

INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL AUDIT

ENSURING EFFECTIVE CONTROLS

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INTERNAL AUDIT

Metinvest's Internal Audit Directorate is an independent appraisal function established within the Group to examine and evaluate its activities. The independence is ensured by its direct reporting line to the Chairperson of the Supervisory Board's Audit and Finance Committee.

The annual internal audit engagement plan is developed considering Metinvest's key risks, strategic goals, significant matters, cyclical audits, management requests and inputs from the Audit and Finance Committee. Throughout 2022, the audit plan was updated to reflect the wartime environment in Ukraine and the resulting changes affecting both domestic and international assets.

The management is responsible for ensuring that issues raised by the internal audit function are addressed on time. The function monitors recommendations on internal audit measures agreed with the management.

During the year, audit efforts were focused primarily on service companies of the Group, as well as its assets outside of Ukraine. The function also provided oversight for Metinvest's humanitarian efforts, including the launch of hubs in Poland and Ukraine.

EXTERNAL AUDIT

Covering each financial year since 2006, Metinvest has prepared consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRS, as adopted by the EU, and has engaged an independent external auditor to audit them.

For the 12 months ended 31 December 2022, the Group appointed PwC to perform this external audit and provide an opinion on the IFRS consolidated financial statements. The most recent Auditor's Report is presented on page 99. The measures in place to safeguard the external auditor's independence and ensure high quality of service include rules requiring rotating the signing partner and obtaining pre-approval for all non-audit services.

