2023 ANNUAL REPORT

Credit risk

	2023		2022	
Rating	Assets	Liabilities	Assets	Liabilities
AA	32	(9)	55	(34)
AA-	173	(54)	231	(93)
A+	180	(31)	227	(63)
A	30	(3)	69	-
BBB	1	-	1	-
Non-investment grade	-	-	-	-
Derivative financial instruments	**416**	**(97)**	**583**	**(190)**
AAA	153	-	116	-
AA	6	-	51	-
AA-	343	-	311	-
A+	23	-	178	-
A	10	-	10	-
A-	-	-	0	-
Non-investment grade	8	-	16	-
Cash and cash equivalents and bank overdrafts	**543**	**-**	**683**	**-**

The Company maintains and reviews its policy on cash investments and limits per individual counterparty are set to:
- BBB- to BBB+ rating: US$25 million or 10% of cash available.
- A- to A+ rating: US$75 million or 20% of cash available.
- AA- to AA+ rating: US$100 million or 20% of cash available.
- Above AA+ rating: no limit.

As per December 31, 2023, cash investments above AA+ rating do not exceed US$100 million per individual counterparty. Cash held in banks rated A+ has been diversified in cash investments above AA+ rating since year-end.

Cash held in banks rated AA- is mainly linked to cash pledged to loan reimbursements to those same banks. Cash held in banks rated below A- is mainly related to the Company's activities in Brazil (US$8 million). Cash held in Angola has significantly decreased since 2021 following cash repatriation.

For trade debtors, the credit quality of each customer is assessed, taking into account its financial position, past experience and other factors. Bank or parent company guarantees are negotiated with customers. Individual risk limits are set based on internal or external ratings, in accordance with limits set by the Management Board. At the date of the financial statements, there are two customers that have an outstanding balance with a percentage over 10% of the total of trade and other receivables. Reference is made to note 4.3.19 Trade and Other Receivables for information on the distribution of the receivables by country and an analysis of the ageing of the receivables. Furthermore, limited recourse project financing removes a significant portion of the credit risk on finance lease receivables.

For other financial assets, the credit quality of each counterpart is assessed, taking into account its credit agency rating when available or a comparable proxy.

Regarding loans to joint ventures and associates, the maximum exposure to credit risk is the carrying amount of these instruments. As the counterparties of these instruments are joint ventures, the Company has visibility over the expected cash flows and can monitor and manage credit risk that mainly arises from the joint venture's final client.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Company's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and abnormal conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Company's reputation.

In 2023, the Company again conducted various liquidity scenarios, financial stress tests and sensitivity analyses. The conclusion remained that the Company's lease portfolio and the existing financing facilities and overall financing capacity are sufficient to ensure that the Company will continue as a going concern in the foreseeable future and it can sustain future growth plans. Furthermore, under its Lease and Operate contractual arrangements with clients, the Company has considerable time under charters in which to deal with disruptions from events outside the Company's control, thus providing it with considerable financial protection.

Liquidity is monitored using rolling forecasts of the Company's liquidity reserves, based on expected cash flows. Flexibility is secured by maintaining availability under committed credit lines.

The table below analyses the Company's non-derivative financial liabilities, derivative financial liabilities and derivative financial assets into relevant maturity groupings, based on the remaining period at the statement of financial position date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows. The future interest cash flows for borrowings and derivative financial instruments are based on the USD LIBOR/SOFR 3-month rates as at the reporting date.

Liquidity risk 2023

	Note	Less than 1 year	Between 1 and 5 years	Over 5 years	Total
31 December 2023					
Borrowings		436	7,327	6,176	13,939
Lease liabilities		11	44	61	116
Derivative financial liabilities		80	10	-	90
Derivative financial assets		(302)	(539)	(468)	(1,310)
Trade and other payables	4.3.25	1,347	-	-	1,347
Total		**1,572**	**6,841**	**5,769**	**14,182**

Liquidity risk 2022

	Note	Less than 1 year	Between 1 and 5 years	Over 5 years	Total
31 December 2022					
Borrowings		2,110	5,885	2,908	10,902
Lease liabilities		13	25	8	46
Derivative financial liabilities		201	52	-	253
Derivative financial assets		(365)	(254)	(185)	(805)
Trade and other payables	4.3.25	1,501	-	-	1,501
Total		**3,459**	**5,708**	**2,730**	**11,897**

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, benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain a capital structure which optimizes the Company's cost of capital while, at the same time, ensuring diversification of sources of external funds.

The Company mainly uses its corporate revolving credit facility (RCF, US$1 billion) and supply-chain financing (SCF, US$54 million) and, going forward, the new revolving credit facility for MPF hulls (US$210 million) to bridge financing requirements on projects under construction prior to putting a dedicated project finance facility in place. When a project finance facility is arranged and draw-downs have started, the RCF is repaid and a corporate guarantee from the Company is put in place for the construction period. When the project facility is drawn in full and the associated FPSO is producing, the corporate guarantee is recovered and the project finance becomes non-recourse debt.

As per December 31, 2023, all the debt associated with operating FPSOs is non-recourse.

The Company has limited appetite to decrease the existing debt in its structure, as this would involve breakage cost, through winding down the hedges and it would decrease the Company's return on equity. From time to time, it may decide to