

S.N.G.N. ROMGAZ S.A.

**INDIVIDUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017
PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH**

**INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS
AS ADOPTED BY THE EUROPEAN UNION
AND
MINISTRY OF FINANCE ORDER 2844/2016**

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STATEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Note	Year ended December 31, 2017	Year ended December 31, 2016
		'000 RON	'000 RON
Revenue	3	4,585,189	3,411,868
Cost of commodities sold	5	(61,095)	(49,878)
Investment income	4	22,349	22,117
Other gains and losses	6	(120,335)	(468,218)
Changes in inventory of finished goods and work in progress		(186,651)	20,963
Raw materials and consumables used	5	(64,329)	(54,632)
Depreciation, amortization and impairment expenses	7	(548,869)	(311,012)
Employee benefit expense	8	(562,883)	(498,114)
Finance cost	9	(18,624)	(18,275)
Exploration expense	13	(137,083)	(253,348)
Other expenses	10	(1,090,647)	(881,923)
Other income	3	364,169	361,147
Profit before tax		2,181,191	1,280,695
Income tax expense	11	(326,443)	(256,116)
Profit for the year		1,854,748	1,024,579
Basic and diluted earnings per share		0.0048	0.0027
Total comprehensive income for the year		1,854,748	1,024,579

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STATEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Note	December 31, 2017 '000 RON	December 31, 2016 '000 RON
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	12	5,842,366	5,789,262
Other intangible assets	14	412,284	397,864
Investments in subsidiaries	24 a)	1,200	1,200
Investments in associates	24 b)	120	120
Deferred tax asset	11	1,464	-
Other financial investments	25	69,678	69,657
Total non-current assets		6,327,112	6,258,103
Current assets			
Inventories	15	389,515	575,983
Trade and other receivables	16 a)	816,086	828,610
Other financial assets	28	2,786,166	2,892,751
Other assets	16 b)	305,908	141,525
Cash and cash equivalents	27	227,165	280,526
Total current assets		4,524,840	4,719,395
Total assets		10,851,952	10,977,498
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Equity			
Share capital	17	385,422	385,422
Reserves	18	2,312,532	3,020,152
Retained earnings		6,612,922	6,270,587
Total equity		9,310,876	9,676,161
Non-current liabilities			
Retirement benefit obligation	19	119,482	119,986
Deferred tax liabilities	11	-	40,123
Provisions	19	280,601	194,048
Total non-current liabilities		400,083	354,157

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	<u>Note</u>	<u>December 31, 2017</u>	<u>December 31, 2016</u>
		'000 RON	'000 RON
Current liabilities			
Trade payables	20	606,109	569,941
Current tax liabilities		128,520	60,295
Deferred revenue		970	4,924
Provisions	19	76,290	50,437
Other liabilities	20	329,104	261,583
Total current liabilities		1,140,993	947,180
Total liabilities		1,541,076	1,301,337
Total equity and liabilities		10,851,952	10,977,498

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STATEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Share capital '000 RON	Legal reserve '000 RON	Other reserves (note 18) '000 RON	Retained earnings ^{**)} '000 RON	Total '000 RON
Balance as of January 1, 2017	385,422	77,084	2,943,068	6,270,587	9,676,161
Allocation to dividends *)	-	-	(747,719)	(1,472,314)	(2,220,033)
Allocation to other reserves, according to Shareholders' decision	-	-	16,309	(16,309)	-
Reinvested profit reserves (note 2)	-	-	23,790	(23,790)	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	1,854,748	1,854,748
Balance as of December 31, 2017	385,422	77,084	2,235,448	6,612,922	9,310,876
Balance as of January 1, 2016	385,422	77,084	2,504,769	6,724,947	9,692,222
Allocation to dividends *)	-	-	-	(1,040,640)	(1,040,640)
Transfers	-	-	19,102	(19,102)	-
Allocation to other reserves, according to Shareholders' decision	-	-	335,940	(335,940)	-
Reinvested profit reserves (note 2)	-	-	83,257	(83,257)	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	1,024,579	1,024,579
Balance as of December 31, 2016	385,422	77,084	2,943,068	6,270,587	9,676,161

*) In the year ended December 31, 2017, shareholders of the Company approved the allocation of RON 2,220,033 thousand to dividends (2016: RON 1,040,640 thousand), the dividend per share being RON 5.76 (2016: 2.70 RON /share). The dividend per share paid in 2017 includes an extra dividend of RON 3.36.

**) Retained earnings include the geological quota reserve set up in accordance with the provisions of Government Decision no. 168/1998 on the establishment of the expense quota for the development and modernization of oil and natural gas production, refining, transportation and oil distribution. Following the Company's transition to IFRS, the reserve was no longer set up, the reserve existing as of December 31, 2012 being included in retained earnings. The reserve is allocated based on the depreciation, respectively write-off of the assets financed using this source, based on decision of General Meeting of Shareholders. As of December 31, 2017 the geological quota reserve is of RON 1,781,845 thousand (December 31, 2016: RON 2,217,232 thousand).

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STATEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL CASH FLOW FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Year ended December 31, 2017	Year ended December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net profit	1,854,748	1,024,579
Adjustments for:		
Income tax expense (note 11)	326,443	256,116
Interest expense (note 9)	3	15
Unwinding of decommissioning provision (note 9, note 19)	18,621	18,260
Interest revenue (note 4)	(22,349)	(22,117)
Net loss on disposal of non-current assets (note 6)	72,668	108,057
Change in decommissioning provision recognized in profit or loss, other than unwinding (note 19)	11,693	(5,941)
Change in other provisions (note 19)	11,389	18,919
Net impairment of exploration assets (note 7, note 12, note 13, note 14)	(17,711)	(173,701)
Exploration projects written off (note 13)	137,083	253,348
Net impairment of property, plant and equipment and intangibles (note 7, note 12, note 14)	23,206	(43,228)
Depreciation and amortization (note 7)	543,374	527,941
Impairment of investment in associates (note 6, note 24 b)	(12,462)	43
Impairment of other financial investments (note 6, note 25)	(21)	(1,554)
Gain/Loss from disposal of investment in associates and other financial investments (note 6, note 24 b)	12,308	1,577
Net receivable write-offs and movement in allowances for trade receivables and other assets	38,575	354,321
Revenues from dismantling of assets	-	(1,287)
Net movement in write-down allowances for inventory (note 6, note 15)	8,147	5,714
Liabilities written off	(610)	-
Subsidies income	(150)	-
	3,004,955	2,321,062
Movements in working capital:		
(Increase)/Decrease in inventory	178,363	(21,646)
(Increase)/Decrease in trade and other receivables	(180,283)	(583,600)
Increase/(Decrease) in trade and other liabilities	105,983	337,707
Cash generated from operations	3,109,018	2,053,523
Interest paid	(3)	(15)
Income taxes paid	(309,956)	(309,125)
Net cash generated by operating activities	2,799,059	1,744,383

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	Year ended December 31, 2017	Year ended December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Cash flows from investing activities		
Payments to increase the investment in associates	(144)	-
(Increase)/Decrease in other financial assets	104,964	(720,480)
Interest received	20,908	25,178
Proceeds from sale of non-current assets	207	144
Sale of other financial investments	-	400
Acquisition of non-current assets	(478,404)	(296,511)
Acquisition of exploration assets	(280,659)	(172,178)
Proceeds from disposal of associates (note 24 b)	298	-
Net cash used in investing activities	(632,830)	(1,163,447)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Dividends paid	(2,220,003)	(1,040,762)
Subsidies received	413	-
Net cash used in financing activities	(2,219,590)	(1,040,762)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(53,361)	(459,826)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	280,526	740,352
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	227,165	280,526

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NOTES TO THE INDIVIDUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

1. BACKGROUND AND GENERAL BUSINESS

Information regarding S.N.G.N. Romgaz S.A. (the "Company"/"Romgaz")

S.N.G.N. Romgaz S.A. is a joint stock company, incorporated in accordance with the Romanian legislation.

The Company's headquarter is in Mediaș, 4 Constantin I. Moțaș Square, 551130, Sibiu County.

The Romanian State, through the Ministry of Energy, is the majority shareholder of S.N.G.N. Romgaz S.A. together with other legal and physical persons (note 17).

Romgaz has as main activity:

1. geological research for the discovery of natural gas, crude oil and condensed reserves;
2. operation, production and usage, including trading, of mineral resources;
3. natural gas production for:
 - ensuring the storage flow continuity;
 - technological consumption;
 - delivery in the transportation system.
4. underground storage of natural gas;
5. commissioning, interventions, capital repairs for wells equipping the deposits, as well as the natural gas resources extraction wells, for its own activity and for third parties;
6. electricity production and distribution.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Statement of compliance

The individual financial statements ("financial statements") of the Company have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union (EU) and Ministry of Finance Order 2844/2016 to approve accounting regulations in accordance with IFRS (MOF 2844/2016). For the purposes of the preparation of these financial statements, the functional currency of the Company is deemed to be the Romanian Leu (RON). IFRS as adopted by the EU differ in certain respects from IFRS as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), however, the differences have no material impact on the Company's financial statements for the periods presented.

The same accounting policies and methods of computation are used in these financial statements as compared with the most recent annual individual financial statements issued by the Company.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The principal accounting policies are set out below.

Accounting is kept in Romanian and in the national currency. Items included in these individual financial statements are denominated in Romanian lei. Unless otherwise stated, the amounts are presented in thousand lei (thousand RON).

The Company prepared individual financial statements, as its subsidiary S.N.G.N. ROMGAZ S.A. – Filiala de Îmagazinare Gaze Naturale Depogaz Ploiești S.R.L., registered at the Trade Register on August 21, 2015 had no activity until December 31, 2017.

These individual financial statements are prepared for general purposes, for users familiar with the IFRS as adopted by EU; these are not special purpose financial statements. Consequently, these individual financial statements must not be used as sole source of information by a potential investor or other users interested in a specific transaction.

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date, regardless of whether that price is directly observable or estimated using another valuation technique. In estimating the fair value of an asset or a liability, the Company takes into account the characteristics of the asset or liability if market participants would take those characteristics into account when pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date. Fair value for measurement and/or disclosure purposes in these individual financial statements is determined on such a basis, except for measurements that have some similarities to fair value but are not fair value, such as net realizable value in IAS 2 "Inventory" or value in use in IAS 36 "Impairment of assets".

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In addition, for financial reporting purposes, fair value measurements are categorized into Level 1, 2 or 3 based on the degree to which the inputs to the fair value measurements are observable and the significance to the Company of the inputs to the fair value measurement, which are described as follows:

- level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company can access at the measurement date;
- level 2 inputs are inputs, other than quoted prices included within Level 1, that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and
- level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

Associated entities

An associate is a company over which the Company exercises significant influence through participation in decision making on financial and operational policies of the entity invested in. Investments are recorded at cost less accumulated impairment.

Joint arrangements

A joint arrangement is an arrangement of which two or more parties have joint control. Joint control is the contractually agreed sharing of control of an arrangement, which exists only when decisions about the relevant activities require the unanimous consent of the parties sharing control.

A joint arrangement is either a joint operation or a joint venture.

A joint operation is a joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the arrangement have rights to the assets, and obligations for the liabilities, relating to the arrangement. Those parties are called joint operators.

A joint venture is a joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the arrangement have rights to the net assets of the arrangement. Those parties are called joint ventures.

Joint operations

The Company recognizes in relation to its interest in a joint operation:

- its assets, including its share of any assets held jointly;
- its liabilities, including its share of any liabilities incurred jointly;
- its revenue from the sale of its share of the output arising from the joint operation;
- its share of the revenue from the sale of the output by the joint operation; and
- its expenses, including its share of any expenses incurred jointly.

As joint operator, the Company accounts for the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses relating to its interest in a joint operation in accordance with the IFRSs applicable to the particular assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses.

If the Company participates in, but does not have joint control of, a joint operation it accounts for its interest in the arrangement in accordance with the paragraphs above if it has rights to the assets, and obligations for the liabilities, relating to the joint operation.

If the Company participates in, but does not have joint control of, a joint operation, does not have rights to the assets, and obligations for the liabilities, relating to that joint operation, it accounts for its interest in the joint operation in accordance with the IFRSs applicable to that interest.

Joint ventures

As a partner in a joint venture, in its financial statements, the Company recognizes its interest in a joint venture as investment, at cost, if it has joint control.

Standards and interpretations valid for the current period

The following standards and amendments or improvements to existing standards issued by the IASB and adopted by the EU have entered into force for the current period:

- Amendments to IAS 12 Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealized Losses (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017);
- Amendments to IAS 7 Disclosure Initiative (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017).

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The adoption of these amendments, interpretations or improvements to existing standards has not led to changes in the Company's accounting policies.

Standards and interpretations issued by IASB and adopted by the EU, but not yet effective

At the date of issue of the financial statements, the following standards were issued, but not yet effective:

- IFRS 9 Financial Instruments, adopted by EU on November 22, 2016 (effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018);
- IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers, including amendments to IFRS 15: Effective date of IFRS 15, issued by IASB and adopted by the EU on September 22, 2016 (effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018).
- IFRS 16 Leases (effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2019);
- Clarifications to IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers (effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018);
- Amendments to IFRS 4: Applying IFRS 9 "Financial Instruments" with IFRS 4 "Insurance Contracts" (effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018);
- Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2014–2016 Cycle (effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018).

Standards and interpretations issued by IASB but not yet adopted by the EU

At present, IFRS as adopted by the EU do not significantly differ from IFRS adopted by the IASB except from the following standards, amendments or improvements to the existing standards and interpretations, which were not endorsed for use in EU as at date of publication of financial statements:

- IFRS 17 Insurance Contracts (effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2021);
- Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28: Sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture (the effective date of the amendments has been deferred indefinitely);
- Amendments to IFRS 2 Classification and Measurement of Share-based Payment Transactions (effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018);
- IFRIC 22 Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration (effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018);
- Amendments to IAS 40 Transfers of Investment Property (effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018);
- IFRIC 23 Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments (effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2019);
- Amendments to IFRS 9 Prepayment Features with Negative Compensation (effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2019);
- Amendments to IAS 28 Long-term Interests in Associates and Joint Ventures (effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2019);
- Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2015–2017 Cycle (effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2019);
- Amendments to IAS 19: Plan amendment, Curtailment or Settlement (effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2019).

The Company is currently evaluating the effect that the adoption of these standards, amendments or improvements to the existing standards and interpretations will have on the financial statements of the Company in the period of initial application.

Revenue recognition

Revenues refer to goods sold (gas) and services supplied.

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognized when all of the following conditions are met:

- the Company has transferred to the buyer the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods;

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- the Company retains neither continuing managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership nor effective control over the goods sold;
- the amount of revenue can be measured reliably;
- it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the entity; and
- the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transaction can be measured reliably.

Revenue from rendering of services is based on the stage of completion as a percentage from total revenues from the service contract, the percentage being determined by the fraction between the performed services until the end of the reporting date and the total services to be performed.

Rental revenue is recognized on an accrual basis in accordance with the substance of the relevant agreements.

Interest income is recognized periodically and proportionally as the respective income is generated, on accrual basis.

Dividends are recognized as income when the legal right to receive them is established.

Foreign currencies

The functional currency is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Company operates and is the currency in which the Company primarily generates and expends cash. The Company operates in Romania and it has the Romanian Leu (RON) as its functional currency.

In preparing the financial statements of the Company, transactions in currencies other than the functional currency (foreign currencies) are recorded at the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. At each reporting date, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at the reporting date.

Exchange differences are recognized in the statement of comprehensive income in the period in which they arise.

Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not re-translated.

Employee benefits

Benefits granted upon retirement

In the normal course of business, the Company makes payments to the Romanian State on behalf of its employees at legal rates. All employees of the Company are members of the Romanian State pension plan. These costs are recognized in the statement of comprehensive income together with the related salary costs.

Based on the Collective Labor Agreement, the Company is liable to pay to its employees at retirement a number of gross salaries, according to the years worked in the gas industry/electrical industry, work conditions etc. To this purpose, the Company recorded a provision for benefits upon retirement. This provision is updated annually and computed according to actuary methods based on estimates of the average salary, the average number of salaries payable upon retirement, on the estimate of the period when they shall be paid and it is brought to present value using a discount factor based on interest related to a maximum degree of security investments (government securities).

As the benefits are paid, the provision is reduced together with the reversal of the allowance against income.

The Company does not operate any other pension scheme or post-retirement benefit plan and, consequently, has no obligation in respect of pensions.

Employee participation to profit

The Company records in its financial statements a provision related to the fund for employee participation to profit in compliance with legislation in force.

Liabilities related to the fund for employee participation to profit are settled in less than a year and are measured at the amounts estimated to be paid at the time of settlement.

Provisions

Provisions are recognized when the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, when it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate of the amount of the obligation can be made.

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Provisions for decommissioning of wells and restoration of land damaged by the activity of exploiting natural gas resources

Liabilities for decommissioning costs are recognized due to the Company's obligation to plug and abandon a well, dismantle and remove a facility or an item of plant and to restore the site on which it is located, and when a reliable estimate of that liability can be made.

The Company recorded a provision for decommissioning wells and restoring lands used in the activity of exploiting natural resources and returning them to the economic circuit.

This provision was computed based on the estimated future expenditure determined in accordance with local conditions and requirements and it was brought to present value using a discount factor based on the weighted average cost of capital. The weighted average cost of capital is updated annually.

A corresponding item of property, plant and equipment of an amount equivalent to the provision is also recognized. The item of property, plant and equipment is subsequently depreciated as part of the asset.

The Company applies IFRIC 1 "Changes in Existing Decommissioning, Restoration and Similar Liabilities" related to changes in existing decommissioning, restoration and similar liabilities.

The change in the decommissioning provision for wells is recorded as follows:

- a. subject to (b), changes in the liability are added to, or deducted from, the cost of the related asset in the current period;
- b. the amount deducted from the cost of the asset does not exceed its carrying amount. If a decrease in the liability exceeds the carrying amount of the asset, the excess is recognized immediately in the statement of comprehensive income;
- c. if the adjustment results in an addition to the cost of an asset, the Company considers whether this is an indication that the new carrying amount of the asset may not be fully recoverable. If it is such an indication, the Company tests the asset for impairment by estimating its recoverable amount, and accounts for any impairment loss.

Once the related asset has reached the end of its useful life, all subsequent changes of debt are recognized in the income statement in the period when they occur.

The periodical unwinding of the discount is recognized periodically in the comprehensive income as a finance cost, as it occurs.

Taxation

Income tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

Current tax

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from profit as reported in the statement of individual comprehensive income because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other periods and it further excludes items that are never taxable or deductible. The Company's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognized on the differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit, and is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method.

Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognized for all taxable temporary differences, and deferred tax assets are generally recognized for all deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which those deductible temporary differences can be utilized. Such assets and liabilities are not recognized if the temporary difference arises from goodwill or from the initial recognition (other than in a business combination) of other assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the taxable profit nor the accounting profit.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognized for taxable temporary differences associated with investments in associates and interests in joint ventures, except where the Company is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Deferred tax assets arising from deductible temporary differences associated with such investments and interests are only recognized to the extent that it is probable that there will be sufficient taxable profits against which to utilize the benefits of the temporary differences and they are expected to reverse in the foreseeable future.

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The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period in which the liability is settled or the asset realized, based on tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period. The measurement of deferred tax liabilities and assets reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Company expects, at the reporting date, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the Company intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

Current and deferred tax for the period

Current tax for the period is recognized as an expense in the statement of individual comprehensive income. Deferred tax for the period is recognized as an expense or income in the statement of individual comprehensive income, except when they relate to items credited or debited directly to equity, in which case the tax is also recognized directly in equity, or where it arises from the initial accounting for a business combination. In the case of a business combination, the tax effect is taken into account in calculating goodwill or in determining the excess of the acquirer's interest in the net fair value of the acquirer's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities over cost.

Property, plant and equipment**(1) Cost***(i) Property, plant and equipment*

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. The initial cost of an asset comprises its purchase price or construction cost, any costs directly attributable to bringing the asset into the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management and the initial estimate of any decommissioning obligation. The purchase price or construction cost is the aggregate amount paid and the fair value of any other consideration given to acquire the asset.

(ii) Development expenditure

Expenditure on the construction, installation and completion of infrastructure facilities such as platforms, pipelines and the drilling of development wells, including the commissioning of wells, is capitalized within property, plant and equipment and is depreciated from the commencement of production as described below in the property, plant and equipment accounting policies.

(iii) Maintenance and repairs

The Company does not recognize within the assets costs the current expenses and the accidental expenses for that asset. These costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

The cost for current maintenance are mainly labor costs and consumables and also small inventory items. The purpose of these expenses is usually described as "repairs and maintenance" for property, plant and equipment.

The expenses with major activities, inspections and repairs comprise the replacement of the assets or other asset's parts, the inspection cost and major overhauls. These expenses are capitalized if an asset or part of an asset, which was separately depreciated, is replaced and is probable that they will bring future economic benefits for the Company. If part of a replaced asset was not considered as a separate component and, as a result, was not separately depreciated, the replacement value will be used to estimate the net book value of the asset/(assets) which is/(are) replaced and is/(are) immediately written-off. The inspection costs associated with major overhauls are capitalized and depreciated over the period until next inspection.

The cost for major overhauls for wells are also capitalized and depreciated using the unit of production depreciation method.

All other costs with the current repairs and usual maintenance are recognized directly in expenses.

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(2) Depreciation

For directly productive tangible assets (natural gas resources extraction wells), the Company applies the depreciation method based on the unit of production in order to reflect in the statement of individual comprehensive income, an expense proportionate with income realized from sale of production obtained from the total natural gas reserve certified at the beginning of the period. According to this method, the value of each production well is depreciated according to the ratio of the natural gas quantity extracted during the period compared to the proved developed reserves at the beginning of the period.

For indirectly productive tangible assets, depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of assets, as follows:

<u>Asset</u>	<u>Years</u>
Specific buildings and constructions	10 - 50
Technical installations and machines	3 - 20
Other plant, tools and furniture	3 - 30

Land is not depreciated as it is considered to have an indefinite useful life.

Properties in the course of construction for production, rental or administrative purposes, or for purposes not yet determined, are carried at historical cost, less any recognized impairment loss. Depreciation of these assets, on the same basis as other property assets, commences when the assets are ready for their intended use.

Items of tangible fixed assets that are disposed of are eliminated from the statement of individual financial position along with the corresponding accumulated depreciation. Any gain or loss resulting from such retirement or disposal is included in the result of the period.

For items of tangible fixed assets that are retired from use, an impairment adjustment is recorded for the carrying value at the time of retirement.

Exploration and appraisal assets

(1) Cost

Natural gas exploration, appraisal and development expenditure is accounted for using the principles of the successful efforts method of accounting.

Costs directly associated with an exploration well are initially capitalized as an asset until the drilling of the well is complete and the results have been evaluated. These costs include employee remuneration, materials and fuel used, drilling costs and payments made to contractors. If potentially commercial quantities of hydrocarbons are not found, the exploration well is eliminated from the statement of individual financial position, by recording an impairment, until National Agency for Mineral Resources (Agentia Nationala pentru Resurse Minerale – ANRM) approvals are obtained in order to be written off. If hydrocarbons are found and, subject to further appraisal activity, are likely to be capable of commercial development, the costs continue to be carried as an asset. Costs directly associated with appraisal activity, undertaken to determine the size, characteristics and commercial potential of a reservoir following the initial discovery of hydrocarbons, including the costs of appraisal wells where hydrocarbons were not found, are initially capitalized as an asset. All such carried costs are subject to technical, commercial and management review at least once a year to confirm the continued intent to develop or otherwise extract value from the discovery. When this is no longer the case, an impairment is recorded for the assets, until the completion of the legal steps necessary for them to be written off. When proved reserves of natural gas are determined and development is approved by management, the relevant expenditure is transferred to property, plant and equipment other than exploration assets.

(2) Impairment

At each reporting date, the Company's management reviews its exploration assets and establishes the necessity for recording in the financial statements of an impairment loss in these situations:

- the period for which the Company has the right to explore in the specific area has expired during the period or will expire in the near future, and is not expected to be renewed;
- substantive expenditure on further exploration for and evaluation of gas resources in the specific area is neither budgeted nor planned;
- exploration for and evaluation of gas resources in the specific area have not led to the discovery of commercially viable quantities of gas resources and the Company has decided to discontinue such activities in the specific area;

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- sufficient data exist to indicate that, although a development in the specific area is likely to proceed, the carrying amount of the exploration and evaluation asset is unlikely to be recovered in full from successful development or by sale.

Other intangible assets

(1) Cost

Licenses for software, patents and other intangible assets are recognized at acquisition cost. Operation licenses issued by the Regulatory Authority for Energy (Autoritatea Nationala de Reglementare in domeniul Energiei – ANRE) are recognized at cost from the moment they are obtained by the Company.

Intangible assets are not revalued.

(2) Amortization

Patents and other intangible assets are amortized using the straight-line method over their useful life, but not exceeding 20 years. Licenses related to the right of use of computer software are amortized over a period of 3 years. Operation licenses are amortized over the period for which they were issued.

Inventories

Inventories are recorded initially at cost of production, or acquisition cost, depending on the case. The cost of finished goods and production in progress includes materials, labour, expense incurred for bringing the finished goods at the location and in the existent form and the related indirect production costs. Write down adjustments are booked against slow moving, damaged and obsolete inventory, when necessary.

At each reporting date, inventories are evaluated at the lower of cost and net realizable value. The net realizable value is estimated based on the selling price less any completion and selling expenses. The cost of inventories is assigned by using the weighted average cost formula.

Financial assets and liabilities

The Company's financial assets include cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables, other receivables, loans, bank deposits and bonds with a maturity from acquisition date of over three months and other investments. Financial liabilities include interest-bearing bank borrowings and overdrafts and trade and other payables. For each item, the accounting policies on recognition and measurement are disclosed in this note. Management believes that the estimated fair values of these instruments approximate their carrying amounts.

Financial assets are classified into the following categories: "held-to-maturity investments" and "loans and receivables". The classification depends on the nature and purpose of the financial assets and is determined at the time of initial recognition. All regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognized and derecognized on a trade date basis. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame established by regulation or convention in the marketplace.

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. Loans and receivables, including trade and other receivables, bank balances and cash and other receivables, are initially recognized at fair value, net of transaction costs. Subsequently these are recorded at amortized cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment. Any difference between the initial recognition and repayable amount is recognized in profit and loss over the period of the loan, using the effective interest rate method.

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments and fixed maturity dates that the Company has the positive intent and ability to hold to maturity. Subsequent to initial recognition, held-to-maturity investments are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method less any impairment.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortized cost of a debt instrument and of allocating interest income over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the debt instrument, or, where appropriate, a shorter period, to the net carrying amount on initial recognition.

Financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the issue of financial liabilities, other than financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss, are deducted from the fair value of financial liabilities on initial recognition.

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Financial instruments are classified as liabilities or equity in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangement. Interest, dividends, gains and losses relating to a financial instrument classified as a liability are reported as expense or income. Distributions to holders of financial instruments classified as equity are charged directly to equity. Financial instruments are offset when the Company has a legally enforceable right to offset and intends to settle either on a net basis or to realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

The classification of investment depends on the nature and purpose and is determined at the time of initial recognition.

Available for sale (AFS) financial assets

Financial assets available for sale are non-derivatives financial assets that are designated as available for sale or are not classified as loans and receivables, held-to-maturity investments or other financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss.

Shares held in unquoted equity instrument are classified as being AFS and are stated at fair value, where it can be measured. Gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are recognized directly in equity in the investments revaluation reserve with the exception of impairment losses, interest calculated using the effective interest method and foreign exchange gains and losses on monetary assets, which are recognized directly in profit or loss. Where the investment is disposed of or is determined to be impaired, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognized in the investments revaluation reserve is included in profit or loss for the period.

Dividends on AFS equity instruments are recognized in profit or loss when the Company's right to receive the dividends is established.

Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets, other than those at fair value through profit and loss, are assessed for indicators of impairment at each reporting period.

Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows of the investment have been impacted.

For unlisted shares classified as AFS, a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of the security below its cost is considered to be objective evidence of impairment.

For certain categories of financial assets, such as trade receivables, assets that are assessed not to be impaired individually are subsequently assessed for impairment on a collective basis. Objective evidence of impairment for a portfolio of receivables could include the Company's past experience of collecting payments, an increase in the number of delayed payments in the portfolio past the average credit period, as well as observable changes in national or local economic conditions that correlate with default on receivables.

The carrying amount of the financial asset, including trade receivables, is reduced through the use of an allowance account. When a trade receivable is considered uncollectible, after the Board of Directors' approval, it is written off, together with the reversal of the allowance against income. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited as income in the period when the cash is collected. Changes in the carrying amount of the allowance account are recognized in profit or loss.

De-recognition of financial assets and liabilities

The Company derecognizes a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another entity.

The Company derecognizes financial liabilities when, and only when, the Company's obligations are discharged, cancelled or they expire.

Reserves

Reserves include (note 18):

- legal reserves, which are used annually to transfer to reserves up to 5% of the statutory profit, but not more than 20% of the Company's statutory share capital;
- other reserves, which represent allocations from profit in accordance with Government Ordinance no. 64/2001, paragraph (g) for the Company's development fund;

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- reserves from reinvested profit, set up based on Emergency Ordinance no. 19/April 23, 2014 and Fiscal Code. The amount of profit that benefited from tax exemption under the above Ordinance less the legal reserve, is distributed at the end of the year by setting up the reserve;
- development quota reserve, non-distributable, set up until 2004. Development quota reserve set up after 2004 is distributable and presented in retained earnings. Development quota set up after 2004 is allocated with the approval of General Meeting of Shareholders, based on depreciation, respectively write-off of the assets financed using the development quota;
- other non-distributable reserves, set up from retained earnings representing translation differences recorded at transition to IFRS. These reserves are set up in accordance with MOF 2844/2016.

Subsidies

Subsidies are non-reimbursable financial resources granted to the Company with the condition of meeting certain criteria. In the category of subsidies are included grants related to assets and grants related to income.

Grants related to assets are government grants for whose primary condition is that the Company qualifying for them should purchase, construct, or otherwise acquire long-term assets.

Grants related to income are government grants other than those related to assets.

Subsidies are not recognized until there is reasonable assurance that:

- (a) The Company will comply with the conditions attaching to it; and
- (b) Subsidies will be received.

Grants related to assets are presented in the statement of financial position as "Deferred revenue", which is then recognized in profit or loss on a systematic basis over the useful life of the asset.

Grants related to income are recognized in the statement of profit or loss under "Other income", as the related expenses are recorded. Until the time of the expense, the grant received is recognized as "Deferred revenue".

Use of estimates

The preparation of the financial information requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the end of reporting date, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could vary from these estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimate is revised, if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

The following are the critical judgments that the management has made in the process of applying the Company's accounting policies, and that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognized in the financial statements.

Estimates related to the exploration expenditure on undeveloped fields

If field works prove that the geological structures are not exploitable from an economic point of view or that they do not have hydrocarbon resources available, an impairment is recorded. The impairment assessment is performed based on geological experts' technical expertise.

Estimates related to the developed proved reserves

The Company applies the depreciation method based on the unit of production in order to reflect in the income statement an expense proportionate with the income realized from sale of production obtained from the total natural gas reserve at the beginning of the period. According to this method, the value of each production well is depreciated according to the ratio of the natural gas quantity extracted during the period compared to the gas reserve at the beginning of the period. The gas reserves are updated annually according to internal assessments that are based on certifications of ANRM.

Estimates related to the decommissioning provision

Liabilities for decommissioning costs are recognized for the Company's obligation to plug and abandon a well, dismantle and remove a facility or an item of plant and to restore the site on which it is located, and when a reliable estimate of that liability can be made.

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This provision was computed based on the estimated future expenditure determined in accordance with local conditions and requirements and it was brought to present value using the weighted average capital cost.

Estimates related to the retirement benefit obligation

Under the Collective Labor Agreement, the Company is obliged to pay to its employees when they retire a multiplier of the gross salary, depending on the seniority within the gas industry/electricity industry, working conditions etc. This provision is updated annually and calculated based on actuarial methods to estimate the average wage, the average number of employees to pay at retirement, the estimate of the period when they will be paid and brought to present value using a discount factor based on interest on investments with the highest degree of safety (government bonds).

The Company does not operate any other pension plan or retirement benefits, and therefore has no other obligations relating to pensions.

Estimates regarding the environment provision

The Company records a provision for the restoration of land and for the redemption of the land to the agricultural circuit, based on management's estimate of the necessary costs to be incurred in order to restore the land to its original state. The estimate is based on previous experience.

Contingencies

By their nature, contingencies end only when one or more uncertain future events occur or not. In order to determine the existence and the potential value of a contingent element, is required to exercise the professional judgment and the use of estimates regarding the outcome of future events (note 31).

Comparative information

For each item of the statement of individual financial position, the statement of individual comprehensive income and, where is the case, for the statement of individual changes in equity and for the statement of individual cash flows, for comparative information purposes is presented the value of the corresponding item for the previous period ended, unless the changes are insignificant. In addition, the Company presents an additional statement of individual financial position at the beginning of the earliest period presented when there is a retrospective application of an accounting policy, a retrospective restatement, or a reclassification of items in the financial statements, which has a material impact on the Company.

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3. REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME

	Year ended December 31, 2017	Year ended December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Revenue from gas sold - domestic production	3,383,231	2,558,848
Revenue from gas sold - joint operations	129,196	108,543
Revenue from gas acquired for resale – import gas	29,280	10,885
Revenue from gas acquired for resale – domestic gas	22,020	9,332
Revenue from storage services-capacity reservation	422,180	278,909
Revenue from storage services-extraction	32,133	28,217
Revenue from storage services-injection	51,444	38,233
Revenue from electricity	464,170	336,349
Revenue from services	34,090	27,767
Revenue from sale of goods	10,216	7,661
Other revenues	7,229	7,124
Total revenue	4,585,189	3,411,868
Other operating income *)	364,169	361,147
Total revenue and other income	4,949,358	3,773,015

*) The tax inspection on excise for the period January 2010 – March 2013 was completed in 2017. The tax inspection report concluded that the Company did not owe excises for technological consumption. Based on this report, the Company recorded income of RON 244,385 thousand (included in RON 364,169 thousand), of which RON 130,470 thousand refers to the period April 2013 – November 2016, for which the Company filed corrective tax statements. By the date the financial statements are endorsed for issue, the Company recovered RON 113,915 thousand, by offsetting it with other tax liabilities in balance as of December 31, 2017. As for the amount of RON 130,470 thousand, the Company will be subject to a new tax inspection for the reimbursement to be granted. However, the management of Romgaz is of the opinion that the chances to be denied reimbursement are minimal, considering that legal provisions and method of computation of the excise have not changed over the period 2010 – 2016. 2016 financial statements included information on this tax inspection in note 31 (b) ii).

The amount of RON 361,147 thousand in 2016 included penalties charged to customers for late payment of RON 291,561 thousand.

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Year ended December 31, 2017	Year ended December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Interest income	22,349	22,117
Total	22,349	22,117

5. COST OF COMMODITIES SOLD, RAW MATERIALS AND CONSUMABLES

	Year ended December 31, 2017	Year ended December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Consumables used	61,032	51,087
Cost of gas acquired for resale, sold – import	27,732	10,173
Cost of gas acquired for resale, sold – domestic	22,184	8,124
Cost of electricity imbalance	10,219	30,158
Cost of other goods sold	961	1,423
Other consumables	3,296	3,545
Total	125,424	104,510

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6. OTHER GAINS AND LOSSES

	Year ended December 31, 2017	Year ended December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Forex gain	484	131
Forex loss	(1,794)	(191)
Net loss on disposal of non-current assets	(72,668)	(108,057)
Net loss on disposal of associates and other financial investments (note 24 b)	(12,308)	(1,577)
Net receivable allowances (note 16 c *)	(19,018)	(354,316)
Net impairment of associates and other financial investments (note 24 b, note 25)	12,483	1,511
Net write down allowances for inventory (note 15)	(8,147)	(5,714)
Losses from other debtors *)	(19,367)	(5)
Total	(120,335)	(468,218)

*) In April 2017, the Board of Directors approved the concession of rights and obligations under loan agreements concluded with associates Cybinka and Torzym for EUR 1 each. The loans and related interest, in amount of EUR 4,223 thousand, were fully written off. The impairment recorded was released to income, being included in the net receivable allowance above, of RON 19,018 thousand.

The amount of RON 354,316 thousand recorded in 2016 include an allowance of RON 332,180 thousand for one of the Company's largest clients, mainly due to penalties invoiced in 2016.

7. DEPRECIATION, AMORTIZATION AND IMPAIRMENT EXPENSES

	Year ended December 31, 2017	Year ended December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Depreciation	543,374	527,941
out of which:		
- depreciation of property, plant and equipment	535,127	516,208
- amortization of intangible assets	8,247	11,733
Net impairment of non-current assets (note 12, note 14 *)	5,495	(216,929)
Total depreciation, amortization and impairment	548,869	311,012

*) The net impairment income of RON 216,929 thousand recorded in 2016 include income from decrease of impairments of RON 396,731 thousand from which RON 346,153 thousand relate to net loss on disposal of non-current assets (RON 108,057 thousand – note 6) and exploration expenses (RON 253,348 thousand).

8. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT EXPENSE

	Year ended December 31, 2017	Year ended December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Wages and salaries*)	503,152	441,840
Social security charges	120,338	109,797
Meal tickets	16,278	12,242
Other benefits according to collective labor contract	22,121	20,033
Private pension payments	10,746	10,739
Private health insurance	6,727	-
Total employee benefit costs	679,362	594,651
Less, capitalised employee benefit costs	(116,479)	(96,537)
Total employee benefit expense	562,883	498,114

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*) The amount of RON 503,152 thousand recorded as wages and salaries for the year ended December 31, 2017 includes the employees' participation to profit of RON 23,061 thousand, granted based on shareholders' approval. 2017 wages and salaries, net of this amount, are RON 480,091 thousand. 2016 wages and salaries do not include employees' participation to profit.

9. FINANCE COSTS

	Year ended December 31, 2017	Year ended December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Interest expense	3	15
Unwinding of the decommissioning provision (note 19)	18,621	18,260
Total	18,624	18,275

10. OTHER EXPENSES

	Year ended December 31, 2017	Year ended December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Energy and water expenses	21,209	16,964
Expenses for capacity booking and gas transmission services	61,311	37,449
Expenses with other taxes and duties *)	688,873	604,243
(Net gain)/Net loss from provisions movement (note 19)	23,082	12,978
Other operating expenses	296,172	210,289
Total	1,090,647	881,923

*) In the year ended December 31, 2017, the major taxes and duties included in the amount of RON 688,873 thousand (year ended December 31, 2016: RON 604,243 thousand) are:

- RON 386,312 thousand, including amounts related to joint operations, represent windfall tax resulting from the deregulation of prices in the natural gas sector according to Government Ordinance no. 7/2013 with the subsequent amendments for the implementation of the windfall tax following the deregulation of prices in the natural gas sector (year ended December 31, 2016: RON 285,619 thousand);
- Starting 2017, the tax on special constructions is no longer in force. In the year ended December 31, 2016, the tax on special constructions was RON 70,916 thousand;
- RON 293,846 thousand, including amounts related to joint operations, represent royalty on gas production and storage activity (year ended December 31, 2016: RON 218,745 thousand).

11. INCOME TAX

	Year ended December 31, 2017	Year ended December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Current tax expense	368,031	278,582
Deferred income tax (income)/expense	(41,588)	(22,466)
Income tax expense	326,443	256,116

The tax rate used for the reconciliations below for the year ended December 31, 2017, respectively year ended December 31, 2016 is 16% payable by corporate entities in Romania on taxable profits.

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The total charge for the period can be reconciled to the accounting profit as follows:

	Year ended December 31, 2017	Year ended December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Accounting profit before tax	2,181,191	1,280,695
(Profit)/loss activities not subject to income tax	2,205	-
Accounting profit subject to income tax	2,183,396	1,280,695
Income tax expense calculated at 16%	349,343	204,911
Effect of income exempt of taxation	(54,142)	(71,067)
Effect of expenses that are not deductible in determining taxable profit	89,173	167,275
Effect of current income tax reduction, due to VAT split	(4,805)	-
Effect of tax incentive for reinvested profit	(3,806)	(13,321)
Effect of the benefit from tax credits, used to reduce current tax expense	10,442	4,183
Effect of deferred tax relating to the origination and reversal of temporary differences	(25,774)	3,091
Effect of the benefit from tax credits, used to reduce deferred tax expense	(33,988)	(38,956)
Income tax expense	326,443	256,116

Components of deferred tax (asset)/liability:

	Year ended December 31, 2017		Year ended December 31, 2016	
	Cumulative temporary differences	Deferred tax (asset)/ liability	Cumulative temporary differences	Deferred tax (asset)/ liability
	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON
Provisions	(460,329)	(73,653)	(355,508)	(56,881)
Property, plant and equipment	611,628	97,860	766,715	122,674
Receivables and other assets	(160,451)	(25,672)	(160,438)	(25,670)
Total	(9,152)	(1,465)	250,769	40,123
Charged to income		(41,588)		(22,466)

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12. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Land and land improvements '000 RON	Buildings '000 RON	Gas properties '000 RON	Plant, machinery and equipment '000 RON	Fixtures, fittings and office equipment '000 RON	Storage assets '000 RON	Tangible exploration assets '000 RON	Capital work in progress '000 RON	Total '000 RON
Cost									
As of January 1, 2017	106,991	881,566	5,772,824	893,944	94,404	1,676,928	416,874	659,927	10,503,458
Additions	1,429	1	83,470	-	144	-	231,309	497,754	814,107
Transfers	89	3,855	316,223	43,546	3,214	24,997	(74,562)	(317,362)	-
Disposals	(107)	(2,509)	(52,204)	(10,422)	(620)	(5,289)	(135,350)	(42,779)	(249,280)
As of December 31, 2017	108,402	882,913	6,120,313	927,068	97,142	1,696,636	438,271	797,540	11,068,285
Accumulated depreciation									
As of January 1, 2017	-	233,949	2,868,192	475,904	63,308	516,200	-	-	4,157,553
Charge *)	-	33,031	376,291	66,507	6,360	78,758	-	-	560,967
Transfers	-	-	759	-	-	(759)	-	-	-
Disposals	-	(1,177)	(12,253)	(9,519)	(563)	(3,838)	-	-	(27,350)
As of December 31, 2017	-	265,803	3,232,989	532,892	69,125	590,361	-	-	4,691,170
Impairment									
As of January 1, 2017	3,180	15,933	152,862	23,474	442	3,421	210,783	146,548	556,643
Charge	-	908	102,631	774	71	696	94,236	30,516	229,832
Transfers	-	-	24,814	-	-	-	(8,334)	(16,480)	-
Release	-	(610)	(56,217)	(875)	(127)	(1,965)	(139,336)	(52,396)	(251,726)
As of December 31, 2017	3,180	16,031	224,090	23,373	386	2,152	157,349	108,188	534,749
Carrying value									
As of January 1, 2017	103,811	631,684	2,751,770	394,566	30,654	1,157,307	206,091	513,379	5,789,262
As of December 31, 2017	105,222	601,079	2,663,234	370,803	27,631	1,104,123	280,922	689,352	5,842,366

*) The amounts include depreciation of tangible assets used in the production of other fixed assets, capitalized in their cost, amounting to RON 22,973 thousand

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	Land and land improvements	Buildings	Gas properties	Plant, machinery and equipment	Fixtures, fittings and office equipment	Storage assets	Tangible exploration assets	Capital work in progress	Total
Cost	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON
As of January 1, 2016	106,399	831,437	5,633,432	704,856	87,955	1,601,802	657,862	800,625	10,424,368
Additions	460	-	14,653	-	2	-	165,951	320,680	501,746
Transfers	100	50,765	248,834	202,693	8,882	80,231	(161,780)	(429,785)	-
Disposals	(28)	(636)	(124,095)	(13,605)	(2,435)	(5,105)	(245,159)	(31,595)	(422,656)
As of December 31, 2016	106,991	881,566	5,772,824	893,944	94,404	1,676,928	416,874	659,927	10,503,458
Accumulated depreciation									
As of January 1, 2016	-	201,906	2,530,752	431,088	59,106	436,982	-	-	3,659,834
Charge *)	-	32,239	370,748	56,304	6,552	84,015	-	-	549,858
Disposals	-	(196)	(33,308)	(11,488)	(2,350)	(4,797)	-	-	(52,139)
As of December 31, 2016	-	233,949	2,868,192	475,904	63,308	516,200	-	-	4,157,553
Impairment									
As of January 1, 2016	3,180	15,535	185,440	23,903	420	3,889	444,885	90,822	768,074
Charge	-	993	55,979	1,321	137	4,113	85,449	29,124	177,116
Release	-	(595)	(96,445)	(1,750)	(115)	(4,581)	(253,652)	(31,409)	(388,547)
Transfers	-	-	7,888	-	-	-	(65,899)	58,011	-
As of December 31, 2016	3,180	15,933	152,862	23,474	442	3,421	210,783	146,548	556,643
Carrying value									
As of January 1, 2016	103,219	613,996	2,917,240	249,865	28,429	1,160,931	212,977	709,803	5,996,460
As of December 31, 2016	103,811	631,684	2,781,770	394,866	30,654	1,157,307	206,091	513,379	5,789,262

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13. EXPLORATION AND APPRAISAL FOR NATURAL GAS RESOURCES

The following financial information represents the amounts included within the Company's totals relating to activity associated with the exploration for and appraisal of natural gas resources. All such activity is recorded within the Upstream segment.

	Year ended December 31, 2017	Year ended December 31, 2016
	<u>'000 RON</u>	<u>'000 RON</u>
Exploration expenditure written off (note 12, note 14)	137,083	253,348
Net movement in exploration assets' impairment (note 12, note 14) (net income)/net loss	(17,711)	(173,701)
Net cash used in exploration investing activities	(280,659)	(172,178)
	<u>December 31, 2017</u>	<u>December 31, 2016</u>
	<u>'000 RON</u>	<u>'000 RON</u>
Exploration assets (note 12, note 14)	664,577	589,364
Liabilities	(35,870)	(23,332)
Net assets	<u>648,707</u>	<u>566,032</u>

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14. OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Other intangible assets '000 RON	Licenses '000 RON	Intangible exploration assets - WIP '000 RON	Intangible work in progress - other '000 RON	Total '000 RON
Cost					
As of January 1, 2017	15,079	170,921	587,374	34	773,408
Additions	-	252	49,504	2,809	52,565
Transfers	-	2,792	-	(2,792)	-
Disposals	-	(5,384)	(1,733)	-	(7,117)
As of December 31, 2017	15,079	168,581	635,145	51	818,856
Accumulated amortization					
As of January 1, 2017	9,477	161,966	-	-	171,443
Charge	2,217	6,030	-	-	8,247
Disposals	-	(4,608)	-	-	(4,608)
As of December 31, 2017	11,694	163,388	-	-	175,082
Impairment					
As of January 1, 2017	-	-	204,101	-	204,101
Charge	-	-	29,143	-	29,143
Release	-	-	(1,754)	-	(1,754)
As of December 31, 2017	-	-	231,490	-	231,490
Carrying value					
As of January 1, 2017	5,602	8,955	383,273	34	397,864
As of December 31, 2017	3,385	5,193	403,655	51	412,284

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	Other intangible assets '000 RON	Licenses '000 RON	Intangible exploration assets - WIP '000 RON	Intangible work in progress - other '000 RON	Total '000 RON
Cost					
As of January 1, 2016	15,079	178,241	589,337	165	782,822
Additions	-	939	6,337	5,264	12,540
Transfers	-	5,395	-	(5,395)	-
Disposals	-	(13,654)	(8,300)*	-	(21,954)
As of December 31, 2016	15,079	170,921	587,374	34	773,408
Accumulated amortization					
As of January 1, 2016	7,260	166,104	-	-	173,364
Charge	2,217	9,516	-	-	11,733
Disposals	-	(13,654)	-	-	(13,654)
As of December 31, 2016	9,477	161,966	-	-	171,443
Impairment					
As of January 1, 2016	-	-	209,599	-	209,599
Charge	-	-	2,686	-	2,686
Release	-	-	(8,184)	-	(8,184)
As of December 31, 2016	-	-	204,101	-	204,101
Carrying value					
As of January 1, 2016	7,819	12,137	379,738	165	399,859
As of December 31, 2016	5,602	8,955	383,273	34	397,864

*) In the amount of RON 8,300 thousand representing disposals of exploration assets during the year, the amount of RON 8,189 thousand relates to exploration projects written off (exploration expense).

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15. INVENTORIES

	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Spare parts and materials	149,728	157,879
Work in progress	373	335
Finished goods (gas)	212,057	353,731
Residual products	85	123
Inventories at third parties	66,971	95,758
Goods for resale (gas)	471	171
Other inventories	81	90
Write-down allowance for spare parts and materials	(35,038)	(29,183)
Write-down allowance for residual products	(44)	(44)
Write-down allowance for inventories at third parties	(5,169)	(2,877)
Total	389,515	575,983

16. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

a) Trade and other receivables

	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Trade receivables	1,518,568	1,322,274
Bad debt allowances (note 16 c)	(1,198,247)	(1,192,029)
Accrued receivables	495,765	698,365
Total	816,086	828,610

b) Other assets

	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Advances paid to suppliers	20,891	2,061
Joint operation receivables	3,951	4,838
Other receivables *)	59,992	27,225
Bad debt allowance for other receivables (note 16 c) *)	(51,302)	(19,192)
Other debtors	46,248	65,097
Bad debt allowances for other debtors (note 16 c)	(42,889)	(62,009)
Prepayments	5,298	101,550
VAT not yet due	19,255	21,955
Other taxes receivable (note 3)	244,464	-
Total	305,908	141,525

*) (i) During May 13, 2014 – September 30, 2014 the National Agency for Tax Administration (Agentia Nationala de Administrare Fiscala - ANAF) ran a tax investigation at Romgaz regarding the tax statements and/or operations relevant for the investigation as well as the organization and management of tax and accounting evidence. The period under control was 2008 – 2013 for income tax and 2009 – 2013 for VAT.

Following the tax inspection, an additional liability was established for Romgaz of RON 22,440 thousand, representing income tax, VAT, penalties and related interest. Of the total amount, Romgaz paid RON 2,389 thousand. For the remaining amount of RON 20,051 thousand, Romgaz performed a legal assessment which concluded that the additional tax, penalties and interest are not correct. Romgaz filed an appeal to the Ministry of Public Finance. The appeal was partially rejected for the amount of RON 15,872 thousand.

For RON 4,179 thousand a new fiscal control was ordered, which resulted in a tax burden of RON 2,981 thousand. The appeal filed to ANAF was rejected.

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In 2015, Romgaz sued the Ministry of Finance to cancel the above mentioned administrative acts, including the partial cancellation of the decision issued for the appeal.

The payment made in 2016 generated additional penalties of RON 13,697 thousand, also paid. Considering the disagreement regarding the conclusions of the tax control, the Company recorded a receivable and an allowance.

The total receivable impaired in connection with this control is RON 32,550 thousand.

(ii) During the period December 2016 - April 2017 ANAF resumed the tax inspection on VAT for the period December 2010 – June 2011 and on income tax for the period January 2010 – December 2011, regarding the discounts granted by Romgaz to interruptible clients for deliveries during 2010 - 2011. This status was attributed to companies by Transgaz, the Romanian natural gas transmission operator. Following the tax inspection, additional tax obligations of RON 15,284 thousand were determined, and also penalties and late payment charges in amount of RON 3,129 thousand. The tax decision and the tax inspection report were appealed to ANAF. Romgaz paid the additional tax obligation and the late payment charges and based on the appeal, the Company recorded a receivable for which it recorded an allowance.

The total receivable impaired in connection with this control is RON 18,413 thousand.

c) Changes in the allowance for trade and other receivables and other assets

	2017	2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
At January 1	<u>1,273,230</u>	<u>918,845</u>
Charge (note 6)	38,451	366,705
Forex	190	69
Release (note 6)	<u>(19,433)</u>	<u>(12,389)</u>
At December 31	<u>1,292,438</u>	<u>1,273,230</u>

As of December 31, 2017, the Company recorded allowances for doubtful debts, of which Interagro RON 275,961 thousand (December 31, 2016: RON 275,961 thousand), GHCL Upsom of RON 60,371 thousand (December 31, 2016: RON 60,371 thousand), CET Iasi of RON 46,271 thousand (December 31, 2016: RON 46,271 thousand), Electrocentrale Galati with RON 217,585 thousand (December 31, 2016: RON 211,370 thousand), Electrocentrale Bucuresti with RON 570,274 thousand (December 31, 2016: RON 570,274 thousand) and G-ON EUROGAZ of RON 14,848 thousand (December 31, 2016: RON 14,848 thousand), due to existing financial conditions of these clients as well as ongoing litigating cases related to these receivables or exceeding payment terms.

	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Current receivables not impaired	295,017	113,050
Overdue receivables but not impaired		
less than 30 days overdue	8,692	17,070
30 to 90 days overdue	88	65
90 to 360 days overdue	<u>16,524</u>	<u>60</u>
Total overdue receivables but not impaired	<u>25,304</u>	<u>17,195</u>
Total trade receivables	<u>320,321</u>	<u>130,245</u>

17. SHARE CAPITAL

	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
385,422,400 fully paid ordinary shares	<u>385,422</u>	<u>385,422</u>
Total	<u>385,422</u>	<u>385,422</u>

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The shareholding structure as at December 31, 2017 is as follows:

	<u>No. of shares</u>	<u>Value</u> <u>'000 RON</u>	<u>Percentage (%)</u>
The Romanian State through the Ministry of Energy	269,823,080	269,823	70.01
Legal persons	96,797,982	96,798	25.11
Physical persons	<u>18,801,338</u>	<u>18,801</u>	<u>4.88</u>
Total	<u>385,422,400</u>	<u>385,422</u>	<u>100</u>

All shares are ordinary and were subscribed and fully paid as at December 31, 2017. All shares carry equal voting rights and have a nominal value of RON 1/share (December 31, 2016: RON 1/share).

18. RESERVES

	<u>December 31, 2017</u> <u>'000 RON</u>	<u>December 31, 2016</u> <u>'000 RON</u>
Legal reserves	77,084	77,084
Other reserves, of which:	<u>2,235,448</u>	<u>2,943,068</u>
- Company's development fund	1,559,772	2,291,182
- Reinvested profit	169,563	145,773
- Geological quota set up until 2004	486,388	486,388
- Other reserves	<u>19,725</u>	<u>19,725</u>
Total	<u>2,312,532</u>	<u>3,020,152</u>

19. PROVISIONS

	<u>December 31, 2017</u> <u>'000 RON</u>	<u>December 31, 2016</u> <u>'000 RON</u>
Decommissioning provision	280,601	194,048
Retirement benefit obligation	<u>119,482</u>	<u>119,986</u>
Total long term provisions	<u>400,083</u>	<u>314,034</u>
Decommissioning provision	30,483	16,523
Provisions for land restoration	16,043	8,963
Litigation provision	79	-
Other provisions *)	<u>29,685</u>	<u>24,951</u>
Total short term provisions	<u>76,290</u>	<u>50,437</u>
Total provisions	<u>476,373</u>	<u>364,471</u>

*) On December 31, 2017, other provisions of RON 29,685 thousand include the provision for employee's participation to profit of RON 23,725 thousand (December 31, 2016: RON 23,061 thousand).

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Decommissioning provision

Decommissioning provision movement	2017	2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
At January 1	210,571	197,612
Additional provision recorded against non-current assets	83,290	14,444
Unwinding effect (note 9)	18,621	18,260
Recorded in profit or loss	11,693	(5,941)
Change recorded against non-current assets	(13,091)	(13,804)
At December 31	311,084	210,571

The Company makes full provision for the future cost of decommissioning natural gas wells on a discounted basis upon installation. The provision for the costs of decommissioning these wells at the end of their economic lives has been estimated using existing technology, at current prices or future assumptions, depending on the expected timing of the activity, and discounted using a weighted average cost of capital of 9.1% (year ended December 31, 2016: 8.9%). While the provision is based on the best estimate of future costs and the economic lives of the wells, there is uncertainty regarding both the amount and timing of these costs.

Other provisions

	Litigation provision '000 RON	Retirement benefit obligations '000 RON	Other provisions '000 RON	Land restoration provision '000 RON	Total '000 RON
At January 1, 2017	-	119,986	24,951	8,963	153,900
Additional provision in the period	79	6,653	43,933	16,043	66,708
Provisions used in the period	-	(7,157)	(24,235)	(2,368)	(33,760)
Unused amounts during the period, reversed	-	-	(14,964)	(6,595)	(21,559)
At December 31, 2017	79	119,482	29,685	16,043	165,289
	Litigation provision '000 RON	Retirement benefit obligations '000 RON	Other provisions '000 RON	Land restoration provision '000 RON	Total '000 RON
At January 1, 2016	15,951	102,959	1,818	14,253	134,981
Additional provision in the period	39	22,593	25,863	8,963	57,458
Provisions used in the period	(15,990)	(5,566)	(1,762)	(3,313)	(26,631)
Unused amounts during the period, reversed	-	-	(968)	(10,940)	(11,908)
At December 31, 2016	-	119,986	24,951	8,963	153,900

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20. TRADE AND OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES

	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Accruals	61,998	29,067
Trade payables	45,621	43,906
Payables to fixed assets suppliers	112,782	32,916
Advances from customers	385,708	464,052
Total trade payables	606,109	569,941
Payables related to employees	36,368	46,296
Royalties	85,521	62,430
Social security taxes	23,927	14,438
Other current liabilities	32,090	35,931
Joint operations payables	3,800	3,904
VAT	95,959	61,788
Dividends payable	804	1,384
Windfall tax	50,190	34,068
Other taxes	445	1,344
Total other liabilities	329,104	261,583
Total trade and other liabilities	935,213	831,524

21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Financial risk factors

The Company's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including currency risk, inflation risk, interest rate risk), credit risk, liquidity risk. The Company's overall risk management program focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimize potential adverse effects on the Company's financial performance within certain limits. However, the use of this approach does not prevent losses outside of these limits in the event of more significant market movements. The Company does not use derivative financial instruments to hedge certain risk exposures.

(a) Market risk

(i) Foreign exchange risk

The Company is exposed to currency risk as a result of exposure to various currencies. Foreign exchange risk arises from future commercial transactions and recognized assets and liabilities.

As at December 31, 2017, the official exchange rates were RON 3.8915 to USD 1 and RON 4.6597 to EUR 1 and (December 31, 2016: RON 4.3033 to USD 1 and RON 4.5411 to EUR 1).

	EUR	GBP	USD	RON	
	1 EUR = 4.6597	1 GBP = 5.2530	1 USD = 3.8915	1 RON	Total
December 31, 2017	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON
Financial assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	450	-	9	226,706	227,165
Other financial investments	-	-	-	2,786,166	2,786,166
Trade and other receivables	-	-	-	816,086	816,086
Total financial assets	450	-	9	3,828,958	3,829,417
Financial liabilities					
Trade payables and other payables	(63,366)	(7)	(17,797)	(139,231)	(220,401)
Total financial liabilities	(63,366)	(7)	(17,797)	(139,231)	(220,401)
Net	(62,916)	(7)	(17,788)	3,689,727	3,609,016

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	EUR	GBP	USD	RON	
December 31, 2016	1 EUR = 4.5411	1 GBP = 5.2961	1 USD = 4.3033	1 RON	Total
	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON
Financial assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	44	-	4	280,478	280,526
Other financial investments	-	-	-	2,892,751	2,892,751
Trade and other receivables	-	-	-	828,610	828,610
Total financial assets	44	-	4	4,001,839	4,001,887
Financial liabilities					
Trade payables and other payables	(1,666)	(9)	(120)	(104,094)	(105,889)
Total financial liabilities	(1,666)	(9)	(120)	(104,094)	(105,889)
Net	(1,622)	(9)	(116)	3,897,745	3,895,998

The Company is mainly exposed to currency risk generated by EUR and USD against RON. The table below details the sensitivity of the Company to a 5% increase/decrease in the EUR and USD exchange rate against the RON. The 5% rate is the rate used in internal reports to management on foreign currency risk and represents management's assessment of reasonable changes in the exchange rate. Sensitivity analysis includes only monetary items denominated in foreign currency in the balance sheet, and considers the transfer at the end of the period to a modified rate of 5%.

	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
RON weakening - loss	4,035	87

(ii) *Inflation risk*

The official inflation rate in Romania, during the year ended December 31, 2017 was under 10% as provided by the National Commission for Statistics of Romania. The cumulative inflation rate for the last 3 years was under 100%. This factor, among others, led to the conclusion that Romania is not a hyperinflationary economy.

(iii) *Interest rate risk*

The Company is not exposed to interest rate risk.

Bank deposits and treasury bills bear a fixed interest rate.

(b) *Credit risk*

Financial assets, which potentially subject the Company to credit risk, consist principally of trade receivables and loans. The Company has policies in place to ensure that sales are made to customers with low credit risk. Also, sales have to be secured, either through advance payments, either through bank letters of guarantee. The carrying amount of accounts receivable, net of bad debt allowances, represent the maximum amount exposed to credit risk. The Company has a concentration of credit risk in respect of its top 4 clients, which together amount to 91.25% of net trade receivable balance at December 31, 2017 (top 4 clients: 70% as of December 31, 2016). Although collection of receivables could be influenced by economic factors, management believes that there is no significant risk of loss to the Company beyond the bad debt allowance already recorded.

(c) *Capital risk management*

The Company's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain an optimal capital structure to minimize the cost of capital.

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In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may adjust the dividend policy, issue new shares or sell assets to reduce debt.

The Company's policy is to only resort to borrowing if investment needs cannot be financed internally.

(d) Fair value estimation

Carrying amount of financial assets and liabilities is assumed to approximate their fair values.

Financial instruments in the balance sheet include trade receivables and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents, other financial assets, short-term loans and borrowings and trade and other payables. The estimated fair values of these instruments approximate their carrying amounts. The carrying amounts represent the Company's maximum exposure to credit risk for existing receivables.

The shares held in available for sale financial investments are not listed in an active market and their fair value cannot be reliably measured, therefore they are measured at cost. At each period end, the Company makes an assessment to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. As of December 31, 2017 the Company did not identify any indication of impairment of other financial investments, except for the impairment already recorded.

e) Maturity analysis for non-derivative financial assets and financial liabilities

December 31, 2017	Due in less than a month	Due in 1-3 months	Due in 3 months to 1 year	Due in 1-5 years	Due in over 5 years	Total
	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON
Trade receivables	195,137	125,142	42	-	-	320,321
Bank deposits	349,174	577,171	1,459,639	-	-	2,385,984
Treasury bonds	55,540	230,710	109,550	-	-	395,800
Total	599,851	933,023	1,569,231	-	-	3,102,105
Trade payables	(149,614)	(8,727)	(62)	-	-	(158,403)
Total	(149,614)	(8,727)	(62)	-	-	(158,403)
Net	450,237	924,296	1,569,169	-	-	2,943,702
December 31, 2016	Due in less than a month	Due in 1-3 months	Due in 3 months to 1 year	Due in 1-5 years	Due in over 5 years	Total
	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON
Trade receivables	129,264	935	46	-	-	130,245
Bank deposits	399,200	761,500	749,680	-	-	1,910,380
Treasury bonds	100,530	105,220	774,070	-	-	979,820
Total	628,994	867,655	1,523,796	-	-	3,020,445
Trade payables	(61,862)	(14,894)	(66)	-	-	(76,822)
Total	(61,862)	(14,894)	(66)	-	-	(76,822)
Net	567,132	852,761	1,523,730	-	-	2,943,623

f) Liquidity risk management

Ultimate responsibility for liquidity risk management rests with the Company's management, which has established an appropriate liquidity risk management framework for the management of the Company's short, medium and long-term funding and liquidity management requirements. The Company manages liquidity risk by maintaining adequate reserves, by continuously monitoring forecast and current cash flows and by matching the maturity profiles of financial assets and liabilities.

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22. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES

(i) Sales of goods and services

	Year ended Dec 31, 2017	Year ended Dec 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Romgaz's associates	22,925	19,284
Total	22,925	19,284

Most of the Company's clients are companies in which the Romanian State has control or continues to have a significant influence after their privatization, given the strategic importance of the industry in which both the Company and its clients operate. In the year ended December 31, 2017, respectively, December 31, 2016, the Company conducted transactions with these companies only in the normal course of business. These transactions are done on the basis of standard contractual relationships.

ii) Trade receivables

	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Romgaz's associates	111	827
Total	111	827

23. INFORMATION REGARDING THE MEMBERS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE, MANAGEMENT AND SUPERVISORY BODIES

The remuneration of executives and directors

The Company has no contractual obligations on pensions to former executives and directors of the Company.

During the years ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, no loans and advances were granted to executives and directors of the Company, except for work related travel advances, and they do not owe any amounts to the Company from such advances.

	Year ended Dec 31, 2017	Year ended Dec 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Salaries paid to directors (gross)	14,601	12,057
of which, bonuses (gross)	2,767	1,496
Remuneration paid to administrators (gross)	1,237	1,229
of which, variable component (gross)	568	798
	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Salaries payable to directors	910	353
Salaries payable to administrators	58	36

Beside the amounts mentioned above, for the remuneration related to directors on mandate contract and members of the Board of Directors, the Company set up a provision as December 31, 2017 of RON 546 thousand (December 31, 2016: RON 1,891 thousand), presented in note 19 as Other provisions.

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24. INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARIES AND ASSOCIATES

a) Investment in subsidiaries

Given the Company's legal obligation to separate the natural gas storage activity from the production and supply of natural gas activity, under Directive 2009/73/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of July 13, 2009 and the provisions of art. 141, paragraph (1) of Law 123/2012, the shareholders decided at the end of 2014 to establish a subsidiary for the natural gas underground storage activity.

In August 2015 the subsidiary S.N.G.N. Romgaz S.A. – Filiala de Înmagazinare Gaze Naturale Depogaz Ploiești S.R.L., 100% owned by the Company, was registered at the Trade Register. The share capital of the subsidiary is RON 1,200 thousand, divided into 120,000 shares with a nominal value of RON 10/share.

At the date the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2017 are endorsed for issue, the storage activity is being further carried out by the Company.

The Regulatory Authority for Energy (Autoritatea Nationala de Reglementare in Domeniul Energiei – ANRE), by Presidential decision no. 2588/December 30, 2015, had changed license no. 1942 regarding the operation of the underground gas storage facilities granted to Romgaz by ANRE presidential decision no. 151/January 22, 2014 in the sense of changing the license holder with S.N.G.N Romgaz S.A. – Filiala de Înmagazinare Gaze Naturale Depogaz Ploiești S.R.L. The modified license was granted starting April 1, 2016 to September 13, 2016. Through ANRE decisions no. 446 issued on March 23, 2016 and 474 issued on March 30, 2017, the effective date of the license was postponed until April 1, 2018. In 2017 the activity of the subsidiary was suspended, being reactivated on February 14, 2018.

The Company did not prepare consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2017 given the fact that the subsidiary is dormant and did not carry out any activity since incorporation.

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24. INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARIES AND ASSOCIATES

b) Investment in associates

Name of associate	Main activity	Place of incorporation and operation	Proportion of ownership interest and voting power held (%)	
			December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016
SC Amgaz SA Medias *)	Gas production	Romania	-	35
SC Depomures SA Tg Mures	Storage of natural gas	Romania	40	40
Energia Torzym	Gas production	Poland	-	-
Energia Cybinka	Gas production	Poland	-	-
SC Agri LNG Project Company SRL	Feasibility projects	Romania	25	25

Name of associate	Cost as of December 31, 2017	Impairment as of December 31, 2017	Carrying value as of December 31, 2017	Cost as of December 31, 2016	Impairment as of December 31, 2016	Carrying value as of December 31, 2016
SC Amgaz SA Medias *)	-	-	-	9,214	(9,214)	-
SC Depomures SA Tg Mures	120	-	120	120	-	120
Energia Torzym	-	-	-	1,750	(1,750)	-
Energia Cybinka	-	-	-	1,642	(1,642)	-
SC Agri LNG Project Company SRL	977	(977)	-	833	(833)	-
Total	1,097	(977)	120	13,559	(13,439)	120

*) In 2017 the Company collected the amount of RON 298 thousand, representing the share of assets resulting from the liquidation of SC Amgaz SA

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25. OTHER FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS

Company	Principal activity	Place of incorporation and operation	Proportion of ownership interest and voting power held (%)			
			December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016		
Electrocentrale București S.A.	Electricity and thermal power producer	Romania	2.49	2.49		
Patria Bank S.A.*)	Other activities – financial intermediations	Romania	0.05	0.05		
Mil Petrogas Services S.A.	Services related to oil and natural gas extraction, excluding prospectors	Romania	10	10		
GHCL Upsom Pan Atlantic and Lukoil association (note 32)	Manufacture of other chemical anorganic base products	Romania	4.21	4.21		
	Petroleum exploration operations	Romania	10	10		
Company	Cost as of December 31, 2017	Impairment as of December 31, 2017	Carrying value as of December 31, 2017	Cost as of December 31, 2016	Impairment as of December 31, 2016	Carrying value as of December 31, 2016
	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON
Electrocentrale București S.A.	64,310	-	64,310	64,310	-	64,310
Patria Bank S.A.*)	840	(759)	81	840	(780)	60
Mil Petrogas Services S.A.	60	-	60	60	-	60
GHCL Upsom Pan Atlantic and Lukoil association	17,100	(17,100)	-	17,100	(17,100)	-
	10,454	(5,227)	5,227	10,454	(5,227)	5,227
Total	92,764	(23,086)	69,678	92,764	(23,107)	69,657

*) In 2016, the Company's shareholders decided to withdraw from the bank's shareholding, as a result of the merger process involving Patria Bank. At December 31, 2017 the withdrawal from the bank's shareholding was not completed.

The shares held in the share capital of the companies above are not quoted in an active market and their fair value cannot be reliably measured, therefore they are measured at cost. At each period end, the Company makes an assessment to determine whether there are any indications of impairment. As of December 31, 2017 the Company did not identify any indication of impairment of other financial investments, other than adjustments already recorded.

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26. SEGMENT INFORMATION

a) Products and services from which reportable segments derive their revenues

The information reported to the chief operating decision maker for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance focuses on the upstream segment, storage services, electricity production and distribution, and others, including headquarter activities. The Directors of the Company have chosen to organize the Company around differences in activities performed.

Specifically, the Company is organized in the following segments:

- upstream, which includes exploration activities, natural gas production and trade of gas extracted by Romgaz or acquired from domestic production or import, for resale; these activities are performed by Medias, Mures and Bratislava branches;
- storage activities, performed by Ploiesti branch;
- electricity production and distribution activities, performed by Iernut branch;
- other activities, such as technological transport, operations on wells and corporate activities.

Except for Bratislava branch, all operations are in Romania. As of December 31, 2017, in Bratislava branch are recorded exploration assets in amount of RON 20,846 thousand (December 31, 2016: RON 19,962 thousand).

b) Segment assets and liabilities

December 31, 2017	Upstream '000 RON	Storage '000 RON	Electricity '000 RON	Other '000 RON	Total '000 RON
Property, plant and equipment	3,775,092	1,487,124	265,757	314,393	5,842,366
Other intangible assets	410,249	658	9	1,368	412,284
Investments in subsidiaries	-	-	-	1,200	1,200
Investments in associates	-	-	-	120	120
Other financial investments	-	-	-	69,678	69,678
Other financial assets	12	54	1,705	2,784,395	2,786,166
Deferred tax asset	-	-	-	1,464	1,464
Inventories	334,504	34,173	3,608	17,230	389,515
Trade and other receivables	761,722	30,230	23,593	541	816,086
Other assets	275,799	4,012	3,243	22,854	305,908
Cash and cash equivalents	46,761	62,706	469	117,229	227,165
Total assets	5,604,139	1,618,957	298,384	3,330,472	10,851,952
Retirement benefit obligation	-	-	-	119,482	119,482
Provisions	296,340	48,943	1,345	10,263	356,891
Trade payables	493,753	3,803	89,050	19,503	606,109
Current tax liabilities	-	-	-	128,520	128,520
Deferred revenue	-	-	-	970	970
Other liabilities	199,843	5,010	5,261	118,990	329,104
Total liabilities	989,936	57,756	95,656	397,728	1,541,076

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December 31, 2016	<u>Upstream</u>	<u>Storage</u>	<u>Electricity</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON
Property, plant and equipment	3,859,686	1,549,707	62,172	317,697	5,789,262
Other intangible assets	393,218	721	37	3,888	397,864
Investments in subsidiaries	-	-	-	1,200	1,200
Investments in associates	-	-	-	120	120
Other financial investments	-	-	-	69,657	69,657
Other financial assets	67,070	461,618	2,206	2,361,857	2,892,751
Inventories	442,937	109,189	4,158	19,699	575,983
Trade and other receivables	695,155	59,284	73,214	957	828,610
Other assets	16,294	480	1,857	122,894	141,525
Cash and cash equivalents	69,241	44,262	329	166,694	280,526
Total assets	5,543,601	2,225,261	143,973	3,064,663	10,977,498
Retirement benefit obligation	-	-	-	119,986	119,986
Deferred tax liabilities	-	-	-	40,123	40,123
Provisions	211,569	22,003	1,346	9,567	244,485
Trade payables	542,675	1,912	14,846	10,508	569,941
Current tax liabilities	-	-	-	60,295	60,295
Deferred revenue	1,155	-	-	3,769	4,924
Other liabilities	154,132	3,699	3,013	100,739	261,583
Total liabilities	909,531	27,614	19,205	344,987	1,301,337

c) Segment revenues, results and other segment information

Year ended December 31, 2017	<u>Upstream</u>	<u>Storage</u>	<u>Electricity</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Adjustment and eliminations</u>	<u>Total</u>
	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON	'000 RON
Revenue	3,760,366	566,246	545,317	264,544	(551,284)	4,585,189
Less: revenue between segments	(155,403)	(60,431)	(81,141)	(254,309)	551,284	-
Third party revenue	3,604,963	505,815	464,176	10,235	-	4,585,189
Interest income	321	1,487	26	20,515	-	22,349
Interest expense	(3)	-	-	-	-	(3)
Depreciation, amortization and impairment	(420,252)	(103,818)	(6,560)	(18,239)	-	(548,869)
Segment profit before tax profit/(loss)	1,787,046	247,515	102,974	43,656	-	2,181,191

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Year ended December 31, 2016	Upstream '000 RON	Storage '000 RON	Electricity '000 RON	Other '000 RON	Adjustment and eliminations '000 RON	Total '000 RON
Revenue	2,857,683	358,568	399,042	239,230	(442,655)	3,411,868
Less: revenue between segments	(136,481)	(12,426)	(62,612)	(231,136)	442,655	-
Third party revenue	2,721,202	346,142	336,430	8,094	-	3,411,868
Interest income	844	3,949	40	17,284	-	22,117
Interest expense	(15)	-	-	-	-	(15)
Depreciation, amortization and impairment	(185,959)	(95,784)	(6,940)	(22,329)	-	(311,012)
Segment profit before tax profit/(loss)	1,031,812	133,168	74,222	41,493	-	1,280,695

In the year ended December 31, 2017, the Company's three largest clients each individually represents more than 10% of revenue, sales to these clients being of RON 1,291,627 thousand, RON 1,131,379 thousand, respectively RON 659,023 thousand (in the year ended December 31, 2016 the Company's three largest customers represented individually, over 10% of revenue, sales to these clients being of RON 935,113 thousand, RON 735,945 thousand, respectively RON 468,150 thousand), together totaling 67% of total revenue (year ended December 31, 2016: 63%). Of the total revenue generated by those three clients, 5.24% are shown in the "Storage" segment and 94.16% in the "Upstream" segment (year ended December 31, 2016: 5.94% in the "Storage" segment, 93.19% in the "Upstream" segment).

27. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

For the purposes of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and in banks, short term deposits with maturity under 3 months from the acquisition date.

	December 31, 2017 '000 RON	December 31, 2016 '000 RON
Current bank accounts in RON *)	63,007	180,573
Current bank accounts in foreign currency	451	41
Petty cash	29	20
Term deposits in RON	73,507	99,880
Restricted cash **)	90,158	-
Amounts under settlement	13	12
Total	227,165	280,526

*) Current bank accounts include overnight deposits.

***) Restricted cash includes bank accounts used strictly for VAT transactions, as the Company opted in to the application of the split-VAT system (RON 89,345 thousand). It also includes bank accounts used only for dividend payments to shareholders, according to stock market regulations (RON 813 thousand).

28. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS

Other financial assets represent mainly treasury bonds and deposits with a maturity of over 3 months, from acquisition date.

	December 31, 2017 '000 RON	December 31, 2016 '000 RON
Treasury bonds in RON	393,694	974,262
Bank deposits in RON	2,385,984	1,910,380
Accrued interest receivable	4,382	2,551
Accrued interest on bonds	2,106	5,558
Total other financial assets	2,786,166	2,892,751

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29. COMMITMENTS UNDERTAKEN

	<u>December 31, 2017</u>	<u>December 31, 2016</u>
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Endorsements and collaterals granted	<u>151,911</u>	<u>62,982</u>
Total	<u>151,911</u>	<u>62,982</u>

In 2015 a facility agreement was signed with CitiBank Europe plc, Dublin – Romanian Branch for bank loans for issuing and/or confirmation of letters of credit and letters of guarantee for a maximum amount of USD 14,000 thousand, subsequently increased to USD 20,000 thousand, validity extended until December 31, 2017. The facility agreement terminated on December 31, 2017 and it was not extended.

In 2016, a credit agreement has been signed with BRD-Groupe Societe Generale, representing a facility for issuing letters of guarantee, and opening letters of credit for a maximum amount of USD 20,000 thousand, valid up to December 31, 2017. The credit agreement terminated on December 31, 2017 and it was not extended.

In 2017, a credit agreement has been signed with Raiffeisen Bank SA representing a facility for issuing letters of guarantee, and opening letters of credit for a maximum amount of USD 100,000 thousand, as follows: the maximum amount available until December 31, 2017 is USD 60,000 thousand; from January 1, 2017 the maximum amount available will be USD 100,000 thousand. On December 31, 2017 are still available for use USD 23,538 thousand.

As of December 31, 2017, the Company's contractual commitments for the acquisition of non-current assets are of RON 1,551,675 thousand (December 31, 2016: RON 298,424 thousand), of which, the contract for CET Iernut development represents RON 1,138,445 thousand.

30. COMMITMENTS RECEIVED

	<u>December 31, 2017</u>	<u>December 31, 2016</u>
	'000 RON	'000 RON
Endorsements and collaterals received	<u>1,534,757</u>	<u>1,041,197</u>
Total	<u>1,534,757</u>	<u>1,041,197</u>

Endorsements and collateral received represent letters of guarantee and other performance guarantees received from the Company's clients.

31. CONTINGENCIES

(a) *Litigations*

The Company is subject to several legal actions arisen in the normal course of business. The management of the Company considers that they will have no material adverse effect on the results and the financial position of the Company.

On December 28, 2011, 27 former and current employees were notified by DIICOT regarding an investigation related to sale contracts signed with one of the Company's clients for allegedly unauthorized discounts granted to this client during the period 2005-2010. DIICOT mentioned that this may have resulted in a loss of USD 92,000 thousand for the Company. On that sum, an additional burden to the state budget consists of income tax in amount of USD 15,000 thousand and VAT in amount of USD 19,000 thousand. The internal analysis carried out by the Company's specialized departments concluded that the agreement was in compliance with the legal provisions and all discounts were granted based on Orders issued by the Ministry of Economy and Finance and decisions of the General Shareholders' Board and Board of Directors. The management of the Company believes the investigation will not have a negative impact on the financial statements, to justify the registration of an adjustment. The Company is fully cooperating with DIICOT in providing all information necessary. On March 18 2014, Romgaz received an address from DIICOT, by which the investigators ordered an accounting expertise, indicating the objectives of the expertise.

Romgaz was notified that, as injured party, it may submit comments relating to objectives of the expertise (additions/changes), and may appoint an additional expert to participate in the expertise.

Thus, Romgaz proceeded to identify and appoint an expert with accounting and financial expertise that can participate to the expertise. After the report was completed, the parties could submit objections by November 2, 2015.

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On March 16, 2016, DIICOT – Central Structure informed the persons involved in the cause about the start of legal actions against them. At the request of investigators, the Company announced that in case of a prejudice being established during the investigation, the Company will join the case as civil party.

In November 2016, DIICOT informed the Company the prejudice established in amount of RON 282,630 thousand. Following this request, Romgaz announced that will join the case as a civil party for the amount of RON 282,630 thousand to recover this amount from the respective client and any other person that may be found guilty for causing the prejudice.

In June 2017, DIICOT issued a press release announcing the referral to court of several persons involved in the case. In January 2018, the High Court of Cassation and Justice ruled that the indictment prepared by DIICOT was not legal; the ruling is not definitive.

(b) *Taxation*

The Romanian taxation system is undergoing a process of consolidation and harmonization with the European Union legislation. However, there are still different interpretations of the fiscal legislation. In various circumstances, the tax authorities may have different approaches to certain issues, and assess additional tax liabilities, together with late payment interest and penalties. In Romania, tax periods remain open for fiscal verification for 5 years. The Company's management considers that the tax liabilities included in these financial statements are fairly stated.

(c) *Environmental contingencies*

Environmental regulations are developing in Romania and the Company has not recorded any liability at December 31, 2017 for any anticipated costs, including legal and consulting fees, impact studies, the design and implementation of remediation plans related to environmental matters, except the amount of RON 311,084 thousand (December 31, 2016: RON 210,571 thousand), representing the decommissioning liability, and a provision for land restoration of RON 16,043 thousand (December 31, 2016: RON 8,963 thousand).

Green-house gas emission certificates (CO2 certificates)

In accordance with Government Decision no. 1096/2013 for the approval of the mechanism for free transitional allocation of green-house gas emission certificates to electricity producers for the period 2013-2020, Annex no. 3 "National Investment Plan" position 22, Romgaz is included with the investment project "Combined cycle with gas turbines", ending in 2016 (according to Government Decision no. 151/2015 amending and supplementing GD no. 1096/2013, including the National Investment Plan).

According to Annex no. 1 of the same decision, S.N.G.N. Romgaz S.A. was allocated for CTE Iernut 412,322 greenhouse gas certificates (EUA) for 2017.

As of December 31, 2017, Romgaz holds in the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Unique Registry 418.903 CO2 certificates, after meeting compliance obligations for the previous years and submitting the certificates to the Registry.

According to EU Regulation No. 1123/2013 of November 8, 2013 regarding the establishment of the rights to international credits, pursuant to Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, the Protocol to the Framework-Convention of the United Nations on Climate Change (Kyoto Protocol) sets up two mechanisms for the creation of international credits that Companies can use to reduce emissions. Joint Implementation provides for the creation of emission reduction units (ERU), while the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) provides for the creation of certified emission reductions (CER). Industries that fall under the European Trading System of atmosphere emissions (EU ETS) can use these credits to offset their obligations on emissions of greenhouse gas. In this respect, Romgaz holds as linking availability (correlation availability EUA – ERU certificates) a number of 51,598 ERU certificates available to be used for compliance in the 2013-2020 period.

According to Government Decision no 1096/December 17, 2013, Romgaz was allocated CO2 certificates as follows:

Operator	Installation	Annual Allocation (tCO ₂ /year)							
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
SNGN Romgaz - S.A.	SNGN Romgaz - S.A. - CTE Iernut	962,085	824,645	687,204	549,763	412,322	274,882	137,441	-

(d) *CET Iernut*

In the Romanian Government's view, the energy sector must play a key role in the economic and social development of Romania. Promoting investments, supporting strategic projects of national interest in order to secure the energy security of the country, are two of the Government's objectives related to the energy security.

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Considering that there is a steadily growing portfolio with an uncontrolled production of electricity, in particular through wind power plants, it is necessary to commission balancing capacities which will be active in the balancing market, ancillary services market, spot markets, CET Iernut having the ability to be a provider of ancillary services in an area deficient in electricity power generation.

Within the National Power System (NPS), CET Iernut performs the following functions:

- coverage of NPS electricity consumption through groups' participation in the wholesale electricity market and balancing market;
- providing ancillary services needed for the functioning of NPS;
- eliminate the network congestion which may occur in the north-west of Transylvania.

According to current environmental protection legislation, CTE Iernut energy groups are allowed to function until June 30, 2020. By implementing measures to reduce NOx emissions to levels lower than 100 mg/m³, the operation of the plant would still be possible after this date, but the investments required to meet these emission levels would require a high volume of resources. These investments will not add any improvement to efficiency, nor will they increase the reliability of these groups.

One of the main strategic directions of Romgaz, detailed in the 2015-2025 Development strategy, is to consolidate its position on the energy market. Related to energy production, Romgaz planned to increase efficiency by investing to increase the yield of the Iernut power plant to a minimum of 55%, to comply with environmental requirements (NOx, CO2 emissions) and to increase safety in operation. Thus, the Board of Directors approved the refurbishment of CTE Iernut by constructing a new power plant based on gas turbine combined cycle system for an installed power of maximum 430 MW and gross electrical efficiency at a rated load of minimum 56%. In this respect, in 2016, an agreement for the development of CTE Iernut has been signed by the Company, in amount of EUR 268.8 million.

In 2017, the Ministry of Energy approved the application for funds from the National Investment Plan for the investment "Combined cycle CCGT power plant". The finance agreement was signed at the end of 2017 for the amount of RON 227,224 thousand, which can be increased to maximum RON 320,912 thousand. Further to this, the Company submitted the first reimbursement claim of RON 20,994 thousand; the claim is being reviewed at the date these financial statements are endorsed for issue.

(e) *Controls by The Romanian Court of Accounts and the European Commission*

In year ended 2016, the Company came under scrutiny from the Romanian Court of Accounts, the European Commission through the Romanian Competition Council.

- (i) One of the Romanian Court of Accounts' conclusions is that during 2013-2015 Romgaz delivered gas on the regulated market over the quantities it was legally allowed to, according to the existing legislation. The price on the regulated market being lower than the one on the free market. The Romanian Court of Accounts issued Decision number 26/01.06.2016 and ordered Romgaz to determine and to recover the prejudice as a price difference on gas quantities delivered on the regulated market over its legal obligation, having January 2017 as due date for implementation. The alleged prejudice estimated by the Court of Accounts is over RON 160 million. Romgaz appealed the decision, but the Court of Accounts dismissed the appeal. Subsequently, the Company started legal proceedings against the Court of Accounts' decision no. 26/01.06.2016 and, also, contracted legal services for the annulment of the Court of Accounts' decision and to carry out the measures order by the Court of Accounts' decision. In December 2017, the term over which the Company has to implement the measures was extended by the Court of Accounts until end of June 2018.
- (ii) According to European Commission decision, Romgaz might be suspected of entering into anti-competitive deals with other Romanian companies active in the gas market, deals by which Romgaz supposedly committed not to export natural gas, or blocked or delayed the measures necessary for the creation of the legal and technical framework by which gas exports could be achieved. During September 2016, a meeting between Romgaz and the European Commission was held at the EC's headquarters, regarding the control, in which the Company's opinion was presented. From that date, Romgaz has not received any request concerning the control.

The Company's management does not agree with the conclusions of the control done by the Romanian Court of Accounts. The final conclusions of the controls of the European Commission are not known and cannot be anticipated. Therefore the financial statements as of December 31, 2017 do not include adjustments about these matters.

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32. JOINT ARRANGEMENTS

On December 31, 2017, the Company is part of the following joint arrangements:

- a) In January 2002, Romgaz signed a petroleum agreement with Amromco for rehabilitation operations in order to achieve additional production in 11 blocks, namely: Bibești, Strâmba, Finta, Fierbinți-Târg, Frasin-Brazi, Zătreni, Boldu, Roșioru, Gura-Șuții, Balta-Albă and Vlădeni. For the base production, Romgaz holds a share of 100% and for the additional production, Romgaz owns a share of 50% and Amromco Energy SRL - 50%. As the agreement was signed to execute rehabilitation operations to obtain additional production, the mandatory work program is in accordance with the studies approved by ANRM. Accordingly, the annual work program, which includes both works provided in the studies and other works necessary and proposed by the partners, is approved annually by the Board of the joint arrangement before the start of each year. The duration of the joint arrangement is in line with the time frame of each individual concession agreements of the 11 perimeters stated above, which differs for each block.
- b) In February 2003, Romgaz signed a joint operation agreement for exploration, development and operation in the Brodina block, with Aurelian Petroleum SRL and Raffles Energy SRL. In November 2007, the partners agreed to split the Brodina block in two areas: area of Gas Constructions Bilca (Production Area Bilca) and the area other than the Gas Construction Bilca Area (Brodina Exploration Area).
- Currently, the participation of Romgaz in the Production Area Bilca is 37.5% and the participation of the operator, Raffles Energy SRL, is 62.5%. The wells have clearances issued by ANRM. As the fields are in an advanced stage of depletion, only two wells produced gas this year. Beside the revenue obtained from this structure, revenue is also obtained from processing natural gas from Suceava block.
- In June 2017, ANRM approved the transfer of 50% of the participation owned by Aurelian SRL to Raffles Energy SRL, now operator. Romgaz's share in the Brodina Exploration Area is 50% and the share of Raffles Energy SRL, operator, is 50%. In the scope of evaluating the Voitinel discovery, drilling operations began at Voitinel 2 well in the first half of 2016, but due to negative results obtained by the drilling operations, the gas well was abandoned. A new production program for this structure will be decided by the joint operation's management only after positive production test results from Voitinel 1 well.
- c) Romgaz has a joint operation agreement for exploration, development and operation in the North Bacau area, with Raffles Energy SRL, the operator of the joint operation. Romgaz holds 40% of the joint operation and Raffles Energy SRL - 60%. Proceeds from this perimeter stem from natural gas produced by Liliaci 1 well that is then transformed into electric energy via a generator. The concession agreement is in development-operation phase.
- d) In September 2003, Romgaz has concluded an operation agreement with Schlumberger for the rehabilitation of the Laslău Mare block, in order to obtain additional production by using advanced techniques and technologies for the exploitation of the reserves and of the know-how owned by Schlumberger. The mandatory work program is in line with the study approved by ANRM. Therefore, the annual working program, which includes the workings from the study, is approved annually, before the start of each year, by the Operation Committee of the joint operation. The participation share of Romgaz is 50% and that of Schlumberger is also 50%. Romgaz is the operator of the petroleum operations performed under the agreement. On September 1, 2017 was signed an addendum to the Schlumberger agreement by which a new base production was agreed.
- e) In June 2008, Romgaz signed a joint operation agreement for exploration, appraisal, development, operation in three blocks in Slovakia, namely: Svidnik, Snina and Medzilaborce. The owners of the exploration licenses are Aurelian Oil & Gas Slovakia, currently Alpine Oil & Gas (50% - operator), JKX (25%) and Romgaz through Bratislava branch (25%). In 2016 the operator obtained part of drilling clearances for three wells however, due to protests from environmental groups no drilling operations were undertaken.
- f) In July 2012, Romgaz signed the amendments to the joint operations agreement with Lukoil Overseas Atash BV and Panatlantic (originally Vanco International Ltd), the three companies being holders of petroleum agreements. The agreement is for exploration, development and operation of offshore block EX-30 Trident of the Black Sea continental shelf. The participation shares are: Lukoil 72%, Panatlantic 18% and Romgaz 10%. During 2015, two wells were drilled in the Trident block, one of which was abandoned, while the other generated positive results, leading to gas discoveries. In October 2016, ANRM approved the extension of the second exploration phase with another year and a half for the execution of additional works.

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33. AUDITOR'S FEES

The fee charged by the Company's statutory auditor, S.C. Deloitte Audit S.R.L. for the audit of 2017 financial statements is RON 137 thousand.

The fees charged by the Company's statutory auditor for assurance services, other than audit services, provided in 2017 or related to 2017 are RON 161 thousand.

34. EVENTS AFTER THE BALANCE SHEET DATE

Separation of gas storage activity

In March 2018, the separation method of the natural gas underground storage activity was decided by the Board of Directors, for the subsidiary to become operational starting April 1, 2018. This separation involves:

- separation with no transfer of fixed assets; the assets needed for the underground storage activity will be rented to the subsidiary; the investments needed for the maintenance and development of the storage installations will be performed by the subsidiary;
- the investments in progress at the time of separation will be taken by the subsidiary at the carrying value;
- the takeover by the subsidiary of the client contracts;
- the concession agreements related to the underground storage will remain to the Company;
- the transfer of the license regarding the operations of the underground gas storage to the subsidiary;
- the inventories related to the storage activity will be transferred to the subsidiary as an equity contribution;
- the storage branch employees will be transferred to the subsidiary;
- the Company will increase the subsidiary's share capital, in order to support the start of the subsidiary's activity.

Increase of the Company's working interest in the offshore exploration development production block EX-30 Trident located in the Black Sea

In March 2018, the shareholders approved the increase of the Company's working interest in the offshore exploration development – production block EX-30 Trident located in the Black Sea by taking an additional 2.2% share free of charge, following the withdrawal of one partner.

35. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on March 22, 2018.


Corin Cindrea
Chief Executive Officer


Andrei Bobar
Chief Financial Officer