, whose exports benefited in some cases from depreciation of local currencies. According to analyses by the Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (WIIW), GDP rose 5.1% in Poland, 4.4% in Hungary, 3.7% in the Czech Republic and 3.6% in Slovakia in the 1st quarter of 2018. At the same time, however, some CEE markets were also confronted with higher inflation, driven in part by rising wage demands. This especially applies to countries with government fiscal policy programmes, in particular Hungary with year-on-year growth of 8% in gross wages in the 1st quarter of 2018, Romania with 6.4% and Poland with 6.2%.

Interest rates remained at a historically low level in the 1st half of 2018. This led to dynamic growth in lending in the business sector after the European Central Bank announced a gradual adjustment of its monetary policy. In Austria alone, loans to non-financial companies increased 6.2% year-on-year in April 2018 based on WIFO calculations.

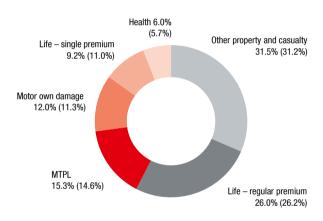
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT (IN ACCORDANCE WITH IFRS)

Vienna Insurance Group (VIG) wrote EUR 5,150.3 million in Group premiums in the 1st half of 2018, an increase of 3.6% compared to the same period in the previous year. Excluding single premium life insurance business, the Group recorded an even larger increase in premiums of 5.7%.

VIG in the 1st half of 2018

- · Premiums increased 3.6% to EUR 5,150.3 million
- Result before taxes rose to EUR 232.7 million, representing a significant increase of 5.5%
- The combined ratio is at an excellent 96.3%

PREMIUM SHARE BY LINES OF BUSINESS IN THE 1ST HALF OF 2018.



Values for 1^{st} half of 2017 in parentheses

Expenses for claims and insurance benefits less reinsurers' share were EUR 3,457.7 million in the first six months of 2018 (1st half of 2017: EUR 3,394.7 million), implying a year-on-year increase of 1.9%.

Acquisition and administrative expenses less reinsurance commissions rose 5.8% year-on-year to EUR 1,090.5 million (1st half of 2017: EUR 1,030.8 million). This was primarily due to an increase in commissions and generally corresponded to the increase in premiums, not including single premium products.

The Group result before taxes rose to EUR 232.7 million in the 1st half of 2018 (1st half of 2017: EUR 220.5 million).

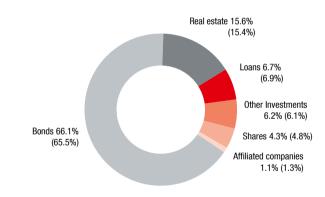
The year-on-year increase of 5.5% was primarily due to good growth in the financial result and an improved combined ratio.

The Group's combined ratio (after reinsurance, not including investment income) improved compared to the previous period to 96.3% (1st half of 2017: 96.9%).

Group investments including cash and cash equivalents were EUR 37.4 billion as of 30 June 2018, which was at the level of the previous year (31 December 2017: EUR 37.4 billion).

VIG earned a financial result of EUR 511.3 million in the 1st half of 2018 (1st half of 2017: EUR 488.4 million). This year-on-year increase of 4.7% was primarily due to profits earned on the sale of the stake in S IMMO AG and an increase in realised gains from investment funds in the Czech Republic.

BREAKDOWN OF INVESTMENTS AS OF 30 JUNE 2018



Values as of 31 December 2017 in parentheses

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT BY SEGMENT

Austria

The Austrian Vienna Insurance Group companies wrote premiums of EUR 2,170.0 million in the first six months of 2018, slightly more than in the same period in the previous year (1st half of 2017; EUR 2,167.0 million). When adjusted

for single premium life insurance products, the Austrian Group companies recorded an increase of 1.3%.

The result before taxes decreased slightly by 1.1% to EUR 76.7 million in the 1st half of the current year (1st half of 2017: EUR 77.5 million).

The combined ratio continued to improve in the first six months of 2018 to an excellent 95.3% (1st half of 2017: 95.8%).

DEVELOPMENT BY SEGMENT

	Premiums written		Result before taxes		
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in EUR millions					
Austria	2,170.0	2,167.0	76.7	77.5	
Czech Republic	881.7	822.2	84.9	76.6	
Slovakia	401.8	399.2	20.1	25.9	
Poland	455.2	445.0	21.6	22.0	
Romania	272.7	258.5	-43.1	5.8	
Baltic states	193.2	162.7	0.0	-4.6	
Hungary	125.6	123.1	3.1	2.4	
Bulgaria	87.3	82.5	4.1	4.3	
Turkey/Georgia	116.5	114.1	3.3	4.3	
Remaining CEE ¹	185.1	181.0	11.6	8.4	
Other Markets ²	149.7	137.9	10.3	11.8	
Central Functions ³	819.7	738.2	39.6	-13.5	
Consolidation	-708.4	-659.0	0.5	-0.3	
Total	5,150.3	4,972.4	232.7	220.5	

¹ Remaining CEE: Albania incl. Kosovo, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Macedonia, Moldova, Serbia, I Ikraine

Czech Republic

The Czech VIG companies wrote EUR 881.7 million in premiums in the 1st half of 2018, an increase of 7.2% compared to the same period in the previous year. The increase was mainly due to good performance in the regular premium life insurance and other property and casualty areas.

The result before taxes was EUR 84.9 million in the 1st half of the current year, corresponding to a year-on-year in-

² Other Markets: Germany, Liechtenstein

³ Central Functions include VIG Holding, VIG Re, the Wiener RE, VIG Fund, the non-profit societies, corporate IT service providers and intermediate holding companies.

crease of 10.8% (1st half of 2017: EUR 76.6 million). The increase was due to an improvement in the combined ratio and higher realised gains from investment funds.

The combined ratio decreased compared to the same period in the previous year to a very good 94.6% (1st half of 2017: 96.5%).

Slovakia

The Vienna Insurance Group companies in Slovakia wrote EUR 401.8 million in premiums in the first six months of the current year, slightly more than in the previous year (1st half of 2017: EUR 399.2 million). After adjusting for single premium life insurance, the increase was even 4.3%.

The result before taxes was EUR 20.1 million in the 1st half of 2018 (1st half of 2017: EUR 25.9 million). The decrease was primarily due to a significant deterioration in the combined ratio resulting from an increase in reserves performed in the 1st quarter of 2018.

The combined ratio in the first six months of 2018 was higher than in the previous year at 98.6% (1st half of 2017: 95.2%).

Poland

In Poland, EUR 455.2 million in premiums were written in the 1st half of 2018, representing a year-on-year increase of 2.3%. After adjusting for the life lines of business, premiums even grew by 22.7%. The significant increase was mainly due to positive performance in the motor lines of business and other property and casualty insurance.

The result before taxes for the first six months of the current year was EUR 21.6 million, which was close to the level of the previous year (1st half of 2017: EUR 22.0 million).

The combined ratio continued to improve to an excellent 94.1% in the 1st half of 2018 due to good performance in the motor lines of business (1st half of 2017: 94.8%).

Romania

The Romanian VIG companies wrote EUR 272.7 million in premiums in the 1st half of 2018, representing an increase of 5.5%. The increase was primarily due to strong premium development in the motor lines of business.

A loss of EUR 43.1 million was recorded in the 1st half of 2018 (1st half of 2017: result before taxes of EUR 5.8 million). This was primarily due to a goodwill write-down of EUR 50.1 million. After adjusting for this write-down, the result increased 20.7%.

The combined ratio improved compared to the same period in the previous year to 98.6% due to a better expense ratio (1st half of 2017: 99.3%).

Baltic states

The Baltic states consist of the countries of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

VIG companies in the Baltic states wrote EUR 193.2 million in premiums in the first six months of 2018 representing a year-on-year increase of 18.8%. This significant increase in premiums was due to generally positive performance achieved in all lines of business, in particular the motor line of business.

The result improved significantly year-on-year in the Baltic states to EUR 23,000 (1st half of 2017: loss of EUR 4.6 million). The positive development was due to an improvement in the combined ratio.

Although the combined ratio improved significantly to 100.8% compared to the same period in the previous year, primarily due to good performance in the motor lines of business, it nevertheless remained slightly above the 100% threshold (1st half of 2017: 104.2%).

Hungary

Premiums written in Hungary rose 2.0% in the 1st half of 2018 to EUR 125.6 million, mainly due to premium growth in motor third party liability and health insurance.

The result before taxes rose to EUR 3.1 million (1st half of 2017: EUR 2.4 million). This major year-on-year increase of 31.2% was primarily due to a lack of the write-down of Vienna Life insurance portfolios performed in the previous year.

An increase in the claims ratio caused the combined ratio to rise to 99.7% in the 1st half of 2018 (1st half of 2017: 98.4%).

Bulgaria

In Bulgaria, EUR 87.3 million in premiums were written in the 1st half of 2018. The increase of 5.8% was primarily due to good performance in motor own damage insurance.

The result before taxes of EUR 4.1 million in the 1st half of 2018 was close to the value in the previous year (1st half of 2017: EUR 4.3 million).

The expense ratio improved due to lower write-downs of receivables and higher reinsurance commissions, which in turn improved the combined ratio to 97.2% (1st half of 2017: 98.3%).

Turkey/Georgia

The VIG companies in the Turkey/Georgia segment recorded written premiums of EUR 116.5 million in the first six months of 2018 (incl. EUR 89.2 million in Turkey), corresponding to a year-on-year increase of 2.1%. After adjusting for negative currency effects – primarily depreciation of the Turkish lira – the increase in the Turkey/Georgia segment even amounts to 24.6%, mostly due to premium growth in the other property and casualty line of business and motor own damage insurance in Turkey.

The result before taxes was EUR 3.3 million in the 1st half of 2018 in spite of the negative currency effects (1st half of 2017: EUR 4.3 million).

Due to the current market environment, the combined ratio was 102.8% (1st half of 2017: 99.1%).

Remaining CEE

The Remaining CEE segment includes the countries of Albania incl. Kosovo, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Macedonia, Moldova, Serbia and Ukraine.

The VIG companies in the Remaining CEE countries wrote EUR 185.1 million in premiums in the 1st half of 2018. The year-on-year increase of 2.3% was mainly due to positive performance in motor third party liability insurance in Ukraine and Serbia and life insurance in Croatia.

The result before taxes rose 37.6% to EUR 11.6 million due to positive performance in Serbia (1st half of 2017: EUR 8.4 million).

The combined ratio improved to 96.3% in the 1st half of the current year, primarily due to the positive performance achieved in Serbia and Ukraine (1st half of 2017: 99.1%).

Other Markets

The Other Markets segment includes the countries of Germany and Liechtenstein.

The VIG companies in the Other Markets segment recorded written premiums of EUR 149.7 million in the first six months of 2018. The year-on-year increase of 8.6% was due to generally positive performance in all lines of business.

The result before taxes decreased 12.7% to EUR 10.3 million in the 1st half of 2018, primarily due to storm losses in the 1st quarter of 2018 (1st half of 2017: EUR 11.8 million).

In spite of higher losses due to Storm Friederike in the 1st quarter of 2018, the combined ratio was an excellent 87.2% in the 1st half of 2018 (1st half of 2017: 83.5%).

Central Functions

Premiums written in the Central Functions segment rose 11.0% in the 1st half of 2018 to EUR 819.7 million. This was mainly the result of an increase in internal Group reinsurance premiums received by VIG Holding and an increase in premiums generated by Group company VIG Re entering new reinsurance business areas (Western Europe). In addition, Wiener Re was added to the Central Functions segment in the 2nd guarter of 2018.

The Central Functions reported a result before taxes of EUR 39.6 million in the first six months of the current year (1st half of 2017: loss of EUR 13.5 million). The positive result was primarily due to seasonal fluctuations in earnings of non-profit societies and lower expenses in the IT area.

EMPLOYEES

Vienna Insurance Group had 25,248 employees in the 1st half of 2018. This was 189 more than at year-end 2017. The increase was primarily due to a larger number of field employees in the Czech Republic.

GROUP BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT IN THE 2ND QUARTER OF 2018

Vienna Insurance Group generated EUR 2,324.2 million in premiums written in the 2^{nd} quarter of 2018. This increase of 3.2%, which was achieved in spite of the decrease in single premium life insurance, was due to growth in other property and casualty insurance and the motor lines of business.

Expenses for claims and insurance benefits less reinsurers' share rose as a result to EUR 1,720.1 million in the 2nd quarter of 2018, representing a year-on-year increase of 4.0%.

Acquisition and administrative expenses less received reinsurance commissions rose 2.0% in the 2nd quarter of 2018 to EUR 522.7 million. This increase primarily resulted from higher commission and acquisition expenses due to the increase in premiums.

The result before taxes rose to EUR 115.4 million in the 2nd quarter of 2018, representing an increase of 4.0% that was primarily due to good development in the financial result and an improved combined ratio.

The financial result was EUR 272.9 million in the 2nd quarter of 2018. The increase of 13.4% compared to the 2nd quarter of the previous year was primarily due to profits on the sale of the stake in S IMMO AG.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT BY BALANCE SHEET UNIT

Further information on business development by balance sheet units is provided in the additional disclosures in accordance with the Austrian Insurance Supervision Act (VAG) starting on page 53.

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Information on related party transactions is provided in the notes to the consolidated financial statements on page 51.

RISK REPORT

The VIG risk environment remained unchanged in the 1st half of 2018. The information on significant business risks for VIG can therefore be obtained from the risk reporting in the Group Annual Report for 2017 and the Solvency and Financial Condition Report (SFCR) for 2017.

The VIG solvency ratio was 220.3% on 31 December 2017. The moderate change in the market environment and riskless yield curve will help keep the solvency ratio in the upper part of our target solvency corridor at the end of the 1st half of 2018. The final results of the solvency calculation were not yet available at the editorial deadline.

VIG also became the first insurance company in Austria to take part in the stress test by the European insurance supervisory authority, EIOPA, in the 2nd quarter of 2018. The results are sent to the supervisory authorities by mid-August 2018.

The Group's excellent regulatory capital and A+ rating from Standard & Poor's confirm its high risk-bearing capacity.

Vienna Insurance Group will continue to maintain its current investment policy of maintaining a conservative, low-risk asset allocation.

Due to the progress being achieved in digitalisation, VIG is also focusing more on the issue of cyber-risk.

OUTLOOK

Economic outlook

Due to an escalating trade war, increased economic sanctions and geopolitical tensions, a number of renowned international economic institutions have revised their economic growth forecasts for 2018 and 2019. Although

the International Monetary Fund's (IMF) most recent forecast in July 2018 continues to predict global economic growth of 3.9% for the current year and next year, the forecast for the Eurozone has been reduced to 2.2% for 2018 and 1.9% for 2019. The IMF remains more optimistic for the Eastern European market, where it is projecting economic growth of 4.3% for 2018 and 3.6% for 2019.

Despite the dynamic economic upturn in Austria in the first few months of 2018, the domestic market cannot fully escape the effects of the slowdown in the international economy. WIFO expects economic growth to slow to 3% in Austria in 2018 and 2.2% in 2019. The rate of investment growth is expected to slow and WIFO feels that private consumption will only provide "a small amount of additional stimulus" in this late phase of the economic upswing.

The WIIW still expects the CEE markets to record positive economic growth in 2018 and 2019 – although at increasingly different rates. GDP growth is expected to decline to 3.2% in the Czech Republic in 2018 – in spite of strong growth in the 1st quarter of 2018. Poland and Romania are also expected to record slower economic growth of 3.5% and 4.5%, respectively, compared to the previous year. Faster growth, on the other hand, is projected for smaller countries like Macedonia and Serbia, whose planned accession to the EU will increasingly help them converge not only with the major CEE markets, but also with Western Europe.

Although the slowdown in economic activity in Western Europe will further add to the divergence in growth rates in CEE markets, declining unemployment, rising wages and the resulting increase in private consumption and higher investment will continue to support overall positive growth in the economy of the region as a whole.

VIG outlook

Vienna Insurance Group sees growth potential in the bank insurance business and would like to further expand this distribution channel. The main goal was, and continues to be, broadening the range of products offered and optimising the cooperation between banks and insurance companies in all ten countries where Erste Bank and Sparkassen

are working together with Vienna Insurance Group. To optimise implementation of the cooperation, a decision was made in 2017 to merge life insurance companies specialising in bank distribution with local composite insurers. Subject to approval by the local authorities, these mergers are expected to be implemented by the beginning of 2019.

The Group will continue to focus on efficiency improvements and making use of synergies, and will work systematically on reducing both losses and expenses with the aim of achieving a sustainable combined ratio of 95%. In life insurance, efforts will also be made to further promote biometric risk coverage and the regular premium business. This is aimed to offset the ongoing reduction in the ordinary financial result caused by the low interest rate environment.

The strategic measures and initiatives set by the Agenda 2020 work programme to optimise our business model, organisation and cooperation and ensure future viability will be further promoted and shall thereby further contribute to the positive development of the Group in the future. Based on this, VIG plans to generate EUR 9.5 billion in gross written premiums and a result before taxes of EUR 450 to 470 million in the reporting year 2018.

Based on current conditions and the positive macroeconomic development of the region, Vienna Insurance Group aims to steadily increase premiums to more than EUR 10 billion and achieve a result before taxes in the range of EUR 500 million to EUR 520 million over the medium term by 2020. This will also benefit our shareholders, who can expect to receive stable dividends that increase with corporate earnings based on VIG's established dividend policy.

CURRENT TOPICS

Weather-related claims in Austria and Central and Eastern Europe

Total gross weather-related claims were around EUR 61 million in the 1st half of 2018 and primarily came from the companies in Austria and Germany. After deducting reinsurance, Vienna Insurance Group retained around EUR 53 million.

VIG qualifies for the VÖNIX sustainability index again

VIG was included in the VÖNIX sustainability index again this year. The index has been calculated since 2005 and includes the 19 companies listed on the Vienna Stock Exchange that are leaders in environmental and social activities and services in Austria.

Annual General Meeting

The 27th Annual General Meeting of Vienna Insurance Group AG Wiener Versicherung Gruppe was held on 25 May 2018 in the Wiener Stadthalle complex. The Annual General Meeting approved the VIG Managing Board and Supervisory Board proposal to increase the dividend from EUR 0.80 to EUR 0.90 per share. This corresponds to a dividend payout ratio of 38.7% of the profit after taxes and minority interests, thereby continuing the Group's long-term dividend policy of distributing at least 30% of net profits. Further information on the Annual General Meeting and a video of the presentation by General Manager Elisabeth Stadler are available online at www.vig.com/annual-general-meeting.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Changes in the Managing Board

Peter Thirring moved from his position as General Manager of the Vienna Insurance Group company Donau Versicherung to the Managing Board of VIG Holding on 1 July 2018. Furthermore Liane Hirner, who is a member of the VIG Managing Board since February 2018, has as of 1 July assumed the position of CFO from Martin Simhandl, who voluntarily decided to leave the Managing Board after 32 years of working for the Group.

ENSURING FUTURE VIABILITY

Erste Group and Vienna Insurance Group renew cooperation agreement

Erste Group and Vienna Insurance Group have worked together closely in a very successful strategic partnership since 2008. The signing of the cooperation agreement on 17 May 2018 extended the underlying distribution agreement to the end of 2033. The extensive range of products and, in particular, services will be made more readily accessible to customers of both companies under the renewed agreement. Vienna Insurance Group created a Bancassurance area at the beginning of the year to manage this change and implement Group-wide strategic initiatives.

'VIG Xelerate' promotes activities for digital transformation

Vienna Insurance Group invited its around 50 Group companies to pitch digitalisation projects. The 'VIG Xelerate' programme was launched in 2017 and is aimed at promoting activities for digital transformation within the Group. Five projects were selected in the first round of pitches to receive around EUR 1 million in financial support for their implementation. A second round of pitches is planned for the autumn of 2018.

BUSINESS MODEL OPTIMISATION

Merger of local composite insurers with life insurance companies specialising in bank distribution

The merger of local composite insurers with life insurance companies specialising in bank distribution is aimed at using bank distribution to further expand the non-life business. The merger agreement between Sparkassen Versicherung and Wiener Städtische was signed in mid-June 2018. The merger requires approval by the financial market authority and is expected to become effective in the autumn of 2018. Mergers will be implemented in five countries in 2018, and have already successfully taken place in Hungary, Slovakia and Croatia. After the Austrian merger in the autumn of 2018, this leaves the merger in the Czech Republic, which is expected to take place at the end of 2018.

Merger of Compensa Life and Polisa-Zycie concluded in Poland

The Polish Group company Polisa-Zycie was merged with Compensa on 30 May 2018. The company will operate under the Compensa brand in the future and will, therefore, retain its focus on life insurance, both single and regular premium.

VIG merges AXA Life with VIG company BCR Life in Romania

AXA Life Insurance S.A. (AXA Life), which was acquired in Romania in 2017, was successfully merged with BCR Life on 1 June 2018. The merged company will operate under the BCR Life brand in the future in the Romanian insurance market.

STRENGTHENING MARKET POSITION

VIG purchases Gothaer insurance company in Poland

The purchase agreement to acquire Gothaer Towarzystwo Ubezpieczen (Gothaer TU) was signed on 6 June 2018. The purchase is subject to approval by the local authorities. The acquisition strengthens VIG's position in non-life insurance in the Polish market.

Vienna Insurance Group concludes acquisition of Merkur in Bosnia-Herzegovina

The acquisition of 100% of the shares of Merkur Osiguranje d.d. ("Merkur") was concluded on 8 February 2018 with the approval of the local authorities. This adds the life segment to the range of products offered by Vienna Insurance Group in Bosnia-Herzegovina, which was previously heavily dominated by the property and casualty business. Merkur's regional presence in the Federation of Bosnia-Herzegovina is also an important factor in its acquisition.

AWARDS

VIG one of the top brands in Austria

The "Austrian Brand Value Study 2018" issued by the European Brand Institute presents the most valuable brand companies in Austria. Vienna Insurance Group, the only insurance company at the top of the list, maintained its Top 10 ranking from the previous year.

Czech VIG companies receive awards

Kooperativa and Česká podnikatelská pojišťovna (ČPP) achieved first and second place in all four major categories of the "Insurer of the year" survey performed by the Association of Czech Insurance Brokers. Kooperativa also received first place in the "business insurance", "non-life insurance" and "innovation of the year" categories of the "Zlatá koruna" survey. ČPP received second place for "business insurance" and Pojišťovna České spořitelny (PČS) received second place for "life insurance".

Bulstrad named "Insurer of the year"

In cooperation with the Bulgarian Insurance Association, VUZF University chose Bulstrad Non-Life as "Insurer of the year". This is considered the highest award in the Bulgarian insurance market.

Wiener Städtische is a superbrand

The Superbrands Austria Brand Council and Business Brand Council selected the most successful brands in Austria again this year. Wiener Städtische was a winner for the second time in a row, receiving awards both in the "superbrands" and "business superbrands" categories.

InterRisk Germany receives awards

FOCUS MONEY magazine has published the latest winners of its 2017 insurance awards and the best insurance brokers. As in the previous year, InterRisk Versicherungs-AG Vienna Insurance Group once again received two first prizes. InterRisk was also named "Germany's best insurance company" by the Franke and Bornberg rating agency and Deutsche Institut für Service-Qualität in cooperation with the news network n-tv.

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CAPITAL MARKETS

International overview

Significant price gains in the initial weeks of 2018 and a subsequent market correction triggered by concerns about inflation and interest rates were followed by a nervous sideways movement of stock market prices over long periods during the 1st half of 2018.

The overall increase in corporate earnings, particularly in the 1st quarter of the current year and in the USA, could not permanently support the price trend, as it was already reflected in the large price increases recorded in the previous year. The increase in inflation expectations, which caused interest rates to rise – particularly in the short-maturity segment – was the main factor negatively affecting the stock market price trend. Increasing concerns about growing trade policy conflicts and closely related economic prospects also had a negative effect. An intensification of these trade policy conflicts in the final weeks of the 2nd quarter of 2018 dampened the slightly positive sentiment in the market and had a particularly negative effect on stock markets with highly export-oriented shares.

Small price gains in the 2nd quarter of 2018 reduced the losses recorded by the major share indices in the 1st quarter of 2018. The US Dow Jones Industrial (DJI) index recorded a total loss of 1.8% over the first two quarters of the current year compared to the end of 2017 (2.5% after the 1st quarter of 2018), the Eurostoxx 50 lost 3.1% (4.1% after the 1st quarter of 2018) and the Nikkei 225 lost 2.0% (5.8% after the 1st quarter of 2018). The moderate improvement in the 2nd quarter of 2018 was caused by relatively high price volatility, indicating a great deal of tension among investors.

Emerging market stock markets significantly underperformed the developed industrial countries. After recording a small increase in the 1st quarter of 2018, the MSCI Emerging Market index changed direction in the 2nd quarter of the current year. A total loss of 7.7% was recorded at the end of June 2018 compared to the level at the end of 2017. Rising short-term interest rates and a higher US dollar offset the favourable

macroeconomic situation that currently exists in many emerging markets and depressed expectations. After a long period of increases, the Eastern European CECE index, calculated in EUR, also recorded a significant correction this year, falling 13.9% in the first two quarters of 2018.

Vienna Stock Exchange

The long period of rising prices was interrupted on the Vienna Stock Exchange in the 2nd quarter of 2018. Due to price corrections in the last few weeks of the quarter, the ATX leading index – which, unlike the market trend, gained 0.2% in the 1st quarter of 2018 – fell by 4.8% in the 2nd quarter compared to end-2017. Many market observers associated this drop with the increased risk of serious traderestrictive measures, which would have an above-average effect on strong export-oriented countries like Austria and many Austrian companies with a high share of exports.

INVESTOR RELATIONS

Investor Relations focused on preparations for the Annual General Meeting on 25 May 2018 during the 2nd quarter of 2018. All of the published documents for this event and the speech by the Chairwoman of the Managing Board are available online at www.vig.com/annual-general-meeting.

VIG took part in the J.P. Morgan European Insurance Conference in London at the end of May 2018. VIG also met with interested investors in mid-June 2018 at the Wood & Company Emerging European Financials Conference in Warsaw. The discussions focused on current performance of the insurance business in Austria and Central and Eastern Europe and expectations with respect to macroeconomic and regulatory changes in the key VIG markets.

An encouraging organisational change took place in Investor Relations at the beginning of July. Due to transfer of responsibility for annual and interim report publications, which was previously the responsibility of the General Secretariat, three employees will be added to the IR team to allow communications to be more customised and target group-oriented in the future.

VIG SHARE PERFORMANCE

VIG shares were unable to escape the effects of international market movements and forfeited the overall positive performance achieved in the 1st quarter of 2018 by the end of the 2nd quarter. The price drop of 9.3% versus the end of the previous year was even greater than the correction recorded by the leading index of the Vienna Stock Exchange. Following an interim high of EUR 28.740 on 1 February 2018, the price of VIG shares fell to a low of EUR 23.200 for the 1st half of the year on 27 June 2018. The subsequent recovery brought the share price to a sustained level above EUR 24 once again. VIG shares had a price of EUR 24.280 on the editorial deadline of 7 August 2018, which represented a gain of 4.7% from its low point, but a loss of 5.8% compared to the beginning of the year.

VIG financial calendar*

Results for the 1 st to 3 rd quarters of 2018	28 November 2018

^{*}Preliminary schedule

Key share information for the 1st half of 2018

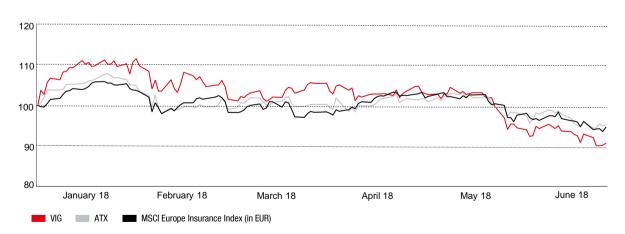
High	EUR	28.740
Low	EUR	23.200
Year-end price	EUR	23.360
Market capitalisation	EUR	3.0 billion
Dividend 2017	EUR	0.90
Book value per share	EUR	36.59

VIG-Aktie im Überblick

Initial listing (Vienna)	17 October 1994
Initial listing (Prague)	5 February 2008
Number of common shares	128 million
Free float	around 30%
ISIN	AT0000908504
Securities symbol	VIG
Bloomberg	VIG AV / VIG CP
Reuters	VIGR.VI / VIGR.PR
Rating – Standard & Poor's	A+, stable outlook

VIENNA INSURANCE GROUP (VIG) COMPARED TO THE ATX AND MSCI EUROPE INSURANCE INDEX (IN EUR) 1 JANUARY 2018 TO 30 JUNE 2018

Indexed (basis =100)



Consolidated interim financial statements in accordance with IFRS

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

Assets	Notes	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000			
Intangible assets	1	1,894,932	1,970,641
Investments	2	36,192,725	35,932,907
Investments for unit-linked and index-linked life insurance		8,742,169	9,061,073
Reinsurers' share in underwriting provisions	3	1,134,007	1,066,320
Receivables	4	1,665,692	1,475,862
Tax receivables and advance payments out of income tax		273,840	239,455
Deferred tax assets		81,123	80,806
Other assets		405,681	389,160
Cash and cash equivalents		1,203,919	1,497,731
Total		51,594,088	51,713,955

Liabilities and shareholders' equity	Notes	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000			
Shareholders' equity		5,922,948	6,043,949
Subordinated liabilities		1,458,438	1,458,839
Underwriting provisions	6	30,470,647	30,168,173
Underwriting provisions for unit-linked and index-linked life insurance		8,299,809	8,612,749
Non-underwriting provisions	7	746,265	793,792
Liabilities	8	4,092,897	4,032,102
Tax liabilities out of income tax		217,584	202,050
Deferred tax liabilities		250,141	255,064
Other liabilities		135,359	147,237
Total		51,594,088	51,713,955

The numbers for the individual items in the consolidated balance sheet and consolidated income statement refer to detailed disclosures for these items in the "Notes to the consolidated balance sheet" section in the Notes to the consolidated financial statements starting on page 30.

CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT AND CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Consolidated income statement	Notes	1.130.6.2018	1.130.6.2017	1.430.6.2018	1.430.6.2017
in EUR '000					
Net earned premiums – retention		4,354,878	4,219,046	2,151,825	2,066,192
Premiums written – retention		4,648,622	4,455,938	2,156,252	2,057,066
Premiums written – gross	9	5,150,264	4,972,439	2,324,189	2,252,868
Premiums written – reinsurers' share		-501,642	-516,501	-167,937	-195,802
Change in unearned premiums – retention		-293,744	-236,892	-4,427	9,126
Change in unearned premiums – gross		-387,912	-342,348	28,519	27,940
Change in unearned premiums – reinsurers' share		94,168	105,456	-32,946	-18,814
Financial result excluding at equity consolidated companies	10	476,201	465,618	247,557	229,713
Result from shares in at equity consolidated companies		35,073	22,737	25,323	10,918
Other income	11	66,287	59,843	33,130	30,326
Expenses for claims and insurance benefits – retention	12	-3,457,709	-3,394,723	-1,720,106	-1,653,304
Acquisition and administrative expenses	13	-1,090,491	-1,030,794	-522,664	-512,565
Other expenses	14	-151,490	-121,184	-99,655	-60,357
Result before taxes		232,749	220,543	115,410	110,923
Taxes		-59,062	-48,296	-32,718	-26,290
Result of the period		173,687	172,247	82,692	84,633
thereof attributable to Vienna Insurance Group shareholders		136,629	146,578	61,115	77,526
thereof other non-controlling interests		3,841	3,417	2,274	4,234
thereof non-controlling interests in non-profit societies		33,217	22,252	19,303	2,873
Result per share (annualised)	5	2.04	2.20	1.82	2.33
Result of the period (carryforward)		173,687	172,247	82,692	84,633

^{*}The calculation of these figures includes the accrued interest expenses for hybrid capital. The undiluted result equals the diluted result per share (in EUR).

Consolidated statement of comprehensive income	1.130.6.2018	1.130.6.2017	1.430.6.2018	1.430.6.2017
in EUR '000				
Result of the period (carryforward)	173,687	172,247	82,692	84,633
Other comprehensive income (OCI)				
Items that will not be reclassified to profit and loss in subsequent periods	-2,030	2,028	-808	2,442
+/- Underwriting gains and losses from provisions for employee benefits	-3,241	3,386	-1,090	4,129
+/- Deferred profit participation	607	-687	57	-900
+/- Deferred taxes	604	-671	225	-787
Items that will be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods	-151,101	14,537	-94,858	30,783
+/- Exchange rate changes through equity	-36,540	47,780	-35,643	33,547
+/- Unrealised gains and losses from financial instruments available for sale	-377,970	-158,727	-123,860	-13,340
+/- Cash flow hedge reserve	59	424	-100	268
+/- Share of other reserves of associated companies	-6,889	158	-7,333	115
+/- Deferred mathematical reserve	78,702	48,969	9,795	1,619
+/- Deferred profit participation	158,101	64,174	45,558	6,746
+/- Deferred taxes	33,436	11,759	16,725	1,828
Total OCI	-153,131	16,565	-95,666	33,225
Total profit	20,556	188,812	-12,974	117,858
thereof attributable to Vienna Insurance Group shareholders	-14,119	162,384	-33,303	109,904
thereof other non-controlling interests	1,392	3,626	1,123	4,818
thereof non-controlling interests in non-profit societies	33,283	22,802	19,206	3,136

CONSOLIDATED SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

Development	Share capital	Capital r	eserves	Retained	Other res	Other reserves	
	_	Other	payments hybrid capital	earnings	Currency reserve	Other	
in EUR '000							
As of 1 January 2017	132,887	2,109,003	193,619	1,929,339	-181,373	380,788	4,564,263
Changes in scope of consolidation/ownership interests	0	0	0	698	0	0	698
Other comprehensive income	0	0	0	146,578	47,379	-31,573	162,384
Other comprehensive income excluding currency changes	0	0	0	0	0	-31,573	-31,573
Currency change	0	0	0	0	47,379	0	47,379
Result of the period	0	0	0	146,578	0	0	146,578
Dividend payment	0	0	0	-114,281	0	0	-114,281
As of 30. June 2017	132,887	2,109,003	193,619	1,962,334	-133,994	349,215	4,613,064
As of 1 January 2018	132,887	2,109,003	193,619	2,108,029	-121,616	410,089	4,832,011
Changes in scope of consolidation/ownership interests	0	0	0	-7,609	0	0	-7,609
Other comprehensive income	0	0	0	136,629	-36,534	-114,214	-14,119
Other comprehensive income excluding currency changes	0	0	0	0	0	-114,214	-114,214
Currency change	0	0	0	0	-36,534	0	-36,534
Result of the period	0	0	0	136,629	0	0	136,629
Dividend payment	0	0	0	-127,081	0	0	-127,081
As of 30. June 2018	132,887	2,109,003	193,619	2,109,968	-158,150	295,875	4,683,202

Development	Subtotal*	Non-controlling	interests	Shareholders'
	_	Others	Non-profit societies	equity
in EUR '000				
As of 1 January 2017	4,564,263	114,219	1,032,775	5,711,257
Changes in scope of consolidation/ownership interests	698	186	0	884
Other comprehensive income	162,384	3,626	22,802	188,812
Other comprehensive income excluding currency changes	-31,573	-192	550	-31,215
Currency change	47,379	401	0	47,780
Result of the period	146,578	3,417	22,252	172,247
Dividend payment	-114,281	-6,054	-4,911	-125,246
As of 30. June 2017	4,613,064	111,977	1,050,666	5,775,707
As of 1 January 2018	4,832,011	115,944	1,095,994	6,043,949
Changes in scope of consolidation/ownership interests	-7,609	5,793	0	-1,816
Other comprehensive income	-14,119	1,392	33,283	20,556
Other comprehensive income excluding currency changes	-114,214	-2,443	66	-116,591
Currency change	-36,534	-6	0	-36,540
Result of the period	136,629	3,841	33,217	173,687
Dividend payment	-127,081	-7,752	-4,908	-139,741
As of 30. June 2018	4,683,202	115,377	1,124,369	5,922,948

 $^{^{\}star}$ The above subtotal equals the equity attributable to shareholders and other capital providers of the parent company.

Composition of dividend payments - retention	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000		
Dividends	115,200	102,400
Interest payments on the hybrid capital	15,841	15,841
Deferred taxes shown in equity	-3,960	-3,960
Total	127,081	114,281

Composition of other reserves			30.6.2	018		
	Unrealised gains and losses	Cash flow hedge reserve	Underwriting gains and losses from provisions for employee benefits	Share of other reserves of associated companies	Currency reserve	Total
in EUR '000						
Gross	2,341,556	-2,433	-290,201	-6,282	-159,426	1,883,214
+/- Exchange rate changes from financial instruments available for sale	9,222					9,222
+/- Deferred mathematical reserve	-832,465					-832,465
+/- Deferred profit participation	-935,491	0	87,582	0	0	-847,909
+/- Deferred taxes	-130,486	0	47,309	0	0	-83,177
+/- Other non-controlling interests	-7,084	0	1,493	315	1,276	-4,000
+/- Non-controlling interests in non-profit societies	0	2,468	10,372	0	0	12,840
Net	445,252	35	-143,445	-5,967	-158,150	137,725

Composition of other reserves	31.12.2017					
	Unrealised gains and losses	Cash flow hedge reserve	Underwriting gains and losses from provisions for employee benefits	Share of other reserves of associated companies	Currency reserve	Total
in EUR '000						
Gross	2,720,471	-2,492	-286,960	607	-122,886	2,308,740
+/- Exchange rate changes from financial instruments available for sale	8,277					8,277
+/- Deferred mathematical reserve	-911,167					-911,167
+/- Deferred profit participation	-1,093,592	0	86,975	0	0	-1,006,617
+/- Deferred taxes	-163,922	0	46,705	0	0	-117,217
+/- Other non-controlling interests	-9,184	0	1,474	-9	1,270	-6,449
+/- Non-controlling interests in non-profit						
societies	0	2,534	10,372	0	0	12,906
Net	550,883	42	-141,434	598	-121,616	288,473

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	1.130.6.2018	1.130.6.2017
in EUR '000		
Result of the period	173,687	172,247
Change in underwriting provisions net	277,888	686,329
Change in underwriting receivables and liabilities	-257,337	-253,312
Change in deposit receivables and liabilities as well as in reinsurance receivables and liabilities	52,087	46,884
Change in other receivables and liabilities	109,842	43,756
Change in financial instruments recognised at fair value through profit and loss (incl. held for trading)	-36,691	59,465
Gain/loss from disposal of investments	-81,165	-67,016
Depreciation/appreciation of all other investments	86,446	78,957
Change in pension, severance and other personnel provisions	3,618	-3,989
Change in deferred tax asset/liability excl. tax liabilities	29,819	-9,906
Change in other balance sheet items	-79,544	-56,120
Change in goodwill and other intangible assets	82,971	43,076
Other cash-neutral income and expenses and adjustments to the result of the period ¹	133,208	-102,345
Cash flow from operating activities	494,829	638,026
Cash inflow from the sale of associated companies	110,392	0
Cash inflow from the sale of available for sale securities	1,498,404	1,745,206
Payments for the acquisition of available for sale securities	-1,909,698	-2,316,291
Cash inflow from disposals/repayments of held to maturity securities	58,336	149,799
Payments for the addition of held to maturity securities	-48,759	-63,883
Cash inflow from the sale of land and buildings	25,064	25,687
Payments for the acquisition of land and buildings	-166,770	-111,748
Cash inflow for the sale of intangible assets	883	678
Payments for the acquisition of intangible assets	-26,265	-25,885
Change in investments for unit-linked and index-linked life insurance	135,605	41,805
Change in loans and other investments	-264,841	29,387
Cash flow from investing activities	-587,649	-525,245
Cash inflow from subordinated liabilities	0	450,000
Cash outflow from subordinated liabilities		-248,845
Dividend payments	-139,741	-125,246
Cash inflow from other financing activities	74,674	971
Cash outflow from other financing activities	-129,620	-49,976
Cash flow from financing activities	-194,687	26,904
Change in cash and cash equivalents	-287,507	139,685
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period ²	1,497,731	1,589,941
Change in cash and cash equivalents	-287,507	139,685
Effects of foreign currency exchange differences on cash and cash equivalents	-6,305	4,353
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period ²	1,203,919	1,733,979
thereof non-profit societies	105,884	109,090

¹ The non-cash income and expenses are primarily from the results of shares held in at equity consolidated companies and exchange rate changes.

² The amount of cash and cash equivalents at the beginning and the end of period correlates with position cash and cash equivalents on the asset side and consists of cash on hand and overnight deposits.

Additional information on the statement of cash flows	1.130.6.2018	1.130.6.2017
in EUR '000		
Received interest ¹	389,364	397,225
Received dividends ¹	64,832	70,416
Interest paid ²	49,460	47,351
Income taxes paid ¹	48,517	33,669

¹ Income tax payments, received dividends and received interest are included in the cash flow from operating activities.

 $^{^{2}\,}$ Interest paid result primarily from financing activities.

Reconciliation of liabilities from financing activities	30.6.2018						
	Subordinated liabilities (including interests)	Liabilities to financial institutions	Liabilities from public funding	Financing liabilities ¹	Derivative financial instruments ²		
in EUR '000							
Book value as of 31.12. of the previous year	1,490,999	1,201,031	100,018	1,480,417	1,166		
Cash changes	-32,557	-65,234	2,682	-7,823	0		
Cash inflows	0	37,141	4,027	33,506	0		
Payments	0	-95,389	-1,320	-32,911	0		
Interest paid	-32,557	-6,986	-25	-8,418	0		
Non-cash changes	31,467	6,400	185	12,143	-1,163		
Additions	31,862	6,415	185	15,700	3		
Disposals	0	-15	0	-2,257	-68		
Reclassifications	0	0	0	-849	0		
Measurement changes	0	0	0	-395	-843		
Exchange rate differences	-395	0	0	-56	-255		
Book value as of 30.6.	1,489,909	1,142,197	102,885	1,484,737	3		

¹ Contains lease liabilities, derivative liabilities from financing liabilities and other financing liabilities

² Only for derivatives from financing activities

Reconciliation of liabilities from financing activities	31.12.2017					
	Subordinated liabilities (including interests)	Liabilities to financial institutions	Liabilities from public funding	Financing liabilities ¹	Derivative financial instruments ²	
in EUR '000				1		
Book value as of 31.12. of the previous year	1,265,009	1,304,900	91,049	1,528,828	38	
Cash changes	131,660	-113,179	4,274	-23,327	55	
Cash inflows	450,000	106,595	7,742	57,808	213	
Payments	-257,355	-205,190	-3,418	-64,020	-158	
Interest paid	-60,985	-14,584	-50	-17,115	0	
Non-cash changes	94,330	9,310	4,695	-25,084	1,073	
Additions	59,852	12,352	5,210	17,579	0	
Disposals	0	-11	-522	-10,436	0	
Change in the scope of consolidation	0	0	0	-14	0	
Reclassifications	33,326	341	0	-33,326	0	
Measurement changes	0	-3,373	0	1,120	144	
Exchange rate differences	1,152	1	7	-7	929	
Book value as of 31.12.	1,490,999	1,201,031	100,018	1,480,417	1,166	

¹ Contains lease liabilities, derivative liabilities from financing liabilities and other financing liabilities

² Only for derivatives from financing activities

Notes to the consolidated financial statements

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The consolidated financial statements for the 1st half of 2018 were prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union, and the applicable commercial law provisions of § 245a(1) of the Austrian Commercial Code (Unternehmensgesetzbuch – UGB) and Chapter 7 of the Austrian Insurance Supervision Act (Versicherungsaufsichtsgesetz – VAG).

They are in compliance with IAS 34 "Interim Financial Reporting". The same IFRS accounting policies were used as for the last financial statements for the previous financial year. Similarly, the estimates and discretionary assessments needed to prepare the consolidated financial statements were made in the same way. This does not include newly applicable or amended standards.

Adoption of new standards and new interpretations

To the extent they are relevant to Vienna Insurance Group (VIG), VIG has applied the IFRS annual improvements (2014–2016 cycle), IFRS 15 "Revenue from contracts with customers", including clarifications, IFRIC 22 "Foreign currency transactions and advance consideration", amendments to IFRS 2 "Clarifications and measurement of share-based payments", amendments to IFRS 4 "Application of IFRS 9 'Financial instruments' in conjunction with IFRS 4 'Insurance contracts'" and amendments to IAS 40 "Classification of property under construction" since 1 January 2018. Application of the amended standards had either no effect, or no material effect on the consolidated interim financial statements.

New standards and amendments to existing reporting standards that have or have not been adopted or have not yet been adopted by the EU

New standards and changes to curre	ent reporting standards	Applicable as of ¹
Those already adopted by the EU		
IFRS 16	Leases	1.1.2019
IFRS 9	Financial instruments	1.1.2018 ²
Changes in IFRS 9	Prepayment features with negative compensation	1.1.2019
Those which are not or not yet adopted	ed by the EU	
IFRS 14	Regulatory Deferral Accounts	EU decided this standard shall not be transferred into EU law
IFRS 17	Insurance contracts	1.1.2021
Changes according IFRS 10 and IAS 28	Sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture	First-time application deferred for an indefinite period
All IFRS	Yearly improvements (cycle 2015–2017)	1.1.2019
IFRIC 23	Uncertainty over income tax treatments	1.1.2019
Changes in IAS 19	Remeasurement due to a plan amendment, curtailment or settlement	1.1.2019
Changes in IAS 28	Clarification for application of impairment requirements to long-term interests	1.1.2019
Changes framework	New sections, such as Status and purpose of the conceptual framework and Presentation and disclosure, as well as addition of the Derecognition section to the Recognition section.	1.1.2020

¹ VIG is not planning early adoption of the provisions listed in the table.

The new requirements in IFRS 16 primarily concern the accounting presentation of leases by the lessee. The effects on the consolidated balance sheet of recognising the liability and the right of use were examined in a Group-wide project. As an insurance group, the main liabilities are in the area of real estate, in particular office space and branch offices, and passenger

² The first time adoption for insurance companies can be delayed to 1 January 2021.

cars. Examination of the Group-wide lease obligations showed that the effect would probably be less than 0.5% of total assets.

IFRS 17 "Insurance contracts", which was submitted to EFRAG for endorsement, will be applicable retrospectively on 1 January 2021. The preparations that began in 2017 were continued in the current year. Although IFRS 17 can be expected to have a material effect on the Group's financial reporting, the effect cannot currently be quantified due to the high level of complexity.

Based on current knowledge, first-time application of IFRS 9 can be expected to lead to considerably higher volatility of net profit for the period. Further amendments which are likely to have greater effects on VIG primarily concern the treatment of interest clauses in debt instruments and the treatment of impairment. It must be noted that there is an amendment to IFRS 4 that allows insurance companies to apply IFRS 9 at the same time as IFRS 17 after performing a "predominance test". In this case, the date of first application for IFRS 9 is 1 January 2021 at the latest. VIG has performed the predominance test and the Group satisfies the criteria for deferring first-time application of IFRS 9.

Foreign currency translation

Transactions and separate financial statements were translated into foreign currencies in the interim report for the 1st half of 2018 as indicated on page 102 of the Group Annual Report for 2017.

Name	Currency	Period-end exchange rate		Average exchange rate	
		30.6.2018	31.12.2017	1.130.6.2018	1.130.6.2017
1 EUR ≙					
Albanian lek	ALL	125.9300	132.9500	129.9487	135.1016
Bosnian Convertible Marka	BAM	1.9558	1.9558	1.9558	1.9558
Bulgarian lev	BGN	1.9558	1.9558	1.9558	1.9558
Georgian lari	GEL	2.8537	3.1044	2.9823	2.7180
Croatian kuna	HRK	7.3860	7.4400	7.4178	7.4486
Macedonian denar	MKD	61.4939	61.4907	61.5293	61.6019
Moldovan leu	MDL	19.5261	20.4099	20.2245	20.9167
Turkish new lira	TRY	5.3385	4.5464	4.9566	3.9391
Polish zloty	PLN	4.3732	4.1770	4.2207	4.2690
Romanian leu	RON	4.6631	4.6585	4.6543	4.5370
Swiss franc	CHF	1.1569	1.1702	1.1697	1.0766
Serbian dinar	RSD	118.0676	118.4727	118.3028	123.4005
Czech koruna	CZK	26.0200	25.5350	25.5005	26.7841
Ukraine hryvnia	UAH	30.5680	33.4954	32.4297	28.9731
Hungarian forint	HUF	329.7700	310.3300	314.1128	309.4213

DISCLOSURES ON SEASONAL AND ECONOMIC INFLUENCES

Within VIG, seasonal fluctuations mainly occur in premiums, losses and the financial result. Due to the large number of insurance contracts beginning in January, the 1st quarter is also normally the strongest quarter of the year in terms of premiums. In terms of losses, the 1st quarter (or 1st half) also normally shows a higher level of charges, mainly due to adverse environmental influences (snow, snowmelt, storms, floods). Adverse weather events, such as storms, can also occur during the summer and autumn. With respect to the financial result, most of the dividend income occurs in the 2nd quarter.

CHANGES IN THE SCOPE OF CONSOLIDATION

Acquired companies are added to the scope of consolidation based on an internal Group guideline. The guideline includes quantitative thresholds and criteria. Detailed information is available in the Group Annual Report for 2017 starting on page 121.

Deconsolidations	Reason for deconsolidation	Date of deconsolidation	Segment
S IMMO AG	Sale	9.4.2018	Austria

Expansion of the scope of consolidation*	acquisition/formation	Shares	First time consolidation	Method
	Date	in %	Date	
VIG-AT Beteiligungen	2017	100.00	1.1.2018	full consolidation

^{*}Unless indicated otherwise, no goodwill exists.

Companies acquired

Companies acquired but not yet consolidated	Acquired shares
in %	
Merkur Osiguranje	100.00
Seesam Insurance AS*	100.00
Gothaer*	100.00

^{*}Closing had not taken place yet by the balance sheet date.

Merkur Osiguranje was checked for materiality based on the thresholds in the 1st half of 2018. Since the specified thresholds were not exceeded, the company's qualitative objectives are currently being evaluated to determine whether it should be added to the scope of consolidation.

Seesam Insurance AS and Gothaer had not yet been added to the scope of consolidation in the 1st half of 2018, since the lack of closing for the transactions and lack of control over the companies meant that the requirements for inclusion in the scope of consolidation were not yet satisfied.

Effect of the changes in the scope of consolidation

Balance sheet	Additions	Disposals
in EUR '000		
Investments		95,361
Cash and cash equivalents	33	

The figures shown in the table above reflect the actual dates of first consolidation, as shown in the deconsolidation and expansion of the scope of consolidation tables.

Contribution to profit before taxes in reporting period	Disposals
in EUR '000	
Result from shares in at equity consolidated companies	20,530
Result before taxes	20,530

NON-PROFIT SOCIETIES

Non-profit societies build or renovate housing whose financing largely comes from housing construction subsidies that are provided for by subsidy laws and directives at the provincial level. Housing that is financed by housing construction subsidies is subject to special restrictions set down in the Austrian Non-Profit Housing Act (Wohnungsgemeinnützigkeitsgesetz – WGG) that govern annual distributions and access to the assets of the housing society.

As a result, the total amount of annual profit that can be distributed may not exceed an amount equal to the total paid-in share capital times the interest rate (currently 3.5%) applicable under Section 14 (1) no. 3 WGG. In addition, when members leave a housing society or a housing society is dissolved, the members may not receive more than their paid-in capital contributions and their share of distributable profits. Any remaining assets are to be used for the purposes of non-profit housing. Reorganisation possibilities are also restricted. Merger agreements for merger of a housing society with other companies and spin-offs to other companies are considered legally invalid if the absorbing or newly formed company is not non-profit within the meaning of the WGG. Title to buildings, residential units and business units (co-ownership, condominium ownership) may only be transferred to the tenants or another building society within the meaning of the WGG.

VIG indirectly holds shares in the following consolidated non-profit societies:

- Neuland GmbH
- Sozialbau AG
- Urbanbau GmbH
- Erste Heimstätte GmbH
- Gemeinnützige Industrie-Wohnungsaktiengesellschaft
- Gemeinnützige Mürz-Ybbs Siedlungsanlagen-GmbH
- Schwarzatal GmbH
- Alpenländische Heimstätte GmbH
- Neue Heimat Oberösterreich GmbH

Assets	30.6.2018	thereof non-profit societies*	31.12.2017	thereof non-profit societies*
in EUR '000				
Intangible assets	1,894,932	1,512	1,970,641	1,592
Investments	36,192,725	3,820,760	35,932,907	3,772,645
Investments for unit-linked and index-linked life insurance	8,742,169	0	9,061,073	0
Reinsurers' share in underwriting provisions	1,134,007	0	1,066,320	0
Receivables	1,665,692	75,210	1,475,862	62,363
Tax receivables and advance payments out of income tax	273,840	6	239,455	6
Deferred tax assets	81,123	220	80,806	228
Other assets	405,681	5,277	389,160	5,570
Cash and cash equivalents	1,203,919	105,884	1,497,731	118,731
Total	51,594,088	4,008,869	51,713,955	3,961,135

^{*}Incl. their subsidiaries

Liabilities and shareholders' equity	30.6.2018	thereof non-profit societies*	31.12.2017	thereof non-profit societies*
in EUR '000				
Subordinated liabilities	1,458,438	0	1,458,839	0
Underwriting provisions	30,470,647	0	30,168,173	0
Underwriting provisions for unit-linked and index-linked life insurance	8,299,809	0	8,612,749	0
Non-underwriting provisions	746,265	44,943	793,792	58,630
Liabilities	4,092,897	2,668,382	4,032,102	2,638,085
Tax liabilities out of income tax	217,584	9	202,050	7
Deferred tax liabilities	250,141	0	255,064	0
Other liabilities	135,359	82	147,237	322
Subtotal	45,671,140	2,713,416	45,670,006	2,697,044
Shareholders' equity	5,922,948		6,043,949	
Total	51,594,088	2,713,416	51,713,955	2,697,044
Income statement in EUR '000	1.130.6.2018	thereof non-profit societies*	1.130.6.2017	thereof non-profit societies*
Premiums written – gross	5,150,264	0	4,972,439	0
Net earned premiums – retention	4,354,878	0	4,219,046	0
Financial result excluding at equity consolidated companies	476,201	34,201	465,618	22,891
Income from investments	803,547	147,989	785,812	138,312
Expenses for investments and interest expenses	-327,346	-113,788	-320,194	-115,421
Result from shares in at equity consolidated companies	35,073	0	22,737	0
Other income	66,287	0	59,843	0
Expenses for claims and insurance benefits – retention	-3,457,709	0	-3,394,723	0
Acquisition and administrative expenses	-1,090,491	0	-1,030,794	0
Other expenses	-151,490	-1,241	-121,184	-1,124
Result before taxes	232,749	32,960	220,543	21,767
Taxes	-59,062	-40	-48,296	188
Result of the period				

^{*}Incl. their subsidiaries

SEGMENT REPORTING

The statements concerning segment reporting made in the Group Annual Report for 2017 are still valid, continue to apply and can be read starting on page 126 of that report.

Wiener Re was added to the Central Functions segment in the 2nd quarter of 2018.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET BY SEGMENT

Assets	Austria		Czech Republic		Slovakia	
	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000	· <u></u>					
Intangible assets	374,763	369,941	485,831	497,204	120,287	119,262
Investments	22,582,996	22,471,543	3,115,760	3,187,622	1,300,272	1,314,977
Investments for unit-linked and index-linked life insurance	5,729,639	5,869,028	354,193	358,039	210,600	211,392
Reinsurers' share in underwriting provisions	438,812	423,340	109,450	97,678	29,109	33,111
Receivables	664,370	581,646	151,462	123,510	68,493	65,381
Tax receivables and advance payments out of income tax	20,530	17,523	5,818	13,964	2,500	1,203
Deferred tax assets	3,452	3,415	4,940	5,168	7,316	5,432
Other assets	131,684	135,236	156,653	159,513	11,957	11,410
Cash and cash equivalents	652,563	798,824	27,534	166,807	55,169	67,027
Total	30,598,809	30,670,496	4,411,641	4,609,505	1,805,703	1,829,195

Assets	Poland		Romania		Baltic s	states
	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000	<u> </u>					
Intangible assets	143,966	148,146	135,250	186,909	129,647	132,976
Investments	921,946	935,138	691,934	669,064	445,660	398,310
Investments for unit-linked and index-linked life insurance	804,550	940,143	146,414	177,958	57,156	51,850
Reinsurers' share in underwriting provisions	49,637	51,954	32,033	31,785	29,298	23,049
Receivables	152,202	125,510	144,366	162,084	65,305	51,323
Tax receivables and advance payments out of income tax	2,047	1,463	2,118	2,120	606	258
Deferred tax assets	5,943	5,686	26,712	25,884	1,139	1,057
Other assets	8,109	9,078	9,578	7,227	8,803	7,012
Cash and cash equivalents	24,227	32,310	28,065	11,892	31,301	43,239
Total	2,112,627	2,249,428	1,216,470	1,274,923	768,915	709,074

Assets	Hungary		Bulgaria		Turkey/0	Georgia
	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000						
Intangible assets	23,081	23,592	184,645	184,696	23,018	22,459
Investments	138,810	154,371	161,528	166,353	87,939	95,576
Investments for unit-linked and index-linked life insurance	407,990	430,862	4,142	3,586	0	0
Reinsurers' share in underwriting provisions	11,503	15,651	18,655	15,637	86,585	80,682
Receivables	22,419	16,240	50,365	40,256	73,771	56,739
Tax receivables and advance payments out of income tax	3	3	429	6	502	57
Deferred tax assets	1,817	1,941	1,068	1,063	1,308	1,370
Other assets	7,568	6,031	2,870	2,010	3,688	2,048
Cash and cash equivalents	7,276	4,282	30,384	21,781	19,380	21,007
Total	620,467	652,973	454,086	435,388	296,191	279,938

Assets	Remaining CEE Other		Other M	Other Markets Central		unctions	Total	
	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000								
Intangible assets	78,984	77,568	1,339	1,428	194,121	206,460	1,894,932	1,970,641
Investments	839,664	810,374	641,120	655,798	5,265,096	5,073,781	36,192,725	35,932,907
Investments for unit-linked and index- linked life insurance	86,426	86,497	941,059	931,718	0	0	8,742,169	9,061,073
Reinsurers' share in underwriting provisions	14,338	27,374	5,587	6,010	309,000	260,049	1,134,007	1,066,320
Receivables	79,848	77,580	14,463	15,355	178,628	160,238	1,665,692	1,475,862
Tax receivables and advance payments out of income tax	133	1,087	2,300	0	236,854	201,771	273,840	239,455
Deferred tax assets	3,871	3,836	2,294	1,894	21,263	24,060	81,123	80,806
Other assets	11,919	12,991	4,321	4,426	48,531	32,178	405,681	389,160
Cash and cash equivalents	22,005	22,103	48,968	25,263	257,047	283,196	1,203,919	1,497,731
Total	1,137,188	1,119,410	1,661,451	1,641,892	6,510,540	6,241,733	51,594,088	51,713,955

Liabilities and shareholders' equity	Austria Czech Republic		epublic	c Slovakia		
	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000						
Subordinated liabilities	337,300	337,300	21,138	21,539	0	0
Underwriting provisions	22,120,839	22,023,833	2,950,308	3,016,152	1,166,232	1,140,185
Underwriting provisions for unit-linked and index-linked life insurance	5,449,413	5,599,225	216,667	219,815	223,623	226,462
Non-underwriting provisions	491,417	513,529	4,336	3,970	2,198	3,331
Liabilities	585,082	542,969	195,891	217,640	76,778	83,901
Tax liabilities out of income tax	202,479	179,838	3,455	11,989	5	2,973
Deferred tax liabilities	174,271	166,449	30,665	33,419	10,483	11,809
Other liabilities	71,949	78,872	14,492	16,788	5,570	6,217
Subtotal	29,432,750	29,442,015	3,436,952	3,541,312	1,484,889	1,474,878

Liabilities and shareholders' equity	Pola	Roma	ania	Baltic states		
	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000		11			· ·	
Subordinated liabilities	0	0	0	0	0	0
Underwriting provisions	832,809	822,376	622,483	590,822	441,027	387,366
Underwriting provisions for unit-linked and index-linked life insurance	777,957	903,983	145,442	176,822	57,151	51,850
Non-underwriting provisions	10,193	9,220	25,440	25,971	403	335
Liabilities	74,262	85,024	83,061	74,946	41,828	36,961
Tax liabilities out of income tax	2,136	203	0	0	645	217
Deferred tax liabilities	21,113	21,620	0	0	2,683	2,683
Other liabilities	13,144	13,442	3,447	8,260	2,341	1,959
Subtotal	1,731,614	1,855,868	879,873	876,821	546,078	481,371

Liabilities and shareholders' equity	Hungary		Bulgaria		Turkey/Georgia	
	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000						
Subordinated liabilities	0	0	0	0	0	0
Underwriting provisions	146,246	144,046	166,570	148,198	213,559	187,618
Underwriting provisions for unit-linked and index-linked life insurance	400,880	420,163	5,199	3,452	0	0
Non-underwriting provisions	1,512	3,718	26,610	24,133	6,115	7,293
Liabilities	25,031	20,314	20,441	18,618	23,808	26,772
Tax liabilities out of income tax	322	356	504	398	423	510
Deferred tax liabilities	302	652	1,102	1,315	295	53
Other liabilities	650	2,682	366	416	1,105	1,881
Subtotal	574,943	591,931	220,792	196,530	245,305	224,127

Liabilities and shareholders' equity	Remaining CEE		Other M	arkets	Central F	unctions	Tot	al
	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000								
Subordinated liabilities	0	0	0	0	1,100,000	1,100,000	1,458,438	1,458,839
Underwriting provisions	777,205	741,132	626,066	609,390	407,303	357,055	30,470,647	30,168,173
Underwriting provisions for unit-linked and index-linked life insurance	86,426	86,497	937,051	924,480	0	0	8,299,809	8,612,749
Non-underwriting provisions	7,338	7,611	8,355	9,061	162,348	185,620	746,265	793,792
Liabilities	27,708	40,392	32,169	36,219	2,906,838	2,848,346	4,092,897	4,032,102
Tax liabilities out of income tax	800	627	1,295	219	5,520	4,720	217,584	202,050
Deferred tax liabilities	1,807	2,694	413	584	7,007	13,786	250,141	255,064
Other liabilities	18,138	14,478	2	2	4,155	2,240	135,359	147,237
Subtotal	919,422	893,431	1,605,351	1,579,955	4,593,171	4,511,767	45,671,140	45,670,006
Shareholders' equity							5,922,948	6,043,949
Total							51,594,088	51,713,955

Intrasegment transactions have been eliminated from the amounts indicated for each segment. As a result, the segment assets and liabilities cannot be netted to determine the segment shareholders' equity.

CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT BY SEGMENT

	Austria		Czech Republic		Slovakia		Poland	
	1.130.6.18	1.130.6.17	1.130.6.18	1.130.6.17	1.130.6.18	1.130.6.17	1.130.6.18	1.1. - 30.6.17
in EUR '000								
Premiums written – gross	2,170,033	2,166,966	881,652	822,170	401,818	399,203	455,163	444,978
Net earned premiums – retention	1,611,547	1,609,566	641,072	593,310	323,641	322,893	338,071	358,120
Financial result excluding at equity consolidated companies	336,735	349,525	55,340	47,164	26,996	27,513	13,918	16,024
Income from investments	430,614	435,315	85,269	72,519	28,951	29,592	20,037	23,298
Expenses for investments and interest expenses	-93,879	-85,790	-29,929	-25,355	-1,955	-2,079	-6,119	-7,274
Result from shares in at equity consolidated companies	32,950	20,796	1,161	1,005	0	0	0	0
Other income	10,587	9,916	14,845	23,670	1,927	4,318	1,873	4,697
Expenses for claims and insurance benefits – retention	-1,559,782	-1,555,985	-410,592	-389,564	-260,502	-266,609	-246,279	-272,454
Acquisition and administrative expenses	-342,231	-347,079	-201,328	-182,040	-61,092	-50,178	-74,845	-75,623
Other expenses	-13,119	-9,205	-15,565	-16,923	-10,882	-12,070	-11,123	-8,782
Result before taxes	76,687	77,534	84,933	76,622	20,088	25,867	21,615	21,982
Taxes	-42,572	-4,016	-20,112	-17,003	-7,441	-8,599	-4,987	-4,928
Result of the period	34,115	73,518	64,821	59,619	12,647	17,268	16,628	17,054

	Romania		Baltic states		Hungary		Bulgaria	
	1.130.6.18	1.130.6.17	1.130.6.18	1.130.6.17	1.130.6.18	1.130.6.17	1.130.6.18	1.130.6.17
in EUR '000								
Premiums written – gross	272,741	258,455	193,237	162,699	125,618	123,139	87,342	82,545
Net earned premiums – retention	193,990	188,872	132,143	120,906	85,786	78,626	64,422	56,049
Financial result excluding at equity consolidated companies	6,310	6,580	2,708	3,039	3,300	3,176	5,103	5,461
Income from investments	10,008	9,540	4,063	4,257	4,061	4,330	12,685	13,243
Expenses for investments and interest expenses	-3,698	-2,960	-1,355	-1,218	-761	-1,154	-7,582	-7,782
Result from shares in at equity consolidated companies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other income	5,196	3,423	538	533	3,487	913	237	326
Expenses for claims and insurance benefits – retention	-135,315	-130,807	-95,102	-83,589	-65,192	-55,294	-37,855	-32,823
Acquisition and administrative expenses	-52,254	-50,617	-34,603	-35,542	-19,246	-19,513	-22,509	-19,513
Other expenses	-61,014	-11,646	-5,661	-9,968	-5,045	-5,552	-5,298	-5,220
Result before taxes	-43,087	5,805	23	-4,621	3,090	2,356	4,100	4,280
Taxes	-1,520	-1,024	-638	871	-265	-203	-553	-390
Result of the period	-44,607	4,781	-615	-3,750	2,825	2,153	3,547	3,890

	Turkey/Georgia		Remaining CEE		Other Markets	
	1.130.6.18	1.130.6.17	1.130.6.18	1.130.6.17	1.130.6.18	1.1. - 30.6.17
in EUR '000						
Premiums written – gross	116,515	114,147	185,122	180,980	149,746	137,926
Net earned premiums – retention	47,513	50,932	133,404	121,833	126,478	115,267
Financial result excluding at equity consolidated companies	3,339	4,370	12,545	9,956	10,096	10,873
Income from investments	6,110	6,388	20,297	21,014	11,106	11,684
Expenses for investments and interest expenses	-2,771	-2,018	-7,752	-11,058	-1,010	-811
Result from shares in at equity consolidated companies	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other income	5,433	3,748	4,096	6,563	1,289	1,104
Expenses for claims and insurance benefits – retention	-38,530	-41,301	-88,673	-78,450	-93,921	-85,013
Acquisition and administrative expenses	-10,598	-10,552	-44,465	-45,105	-14,799	-13,856
Other expenses	-3,900	-2,932	-5,286	-6,353	-18,799	-16,530
Result before taxes	3,257	4,265	11,621	8,444	10,344	11,845
Taxes	-630	-796	-2,239	-2,134	-2,513	-2,895
Result of the period	2,627	3,469	9,382	6,310	7,831	8,950

	Central Functions		Consolidation		Tota	al
•	1.130.6.18	1.130.6.17	1.130.6.18	1.130.6.17	1.130.6.18	1.1. - 30.6.17
in EUR '000	,					
Premiums written – gross	819,684	738,195	-708,407	-658,964	5,150,264	4,972,439
Net earned premiums – retention	653,199	600,085	3,612	2,587	4,354,878	4,219,046
Financial result excluding at equity consolidated companies	-608	-18,049	419	-14	476,201	465,618
Income from investments	201,755	183,065	-31,409	-28,433	803,547	785,812
Expenses for investments and interest expenses	-202,363	-201,114	31,828	28,419	-327,346	-320,194
Result from shares in at equity consolidated companies	962	936	0	0	35,073	22,737
Other income	16,783	1,014	-4	-382	66,287	59,843
Expenses for claims and insurance benefits – retention	-422,467	-404,708	-3,499	1,874	-3,457,709	-3,394,723
Acquisition and administrative expenses	-206,661	-177,674	-5,860	-3,502	-1,090,491	-1,030,794
Other expenses	-1,616	-15,103	5,818	-900	-151,490	-121,184
Result before taxes	39,592	-13,499	486	-337	232,749	220,543
Taxes	24,408	-7,179	0	0	-59,062	-48,296
Result of the period	64,000	-20,678	486	-337	173,687	172,247

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

1. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Composition	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000		
Goodwill	1,473,969	1,537,694
Purchased insurance portfolios	25,687	28,092
Other intangible assets	395,276	404,855
Purchased software	328,745	334,821
Other	66,531	70,034
Total	1,894,932	1,970,641
Development of goodwill	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000		
Acquisition costs	1,906,517	1,884,782
Cumulative impairment as of 31.12. of previous years	-368,823	-352,592
Book value as of 31.12. of the previous year	1,537,694	1,532,190
Exchange rate differences	-14,425	23,790
Book value as of 1.1.	1,523,269	1,555,980
Additions	795	1,176
Impairments	-50,095	-19,462
Book value as of 30.6. and 31.12. respectively	1,473,969	1,537,694
Cumulative appreciation/depreciation as of 30.6. and 31.12. respectively	418,005	368,823
Acquisition costs	1,891,974	1,906,517

Due to the increase in the yields on Romanian government bonds in the 2nd quarter of 2018, VIG had the plans for its Romanian subsidiaries updated. They indicated a deterioration of results in one area, leading VIG to perform an impairment test for the Romanian CGU group for the 1st half of 2018. The resulting necessary impairment of EUR 50.1 million was recognised as an expense in the 2018 half-year report.

The impairments in the previous year concerned the Ukraine, Moldova and Albania incl. Kosovo CGU groups.

2. INVESTMENTS

Composition	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000		
Land and buildings	5,743,789	5,684,598
Shares in at equity consolidated companies	210,603	298,149
Loans and other investments	3,531,550	3,267,067
Other securities	26,706,783	26,683,093
Total	36,192,725	35,932,907

2.1. Other securities

Development	Held to maturity (incl. reclassified)		Available for sale		Recognised at fair value through profit and loss*	
	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000						
Acquisition costs	3,127,710	3,063,233				
Cumulative depreciation as of 31.12. of previous years	-261	2,589				
Book value as of 31.12. of the previous year	3,127,449	3,065,822	23,220,303	21,851,248	335,341	461,290
Exchange rate changes	-50,025	136,911	-40,528	34,806	-3,553	5,569
Book value as of 1.1.	3,077,424	3,202,733	23,179,775	21,886,054	331,788	466,859
Reclassifications	0	0	868	-10,676	-1,685	-1,988
Additions	46,607	149,434	1,911,854	4,187,627	167,940	174,378
Disposals/repayments	-58,336	-224,289	-1,507,441	-2,966,688	-135,522	-301,222
Changes in the scope of consolidation	0	0	-35	46,290	0	0
Changes in value recognised in profit and loss	113	0	0	0	-1,642	-2,686
Changes recognised directly in equity	0	0	-302,756	86,153	0	0
Impairment	0	-429	-2,169	-8,457	0	0
Book value as of 30.6. and 31.12. respectively	3,065,808	3,127,449	23,280,096	23,220,303	360,879	335,341
Cumulative appreciation/depreciation as of 30.6. and 31.12. respectively	1,851	261				
Acquisition costs	3,067,659	3,127,710				

^{*}Including held for trading

3. REINSURERS' SHARE IN UNDERWRITING PROVISIONS

Composition	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000		
Provision for unearned premiums	254,792	153,784
Mathematical reserve	37,736	37,850
Provision for outstanding claims	829,058	858,473
Provision for profit-unrelated premium refunds	10,754	14,670
Other underwriting provisions	1,667	1,543
Total	1,134,007	1,066,320

4. RECEIVABLES

Composition	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000		
Underwriting	968,068	768,188
Receivables from direct insurance business	825,478	639,792
from policyholders	661,799	492,952
from insurance intermediaries	105,789	102,919
from insurance companies	57,890	43,921
Receivables from reinsurance business	142,590	128,396
Non-underwriting	697,624	707,674
Other receivables	697,624	707,674
Total	1,665,692	1,475,862

5. EARNINGS PER SHARE (ANNUALISED)

		1.130.6.2018	1.130.6.2017	1.430.6.2018	1.430.6.2017
Result of the period	in EUR '000	173,687	172,247	82,692	84,633
Other non-controlling interests in net result of the period	in EUR '000	-3,841	-3,417	-2,274	-4,234
Non-controlling interests in the result of the period of non- profit societies	in EUR '000	-33,217	-22,252	-19,303	-2,873
Result of the period less non-controlling interests	in EUR '000	136,629	146,578	61,115	77,526
Accrued interest expenses for hybrid capital	in EUR '000	5,892	5,892	2,962	2,962
Number of shares at closing date	units	128,000,000	128,000,000	128,000,000	128,000,000
Result per share (annualised)*	EUR	2.04	2.20	1.82	2.33

^{*}The undiluted result per share equals the diluted result per share (in EUR).

6. UNDERWRITING PROVISION - GROSS

Composition	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000		
Provision for unearned premiums	1,755,377	1,395,073
Mathematical reserve	21,934,721	21,962,632
Guaranteed policy benefits	20,352,208	20,296,586
Allocated and committed profit shares	750,048	754,879
Deferred mathematical reserve	832,465	911,167
Provision for outstanding claims	5,183,716	5,141,400
Provision for premium refunds	1,547,366	1,619,268
Profit-related premium refunds	340,825	315,181
Profit-unrelated premium refunds	54,019	65,620
Deferred profit participation recognised through profit and loss*	307,870	231,850
Deferred profit participation recognised directly in equity*	844,652	1,006,617
Other underwriting provisions	49,467	49,800
Total	30,470,647	30,168,173

 $^{{}^\}star\! \text{The deferred profit participation is solely due to the profit-related premium refund.}$

7. NON-UNDERWRITING PROVISIONS

Composition	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000		
Provisions for pensions and similar obligations	487,651	483,408
Other non-underwriting provisions	258,614	310,384
Total	746,265	793,792

8. LIABILITIES

Composition	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000		
Underwriting	774,197	778,908
Liabilities from direct business	554,235	625,886
to policyholders	316,130	407,101
to insurance intermediaries	195,452	191,205
to insurance companies	42,653	27,580
Liabilities from reinsurance business	173,767	102,197
Deposits from ceded reinsurance business	46,195	50,825
Non-underwriting	3,318,700	3,253,194
Liabilities to financial institutions	1,142,197	1,201,031
Other liabilities	2,176,503	2,052,163
Total	4,092,897	4,032,102

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

9. PREMIUMS WRITTEN

Premiums written	1.130.6.2018						
Gross	Motor own damage insurance (Casco)	Motor third party liability insurance	Other property and casualty insurance	Life insurance – regular premium	Life insurance – single premium	Health insurance	Total
in EUR '000							
Austria	162,530	188,108	822,059	643,454	144,264	209,618	2,170,033
Czech Republic	123,500	149,388	264,393	305,849	31,605	6,917	881,652
Slovakia	55,035	79,524	64,094	85,481	112,456	5,228	401,818
Poland	85,010	108,062	121,577	96,032	39,217	5,265	455,163
Romania	67,834	97,306	51,103	23,463	27,888	5,147	272,741
Baltic states	35,086	57,134	39,658	26,747	8,819	25,793	193,237
Hungary	9,371	15,145	32,647	43,868	17,364	7,223	125,618
Bulgaria	27,598	11,127	21,823	15,660	5,404	5,730	87,342
Turkey/Georgia	16,432	22,696	56,861	0	0	20,526	116,515
Remaining CEE	22,996	44,948	51,825	30,458	26,582	8,313	185,122
Other Markets	0	0	62,188	39,134	48,424	0	149,746
Central Functions	0	0	799,278	8,807	0	11,599	819,684
Consolidation							-708,407
Total	605,392	773,438	2,387,506	1,318,953	462,023	311,359	5,150,264

Premiums written				1.130.6.2017			
Gross	Motor own damage insurance (Casco)	Motor third party liability insurance	Other property and casualty insurance	Life insurance – regular premium	Life insurance – single premium	Health insurance	Total
in EUR '000							
Austria	157,946	183,035	809,867	647,776	166,594	201,748	2,166,966
Czech Republic	116,266	141,806	242,728	278,963	35,867	6,540	822,170
Slovakia	53,299	75,740	60,310	83,430	121,785	4,639	399,203
Poland	68,393	88,181	100,034	99,472	84,747	4,151	444,978
Romania	61,167	88,380	49,503	20,880	34,803	3,722	258,455
Baltic states	28,717	49,379	34,102	23,954	6,682	19,865	162,699
Hungary	8,838	12,804	37,223	43,195	16,694	4,385	123,139
Bulgaria	23,798	11,270	21,488	15,513	4,006	6,470	82,545
Turkey/Georgia	15,507	24,513	54,316	0	0	19,811	114,147
Remaining CEE	21,351	41,742	57,968	30,340	23,535	6,044	180,980
Other Markets	0	0	58,720	36,791	42,415	0	137,926
Central Functions	0	0	719,812	8,645	0	9,738	738,195
Consolidation							-658,964
Total	555,282	716,850	2,246,071	1,288,959	537,128	287,113	4,972,439

10. FINANCIAL RESULT EXCLUDING AT EQUITY CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES

Composition 1.1.-30.6.2018 Czech Poland Austria Slovakia Romania Baltic states Hungary Republic in EUR '000 Current income 355,306 50,239 21,722 10,759 9,223 3,508 2,713 954 Income from appreciation 3,616 1,268 580 2 154 0 of which a reduction in impairment 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Gains from disposal of investments 44,741 22,267 5,920 2,633 398 349 99 1,249 Other income 26,951 11,495 729 5,691 385 52 28,951 10,008 Total income 430,614 85,269 20,037 4,063 4,061 521 Depreciation of investment 23,865 4,078 1,137 3,640 844 168 of which impairment of investments 1,913 0 0 159 0 0 0 30 -2,288 78 Exchange rate differences 103 -6,299 -6 -89 281 Losses from disposal of investments 5,104 14,158 475 11 232 51 Interest expenses 1,986 1,798 28,106 2,148 60 200 30 Personnel provisions 2,976 0 0 0 0 0 0 Interest expenses for liabilities to financial institutions 21 0 0 0 0 0 0 Interest expenses for financing liabilities 1,077 0 0 0 0 0 0 Interest expenses for subordinate liabilities 17,902 540 0 273 532 180 0 Other interest expenses 6,130 1,608 60 1,713 1,266 20 30 2,306 Other expenses 36,701 15,844 483 1,134 372 434 1,174 76 1,055 77 Managed Portfolio Fees 1,978 300 96 Asset management expenses 28,496 1,036 406 1,251 830 225 357 Other expenses 6,227 13,634 0 51 0 4 Total expenses 93,879 29,929 3,698 761 1,955 6,119 1,355

Composition 1.1.-30.6.2018

Composition	55.5.2010						
	Bulgaria	Turkey/ Georgia	Remaining CEE	Other Markets	Central Functions	Consolidation	Total
in EUR '000							
Current income	2,133	4,951	17,674	10,290	190,017	-31,409	647,126
Income from appreciation	130	197	33	12	114	0	7,060
of which a reduction in impairment	0	113	14	12	0	0	139
Gains from disposal of investments	637	109	2,061	683	10,285	0	90,182
Other income	9,785	853	529	121	1,339	0	59,179
Total income	12,685	6,110	20,297	11,106	201,755	-31,409	803,547
Depreciation of investment	873	600	560	353	58,720	0	95,359
of which impairment of investments	0	0	8	97	0	0	2,177
Exchange rate differences	8	438	5,941	2	16,280	0	14,198
Losses from disposal of investments	279	380	11_	54	1,970	0	23,006
Interest expenses	178	852	241	145	57,420	-31,828	61,336
Personnel provisions	0	0	0	0	375	0	3,351
Interest expenses for liabilities to financial institutions	0	0	0	0	6,117	0	6,138
Interest expenses for financing liabilities	72	47	17	0	23,360	-14,080	10,493
Interest expenses for subordinate liabilities	80	0	0	0	24,794	-11,933	32,368
Other interest expenses	26	805	224	145	2,774	-5,815	8,986
Other expenses	6,244	501	999	456	67,973	0	133,447
Managed Portfolio Fees	81	7	4	0	170	0	5,018
Asset management expenses	6,066	348	733	440	66,346	0	106,534
Other expenses	97	146	262	16	1,457	0	21,895
Total expenses	7,582	2,771	7,752	1,010	202,363	-31,828	327,346

Composition							
_	Austria	Czech Republic	Slovakia	Poland	Romania	Baltic states	Hungary
in EUR '000	,						
Current income	365,902	49,796	21,648	11,873	7,558	3,447	2,767
Income from appreciation	3,973	4,213	1,230	3,922	102	763	0
of which a reduction in impairment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gains from disposal of investments	40,653	12,762	6,094	2,092	1,456	30	594
Other income	24,787	5,748	620	5,411	424	17	969
Total income	435,315	72,519	29,592	23,298	9,540	4,257	4,330
Depreciation of investment	25,874	3,125	1,417	902	685	776	0
of which impairment of investments	1,194	0	0	274	44	0	0
Exchange rate differences	-14	13,623	18	2,246	51	-78	107
Losses from disposal of investments	2,539	2,255	65	376	6	81	291
Interest expenses	23,758	1,315	59	1,957	1,252	112	243
Personnel provisions	2,694	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interest expenses for liabilities to financial institutions	23	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interest expenses for financing liabilities	1,128	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interest expenses for subordinate liabilities	12,910	514	0	261	533	96	203
Other interest expenses	7,003	801	59	1,696	719	16	40
Other expenses	33,633	5,037	520	1,793	966	327	513
Managed Portfolio Fees	2,063	1,268	66	691	313	8	140
Asset management expenses	27,062	687	386	1,102	617	318	373
Other expenses	4,508	3,082	68	0	36	1	0
Total expenses	85,790	25,355	2,079	7,274	2,960	1,218	1,154

_	Bulgaria	Turkey/ Georgia	Remaining CEE	Other Markets	Central Functions	Consolidation	Total		
in EUR '000									
Current income	1,964	4,753	17,305	10,331	174,902	-27,981	644,265		
Income from appreciation	477	843	670	16	132	0	16,341		
of which a reduction in impairment	0	0	620	0	0	0	620		
Gains from disposal of investments	1,017	63	2,512	1,142	6,010	0	74,425		
Other income	9,785	729	527	195	2,021	-452	50,781		
Total income	13,243	6,388	21,014	11,684	183,065	-28,433	785,812		
Depreciation of investment	781	682	939	243	62,049	0	97,473		
of which impairment of investments	0	0	379	0	6,000	0	7,891		
Exchange rate differences	341	85	8,621	0	-11,666	0	13,334		
Losses from disposal of investments	263	49	176	62	1,247	0	7,410		
Interest expenses	175	600	322	134	56,292	-28,419	57,800		
Personnel provisions	0	0	0	0	310	0	3,004		
Interest expenses for liabilities to financial institutions	0	0	0	0	7,055	0	7,078		
Interest expenses for financing liabilities	72	47	36	0	23,115	-13,953	10,445		
Interest expenses for subordinate liabilities	80	0	79	0	23,067	-10,036	27,707		
Other interest expenses	23	553	207	134	2,745	-4,430	9,566		
Other expenses	6,222	602	1,000	372	93,192	0	144,177		
Managed Portfolio Fees	78	5	3	0	101	0	4,736		
Asset management expenses	5,967	184	797	326	89,941	0	127,760		
Other expenses	177	413	200	46	3,150	0	11,681		
Total expenses	7,782	2,018	11,058	811	201,114	-28,419	320,194		

11. OTHER INCOME

Composition		1.130.6.2018		1.130.6.2017				
Other income	Underwriting	Non-underwriting	Total	Underwriting	Non-underwriting	Total		
in EUR '000								
Austria	5,869	4,718	10,587	5,125	4,791	9,916		
Czech Republic	14,447	398	14,845	22,918	752	23,670		
Slovakia	1,396	531	1,927	4,031	287	4,318		
Poland	200	1,673	1,873	819	3,878	4,697		
Romania	4,944	252	5,196	2,942	481	3,423		
Baltic states	248	290	538	183	350	533		
Hungary	1,437	2,050	3,487	427	486	913		
Bulgaria	213	24	237	291	35	326		
Turkey/Georgia	208	5,225	5,433	1,752	1,996	3,748		
Remaining CEE	2,043	2,053	4,096	2,336	4,227	6,563		
Other Markets	1,233	56	1,289	1,043	61	1,104		
Central Functions	233	16,550	16,783	22	992	1,014		
Consolidation	0	-4	-4	-382	0	-382		
Total	32,471	33,816	66,287	41,507	18,336	59,843		

12. EXPENSES FOR CLAIMS AND INSURANCE BENEFITS

Composition	1.130.6.2018								
	Austria	Czech Republic	Slovakia	Poland	Romania	Baltic states	Hungary		
in EUR '000									
Expenses for claims and insurance benefits – gross	1,742,172	507,167	288,010	294,098	173,543	126,675	76,897		
Payments for claims and insurance benefits	1,653,110	535,875	273,057	346,499	186,102	88,381	70,343		
Changes in the provision for outstanding claims	-21,260	8,958	-14,540	10,594	2,968	19,639	3,407		
Change in mathematical reserve	-21,130	-46,423	29,508	-63,630	-15,268	17,048	1,138		
Change in other underwriting provisions	-52	-1,574	0	-129	-347	1,593	617		
Expenses for profit-related and profit- unrelated premium refunds	131,504	10,331	-15	764	88	14	1,392		
Expenses for claims and insurance benefits – reinsurers' share	-182,390	-96,575	-27,508	-47,819	-38,228	-31,573	-11,705		
Payments for claims and insurance benefits	-206,478	-106,035	-40,638	-50,518	-43,687	-20,097	-10,916		
Changes in the provision for outstanding claims	24,474	6,363	12,400	2,673	5,478	-11,476	-759		
Change in mathematical reserve	-186	0	0	26	-19	0	0		
Change in other underwriting provisions	0	0	0	0	0	0	-62		
Expenses for profit-unrelated premium refunds	-200	3,097	730	0	0	0	32		
Expenses for claims and insurance benefits – retention	1,559,782	410,592	260,502	246,279	135,315	95,102	65,192		
Payments for claims and insurance benefits	1,446,632	429,840	232,419	295,981	142,415	68,284	59,427		
Changes in the provision for outstanding claims	3,214	15,321	-2,140	13,267	8,446	8,163	2,648		
Change in mathematical reserve	-21,316	-46,423	29,508	-63,604	-15,287	17,048	1,138		
Change in other underwriting provisions	-52	-1,574	0	-129	-347	1,593	555		
Expenses for profit-related and profit- unrelated premium refunds	131,304	13,428	715	764	88	14	1,424		

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	Bulgaria	Turkey/ Georgia	Remaining CEE	Other Markets	Central Functions	Consolidation	Total		
in EUR '000									
Expenses for claims and insurance benefits – gross	46,763	81,407	116,092	103,463	466,640	-383,201	3,639,726		
Payments for claims and insurance benefits	34,723	52,293	84,946	56,981	406,061	-346,797	3,441,574		
Changes in the provision for outstanding claims	7,519	28,913	14,156	11,355	60,209	-36,387	95,531		
Change in mathematical reserve	4,327	0	16,981	31,996	56	-17	-45,414		
Change in other underwriting provisions	0	201	24	0	2	0	335		
Expenses for profit-related and profit- unrelated premium refunds	194	0	-15	3,131	312	0	147,700		
Expenses for claims and insurance benefits – reinsurers' share	-8,908	-42,877	-27,419	-9,542	-44,173	386,700	-182,017		
Payments for claims and insurance benefits	-5,879	-18,730	-16,394	-5,568	-32,242	363,254	-193,928		
Changes in the provision for outstanding claims	-3,030	-23,988	-11,038	-4,121	-11,687	23,430	8,719		
Change in mathematical reserve	1	0	13	147	2	16	0		
Change in other underwriting provisions	0	-159	0	0	0	0	-221		
Expenses for profit-unrelated premium refunds	0	0	0	0	-246	0	3,413		
Expenses for claims and insurance benefits – retention	37,855	38,530	88,673	93,921	422,467	3,499	3,457,709		
Payments for claims and insurance benefits	28,844	33,563	68,552	51,413	373,819	16,457	3,247,646		
Changes in the provision for outstanding claims	4,489	4,925	3,118	7,234	48,522	-12,957	104,250		
Change in mathematical reserve	4,328	0	16,994	32,143	58	-1	-45,414		
Change in other underwriting provisions	0	42	24	0	2	0	114		
Expenses for profit-related and profit- unrelated premium refunds	194	0	-15	3,131	66	0	151,113		

Composition	1.130.0.2017								
•	Austria	Czech Republic	Slovakia	Poland	Romania	Baltic states	Hungary		
in EUR '000									
Expenses for claims and insurance benefits – gross	1,806,083	469,267	296,151	318,938	179,485	99,970	62,042		
Payments for claims and insurance benefits	1,577,950	501,940	266,678	279,883	156,975	80,571	69,446		
Changes in the provision for outstanding claims	73,251	-9,521	-2,405	1,777	26,497	5,356	462		
Change in mathematical reserve	69,791	-28,311	31,887	36,920	-3,896	13,554	-9,404		
Change in other underwriting provisions	-405	1,990	0	-125	0	0	315		
Expenses for profit-related and profit- unrelated premium refunds	85,496	3,169	-9	483	-91	489	1,223		
Expenses for claims and insurance benefits – reinsurers' share	-250,098	-79,703	-29,542	-46,484	-48,678	-16,381	-6,748		
Payments for claims and insurance benefits	-217,891	-91,292	-36,361	-44,254	-36,954	-13,254	-6,418		
Changes in the provision for outstanding claims	-31,386	10,701	6,434	-2,258	-11,774	-3,127	131		
Change in mathematical reserve	-210	0	0	28	50	0	0		
Change in other underwriting provisions	0	0	0	0	0	0	-470		
Expenses for profit-unrelated premium refunds	-611	888	385	0	0	0	9		
Expenses for claims and insurance benefits – retention	1,555,985	389,564	266,609	272,454	130,807	83,589	55,294		
Payments for claims and insurance benefits	1,360,059	410,648	230,317	235,629	120,021	67,317	63,028		
Changes in the provision for outstanding claims	41,865	1,180	4,029	-481	14,723	2,229	593		
Change in mathematical reserve	69,581	-28,311	31,887	36,948	-3,846	13,554	-9,404		
Change in other underwriting provisions	-405	1,990	0	-125	0	0	-155		
Expenses for profit-related and profit- unrelated premium refunds	84,885	4,057	376	483	-91	489	1,232		

•	Bulgaria	Turkey/ Georgia	Remaining CEE	Other Markets	Central Functions	Consolidation	Total		
in EUR '000									
Expenses for claims and insurance benefits – gross	38,441	69,135	101,569	93,539	464,408	-353,559	3,645,469		
Payments for claims and insurance benefits	38,085	48,626	81,512	121,869	383,668	-334,613	3,272,590		
Changes in the provision for outstanding claims	-2,600	20,595	2,879	7,630	81,587	-18,905	186,603		
Change in mathematical reserve	3,043	0	17,495	-38,601	-847	-41	91,590		
Change in other underwriting provisions	0	-86	29	0	0	0	1,718		
Expenses for profit-related and profit- unrelated premium refunds	-87	0	-346	2,641	0	0	92,968		
Expenses for claims and insurance benefits – reinsurers' share	-5,618	-27,834	-23,119	-8,526	-59,700	351,685	-250,746		
Payments for claims and insurance benefits	-8,188	-15,412	-60,275	-5,491	-24,899	373,518	-187,171		
Changes in the provision for outstanding claims	2,569	-12,519	-2,097	-3,266	-34,702	17,383	-63,911		
Change in mathematical reserve	1	0	39,253	231	-99	-39,216	38		
Change in other underwriting provisions	0	97	0	0	0	0	-373		
Expenses for profit-unrelated premium refunds	0	0	0	0	0	0	671		
Expenses for claims and insurance benefits – retention	32,823	41,301	78,450	85,013	404,708	-1,874	3,394,723		
Payments for claims and insurance benefits	29,897	33,214	21,237	116,378	358,769	38,905	3,085,419		
Changes in the provision for outstanding claims	-31	8,076	782	4,364	46,885	-1,522	122,692		
Change in mathematical reserve	3,044	0	56,748	-38,370	-946	-39,257	91,628		
Change in other underwriting provisions	0	11	29	0	0	0	1,345		
Expenses for profit-related and profit- unrelated premium refunds	-87	0	-346	2,641	0	0	93,639		

13. ACQUISITION AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

	Austria	Czech Republic	Slovakia	Poland	Romania	Baltic states	Hungary			
in EUR '000										
Acquisition expenses	344,002	221,206	64,613	81,994	59,167	34,975	18,102			
Commission expenses	217,415	151,605	51,163	69,074	41,640	25,273	14,321			
Pro rata personnel expenses	67,450	40,610	7,159	8,937	10,480	6,939	2,077			
Pro rata material expenses	59,137	28,991	6,291	3,983	7,047	2,763	1,704			
Administrative expenses	84,044	38,805	13,332	20,381	6,088	11,048	8,553			
Pro rata personnel expenses	35,924	15,122	5,325	10,100	3,468	7,217	3,704			
Pro rata material expenses	48,120	23,683	8,007	10,281	2,620	3,831	4,849			
Reinsurance commissions	-85,815	-58,683	-16,853	-27,530	-13,001	-11,420	-7,409			
Total	342,231	201,328	61,092	74,845	52,254	34,603	19,246			

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	Bulgaria	Turkey/ Georgia	Remaining CEE	Other Markets	Central Functions	Consolidation	Total
in EUR '000							
Acquisition expenses	21,818	16,239	42,844	20,058	226,088	-189,505	961,601
Commission expenses	16,754	11,775	27,774	17,634	222,821	-189,505	677,744
Pro rata personnel expenses	2,552	2,898	8,993	1,324	2,290	0	161,709
Pro rata material expenses	2,512	1,566	6,077	1,100	977	0	122,148
Administrative expenses	2,915	5,122	15,165	4,737	2,641	0	212,831
Pro rata personnel expenses	1,413	3,236	6,713	2,673	882	0	95,777
Pro rata material expenses	1,502	1,886	8,452	2,064	1,759	0	117,054
Reinsurance commissions	-2,224	-10,763	-13,544	-9,996	-22,068	195,365	-83,941
Total	22,509	10,598	44,465	14,799	206,661	5,860	1,090,491

Composition		1.130.6.2017								
	Austria	Czech Republic	Slovakia	Poland	Romania	Baltic states	Hungary			
in EUR '000										
Acquisition expenses	338,745	209,035	56,252	76,889	49,763	29,011	19,421			
Commission expenses	209,137	147,964	42,642	65,778	36,089	21,410	15,419			
Pro rata personnel expenses	69,201	35,559	6,797	7,551	8,483	5,448	2,126			
Pro rata material expenses	60,407	25,512	6,813	3,560	5,191	2,153	1,876			
Administrative expenses	85,023	30,905	11,455	19,813	8,460	11,134	8,264			
Pro rata personnel expenses	37,309	14,006	5,076	9,976	3,748	7,109	3,556			
Pro rata material expenses	47.714	16.899	6.379	9.837	4.712	4.025	4.708			

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Composition		1.130.6.2017									
	Bulgaria	Turkey/ Georgia	Remaining CEE	Other Markets	Central Functions	Consolidation	Total				
in EUR '000											
Acquisition expenses	18,928	15,513	44,408	18,894	191,996	-163,581	905,274				
Commission expenses	15,216	11,029	28,655	16,453	189,375	-163,581	635,586				
Pro rata personnel expenses	2,280	2,677	9,243	1,361	1,510	0	152,236				
Pro rata material expenses	1,432	1,807	6,510	1,080	1,111	0	117,452				
Administrative expenses	2,606	5,837	15,168	4,720	2,411	0	205,796				
Pro rata personnel expenses	1,238	3,814	7,031	2,660	480	0	96,003				
Pro rata material expenses	1,368	2,023	8,137	2,060	1,931	0	109,793				
Reinsurance commissions	-2.021	-10.798	-14.471	-9.758	-16.733	167.083	-80.276				

Reinsurance commissions

Total

Total

14. OTHER EXPENSES

Composition	1.130.6.2018				1.130.6.2017				
Other expenses	Underwriting	Non-underwriting	Total	Underwriting	Non-underwriting	Total			
in EUR '000									
Austria	10,447	2,672	13,119	4,581	4,624	9,205			
Czech Republic	13,983	1,582	15,565	15,371	1,552	16,923			
Slovakia	10,830	52	10,882	12,060	10	12,070			
Poland	3,949	7,174	11,123	3,095	5,687	8,782			
Romania	10,595	50,419	61,014	10,625	1,021	11,646			
Baltic states	3,599	2,062	5,661	5,143	4,825	9,968			
Hungary	3,773	1,272	5,045	4,198	1,354	5,552			
Bulgaria	3,112	2,186	5,298	3,317	1,903	5,220			
Turkey/Georgia	384	3,516	3,900	683	2,249	2,932			
Remaining CEE	4,411	875	5,286	4,611	1,742	6,353			
Other Markets	18,410	389	18,799	16,169	361	16,530			
Central Functions	413	1,203	1,616	487	14,616	15,103			
Consolidation	-12	-5,806	-5,818	-11	911	900			
Total	83,894	67,596	151,490	80,329	40,855	121,184			

Goodwill impairment of EUR 50.1 million was recognised in the Romania segment for the reporting period.

Further information is provided in Note 1 "Intangible assets" on page 30.

ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES

15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT HIERARCHY

Information on the nature and extent of risks arising from financial instruments is provided in the section titled "Financial instruments and risk management" in the Group Annual Report for 2017 starting on page 133.

Fair value and book value of financial instruments and other investments

Fair values and book values of financial instruments and other investments 30.6.2018 Book value Level 1 Level 2 Level 3 Fair value in EUR '000 Land and buildings excluding non-profit societies1 2,087,611 69,506 3,279,933 3,349,439 Self-used land and buildings 456,510 0 37,950 664,463 702,413 Investment property 1,631,101 0 31,556 2,615,470 2,647,026 Land and buildings non-profit societies 3,656,178 Self-used land and buildings 1,794 Investment property 3,654,384 2,460,088 2,829,977 Loans 2,498,296 218,136 151,753 Loans 1,383,900 1,378,272 121,675 1,499,947 Reclassified loans 85.602 178,518 132,408 0 218,010 30,078 Bonds classified as loans 935,878 132,534 949,408 1,112,020 Other securities 26,706,783 23,437,768 3,230,278 323,191 26,991,237 356,306 Financial instruments held to maturity 2,389,618 8,709 2,588,861 2,223,846 Financial instruments reclassified as held to maturity 676,190 743,563 17,838 761,401 0 Financial instruments available for sale 23,280,096 20,274,072 2,742,217 263,807 23,280,096 Financial instruments recognised at fair value through profit and loss² 360,879 196,287 113,917 50,675 360,879 Other investments 1,033,254 Investments for unit-linked and index-linked life insurance 8,742,169 8,742,169 8,742,169 Subordinated liabilities 1,458,438 1,503,633 20,980 1,524,613 0 Liabilities to financial institutions 1,142,197 1,142,197 thereof non-profit societies 1,038,671 1,038,671 Financing liabilities3 1,481,387 1,481,387

thereof non-profit societies

Book value was generally used for the fair value of the financial liabilities (except for subordinated liabilities), which were primarily due to the non-profit societies, as no market exists for property subject to the Austrian Non-Profit Housing Act (WGG). The same applies to their financing loans and bonds, whose terms are determined by the special nature of the non-profit sector and consequently are not available in this form to companies outside the sector. As a result, no market can be found for these forms of financing either.

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¹ The market values are derived from internal and external expert reports.

² Including held for trading

³ Not including lease liabilities and derivative liabilities

Fair values and book values of financial instruments and other investments

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	Book value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Fair value
in EUR '000		·			
Land and buildings excluding non-profit societies ¹	2,068,351	0	72,101	3,180,883	3,252,984
Self-used land and buildings	429,086	0	40,432	634,323	674,755
Investment property	1,639,265	0	31,669	2,546,560	2,578,229
Land and buildings non-profit societies	3,616,247				
Self-used land and buildings	1,820				
Investment property	3,614,427				
Loans	2,588,679	261,277	2,479,234	196,127	2,936,638
Loans	1,394,260	0	1,330,410	181,086	1,511,496
Reclassified loans	241,511	127,478	160,665	0	288,143
Bonds classified as loans	952,908	133,799	988,159	15,041	1,136,999
Other securities	26,683,093	23,571,234	3,209,867	312,333	27,093,434
Financial instruments held to maturity	2,443,702	2,367,296	360,487	8,426	2,736,209
Financial instruments reclassified as held to maturity	683,747	782,948	18,633	0	801,581
Financial instruments available for sale	23,220,303	20,259,701	2,696,134	264,468	23,220,303
Financial instruments recognised at fair value through profit and loss ²	335,341	161,289	134,613	39,439	335,341
Other investments	678,388				
Investments for unit-linked and index-linked life insurance	9,061,073	9,061,073			9,061,073
Subordinated liabilities	1,458,839	0	1,515,965	21,732	1,537,697
Liabilities to financial institutions	1,201,031				1,201,031
thereof non-profit societies	1,040,498				1,040,498
Financing liabilities ³	1,476,569				1,476,569
thereof non-profit societies	1,417,446				1,417,446

¹ The market values are derived from internal and external expert reports.

Measurement process

For information on the measurement process, please see Note 23 "Financial instruments and fair value measurement hierarchy" in the Group Annual Report for 2017 starting on page 204.

Reclassification of financial instruments

Reclassifications were performed based on the criteria and time points indicated in Note 23 "Financial instruments and fair value measurement hierarchy" in the Group Annual Report for 2017 starting on page 206.

² Including held for trading

³ Not including lease liabilities and derivative liabilities

Hierarchy for financial instruments measured at fair value

Valuation hierarchy	Level 1		Level 2		Level 3	
Financial instruments measured at fair value	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000		·				
Financial assets						
Financial instruments available for sale	20,274,072	20,259,701	2,742,217	2,696,134	263,807	264,468
Bonds	17,911,774	17,693,862	2,604,237	2,559,555	33,267	58,129
Shares and other participations	466,580	534,841	91,616	92,359	227,468	206,339
Investment funds	1,895,718	2,030,998	46,364	44,220	3,072	0
Financial instruments recognised at fair value through profit and loss*	178,088	161,289	113,917	134,613	68,874	39,439
Bonds	106,218	80,713	95,620	112,607	18,492	14,209
Shares and other non-fixed interest securities	17,911	21,746	17,178	19,887	0	0
Investment funds	53,922	57,738	0	938	28,321	3,169
Derivatives	37	1,092	1,119	1,181	22,061	22,061
Investments for unit- and index-linked life insurance	8,742,169	9,061,073				

^{*}Including held for trading

The unrealised effect on the result (net profit or loss) from Level 3 financial instruments that are still in the portfolio and whose fair value is recognised in the income statement was EUR 44,000 during the reporting year (EUR -4,734,000).

Unobservable input factors

Asset class	Measurement methods	Unobservable input factors	Range
Real estate	Market value	Capitalisation rate	1.00%-7.00%
		Rental income	3,000 EUR-3,703,000 EUR
		Land prices	0 EUR-5,000 EUR
	Discounted Cash flow	Capitalisation rate	4.00%-9.75%
		Rental income	EUR 88,000-EUR 4,090,000

Sensitivities

With respect to the value of shares measured using a Level 3 method (multiples approach), the Group assumes that alternative inputs and alternative methods do not lead to significant changes in value.

Due to a lack of available data, no sensitivity analysis information can be provided for the other securities whose fair value in Level 3 has been determined by independent third parties.

The following sensitivities result from partial internal model calculations based on the solvency capital requirements:

sensitivities – real estate	Fair value
in EUR millions	
Fair value at 30.6.2018	2,524.34
Rental income -5%	2,431.51
Rental income +5%	2,620.24
Capitalisation rate -50bp	2,662.37
Capitalisation rate +50bp	2,407.43
Land prices -5%	2,494.99
Land prices +5%	2,555.95

Since real estate is measured at amortised cost in the VIG balance sheet, negative sensitivities would only affect the income statement if property value fell below book value. Other comprehensive income was therefore unaffected.

Carry-over of assets and liabilities/financial assets and liabilities

Development of financial instruments by Level	Financial instruments available for sale							
		30.6.2018			31.12.2017			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3		
in EUR '000								
Fair value at 31.12. of the previous year	20,259,701	2,696,134	264,468	18,943,142	2,650,989	257,117		
Exchange rate differences	-34,588	-4,648	-1,292	27,737	6,480	589		
Fair value at 1.1.	20,225,113	2,691,486	263,176	18,970,879	2,657,469	257,706		
Reclassification between securities categories	7,873	372	-7,377	-1,655	0	-9,021		
Reclassification to Level	29,410	21,200	1,087	14,168	108,277	30,475		
Reclassification from Level	-903	-28,553	-22,241	-115,421	-17,727	-19,772		
Additions	1,713,079	159,371	39,404	3,813,979	332,764	40,884		
Disposals	-1,375,774	-120,858	-10,809	-2,515,668	-404,569	-46,451		
Change in the scope of consolidation	0	0	-35	46,066	16	208		
Changes in value recognised in profit and loss	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Changes recognised directly in equity	-323,810	20,293	761	51,827	21,833	12,493		
Impairments	-916	-1,094	-159	-4,474	-1,929	-2,054		
Fair value at 30.6. or 31.12.	20,274,072	2,742,217	263,807	20,259,701	2,696,134	264,468		

Development of financial instruments	Financial instruments recognised at fair value through profit and loss*							
by Level	30.6.2018			31.12.2017				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3		
in EUR '000								
Fair value at 31.12. of the previous year	161,289	134,613	39,439	256,865	144,416	60,009		
Exchange rate differences	-3,640	-439	526	2,001	3,236	332		
Fair value at 1.1.	157,649	134,174	39,965	258,866	147,652	60,341		
Reclassification between securities categories	-7,739	1	6,053	-1,988	0	0		
Reclassification to Level	0	0	938	1,749	129	1,846		
Reclassification from Level	0	-938	0	-1,846	-1,749	-129		
Additions	155,339	4,327	8,274	140,490	31,087	2,801		
Disposals	-104,924	-26,856	-3,742	-239,726	-47,418	-14,078		
Changes in value recognised in profit and loss	-4,038	3,209	-813	3,744	4,912	-11,342		
Changes recognised directly in equity	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Fair value at 30.6. or 31.12.	196,287	113,917	50,675	161,289	134,613	39,439		

^{*}Including held for trading

Please refer to Note 10 "Financial result excluding at equity consolidated companies" on page 35 for information on the effects of changes in value recognised in profit and loss.

Development of financial instruments assigned to Level 3	Subordinated	Subordinated liabilities		
	30.6.2018	31.12.2017		
in EUR '000				
Fair value at 31.12. of the previous year	21,732	20,807		
Exchange rate differences	-398	1,202		
Fair value at 1.1.	21,334	22,009		
Reclassification to Level 3	0	0		
Reclassification from Level 3	0	0		
Changes in value recognised in profit and loss	-354	-277		
Changes recognised directly in equity		0		
Fair value at 30.6. or 31.12.	20,980	21,732		

16. NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

Employee statistics		30.6.2018			31.12.2017			
	Field staff	Field staff Office staff Gesamt		Field staff	Office staff	Gesamt		
Number								
Austria	2,802	2,293	5,095	2,806	2,335	5,141		
Czech Republic	3,153	1,832	4,985	3,071	1,824	4,895		
Slovakia	853	843	1,696	887	865	1,752		
Poland	740	1,087	1,827	763	813	1,576		
Romania	1,178	771	1,949	1,163	791	1,954		
Baltic states	584	625	1,209	629	656	1,285		
Hungary	36	426	462	35	433	468		
Bulgaria	288	591	879	289	578	867		
Turkey/Georgia	672	445	1,117	659	422	1,081		
Remaining CEE	3,229	1,444	4,673	3,300	1,441	4,741		
Other Markets	7	124	131	7	123	130		
Central Functions		1,225	1,225		1,169	1,169		
Total	13,542	11,706	25,248	13,609	11,450	25,059		

The specified employee figures are average values based on full-time equivalents.

The Central Functions segment includes 682 employees (31 December 2017: 682) in the non-profit societies.

17. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Related parties

Related parties are the affiliated companies, joint ventures and associated companies listed in Note 27 "Participations – Details" in the Annual Report published at the end of the year starting on page 214.

Information on relationships and transactions between fully consolidated companies is not included, as this interim report includes consolidated financial statements.

Wiener Städtische Versicherungsverein directly and indirectly holds around 71% of VIG's share capital and therefore controls VIG. Due to this control, Wiener Städtische Versicherungsverein is also a related company and its Managing Board and Supervisory Board members are related persons. VIG also defines all members of the managing boards and supervisory boards of all VIG insurance companies as related persons.

Members of the Managing Board and Supervisory Board did not receive any advances or loans and had no loans outstanding during the reporting periods.

There were also no guarantees outstanding for members of the Managing Board or Supervisory Board during the reporting periods.

Transactions with related companies

The Group charges Wiener Städtische Versicherungsverein for office space and provides other services (e.g. internal audit, Group accounting, provision of personnel) to Wiener Städtische Versicherungsverein under service agreements.

In addition, Wiener Städtische Versicherungsverein acts as the parent company of a tax group in accordance with §9 of the Austrian Corporate Income Tax Act (KStG).

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Open items with related companies	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000		
Loans	89,437	65,410
Associated companies	1,312	1,631
Subsidiaries not included in the consolidated financial statements	88,125	63,779
Receivables	269,017	251,423
Parent company	229,895	218,641
Associated companies	3,420	3,509
Subsidiaries not included in the consolidated financial statements	35,702	29,273
Liabilities	204,023	184,164
Parent company	186,465	164,126
Associated companies	2,369	2,148
Subsidiaries not included in the consolidated financial statements	15,189	17,890
Transactions with related companies	30.6.2018	31.12.2017
in EUR '000		
Loans	25,010	13,260
Associated companies	219	796
Subsidiaries not included in the consolidated financial statements	24,791	12,464
Receivables	40,197	75,108
Parent company	11,526	30,426
Associated companies	3,220	10,529
Subsidiaries not included in the consolidated financial statements	25,451	34,153

The transactions do not include changes in open items resulting from a change in the scope of consolidation.

Transactions with related persons

Liabilities

Parent company

Associated companies

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The amounts for related person transactions, open items and income statement items are insignificant.

18. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AFTER THE BALANCE SHEET DATE

Subsidiaries not included in the consolidated financial statements

Call and repayment of a hybrid capital bond

Vienna Insurance Group will call the hybrid capital bond (Bond 08/S1/T1) with ISIN AT0000A09SA8 effective 12 September 2018 for early repayment at its redemption amount of 100% of nominal value plus all accrued interest up to (but not including) the repayment date.

Additional disclosures in accordance with the Austrian Insurance Supervision Act (VAG)

GROUP EXPENSES FOR PROFIT-RELATED PREMIUM REFUNDS

The Group had EUR 124,520,000 in expenses for profit-related premium refunds incl. policy holder profit participation (30 June 2017: EUR 77,087,000).

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT BY BALANCE SHEET UNIT

	1.130.6.2018			1.130.6.2017				
	Property/ Casualty	Life	Health	Total	Property/ Casualty	Life	Health	Total
in EUR '000								
Operating result for direct business	196,075	216,675	19,864	432,614	178,864	163,818	21,704	364,386
Gross direct premiums written	2,995,348	1,777,867	252,060	5,025,275	2,811,794	1,823,885	236,359	4,872,038
Gross direct ¹	292,855	224,960	19,873	537,688	235,443	172,001	21,810	429,254
Underwriting result ²	226,775			226,775	169,374			169,374
Financial result ²	66,080			66,080	66,069			66,069
Direct reinsurance cessions	-96,780	-8,285	-9	-105,074	-56,579	-8,183	-106	-64,868
Operating result for indirect business	-42,912	1,303	44	-41,565	-45,421	1,144	40	-44,237
Gross indirect premiums written	114,617	10,322	50	124,989	91,649	8,702	50	100,401
Gross indirect	-6,827	1,659	44	-5,124	-31,206	2,084	40	-29,082
Indirect reinsurance cessions	-36,085	-356	0	-36,441	-14,215	-940	0	-15,155
Operating result for direct and indirect retention	153,163	217,978	19,908	391,049	133,443	164,962	21,744	320,149
Other non-underwriting income and expenses	-13,127	-20,551	-102	-33,780	-23,889	1,411	-41	-22,519
Expenses for profit related premium refunds	0	-124,520	0	-124,520	0	-77,087	0	-77,087
Result before taxes	140,036	72,907	19,806	232,749	109,554	89,286	21,703	220,543
Taxes	-15,610	-39,713	-3,739	-59,062	-31,939	-12,244	-4,113	-48,296
Result of the period	124,426	33,194	16,067	173,687	77,615	77,042	17,590	172,247

Includes commissions of EUR 639,420,000 (EUR 604,376,000) for direct insurance business

² A breakdown of the underwriting result was only performed for property and casualty insurance. Due to immateriality, investments were not transferred to the underwriting account in property and casualty insurance. Investment results were transferred in full to the underwriting account for the life insurance and health business.

GROSS PREMIUMS – WRITTEN BY BALANCE SHEET UNIT (INCL. CONSOLIDATION EFFECTS)

in EUR '000	1.130.6.2018	1.130.6.2017
Direct business	2,995,348	2,811,794
Casualty insurance	199,678	189,565
Health insurance	37,221	30,647
Motor own damage insurance (Casco)	605,392	555,282
Rail vehicle own-damage	1,432	1,421
Aircraft own-damage insurance	3,569	3,861
Sea, lake and river shipping own-damage insurance	6,247	5,658
Transport insurance	31,397	31,426
Fire and natural hazards insurance	589,231	578,220
Other property	282,540	267,432
Third party liability insurance for self-propelled land vehicles	773,438	716,850
Carrier insurance	9,018	9,160
Aircraft liability insurance	3,308	4,072
Sea, lake and river shipping liability insurance	1,615	1,618
General liability insurance	285,337	265,214
Credit insurance	2,510	2,779
Guarantee insurance	20,935	18,247
Insurance for miscellaneous financial losses	68,872	66,451
Legal expenses insurance	31,039	30,334
Assistance insurance, travel health insurance	42,569	33,557
Indirect business	114,617	91,649
Marine, aviation and transport insurance	6,054	5,276
Other insurance	96,964	76,635
Health insurance	11,599	9.738
Total	3,109,965	2,903,443
Life insurance	1.130.6.2018	1.130.6.2017
in EUR '000		
Regular premium – direct business	1,316,409	1,285,255
Single premium – direct business	461,458	538,630
Direct business	1,777,867	1,823,885
thereof policies with profit participation	763,885	786,549
thereof policies without profit participation	223,558	222,668
thereof unit-linked life insurance portfolio	774,706	797,504
thereof index-linked life insurance portfolio	15,718	17,164
Indirect business	10,322	8,702
	1,788,189	

GROSS PREMIUMS - WRITTEN BY COUNTRY AND BALANCE SHEET UNIT

Composition	1.130.6.2018	1.130.6.2017
in EUR '000		
Property and Casualty insurance	3,109,965	2,903,443
Austria	1,143,737	1,114,903
Czech Republic	544,123	507,216
Slovakia	202,831	192,965
Poland	319,914	260,759
Romania	219,048	201,024
Turkey	89,241	86,354
Central Functions	135,803	111,610
Other countries	455,268	428,612
Life insurance	1,788,189	1,832,587
Austria	787,593	814,211
Czech Republic	337,454	314,830
Slovakia	197,937	205,215
Poland	135,249	184,219
Hungary	63,602	62,017
Other countries	266,354	252,095
Health insurance	252,110	236,409
Austria	209,618	201,748
Georgia	17,219	17,758
Other countries	25,273	16,903
Total	5,150,264	4,972,439

OPERATING RESULT FOR DIRECT AND INDIRECT RETENTION BY COUNTRY AND BALANCE SHEET UNIT

	1.130.6.2018	1.1. - 30.6.2017
in EUR '000		
Property and Casualty insurance	153,163	133,443
Austria	69,206	54,421
Czech Republic	59,567	55,472
Slovakia	9,015	19,937
Poland	22,989	20,840
Romania	11,104	8,414
Turkey	1,972	7,417
Central Functions	-45,308	-70,861
Other countries	24,618	37,803
Life insurance	217,978	164,962
Austria	129,721	74,850
Czech Republic	48,910	52,489
Slovakia	12,130	14,299
Poland	10,745	8,358
Hungary	1,158	2,089
Other countries	15,314	12,877
Health insurance	19,908	21,744
Austria	20,027	21,773
Georgia	-441	105
Other countries	322	-134
Total	391,049	320,149

KEY FIGURES BY BALANCE SHEET UNIT

1.1.-30.6.2018

1.1.-30.6.2017

	Property/ Casualty	Life	Health	Total	Property/ Casualty	Life	Health	Total
in %								
Cost ratio	31.58	20.60	14.30	26.22	31.33	19.40	14.29	25.35
Claims ratio	64.75				65.61			
Combined Ratio	96.33				96.94			

Declaration by the Managing Board

We declare to the best of our knowledge that the consolidated interim financial statements prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards give a true and fair view of the Group's net assets, financial position and results of operations, the interim management report gives a true and fair view of the net assets, financial position and results of operations of the Group with regard to the most important events during the first six months of the financial year and their impact on the consolidated interim financial statements, of the principal risks and uncertainties for the remaining six months of the financial year and material related party transactions to be disclosed. The interim report was not fully audited or reviewed by an auditor.

Vienna, 7 August 2018

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Elisabeth Stadler: VIG Group management, strategic matters, general secretariat, asset management, treasury/capital market, subsidiaries department, European affairs, Group communication & marketing, sponsoring, bank cooperation, human resources management, Group development & strategy; Country responsibilities: Germany, Austria, Czech Republic

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Peter Thirring: Group external income reinsurance; Country responsibilities: Georgia, Liechtenstein, Slovakia, Turkey

The Managing Board as a whole is responsible for enterprise risk management, Group actuarial department, Group compliance, internal audit and investor relations.

General information

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