



## **Statutory auditor's report to the general meeting of Kinopolis Group NV on the consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended 31 December 2023**

### **FREE TRANSLATION OF UNQUALIFIED STATUTORY AUDITOR'S REPORT ORIGINALLY PREPARED IN DUTCH**

In the context of the statutory audit of the consolidated financial statements of Kinopolis Group NV ("the Company") and its subsidiaries (jointly "the Group"), we provide you with our statutory auditor's report. This includes our report on the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023, as well as other legal and regulatory requirements. Our report is one and indivisible.

We were appointed as statutory auditor by the general meeting of 11 May 2022, in accordance with the proposal of the board of directors issued on the recommendation of the audit committee and as presented by the workers' council. Our mandate will expire on the date of the general meeting deliberating on the annual accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024. We have performed the statutory audit of the consolidated financial statements of the Group for 29 consecutive financial years.

### **Report on the consolidated financial statements**

#### ***Unqualified opinion***

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of the Group as of and for the year ended 31 December 2023, prepared in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board and as adopted by the European Union, and with the legal and regulatory requirements applicable in Belgium. These consolidated financial statements comprise the consolidated balance sheet as at 31 December 2023, the consolidated statements of profit or loss, profit or loss and other comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the year then ended and notes, comprising a summary of material accounting policies and other explanatory information. The total of the consolidated statement of financial position amounts to EUR 1.167.027.(000) and the consolidated statement of profit or loss shows a profit for the year of EUR 56.075.(000).

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the Group's equity and financial position as at 31 December 2023 and of its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board and as adopted by the European Union, and with the legal and regulatory requirements applicable in Belgium.



### ***Basis for our unqualified opinion***

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (“ISAs”) as adopted in Belgium. In addition, we have applied the ISAs as issued by the IAASB and applicable for the current accounting year while these have not been adopted in Belgium yet. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the “Statutory auditors’ responsibility for the audit of the consolidated financial statements” section of our report. We have complied with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements in Belgium, including the independence requirements.

We have obtained from the board of directors and the Company’s officials the explanations and information necessary for performing our audit.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### ***Key audit matter***

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

#### ***Impairment of intangible assets, property, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets and goodwill***

We refer to Note 10 ‘Non-financial assets and business combinations’ of the consolidated financial statements.

- ***Description***

As set out in Note 10, ‘Non-financial assets and business combinations’, the Group performed an impairment assessment over intangible assets, property, plant and equipment (“PPE”), right-of-use assets and goodwill. This assessment was performed for each of the smallest groups of assets that generate largely independent cash flows (the cash-generating unit or “CGU”). The Group has defined a CGU as the country. The Group determined the recoverable value of a CGU as the higher of its value in use (“VIU”) which is based on discounted estimated future cash flows and its fair value less costs to sell as determined by an external valuation expert.

Intangible assets, property, plant and equipment (“PPE”), right-of-use assets and goodwill represent 83% of the Group’s total assets as of 31 December 2023. Determining the amount of impairment losses to be recorded, if any, requires the Group to exercise significant judgment and make important assumptions, particularly in relation to

- the determination of the Group’s CGUs;
- the estimation of a CGU’s value-in-use, including the estimation of future cash flows and the applicable discount rates.

- ***Our audit procedures***

With the assistance of our valuation specialists, we performed the following audit procedures:

- we evaluated the appropriateness of the accounting treatment used by management based on the relevant accounting standard (IAS 36 Impairment of Assets);
- we challenged management's assessment of potential indicators of impairment of intangible assets, property, plant and equipment ("PPE"), right-of-use assets and goodwill based on our own expectations developed from our knowledge of the Group and our understanding of internal and external factors relevant to the Group, the Group's business and the industry in which the Group operates;
- we challenged management's identification of CGUs with reference to our understanding of the Group's business and the requirements of the prevailing accounting standards;
- where a CGU required testing, we challenged key inputs and data used in the valuation model such as forecasted revenues, operating costs, maintenance capital expenditure, and respective weighted average cost of capital based on our knowledge of the business and the cinema industry. We assessed the Group's historical ability to forecast cash flows, and challenged the reasonableness of current forecasts given the future strategy of the Group and our understanding of the Group's past performance;
- we verified the mathematical accuracy of the discounted cash flow model;
- we performed sensitivity analyses on the respective weighted average cost of capital and the forecasted cash flows used by the Group to assess what change thereto would result in a different conclusion being reached, and assessing whether there were any indications of management bias in the selection of these assumptions; and
- we assessed the appropriateness of the Group's disclosures in respect of impairment of intangible assets, property, plant and equipment ("PPE"), right-of-use assets and goodwill as included in Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements.

***Board of directors' responsibilities for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements***

The board of directors is responsible for the preparation of these consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board and as adopted by the European Union, and with the legal and regulatory requirements applicable in Belgium, and for such internal control as board of directors determines, is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, the board of directors is responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the board of directors either intends to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

**Statutory auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance as to whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of the users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

When performing our audit we comply with the legal, regulatory and professional requirements applicable to audits of the consolidated financial statements in Belgium. The scope of the statutory audit of the consolidated financial statements does not extend to providing assurance on the future viability of the Group nor on the efficiency or effectivity of how the board of directors has conducted or will conduct the business of the Group. Our responsibilities regarding the going concern basis of accounting applied by the board of directors are described below.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also perform the following procedures:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control;
- Obtain an understanding of internal controls relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control;
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by board of directors;



- Conclude on the appropriateness of board of directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern;
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation;
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with the audit committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the audit committee with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

For the matters communicated with the audit committee, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter.

## **Other legal and regulatory requirements**

### ***Responsibilities of the Board of directors***

The board of directors is responsible for the preparation and the content of the board of directors' annual report on the consolidated financial statements, the statement of the non-financial information attached to the board of directors' annual report on the consolidated financial statements and the other information included in the annual report.



### **Statutory auditor's responsibilities**

In the context of our engagement and in accordance with the Belgian standard which is complementary to the International Standards on Auditing as applicable in Belgium, our responsibility is to verify, in all material respects, the board of directors' annual report on the consolidated financial statements, the statement of the non-financial information attached to the board of directors' annual report on the consolidated financial statements and the other information included in the annual report, and to report on these matters.

### **Aspects concerning the board of directors' annual report on the consolidated financial statements and other information included in the annual report**

Based on specific work performed on the board of directors' annual report on the consolidated financial statements, as included in section 3 'Results 2023' and section 6 'Corporate Governance', we are of the opinion that this report is consistent with the consolidated financial statements for the same period and has been prepared in accordance with article 3:32 of the Companies' and Associations' Code.

In the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements, we are also responsible for considering, in particular based on the knowledge gained throughout the audit, whether the board of directors' annual report on the consolidated financial statements and other information included in the annual report:

- Section 1: Word from the Chairman and the CEO
- Section 4: Core activities and strategy

contain material misstatements, or information that is incorrectly stated or misleading. In the context of the procedures carried out, we did not identify any material misstatements that we have to report to you.

The non-financial information required by article 3:32 §2 of the Companies' and Associations' Code has been included in section 5 'Impactful and responsible business' of the annual report. The Company has prepared this non-financial information based on ISO26000. In accordance with article 3:80 §1, 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph, 5<sup>o</sup> of the Companies' and Associations' Code, we do not comment on whether this non-financial information has been prepared in accordance with the mentioned ISO26000.

### **Information about the independence**

- Our audit firm and our network have not performed any engagement which is incompatible with the statutory audit of the consolidated accounts and our audit firm remained independent of the Group during the term of our mandate.
- The fees for the additional engagements which are compatible with the statutory audit referred to in article 3:65 of the Companies' and Associations' Code were correctly stated and disclosed in the notes to the consolidated financial statements.



## **European Single Electronic Format (ESEF)**

In accordance with the draft standard on the audit of compliance of the Financial Statements with the European Single Electronic Format (hereafter "ESEF"), we have audited as well whether the ESEF-format is in accordance with the regulatory technical standards as laid down in the EU Delegated Regulation nr. 2019/815 of 17 December 2018 (hereafter "Delegated Regulation").

The Board of Directors is responsible for the preparation, in accordance with the ESEF requirements, of the consolidated financial statements in the form of an electronic file in ESEF format (hereafter "digital consolidated financial statements") included in the annual financial report.

It is our responsibility to obtain sufficient and appropriate information to conclude whether the format and the tagging of the digital consolidated financial statements comply, in all material respects, with the ESEF requirements under the Delegated Regulation.

In our opinion, based on our work performed, the format of and the tagging of information in the official Dutch version of the digital consolidated financial statements as per 31 December 2023, included in the annual financial report of Kinopolis Group NV, are, in all material respects, prepared in compliance with the ESEF requirements under the Delegated Regulation.

## **Other aspect**

This report is consistent with our additional report to the audit committee on the basis of Article 11 of Regulation (EU) No 537/2014.

Antwerp, 29 March 2024

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