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.. **REGISTRATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR (g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

OR

þ **ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**
For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013

OR

.. **TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

OR

.. **SHELL COMPANY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**
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(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

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Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

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American Depositary Shares, each Representing one Ordinary Share, without nominal value	New York Stock Exchange
Ordinary Shares, without nominal value	New York Stock Exchange*
Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None	

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Indicate the number of outstanding shares of each of the issuer's classes of capital or common stock as of the close of the period covered by the annual report:

Ordinary Shares, without nominal value: 1,228,504,232 (as of December 31, 2013)**

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Yes No

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Yes No

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Yes No

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If this is an annual report, indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes No

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** Including 34,795,554 treasury shares.

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INTRODUCTION

SAP AG is a German stock corporation (Aktiengesellschaft) and is referred to in this report, together with its subsidiaries, as SAP, or as Company, Group, we, our, or us. Our Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 18. Financial Statements in this report have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board, referred to as IFRS throughout this report.

In this report: (i) references to US\$, \$, or dollars are to U.S. dollars; (ii) references to or euro are to the euro. Our financial statements are denominated in euros, which is the currency of our home country, Germany. Certain amounts that appear in this report may not add up because of differences due to rounding.

Unless otherwise specified herein, euro financial data have been converted into dollars at the noon buying rate in New York City for cable transfers in foreign currencies as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (the Noon Buying Rate) on December 31, 2013, which was US\$1.3779 per 1.00. No representation is made that such euro amounts actually represent such dollar amounts or that such euro amounts could have been or can be converted into dollars at that or any other exchange rate on such date or on any other date. The rate used for the convenience translations also differs from the currency exchange rates used for the preparation of the Consolidated Financial Statements. This convenience translation is not a requirement under IFRS and, accordingly, our independent registered public accounting firm has not audited these US\$ amounts. For information regarding recent rates of exchange between euro and dollars, see Item 3. Key Information Exchange Rates. On March 7, 2014, the Noon Buying Rate for converting euro to dollars was US\$1.3868 per 1.00.

Unless the context otherwise requires, references in this report to ordinary shares are to SAP AG's ordinary shares, without nominal value. References in this report to ADRs are to SAP AG's American Depositary Receipts, each representing one SAP ordinary share. References in this report to ADSs are to SAP AG's American Depositary Shares, which are the deposited securities evidenced by the ADRs.

SAP, ABAP, Adaptive Server, Advantage Database Server, Afaria, Ariba, Business ByDesign,

BusinessObjects, ByDesign, Crystal Reports, hybris, PartnerEdge, PowerBuilder, PowerDesigner, Quadrem, R/3, Replication Server, SAP BusinessObjects Explorer, SAP Business Workflow, SAP EarlyWatch, SAP Fiori, SAP HANA, SAP Jam, SAP Lumira, SAP NetWeaver, SAPPHIRE, SAPPHIRE NOW, SQL Anywhere, StreamWork, Sybase, SuccessFactors, The Best-Run Businesses Run SAP, TwoGo, Web Intelligence and other SAP products and services mentioned herein as well as their respective logos are trademarks or registered trademarks of SAP AG (or an SAP affiliate company) in Germany and other countries.

Throughout this report, whenever a reference is made to our website, such reference does not incorporate by reference into this report the information contained on our website.

We intend to make this report and other periodic reports publicly available on our Web site (www.sap.com) without charge immediately following our filing with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). We assume no obligation to update or revise any part of this report, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, unless we are required to do so by law.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This report contains forward-looking statements and information based on the beliefs of, and assumptions made by, our management using information currently available to them. Any statements contained in this report that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements as defined in the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. We have based these forward-looking statements on our current expectations, assumptions, and projections about future conditions and events. As a result, our forward-looking statements and information are subject to uncertainties and risks. A broad range of uncertainties and risks, many of which are beyond our control, could cause our actual results and performance to differ materially from any projections expressed in or implied by our forward-looking statements. The uncertainties and risks include, but are not limited to:

Uncertainty in the global economy, financial markets or political conditions could have a negative impact on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows and put pressure on our operating profit.

Third parties have claimed, and might claim in the future, that we infringe their intellectual

property rights, which could lead to damages being awarded against us and limit our ability to use certain technologies in the future.

Claims and lawsuits against us could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, cash flows and reputation.

We may not be able to protect our critical information and assets or to safeguard our business operations against disruption. We describe these and other risks and uncertainties in the Risk Factors section.

If one or more of these uncertainties or risks materializes, or if management's underlying assumptions prove incorrect, our actual results could differ materially from those described in or inferred from our forward-looking statements and information.

The words aim, anticipate, assume, believe, continue, could, counting on, is confident, estimate, expect, forecast, guidance, outlook, plan, project, predict, seek, should, strategy, want, will, would, and similar expressions as they relate to us are intended to describe forward-looking statements. Such statements include, for example, those made in the Operating Results section, our quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk pursuant to the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), namely IFRS 7 and related statements in our Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, the Risk Factors section, our outlook guidance, and other forward-looking information appearing in other parts of this report. To fully consider the factors that could affect our future financial results, both this report and our Annual Report should be considered, as well as all of our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date specified or the date of this report. Except where legally required, we undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements as a result of new information that we receive about conditions that existed upon issuance of this report, future events, or otherwise unless we are required to do so by law.

This report includes statistical data about the IT industry and global economic trends that comes from information published by sources including International Data Corporation (IDC), a provider of market information and advisory services for the

information technology, telecommunications, and consumer technology markets; the European Central Bank (ECB); and the International Monetary Fund (IMF). This type of data represents only the estimates of IDC, ECB, IMF, and other sources of industry data. SAP does not adopt or endorse any of the statistical information provided by sources such as IDC, ECB, IMF, or other similar sources that is contained in this report. In addition, although we believe that data from these sources is generally reliable, this type of data is imprecise. We caution readers not to place undue reliance on this data.

INTERNAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

We use various performance measures to help manage our performance with regard to our primary financial goals, which are revenue and margin, and our primary non-financial goals, which are customer loyalty and employee engagement. We view revenue and margin as indicators for our current performance, while customer loyalty and employee engagement are indicators for our future performance.

Measures We Use to Manage Our Financial Performance

Measures We Use to Manage Our Operating Financial Performance

In 2013, we used the following key measures to manage our operating financial performance:

Non-IFRS software and cloud subscriptions: Our key revenue drivers, software and cloud subscriptions, include software plus cloud subscription and support revenue. The principal source of our software revenue is the fees customers pay for on-premise software licenses resulting in software being installed on the customer's hardware. We generate cloud subscription and support revenue when we provide software and the respective support for delivery in the cloud. We evaluate software and cloud subscriptions both at actual currency and at constant currency.

Non-IFRS software and software-related service (SSRS) revenue: We use non-IFRS SSRS revenue and constant currency non-IFRS SSRS revenue to measure our revenue growth. Our SSRS revenue includes software and related support revenue plus cloud subscription and support revenue. Software revenue and cloud subscription and

support revenue are our key revenue drivers because they tend to affect our other revenue streams. Generally, customers who buy software licenses also enter into maintenance contracts, and these generate recurring software-related service revenue in the form of support revenue after the software sale. Maintenance contracts cover support services and software updates and enhancements. Software revenue as well as cloud subscription and support revenue also tend to stimulate service revenue from consulting and training sales.

Bookings/billings revenue: For our cloud activities we look at the recognized revenue as well as the contract value generated in a given period (bookings/billings). We measure bookings/billings as the amounts that we are contractually entitled to invoice the customers over the shorter of the contract term and the first 12 months following the contract execution date, anniversary of contract execution date, or contract renewal date (12 months bookings/billings). We evaluate bookings/billings both at actual currency and at constant currency. In contrast to the cloud subscription and support revenue recognized over the period of providing the cloud service rather than in the period of contract closure, the bookings/billings numbers give insight into the future revenue potential. When evaluating 12 months bookings/billings numbers, we consider both the total bookings/billings and the subset of bookings/billings that results from new customers or additional sales to existing customers in the reporting period rather than from subsequent years or renewals of existing contracts. There is no comparable IFRS measure for this figure.

Non-IFRS operating profit/non-IFRS operating margin: In 2013, we used non-IFRS operating profit/non-IFRS operating margin and constant currency non-IFRS operating profit/non-IFRS operating margin to measure our overall operational process efficiency and overall business performance. Non-IFRS operating margin is the ratio of our non-IFRS operating profit to total non-IFRS revenue, expressed as a percentage. See below for more information on the IFRS and non-IFRS measures we use.

Measures We Use to Manage Our Non-Operating Financial Performance

We use the following measures to manage our non-operating financial performance:

Financial income, net: This measure provides insight especially into the return on liquid assets

and capital investments and the cost of borrowed funds. To manage our financial income, net, we focus on cash flow, the composition of our liquid asset and capital investment portfolio, and the average rate of interest at which assets are invested. We also monitor average outstanding borrowings and the associated finance costs.

Days Sales Outstanding (DSO) and Days Payables Outstanding (DPO): We manage working capital by controlling the days sales outstanding for operating receivables, or DSO (defined as average number of days from the raised invoice to cash receipt from the customer), and the days payables outstanding for operating liabilities, or DPO (defined as average number of days from the received invoice to cash payment to the vendor).

Measures We Use to Manage Overall Financial Performance

We use the following measures to manage our overall financial performance:

Earnings per share (EPS): EPS measures our overall performance because it captures all operating and non-operating elements of profit as well as income tax expense. It represents the portion of profit after tax allocable to each SAP share outstanding (using the weighted average number of shares outstanding over the reporting period). EPS is influenced not only by our operating and non-operating business, and income taxes but also by the number of shares outstanding. We are authorized by our shareholders to repurchase shares and believe that such repurchases, additional to dividend distributions, are a good means to return value to our shareholders.

Effective tax rate: We define our effective tax rate as the ratio of income tax expense to profit before tax, expressed as a percentage.

Operating, investing, and financing cash flows: Our consolidated statement of cash flows provides insight as to how we generated and used cash and cash equivalents. When used in conjunction with the other primary financial statements, it provides information that helps us evaluate the changes of our net assets, our financial structure (including our liquidity and solvency), and our ability to affect the amounts and timing of cash flows in order to adapt to changing circumstances and opportunities.

Measures We Use to Manage Our Non-Financial Performance

In 2013, we used the following key measures to manage our non-financial performance in the areas of employee engagement and customer loyalty:

Employee Engagement Index: We use the employee engagement index to measure motivation and loyalty of our employees, how proud they are of our company, and how strongly they identify with SAP. The index is derived from surveys conducted among our employees. With this measure, we recognize that we can achieve our growth strategy with engaged employees only.

Net Promoter Score (NPS): This score measures the willingness of our customers to recommend or promote SAP to others. It is derived from our customer survey. Conducted each year, this survey identifies whether a customer is loyal and likely to recommend SAP to friends or colleagues, is neutral, or is unhappy. We introduced this measure in 2012, as we are convinced that we can achieve our financial goals only when our customers are loyal to, and satisfied with, SAP and our solutions. To derive the NPS, we start with the percentage of promoters of SAP those who give us a score of 9 or 10 on a scale of 0 to 10. We then subtract the percentage of detractors those who give us a score of 0 to 6. The methodology calls for ignoring passives, who give us a score of 7 or 8.

Value-Based Management

Our holistic view of the performance measures described above, together with our associated analyses, comprises the information we use for value-based management. We use planning and

control processes to manage the compilation of these key measures and their availability to our decision makers across various management levels.

SAP's long-term strategic plans are the point of reference for our other planning and controlling processes, including a multiyear plan through 2017. We identify future growth and profitability drivers at a highly aggregated level. This process is intended to identify the best areas in which to target sustained investment. Next, we evaluate our multiyear plans for our support and development functions and break down the customer-facing plans by sales region. Based on our detailed annual plans, we determine the budget for the respective year. We also have processes in place to forecast revenue and profit on a quarterly basis, to quantify whether we expect to realize our strategic goals, and to identify any deviations from plan. We continuously monitor the concerned units in the Group to analyze these developments and define any appropriate actions.

Our entire network of planning, control, and reporting processes is implemented in integrated planning and information systems, based on SAP software, across all organizational units so that we can conduct the evaluations and analyses needed to make informed decisions.

Non-IFRS Financial Measures Cited in This Report

As in previous years, we provided our 2013 financial outlook on the basis of certain non-IFRS measures. Therefore, this report contains a non-IFRS based comparison of our actual performance in 2013 against our outlook in the Report on Economic Position section.

Reconciliations of IFRS to Non-IFRS Financial Measures for 2013 and 2012

The following table reconciles our IFRS financial measures to the respective and most comparable non-IFRS financial measures of this report for each of 2013 and 2012. Due to rounding, the sum of the numbers presented in this table might not precisely equal the totals we provide.

Reconciliations of IFRS to Non-IFRS Financial Measures for the Years Ended December 31

millions, unless otherwise stated

	2013			2012				
	IFRS	Adj.	Non-IFRS	Currency Impact	Non-IFRS Constant Currency	IFRS	Adj.	Non-IFRS
Revenue measures								
Software	4,516	2	4,518	224	4,743	4,658	0	4,658
Cloud subscriptions and support	696	61	757	29	786	270	73	343
Software and cloud subscriptions	5,212	63	5,275	253	5,529	4,928	73	5,001
Support	8,738	19	8,756	371	9,128	8,237	9	8,246
Software and software-related service revenue	13,950	82	14,032	625	14,657	13,165	81	13,246
Consulting	2,242	0	2,242	87	2,329	2,442	0	2,442
Other services	623	0	623	24	647	616	0	616
Professional services and other service revenue	2,865	0	2,865	111	2,976	3,058	0	3,058
Total revenue	16,815	82	16,897	736	17,633	16,223	81	16,304
Operating expense measures								
Cost of software and software-related services	2,597	364	2,233			2,555	414	2,141
Cost of professional services and other services	2,402	123	2,278			2,520	128	2,392
Total cost of revenue	4,999	487	4,512			5,075	542	4,533
Gross profit	11,816	570	12,385			11,147	624	11,771
Research and development	2,282	120	2,162			2,261	129	2,132
Sales and marketing	4,131	205	3,926			3,912	223	3,689
General and administration	866	70	796			949	164	784
Restructuring	70	70	0			8	8	0
TomorrowNow litigation	0	0	0			0	0	0
Other operating income/expense, net	12	0	12			23	0	23
Total operating expenses	12,336	953	11,383	348	11,731	12,181	1,067	11,114
Operating profit measures								
Operating profit	4,479	1,035	5,514	388	5,902	4,041	1,148	5,190
Operating margin (in %)	26.6		32.6		33.5	24.9		31.8

Explanation of Non-IFRS Measures

We disclose certain financial measures, such as non-IFRS revenue, non-IFRS operating expenses, non-IFRS operating profit, non-IFRS operating margin, non-IFRS earnings per share, constant currency revenue, and operating profit measures that are not prepared in accordance with IFRS and are therefore considered non-IFRS financial measures. Our non-IFRS financial measures may not correspond to non-IFRS financial measures that other companies report. The non-IFRS

financial measures that we report should only be considered in addition to, and not as substitutes for or superior to, revenue, operating expenses, operating profit, operating margin, earnings per share, or other measures of financial performance prepared in accordance with IFRS.

We believe that the disclosed supplemental historical and prospective non-IFRS financial information provides useful information to investors because management uses this information, in addition to financial data prepared

in accordance with IFRS, to attain a more transparent understanding of our past performance and our anticipated future results. In 2013, we used these non-IFRS measures consistently in our internal planning and forecasting, reporting and compensation, as well as in our external communications as follows:

Our management primarily uses these non-IFRS measures rather than IFRS measures as the basis for making financial, strategic and operating decisions.

The variable remuneration components of our Executive Board members and employees are based on non-IFRS revenue and non-IFRS operating profit measures rather than the respective IFRS measures.

The annual budgeting process for all management units is based on non-IFRS revenue and non-IFRS operating profit numbers rather than the respective IFRS financial measures.

All forecast and performance reviews with all senior managers globally are based on these non-IFRS measures, rather than the respective IFRS financial measures.

Both our internal performance targets and the guidance we provided to the capital markets are based on non-IFRS revenues and non-IFRS profit measures rather than the respective IFRS financial measures.

Our non-IFRS financial measures reflect adjustments based on the items below, as well as adjustments for the related income tax effects.

Non-IFRS Revenue

Revenue items identified as non-IFRS revenue have been adjusted from the respective IFRS financial measures by including the full amount of support revenue, cloud subscriptions revenue, and other similarly recurring revenues that we are not permitted to record as revenue under IFRS due to fair value accounting for the contracts in effect at the time of the respective acquisitions.

Under IFRS, we record at fair value the contracts in effect at the time entities were acquired. Consequently, our IFRS support revenue, our IFRS cloud subscriptions and support revenue, our IFRS software and cloud subscription revenue, our IFRS software and software-related service revenue, and our IFRS total revenue for periods subsequent to acquisitions do not reflect the full

amount of revenue that would have been recorded by entities acquired by SAP had they remained stand-alone entities. Adjusting revenue numbers for this revenue impact provides additional insight into the comparability across periods of our ongoing performance.

We also report our non-IFRS deferred cloud subscription and support revenue to provide additional insight into amounts that are contracted for and invoiced and that are expected to be recognized in cloud subscription and support revenue in the future. To align the reporting of this non-IFRS deferred revenue number, we adjust this number, like our non-IFRS revenue numbers, for the effect of fair value accounting for the contracts in effect at the time of the respective acquisitions.

Non-IFRS Operating Expense

Operating expense figures that are identified as non-IFRS operating expenses have been adjusted by excluding the following expenses:

Acquisition-related charges

Amortization expense/impairment charges of intangibles acquired in business combinations and certain stand-alone acquisitions of intellectual property (including purchased in-process research and development)

Settlements of pre-existing business relationships in connection with a business combination

Acquisition-related third-party expenses

Discontinued activities: Results of discontinued operations that qualify as such under IFRS in all respects except that they do not represent a major line of business

Expenses from our share-based payments

Restructuring expenses

Non-IFRS Operating Profit, Non-IFRS Operating Margin, and Non-IFRS Earnings per Share

Operating profit, operating margin, and earnings per share identified as non-IFRS operating profit, non-IFRS operating margin, and non-IFRS earnings per share have been adjusted from the respective IFRS measures by adjusting for the above-mentioned non-IFRS revenue and non-IFRS operating expenses.

We exclude certain acquisition-related expenses for the purpose of calculating non-IFRS operating profit, non-IFRS operating margin, and non-IFRS earnings per share when evaluating SAP's continuing operational performance because these expenses generally cannot be changed or influenced by management after the relevant acquisition other than by disposing of the acquired assets. Since management at levels below the Executive Board does not influence these expenses, we generally do not consider these expenses for the purpose of evaluating the performance of management units. Additionally, these non-IFRS measures have been adjusted from the respective IFRS measures for the results of the discontinued activities, share-based payment expenses, and restructuring expenses.

Usefulness of Non-IFRS Measures

We believe that our non-IFRS measures are useful to investors for the following reasons:

The non-IFRS measures provide investors with insight into management's decision making because management uses these non-IFRS measures to run our business and make financial, strategic, and operating decisions.

The non-IFRS measures provide investors with additional information that enables a comparison of year-over-year operating performance by eliminating certain direct effects of acquisitions and discontinued activities.

Non-IFRS and non-GAAP measures are widely used in the software industry. In many cases, inclusion of our non-IFRS measures may facilitate comparison with our competitors' corresponding non-IFRS and non-GAAP measures. Additionally, we believe that our adjustments to our IFRS financial measures for the results of our discontinued TomorrowNow activities are useful to investors for the following reason:

TomorrowNow activities were discontinued and we will thus continue to exclude potential future TomorrowNow results, which are expected to mainly comprise expenses in connection with the TomorrowNow litigation, from our internal management reporting, planning, forecasting, and compensation plans. Therefore, adjusting our non-IFRS measures for the results of the discontinued TomorrowNow activities provides insight into the financial measures that SAP uses internally.

We include the revenue adjustments outlined above and exclude the expense adjustments outlined above when making decisions to allocate resources, both on a company level and at lower levels of the organization. In addition, we use these non-IFRS measures to gain a better understanding of SAP's operating performance from period to period.

We believe that our non-IFRS financial measures described above have limitations, including but not limited to, the following:

The eliminated amounts could be material to us.

Without being analyzed in conjunction with the corresponding IFRS measures, the non-IFRS measures are not indicative of our present and future performance, foremost for the following reasons:

While our non-IFRS profit numbers reflect the elimination of certain acquisition-related expenses, no eliminations are made for the additional revenue and other revenue that result from the acquisitions.

While we adjust for the fair value accounting of the acquired entities' recurring revenue contracts, we do not adjust for the fair value accounting of deferred compensation items that result from commissions paid to the acquired company's salesforce and third parties for closing the respective customer contracts.

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The acquisition-related charges that we eliminate in deriving our non-IFRS profit numbers are likely to recur should SAP enter into material business combinations in the future.

The acquisition-related amortization expense that we eliminate in deriving our non-IFRS profit numbers is a recurring expense that will impact our financial performance in future years.

The revenue adjustment for the fair value accounting of the acquired entities' contracts and the expense adjustment for acquisition-related charges do not arise from a common conceptual basis. This is because the revenue adjustment aims to improve the comparability of the initial post-acquisition period with future post-acquisition periods, while the expense adjustment aims to improve the comparability between post-acquisition periods and pre-acquisition

periods. This should particularly be considered when evaluating our non-IFRS operating profit and non-IFRS operating margin numbers as these combine our non-IFRS revenue and non-IFRS expenses despite the absence of a common conceptual basis.

Our discontinued activities and restructuring charges could result in significant cash outflows. The same applies to our share-based payment expense because most of our share-based payments are to be settled in cash rather than shares.

The valuation of our cash-settled, share-based payments could vary significantly from period to period due to the fluctuation of our share price and other parameters used in the valuation of these plans.

In the past we have issued share-based payment awards to our employees every year and we intend to continue doing so in the future.

Thus, our share-based payment expenses are recurring although the amounts usually change from period to period.

Despite these limitations, we believe that the presentation of the non-IFRS measures and the corresponding IFRS measures, together with the relevant reconciliations, provides useful information to management and investors regarding present and future business trends relating to our financial condition and results of operations. We do not evaluate our growth and performance without considering both non-IFRS measures and the comparable IFRS measures. We caution the readers of our financial reports to follow a similar approach by considering our non-IFRS measures only in addition to, and not as a substitute for or superior to, revenue or other measures of our financial performance prepared in accordance with IFRS.

Constant Currency Information

We believe it is important for investors to have information that provides insight into our sales. Revenue measures determined under IFRS provide information that is useful in this regard. However, both sales volume and currency effects impact period-over-period changes in sales revenue. We do not sell standardized units of products and services, so we cannot provide relevant information on sales volume by providing data on the changes in product and service units sold. To provide additional information that may be useful to investors in breaking down and evaluating changes in sales volume, we present

information about our revenue and various values and components relating to operating profit that are adjusted for foreign currency effects. We calculate constant currency revenue and operating profit measures by translating foreign currencies using the average exchange rates from the previous year instead of the current year.

We believe that constant currency measures have limitations, particularly as the currency effects that are eliminated constitute a significant element of our revenue and expenses and could materially impact our performance. We therefore limit our use of constant currency measures to the analysis of changes in volume as one element of the full change in a financial measure. We do not evaluate our results and performance without considering both constant currency measures in non-IFRS revenue and non-IFRS operating profit measures on the one hand, and changes in revenue, operating expenses, operating profit, or other measures of financial performance prepared in accordance with IFRS on the other. We caution the readers of our financial reports to follow a similar approach by considering constant currency measures only in addition to, and not as a substitute for or superior to, changes in revenue, operating expenses, operating profit, or other measures of financial performance prepared in accordance with IFRS.

Free Cash Flow

We use our free cash flow measure to estimate the cash flow remaining after all expenditures required to maintain or expand our organic business have been paid off. This measure provides management with supplemental information to assess our liquidity needs. We calculate free cash flow as net cash from operating activities minus purchases (other than purchases made in connection with business combinations) of intangible assets and property, plant, and equipment.

Free Cash Flow

millions	2013	2012	Change (in %)
Net cash flows from operating activities	3,832	3,822	0%
	566	541	5%

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Purchase of intangible assets and property, plant, and equipment (without acquisitions)

Free cash flow	3,266	3,281	0%
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ITEM 1. IDENTITY OF DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND ADVISERS

Not applicable.

ITEM 2. OFFER STATISTICS AND EXPECTED TIMETABLE

Not applicable.

ITEM 3. KEY INFORMATION

SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The following table sets forth our selected consolidated financial data as of and for each of the years in the five-year period ended December 31, 2013. The consolidated financial data has been derived from, and should be read in conjunction with, our Consolidated Financial Statements prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS), presented in Item 18. Financial Statements of this report.

Our selected financial data and our Consolidated Financial Statements are presented in euros. Financial data as of and for the year ended December 31, 2013 has been translated into U.S. dollars for the convenience of the reader.

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SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA: IFRS

millions, unless otherwise stated	2013 ⁽¹⁾ US\$	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Income Statement Data:						
Years ended December 31,						
Software and software-related service revenue	19,221	13,950	13,165	11,319	9,794	8,198
Total revenue	23,169	16,815	16,223	14,233	12,464	10,672
Operating profit	6,171	4,479	4,041	4,884	2,591	2,588
Operating margin in % ⁽²⁾	26.6	26.6	24.9	34.3	20.8	24.3
Profit after tax	4,581	3,325	2,803	3,437	1,813	1,750
Profit attributable to owners of parent	4,583	3,326	2,803	3,435	1,811	1,748
Earnings per share ⁽²⁾						
Basic in	3.84	2.79	2.35	2.89	1.52	1.47
Diluted in	3.83	2.78	2.35	2.89	1.52	1.47
Other Data:						
Weighted-average number of shares outstanding						
Basic	1,193	1,193	1,192	1,189	1,188	1,188
Diluted	1,195	1,195	1,193	1,190	1,189	1,189
Statement of Financial Position Data: At December 31,						
Cash and cash equivalents	3,786	2,748	2,477	4,965	3,518	1,884
Total assets ⁽³⁾	37,332	27,094	26,306	23,227	20,839	13,374
Current financial liabilities ⁽⁴⁾	1,031	748	802	1,331	142	146
Non-current financial liabilities ⁽⁴⁾	5,179	3,758	4,446	2,925	4,449	729
Issued capital	1,693	1,229	1,229	1,228	1,227	1,226
Total equity	22,112	16,048	14,133	12,689	9,824	8,491

(1) Amounts presented in US\$ have been translated for the convenience of the reader at 1.00 to US\$1.3779, the Noon Buying Rate for converting 1.00 into dollars on December 31, 2013. See Item 3. Key Information Exchange Rates for recent exchange rates between the Euro and the dollar.

(2) Operating profit is the numerator and total revenue is the denominator in the calculation of operating margin. Profit attributable to owners of parent is the numerator and weighted average number of shares outstanding is the denominator in the calculation of earnings per share. See Note (11) to our Consolidated Financial Statements for more information on earnings per share.

(3) The large increase in total assets from 2009 to 2010 was mainly due to the acquisition of Sybase in 2010. The large increase in total assets from 2011 to 2012 was mainly due to the acquisitions of SuccessFactors and Ariba in 2012. See Note (4) to our Consolidated Financial Statements for more information on acquisitions.

(4) The balances include primarily bonds, private placements and bank loans. Current is defined as having a remaining life of one year or less; non-current is defined as having a remaining term exceeding one year. The significant increase in non-financial liabilities in 2010 was due to an acquisition-term loan used to finance the acquisition of Sybase. In addition, we issued two bonds and a U.S. private placement transaction, of which, the proceeds were primarily used to finance the acquisition of Sybase. The significant increase in non-financial liabilities in 2012 was due to the issuance of a U.S. private placement transaction and Eurobonds in the course of the acquisition of Ariba. See Note (17b) to our Consolidated Financial Statements for more information on our financial liabilities.

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EXCHANGE RATES

The sales prices for our ordinary shares traded on German stock exchanges are denominated in euro. Fluctuations in the exchange rate between the euro and the U.S. dollar affect the dollar equivalent of the euro price of the ordinary shares traded on the German stock exchanges and, as a result, may affect the price of the ADRs traded on the NYSE in the United States. See Item 9. The Offer and Listing for a description of the ADRs. In addition, SAP AG pays cash dividends, if any, in euro. As a result, any exchange rate fluctuations will also affect the dollar amounts received by the holders of ADRs on the conversion into dollars of cash dividends paid in euro on the ordinary shares represented by the ADRs. Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas is the depositary (the Depositary) for SAP AG's ADR program. The deposit agreement with respect to the ADRs requires the Depositary to convert any dividend payments from euro into dollars as promptly as practicable upon receipt. For additional information on the Depositary and the fees associated with SAP's ADR program see Item 12 Description of Securities Other Than Equity Securities American Depositary Shares.

A significant portion of our revenue and expense is denominated in currencies other than the euro. Therefore, fluctuations in the exchange rate between the euro and the respective currencies in which we conduct business could materially affect our business, financial position, income or cash flows. See Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Exposure for details on the impact of these exchange rate fluctuations.

The following table sets forth (i) the average, high and low Noon Buying Rates for the euro expressed as U.S. dollars per 1.00 for the past five years on an annual basis and (ii) the high and low Noon Buying Rates on a monthly basis from July 2013 through and including March 7, 2014.

Year	Average⁽¹⁾	High	Low
2009	1.3955	1.5100	1.2547
2010	1.3216	1.4536	1.1959
2011	1.4002	1.4875	1.2926
2012	1.2909	1.3463	1.2062
2013	1.3303	1.3816	1.2774
Month		High	Low
2013			
July		1.3282	1.2774
August		1.3426	1.3196
September		1.3537	1.3120
October		1.3810	1.3490
November		1.3606	1.3357
December		1.3816	1.3552
2014			
January		1.3682	1.3500
February		1.3806	1.3507
March (through March 7, 2014)		1.3868	1.3731

⁽¹⁾ The average of the applicable Noon Buying Rates on the last day of each month during the relevant period. The Noon Buying Rate on March 7, 2014 was US\$1.3868 per 1.00.

DIVIDENDS**Dividend Distribution Policy**

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Dividends are jointly proposed by SAP AG's Supervisory Board (Aufsichtsrat) and Executive Board (Vorstand) based on SAP AG's year-end stand-alone statutory financial statements, subject to approval by the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. Dividends are officially declared for the prior year at SAP AG's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. SAP AG's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders usually convenes during the second quarter of each year. Dividends are usually remitted to the custodian bank on behalf of the shareholder within one business day following the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. Record holders of the ADRs on the dividend record date will be entitled to receive payment of the dividend declared in respect of the year for which it is declared. Cash dividends payable to such holders will be paid to the Depositary in euro and, subject to certain exceptions, will be converted by the Depositary into U.S. dollars.

Dividends paid to holders of the ADRs may be subject to German withholding tax. See [Item 8. Financial Information - Other Financial Information - Dividend Policy](#) and [Item 10. Additional Information - Taxation](#), for further information.

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Annual Dividends Paid and Proposed

The following table sets forth in euro the annual dividends paid or proposed to be paid per ordinary share in respect of each of the years indicated. One SAP ADR currently represents one SAP AG ordinary share. Accordingly, the final dividend per ADR is equal to the dividend for one SAP AG ordinary share and is dependent on the euro/U.S. dollar exchange rate. The table does not reflect tax credits that may be available to German taxpayers who receive dividend payments. If you own our ordinary shares or ADRs and if you are a U.S. resident, refer to Item 10. Additional Information – Taxation, for further information.

Year Ended December 31,	Dividend Paid per Ordinary Share	
	US\$	
2009	0.50	0.60 ⁽¹⁾
2010	0.60	0.85 ⁽¹⁾
2011	1.10 ⁽²⁾	1.38 ⁽¹⁾
2012	0.85	1.11 ⁽¹⁾
2013 (proposed)	1.00 ⁽³⁾	1.39 ^{(3),(4)}

(1) Translated for the convenience of the reader from euro into U.S. dollars at the Noon Buying Rate for converting euro into U.S. dollars on the dividend payment date. The Depositary is required to convert any dividend payments received from SAP as promptly as practicable upon receipt.

(2) Thereof a special dividend of 0.35 per share to celebrate our 40 anniversary.

(3) Subject to approval at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of SAP AG currently scheduled to be held on May 21, 2014.

(4) Translated for the convenience of the reader from euro into U.S. dollars at the Noon Buying Rate for converting euro into U.S. dollars on March 7, 2014 of US\$1.3868 per 1.00. The dividend paid may differ due to changes in the exchange rate.

The amount of dividends paid on the ordinary shares depends on the amount of profits to be distributed by SAP AG, which depends in part upon our performance. In addition, the amount of dividends received by holders of ADRs may be affected by fluctuations in exchange rates (see Item 3. Key Information – Exchange Rates). The timing and amount of future dividend payments will depend upon our future earnings, capital needs and other relevant factors, in each case as proposed by the Executive Board and the Supervisory Board of SAP AG and approved by the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders.

RISK FACTORS**Economic, Political, Social, and Regulatory Risk**

Uncertainty in the global economy, financial markets, or political conditions could have a negative impact on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows, and put pressure on our operating profit.

Our business is influenced by multiple risk factors that are both difficult to predict and beyond our influence and control. These factors include global economic and business conditions and fluctuations in national currencies. Other examples are political developments and general regulations, as well as budgetary constraints or shifts in spending priorities of national governments.

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Macroeconomic developments, such as a global economic crisis, chronic fiscal imbalances and slowing economic conditions in emerging markets, might decrease the ability of our customers to invest in our solutions. In addition, changes in the euro rates for particular currencies might have an adverse effect on business activities with local customers and partners. All of this could have an adverse effect on our business results, financial condition, profitability or expected growth, and could have an adverse effect on our stock price. Furthermore, political instabilities in regions such as the Middle East and Africa, and natural disasters, contribute to economic and political uncertainty that could also have an adverse effect on our business results, financial condition, profitability, and expected growth.

This could have an adverse effect on our customers' ability and willingness to make investments in our products and services. These events could reduce the demand for SAP software and services, and lead to:

Delays in purchases, decreased deal size, or cancelations of proposed investments

Higher credit barriers for customers, reducing their ability to finance software purchases

Increased number of bankruptcies among customers, business partners, and key suppliers

Increased default risk, which may lead to significant impairment charges in the future

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Market disruption from aggressive competitive behavior, acquisitions, or business practices

Increased price competition and demand for cheaper product and services

This could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

Our international business activities expose us to numerous and sometimes even conflicting regulatory requirements, and to risks that could harm our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

We are a global company and currently market our products and services in more than 180 countries and territories in the Americas (including Latin America and North America), APJ, and EMEA regions. Our business in these countries is subject to numerous risks inherent in international business operations. Among others, these risks include:

Conflict and overlap among tax regimes

Possible tax constraints impeding business operations in certain countries

Expenses associated with the localization of our products and compliance with local regulatory requirements

Discriminatory or conflicting fiscal policies

Operational difficulties in countries with a high corruption perception index

Protectionist trade policies and regulations for import and export

Works councils, labor unions, and immigration laws in different countries

Data protection and privacy in regard to access by government authorities to customer, partner, or employee data

Difficulties enforcing intellectual property and contractual rights in certain jurisdictions

Country-specific software certification requirements

As we expand further into new countries and markets, these risks could intensify. The

compliance with applicable laws and regulations to our business is sometimes unclear, subject to change over time, and sometimes may conflict between different jurisdictions. Additionally these laws and governments' approach to enforcement, as well as our products and services, are continuing to change and evolve. Compliance with these types of regulation may involve significant costs or require changes in products or business practices. Non-compliance could result in penalties being imposed on us or orders that we stop the alleged noncompliant activity. One or more of these factors could have an adverse effect on our operations globally or in one or more countries or regions, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

Social and political instability caused by state-based conflicts, terrorist attacks, civil unrest, war, or international hostilities, as well as pandemic disease outbreaks or natural disasters, may disrupt SAP's business operations.

Terrorist attacks and other acts of violence or war, civil and political unrest (such as in the Middle East and parts of Africa), or natural disasters (such as hurricanes, flooding, or similar events) could have a significant adverse effect on the related economy or beyond. Such an event could lead, for example, to the loss of a significant number of our employees, or to the disruption or disablement of operations at our locations, and could affect our ability to provide business services and maintain effective business operations. Furthermore, this could have a significant adverse effect on our partners as well as our customers and their investment decisions, which could have an adverse effect on our reputation, business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

Market Risks

Our established customers might not buy additional software solutions, renew maintenance agreements, purchase additional professional services, or they might switch to other products or service offerings (including competitive products).

In 2013, we offered a wide range of support services including SAP MaxAttention, SAP Enterprise Support, and SAP Product Support for

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Large Enterprises. We continue to depend materially on the success of our support portfolio and on our ability to deliver high-quality services. Traditionally, our large installed customer base generates additional new software, maintenance, consulting, and training revenue. Existing customers might cancel or not renew their maintenance contracts, decide not to buy additional products and services, switch to subscription models, or accept alternative offerings from other vendors, which could have an adverse effect on our maintenance business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

The success of our cloud computing strategy depends on an increasing market adoption of the cloud solutions and managed cloud services. Insufficient adoption of our solutions and services could lead to a loss of SAP's position as a leading cloud company.

The market for cloud computing is increasing and shows strong growth relative to the market for our on-premise solutions. To offer a broad cloud service portfolio and generate the associated business value for our customers, we have acquired cloud computing companies such as SuccessFactors and Ariba. Due to ongoing contracts and previous substantial investments to integrate traditional on-premise enterprise software into their businesses, customers and partners might be reluctant or unwilling to migrate to the cloud.

Other factors that could affect the market acceptance of cloud solutions include:

Concerns with entrusting a third party to store and manage critical employee or company confidential data

Customer concerns about security capabilities and reliability

Customer concerns about the ability to scale operations for large enterprise customers

The level of configurability or customizability of the software

Missing integration scenarios between on-premise products and cloud-to-cloud solutions

If organizations do not perceive the benefits of cloud computing, the market for cloud business might not develop further, or it may develop more

slowly than we expect, either of which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, reputation and cash flows.

Among measures to communicate and demonstrate the value and the benefits of our cloud solutions to the market, we significantly invest in infrastructure and processes that ensure secure operations of our cloud solutions including compliance with all local legal regulations regarding data protection and privacy as well as data security.

Our market share and profit could decline due to increased competition, market consolidation and technological innovation, and new business models in the software industry.

The software industry continues to evolve rapidly and is currently undergoing a significant shift due to innovations in the areas of mobile, Big Data, cloud computing, and social media. While smaller innovative companies tend to create new markets continuously, large traditional IT vendors tend to enter such markets mostly through acquisitions.

SAP faces increased competition in its business environment from traditional as well as new competitors. This could result in increased price pressure, cost increases, and loss of market share, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows. Additionally customers could change their buying behavior by accelerating their acceptance of cloud solutions to reduce their investments. Furthermore, the trend in the market to invest more in cloud solutions might lead to a risk related to the potential loss of existing on-premise customers. It may also have a temporary adverse effect on our revenue due to conversions from on-premise licenses to cloud subscriptions from existing SAP customers in our installed base.

Business Strategy Risks

Demand for our new solutions may not develop as planned and our strategy on new business models and flexible consumption models may not be successful.

Our software business consists of new software licenses, software license updates, and support and maintenance fees, as well as of cloud

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software subscriptions. Our customers are looking to take advantage of technological breakthroughs from SAP without compromising their previous IT investments. However, the introduction of new SAP solutions, technologies, and business models are subject to uncertainties as to whether customers will be able to realize the expected benefits. Uncertainty may lead customers to wait for reference customers first, which might result in a lower level of adoption of our new solutions, technologies, business models and flexible consumption models, or no adoption at all. This could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

Our Cloud organization recognizes subscription and support revenue from our customers over the term of their agreements, and our business depends substantially on customers renewing their agreements and purchasing additional modules or user licenses from SAP as a cloud provider. Also, any downturns or upturns in cloud sales may not be immediately reflected in our operating results, and any decline in our customer renewals would harm the future operating results of the cloud business.

We recognize cloud subscription and support revenue over the duration of our cloud business customer agreements, which typically range from one to three years with some up to five years. As a result, most of the respective revenue recognized in a given period originates from agreements entered into in earlier periods. Consequently, a shortfall in demand for our cloud portfolio in any period may not significantly impact our cloud subscription and support revenue for that quarter, but could have an adverse effect on targeted cloud subscription and support revenue in future periods.

To maintain or improve our operating results in the cloud business, it is important that our customers renew their agreements with us when the initial contract term expires and purchase additional modules or additional users. Our customers have no obligation to renew their subscriptions after the initial subscription period, and we cannot assure that customers will renew subscriptions at the same or at a higher level of service, or at all.

Our customers' renewal rates may decline or fluctuate as a result of a number of factors,

including their satisfaction or dissatisfaction with our cloud product portfolio, our customer support, concerns on efficient and secure cloud operations and in compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, our pricing, the prices of competing products or services, mergers and acquisitions affecting our customer base, the effects of global economic conditions, or reductions in our customers' spending levels. If our customers do not renew their subscriptions, renew on less favorable terms, or fail to purchase additional modules or users, our revenue and billings may decline, and we may not realize significantly improved operating results from our customer base. This could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

If we are unable to scale and enhance an effective partner ecosystem, increased revenue already included in our forecast might be endangered.

An open and vibrant partner ecosystem is a fundamental pillar of our success and growth strategy. We have entered into partnership agreements that drive co-innovation on our platforms, profitably expand all our routes-to-market to optimize market coverage, and provide high-quality services capacity in all market segments. Partners play a key role in driving market adoption of our entire solutions portfolio, by co-innovating on our platforms, embedding our technology, and reselling and/or implementing our software.

If partners consider our products less strategic and/or financially less attractive or if SAP fails to establish a network of qualified partners that meet our quality requirements and the requirements of our customers, then, among other things, partners might not:

Develop a sufficient number of new solutions and content on our platforms

Provide high-quality products and services to our customers

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Drive growth of references by creating customer use cases and demo systems

Sufficiently embed our solutions to profitably drive product adoption, especially with new innovations like SAP HANA

Enable and train sufficient resources to promote sell and support to scale into targeted markets

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Comply with applicable laws and regulations, resulting in delayed, disrupted, or terminated sales and services

Renew their existing agreements with us or enter into new agreements on terms acceptable to us or at all.

If one or more of these risks materialize, this may have an adverse effect on the demand for our products and services. As a result we may not be able to scale our business to compete successfully with other software vendors, which could have an adverse effect on our reputation, business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

Human Capital Risks

If we do not effectively manage our geographically dispersed workforce, we may not be able to run our business efficiently and successfully.

Our success is dependent on appropriate alignment of our internal and external workforce planning processes and our location strategy with our general strategy. It is critical that we manage our internationally dispersed workforce effectively, taking short and long-term workforce and skill requirements into consideration. This applies to the management of our internal as well as our external workforce. Changes in headcount and infrastructure needs could result in a mismatch between our expenses and revenue. Failure to manage our geographically dispersed workforce effectively could hinder our ability to run our business efficiently and successfully and could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

If we are unable to attract, develop, and retain leaders and employees with specialized knowledge and technology skills, or are unable to achieve internal diversity and inclusion objectives, we might not be able to manage our operations effectively and successfully, or develop successful new solutions and services.

Our highly qualified workforce is the foundation for our continued success. Competition in our industry for highly skilled and specialized personnel and leaders, both male and female, is intense. In certain regions and specific technology

and solution areas, we have set ambitious growth targets, specifically in countries such as Brazil, China, and Russia. If we are unable to identify, attract, develop, motivate, adequately compensate, and retain well-qualified personnel, both male and female, or if existing highly skilled and specialized personnel leave SAP and ready successors or adequate replacements are not available, we may not be able to manage our operations effectively, which could have an adverse effect on our reputation and our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows. Furthermore, we may not be able to develop, sell, or implement successful new solutions and services as planned. This is particularly true as we continue to introduce new and innovative technology offerings and expand our business in emerging markets. Missing or inadequately executed benefit and compensation programs could limit SAP's ability to attract or retain qualified employees and lead to financial losses. In addition, we might not be able to achieve our internal gender diversity objectives to increase the number of women in management from 18% in 2010 to 25% by 2017. Finally, hiring such personnel could expose us to claims by other companies seeking to prevent their employees from working for a competitor.

Organizational and Governance-Related Risks

Laws and regulatory requirements in Germany, the United States, and elsewhere have become much more stringent.

As a stock corporation domiciled in Germany with securities listed in Germany and the United States, we are subject to German, U.S., and other governance-related regulatory requirements. Changes in laws and regulations and related interpretations, including changes in accounting standards and taxation requirements and increased enforcement actions and penalties may alter the business environment in which we operate. Regulatory requirements have become significantly more stringent in recent years, and some legislation, such as the anticorruption legislation in Germany, the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the UK Bribery Act, and other local laws prohibiting corrupt payments by employees, vendors, distributors, or agents, is being applied more rigorously. Emerging markets are a significant focus of our international growth strategy. The nature of these markets presents a number of inherent risks. A failure by us to

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comply with applicable laws and regulations, or any related allegations of wrongdoing against us, whether merited or not, could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, cash flows and reputation.

Non-compliance with applicable data protection and privacy laws or failure to adequately meet the requirements of SAP's customers with respect to our products and services could lead to civil liabilities and fines, as well as loss of customers and damage to SAP's reputation.

As a global software and service provider, SAP is required to comply with the laws in the locations where SAP does business. SAP and its subsidiaries are facing a surge of data protection and privacy laws and regulations around the world, with further changes to be expected in the future, for example, by the European Data Protection Regulation proposed by the European Commission. These laws and regulations amend and supplement existing requirements regarding the processing of personal data that SAP and SAP customers must fulfill and which we must consequently address with our products and services. Failure to comply with applicable laws or to adequately address privacy concerns of customers, even if unfounded, could lead to investigations by supervisory authorities, civil liability, fines, (in the future, potentially calculated based on the Company's annual turnover), loss of customers, damage to our reputation, and could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

Failure to respond to meet customer, partner, or other stakeholder expectations or generally accepted standards on climate change, energy constraints, and our social investment strategy could negatively impact SAP's business, results of operations, and reputation.

Energy and emissions management are an integral component of our holistic management of social, environmental, and economic risks and opportunities. We have identified risks in these major areas:

Our solutions and green IT

Our own operations' energy management and other environmental issues such as carbon management, water use, and waste. Because our customers, employees, and investors expect a reliable energy and carbon strategy, we have reemphasized our previously communicated targets, especially our 2020 target for greenhouse gas emissions. In addition, our customers might no longer recognize SAP for its environmental leadership and might buy other vendors' products and services. Consequently, we could fail to achieve our revenue target. If we do not meet stakeholder expectations in the areas identified, our rating in sustainable investment indices might decrease, which could have an adverse effect on our reputation, business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

Unethical behavior and non-compliance with our integrity standards due to intentional and fraudulent behavior of employees could harm our business, financial position, profit, and reputation.

SAP's leadership position in the global market is founded on the long-term and sustainable trust of our stakeholders worldwide. Our heritage is one of corporate transparency, open communication with financial markets, and adherence to recognized standards of business integrity. The SAP Code of Business Conduct, adopted by the Executive Board on January 29, 2003, put into words the already existing guidelines and expectations for the business behavior practiced at SAP.

However, we may encounter unethical behavior and non-compliance with our integrity standards due to intentional and fraudulent behavior of individual employees, possibly in collusion with external third parties. In addition to intentional behavior, problems could also arise due to negligence in the adherence to rules and regulations. Unethical behavior and misconduct attributable to SAP could not only lead to criminal charges, fines and claims by injured parties, but also to financial loss, and severe reputational damage. This could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

Principal shareholders may be able to exert control over our future direction and operations.

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If SAP AG's principal shareholders and the holdings of entities controlled by them vote in the same manner, this could delay, prevent or facilitate a change in control of SAP or other significant changes to SAP AG or its capital

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structure. See [Item 7. Major Shareholders and Related-Party Transactions](#) [Major Shareholders](#) for further information.

U.S. judgments may be difficult or impossible to enforce against us or our Board members.

Currently, except for Bill McDermott and Vishal Sikka, all members of SAP AG's Executive Board and all members of the Supervisory Board are non-residents of the United States. A substantial portion of the assets of SAP and our Board members are located outside the United States. As a result, it may not be possible to effect service of process within the United States upon non-U.S. resident persons or SAP or to enforce against non-U.S. resident persons judgments obtained in U.S. courts predicated upon the civil liability provisions of the securities laws of the United States. In addition, awards of punitive damages in actions brought in the United States or elsewhere might be unenforceable in Germany.

Communication and Information Risks

Our controls and efforts to prevent the unauthorized disclosure of confidential information might not always be effective.

Confidential or strictly confidential information that is related to topics such as our strategy, new technologies, mergers and acquisitions, unpublished financial results, or personal data, could be prematurely or inadvertently disclosed. This could require us to notify multiple regulatory agencies and, where appropriate, the data owner, which could result in a loss of reputation for SAP. For example, leaked information during a merger or acquisition deal could cause the loss of our deal target, or our share price could decline in case of prematurely published financial results. This could have an adverse effect on our market position and lead to fines and penalties. In addition, this could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

Financial Risks

Our sales are subject to quarterly fluctuations and our sales forecasts may not be accurate.

Our revenue and operating results can vary and have varied in the past, sometimes substantially,

from quarter to quarter. Our revenue in general, and in particular our software revenue, is difficult to forecast for a number of reasons, including:

The relatively long sales cycles for our products

The large size, complexity, and extended timing of individual license transactions

The introduction of new licensing and deployment models such as cloud subscription models

The timing of the introduction of new products or product enhancements by SAP or our competitors

Changes in customer budgets

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Decreased software sales that could have an adverse effect on related maintenance and services revenue

The timing, size, and length of a customer's services projects

Deployment models that require the recognition of revenue over an extended period of time

Seasonality of a customer's technology purchases

Limited visibility into the ability of acquired companies to accurately predict their sales pipelines and the likelihood that the projected pipeline will convert favorably into sales

Other general economic, social, environmental, and market conditions, such as the global economic crisis and the current difficulties for countries with large debt

Since many of our customers make their IT purchasing decisions near the end of calendar quarters, and with a significant percentage of those decisions being made during our fourth quarter, even a small delay in purchasing decisions for our on-premise software could have an adverse effect on our revenue results for a given year. Our dependence on large transactions has decreased in recent years with a trend towards an increased number of transactions coupled with a decrease in deal size. However, the loss or delay of one or a few large opportunities, which are still characteristic of the large enterprise segment, could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

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External factors could impact our liquidity and increase the default risk associated with, and the valuation of, our financial assets.

Macroeconomic factors such as an economic downturn could have an adverse effect on our future liquidity. We use a globally centralized financial management to control financial risk, such as liquidity, exchange rate, interest rate, counterparty, and equity price risks. The primary aim is to maintain liquidity in the Group at a level that is adequate to meet our obligations at any time. Our total group liquidity was 2,841 million on December 31, 2013. This position is supported by our strong operating cash flows, of which a large part is recurring, and by credit facilities on which we can draw if necessary. However, adverse macroeconomic factors could increase the default risk associated with our total group liquidity. This could have an impact on the valuation of our financial assets, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

SAP's investment policy with regard to total group liquidity is set out in our internal treasury guideline document, which is a collection of uniform rules that apply globally to all companies in the Group. Among its stipulations, it requires that with limited exceptions we invest only in assets and funds rated BBB flat or better. The weighted average rating of the investments of our total group liquidity is in the range A to A-. We continue to pursue a policy of cautious investment characterized by wide portfolio diversification with a variety of counterparties, predominantly short-term investments, and standard investment instruments.

Management's use of estimates could negatively affect our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

To comply with IFRS, management is required to make many judgments, estimates, and assumptions that affect the reported financial figures. The facts and circumstances as well as assumptions on which management bases these estimates and judgments, and management's judgment regarding the facts and circumstances may change from time to time and this could result in significant changes in the estimates and judgments and consequently in the reported financials. Such changes could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit and cash flows.

Current and future accounting pronouncements and other financial reporting standards, especially but not only concerning revenue recognition, may negatively impact the financial results we present.

We regularly monitor our compliance with applicable financial reporting standards and review new pronouncements and drafts thereof that are relevant to us. As a result of new standards, changes to existing standards, and changes in their interpretation, we might be required to change our accounting policies, particularly concerning revenue recognition, to alter our operational policies so that they reflect new or amended financial reporting standards, or to restate our published financial statements. Such changes may have an adverse effect on our reputation, business, financial position, and profit, or cause an adverse deviation from our revenue and operating profit target.

Because we conduct operations throughout the world, our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows may be affected by currency and interest rate fluctuations.

Our Group-wide management reporting and our external financial reporting are both in euros. Nevertheless, a significant portion of our business is conducted in currencies other than the euro. Approximately 71% of our revenue in 2013 was attributable to operations outside the euro area and was translated into euros. Consequently, period-over-period changes in the euro rates for particular currencies can significantly affect our reported revenue and income. In general, appreciation of the euro relative to another currency has an adverse effect while depreciation of the euro relative to another currency has a positive effect. Variable interest balance-sheet items are also subject to changes in interest rates. Such changes may have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit and cash flows or cause an adverse deviation from our revenue and operating profit target.

For more information about our currency and interest rate risks and our related hedging activity, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements section, Notes (24) and (25).

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The cost of using derivative instruments to hedge share-based payments may exceed the benefits of hedging them.

We use derivative instruments to reduce the impact of our share-based payments on our income statement and to limit future expense associated with those plans. We decide case-by-case whether and to what extent we should hedge this risk. The expense of hedging the share-based payments could exceed the benefit achieved by hedging them. On the other hand, a decision to leave the plans materially unhedged could prove disadvantageous. This could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit and cash flows or cause an adverse deviation from our revenue and operating profit target.

The market price for our ADRs and ordinary shares may be volatile.

The market prices of our ADRs and ordinary shares have experienced and may continue to experience significant volatility in response to various factors including, but not limited to:

the announcement of new products or product enhancements by us or our competitors;

technological innovation by us or our competitors;

quarterly variations in our results or our competitors' results of operations or results that fail to meet market expectations;

changes in revenue and revenue growth rates on a consolidated basis or for specific geographic areas, business units, products or product categories;

changes in our externally communicated outlook;

changes in our capital structure, for example due to the potential future issuance of additional debt instruments;

general market conditions specific to particular industries;

litigation to which we are a party;

general and country specific economic or political conditions (particularly wars, terrorist attacks, etc.);
proposed and completed acquisitions or other significant transactions by us or our competitors; and

general market conditions.

Many of these factors are beyond our control. In the past, companies that have experienced volatility in the market price of their stock have been subject to shareholder lawsuits, including securities class action litigation. Any such lawsuits against us, with or without merit, could result in substantial costs and the diversion of management's attention and resources, resulting in a decline in our results of operations and our stock price.

Project Risks

Implementation of SAP software often involves a significant commitment of resources by our customers and is subject to a number of significant risks over which we often have no control.

A core element of our business is the successful implementation of software solutions to enable our customers to make their business a best-run business. The implementation of SAP software is led by SAP, by partners, by customers, or by a combination thereof. Depending on various factors, such as the complexity of solutions, the customer's implementation and integration needs or the resources required, SAP faces a number of different risks. For example, functional requirement changes, delays in timeline, or deviation from recommended best practices may occur during the course of a project. These scenarios have a direct impact on the project resource model and on securing adequate internal personnel or consultants in a timely manner and could therefore prove challenging.

As a result of these and other risks, SAP and/or some of our customers have incurred significant implementation costs in connection with the purchase and installation of SAP software products. Some customers' implementations have taken longer than planned. We cannot guarantee that we can reduce or eliminate protracted installation or significant third-party consulting costs, that trained consultants will be readily available, that our costs will not exceed the fees agreed in fixed-price contracts, or that customers will be satisfied with the implementation of our software and solutions. Unsuccessful, lengthy, or costly customer implementation and integration

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projects could result in claims from customers, harm SAP's reputation, and could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

Product and Technology Risks

There is a risk that undetected security vulnerabilities shipped and deployed within our software products might cause damage to SAP and our customers.

Customer systems or systems operated by SAP itself to provide services could potentially be compromised by vulnerabilities if they are exploited by hackers. This could lead to theft, destruction, or abuse of data, or systems could be rendered unusable (such as denial of service attack). The detection of security vulnerabilities in our software, our customers' systems, or SAP systems used in the provision of services, especially in case of exploitation, could prevent us from meeting our contractual obligations and subsequently might lead to customer claims and reputational damage, which might have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

Undetected defects in the introduction of new products and product enhancements could increase our costs, and reduce customer demand.

To achieve market acceptance and high customer satisfaction, our new products and product enhancements often require long development and testing periods. Development work and market introduction are subject to risks. For example, products might not completely meet our stringent high-quality standards, including security standards, might not fulfill market needs or customer expectations, or might not comply with local standards and requirements. Furthermore, this risk also exists with respect to acquired companies' technologies and products where we might not be able to manage these as quickly and successfully as expected. Therefore, market launches, entering new markets, or the introduction of new innovations could be delayed or not be successful.

Also, new products could contain undetected defects or they might not be mature enough from the customer's point of view for business-critical solutions. The detection and correction of any

defects after shipment could be expensive and time consuming and we might not be able to meet the expectations of customers regarding time and quality in the defect resolution process. In some circumstances, we might not be in a position to rectify such defects or entirely meet the expectations of customers, specifically as we are expanding our product portfolio into additional markets. As a result, we might be faced with customer claims for cash refunds, damages, replacement software, or other concessions. The risk of defects and their adverse consequences could increase as we seek to introduce a variety of new software products simultaneously at a higher innovation rate. Significant undetected defects or delays in introducing new products or product enhancements could affect market acceptance of SAP software products and could have an adverse effect on our reputation, business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

The use of existing SAP software products by customers in business-critical solutions and processes and the relative complexity and technical interdependency of our software products create a risk that customers or third parties may pursue warranty, performance, or other claims against us for actual or alleged defects in SAP software products, in our provision of services, or in our application hosting services. We have in the past been, and may in the future be, subject to warranty, performance, or other similar claims.

Although our contracts generally contain provisions designed to limit our exposure due to actual or alleged defects in SAP software products or in our provision of services, these provisions may not cover every eventuality or be effective under the applicable law. Regardless of its merits, any claim could entail substantial expense and require the devotion of significant time and attention by key management personnel. Publicity surrounding such claims could affect our reputation and the demand for our software.

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Changes in our rights to use software and technologies we license from third parties, which are an integral part of SAP's products, could slow down time to market and influence our license pricing and therefore the competitiveness with other software vendors. Furthermore, it could diminish our software's functional capabilities and therefore could jeopardize the stability of our solution portfolio offering.

The numerous third-party technologies we have licensed and certain open source software components we use have become an integral part of our product portfolio. We depend on those technologies for the functionality of our software or cloud services. Changes to, or the loss of, third-party licenses as well as open source licenses being construed could significantly increase the cost of these licenses and significantly reduce software functionality and/or usability of SAP's software products. As a result, we might incur additional development or license costs to ensure the continued functionality of our products, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows. This risk increases with each acquisition of a company or a company's intellectual property assets that had been subject to third-party technology licensing, open source software, and product standards less rigorous than our own.

If we are unable to keep up with rapid technological innovations, new business models, and changing market expectations, we might not be able to compete effectively.

Our future success depends upon our ability to keep pace with technological and process innovations and new business models, as well as our ability to develop new products and services, enhance and expand our existing products and services portfolio, and integrate products and services we obtain through acquisitions. To be successful, we are required to shift our products and our go-to-market approach to a cloud-based delivery model to satisfy changing customer demand.

We might not be successful in bringing new solutions, solution enhancements, and/or services to market before our competitors. We may also face increasing competition from open source software initiatives in which competitors may

provide software and intellectual property free and/or under terms and conditions unfavorable for SAP. In addition, we might not be able to generate enough revenue to offset the significant research and development costs we incur to deliver technological innovations. Moreover, we might not anticipate and develop technological improvements or succeed in adapting our products and processes to technological change, changing regulatory requirements, emerging industry standards, and changing requirements of our customers and partners. Finally, we might not succeed in producing high-quality products, enhancements, and releases in a timely and cost-effective manner to compete with products, solutions, and other technologies offered by our competitors, which could have an adverse effect on our reputation, business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

Our technology and/or product strategy may not be successful or our customers and partners might not adopt our technology platforms and other innovations accordingly.

We offer customers a broad portfolio of products, solutions, and services. Our technology strategy centers on SAP HANA as the real-time in-memory computing platform for analytics and applications. The success of our technology strategy depends on the convergence of SAP HANA with our mobile, cloud, and SAP NetWeaver technology platform. It also depends on the delivery of SAP solutions based on the SAP HANA platform as well as the success of our new framework to meet changing customer expectations regarding end-to-end user experience. Our technology strategy also relies on our ability to maintain a dynamic network of partner organizations developing their own business applications using our technology platforms.

We might not be successful in integrating our platforms, enabling the complete product portfolio, harmonizing our user interface design and technology, or bringing new solutions based on the SAP HANA platform to the market as fast as expected. In addition, we may not be able to compete effectively in the area of managed cloud services. As a result, our partner organizations and customers might not adopt the SAP HANA platform and our managed cloud services quickly enough or they might consider competitive solutions. As a result, this could have an adverse effect on our reputation, business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

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Our cloud offerings might be subject to a security attack, become unavailable, or fail to perform properly.

The software used in our cloud portfolio is inherently complex and any defects in product functionality, system stability, or data center operations that cause interruptions in the availability of our application suite could result in the following:

Lost or delayed market acceptance and sales

Breach of warranty or other contract breach or misrepresentation claims

Sales credits or refunds to our customers or partners

Loss of customers and/or partners

Diversion of development and customer service resources

Breach of data protection and privacy laws and regulations

Customers considering competitive cloud offerings

The costs incurred in correcting any defects or errors might be substantial and could have an adverse effect on our reputation, business, financial position, profit, and cash flows. Because of the large amount of data that we collect and manage, it is possible that hardware failures, defects in our software, or errors in our systems could result in data loss or corruption, or cause the information that we collect to be incomplete or contain inaccuracies that our customers regard as significant. Furthermore, the availability of our application suite could be interrupted by a number of factors, including customers' inability to access the Internet, the failure of our network or software systems due to human or other error, and security breaches, or variability in user traffic for our application suite. Additionally, any loss of the right to use hardware purchased or leased from third parties could result in delays in our ability to provide our application suite until equivalent technology is either developed by us or, if available, identified.

We have administrative, technical, and physical security measures in place as well as contracts that require third-party data centers to have appropriate security and data protection and privacy measures in place. In this context, customers might demand to only use specific

and/or local data centers. However, if these security measures are breached as a result of third-party action, employee error and malfeasance, or otherwise, and if as a result someone obtains unauthorized access to our customers' data, which may include personally identifiable information regarding users, our reputation could be damaged, our business may suffer, local data protection and privacy laws or regulations might be breached, and we could incur significant liability.

In addition, our insurance coverage might not cover claims against us for loss or security breach of data or other indirect or consequential damages. Moreover, defending a suit, regardless of its merit, could be costly and time-consuming. In addition to potential liability, if we experience interruptions in the availability of our application suite, our reputation could be harmed and we could lose customers.

Operational Risks

Third parties have claimed, and might claim in the future, that we infringe their intellectual property rights, which could lead to damages being awarded against us and limit our ability to use certain technologies in the future.

We believe that we will increasingly be subject to intellectual property infringement claims as the number of products in our industry segment grows, as we acquire companies with increased use of third-party code including open source code, as we expand into new industry segments with our products, resulting in greater overlap in the functional scope of products, and as non-practicing entities that do not design, manufacture, or distribute products increasingly assert intellectual property infringement claims.

Any claims, with or without merit, and negotiations or litigation relating to such claims, could preclude us from utilizing certain technologies in our products, be time-consuming, result in costly litigation, and require us to pay damages to third parties, stop selling or reconfigure our products and, under certain circumstances, pay fines and indemnify our customers, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial profile, profit, cash flows, and reputation. They could also require us to enter into royalty and licensing arrangements on terms that are not favorable to us, cause product shipment delays, subject our products to

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injunctions, require a complete or partial redesign of products, result in delays to our customers' investment decisions, and damage our reputation.

Software includes many components or modules that provide different features and perform different functions. Some of these features or functions may be subject to third-party intellectual property rights. The rights of another party could encompass technical aspects that are similar to one or more technologies in one or more of our products. Intellectual property rights of third parties could preclude us from using certain technologies in our products or require us to enter into royalty and licensing arrangements on unfavorable or expensive terms.

The software industry is making increasing use of open source software in its development work on solutions. We also integrate certain open source software components from third parties into our software. Open source licenses may require that the software code in those components or the software into which they are integrated be freely accessible under open source terms. Third-party claims may require us to make freely accessible under open source terms one of our products or non-SAP software upon which we depend.

Claims and lawsuits against us could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, cash flows, and reputation.

Claims and lawsuits are brought against us, including claims and lawsuits involving businesses we have acquired. Adverse outcomes to some or all of the claims and lawsuits pending against us might result in the award of significant damages or injunctive relief against us that could hinder our ability to conduct our business and could have an adverse effect on our reputation, business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

The outcome of litigation and other claims or lawsuits is intrinsically uncertain. Management's view of the litigation may also change in the future. Actual outcomes of litigation and other claims or lawsuits could differ from the assessments made by management in prior periods.

We might not acquire and integrate companies effectively or successfully and our strategic alliances might not be successful.

To expand our business, we have in the past made acquisitions of businesses, products, and

technologies. We expect to continue to make such acquisitions in the future. Management's negotiation of potential acquisitions and alliances and integration of acquired businesses, products, or technologies demands time, focus, and resources of management and of the workforce. Acquisitions of companies, businesses, and technology expose us to unpredictable operational difficulties, expenditures, and risks. These risks include, among others:

The selection of the wrong integration model for the acquired company

The failure to integrate the acquired business and its different business and licensing models

The failure to integrate the acquired technologies or products with our current products and technologies

The failure to integrate the acquired company's operations across SAP's different cultures, languages, and local protocols, all within the constraints of applicable local laws

The failure to meet the needs of the acquired company's customers and partners in the combined company

The diversion of management's time and attention from daily operations

The loss of key personnel of the acquired business

Material unknown liabilities and contingent liabilities of acquired companies, including legal, tax, accounting intellectual property, or other significant liabilities that may not be detected through the due diligence process

Legal and regulatory constraints (such as contract obligations, privacy frameworks and agreements, and so on)

Difficulties in implementing, restoring, or maintaining internal controls, procedures, and policies

Practices or policies of the acquired company that may be incompatible with our compliance requirements

An adverse effect on relationships with existing customers, partners, or third-party providers of technology or products

Difficulties in integrating the acquired company's accounting, HR, and other

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administrative systems and coordination of the acquired company's research and development (R&D), sales, and marketing functions

Debt incurrence or significant cash expenditures

In addition, acquired businesses might not perform as anticipated, resulting in charges for the impairment of goodwill and other intangible assets on our statements of financial position. Such charges may have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows. We have entered into, and expect to continue to enter into, alliance arrangements for a variety of purposes, including the development of new products and services. There can be no assurance that any such products or services will be successfully developed or that we will not incur significant unanticipated liabilities in connection with such arrangements. We may not be successful in overcoming these risks and we may therefore not benefit as anticipated from acquisitions or alliances.

We may not be able to obtain adequate title to, or licenses in, or to enforce, intellectual property.

Protecting and defending our intellectual property is crucial to our success. We use a variety of means to identify and monitor potential risks and to protect our intellectual property. These include applying for patents, registering trademarks and other marks and copyrights, implementing measures to stop copyright and trademark infringement, entering into licensing, confidentiality, and nondisclosure agreements, and deploying protection technology. Despite our efforts, we might not be able to prevent third parties from obtaining, using, or selling without authorization what we regard as our proprietary technology and information. All of these measures afford only limited protection, and our proprietary rights could be challenged, invalidated, held unenforceable, or otherwise affected. Some intellectual property might be vulnerable to disclosure or misappropriation by employees, partners, or other third parties. Third parties might independently develop technologies that are substantially equivalent or superior to our technology. Finally, third parties might reverse-engineer or otherwise obtain and use technology and information that we regard as proprietary. Accordingly, we might not be able to protect our proprietary rights against unauthorized third-party copying or utilization, which could have an adverse effect on our competitive position and our financial position, and result in reduced sales. Any

legal action we bring to enforce our proprietary rights could also involve enforcement against a partner or other third party, which may have an adverse effect on our ability, and our customers' ability, to use that partner's or other third parties' products. In addition, the laws and courts of certain countries may not offer effective means to enforce our intellectual property rights. This could have an adverse effect on our reputation, business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

SAP's business strategy focuses on certain business models that are highly dependent on a working cyberspace. A cybersecurity breach could have an adverse effect on our customers, our reputation, and our business.

The key cybersecurity risks currently applicable to SAP include state-driven economic espionage as well as competitor-driven industrial espionage, and criminal activities including, but not limited to, cyber-attacks against on-premise software, hosted, and cloud services. This might result in, for example, leakage of confidential information and intellectual property, defective products, production downtimes, supply shortages, and compromised data (including personal data). A failure of our cybersecurity measures could expose our business operations and service delivery to the described risks, for example, virtual attack, disruption, damage, and/or unauthorized access. Additionally, we could be subject to recovery costs, for example, as well as significant contractual and legal claims by customers, partners, authorities, and third-party service providers for damages against us, which could have an adverse effect on our reputation, business, financial position, profit, and cash flows.

We may not be able to protect our critical information and assets or to safeguard our business operations against disruption.

SAP is dependent on the exchange of a wide range of information across our global operations and on the availability of our infrastructure. With regard to our physical environment, we face several key security risks such as industrial and/or economic espionage, serious and organized crime, and other illegal activities, as well as violent extremism and terrorism. We might be endangered by threats including, but not limited to, social engineering, misuse, or theft of information or assets, or damage to assets by trespassers in our facilities or by people who have

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gained unauthorized physical access to our facilities, systems, or information, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial profile, profit, and cash flows.

Our insurance coverage might not be sufficient and uninsured losses may occur.

We maintain insurance coverage to protect us against a broad range of risks, at levels we believe are appropriate and consistent with current industry practice. Our objective is to exclude or minimize risk of financial loss at reasonable cost. However, we may incur losses that are beyond the limits, or outside the scope, of coverage of our insurance and that may limit or prevent indemnification under our insurance policies. In addition, we might not be able to maintain adequate insurance coverage on commercially reasonable terms in the future. Further, certain categories of risks are currently not insurable at reasonable cost, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows. Finally, there can be no assurance of the financial ability of the insurance companies to meet their claim payment obligations.

We could incur losses in connection with venture capital investments.

Through our partnership with SAP Ventures, we plan to continue investing in new and promising technology businesses. Many such investments generate net losses and require additional expenditures from their investors. Changes to planned business operations have in the past, and may in the future, affect the performance of companies in which SAP Ventures holds investments, and that could have an adverse effect on the value of our investments in SAP Ventures, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, and cash flows. Furthermore, tax deductibility of capital losses and impairment in connection with equity securities are often restricted and could therefore have an adverse effect on our effective tax rate.

ITEM 4. INFORMATION ABOUT SAP

Our legal corporate name is SAP AG. SAP AG is translated in English to SAP Corporation. SAP AG, formerly known as SAP Aktiengesellschaft Systeme, Anwendungen, Produkte in der Datenverarbeitung, was incorporated under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany in 1972. Where the context requires in the discussion

below, SAP AG refers to our predecessors, Systemanalyse und Programmentwicklung GbR (1972-1976) and SAP Systeme, Anwendungen, Produkte in der Datenverarbeitung GmbH (1976-1988). SAP AG became a stock corporation (Aktiengesellschaft) in 1988. Our principal executive offices, headquarters and registered office are located at Dietmar-Hopp-Allee 16, 69190 Walldorf, Germany. Our telephone number is +49-6227-7-47474.

As part of our activities to reduce the number of legal entities in the SAP group, in 2013 we integrated certain subsidiaries into the following significant SAP subsidiaries: SAP America, Inc., SAP Canada Inc., SAP Deutschland AG & Co. KG, SAP France, SAP Nederland B.V., and SAP JAPAN Co., Ltd.

For a (i) description of our principal capital expenditures and divestitures and the amount invested (including interests in other companies) since January 1, 2011 until the date of this report and (ii) information concerning our principal capital expenditures and divestitures currently in progress, including the distribution of these investments geographically and the method of financing, see Item 4. Information About SAP Description of Property Capital Expenditures.

VISION, MISSION, AND STRATEGY

SAP's continued growth over four decades is attributable to our focus on innovation, a broad portfolio, and our ability to stay close to our customers and understand their ever-changing needs.

Our Vision and Mission

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SAP's vision is to help the world run better and improve people's lives. Our mission is to help every customer become a best-run business. We do this by delivering technology innovations that address the challenges of today and tomorrow without disrupting our customers' business operations. For example, enterprise mobility is transforming usage of IT; in-memory technology is simplifying the IT architecture in the enterprise and driving high-value applications; and cloud delivery of IT solutions is simplifying the consumption of technology. We offer solutions that drive business outcomes and enable our customers to run better. We help our customers derive value from their SAP solutions in a cost-effective and predictable way, with our professional services, support, and cloud delivery.

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Our Goals for Sustained Business Success

SAP has strong ambitions for sustainable business success, both for our company and for our customers. We believe the most important indicators to measure this success comprise both financial and non-financial indicators: revenue, margin, customer loyalty, and employee engagement.

Revenue

We aim to achieve at least 22 billion total revenue by 2017. SAP still aims to achieve at least 20 billion total revenue by 2015 (2013: 16.9 billion non-IFRS total revenue). An important part to achieving this is our continued focus on innovations, as we expect to become the cloud company with 3.0 to 3.5 billion total revenue from our cloud business by 2017. In 2014, we expect to increase non-IFRS software and software-related services (SSRS) growth by 6% and 8% at constant currencies.

Margin

We aim for 35% non-IFRS operating margin (2013: 32.6%). In order to capture growth opportunities in the cloud, we expect to reach this goal in 2017 instead of 2015, as previously stated. In 2014, we expect between 5.8 billion to 6.0 billion non-IFRS operating profit at constant currencies.

Customer Loyalty

We use the Net Promoter Score (NPS) to measure customer loyalty. In 2014, we are aiming for an increase in NPS by four percentage points (2013: 12.1%).

Employee Engagement

We use the employee engagement index to measure motivation and loyalty of our employees, how proud they are of our company, and how strongly they identify with SAP. We are committed to achieving a score of 82% in 2015 (2013: 77%). Despite the slight drop in employee engagement in 2013 compared to 2012, we expect to see an incremental increase in our industry-leading score in 2014.

These four goals affirm our commitment to innovation and sustainability, and will help us deliver on our vision and mission.

In addition to the primary KPIs, which directly measure our performance with regard to our four company objectives, SAP manages a large set of secondary performance indicators, which influence the primary KPIs in a variety of ways. Our integrated report seeks to clarify some of those relationships, for example the link between our energy consumption and our margin.

Our main indicators are presented with more detail throughout the report. For more information on strategic goals, see the Internal Management System; Report on Expected Developments; Customers; and Employees section.

Our Strategy: Simplify Everything with SAP Cloud powered by SAP HANA

Organizations around the world are now entering a new era of business model innovation, made possible by the convergence of cloud, mobile, social, and in-memory technologies.

However, businesses often contend with layers of IT complexity that have been built up over the decades. This complexity is the result of several factors, including the proliferation of hardware and custom applications. In addition, investments in innovations often take a long time to implement or to realize business value. Due to the complexity of the current consumption model, customers are not able to respond fast enough

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to changing market conditions. We believe that simplicity is the key: By solving the challenge of business complexity, we can help unlock our customers' innovation potential. We are committed to leading this simplification.

In today's technology industry, the biggest winners have grown by offering simplicity and ease of consumption over a cloud model, which has translated to massive user adoption and market success.

In 2014, SAP will focus on helping its customers simplify everything, so they can do anything.

With the SAP HANA platform, we have an opportunity to simplify our product portfolio and IT landscape for our customers. SAP HANA can

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radically simplify enterprise applications as it collapses the entire IT stack. With SAP HANA cloud platform, we have the ability to take our core on-premise applications to the cloud and offer a choice of cloud deployments to our customers.

With SAP Cloud powered by SAP HANA, we will focus our simplification on three areas – simplifying our consumption model, simplifying our portfolio, and simplifying user experience.

Simplify software consumption by moving our entire portfolio to the cloud: We are transitioning our consumption model to SAP Cloud powered by SAP HANA where we can deliver end-to-end solutions and drive business outcomes for the customers. We will offer our entire portfolio of solutions – applications, analytics, and platform through SAP Cloud powered by SAP HANA. We will move our core SAP Business Suite software to the cloud as a managed service, delivered by both SAP and our partners. We will also accelerate our investments in line-of-business public cloud solutions across SuccessFactors, Ariba, and our cloud portfolio, all running on SAP HANA. We will deliver a true, integrated cloud to our customers. As we are committed to offering flexibility and choice, we will continue to offer an on-premise deployment model to our customers.

Simplify our products with SAP HANA as the common platform: We will standardize every SAP product (including SuccessFactors and Ariba) on the common SAP HANA platform, and deliver integration across our portfolio. This will drive a simplified suite experience for our customers and partners. Our partners and ecosystem can either extend our solutions or build end-to-end applications based on the SAP HANA platform.

Simplify the user experience: We will simplify the user experience (UX) by offering a mobile first approach based on SAP Fiori applications, which offer a simple and easy-to-use experience for broadly used SAP software functions that work seamlessly across devices. We will build applications that show empathy with the user and dramatically improve the experience of our customer's customers and our customers' employees.

In addition to simplifying our business model, we will focus on end-to-end delivery of

industry-specific solutions that can drive business value and outcomes. We will continue to build an open ecosystem and our partner network to deliver SAP Cloud powered by SAP HANA on their cloud infrastructure. Our ecosystem will play a vital role in building new solutions on the SAP HANA platform and delivering value to our customers.

With our focus on simplification, we aim to better innovate and grow.

Today SAP only receives a small percentage of each customer's overall IT spend. By investing in innovations and shifting our customers to a cloud business model, we will be able to help reduce their total cost of ownership (TCO) on IT. This enables customers to reinvest the TCO savings in new innovations and SAP could capture a higher share of customer IT spend.

Additionally, SAP will drive innovation and top-line growth across the following dimensions:

Drive the Big Data agenda for our customers with our real-time in-memory SAP HANA platform and predictive analytics solutions

Establish SAP HANA as a standard enterprise business platform and monetize through partners and ecosystem

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Focus on the customer's customer by extending to business-to-business-to-consumer (B2B2C) through our portfolio of omnichannel and CRM solutions

Drive accelerated growth in selected industries such as banking, insurance, retail, public sector, and healthcare

Emerging markets will continue to be a growth driver, with high double-digit growth in software and cloud revenues expected through 2017.

In addition to our investments in China, Russia, and the Middle East, we are expanding our investments in Africa.

We will stay committed to our customers' success and evolve our execution to drive further value creation for our customers. We strive to provide our customers a significant competitive advantage and to help make their growth more sustainable—financially, ecologically, and socially.

For more information about SAP's goals, see the Report on Expected Developments section.

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OVERVIEW OF THE SAP GROUP

Founded in 1972, SAP today is the world leader in enterprise applications in terms of software and software-related service revenue, and the world's third-largest independent software manufacturer based on market capitalization. Our continued growth over four decades is attributable to relentless innovation, a diverse portfolio, and our ability to anticipate ever-changing customer requirements. With more than 253,500 customers in over 180 countries, the SAP Group includes subsidiaries in major countries and employs more than 66,500 people.

Our company's culture puts our customers' success at the center of everything we do, and is driven by our passions which are:

Success We measure our success by our customers' success.

Accountability We embrace accountability and strive to always make good on our promises.

Professionalism We exhibit professionalism by consistently delivering quality work.

Integrity We are honest and fair and take responsibility for all our actions.

Teamwork We value teamwork because it enables us to exceed our individual limits and share greater success.

Trust We work for each other's success and take personal responsibility for all of our relationships.

For more information about our business conduct, see the Business Conduct section of the SAP Integrated Report 2013 online.

SAP is headquartered in Walldorf, Germany; our legal corporate name is SAP AG. The corporation

is listed on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange as well as stock exchanges in Berlin and Stuttgart in Germany and the New York Stock Exchange in the United States. At the end of 2013, our market capitalization was 76.5 billion. SAP is a member of the German DAX and of the Dow Jones EURO STOXX 50 index.

We derive our revenue from fees charged to our customers for licensing of on-premise software products and solutions, and the use of our cloud solutions by subscription. We also derive revenue from support, consulting, development, training, and other services.

SAP markets and distributes our products, solutions, and services primarily through a worldwide network of local subsidiaries, which are licensed to distribute SAP offerings to customers in defined territories. Distributorship agreements are in place with independent resellers in some countries. For more information, see the Business Model section.

As of December 31, 2013, SAP AG controlled directly or indirectly 272 subsidiaries. Our subsidiaries perform various tasks such as sales and marketing, consulting, research and development, customer support, training, or administration. For a complete list of subsidiaries, associates, and other equity investments, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements section, Note (33).

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For management reporting, our activities are broken down into two divisions, On-Premise and Cloud, which are further divided into operating segments. Our On-Premise division is composed of two operating segments, On-Premise Products and On-Premise Services. Our Cloud division is also composed of two operating segments, Cloud Applications and Ariba. For more information about our segments, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements section, Note (28).

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The following table illustrates our most significant subsidiaries based on total revenues as of December 31, 2013:

Name of Subsidiary	Ownership %	Country of Incorporation	Function
Germany			
SAP Deutschland AG & Co. KG, Walldorf	100	Germany	Sales & Marketing, Consulting, Training, Customer Support, Research and Development and Administration
Rest of EMEA			
SAP (UK) Limited, Feltham	100	Great Britain	Sales & Marketing, Consulting, Training, Customer Support, Research and Development and Administration
SAP (Schweiz) AG, Biel	100	Switzerland	Sales & Marketing, Consulting, Training, Customer Support, Research and Development and Administration
SAP France, Paris	100	France	Sales & Marketing, Consulting, Training, Customer Support, Research and Development and Administration
SAP Nederland B.V., s-Hertogenbosch	100	The Netherlands	Sales & Marketing, Consulting, Training, Customer Support, Research and Development and Administration
Limited Liability Company SAP CIS, Moscow	100	Russia	Sales & Marketing, Consulting, Training, Customer Support, Research and Development and Administration
United States			
SAP America, Inc., Newtown Square	100	USA	Sales & Marketing, Consulting, Training, Customer Support, Research and Development and Administration
SAP Industries, Inc., Newtown Square	100	USA	Sales & Marketing, Consulting, Training, Customer Support, Research and Development and Administration
Rest of Americas			
SAP Brasil Ltda, São Paulo	100	Brazil	Sales & Marketing, Consulting, Training, Customer Support, Research and Development and Administration
SAP Canada Inc., Toronto	100	Canada	Sales & Marketing, Consulting, Training, Customer Support, Research and Development and Administration
Japan			
SAP JAPAN Co., Ltd., Tokyo	100	Japan	Sales & Marketing, Consulting, Training, Customer Support, Research and Development and Administration
Rest of APJ			
SAP Australia Pty Limited, Sydney	100	Australia	Sales & Marketing, Consulting, Training, Customer Support, Research and Development and Administration

PORTFOLIO OF PRODUCTS, SOLUTIONS, AND SERVICES

Our Focus on Customers and Innovation

SAP's portfolio of products, solutions, services, and support is designed with customer centricity

in mind. Our solutions help customers address the major trends and issues of our time — such as the unprecedented power of people to connect, the ubiquity of mobile technology, the pressures of population growth and rapid urbanization, and the increasing demand on natural resources. Our software enables companies of all sizes to better connect to their customers and suppliers, and to measure, track, and manage their sustainable

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operations. Our solutions also address our customers' expectations for shorter innovation cycles, an attractive total cost of ownership (TCO), a superior user experience, and choice of consumption options—whether on premise or in the cloud.

SAP's portfolio offers solutions to customers of all sizes and across 25 industries, all around the globe. The platform for all our solutions is called SAP HANA. SAP was the first company to introduce an in-memory database not only for analytics, but also for running complete enterprise applications in main memory. SAP HANA is an in-memory data platform that is deployable as an on-premise appliance or in the cloud. It is a revolutionary platform best suited for performing real-time analytics, and developing and deploying real-time applications. Due to its hybrid structure for processing transactional workloads and analytical workloads fully in-memory, SAP HANA combines the best of both worlds. It also offers a unique opportunity for business innovation, simplifying IT landscapes, reducing TCO, and boosting performance by a wide margin. All of our products will be enabled to run on the SAP HANA platform, and we continue to make SAP HANA a key differentiator in both technology and business applications across our entire portfolio.

Solutions

SAP has built a deep expertise in more than 40 years of delivering market-leading software to distinct industries and lines of business. Our end-to-end solutions for industries and lines of business combine assets across our product, service, technology, and market categories to solve specific customer challenges.

Solutions for Lines of Business

Our line-of-business solutions are relevant across all industries, providing best-practice capabilities to key functional areas within an organization. As a result, they enable professionals to excel within their respective disciplines. Our portfolio of solutions currently covers 12 lines of business:

Asset management

Corporate strategy and sustainability

Finance
Human resources

Information technology

Manufacturing

Marketing

Procurement

R&D and engineering

Sales

Service

Supply chain management

We deliver these solutions on premise or through the cloud as software-as-a-service (SaaS) offerings:

SAP Cloud for Human Resources: Together with existing HR cloud solutions from SAP, SuccessFactors, an SAP company, offers a full suite of cloud solutions that help companies improve workforce productivity and engage, train, motivate, and retain their people.

SAP Cloud for Finance: Cloud solutions that support key financial processes including travel and expense reporting.

SAP Cloud for Sales, SAP Cloud for Service, SAP Cloud for Marketing: These individual cloud portfolios offer applications that manage all aspects of customer interaction – marketing, sales, service – while employing next-generation social capabilities.

SAP Cloud for Procurement: The portfolio from Ariba, an SAP company, combines the world's largest cloud-based business network with cloud-based applications for buying, selling, and managing cash used by companies around the globe to connect to their trading partners.

Cloud Suites: SAP offers SAP Business Suite powered by SAP HANA in the cloud. In addition, SAP Business ByDesign and SAP Business One Cloud provide two cloud suites for subsidiaries and small businesses.

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Solutions for Industries

For decades, SAP has developed deep expertise within specific industry groups. Our product development teams include professionals from within those industries, and we continually engage

with customers to develop solutions that represent industry best practices. With the 2013 addition of the SAP for Sports & Entertainment industry portfolio, SAP now supports enterprises in 25 industries.

Industry Sector	Industry Portfolio
Consumer	SAP for Consumer Products SAP for Life Sciences SAP for Retail SAP for Wholesale Distribution
Discrete manufacturing	SAP for Aerospace & Defense SAP for Automotive SAP for High Tech SAP for Industrial Machinery & Components
Energy and natural resources	SAP for Chemicals SAP for Mill Products SAP for Mining SAP for Oil & Gas SAP for Utilities
Financial services	SAP for Banking SAP for Insurance
Public services	SAP for Defense & Security SAP for Healthcare SAP for Higher Education & Research SAP for Public Sector
Services	SAP for Engineering, Construction & Operations SAP for Media SAP for Professional Services SAP for Sports & Entertainment SAP for Telecommunications SAP for Transportation & Logistics

Solutions for Small Businesses and Midsize Companies

SAP offers a number of targeted solutions for small businesses and midsize companies, including the SAP Business All-in-One solution, the SAP Business One application, and Edge solutions, which combine business management and business intelligence software. These solutions are targeted and optimized for small businesses and midsize companies, and provide growing

enterprises with the capabilities they need to compete in a global market.

SAP also offers affordable, scalable solutions in the cloud, such as SAP Business ByDesign and SuccessFactors HCM Suite. These solutions are relevant for companies of all sizes, including small and midsize enterprises. Additionally, we offer SAP Business One Cloud to small businesses and midsize companies. SAP Business One Cloud is a comprehensive and easy-to-consume cloud offering with predictable costs.

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Products

In 2013, SAP offered innovative products in five market categories: Applications, Analytics, Mobile, Database and Technology, and Cloud, all powered by the SAP HANA platform.

We will continue to offer products in these market categories, along with innovations designed to meet customer needs now and in the future. As described in the Vision, Mission, and Strategy section of this management report, our strategy will focus even more on how our products deliver simplicity, better business outcomes, and sustainable business value.

In 2013, our product portfolio comprised the following:

Applications

SAP is the recognized leader in enterprise applications. Based on our leading technology and our unmatched business process know-how, we deliver innovations without disruptions.

SAP Business Suite software helps create a comprehensive business process platform for companies to run better and perform better every day.

The main applications in SAP Business Suite are:

SAP Customer Relationship Management (SAP CRM): Provides a comprehensive set of functionality for marketing, sales, and service to engage with customers.

SAP ERP: Supports critical business processes such as finance, HR, and other essential corporate functions.

SAP Product Lifecycle Management (SAP PLM): Manages the product and asset lifecycle across the extended supply chain.

SAP Supplier Relationship Management (SAP SRM): Supports key procurement activities.

SAP Supply Chain Management (SAP SCM): Helps adapt supply chain processes to a rapidly changing competitive landscape. *SAP Business Suite* is also available powered by *SAP HANA* as our next-generation business suite that captures and analyzes data in real time on a single in-memory platform. In the past, companies

would run separate disk-based systems; one to capture transactional data, and one to analyze data in a data warehouse. *SAP Business Suite* powered by *SAP HANA* allows customers to work with a single in-memory data management system, empowering customers to run their business in real time to transact, analyze, and predict instantly and proactively. This gives companies the ability to translate real-time insights into action immediately, while removing the complexity of redundant system data and systems. Customers can now manage mission-critical business processes, such as planning, execution, reporting, and analysis, in real time using the same relevant live data. This simplification lowers TCO.

Analytics

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Our analytics offerings enable users to unleash the power of collective insight by helping them collect massive amounts of Big Data and use it to drive better business outcomes. The solutions enable users to unlock the data they need empowering them with the right information at the right time to make insightful business decisions, anticipate change, and uncover new opportunities. When using software powered by SAP HANA, companies can gain insight by overcoming the classic trade-off between the speed and flexibility of data analysis. As a result, data analysis becomes much faster and more cost-effective.

Analytic solutions from SAP include:

Business intelligence (BI): Helps users to make fact-based decisions with enterprise business intelligence solutions that enable users to engage with all their data, on any device, across any platform. Our BI solutions include the SAP BusinessObjects BI platform, SAP Crystal Reports, SAP BusinessObjects Dashboards, and SAP Lumira.

Enterprise performance management (EPM): Helps companies improve performance, organizational agility, and decision making. SAP solutions for EPM include SAP Business Planning and Consolidation, SAP Profitability and Cost Management, SAP Financial Consolidation, and SAP Disclosure Management applications.

Governance, risk, and compliance (GRC): Provides organizations with a real-time approach to manage GRC across heterogeneous business environments. SAP solutions for GRC

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include the SAP Risk Management, SAP Access Control, and SAP Global Trade Services applications as well as the SAP Sustainability Performance Management analytic application.

Predictive analytics: Brings advanced analytics capabilities to a broad spectrum of users beyond data scientists to line-of-business users and analysts in the workplace to help uncover new business opportunities, predict trends, and proactively respond to change. This is made possible by automating key modeling and analytical tasks and enabling faster deployment and adoption of predictive analytics tools.

Mobile

Today's businesses demand mobile access to critical business information. Mobile solutions from SAP offer the foundation for enterprise mobility and seamless integration with the core enterprise applications of our customers. SAP is recognized as a market leader in enterprise mobility.

Our portfolio of mobile solutions includes:

Enterprise mobility management: In many organizations, employees use different types of mobile devices to access critical enterprise data, content, and applications. To address this demand, SAP offers the SAP Afaria mobile device management solution and the SAP Mobile Documents solution.

Mobile apps: SAP has a variety of mobile apps that interface with our on-premise solutions and address line-of-business, industry, and consumer needs. In addition, SAP has opened our mobile development platform to our partner ecosystem to support the growing demand for mobile apps.

SAP Mobile Platform: SAP Mobile Platform combines Sybase Unwired Platform, the former Sybase 365 Mobilizer Platform (for business-to-consumer applications), and Agentry from the acquired company Syclo into a single platform, thus supporting mobile development and deployment across the entire enterprise.

Database and Technology

Our database and technology portfolio provides a solid and comprehensive foundation for business applications. SAP HANA, our ground-breaking in-memory platform, has redefined innovation in the

database and technology market and has become the fastest-growing product in our history. We depend on our ecosystem to expand our reach, and accelerate growth and adoption of SAP database and technology products beyond our installed base customers.

In addition to SAP HANA, we offer a comprehensive family of database and technology solutions that includes:

Application development and integration: SAP NetWeaver provides a comprehensive technology platform, designed to efficiently develop, run, and extend business applications. SAP NetWeaver provides technology and enterprise software, such as the SAP NetWeaver Business Warehouse (SAP NetWeaver BW) application, and the SAP NetWeaver Application Server, SAP NetWeaver Portal, and SAP NetWeaver Process Orchestration components.

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Database: We offer the technology to make up a real-time data platform, including SAP HANA, SAP IQ database software, SAP Adaptive Server Enterprise (SAP ASE), and the SAP SQL Anywhere suite.

Cloud

In a world where customers need to respond quickly to changing market conditions, the cloud model offers an ideal combination of flexibility, affordability, and rapid time to value. With SAP Cloud powered by SAP HANA, we are helping customers enjoy the innovation potential of a cloud-based setup. At the same time, we are simplifying our consumption model, our product portfolio, and our customers' user experience.

Today, SAP offers one of the most comprehensive cloud portfolios on the market. With the decision to offer all our products in the cloud, the cloud category will evolve from a product category to a deployment option for our customers to simplify the consumption of our solutions. Our offerings span cloud applications, business networks, and cloud platforms. In addition, we offer our customers a choice of different cloud deployments to fit their business needs, such as public or private cloud models.

In 2013, SAP began offering *SAP Cloud powered by SAP HANA*, which includes infrastructure, platform, and software as services in the cloud, incorporating the former SAP HANA Enterprise Cloud managed cloud services offering. It allows

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entire enterprise systems to be run in the cloud and provides customers with a new deployment option to gain immediate value from the innovations of SAP HANA. This enables the operation of mission-critical business applications as well as new applications powered by SAP HANA. In providing such services, we aim to enable organizations to realize faster time to value coupled with lower total cost of ownership, and benefit from increased flexibility and reliability.

In addition, *SAP HANA Cloud Platform* is a development platform-as-a-service (PaaS) designed to help customers, independent software vendors, and partners rapidly create innovative enterprise software applications in the cloud leveraging our leading in-memory technology.

SAP supports a hybrid model, allowing customers to integrate new cloud services with their on-premise applications. This gives customers the opportunity to consume new innovations using the cloud while safeguarding their investments in their existing application landscape.

Services and Support

SAP offers comprehensive services and support to help our customers maximize the value of their SAP investments by offering higher value realization, faster adoption of innovation, and higher efficiency in the implementation of our solutions. Our services and support portfolio covers the entire end-to-end application lifecycle, from a tight integration with our development organization, to accelerating innovation and continuous improvement of our software solutions, to complete risk and quality management.

Software-Related Services

Custom Development

The SAP Custom Development organization specializes in building individual software solutions that address the unique needs of our customers, and that fit seamlessly with existing SAP software. SAP Custom Development draws on our innovations, especially SAP HANA, to deliver unmatched impact and value for specific customer use cases.

Maintenance and Support

SAP offers a comprehensive and tiered maintenance and support model to customers of

our on-premise solutions on a global basis. This support offering primarily includes SAP Enterprise Support and SAP Standard Support offerings.

SAP Enterprise Support: Our premier maintenance and support offering is designed as a strategic, long-term partnership with our customers.

SAP Standard Support: Our basic support offering delivers functions, knowledge, and tools that help customers implement, maintain, and enhance their SAP solutions.

Our support portfolio also contains two additional premium maintenance offerings:

SAP MaxAttention: These services provide the highest possible level of support for our customers. The combination of SAP MaxAttention and SAP Enterprise Support offers customers comprehensive all-round support. This strategic offering is designed for continuous business

and co-innovation with customers. Through the SAP Active Global Support (SAP AGS) organization, SAP MaxAttention offers support services tailored to the requirements of the customer, expertise acquisition by the customer, and continuous cooperation at senior management level based on an agreed-to balanced scorecard.

SAP ActiveEmbedded: These enhanced engagement services help optimize solutions and accelerate adoption of technologies without disrupting customer businesses.

For our cloud portfolio, support is included as part of our cloud subscriptions. Customers have the option of choosing standard, premium, and platinum support. In the premium and platinum offerings, customers have access to support offerings, such as access to a dedicated support account manager.

Professional Services

Consulting Services

We offer consulting services for the planning, implementation, and optimization phase of our business solutions. Our consultants engage in a wide range of services, including business transformation, IT transformation, performance and insight optimization, and business applications services. These services help customers optimize business performance and leverage the full power of SAP solutions.

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SAP consultants also implement *SAP Rapid Deployment* solutions, which combine preconfigured software and predefined services, such as SAP Best Practices, templates, tools, and user guides. By doing so, they help companies adopt innovations more quickly and at transparent cost.

Education Services

The SAP Education organization offers a complete portfolio of multimodal learning that covers the learning needs of single individuals, as well as organizations. We provide a consistent curriculum for learners around the world, including online e-learning, virtual live classroom sessions, learning on demand, and classroom training. Our educational programs help people become more proficient, efficient, and productive in their use of SAP solutions. Every year, more than 500,000 individuals are trained by SAP Education, making it one of the largest IT training organizations in the world.

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BUSINESS MODEL

Creating economic, social, and environmental value over the long-term is central to our vision of helping the world run better and improving people's lives. To realize our vision, SAP provides software and services to customers throughout the world, all based on our deep expertise in business processes spanning 25 industries.

To provide software and related services to our customers, we rely on financial capital provided by investors. We leverage our intellectual capital to continually increase our knowledge base and expertise. Engaged, highly skilled, and agile employees are central to innovating with and building relationships with our customers and partners, and ultimately to our business success.

Our direct sales organizations drive most business development. Sales go-to-market strategies are established at the global level, and adapted and executed by the regional subsidiaries. Our customer-facing employees, in close collaboration with sales support and marketing, drive demand, build pipeline, and enhance relationships with customers within our target industries. Our

marketing efforts cover large enterprises as well as small and midsize enterprises. We believe our broad portfolio of solutions and services enables us to meet the needs of customers of all sizes and across industries.

In addition, our extensive ecosystem provides scalability to meet the demand for SAP innovation and provide customers with a wide selection of third-party competencies. We have developed an independent sales and support force through independent value-added resellers. We have also established partnerships with hardware and software suppliers, system integrators, and third-party consultants. For more information, see the Partner Ecosystem section.

Our sales model has been focused on charging a one-time, upfront fee for a perpetual license to our software that is typically installed at the customer site. In addition, the customer usually concludes a maintenance contract that covers support and software updates. As we see customers preferences evolve, we are expanding the delivery of our solutions in the cloud, which we believe is a simple and efficient software consumption model. Our cloud solutions are offered under a subscription-based licensing model. With this model, the customer periodically pays a fee to use software for a limited amount of time. This software is installed at an SAP or an SAP partner location, and the customer accesses the software through the Internet.

To help companies invest in SAP solutions and the associated services and hardware, the SAP Financing service offers customers payment plans optimized for maximum economic benefit. It can help preserve liquidity, provide an alternative to credit from their existing banking relationships, and balance their budgetary priorities while giving customers the flexibility to choose the best possible solution.

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We measure the outcome of our activities through four performance indicators: revenue, margin, customer loyalty, and employee engagement. Each of these directly correlates with our ability to deliver financial returns to our providers of capital. Ultimately, it is our highly engaged employees who build our customers' success and loyalty to SAP.

SAP contributes to the creation of long-term value for society in a number of ways. At SAP and within our ecosystem, we support job creation and economic prosperity through demand for highly qualified workers to sell, implement, and enhance

our software for customers. Our solutions support the learning and talent development of our

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customers employees. Other SAP solutions enhance health and safety, both on the manufacturing side and in the final consumer products, which impact millions of people worldwide.

Our greatest positive environmental impact stems from enabling improvements through the solutions we provide to customers. For example, our software plays a primary role in driving supply chain optimization, efficiency gains in production processes, and transparency regarding energy consumption and emissions.

We also leverage our expertise in business processes across industries to direct our innovations to the world's greatest challenges, such as the social and environmental strains posed by a rapidly expanding global middle class. Our goal is to create long-term value by providing solutions not just for the current challenges faced by our customers, but also those of the future. In this way, we see our role moving beyond the creation of new efficient solutions: We want to help fundamentally change how people live,

conduct business, and use software. This framework underscores how SAP can create its greatest impact through the use of our solutions by more than 253,500 customers worldwide.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Research and development is the source of the discoveries that will shape the future for SAP and its customers. At SAP, research and development is a global effort that is highly collaborative, focused on customer value, and involves co-innovation with customers, partners, and academia.

Global Development, Local Focus

Our Products & Innovation organization is truly global, with the majority of development colleagues located in 14 SAP Labs locations in 12 countries (see graphic). SAP Labs are globally distributed, situated within major technology hubs where access to talent and the latest technology trends create an optimal setup for innovation.

Major Development Locations (SAP Labs) in 12 Countries

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SAP Labs locations in fast-growing markets strive to produce market-relevant solutions that complement SAP's global product portfolio. In addition, they are structured in a manner that allows for close interaction with local stakeholders, including customers, partners, and universities. This strategy of distributed development, focusing on locations with talent availability, fostering diversity and access to new ideas, while also ensuring local market relevance, has proven highly successful for SAP.

To every technology and engineering challenge, SAP brings the strength and experience of a global development team. This helps ensure the rapid impact of research and development activities on our solution portfolio, and contributes to an ever-increasing pace of innovation.

Continuous Innovation

Research and development is only successful if it provides continuous improvement for existing products, while at the same time executing against promising new concepts that can help SAP enter new markets. And it must do so better and faster than our competition.

The following were among our 2013 R&D accomplishments:

SAP HANA

In 2013, SAP made further investments in our next-generation in-memory platform, SAP HANA, as the foundation for all of our products, solutions, and services so that our customers can run their businesses in real time. A rich and growing ecosystem of partners further drives the adoption of SAP HANA as an open platform, and a number of startup companies now deliver new and innovative applications built on the SAP HANA platform.

Cloud

To further advance our leadership in the cloud, we continued to expand our portfolio of cloud-based applications. For example, customers that want to accelerate their transition to the real-time enterprise can now take advantage of our latest innovation in the cloud, SAP Cloud powered by SAP HANA, which includes infrastructure, platform, and software as services in the cloud, incorporating the former SAP HANA Enterprise Cloud managed cloud services offering. Core elements include an elastic infrastructure, the

in-memory platform, and services for deploying SAP or custom applications in real time.

SAP Business Suite powered by SAP HANA

Our highly engaged and diverse research and development teams are also working to improve SAP Business Suite by simplifying the end-to-end experience of using the applications while also optimizing performance. Combining SAP Business Suite with SAP HANA was a major milestone in 2013, enabling customers to make decisions in real time and gain unmatched visibility into business processes. In addition, the software helps customers unleash their full potential when it comes to meeting consumer and competitive demands through real-time access to data, real-time analytics, and unprecedented improvements in performance.

Adhering to our imperative of "SAP runs SAP," SAP has led the way in the adoption of SAP Business Suite powered by SAP HANA by going live internally with SAP CRM and SAP ERP applications now running on SAP HANA in 2013.

SAP Fiori

With SAP Fiori applications, SAP continues to further renew and simplify the user experience for all our products. For example, SAP Fiori offers an intuitive end-to-end user experience for broadly and frequently used SAP software functions that work seamlessly across devices desktop, tablet or smartphone.

New Industry Solutions

Across industries, we continue to look for opportunities to help our customers and partners expand their businesses by analyzing, evaluating, and co-innovating business processes. In 2013, for example, SAP brought its knowledge and experience to the sports and entertainment industry. Our solutions help sports teams, leagues, and venues run faster, smarter, and simpler. In addition, they are designed to deepen fan engagement, drive on-field performance, and optimize business efficiency.

A Culture of Customer Centricity, Empowerment, and Accountability

Today, SAP's development is closely attuned to customers' business environments, product

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landscapes, and users. In addition, we foster a development culture of customer centricity, empowerment, and accountability. We believe that our work impacts such factors as customer loyalty and employee engagement, and that those factors have significant relevance to our company's financial performance.

Our design-led research and development methodology puts the customer and user at the center during the entire development process. This results in robust solutions to complex business challenges – solutions that are technically feasible, desirable to users, and viable to the business for both SAP and its customers.

Research and Development Expenditure

SAP's strong commitment to research and development (R&D) is also reflected in our expenditures: In 2013, we increased our R&D expense (IFRS) slightly by 21 million, to 2,282 million (2012: 2,261 million). We spent 13.6% of total revenue on R&D in 2013 (2012: 13.9%). Our non-IFRS R&D expense as a portion of total operating expenses declined slightly from 19.2% to 19.0% year over year. While we continue to increase our innovative capacity, we increased our efficiency.

At the end of 2013, our total full-time equivalent (FTE) count in development work was 17,804 (2012: 18,012). Measured in FTEs, our R&D headcount was 27% of total headcount (2012: 28%). Total R&D expense includes not only our own personnel costs but also the external cost of works and services from the providers and cooperation partners we work with to deliver and enhance our products. We also incur external costs for translating, localizing, and testing products, for obtaining certification for them in different markets, patent attorney services and fees, strategy consulting, and the professional development of our R&D workforce.

Patents

As a leader in enterprise applications, SAP actively seeks intellectual property protection for innovations and proprietary information. Our software innovations continue to strengthen our market position in enterprise solutions and services. Our investment in R&D has resulted in numerous patents. SAP holds a total of more than

5,500 validated patents worldwide. Of these, more than 700 were granted and validated in 2013.

While our intellectual property is important to our success, we believe our business as a whole is not dependent on any particular patent.

PARTNER ECOSYSTEM

SAP engages with an extensive partner ecosystem to address the needs of customers around the world. With nearly 11,500 partners at the end of 2013, we continue to foster our partner ecosystem. Partners operate independently of SAP, and complement our business in one or more of the following ways:

Selling SAP software: SAP partners help companies of all sizes identify, purchase, and deploy the ideal solutions to address their business needs. SAP value-added resellers (VARs) and multitier distribution channels offer local market and industry expertise that addresses specific

market needs.

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SAP closely aligns its sales efforts with those of our partners through well-defined rules of engagement that outline each organization's roles and responsibilities. In most markets, partners are the primary sales channel to address the needs of small and midsize enterprises (SMEs). Our company also sells select products through our own online channel, SAP Store, which includes complementary solutions developed by SAP partners. In addition, SAP resells applicable partner solutions as part of our solution extensions portfolio. These partner-developed solutions are tested, validated, and approved by SAP development organizations, and supported by SAP.

Developing solutions that complement SAP software: SAP has a vibrant community of partners that develop on SAP platforms and create complementary products integrating with SAP applications. This community is vital to providing our customers with a broad portfolio of solutions that leverage the capabilities of SAP HANA, SAP Mobile Platform, our cloud offerings, and more. At the same time, we maintain strategic relationships with industry-leading technology, software, and services firms. SAP engages with the partner community in the development of new solutions, and works closely with partners on new product initiatives. Partners can embed SAP technology within their offerings under an original equipment manufacturer (OEM) licensing agreement. We also work actively with partners to enable new and innovative delivery and go-to-market approaches to support customer needs and preferences. Beyond these formal partnerships, companies can also certify their integration with SAP technology through the SAP Integration and Certification Center (SAP ICC).

Providing implementation and other services: SAP has strong partnerships with a broad network of IT professional services firms that provide consulting, system integration, hosting, education, and more. At the end of 2013, our partners collectively had more than 380,000 skilled resources in SAP solutions and technology. These companies are critical to the successful implementation and deployment of SAP solutions at customers we serve together. In response to growing customer demand for flexible deployment and purchase options, SAP is working closely with the partner ecosystem to offer innovative cloud-based offerings and business models, including OEM and managed cloud services, and by making SAP platforms and applications available through public cloud offerings.

To help the SAP partner ecosystem achieve its business goals, SAP provides an extensive array of business support offerings. SAP's flagship partner program, SAP PartnerEdge, offers a tiered engagement model that provides marketing, sales, and technical enablement, as well as education, deal support, and a variety of other benefits and resources. We provide SAP global partners a select group of leading global technology, software, and services companies with dedicated teams that work closely with them to proactively engage in business development and technical initiatives addressing specific market needs. Many of our partners participate in SAP Community Network, an online community that facilitates networking and information sharing for technical professionals. In addition, many participate in the SAP Listens program, which surveys partners for feedback and provides insight into projects we have initiated to address partner issues.

A vibrant partner ecosystem is essential to SAP's success, and is a key component in our ability to achieve our mission of helping businesses run better and improving the lives of people everywhere.

ACQUISITIONS

SAP views acquisitions as investments in people, technologies, and growth. In 2013, SAP made the following acquisitions:

Acquisitions

In March, SAP acquired Ticket-Web GmbH & Co. KG, a provider of ticketing solutions and niche customer relationship management (CRM) software for sports and entertainment promoters. The acquisition helped SAP enter the sports and entertainment industry, as we can now offer enhanced solutions that help promoters, venues, and teams market events over the Internet and better manage arenas.

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In April, SAP acquired certain assets from KMS Software Company LLC, a provider of Web-based human capital management software and solutions in the areas of electronic onboarding, off-boarding, forms management, and new-hire engagement.

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In April, SAP acquired Camilion, a provider of product development, product lifecycle, and underwriting solutions for the insurance market. These solutions allow SAP customers to streamline the management and creation of new insurance products, providing insurance brokers and underwriters with simple tools to help speed up transactions and reduce costs.

In April, SAP acquired SmartOps, a provider of inventory and service-level optimization software solutions. This acquisition helps SAP develop real-time supply chain software solutions on the SAP HANA platform. The solutions help customers optimize inventory and service levels, freeing up working capital for innovation and growth.

In August, SAP acquired hybris, one of the leading commerce technology companies. This is an investment in the future of commerce and customer engagement. We continue to combine the omnichannel commerce solutions of hybris with enterprise technology and industry leading in-memory, cloud, and mobile innovations from SAP. Together, these capabilities can help facilitate new levels of customer insight and engagement.

In October, SAP acquired KXEN, a provider of predictive analytics technology for line-of-business users and analysts. The addition of KXEN solutions will provide easy-to-use predictive capabilities for the extensive SAP customer base. For more information about our acquisitions, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements section, Note (4).

Venture Activities

Through SAP Ventures, which comprises our consolidated investment funds, SAP has partnered with renowned entrepreneurs worldwide to build industry-leading businesses. SAP Ventures has supported more than 100 companies on five continents for more than 15 years. Many of these companies have been acquired or have become publicly listed companies.

In October, SAP announced its commitment to invest US\$650 million through a new consolidated investment fund, named SAP Ventures Fund II.

In 2013, SAP made a total commitment of US\$1 billion bringing SAP Ventures total available

investment pool to more than US\$1.4 billion for use over the lifetime of its respective funds. Investments through the funds are currently ongoing and depend on capital calls from the funds. SAP Ventures seeks companies with an established market presence that are growing very fast, and which they can help fuel their growth by adding expertise, relationships, geographic reach, and capital. It invests globally with a particular focus on emerging companies in Europe, India, and the United States, as well as in Brazil and China.

For more information about our consolidated investment funds, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements section, Note (33).

ENERGY CONSUMPTION AND GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

Over the past several years, we have worked to better understand the connections between our energy consumption, its related cost, and the resulting environmental impact. Today we measure and address our energy usage throughout SAP, as well as our greenhouse gas emissions across our entire value chain. Since the beginning of 2008, we calculate that energy efficiency initiatives have contributed to a cumulative cost avoidance of 260 million, compared to a business-as-usual extrapolation.

Moreover, to credibly offer solutions that help our customers better manage their use of resources, we must do so ourselves. By addressing the financial and environmental impact of our energy consumption, we have gained valuable insights to create solutions for our customers.

Total Energy Consumed

Because our energy usage drives our emissions, one of the most important measures we look at is our total energy consumed. This includes all energy that SAP produces or purchases – in other words, the energy whose production causes emissions falling into Scopes 1 and 2 of the Greenhouse Gas Protocol. Our total energy consumption increased to 910 gigawatt hours (GWh) in 2013, compared to 860 GWh in 2012. This increase is due to significant growth in our business. In addition, as software usage shifts to the cloud, we are hosting more of our customers systems in our data centers, requiring additional servers and facilities that consume more energy.

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As we describe in more detail below, we believe that this shift has the opposite effect for our customers, who can save energy through our shared infrastructure.

As our business grows, we maintain the efficiency gains we have made over the past several years. For example, our total corporate car fleet is not consuming more fuel despite the fact that a significant number of company cars has been added, since the average company car has become more fuel-efficient. So, while our car fleet grew by 6%, we had efficiency gains of 6% across the entire fleet. As a result, our total energy consumption remained steady at 13,900 kilowatt hours (kWh) per employee in 2013.

Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Our goal is to reduce the greenhouse gas emissions from our operations to levels of the year 2000 by 2020. This target includes direct and indirect emissions from running our business (Scopes 1 and 2), as well as a limited subset of other indirect (Scope 3) emissions, such as those stemming from business travel. We do not include all of our Scope 3 emissions in our target because we chose to focus first on those emissions over which we have the most control. However, as detailed in the Energy and Emissions II section in the SAP Integrated Report 2013 online, we are increasingly addressing both our upstream and downstream emissions to drive a comprehensive carbon strategy for SAP.

In addition to our long-term goal for 2020, we have set annual targets. In 2013, our total emissions increased to 545 kilotons CO₂ (2012: 485 kilotons). As a result, we missed our annual target to reduce our emissions to 460 kilotons. Just as with our increase in energy consumption, our increased emissions reflect the growth of our business. Due to our environmental efforts of the past, however, the overall absolute reduction achieved between the beginning of 2008 and today is 9%. At the same time, the average number of employees increased by almost 26%.

At the same time, we experienced some decrease in efficiency in 2013 as it relates to our emissions. While our overall energy efficiency remained steady, our greenhouse gas emissions increased from 30.0 grams CO₂ per euro of total revenue in 2012 to 32.4 grams CO₂ per euro in 2013. Our carbon emissions per employee also increased by about 5% in 2013, respectively.

One root cause for this development is our change in business model. As our customers increasingly leverage SAP software in the cloud, our leadership in this market means that systems that previously ran at our customers' sites are increasingly running in SAP data centers. In other words, the emissions that used to be caused by our customers running our software have become SAP's emissions. As a result, our emissions per employee and per euro in revenue increased in 2013.

In 2014, we plan to address these emissions, as well as our overall footprint, by powering all of our data centers and facilities with 100% renewable electricity. This shift will effectively eliminate the emissions caused by our customers' systems that have moved into our green cloud. Given the large size of our customers' footprints and our growth strategy in the cloud, we see significant potential to reduce both our own and our customers' environmental impact. In 2013 alone, the emissions caused by SAP products in use at our more than 253,500 customers' sites were at least 10 times larger than SAP's own footprint, meaning they caused more than 5,800 kt of CO₂. By using 100% renewable energy, we will dramatically broaden the reach of our sustainability efforts and align them with our cloud strategy. We believe this move will not only help the world run better, but contribute to achieving our 2020 carbon target.

Efficiency Versus Transformation

Our results in 2013 point to an increasing challenge faced not only by SAP but also by our customers. Companies typically increase their resource consumption when they grow. Under traditional business models, they continuously create and sell more goods or services. For this reason, many companies have focused on increasing their efficiency—a prime example is the far better fuel efficiency of passenger cars today compared to decades ago.

Efficiency, however, has its limits. The demands of growth, as we are discovering, often overtake efficiency gains. Extending the example of cars—we have many more cars on the road today, which more than cancels out the reduction in consumption per car. For this reason, and in addition to our green cloud strategy, we are increasingly focused on another path to sustainable growth—applying technology innovation to transformations in how business is conducted.

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In the case of SAP, we are seeking to bring about transformations in a range of areas, from incentivizing behavioral change to supporting innovative approaches to conserving resources. TwoGo by SAP, for instance, is a ride-sharing application that turns the daily commute into an economic, social, and environmental opportunity. We began offering TwoGo by SAP to other companies in 2013, supporting their own efforts to reduce the cost of fuel, parking and business trips, enhance employee networks, change behavior, and reduce emissions. For more information on this innovation, see www.twogo.com.

Net Positive Impact

As the example of TwoGo by SAP shows, we ultimately aim to help other organizations with their journey toward change. While we are committed to improving our own environmental performance, we believe that we can make a far greater impact by helping our customers reduce their energy use and emissions. We are increasingly focused on facilitating and measuring this enabler effect, which our software supports in both direct and indirect ways. A prime example of the former is a transportation application that enables companies to better manage their freight and routes to reduce fuel consumption. Indirectly, our customers can use our analytics to assess their operations and make adjustments that will save energy, reduce emissions, and lower costs. For example, our software can help determine when equipment needs refurbishment or support manufacturers in negotiating better energy rates during peak times. Through the advanced computing power of SAP HANA, we can now help companies make these adjustments in real time, increasing their efficiency even further.

Based on a study from Global e-Sustainability Initiative (GeSI [SMARTer2020](#)) assessing the potential effect for the information and communications technology (ICT) industry overall as well as our own estimates, we believe that our solutions contribute to an avoidance of emissions that eclipses the footprint of our entire value chain, including our downstream emissions (use of our software at customers' sites). Putting such estimates in tangible terms, the total emissions generated by ICT are expected to reach 1.3 gigatons (Gt) of carbon by 2020. By contrast, ICT has the potential to abate 9.1 Gt CO₂ in that same time period. Similarly, we estimate that SAP's downstream emissions will reach 0.0091 Gt CO₂ by 2020. Global emissions, on the other hand, are

expected to reach 55 Gt CO₂ by that time offering enormous potential for ICT as a whole and for SAP to enable reductions.

We will continue developing methodology to estimate this impact so that we can direct our strategy and resources to those areas where we can create the greatest long-term impact.

SEASONALITY

Our business has historically experienced the highest revenue in the fourth quarter of each year, due primarily to year-end capital purchases by customers. Such factors have resulted in 2013, 2012, and 2011 first quarter revenue being lower than revenue in the prior year's fourth quarter. We believe that this trend will continue in the future and that our total revenue will continue to peak in the fourth quarter of each year and decline from that level in the first quarter of the following year. Unlike our on-premise software revenues, our on-premise support revenues and cloud subscription and support revenues are less subject to seasonality.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, PROPRIETARY RIGHTS AND LICENSES

We rely on a combination of the protections provided by applicable statutory and common law rights, including trade secret, copyright, patent, and trademark laws, license and non-disclosure agreements, and technical measures to establish and protect our proprietary rights in our products. For further details on risks related to SAP's intellectual property rights, see Item 3 Key Information Risk Factors Operational Risks.

We may be dependent in the aggregate on technology that we license from third parties that is embedded into our products or that we resell to our customers. We have licensed and will continue to license numerous third-party software products that we incorporate into and/or distribute with our existing products. We endeavor to protect ourselves in the respective agreements by obtaining certain rights in case such agreements are terminated.

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We are a party to certain patent cross-license agreements with certain third parties.

We are named as a defendant in various legal proceedings for alleged intellectual property

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infringements. See Note (23) to our Consolidated Financial Statements for a more detailed discussion relating to certain of these legal proceedings.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

Our principal office is located in Walldorf, Germany, where we own and occupy approximately 430,000 square meters of office and datacenter space including our facilities in neighboring St. Leon-Rot. We also own and lease office space in various other locations in Germany, totaling approximately 120,000 square meters. In approximately 70 countries worldwide, we occupy roughly 1,480,000 square meters. The space in most locations other than our principal office in Germany is leased. We also own certain real properties in Newtown Square and Palo Alto (United States); Bangalore (India); Sao Leopoldo (Brazil), London (UK) and a few other locations in and outside of Germany.

The office and datacenter space we occupy includes approximately 260,000 square meters in the EMEA region, excluding Germany, approximately 390,000 square meters in the region North and Latin America, and approximately 280,000 square meters in the APJ Region.

With the acquisition of hybris in 2013, approximately 18,000 square meters were added to our real estate portfolio. This portfolio is included in the group portfolio disclosed above.

The space is being utilized for various corporate functions including research and development, our data centers, customer support, sales and marketing, consulting, training, administration and messaging. Substantially all our facilities are being fully used or sublet. For a discussion on our non-current assets by geographic region see Note (28) to our Consolidated Financial Statements. Also see, Item 6. Directors, Senior Management and Employees Employees, which discusses the numbers of our employees, in FTE s, by business area and by geographic region, which may be used to approximate the productive capacity of our workspace in each region.

We believe that our facilities are in good operating condition and adequate for our present usage. We do not have any significant encumbrances on our properties. We do not believe we are subject to any environmental issues that may affect our utilization of any of our material assets. We are

currently undertaking construction activities in various locations to increase our capacity for future expansion of our business. Our significant construction activities are described below, under the heading Principal Capital Expenditures and Divestitures Currently in Progress.

Capital Expenditures

Principal Capital Expenditures and Divestitures Currently in Progress

In 2013, we started construction activities in several locations. We aim to extend our office space and data center capacities to be able to cover future growth. We plan to cover all of these projects in full from operating cash flow. The most important projects are:

In Bangalore, India, we want to add additional capacity of roughly 2,500 employees. We estimate the total cost to be approximately 51 million, of which we had paid approximately 2 million as of December 31, 2013. We expect to complete the construction of this office building in 2016.

In Ra'anana, Israel, we commenced construction of a new building. We estimate the total cost of this project to be approximately 50 million, of which we had paid approximately 10 million as of December 31, 2013. We expect to complete the construction of this office building in 2016.

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In our research center in Potsdam, Germany, we started with a second construction phase in order to realize additional capacity for at least 100 employees. With the extension of our research center we aim to create the general conditions for further teams contributing innovations to SAP products in miscellaneous fields. We estimate the total cost to be approximately 12 million, of which we had paid approximately 2 million as of December 31, 2013. We expect to complete the construction of this office building in 2015.

In New York City, New York, United States, we started planning the leasehold improvements for our new office space. The project includes the consolidation of our New York City offices for approximately 600 employees. We estimate the total capital expenditures for this project to be approximately 37 million. We expect to complete the leasehold improvements in 2016.

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In Paris, France, we started an office consolidation project. The project aims to consolidate three office spaces in Paris into one office space. We estimate the total cost of the leasehold improvements to be approximately 24 million. We expect to complete the leasehold improvements in 2014.

In St. Leon-Rot, Germany, we started increasing the capacity of our data center. We estimate the total cost of this project to be approximately 30 million, of which we had paid approximately 14 million as of December 31, 2013. We expect to complete the construction for this project in 2014.

In Newtown Square, Pennsylvania, United States, we also started to increase the capacity of our data center. We estimate the total cost of this project to be approximately 20 million, of which we had paid approximately 2 million as of December 31, 2013. We expect to complete the construction for this project in 2014.

For more information about planned capital expenditures, see the Investment Goals section. There were no material divestitures within the reporting period.

Principal Capital Expenditures and Divestitures for the Last Three Years

Our principal capital expenditures for property, plant, and equipment amounted to 553 million for 2013 (2012: 508 million; 2011: 372 million). Principal capital expenditures in 2013 for property, plant, and equipment increased compared to 2012 mainly due to purchases of computer hardware including data center infrastructure. The increase from 2011 to 2012 was mainly due to increased replacements and purchases of computer hardware and vehicles. Principal capital expenditures for property, plant and equipment for the period from January 1, 2014 to the date of this report were 76 million. For a related discussion on our property, plant, and equipment see Note (16) to our Consolidated Financial Statements.

Our capital expenditures for intangible assets such as acquired technologies and customer relationships amounted to 419 million in 2013 from 1,794 million in 2012 (2011: 114 million). The decrease from 2012 to 2013 was due primarily to executing only a few smaller

business combinations in 2013, while in 2012 we acquired SuccessFactors and Ariba. Our investments allocated to goodwill amounted to 840 million in 2013 from 4,557 million in 2012 (2011: 170 million). The significant decrease from 2012 to 2013 was again due to the few smaller business combinations in 2013 compared to the acquisition of SuccessFactors and Ariba in 2012. The increase from 2011 to 2012 in the addition to goodwill and intangible assets was primarily attributable to executing only a few small business combinations in 2011. For further details on acquisitions and related capital expenditures, see Note (4) and Note (15) to our Consolidated Financial Statements.

For further information regarding the principal markets in which SAP competes, including a breakdown of total revenues by category of activity and geographic market for each of the last three years, see Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Operating Results of this report.

ITEM 4A. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

Not applicable.

ITEM 5. OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW AND PROSPECTS

OVERVIEW

We derive our revenue from fees charged to our customers for (a) licenses to our on-premise software products, (b) the use of our cloud subscription software offerings and (c) support, consulting, development, training, and other services. The majority of our software arrangements

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include support services, and many also include professional services and other elements.

Depending on the product or service provided we classify our revenues either as (a) software and software-related services revenue or (b) professional services and other service revenue.

For more information on our principal sources of revenue and how the different types of revenue are classified in our income statement refer to Note (3b) to our Consolidated Financial Statements, section Revenue Recognition.

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See Item 4. Information about SAP Portfolio of Software and Services for a more detailed description of the products and services we offer.

The following discussion is provided to enable a better understanding of our operating results for the periods covered, including:

the factors that we believe impacted our performance in 2013;

our outlook for 2013 compared to our actual performance (non-IFRS);

a discussion of our operating results for 2013 compared to 2012 and for 2012 compared to 2011;

the factors that we believe will impact our performance in 2014; and

our operational targets for 2014 (non-IFRS).

The preceding overview should be read in conjunction with the more detailed discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations in this Item 5, Item 3. Key Information Risk Factors and Item 18. Financial Statements.

ECONOMY AND THE MARKET

Global Economic Trends

In its most recent monthly report, the European Central Bank (ECB¹) concludes that the global economy has remained fairly weak in 2013, especially in the first half of the year. That is consistent with the view of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), stating that in 2013 gross domestic product (GDP) across the world grew 3% year over year.

The experts also note regional divergence: According to the ECB, growth shifted to the industrialized economies and became established there. In contrast, growth in most of the major emerging economies slowed. Weaker domestic demand, limited scope for government stimulus programs, and tougher financing conditions are the reasons cited by the ECB. Additionally, commodity-exporting countries suffered from the sluggish demand on the international commodity markets.

The economy of the Europe, Middle East, and Africa (EMEA) region was weak in 2013. Annual GDP in the euro area declined 0.4% year over year, according to the numbers published by the ECB. The ECB reports that weak domestic and export demand slowed down economic activity in the larger Central and Eastern European countries and Russia, although it perceived a more encouraging trend toward the end of the year. In comparison, the Middle East and Africa merely experienced a slight deceleration of growth. However, political instability severely hindered economic growth in some countries in the region, notably Iraq and Libya.

In the global context, the economy of the Americas region proved relatively robust, the ECB notes. Despite tax increases and government spending cuts that came into force in March, year-over-year annual growth in the United States was just short of 2% compared to 2012. Growth was faster in the second half of the year than in the first as conditions on the residential real estate and labor markets improved, consumer spending rose, and exports increased. The ECB reports continuing recovery in Latin America, at only a slightly reduced pace.

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The contrary development of the industrialized and emerging economies was particularly noticeable in the Asia Pacific Japan (APJ) region, according to the ECB. Japan, with its expansive financial and monetary policy, turned to positive GDP growth rates and achieved growth of 2%. Only in the third quarter was there a slight dip, caused by weaker exports. Most emerging economies in Asia performed clearly more subdued than in recent years, the ECB reports. In China, for instance, only the third quarter saw a slight acceleration in growth (to 7.8% year over year) after a modest stimulus package.

The IT Market

Worldwide IT investment growth was higher than overall global economic growth throughout 2013, U.S. market research firm International Data Corporation (IDC) reports. However, that growth slowed during the course of the year. For this reason IDC corrected its projections downward more than once. The main reason for this was slower growth in the emerging economies such as in China and Russia. For that reason the emerging

¹ Unless otherwise indicated, all economic information in this section is based on information from the European Central Bank (ECB).

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economies did not grow as quickly as IDC had expected at the beginning of the year.

In 2013, the global IT market expanded by a percentage in the middle of the single-digit range, which was slightly less than in the prior year. Leading the way was the mobile devices segment, with growth well into the double-digit range. In fact, IDC revised its forecast for the mobile device segment upward several times in the course of the year. The software segment also outperformed the overall IT market, IDC reports. The PC segment was sluggish the entire year, especially in the emerging economies, where economic growth flagged. Global spending on servers and data storage devices contracted. In contrast, IDC reports that the global market for IT services expanded by a percentage in the low single digits.

In the EMEA region, the Western European market for IT recorded low but stable growth and has now, in IDC's view, survived the crisis. In Russia the economic development was completely different, according to the IDC. Over the year, it revised its forecast for growth in the Russian IT market downward by several percentage points in light of the weak Russian economy.

In the Americas region, the IT market followed the relatively robust expansion of the global economy. Although the economic policy situation was at times volatile in the United States, the U.S. IT market largely met expectations. IT investment grew by a percentage in the middle single-digit range year over year. The IT market also proved resilient in Latin America, including Brazil, and even recorded double-digit growth.

In the APJ region, the IT market reflected trends in the overall economy. Notably, the IT market in Japan performed better than IDC had originally expected. At the beginning of the year, IDC forecasted a contraction, but in fact over the full year IT investment increased slightly. On the other hand, IT spending in China grew more slowly than IDC had originally expected. Full-year growth was well below the double-digit percentages of recent years.

Impact on SAP

SAP business was only slightly affected by the relatively weak growth in 2013—especially in the first half of the year—in the overall global economy and in the IT industry: Despite a slower than expected start to the year, in 2013 our growth surpassed that of the global economy and of the IT industry.

We owe this success first and foremost to our greater focus on innovation strategy and with it our investment in three new fields of business: mobile solutions, in-memory computing with SAP HANA, and cloud solutions. The heightened pace of innovation at SAP and the rapid and successful integration of the companies we acquired, have been the decisive factors in our achieving double-digit constant currency growth in non-IFRS software and software-related services revenue.

SAP was highly successful in the EMEA region. With double-digit growth in revenue from software and cloud subscriptions, we again increased our market share. Alongside double-digit percentage growth in our home market, Germany, we performed remarkably well in France, Russia, the Middle East, and Africa, achieving high double-digit software revenue growth.

Likewise, our Americas region outperformed the overall economy and the IT market. The double-digit increase in revenue from software and cloud subscriptions in 2013 were mainly driven by a substantial triple-digit rise in cloud subscription revenue in North America and very strong core business in Latin America.

In the APJ region, the economic environment was very weak at the beginning of the year, and SAP's revenue suffered during this time as a result. However, the regional economy turned around toward the end of the year, reflected in double-digit growth for our software and cloud subscription revenue in the fourth quarter—a commendable result in the competitive context. This helped return SAP to modest single-digit revenue growth for the full year in the APJ region.

The emerging economies, with high double-digit growth, are important growth markets for SAP. Key among them are China as well as the Middle East, Russia, and Brazil, where we achieved strong double-digit software and cloud subscription revenue growth rates.

Overall, in 2013 we demonstrated an aptitude for global growth that few other companies in the IT industry can match.

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REPORT ON ECONOMIC POSITION**Performance Against Outlook for 2013 (Non-IFRS)**

Our 2013 operating profit-related internal management goals and published outlook were based on our non-IFRS financial measures. For this reason, in this section we discuss performance against our outlook referring solely to these non-IFRS financial measures. All discussion in the Operating Results (IFRS) section, however, is in terms of measures in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), and the numbers in that section are not explicitly identified as IFRS measures.

Guidance for 2013 (Non-IFRS)

At the beginning of 2013, we have given the guidance that our software and software-related service revenue (non-IFRS) for 2013 would increase by between 11% and 13% at constant currencies (2012: 13,246 million). For cloud subscription and support revenue (non-IFRS) we forecasted an increase to 750 million (2012:

342 million) at constant currencies. For SAP HANA, we estimated a software revenue of 650 million to 750 million. We expected our full-year operating profit (non-IFRS) for 2013 to be between 5.85 billion and 5.95 billion (2012: 5.21 billion) at constant currencies. We anticipated an effective tax rate (IFRS) of between 25.5% and 26.5% (2012: 26.2%) and an effective tax rate (non-IFRS) of between 27.0% and 28.0% (2012: 27.5%).

In April, we confirmed the guidance for 2013 that we had published in January 2013. In July 2013, we amended our forecast for revenue growth:

Although the difficult macroeconomic environment, in particular in the Asia Pacific Japan region, and the rapid transition to the cloud have resulted in lower software revenue expectations, we remained committed to double-digit growth with at least 10% growth in non-IFRS software and software-related service revenue at constant currencies in full year 2013 (2012: 13,246 million). We confirmed our predictions for cloud subscription and support revenue and for operating profit, while we adjusted the anticipated effective tax rate to between 24.0% and 25.0% (IFRS) and to between 25.5% and 26.5% (non-IFRS).

To assist in understanding our 2013 performance as compared to our 2013 outlook a reconciliation from our IFRS financial measures to our non-IFRS financial measures is provided below. These IFRS financial measures reconcile to the nearest non-IFRS equivalents as follows:

millions, except operating margin	IFRS Financial Measure	Support Revenue Not Recorded Under IFRS	Acquisition- Related Charges	Share- Based Compensation	Restruc- turing	Discon- tinued Activities	Non-IFRS Financial Measure	Currency Effect on the Non-IFRS Financial Measure	Non-IFRS Financial Measure at Constant Currency
Software and software-related service revenue	13,950	82	NA	NA	NA	NA	14,032	625	14,657
Total revenue ⁽¹⁾	16,815	82	NA	NA	NA	NA	16,897	736	17,633
Operating profit ⁽¹⁾	4,479	82	555	327	70	1	5,514	388	5,902
Operating margin in %	26.6	0.4	3.3	1.9	0.4	0	32.6	0.8	33.5

- ⁽¹⁾ Operating profit is the numerator and total revenue is the denominator in the calculation of our IFRS operating margin and the comparable non-IFRS operating margin, and are included in this table for the convenience of the reader.

Actual Performance in 2013 Compared to Guidance (Non-IFRS)

We achieved or exceeded the amended outlook guidance for revenue and operating profit we published in July.

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Comparison of Forecast and Results for 2013

	Forecast for 2013	Results for 2013
Software and software-related service revenue (non-IFRS, at constant currencies) ⁽¹⁾	at least +10%	+11%
Cloud subscription and support revenue (non-IFRS, at constant currencies)	around 750 million	786 million
Operating profit (non-IFRS, at constant currencies)	5.85 billion to 5.95 billion	5.90 billion
Effective tax rate (IFRS) ⁽¹⁾	24.0% to 25.0%	24.4%
Effective tax rate (non-IFRS) ⁽¹⁾	25.5% to 26.5%	25.9%
SAP HANA software revenue (non-IFRS)	650 million to 700 million	633 million (at actual currencies) 664 million (at constant currencies)

⁽¹⁾ Revised forecast (July 2013).

Despite ongoing economic uncertainty throughout 2013, our new and existing customers continued to show a strong willingness to invest in our solutions.

At constant currencies, cloud subscription and support revenue (non-IFRS) grew from 343 million in 2012 to 786 million in 2013, an increase of 129% before elimination of effects relating to the fact that Ariba and SuccessFactors numbers are included only for part of 2012 because they were acquired in the course of that year. Of the 129% growth, those effects account for 97 percentage points. Our software and software-related services revenue grew 11% at constant currencies to 14,657 million (2012: 13,246 million).

The Europe, Middle East, and Africa (EMEA) region recorded strong single-digit growth in software and cloud subscription revenue at constant currencies. The Americas region, while rapidly shifting to the cloud, achieved very strong growth of 15% in software and cloud subscriptions at constant currencies. After ending the year with a strong fourth quarter, in 2013 the Asia Pacific Japan (APJ) region achieved a 3% constant-currency increase in full-year revenue from software and cloud subscriptions. As a result, in 2013 SAP's full-year software and cloud subscription revenue increased 6% (11% at constant currencies) to 5,275 million. The acquisitions of SuccessFactors, Ariba, and hybris contributed 2.8 percentage points to the growth in software and software-related service revenue at constant currencies.

At the beginning of 2013, we forecasted low single-digit percentage growth in professional

services and other service revenue and significant increase in total revenue for the year. Although in the event our professional services and other service revenue (non-IFRS) actually decreased by 3% at constant currencies, the strong growth we achieved in software and software-related service revenue (non-IFRS) helped us attain the overall guidance: Total revenue (non-IFRS) increased 8% at constant currencies to 17,633 million (2012: 16,304 million). Our 2013 outlook guidance for SAP HANA software revenue was 650 million to 700 million (2012: 392 million). Because of adverse currency effects, the revenue we achieved was 633 million (664 million at constant currencies).

In 2013, we achieved operating profit (non-IFRS) of 5,902 million at constant currencies. Thus, operating profit (non-IFRS) at constant currencies was in the middle of the range that SAP had projected (5.85 billion to 5.95 billion). Despite again investing significantly in innovation, we were able to increase our operating profit by successfully scaling our cloud business and maintaining operational discipline.

We achieved an effective tax rate (IFRS) of 24.4% and an effective tax rate (non-IFRS) of 25.9%, which is within the updated range of 24.0% to 25.0% (IFRS) and 25.5% to 26.5% (non-IFRS) we announced in July 2013.

Operating Results (IFRS)

This *Operating Results (IFRS)* section discusses results exclusively in terms of IFRS measures, so the IFRS financial measures are not explicitly identified as such.

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Our 2013 Results Compared to Our 2012 Results (IFRS)**Revenue****Revenue**

millions	2013	2012	Change in % 2013 vs 2012
Software	4,516	4,658	3%
Cloud subscriptions and support	696	270	158%
Software and cloud subscriptions	5,212	4,928	6%
Support	8,738	8,237	6%
Software and software-related service revenue	13,950	13,165	6%
Consulting	2,242	2,442	8%
Other services	623	616	1%
Professional services and other service revenue	2,865	3,058	6%
Total revenue	16,815	16,223	4%

Total Revenue

Total revenue increased from 16,223 million in 2012 to 16,815 million in 2013, representing an increase of 592 million, or 4%. This growth reflects an 8% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 5% decrease from currency effects. The growing revenue result primarily from a 426 million increase in cloud subscription and support revenue and a 501 million rise in support revenue. Consulting revenue declined by 200 million and software revenue by 142 million. Software and software-related service revenue climbed to 13,950 million in 2013, an increase of 6%. Software and software-related service revenue represented 83% of total revenue in 2013 (2012: 81%). In 2013, consulting and other service revenue contributed 2,865 million to our total revenue, representing a drop of 6% compared to 2012.

For more information about the breakdown of total revenue by region and industry, see the Revenue by Region and Industry section below.

Software and Software-Related Service Revenue

Software revenue results from the fees earned from the sale or license of software to customers. Revenue from cloud subscriptions and support refers to the income earned from contracts that permit the customer to access specific software solutions hosted by SAP during the term of its

contract with SAP. Support revenue represents fees earned from providing customers with technical support services and unspecified software upgrades, updates, and enhancements.

In 2013, software and software-related service revenue grew from 13,165 million in 2012 to 13,950 million, representing an increase of 6%. This software and software-related service revenue growth reflects an 11% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 5% decrease from currency effects.

Software and cloud subscription revenue rose from 4,928 million in 2012 to 5,212 million in 2013, representing an increase of 284 million, or 6%. This growth consists of an 11% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 5% decrease from currency effects.

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A combination of a challenging macroeconomic environment in key markets and the accelerating industry shift to the cloud resulted in a 2% increase from changes in volumes and prices. There was also a 5% decrease from currency effects. Overall, software revenue declined 142 million or 3% from 4,658 million in 2012 to 4,516 million in 2013. In 2013, SAP HANA contributed 633 million to total software revenue.

Cloud subscription and support revenue increased from 270 million in 2012 to 696 million in 2013. This increase is largely due to the acquisition of Ariba on October 1, 2012, and to continuing strong growth at SuccessFactors and Ariba in 2013.

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Our customer base continued to expand in 2013. Based on the number of contracts concluded, 16% of the orders we received for software in 2013 were from new customers (2012: 19%). The total value of software orders received fell 7% year over year. The total number of contracts signed for new software decreased 6% to 55,909 (2012: 59,289 contracts), while the average order value decreased by 1%.

Our stable customer base, continued investment in software by new and existing customers throughout 2013 and the previous year, and the continued success of our premium support offerings resulted in an increase in support revenue from 8,237 million in 2012 to 8,738 million in 2013. The SAP Enterprise Support services offering was the largest contributor to our support revenue. The 501 million, or 6%, growth in support revenue reflects an 11% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 5% decrease from currency effects. This growth is primarily attributable to SAP Product Support for Large Enterprises, SAP Enterprise Support, and our premium offerings. Accordingly, the acceptance rate for SAP Enterprise Support among new customers rose from 96% in 2012 to 98% in 2013.

Professional Services and Other Service Revenue

Professional services and other service revenue consists primarily of consulting and other service

revenue. We generate most of our consulting revenue from the implementation of our software products. Other service revenue consists mainly of revenue from the messaging services acquired from Sybase and of training revenue from educational services supplied to customers and partners on the use of our software products and related topics.

Professional services and other service revenue decreased from 3,058 million in 2012 to 2,865 million in 2013, representing a decline of 193 million, or 6%. This decline reflects a 3% decrease from changes in volumes and prices and a 4% decrease from currency effects.

Customers' cautious buying behavior toward large services projects led to a decline in consulting revenue from 2,442 million in 2012 to 2,242 million in 2013, representing a decrease of 200 million, or 8%. This decline reflects a 5% decrease from changes in volumes and prices and a 4% decrease from currency effects. Consulting revenue contributed 78% of the total consulting and other service revenue (2012: 80%). Consulting revenue contributed 13% of total revenue (2012: 15%).

Revenue from other services increased 7 million, or 1%, to 623 million in 2013 (2012: 616 million). This reflects a 5% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 4% decrease from currency changes.

Revenue by Region and Industry

Revenue by Region

millions	2013	2012	Change in % 2013 vs 2012
Germany	2,505	2,380	5%
Rest of EMEA	5,381	5,106	5%
Total EMEA	7,885	7,486	5%
United States	4,661	4,461	4%
Rest of Americas	1,705	1,639	4%
Total Americas	6,366	6,100	4%
Japan	624	789	21%

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Rest of APJ	1,939	1,848	5%
APJ	2,563	2,637	3%
SAP Group	16,815	16,223	4%

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Revenue by Industry

millions	2013	2012	Change in % 2013 vs 2012
Energy & Natural Resources	4,077	3,926	4%
Discrete Manufacturing	2,988	3,110	4%
Consumer	3,779	3,646	4%
Public Services	1,691	1,614	5%
Financial Services	1,633	1,444	13%
Services	2,649	2,484	7%
Total revenue	16,815	16,223	4%

Revenue by Region

We break our operations down into three regions: the Europe, Middle East, and Africa (EMEA) region, the Americas region, and the Asia Pacific Japan (APJ) region. We allocate revenue amounts to each region based on where the customer is located. For more information about revenue by geographic region, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements section, Note (28).

EMEA Region

In 2013, the EMEA region generated 7,885 million in revenue, which was 47% of total revenue (2012: 7,486; 46%). This represents a year-over-year increase of 5%. Total revenue in Germany increased 5% to 2,505 million in 2013 (2012: 2,380 million). Germany contributed 32% (2012: 32%) of all EMEA region revenue. The remaining revenue in the EMEA region was primarily generated in the United Kingdom, France, Switzerland, the Netherlands, Russia, and Italy. Software and software-related service revenue generated in the EMEA region in 2013 totaled 6,549 million (2012: 6,106 million). Software and software-related service revenue represented 83% of total revenue in 2013 (2012: 82%). Software and cloud subscription revenue rose by 6% to 2,233 million in 2013 (2012: 2,107 million). This growth reflects an 8% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 2% decrease from currency effects.

Americas Region

In 2013, 38% of our total revenue was generated in the Americas region (2012: 38%). Total revenue in the Americas region increased 4% to 6,366 million; revenue generated in the United States increased 4% to 4,661 million. This growth reflects an 8% increase from changes in

volumes and prices and a 4% decrease from currency effects. The United States contributed 73% (2012: 73%) of all revenue generated in the Americas region. In the remaining countries of the Americas region, revenue climbed 4% to reach 1,705 million. This growth reflects a 13% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 9% decrease from currency effects. This revenue was principally generated in Brazil, Canada, and Mexico. Software and software-related service revenue generated in the Americas region in 2013 totaled 5,196 million (2012: 4,820 million). Total software and software-related service revenue represented 82% of all revenue in the Americas region in 2013 (2012: 79%). Software and cloud subscription revenue rose by 11% to 2,130 million in 2013 (2012: 1,920 million). This growth reflects a 17% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 6% decrease from currency effects.

APJ Region

In 2013, 15% (2012: 16%) of our total revenue was generated in the APJ region, with the strongest revenue growth being achieved in China. Total revenue in the APJ region decreased by 3% to 2,563 million. In Japan, revenue fell by 21% to 624 million, which represents 24% (2012: 30%) of the total revenue generated in the APJ region. This drop in revenue is attributable, in full, to currency effects. In the remaining countries

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of the APJ region, revenue increased by 5%. Revenue in the remaining countries of the APJ region was generated primarily in Australia, China, and India. Software and software-related service revenue generated in the APJ region in 2013 totaled 2,204 million (2012: 2,239 million). That was 86% of total revenue (2012: 85%). Software and cloud subscription revenue fell by 6% to 849 million in 2013 (2012: 901 million). This decrease reflects a 4% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 10% decrease from currency effects.

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Revenue by Industry

With effect from January 2013, we rearranged our industry sectors from nine groups into six so that we could focus better on the requirements of existing and potential customers.

We merged one of our existing industry sectors, process manufacturing which covers the chemicals and mill products industries with the energy and natural resources industry sector. We combined our former consumer products and the retail and wholesale distribution industry sector into the consumer sector. The healthcare and life sciences, (medical and pharmaceutical) industries, which were previously grouped together under the healthcare sector, now belong to the public services or consumer industry sectors, respectively. To address the changing needs of our customers, a new industry subgroup was

established, sports and entertainment, which is part of the professional services sector.

We allocate our customers to one of our industries at the outset of an initial arrangement. All subsequent revenue from a particular customer is recorded under that industry sector.

In 2013, we achieved above-average growth in the following sectors, measured by changes in total revenue: Financial Services (1,633 million, at a growth rate of 13%), Services (2,649 million, at a growth rate of 7%), Public Services (1,691 million, at a growth rate of 5%), and Energy and Natural Resources (4,077 million, at a growth rate of 4%). The revenue from the other industry sectors: Consumer 3,779 million, which was a 4% improvement on the prior year; Discrete Manufacturing 2,988 million, which was a 4% decline mainly related to APJ and the Americas.

Operating Profit and Operating Margin**Total Operating Expenses**

millions	2013	% of total revenue ⁽¹⁾	2012	% of total revenue ⁽²⁾	Change in % 2013 vs 2012
Cost of software and software-related services	2,597	15%	2,555	16%	2%
Cost of professional services and other services	2,402	14%	2,520	16%	5%
Research and development	2,282	14%	2,261	14%	1%
Sales and marketing	4,131	25%	3,912	24%	6%
General and administration	866	5%	949	6%	9%
Restructuring	70	0%	8	0%	<100%
TomorrowNow litigation	0	0%	0	0%	<-100%
Other operating income/expense, net	12	0%	23	0%	46%
Total operating expenses	12,336	73%	12,181	75%	1%

⁽¹⁾ Total revenue for 2013: 16,815 million.

⁽²⁾ Total revenue for 2012: 16,223 million.
Operating Profit and Operating Margin

millions, except for operating margin	2013	2012	Change in % 2013 vs 2012
Operating profit	4,479	4,041	11%
Operating margin (in %)	26.6%	24.9%	1.7pp

In 2013, our operating profit totaled 4,479 million (2012: 4,041 million), a significant year-over-year increase despite adverse currency effects. We invested in innovations and made substantial advances in our cloud business in 2013.

In 2013, operating expenses increased 155 million or 1% to 12,336 million (2012: 12,181 million). The main contributors to that increase were our greater acquisition-related and restructuring expenses, continued investment in sales activities and the cloud, and higher personnel and infrastructure expenses related to acquisitions.

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The effect of acquisition-related expenses, which were \$555 million (2012: \$537 million), and restructuring expenses, which were \$70 million (2012: \$8 million), on operating profit was greater than in the prior year. The operating profit for 2013 was also affected by continued investments in global sales activities and cloud computing. The number of SAP employees (expressed in full-time equivalents – FTEs) rose year over year by 2,150 persons, including more than 1,100 employees from acquired businesses.

Those negative effects on operating profit were in part offset by a reduced expense for share-based payment, which totaled \$327 million in 2013 (2012: \$522 million) owing to a less steep increase in the SAP stock price, and by a reduction in our general and administration expense.

As an overall result of these effects on operating profit, our operating margin widened 1.7 percentage points to 26.6% in 2013 (2012: 24.9%).

The sections that follow discuss our costs by line item.

Cost of Software and Software-Related Services

Cost of software and software-related services consists primarily of customer support costs, cost of developing custom solutions that address customers' specific business requirements, costs for deploying and operating cloud solutions, amortization expenses relating to intangibles, and license fees and commissions paid to third parties for databases and the other complementary third-party products sublicensed by us to our customers.

In 2013, the cost of software and software-related services increased a modest 2% to \$2,597 million (2012: \$2,555 million). The main factors were a \$95 million acquisition-related increase in the cost of providing and operating our cloud solutions and a \$13 million increase in customer support costs. They both represent investments that contributed to revenue growth. At the same time, the license fees we pay to third parties decreased by \$63 million. The gross margin on our software and software-related services, defined as software and software-related services profit as a percentage of software and software-related services revenue, remained constant year over year in 2013 at 81% (2012: 81%).

Cost of Professional Services and Other Services

Cost of professional services and other services consists primarily of the cost of consulting and training personnel and the cost of bought-in third-party consulting and training resources. This item also includes sales and marketing expenses for our professional services and other services resulting from sales and marketing efforts where those efforts cannot be clearly distinguished from providing the professional services and other services.

The growth of our cloud business and increased demand for pre-bundled offerings led to a reduction in our professional and other services revenue as well as in our professional and other services expense. We reduced costs for professional and other services 5% from \$2,520 million in 2012 to \$2,402 million in 2013. Our gross margin on professional and other services, defined as professional and other services profit as a percentage of professional and other services revenue, narrowed to 16% (2012: 18%).

Research and Development Expense

Our research and development (R&D) expense consists primarily of the personnel cost of our R&D employees, costs incurred for independent contractors we retain to assist in our R&D activities, and depreciation of the computer hardware and software we use for our R&D activities.

We acquired Ariba and SuccessFactors in the course of 2012, so in 2012 our R&D expense did not include a full year's Ariba and SuccessFactors R&D. Moreover, the depreciation expense for R&D servers and computer systems was greater in 2013 than in 2012. Nonetheless, our total R&D expense increased only slightly, by 1% to \$2,282 million (2012: \$2,261 million). Therefore, while we continue to increase our innovative capacity our R&D expense as a percentage of total revenue was slightly less year over year at 13.6% (2012: 13.9%). For more information, see the Research and Development section.

Sales and Marketing Expense

Sales and marketing expense consists mainly of personnel costs and direct sales expense to support our sales and marketing teams in selling and marketing our products and services.

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Our sales and marketing expense rose 6% from 3,912 million in 2012 to 4,131 million in 2013. The increase was mainly the result of greater personnel costs as we expanded our global sales force, notably for cloud business, and of the reallocation and re-tasking of employees to sales-related work. By increasing our sales force we accelerated our revenue growth. The ratio of sales and marketing expense to total revenue, expressed as a percentage, increased slightly to 24.6% (2012: 24.1%) because costs grew more rapidly than revenue.

General and Administration Expense

Our general and administration expense consists mainly of personnel costs to support our finance and administration functions.

General and administration expense decreased 9% from 949 million in 2012 to 866 million in 2013. This resulted mainly from a reduced expense for share-based payment and efficient cost management. Consequently, the ratio of

general and administration expense to total revenue decreased in 2013 to 5% (2012: 6%).

Results by Segment

We had two divisions in 2013, On-Premise and Cloud, each further divided into operating segments. Our On-Premise division comprises two operating segments: On-Premise Products and On-Premise Services. Our Cloud division also comprises two operating segments: Cloud Applications and Ariba.

The revenue and profit numbers for each of our operating segments relate to our internal management reporting and differ from the revenue and profit numbers presented in our IFRS Consolidated Statements of Income. For more information about our segment reporting and reconciliation from our internal management reporting to our external IFRS reporting, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements section, Note (28).

millions, unless otherwise stated	2013	2012	Change in % 2013 vs 2012
On-Premise Products Segment			
Total revenue	13,227	12,881	3
Cost of revenue	2,020	1,994	1
Gross profit	11,207	10,887	3
Cost of sales and marketing	3,447	3,414	1
Reportable segment profit/loss	7,760	7,473	4
Segment profitability	59%	58%	
On-Premise Services Segment			
Total revenue	2,695	2,967	9
Cost of revenue	2,134	2,306	7
Gross profit	562	661	15
Cost of sales and marketing	0	0	0
Reportable segment profit/loss	562	661	15
Segment profitability	21%	22%	
Cloud Applications Segment			
Total revenue	514	336	53
Cost of revenue	178	163	9
Gross profit	336	173	94
Cost of sales and marketing	328	231	42

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Reportable segment profit/loss	8	59	< 100
Segment profitability	2%	17%	
<u>Ariba Segment</u>			
Total revenue	461	120	>100
Cost of revenue	180	72	>100
Gross profit	281	49	>100
Cost of sales and marketing	151	43	>100
Reportable segment profit/loss	130	5	>100
Segment profitability	28%	5%	

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On-Premise Division

The On-Premise division derives its revenue primarily from the sale of on-premise software (that is, software designed for installation on the customer's hardware) and mobile software (that is, software designed for use on mobile devices) as well as services relating to such software.

On-Premise Products Segment

The On-Premise Products segment is primarily engaged in marketing and licensing our on-premise and mobile software products and providing support services for them.

On-Premise Products segment revenue grew 3% from 12,881 million in 2012 to 13,227 million in 2013. This increase reflects a 7% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 4% decrease from currency effects. The increase resulted principally from growth in support revenue, which more than offset a slight decline in software solution licensing. Software revenue attributable to our On-Premise Product segment declined 3% to 4,517 million (2012: 4,656 million). The decline reflects a 2% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 5% decrease from currency effects. Support revenue grew 6% to 8,710 million (2012: 8,226 million). This increase reflects a 10% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 4% decrease from currency effects.

In 2013, cost of revenue increased 1% to 2,020 million (2012: 1,994 million) and sales and marketing costs grew 1% to 3,447 million (2012: 3,414 million). The moderate increase in expenses in the On-Premise Products segment was the result of greater investment in providing and operating our Cloud solutions in response to growing demand in 2013.

On-Premise Products segment profit rose 4% to 7,760 million (2012: 7,473 million) and the associated segment profitability was 59% (2012: 58%).

On-Premise Services Segment

The On-Premise Services segment performs various professional services, primarily supporting the implementation of our software products and providing education services concerning the use of those software products.

On-Premise Services segment revenue decreased 9% from 2,967 million in 2012 to 2,695 million in 2013. This reduction in revenue reflects a 6% decrease from changes in volumes and prices and a 3% decrease from currency effects. Our cloud business grew more quickly than our business as a whole, and demand for preconfigured solutions increased. As expected, this led to a decrease in both, revenue from consulting and education services and in the expense of providing them.

Accordingly, cost of revenue in the On-Premise Services segment decreased 7% to 2,134 million in 2013 (2012: 2,306 million).

On-Premise Services segment profit declined 15% to 562 million (2012: 661 million). Segment profitability was 21% (2012: 22%).

Cloud Division

Our Cloud division earns revenue by providing software for customers to use in the cloud and by providing services relating to that software.

Driven by the acquisition of SuccessFactors in the first quarter of 2012 and Ariba in the final quarter of 2012, SAP developed a strong cloud momentum that continued in 2013. Our Cloud division revenue run rate reached 1,063 million (end of 2012: 848 million), based on annualized fourth-quarter revenue. The annualized revenue is the overall 2013 fourth-quarter revenue from the Cloud division of 266 million (2012: 212 million), multiplied by four.

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The cloud revenue reflects only the portion of customer orders already recognizable in revenue. In contrast, the portion of customer orders already invoiced for that refers to services that have not yet been delivered and is as such not recognizable in revenue is reflected in deferred cloud revenue. Orders placed by the customers, which have not yet been delivered and not yet been invoiced are included in the Backlog performance indicator.

Non-IFRS deferred cloud subscription and support revenue was 447 million on December 31, 2013 (December 31, 2012: 358 million), a year-over-year increase of 25%. Our cloud subscription and support backlog increased 50% to 1,202 million on December 31, 2013 (December 31, 2012: approximately 800 million).

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Cloud Applications Segment

The Cloud Applications segment is primarily engaged in marketing and selling subscriptions to cloud software developed by SAP and SuccessFactors.

In 2013, revenue from the Cloud Applications segment grew 53% to 514 million (2012: 336 million). This increase reflects a 57% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 4% decrease from currency effects. Greater customer demand for cloud applications led to the steep rise in revenue in 2013.

In 2013, cost of revenue increased 9% to 178 million (2012: 163 million) and sales and marketing costs grew 42% to 328 million (2012: 231 million). These costs rose in the Cloud Applications segment principally as a result of increased business activity in response to greater customer demand for cloud applications in 2013.

Cloud Applications segment profit grew to 8 million (2012: 59 million loss). Segment profitability was 2% (2012: 17%).

Ariba Segment

The Ariba segment is primarily engaged in marketing and selling subscriptions to cloud software developed by Ariba for its business commerce network. While this segment is named Ariba, it is not identical to the acquired Ariba business because certain SAP activities have been transferred to our Ariba segment.

The numbers for the Ariba segment include the acquired Ariba company numbers as of October 1, 2012, as well as the numbers for those SAP activities that were allocated to the Ariba segment upon its establishment.

In 2013, revenue from the Ariba segment grew 283% to 461 million (2012: 120 million). This increase reflects a 299% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 16% decrease from currency effects. It results mainly from the fact that only fourth-quarter Ariba revenue is included in the 2012 numbers.

In 2013, cost of revenue increased 151% to 180 million (2012: 72 million) and sales and marketing costs grew 250% to 151 million (2012: 43 million). The expense rise in the Ariba segment is mainly due to the fact that Ariba was acquired in the final quarter of 2012.

Ariba segment profit was 130 million (2012: 5 million). Segment profitability was 28% (2012: 5%).

Financial Income, Net

Financial income, net, changed to 66 million (2012: 72 million). Our finance income was 115 million (2012: 103 million) and our finance costs were 181 million (2012: 175 million).

Finance income mainly consists of interest income from loans and financial assets (cash, cash equivalents, and current investments), which was 37 million in 2013 (2012: 45 million). This decrease is attributable to a lower average liquidity and lower interest rates than in 2012.

Finance costs mainly consist of interest expense on financial liabilities (131 million in 2013 compared to 130 million in 2012) and remained virtually stable year over year. For more information about these financing instruments, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements section, Note (17b).

Another factor in financial income, net, in 2013 was the derivatives we utilize to execute our financial risk management strategy. The associated time value effects from derivatives were reflected in interest income of 32 million (2012: 27 million) and interest expenses of 23 million (2012: 28 million).

Income Tax

Our effective tax rate decreased to 24.4% in 2013 (2012: 26.2%). The reason for the year-over-year decrease mainly resulted from prior year taxes. For more information, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements section, Note (10).

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Our 2012 Results Compared to Our 2011 Results (IFRS)**Revenue****Revenue**

millions	2012	2011	Change in % 2012 vs 2011
Software	4,658	4,107	13%
Cloud subscriptions and support	270	18	1371%
Software and cloud subscriptions	4,928	4,125	19%
Support	8,237	7,194	15%
Software and software-related service revenue	13,165	11,319	16%
Consulting	2,442	2,341	4%
Other services	616	573	8%
Professional services and other service revenue	3,058	2,914	5%
Total revenue	16,223	14,233	14%

Total Revenue

Our revenue increased from 14,233 million in 2011 to 16,223 million in 2012, representing an increase of 1,990 million or 14%. This total revenue growth reflects a 10% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 4% increase from currency effects. The revenue growth is due primarily to an increase in software revenue of 551 million, an increase in cloud subscriptions and support revenue of 252 million, and an increase in support revenue of 1,043 million. In 2012, software and software-related service revenue totaled 13,165 million as a result of this increase. Software and software-related service revenue represented 81% of total revenue in 2012 (2011: 80%). In 2012, professional services and other service revenue contributed 3,058 million to our total revenue, representing an increase of 5% compared to 2011.

For an analysis of our total revenue by region and industry, see the Revenue by Region and Revenue by Industry sections.

Software and Software-Related Service Revenue

Software revenue represents fees earned from the sale or license of software to customers. Cloud subscriptions and support revenue relates to contracts which permit the customer to access specific SAP-hosted software solutions during the contract period. Support revenue represents fees earned from providing customers with technical support services and unspecified software upgrades, updates, and enhancements.

Software and software-related service revenue increased from 11,319 million in 2011 to 13,165 million in 2012, representing an increase of 16%. The software and software-related service revenue growth reflects a 12% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 4% increase from currency effects.

Software and cloud subscriptions revenue increased from 4,125 million in 2011 to 4,928 million in 2012, representing an increase of 803 million or 19%. This growth consists of a 16% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 3% increase from currency effects.

Software revenue increased from 4,107 million in 2011 to 4,658 million in 2012, representing an increase of 551 million or 13%. This growth consists of a 10% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 3% increase from currency effects. SAP HANA contributed 392 million to software revenue in 2012.

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Cloud subscriptions and support revenue increased from 18 million in 2011 to 270 million in 2012. This growth is largely due to the acquisitions of SuccessFactors and Ariba.

Our customer base continued to expand in 2012. Based on the number of contracts concluded, 19% of the orders we received for software in 2012 were from new customers (2011: 19%). The total value of software orders received grew 20% year over year. The total number of contracts signed for new software decreased 4% to 59,289 contracts (2011: 61,474 contracts), whereas the average order value went up 25%.

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Our stable customer base and the continued investment in software by new and existing customers throughout 2012 and the previous year resulted in an increase in support revenue from 7,194 million in 2011 to 8,237 million in 2012. The SAP Enterprise Support service was the largest contributor to our support revenue. The 1,043 million or 15% increase in support revenue reflects a 11% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 4% increase from currency effects. This growth is primarily attributable to our premium offerings and SAP Enterprise Support. According to that, the SAP Enterprise Support acceptance rate for net-new customers increased from 88% in 2011 to 96% in 2012.

Professional Services and Other Service Revenue

Professional services and other service revenue consists primarily of consulting and other service revenue. We generate most of our consulting revenue from the implementation of our software products. Other service revenue consists mainly of revenue from the messaging services acquired from Sybase, as well as training revenue from

providing educational services to customers and partners on the use of our software products and related topics.

Professional services and other service revenue increased from 2,914 million in 2011 to 3,058 million in 2012, representing an increase of 144 million or 5%. This growth reflects a 1% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 4% increase from currency effects.

Consulting revenue increased from 2,341 million in 2011 to 2,442 million in 2012, representing an increase of 101 million or 4%. The growth resulted entirely from currency effects. Consulting revenue contributed 80% of professional services and other service revenue (2011: 80%). Consulting revenue contributed 15% of total revenue in 2012 (2011: 16%).

Other service revenue increased from 573 million in 2011 to 616 million in 2012, representing an increase of 8%. This growth reflects a 5% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 3% increase from currency effects. The increase is due mainly to higher revenues from messaging services.

Revenue by Region and Industry

Revenue by Region

millions	2012	2011	Change in % 2012 vs 2011
Germany	2,380	2,347	1%
Rest of EMEA	5,106	4,644	10%
Total EMEA	7,486	6,991	7%
United States	4,461	3,699	21%
Rest of Americas	1,639	1,392	18%
Total Americas	6,100	5,091	20%
Japan	789	652	21%
Rest of APJ	1,848	1,499	23%
APJ	2,637	2,151	23%
SAP Group	16,223	14,233	14%
Revenue by Industry			

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millions	2012	2011	Change in % 2012 vs 2011
Energy & Natural Resources	3,926	3,461	13%
Discrete Manufacturing	3,110	2,617	19%
Consumer	3,646	3,215	13%
Public Services	1,614	1,553	4%
Financial Services	1,444	1,196	21%
Services	2,484	2,190	13%
Total revenue	16,223	14,233	14%

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Revenue by Region

We break our operations down into three regions: the Europe, Middle East, and Africa (EMEA) region, the Americas region, and the Asia Pacific Japan (APJ) region. We allocate revenue amounts to each region based on where the customer is located. For more information about revenue by geographic region, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements section, Note (28).

The EMEA Region

In 2012, the EMEA region generated 7,486 million in revenue (2011: 6,991 million) or 46% of total revenue (2011: 49%). This represents a year-over-year increase of 7%. Total revenue in Germany increased 1% to 2,380 million in 2012 (2011: 2,347 million). Germany contributed 32% (2011: 34%) of all EMEA region revenue. The remaining revenue in the EMEA region was primarily generated in France, Italy, the Netherlands, Russia, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom. Software and software-related service revenue generated in the EMEA region in 2012 totaled 6,106 million (2011: 5,529 million). Software and software-related service revenue represented 82% of total revenue in 2012 (2011: 79%). Software and cloud subscription revenue increased 13% in 2012 to 2,107 million (2011: 1,864 million). This growth reflects a 12% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 1% increase from currency effects.

The Americas Region

In 2012, 38% of our total revenue was generated in the Americas region (2011: 36%). Total revenue in the Americas region increased 20% to 6,100 million; revenue generated in the United States increased 21% to 4,461 million. This growth reflects a 12% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 9% increase from currency effects. The United States contributed 73% (2011: 73%) of all Americas region revenue. In the remaining countries of the Americas region, revenue increased 18% to 1,639 million. This growth reflects a 17% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 1% increase from currency effects. This revenue was principally generated in Brazil, Canada, and Mexico. Software and software-related service revenue generated in the Americas region in 2012 totaled 4,820 million (2011: 3,958 million). Software

and software-related service revenue represented 79% of all revenue in the Americas region in 2012 (2011: 78%). Software and cloud subscription revenue increased 25% in 2012 to 1,920 million (2011: 1,540 million). This growth reflects a 19% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 6% increase from currency effects.

The APJ Region

In 2012, 16% (2011: 15%) of our total revenue was generated in the APJ region, with Japan recording the largest revenue increase. Total revenue in the APJ region increased 23% to 2,637 million. In Japan, total revenue increased 21% to 789 million in 2012, representing a 30% contribution to all revenue generated across the APJ region (2011: 30%). The revenue rise in Japan reflects a 13% increase due to changes in volumes and prices and an 8% increase from currency effects. In the remaining countries of the APJ region, revenue increased 23%. Revenue in the remaining countries of the APJ region was generated primarily in Australia, China, and India. Software and software-related service revenue generated in the APJ region in 2012 totaled 2,239 million (2011: 1,832 million). In 2012, as in the prior year, software and software-related service revenue represented 85% of all revenue. Software and cloud subscription revenue increased 25% in 2012 to 901 million (2011: 722 million). This growth reflects a 20% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 5% increase from currency effects.

Revenue by Industry

We allocate our customers to one of our industries at the outset of an initial arrangement. All subsequent revenue from a particular customer is recorded under that industry sector.

To help us better meet the requirements of existing and potential customers, we restructured our industry groups in 2013, and now serve six sectors rather than nine as in 2012. Accordingly we have adjusted our 2012 to 2011 comparison to six industry sectors.

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In 2012, we achieved above-average growth in the following sectors, measured by changes in total revenue: Financial Services (1,444 million, at a growth rate of 21%) and Discrete Manufacturing (3,110 million, at a growth rate of 19%). Results from the other sectors were as follows: Services (2,484 million, at a growth rate of 13%); Energy

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and Natural Resources (3,926 million, at a growth rate of 13%); Consumer (3,646 million, at a growth rate of 13%); and Public Services (1,614 million, at a growth rate of 4%).

Operating Profit and Operating Margin

Total Operating Expenses

millions	2012	% of total revenue ⁽¹⁾	2011	% of total revenue ⁽²⁾	Change in % 2012 vs 2011
Cost of software and software-related services	2,555	16%	2,107	15%	21%
Cost of professional services and other services	2,520	16%	2,247	16%	12%
Research and development	2,261	14%	1,935	14%	17%
Sales and marketing	3,912	24%	3,083	22%	27%
General and administration	949	6%	715	5%	33%
Restructuring	8	0%	4	0%	>100%
TomorrowNow litigation	0	0%	717	5%	100%
Other operating income/expense, net	23	0%	25	0%	9%
Total operating expenses	12,181	75%	9,348	66%	30%

⁽¹⁾ Total revenue for 2012: 16,223 million.

⁽²⁾ Total revenue for 2011: 14,233 million.

Operating Profit and Operating Margin

millions, except for operating margin	2012	2011	Change in % 2012 vs 2011
Operating profit	4,041	4,884	17%
Operating margin (in %)	24.9%	34.3%	9.4pp

In 2012, our operating profit totaled 4,041 million (2011: 4,884 million), a significant year-over-year decrease. A year-on-year comparison of operating profit is only possible to a limited extent, because of the release of the TomorrowNow litigation provision in the amount of 717 million in 2011. Increased expenses relating to the share-based payments in the amount of 522 million (2011: 68 million) as well as acquisition-related expenses of 537 million (2011: 448 million) reduced our operating profit in 2012. Share-based payment expenses rose considerably in 2012 as a result of new plans and an increase in the price of SAP stock.

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Our operating profit for 2012 was also impacted by continued investments in global sales activities and cloud computing. The number of SAP employees (expressed in full-time equivalents, or FTEs) rose year on year by almost 8,700 persons, including more than 4,800 employees from acquisitions.

All of the above factors caused our operating margin in 2012 to drop 9.4 percentage points to 24.9% (2011: 34.3%).

In 2012, operating expenses increased 2,833 million or 30% to 12,181 million (2011: 9,348 million). This increase is due primarily to acquisition-related expenses, share-based payments, continued investments in sales activities, an increase in personnel costs as a result of acquisitions, and cloud computing activity.

The sections that follow discuss our costs of sales by line item.

Cost of Software and Software-Related Services

Cost of software and software-related services consists primarily of customer support costs, cost of developing custom solutions that address

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customers' specific business requirements, costs for deploying and operating cloud solutions, amortization of intangible assets, and license fees and commissions paid to third parties for databases and the other complementary third-party products sublicensed by us to our customers.

In 2012, our cost of software and software-related services grew 21% to 2,555 million (2011: 2,107 million). The main cost factors were increased customer support expenses totaling 188 million and an acquisition-related increase in expenses for providing and operating our cloud solutions. The license fees that we pay to third parties also rose in parallel with the increase in software revenue. The margin on our software and software-related services, defined as software and software-related services profit as a percentage of software and software-related services revenue, remained constant year over year in 2012 at 81% (2011: 81%).

Cost of Professional Services and Other Services

Cost of professional services and other services consists primarily of the cost of consulting and training personnel and the cost of bought-in third-party consulting and training resources. This item also includes sales and marketing expenses for our professional services and other services resulting from sales and marketing efforts where those efforts cannot be clearly distinguished from providing the professional services and other services.

Costs for professional and other services rose 12% from 2,247 million in 2011 to 2,520 million in 2012. The margin on our professional and other services, defined as professional and other services profit as a percentage of professional and other services revenue, decreased to 18% in 2012 (2011: 23%). The disproportionately high growth in spending compared to professional services and other service revenue is mainly due to increased costs in a limited number of customer projects.

Research and Development Expense

Our research and development (R&D) expense consists primarily of the personnel cost of our R&D employees, costs incurred for independent contractors we retain to assist in our R&D

activities, and amortization of the computer hardware and software we use for our R&D activities.

In 2012, R&D costs rose 17% to 2,261 million. This increase primarily resulted from the increase in personnel costs related to the acquisitions of SuccessFactors and Ariba.

In 2012, R&D expense as a percentage of total revenue increased slightly to 13.9% (2011: 13.6%). Total revenue increased at the same rate as R&D expense, resulting in a nearly constant R&D ratio. For more information, see the Research and Development section.

Sales and Marketing Expense

Sales and marketing expense consists mainly of personnel costs and direct sales expense to support our sales and marketing teams in selling and marketing our products and services.

Sales and marketing costs rose 27% from 3,083 million in 2011 to 3,912 million in 2012. The increase was due primarily to the increased personnel costs of our expanded sales teams in new growth markets, among others, and to increased employee headcount as a result of acquisitions. Travel and marketing costs rose as a result of increased business operations. The ratio of sales and marketing costs to total revenue, expressed as a percentage, increased 24% year over year (2011: 22%). This was because expenses grew disproportionately to revenue.

General and Administration Expense

Our general and administration (G&A) expense consists mainly of personnel costs to support our finance and administration functions.

Our G&A expense rose from 715 million in 2011 to 949 million in 2012, representing an increase of 33%. This was due mainly to share-based payments and the increase in personnel costs as a result of the acquisition-related rise in headcount. The ratio of general and administration costs to total revenue in 2012 thus rose 1% year over year to 6%.

Segment Results

Following SAP's increased focus on the cloud business, in 2012 we changed both the structure of the components that the SAP management

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uses to make decisions about operating matters, and the main profit measure used for the purposes of allocating resources to these components and measuring their performance. The segment information for earlier periods has been restated to conform with these changes. A detailed description of segment information is included in Note (28) of our Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

We have two divisions – On-Premise and Cloud, which are further divided into operating segments. Our On-Premise division is comprised of two operating segments: On-Premise Products and On-Premise Services. Our Cloud division is

comprised of two operating segments: Cloud Applications and Ariba.

Total revenue and profit figures for each of our operating segments differ from the respective revenue and profit figures classified in our Consolidated Statements of Income because of several differences between our internal management reporting and our external IFRS reporting. For more information about our segment reporting and a reconciliation from our internal management reporting to our external IFRS reporting, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements section, Note (28).

millions, unless otherwise stated	2012	2011	Change in % 2012 vs 2011
<u>On-Premise Products Segment</u>			
Total revenue	12,881	11,325	14
Cost of revenue	1,994	1,762	13
Gross profit	10,887	9,564	14
Cost of sales and marketing	3,414	2,919	17
Reportable segment profit/loss	7,473	6,644	12
Segment profitability	58%	59%	
<u>On-Premise Services Segment</u>			
Total revenue	2,967	2,901	2
Cost of revenue	2,306	2,201	5
Gross profit	661	700	6
Cost of sales and marketing	0	0	0
Reportable segment profit/loss	661	700	6
Segment profitability	22%	24%	
<u>Cloud Applications Segment</u>			
Total revenue	336	29	>100
Cost of revenue	163	66	>100
Gross profit	173	37	<-100
Cost of sales and marketing	231	32	>100
Reportable segment profit/loss	59	69	14
Segment profitability	18%	238%	
<u>Ariba Segment</u>			
Total revenue	120	4	>100
Cost of revenue	72	9	>100
Gross profit	49	5	<-100
Cost of sales and marketing	43	2	>100
Reportable segment profit/loss	5	7	<-100
Segment profitability	4%	175%	

On-Premise Division

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The On-Premise division derives its revenue primarily from the sale of on-premise software (that is, software designed for use on hardware at the customer's premises) and mobile software (that is, software designed for use on mobile devices) as well as services relating to such software.

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On-Premise Products Segment

The On-Premise Products segment is primarily engaged in marketing and licensing our on-premise and mobile software products and providing support services for these software products.

In 2012, revenue in the On-Premise Products segment increased 14% to 12,881 million (2011: 11,325 million). This growth reflects a 10% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 4% increase from currency effects. The reason for this growth was the rise in software license sales, which, in turn, led to an increase in support revenue. Software revenue, which is added to revenues in the On-Premise Products segment, rose by 13% to 4,656 million (2011: 4,105 million). This growth reflects a 10% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 3% increase from currency effects. Support revenue increased by 14% to 8,226 million (2011: 7,220 million). This growth reflects a 10% increase from changes in volumes and prices and a 4% increase from currency effects.

In 2012, cost of revenue increased 13% to 1,994 million (2011: 1,762 million) and sales and marketing costs increased by 17% to 3,414 million (2011: 2,919 million). The increased expenses in the On-Premise Products segment are the result of increased business operations following the rise in demand in 2012.

The operating segment profit of the On-Premise Products segment rose by 12% to 7,473 million (2011: 6,644 million), representing segment profitability of 58% (2011: 59%).

On-Premise Services Segment

The On-Premise Services segment primarily performs various professional services, mainly implementation services of our software products and educational services on the use of our software products.

In 2012, revenue in the On-Premise Services segment increased 2% to 2,967 million (2011: 2,901 million). This growth reflects a 1% decrease from changes in volumes and prices and a 3% increase from currency effects.

In 2012, cost of revenue in the On-Premise Services segment increased 5% to 2,306 million (2011: 2,201 million). The increased expenses in the On-Premise Services segment are the result

of constant business operations and increased costs in a limited number of customer projects.

The operating segment profit of the On-Premise Services segment decreased by 6% to 661 million (2011: 700 million), representing segment profitability of 22% (2011: 24%).

Cloud Division

The Cloud division derives its revenues primarily from the sale of cloud software (that is, software designed for delivery through the cloud) and services relating to such software.

Driven by the acquisition of SuccessFactors in the first quarter of 2012, SAP showed a strong cloud momentum in 2012: Derived from the total revenue of SAP's two Cloud segments (Cloud Applications and Ariba), the annual cloud revenue run rate in the fourth quarter approached 850 million. For the Cloud Applications segment alone, 12-month new and upsell subscription billings increased nineteenfold in the fourth quarter. Even when including SuccessFactors in SAP's 2011 numbers, the growth is triple digit at 102%. For SuccessFactors on a stand-alone basis, 12-month new and upsell subscription billings grew 95% compared to the previous year.

The annualized revenue run rate is derived from the total revenue of SAP's two Cloud segments (Cloud Applications and Ariba) in the fourth quarter of 2012 and includes Ariba (before any future growth). The annual run rate is calculated by multiplying the fourth-quarter Cloud division revenue by 4.

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The year-over-year growth rate in 12-month new and upsell subscription billings relates to SAP's Cloud Applications business (excluding Ariba). The growth rate is a pro forma growth rate that assumes that the acquisition of SuccessFactors was completed as of January 1, 2011.

Cloud Applications Segment

The Cloud Applications segment is primarily engaged in marketing and selling subscriptions to the cloud software offerings developed by SAP and SuccessFactors.

In 2012, revenue in the Cloud Applications segment increased to 336 million (2011: 29 million).

In 2012, cost of revenue increased to 163 million (2011: 66 million) and sales and

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marketing costs increased to 231 million (2011: 32 million). The increased expenses in the Cloud Applications segment were largely driven by the acquisition of SuccessFactors in the first quarter of 2012.

The operating segment loss of the Cloud Applications segment decreased by 14% to 59 million (2011: 69 million), representing segment profitability of 18% (2011: 238%).

Ariba Segment

The Ariba segment primarily markets and sells the cloud software offerings developed by Ariba. While this segment is named Ariba, it is not identical to the acquired Ariba business since certain SAP activities are now in our Ariba segment. For 2011, the numbers for the Ariba segment reflect the SAP activities that were allocated to the Ariba segment upon its establishment.

In 2012, revenue in the Ariba segment increased to 120 million (2011: 4 million).

In 2012, cost of revenue increased to 72 million (2011: 9 million) and sales and marketing costs increased by 2050% to 43 million (2011: 2 million). The increased expenses in the Ariba segment were largely driven by the acquisition of Ariba at the end of 2012.

The operating segment loss of the Ariba segment turned into a segment profit of 5 million (2011: 7 million), representing segment profitability of 4% (2011: 175%).

Financial Income, Net

Financial income, net, decreased to 72 million (2011: 42 million). Our finance income was 103 million (2011: 119 million) and our finance costs were 175 million (2011: 161 million).

Finance income mainly consists of interest income from loans and financial assets (cash, cash equivalents, and current investments), which was 50 million in 2012 (2011: 64 million). This decrease is attributable mainly to a lower average liquidity and lower interest rates than in 2011.

Finance costs mainly consist of interest expense on financial liabilities (130 million in 2012 compared to 123 million in 2011). This year-over-year increase resulted mainly from the financial debt incurred in connection with the SuccessFactors and Ariba acquisitions. For more

information about these financing instruments, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements section, Note (17b).

Another factor in financial income, net, in 2012 was the derivatives we utilize to execute our financial risk management strategy. The associated time value effects from derivatives were reflected in interest income of 27 million (2011: 37 million) and interest expenses of 28 million (2011: 37 million).

Income Tax

Our effective tax rate decreased to 26.2% in 2012 (2011: 27.9%). The increased effective tax rate 2011 mainly resulted from the reduction of the TomorrowNow litigation provision. For more information, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements section, Note (10).

FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATE EXPOSURE

Although our reporting currency is the euro, a significant portion of our business is conducted in currencies other than the euro. Since the Group's entities usually conduct their business in their respective functional currencies, our risk of exchange rate fluctuations from ongoing ordinary operations is not considered significant. However, occasionally we generate foreign-currency-denominated receivables, payables, and other monetary items by transacting in a currency other than the functional currency; to mitigate the extent of the associated foreign currency

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exchange rate risk, the majority of these transactions are hedged as described in Note (25) to our Consolidated Financial Statements. Also see Notes (3) and (24) for additional information on foreign currencies.

Approximately 71% and 72% of our total revenue 2013 and 2012, respectively, was attributable to operations in non-euro participating countries. As a result, those revenues had to be translated into euros for financial reporting purposes. Fluctuations in the value of the euro had an unfavorable impact on our total revenue of 734 million for 2013. Regarding 2012 the euro had a favorable impact on our total revenue of 548 million, while for 2011 the euro had an unfavorable impact of 195 million.

The impact of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations discussed in the preceding paragraph is calculated by translating current period figures in

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local currency to euros at the monthly average exchange rate for the corresponding month in the prior year. Our revenue analysis, included within the Operating Results, section of this Item 5, discusses at times increases and decreases due to currency effects, which are calculated in the same manner.

REPORT ON EXPECTED DEVELOPMENTS

Future Trends in the Global Economy

The experts at the European Central Bank (ECB²) expect the global economy to expand gradually in response to factors such as more stable credit conditions around the world. The ECB bases this expectation on the assumption that, as in 2013, prospects will improve in the industrialized economies but will remain subdued in some of the emerging economies compared to past years.

According to these expectations, the outlook in the Europe, Middle East, and Africa (EMEA) region has improved: The ECB expects a slow recovery in the euro area in 2014 and 2015, supported by a slight recovery of domestic and export demand. Companies in particular will increase their investments in 2014, encouraged by the very low interest rates and by a high demand for

modernization after several years of restrained investments. The ECB currently expects GDP in the euro area to grow about 1% in 2014 and 1.5% in 2015. That would bring GDP back to first-quarter 2008 pre-crisis levels by the end of 2015. The ECB also expects the economies of Central and Eastern Europe to gain traction beginning in 2014.

The ECB is also optimistic about the Americas region. It believes the economic upturn in the United States will gradually gain momentum as the residential real-estate and labor markets continue to brighten up. However, it believes uncertainty regarding financial policy will continue, with new legislation on debt capping and public finance under continued discussion.

Future trends in the Asia Pacific Japan (APJ) region are difficult to estimate, according to the ECB. In Japan, a consumption tax rise is due in April 2014. That could cause the economy to pick up in the first quarter, as consumers bring forward spending. As a result, subsequent quarters may see an economic slowdown. It remains to be seen what effect the wide-ranging agenda for reform announced by the Communist Party of China in November 2013 will have. The goal is to set China on a more sustainable path to economic growth. The ECB believes the reforms will strengthen the market and the economy outside the public sector.

Economic Trends Year-Over-Year GDP Growth

%	2012e	2013p	2014p
World	3.1	3.0	3.7
Advanced economies	1.4	1.3	2.2
Developing and emerging economies	4.9	4.7	5.1
Europe, the Middle East, and Africa (EMEA)			
Euro area	0.7	0.4	1.0
Germany	0.9	0.5	1.6
Central and Eastern Europe	1.4	2.5	2.8
Middle East and North Africa	4.1	2.4	3.3
Sub Saharan Africa	4.8	5.1	6.1
Americas			

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United States	2.8	1.9	2.8
Canada	1.7	1.7	2.2
Central and South America, Caribbean	3.0	2.6	3.0
Asia-Pacific-Japan (APJ)			
Japan	1.4	1.7	1.7
Asian developing economies	6.4	6.5	6.7
China	7.7	7.7	7.5

e = estimate; p = projection

Source: International Monetary Fund (IMF), World Economic Outlook Update January 2014, Is the Tide Rising? As of January 21, 2014, p. 2.

² Unless otherwise indicated, all economic information in this section is based on information from the European Central Bank (ECB).

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IT Market: The Outlook for 2014

According to International Data Corporation (IDC), a market research firm based in the United States, economic recovery in 2014 will lead to a greater increase in spending on IT than occurred in 2013. That increase is expected to continue to be higher than the growth in the overall economy. IDC expects businesses will revert to normal IT upgrade cycles in 2014 as liquidity bottlenecks are resolved by the return of economic stability, so companies in particular will increase investment in IT. In the emerging economies, IDC expects IT markets to recover from the setbacks of the previous year, because basically demand for IT products is high and conditions are stable.

According to IDC, software sales should again outpace the IT market as a whole in 2014. Spending on PCs and tablets should grow by a percentage in the low single digits: the PC market has bottomed out and the tablet market should see growth well into the double digits. Investments in servers and data storage devices could grow by a percentage in the low single digits again, and IDC forecasts slightly more growth in the IT services market in 2014 than in 2013.

The outlook IDC describes for 2014 in the Europe, Middle East, and Africa (EMEA) region is positive: It believes Western Europe will almost sustain the slightly improved growth it achieved at the end of 2013, showing significant positive growth rates for the full year. The IT markets of Central and Eastern Europe, the Middle East, and Africa could see growth in the high single digits, and the IT market in Russia may even approach double-digit growth, IDC says.

IDC is more cautious about the Americas region: It believes 2014 IT market growth in the United States may fall short of the 2013 level as demand for smartphones declines. Despite the uncertainty concerning government policy, IDC predicts IT investment in the United States will be largely stable. IDC believes growth in the Latin America IT markets will slow to single digits.

IDC forecasts that the IT market in the Asia Pacific Japan (APJ) region will grow by a percentage in the middle of the single-digit range. However, it believes the market in Japan will decline slightly. In contrast, IDC predicts the IT market in China, which was weak in the previous year, should recover well into double-digit growth in 2014.

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Trends in the IT Market Increased IT Spending Year Over Year

%	2012e	2013p	2014p
World			
Total IT	5.3	4.4	5.1
Hardware	6.3	4.8	5.4
Packaged software	6.2	5.6	6.2
Applications	6.0	5.6	6.0
IT services	3.2	3.2	3.9
Europe, Middle East, and Africa (EMEA)			
Total IT	5.2	2.3	4.4
Packaged software	4.7	4.6	5.2
Applications	4.4	4.5	5.0
IT services	1.4	2.0	3.6
Americas			
Total IT	4.2	5.9	4.5
Packaged software	6.8	6.0	6.7
Applications	6.9	6.2	6.5
IT services	4.2	3.7	3.6
Asia-Pacific-Japan (APJ)			
Total IT	6.9	4.6	6.7
Packaged software	6.9	5.9	6.4
Applications	6.0	5.7	6.4
IT services	4.5	4.3	5.1

e = estimate, p = projection

Source: IDC Worldwide Black Book Q3 2013

Impact on SAP

SAP expects to outperform the global economy and the IT industry again in 2014. Four years of growth momentum underscore our leadership in the transformation of the industry. We are gaining market share in all regions. We have reinvented the database and developed the next-generation real time in-memory platform SAP HANA. We are managing the transition to the cloud successfully, while growing our core business and expanding our operating margin.

Thanks to our great progress in strategy and technology since 2010, we have increased the importance of SAP to our customers. We are well-positioned to expand our core business and to accelerate our cloud businesses. We are therefore confident we can achieve our medium-term targets for 2015 and 2017, assuming that the economic environment and IT industry develop as currently forecast. Balanced in terms of regions as

well as industries, we are well-positioned to offset smaller individual fluctuations in the global economy and IT market.

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A comparison of our business outlook with forecasts for the global economy and IT industry shows that, with our customer-centered innovation strategy, we can be successful even in a tough economic environment. Our market and the demands of our customers are changing rapidly. We anticipated these changes early.

We plan to continue to invest in countries in which we expect significant growth, and we aim to expand our market share in those countries. Such countries include Brazil, China, India, Russia, as well as countries in the Middle East and Africa. We therefore expect to see further future growth potential helping us reach our ambitious 2014 outlook targets and medium-term aspirations for 2015 and 2017. For more information, see the Operational Targets for 2014 (Non-IFRS) section.

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Forecast for SAP

Strategy for Profitable Growth

SAP seeks to maintain profitable growth across its portfolio of products and services. Our goal is to expand our addressable market to US\$350 billion in 2020, compared to US\$110 billion in 2010. Our ability to deliver software-based innovation and value in target growth areas positions us favorably in the enterprise software market.

SAP's continued growth depends on our ability to deliver innovative solutions and provide significant value to our customers. We continue to improve our research and development effectiveness, creating efficiencies and accelerating innovation cycles to engage more closely with our customers. We are also investing in our go-to-market channels to expand capacity and drive greater volume sales. At the same time, we are expanding our technology partner ecosystem to foster co-innovation as a force multiplier for creating additional business value for our customers.

The success of SAP and our customers depends on our people whom we consider our most important asset. Our employees spark our innovation, deliver value to our customers, and drive our sustainable growth and profitability. The correlation between our continued business success and our ability to attract, retain, and engage top talent is stronger than ever. We will continue to execute our people strategy to set us apart in vital areas such as workforce diversity and talent management. Our ambitious growth strategy and our ability to innovate depends on creating an environment for our employees that drives them to unleash their full potential.

Go-to-Market Investment Delivers Customer Value

SAP goes to market by region, customer segment, line of business and industry. In each region, we seek to concentrate our sales efforts on the fastest-growing markets with the greatest business and revenue potential. We evolve and invest in our go-to-market coverage model to effectively sell industry-specific solutions while increasing our engagement with customers in line-of-business functions. We continue to provide companies of any size small, midsize, and large with tailored offerings that align to their specific budgetary, resource, and deployment requirements.

Greater Volume and Co-Innovation Through an Open Ecosystem

SAP continues to engage an expanding partner ecosystem to increase market coverage, enhance our solutions portfolio, and spur innovation. SAP and its vibrant partner ecosystem offer greater choice and business value through the power of co-innovation, appealing to customers that want to avoid being locked in to a single vendor. SAP partners offer customers knowledgeable local delivery of solutions across industries and lines of business. SAP technology partners continue to drive our research agenda, enhance the SAP portfolio, and monetize new technology breakthroughs.

Organic Growth and Targeted Acquisitions

Organic growth remains the primary driver of SAP's strategy. We will continue to invest in our own product development and technology innovation, improving the speed, number of projects, and innovations brought to market. Our ecosystem strategy enables us to better leverage our innovation by extending it to our partners to drive additional customer value, based on their own domain expertise. We will also continue to acquire targeted, strategic, and fill-in technology to add to our broad solution offerings and improve our coverage in key strategic markets to best support our customers' needs.

Operational Targets for 2014 (Non-IFRS)

Revenue and Operating Profit Outlook

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The Executive Board is providing the following outlook for the full year 2014:

SAP expects full-year 2014 non-IFRS cloud subscription and support revenue to be in a range of 950 to 1,000 million at constant currencies (2013: 757 million). The upper end of this range represents a growth rate of 32% that is similar to the respective 2013 growth rate after adjusting for acquisitions.

SAP expects full-year 2014 non-IFRS software and software-related service revenue to increase by 6% to 8% at constant currencies (2013: 14,032 million).

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SAP expects full-year 2014 non-IFRS operating profit to be in a range of 5.8 billion to 6.0 billion at constant currencies (2013: 5,514 million).

While our business outlook is at constant currency, actual currency reported figures are expected to continue to be negatively impacted by currency exchange rate fluctuations. If exchange rates remain at the March 2014 level for the rest of the year, we expect non-IFRS software and software-related service revenue and non-IFRS operating profit growth rates at actual currency to experience a negative currency impact of approximately 5 percentage points and 7 percentage points respectively in the first quarter of 2014 and of approximately 4 percentage points and 5 percentage points respectively in the full year 2014.

We expect that total revenue growth (non-IFRS) will continue to depend largely on the revenue from the On-Premise Products segment. However, the revenue growth we expect from this segment is below the outlook provided for cloud subscription revenue (non-IFRS). In light of the rate at which professional services and other service revenue is growing, we do not expect strong growth in the On-Premise Services segment.

We expect an increase in segment profit in our On-Premise division, with On-Premise Products segment profit growing faster than On-Premise Services segment profit. We expect only a slight improvement in On-Premise Services segment profit. The Cloud division is expected to continue with increasingly positive segment profit in 2014.

In light of the rate at which cloud subscriptions are growing in our cloud segments, we expect strong revenue growth in those segments.

We present the following reconciliation from our 2013 IFRS software and cloud subscription revenue, IFRS software and software-related service revenue, IFRS total revenue, and IFRS operating profit to the non-IFRS equivalents to facilitate comparison between IFRS financial measures and the non-IFRS financial measures in our 2014 outlook:

Reconciliations of IFRS to Non-IFRS Financial Measures for 2013

millions, unless otherwise stated	IFRS Financial Measure	Recurring Revenue Not Recorded Under IFRS	Adjustments Operating ⁽¹⁾	Discontinued Activities ⁽³⁾	Non-IFRS Financial Measure
Cloud subscriptions and support	696	61	n.a.	n.a.	757
Software and cloud subscription revenue	5,212	63	n.a.	n.a.	5,275
Software and software-related service revenue	13,950	82	n.a.	n.a.	14,032
Total revenue ⁽²⁾	16,815	82	n.a.	n.a.	16,897
Total operating expenses	12,336	0	953	0	11,383
Operating profit ⁽²⁾	4,479	82	953	0	5,514

⁽¹⁾ Included in operating expenses are acquisition-related charges, share-based payment expenses, and restructuring charges.

⁽²⁾ These financial measures are the numerator or the denominator in the calculation of our IFRS and non-IFRS operating margin, and are included in this table for transparency.

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⁽³⁾ The discontinued activities include the results of our discontinued TomorrowNow business.

The following table shows the estimates of the items that represent the differences between our non-IFRS financial measures and our IFRS financial measures.

Non-IFRS Measures

millions	Estimated Amounts for 2014	Actual Amounts for 2013
Deferred revenue write-down	<20	82
Discontinued activities	<10	1
Share-based payment expenses	470 to 510	327
Acquisition-related charges	520 to 560	555
Restructuring charges	50 to 150	70

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The company expects a full-year 2014 effective tax rate (IFRS) of 26.0% to 27.0% (2013: 24.4%) and an effective tax rate (non-IFRS) of 27.5% to 28.5% (2013: 25.9%).

Goals for Liquidity and Finance

On December 31, 2013, our net liquidity was negative, but we have additional liquidity reserves. We believe that our liquid assets combined with our undrawn credit facilities are sufficient to meet our present operating financing needs also in 2014 and, together with expected cash flows from operations, will support our currently planned capital expenditure requirements over the near term and medium term.

We intend to effect a substantial planned reduction of our financial debt in 2014 and, at the time of this report, we expect to make repayments of 586 million over the year. We will consider issuing new debt, such as bonds or U.S. private placements, on an as-needed basis only and if market conditions are advantageous. By the time of this report, we have no concrete plans for future share buybacks.

Investment Goals

Excepting acquisitions, our planned capital expenditures for 2014 and 2015 mainly comprise the construction activities described earlier in this report. We expect investments of approximately 194 million during the next three years. These investments can be covered in full by operating cash flow.

Proposed Dividend

We plan to continue our dividend policy, which is that the payout ratio should be more than 30%.

Premises on Which Our Outlook Is Based

In preparing our outlook, we have taken into account all events known to us at the time we prepared this report that could influence SAP's business going forward.

Among the premises on which this outlook is based are those presented concerning the economy and on the assumption that there will be no effects from a major acquisition.

Medium-Term Prospects

With SAP HANA as the single platform for our entire solution portfolio, delivered on-premise or in the cloud, SAP will drive simplicity and business outcomes for our customers.

We expect our business, our revenue, and our profit to grow, assuming there is a sustained recovery in the global economy. Our strategic objectives are focused on the following financial and non-financial indicators: revenue, margin, customer loyalty, and employee engagement.

We expect the combination of a stable, highly-profitable core and fast-growing cloud business to deliver continued growth and margin expansion. We continue to strive to increase our total revenue to more than 20 billion by 2015 and revenue from our cloud business, including cloud-related professional services, to approximately 2 billion by 2015.

Looking beyond 2015, we introduced new 2017 targets. We now aim to increase total revenue to at least 22 billion and revenue from our cloud business to 3.0 to 3.5 billion by 2017. We have retained our non-IFRS operating margin goal of 35%. To capture the growth opportunities in the cloud, we now expect this target to be reached by 2017 rather than in 2015 as previously stated. We anticipate the fast-growing cloud business along with growth in support revenue will drive a higher proportion of more predictable, recurring revenue in the future.

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In addition to our financial goals, we also focus on two non-financial targets: Customer loyalty and employee engagement. We believe it is essential that our employees are engaged, drive our success, and support our strategy. Therefore, we plan to increase our employee engagement index score to 82% by 2015 (2013: 77%). Further, our customers' satisfaction with the solutions we offer is very important to us. We want our customers to not only be satisfied, but also see us as a trusted partner for innovation. We measure this customer loyalty metric using the Net Promoter Score (NPS). For 2014, we have set a target for increasing the NPS by four percentage points (2013: 12.1%).

SAP's vision to help the world run better and improve people's lives comes to life in product innovation that drives business value for our

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customers. By delivering on our product roadmap, SAP is powering a market-wide transformation in how people and organizations work together and run better. Building on a track record of innovation, SAP is again at the forefront of a major shift in the IT sector, away from commoditized hardware and lower value services, toward renewed investment in differentiating IT through business software and services that drive simplicity, efficiency, and a more sustainable business transformation.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Overview

Global Financial Management

We use global centralized financial management to control liquid assets and monitor exposure to interest rates and currencies. The primary aim of our financial management is to maintain liquidity in the Group at a level that is adequate to meet our obligations. Most SAP companies have their liquidity managed centrally by the Group, so that liquid assets across the Group can be consolidated, monitored, and invested in accordance with Group policy. High levels of liquid assets help keep SAP flexible, sound, and independent. In addition, various credit facilities are currently available for additional liquidity, if required. For more information about these facilities, see the Credit Facilities section.

We manage credit, liquidity, interest rate, equity price, and foreign exchange rate risks on a Group-wide basis. We use selected derivatives exclusively for this purpose and not for speculation, which is defined as entering into a derivative instrument for which we do not have a corresponding underlying transaction. The rules for the use of derivatives and other rules and processes concerning the management of financial risks are collected in our treasury guideline document, which applies globally to all companies in the Group. For more information about the management of each financial risk and about our risk exposure, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements section, Notes (24) to (26).

Liquidity Management

Our primary source of cash, cash equivalents, and current investments is funds generated from our business operations. Over the past several years, our principal use of cash has been to support

operations and our capital expenditure requirements resulting from our growth, to acquire businesses, to pay dividends on our shares, and to buy back SAP shares on the open market. On December 31, 2013, our cash, cash equivalents, and current investments were primarily held in euros and U.S. dollars. We generally invest only in the financial assets of issuers or funds with a minimum credit rating of BBB, and pursue a policy of cautious investment characterized by wide portfolio diversification with a variety of counterparties, predominantly short-term investments, and standard investment instruments. We rarely invest in the financial assets of issuers with a credit rating lower than BBB, and such investments were not material in 2013.

In 2013, SAP signed a new revolving credit facility contract. The size of the facility was increased from 1.5 billion to 2.0 billion to support the company's growth for more information see the Credit Facilities section. We believe that our liquid assets combined with our undrawn credit facilities are sufficient to meet our present operating needs and, together with expected cash flows from operations, will support our currently planned capital expenditure requirements over the near term and medium term. It may also be necessary to enter into financing transactions when additional funds are required that cannot be wholly sourced from free cash flow (for example, to finance large acquisitions).

The persistently strong free cash flow of recent years enabled us to pay back additional debts within a short period of time. Furthermore, a balanced maturity profile prevents repayment peaks from occurring in any particular year.

To expand our business, we have made acquisitions of businesses, products, and technologies. Depending on our future cash position and future market conditions, we might issue additional debt instruments to fund acquisitions, maintain financial flexibility, and limit repayment risk. Therefore, we continuously monitor funding options available in the capital markets and trends in the availability of funds, as well as the cost of such funding. For more information about the financial debt, see the Cash Flows and Liquidity section.

Capital Structure Management

The primary objective of our capital structure management is to maintain a strong financial profile for investor, creditor, and customer

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confidence, and to support the growth of our business. We seek to maintain a capital structure that will allow us to cover our funding requirements through the capital markets at reasonable conditions, and in so doing, ensure a high level of independence, confidence, and financial flexibility.

Based on our strong corporate financial profile and our excellent capital market reputation, we have so far successfully executed external financing transactions without an external rating. However,

we will continue to closely monitor our financing situation to determine whether not having an external rating continues to be appropriate.

Our general intention is to remain in a position to return excess liquidity to our shareholders by distributing annual dividends and repurchasing shares. The amount of future dividends and the extent of future repurchases of shares will be balanced with our effort to continue to maintain an adequate liquidity position.

Capital Structure

	2013		2012		% Change
	millions	% of Total equity and liabilities	millions	% of Total equity and liabilities	
Equity	16,048	59	14,133	54	14
Current liabilities	6,347	23	6,546	25	3
Non-current liabilities	4,699	17	5,627	21	16
Liabilities	11,046	41	12,173	46	9
Total equity and liabilities	27,094	100	26,306	100	3

Our financing activities improved our debt ratio (defined as the ratio of total liabilities to total equity and liabilities, expressed as a percentage) to 41% at the end of 2013 (as compared to 46% at the end of 2012). The ratio of total financial debt to total equity and liabilities decreased by 3% to 16% at the end of 2013 (19% as at December 31, 2012). Total financial debt consists of current and non-current bonds and private placements. For more information about our financial debt, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements section, Note (17).

As part of our financing activities in 2014, the Company intends to repay a 500 million Eurobond and an 86 million German promissory note when they both mature in April 2014.

Total liabilities on December 31, 2013, mainly comprised financial liabilities of 4,506 million (of which 3,758 million are non-current). Financial liabilities on December 31, 2013, consisted largely of financial debt, which included amounts in euros (2,386 million) and U.S. dollars (1,922 million). On December 31, 2013, 100% of financial debt was held at fixed interest rates, of which 56% were swapped into variable interest rates using interest rate swaps. For more information about financial liabilities, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements section, Note (17).

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Cash Flows and Liquidity

Group liquidity on December 31, 2013, primarily comprised amounts in euros (1,056 million) and U.S. dollars (884 million). Current investments are included in other financial assets in the statement of financial position. Financial debts are included within financial liabilities in the statement of financial position.

Group Liquidity of SAP Group

millions	2013	2012	Change
Cash and cash equivalents	2,748	2,477	271
Current investments	93	15	78
Group liquidity	2,841	2,492	349
Current financial debt	586	600	14
Net liquidity 1	2,255	1,892	363
Non-current financial debt	3,722	4,394	672
Net liquidity 2	1,467	2,502	1,035

Group liquidity consists of cash and cash equivalents (for example, cash at banks, money market funds, and time deposits with original maturity of three months or less) and current investments (for example, investments with

original maturities of greater than three months and remaining maturities of less than one year) as reported in our IFRS Consolidated Financial Statements.

Net liquidity is Group liquidity less total financial debt as defined above.

The increase in Group liquidity from 2012 was mainly due to positive cash inflows from our operations, which were partly offset by cash outflows for acquisitions (such as hybris), dividend payments and repayment of an issued Eurobond.

For information about the impact of cash, cash equivalents, current investments, and our financial liabilities on our income statements, see the analysis of our financial income, net, in the Operating Results (IFRS) section.

Analysis of Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

millions	Years ended December 31,			Change in % 2013 vs. 2012	Change in % 2012 vs. 2011
	2013	2012	2011		
Net cash flows from operating activities	3,832	3,822	3,775	0	1
Net cash flows from investing activities	1,781	5,964	1,226	70	>100
Net cash flows from financing activities	1,589	194	1,176	>100	84

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Analysis of Consolidated Statements of Cash Flow: 2013 compared to 2012

Net cash provided by operating activities remained stable in 2013 (3,832 million) compared to the prior year (2012: 3,822 million). Increased income tax payments of 193 million to 1,295 million in 2013 burdened net cash flows from operating activities. In addition, days sales outstanding (DSO) for receivables, defined as average number of days from the raised invoice to cash receipt from the customer, was 62 days, a three-day increase compared to 2012 (59 days).

Cash outflows from investment activities totaled 1,781 million in 2013, much decreased from the 2012 figure of 5,964 million that were attributed mainly to business combinations of SuccessFactors and Ariba. In 2013, cash outflows were mainly driven by the acquisitions of consolidated companies (especially hybris) as well, for which we paid 1,160 million in total. For more information about current and planned capital expenditures, see the Assets and Investment Goals sections.

Cash outflows from financing activities totaled 1,589 million in 2013, compared to 194 million in 2012. In 2013, cash outflows were mainly driven by dividends paid and a repayment of an issued 600 million Eurobond. In addition, we took out a short-term bank loan in the amount of 1,000 million to finance the acquisition of hybris that were fully offset by repayments in the same amount and year. In the previous year, cash outflows from financing activities were mainly driven by repayments of a Eurobond tranche (600 million) and several tranches (611 million) of the promissory notes we issued in 2009 and dividends paid. This was almost fully compensated by a successfully placed Eurobond transaction totaling 1.3 billion and a U.S. private placement transaction of US\$1.4 billion.

The decrease of total dividends paid in 2013 to 1,013 million (2012: 1,310 million) was due to a decrease in dividend paid to 0.85 per share compared to 1.10 per share in the previous year, of which 0.35 per share was an extraordinary payout to celebrate our 40th anniversary in 2012.

Analysis of Consolidated Statements of Cash Flow: 2012 Compared to 2011

Net cash provided by operating activities increased slightly by 47 million or 1% to 3,822 million in 2012 (2011: 3,775 million). In 2012, days sales outstanding (DSO) for receivables, defined as average number of days from the raised invoice to cash receipt from the customer, was 59 days, a one-day decrease compared to 2011 (60 days).

Cash outflows from investment activities totaled 5,964 million in 2012, much increased from the 2011 figure of 1,226 million. In 2012, cash outflows were mainly driven by acquisitions of consolidated companies such as SuccessFactors and Ariba, for which we paid 6,094 million in total. In contrast, the 2011 figure was mainly driven by investments in time deposits and German government bonds.

Cash outflows from financing activities totaled 194 million in 2012, compared to 1,176 million in 2011. In 2012, cash inflows were mainly driven by a successfully placed two-tranche Eurobond transaction totaling 1.3 billion and a U.S. private placement transaction of US\$1.4 billion consisting of several tranches. This was partly offset by repayments of a Eurobond tranche (600 million) and several tranches (611 million) of the promissory notes we issued in 2009. In 2011, cash outflows were driven mainly by repayments of a credit facility we drew on in connection with our acquisition of Sybase.

The increase in total dividends paid to 1,310 million was due to an increase in the dividend from 0.60 per share in 2011 to 1.10 per share in 2012, of which 0.35 per share was an extraordinary payout to celebrate our 40th anniversary in the reporting year (total dividend payout in 2011: 713 million). In 2012, we repurchased shares in the amount of 53 million (2011: 246 million) in connection with our share-based payments.

Credit Facilities

Other sources of capital are available to us through various credit facilities, if required.

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By signing a new credit facility contract of 2.0 billion, SAP refinanced its existing credit facility of 1.5 billion that would have expired in December 2015. The revolving credit facility was early refinanced due to favorable market conditions with a tenor of five years plus two one year extension options. The credit line may be used for general corporate purposes. A possible future withdrawal is not bound to any financial covenants. Borrowings under the facility bear interest at the euro interbank offered rate (EURIBOR) or London interbank offered rate (LIBOR) for the respective optional currency plus a margin ranging from 0.3% to 0.525% (2012: 0.45% to 0.75%). We pay a commitment fee of 0.079% (2012: 0.1575%) per annum on unused amounts of the available credit facility. So far, we have not used and do not currently foresee any need to use this credit facility.

As at December 31, 2013, SAP AG had additional available credit facilities totaling 487 million. As at December 31, 2013, there were no borrowings outstanding under these credit facilities. Several of our foreign subsidiaries have credit facilities

available that allow them to borrow funds in their local currencies at prevailing interest rates, generally to the extent SAP AG has guaranteed such amounts. As at December 31, 2013, approximately 36 million was available through such arrangements. There were no borrowings outstanding under these credit facilities from any of our foreign subsidiaries as at December 31, 2013.

OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

Several SAP entities have entered into operating leases for office space, hardware, cars and certain other equipment. These arrangements are sometimes referred to as a form of off-balance sheet financing. Rental expenses under these operating leases are set forth below under

Contractual Obligations. We believe we do not have forms of material off-balance sheet arrangements that would require disclosure other than those already disclosed.

CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

The table below presents our on- and off-balance sheet contractual obligations as of December 31, 2013:

Contractual obligations millions	Total	Payments due by period			
		Less than 1 year	1-3 years	3-5 years	More than 5 years
Financial liabilities ⁽¹⁾	4,881	731	1,376	1,044	1,730
Derivative financial liabilities ⁽¹⁾	181	76	8	29	84
Other non-current non-financial liabilities ⁽²⁾	112	0	24	4	83
Operating lease obligations ⁽³⁾	1,204	235	354	207	408
Purchase obligations ⁽³⁾	504	282	123	63	36
Total	6,882	1,324	1,869	1,347	2,341

⁽¹⁾ For more information on financial liabilities and derivative financial liabilities see Note (24) to our Consolidated Financial Statements.

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- (2) For more information on other non-current non-financial liabilities see Note (17c) to our Consolidated Financial Statements.
- (3) See Note (22) to our Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information about operating lease and purchase obligations. Our expected contributions to our pension and other post employment benefit plans are not included in the table above. For more information on these contributions see Note (18a) to our Consolidated Financial Statements.

We expect to meet these contractual obligations with our existing cash, our cash flows from operations and our financing activities. The timing of payments for the above contractual obligations is based on payment schedules for those obligations where set payments exist. For other

obligations with no set payment schedules, estimates as to the most likely timing of cash payments have been made. The ultimate timing of these future cash flows may differ from these estimates.

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Obligations under Indemnifications and Guarantees

Our software license agreements and our cloud subscription agreements generally include certain provisions for indemnifying customers against liabilities if our software products infringe a third party's intellectual property rights. In addition, we occasionally provide function or performance guarantees in routine consulting contracts and development arrangements. We also generally provide a six to twelve month warranty on our software. Our warranty liability is included in other provisions. For more information on other provisions see Note (18b) to our Consolidated Financial Statements. For more information on obligations and contingent liabilities refer to Note (3) and Note (22) in our Consolidated Financial Statements.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

For information on our R&D activities see Item 4. Information about SAP Research and Development. For information on our R&D costs see Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Operating Results and for information related to our R&D employees see Item 6. Directors, Senior Management and Employees Employees.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

Our Consolidated Financial Statements are prepared based on the accounting policies described in Note (3) to our Consolidated Financial Statements in this report. The application of such policies requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses in our Consolidated Financial Statements. We base our judgments, estimates and assumptions on historical and forecast information, as well as regional and industry economic conditions in

which we or our customers operate, changes to which could adversely affect our estimates. Although we believe we have made reasonable estimates about the ultimate resolution of the underlying uncertainties, no assurance can be given that the final outcome of these matters will be consistent with what is reflected in our assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from original estimates.

The accounting policies that most frequently require us to make judgments, estimates, and assumptions, and therefore are critical to understanding our results of operations, include the following:

revenue recognition;

valuation of trade receivables;

accounting for share-based payment;

accounting for income tax;

accounting for business combinations;

subsequent accounting for goodwill and other intangibles;

accounting for legal contingencies; and

recognition of internally generated intangible assets from development.

Our management periodically discusses these critical accounting policies with the Audit Committee of the Supervisory Board. See Note (3c) to our Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion on our critical accounting estimates and critical accounting policies.

NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS NOT YET ADOPTED

See Note (3e) to our Consolidated Financial Statements for our discussion on new accounting standards not yet adopted.

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ITEM 6. DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND EMPLOYEES**SUPERVISORY BOARD**

The current members of the Supervisory Board of SAP AG, each member's principal occupation, the year in which each was first elected and the year in which the term of each expires, respectively, are as follows:

Name	Age	Principal Occupation	Year First Elected	Year Term Expires
Prof. Dr. h.c. mult. Hasso Plattner, Chairman ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽⁵⁾⁽⁶⁾⁽⁷⁾⁽¹⁰⁾⁽¹¹⁾	70	Chairman of the Supervisory Board	2003	2017
Pekka Ala-Pietilä ⁽¹⁾⁽⁶⁾⁽⁷⁾⁽¹⁰⁾	57	Chairman of the Board of Directors, SolidiumOy	2002	2017
Prof. Anja Feldmann ⁽¹⁾⁽⁶⁾⁽¹¹⁾	48	Professor at the Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Faculty at the Technische Universität Berlin	2012	2017
Prof. Dr. Wilhelm Haarmann ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾⁽¹⁰⁾⁽¹¹⁾	63	Attorney at Law, Certified Public Auditor and Certified Tax Advisor; Linklaters LLP, Rechtsanwälte, Notare, Steuerberater	1988	2017
Bernard Liautaud ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽⁶⁾⁽⁷⁾	51	General Partner, Balderton Capital	2008	2017
Dr. h.c. Hartmut Mehdorn ⁽¹⁾⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾⁽¹¹⁾	71	CEO of FBB, Flughafen Berlin-Brandenburg GmbH	1998	2017
Dr. Erhard Schipporeit ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁹⁾⁽¹⁰⁾	65	Independent Management Consultant	2005	2017
Prof. Dr.-Ing. Dr.-Ing. E.h. Klaus Wucherer ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁶⁾	69	Managing Director of Dr. Klaus Wucherer Innovations- und Technologieberatung GmbH	2007	2017
Christiane Kuntz-Mayr, Vice Chairperson ⁽²⁾⁽⁵⁾⁽⁸⁾⁽¹⁰⁾⁽¹¹⁾	51	Employee, Deputy Chairperson of the Works Council of SAP AG	2009	2017
Panagiotis Bissiritsas ⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾⁽⁸⁾	45	Employee, Support Expert	2007	2017
Margret Klein-Magar ⁽²⁾⁽⁶⁾⁽⁸⁾⁽¹⁰⁾	49	Employee, Vice President Head of People Principles	2012	2017
Lars Lamadé ⁽²⁾⁽⁸⁾⁽¹⁰⁾⁽¹¹⁾	42	Employee, Project Manager OPD COO	2002	2017
Dr. Kurt Reiner ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁶⁾⁽⁸⁾	55	Employee, Development Expert	2012	2017
Mario Rosa-Bian ⁽⁵⁾⁽⁸⁾⁽¹¹⁾	57	Employee, Project Principal Consultant	2012	2017
Stefan Schulz ⁽³⁾⁽⁶⁾⁽⁸⁾⁽¹¹⁾	44	Employee, Vice President, IP at HANA Enterprise Cloud	2002	2017
Inga Wiele ⁽³⁾⁽⁶⁾⁽⁸⁾	43	Employee, Senior Internal Strategic Consultant	2012	2017

(1) Elected by SAP AG's shareholders on May 23, 2012.

(2) Member of the General and Compensation Committee.

(3) Member of the Audit Committee.

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- (4) Member of the Finance and Investment Committee.
- (5) Member of the Mediation Committee.
- (6) Member of the Technology and Strategy Committee.
- (7) Member of the Nomination Committee.
- (8) Elected by SAP AG's employees on April 25, 2012.
- (9) Audit Committee financial expert.
- (10) Member of the Special Committee.
- (11) Member of the People and Organization Committee

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For detailed information on the Supervisory Board committees and their tasks, including the Audit Committee and the General and Compensation Committee, please refer to Item 10 Additional Information Corporate Governance.

Pursuant to the German Co-determination Act of 1976 (Mitbestimmungsgesetz), members of the Supervisory Board of SAP AG consist of eight representatives of the shareholders and eight representatives of the employees. Of the eight employee representatives, two must be nominated by the trade unions. The elected employees must be at least 18 years of age and must have been in the employment of SAP AG or one of its German subsidiaries for at least one year. They must also fulfill the other qualifications for election codified in Section 8 of the German Works Council Constitution Act. These qualifications include, among other things, not having been declared ineligible or debarred from holding public office by a court.

Certain current members of the Supervisory Board of SAP AG were members of supervisory boards and comparable governing bodies of enterprises other than SAP AG in Germany and other countries as of December 31, 2013. See Note (29) to our Consolidated Financial Statements for more detail. Apart from pension obligations towards employees, SAP AG has not entered into contracts with any member of the Supervisory Board that provide for benefits upon a termination of the employment or service of the member.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

The current members of the Executive Board, the year in which each member was first appointed and the year in which the term of each expires, respectively, are as follows:

Name	Year First Appointed	Year Current Term Expires
Bill McDermott, Co-CEO	2008	2017
Jim Hagemann Snabe, Co-CEO	2008	2014
Dr. Werner Brandt	2001	2014
Gerhard Oswald	1996	2016
Dr. Vishal Sikka	2010	2017

The following changes occurred in the Executive Board in 2013:

In May 2013, Lars Dalgaard stepped down from the Executive Board.

In June 2013, Luisa Deplazes Delgado stepped down from the Executive Board.

A description of the management responsibilities and backgrounds of the current members of the Executive Board are as follows:

Bill McDermott, Co-CEO (Vorstandssprecher), 52 years old, holds a master's degree in business administration from Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management. He joined SAP in 2002 and became a member of its Executive Board on July 1, 2008. On February 7, 2010 he became Co-CEO alongside Jim Hagemann Snabe. As Jim Hagemann Snabe will conclude his current role as Co-CEO in May 2014, Bill is scheduled to become sole CEO at that time. Besides the duties as Co-CEO, he is responsible for strategy, governance, business development, corporate development, sales and ecosystem activities, communications, and marketing. Prior to joining SAP, he served as a global executive in several technology companies.

Jim Hagemann Snabe, Co-CEO (Vorstandssprecher), 48 years old, holds a master degree in operational research. He joined SAP in 1990 and became a member of the Executive Board on July 1, 2008. On February 7, 2010 he became Co-CEO alongside Bill McDermott. Besides the duties as Co-CEO, he is responsible for strategy, governance, business development, corporate development, communications, and marketing. In July 2013, the SAP Supervisory Board agreed to propose that Jim Hagemann Snabe be elected to the Supervisory Board at the SAP Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in May 2014. He will conclude his current role as co-CEO and member of the SAP Executive Board upon the

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conclusion of the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in May 2014.

Werner Brandt, 60 years old, business administration graduate. Werner Brandt joined SAP in early 2001 as the Chief Financial Officer and member of the Executive Board and he will retire end of June 2014. He is responsible for finance and administration including investor relations and data protection and privacy. In addition he assumed responsibility for human resources and is the Labor Relations Director. Prior to joining SAP, Werner Brandt was CFO and member of the Executive Board of Fresenius Medical Care AG since 1999. In this role, he was also responsible for labor relations. Before joining Fresenius Medical Care AG, Werner Brandt headed the finance function of the European operations of Baxter International Inc.

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Gerhard Oswald, 60 years old, economics graduate. Gerhard Oswald joined SAP in 1981 and became a member of the Executive Board in 1996. He is responsible for the Board Area Scale, Quality & Support covering SAP Active Global Support, Solution & Knowledge Packaging, Quality Governance & Production as well as joint leadership of SAP Labs Network with Vishal Sikka. In addition Gerhard is responsible for the Cloud and Infrastructure Delivery and operations of the new SAP Cloud powered by HANA.

Vishal Sikka, 46 years old, holds a PH. D. degree in computer science from Stanford University. He joined SAP in 2002 and became a member of its Executive Board on February 7, 2010. Vishal leads SAP's products and innovation organization, with global responsibility for development and delivery of SAP's entire product portfolio including Applications, Analytics, Cloud, Database & Technology and Mobile. Vishal is also responsible for leading design and user experience for SAP and is responsible for driving all innovation globally. He leads the development and delivery of SAP's breakthrough in-memory platform, SAP HANA, which serves as the foundation and platform for SAP's solution portfolio as well as the company's broader ecosystem of customers, partners and developers. Before joining the Executive Board, he was the first Chief Technology Officer at SAP. Before joining SAP, he was responsible for platform technologies at Peregrine Systems, and prior to that he founded and led two start-ups - Bodha, Inc. and IBrain Software, and did research on Artificial Intelligence, Data and Information Management and Programming Models at Stanford University and Xerox Palo Alto Labs.

The members of the Executive Board of SAP AG as of December 31, 2013 that are members on other supervisory boards and comparable governing bodies of enterprises, other than SAP, in Germany and other countries, are set forth in Note (29) to our Consolidated Financial Statements. SAP AG has not entered into contracts with any member of the Executive Board that provide for benefits upon a termination of the employment of service of the member, apart from pensions, benefits payable in the event of an early termination of service, and abstention compensation for the postcontractual noncompete period.

To our knowledge, there are no family relationships among the Supervisory Board and Executive Board members.

COMPENSATION REPORT

Compensation for Executive and Supervisory Board Members

This compensation report outlines the criteria that we applied for the year 2013 to determine compensation for Executive Board and Supervisory Board members, discloses the amount of compensation paid, and describes the compensation systems. It also contains information about Executive Board members' share-based payment plans, shares held by Executive Board and Supervisory Board members, and the directors dealings required to be disclosed in accordance with the German Securities Trading Act.

Compensation for Executive Board Members

Compensation System for 2013

Executive Board members' compensation for 2013 is intended to reflect SAP's size and global presence as well as our economic and financial standing. The compensation level is internationally competitive to reward committed, successful work in a dynamic business environment.

The Executive Board compensation package is performance-based. In 2013, it had three elements:

A fixed annual salary

A variable short-term incentive (STI) plan to reward performance in the plan year

A Restricted Share Unit-based long-term incentive (LTI) plan tied to the price of SAP shares (RSU Milestone Plan 2015)
The Supervisory Board set a compensation target for the sum of the fixed and the variable elements. It reviews, and if appropriate revises, this compensation target every year. The review takes into account SAP's business performance and the compensation paid to board members at comparable companies on the international stage. The amount of variable compensation depends on SAP's performance against performance targets that the Supervisory Board sets for each plan year. The performance targets are key performance indicator (KPI) values aligned to the SAP budget for the plan year.

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The following criteria apply to the elements of Executive Board compensation for 2013:

The fixed element is paid as a monthly salary.

The variable compensation under the STI 2013 plan depends on the SAP Group's performance against the KPI target values for non-IFRS constant currency software revenue growth and non-IFRS constant currency operating margin increase as well as non-IFRS constant currency new and upsell billings. In addition, the STI element has a discretionary component that allows the Supervisory Board, after the end of the period in question, to address not only an Executive Board member's individual performance, but also SAP's performance in terms of market position, innovative power, customer satisfaction, employee satisfaction, and attractiveness as an employer. Moreover, if there has been any extraordinary and unforeseeable event the Supervisory Board can, at its reasonable discretion, retroactively adjust payouts up or down in the interest of SAP. On February 13, 2014, the Supervisory Board assessed SAP's performance against the agreed targets and determined the amount of STI payable. The STI pays out after the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in May 2014.

The long-term incentive element is called the RSU Milestone Plan 2015. RSU stands for restricted share unit. This four-year plan focuses on the SAP share price and on certain objectives derived from our Company strategy for the years through 2015. For each of the four years, the members of the Executive Board are allocated a certain number of SAP RSUs for the respective year based on a budget amount that was granted to each Executive Board member in 2012 already for the years 2012 through 2015. The number of RSUs allocated to each member for a given year is his or her target amount (an amount in euros) for that year divided by the SAP share price over a reference period (defined in the RSU Milestone Plan 2015 terms) at the beginning of the year in question.

The number of RSUs an Executive Board member actually earns in respect of a given year depends on Company performance against the objectives for that year (a year is a performance period in the plan). The objectives derive from SAP's strategy for the period to 2015. The plan objectives relate to two key performance indicators (KPIs): our

non-IFRS total revenue and our non-IFRS operating profit. The KPI targets have already been set for the entire life of the RSU Milestone Plan 2015 for the years 2012 to 2015 and will merely be adjusted for the effects of key acquisitions.

After the end of each fiscal year, the Supervisory Board assesses the Company's performance against the objectives set for that year and determines the number of RSUs to be finally allocated to (and which then vest in) each Executive Board member. There are objective-based performance hurdles to clear each year before any RSUs can vest. There is also a cap: Normally, the quantity of vested RSUs a member can attain in respect of a plan year is capped at 150% of his or her initial RSU allocation for that year.

The Company strategy underlying the RSU Milestone Plan 2015 focuses on where SAP aims to be by 2015, so the plan gives greater weight to performance against the KPI targets for 2015 (the final year of the plan) than against the targets for 2012 through 2014. After the end of 2015, the number of vested RSUs a member of the Executive Board actually receives for that year is revised. In circumstances where the targets for the individual years are not achieved but the 2015 targets are achieved, the outcome of this revision would be that a member would receive as many vested RSUs for 2015 as would make up for any that he or she did not receive in the earlier years by reason of failure to achieve targets. On the other hand, if the Company underachieves against the 2015 objectives, Executive Board members may in a worst case scenario lose all of the vested RSUs allocated to them for 2015.

All vested RSUs are subject to a three-year holding period. The holding period commences at the end of the year for which the RSUs were allocated. The amount an RSU eventually pays out depends on the SAP share price at the end of the holding period. A member who leaves the Executive Board before the end of the plan retains his or her vested RSUs for completed plan years but does not retain any allocated but unvested RSUs for the year during which he or she leaves. If a member leaves the Executive Board before the beginning of the subsequent year, no RSUs are finally allocated.

Each vested RSU entitles its holder to a (gross) payout corresponding to the price of one SAP

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share after the end of the three-year holding period. The applicable share price is measured over a reference period defined in the RSU Milestone Plan 2015 terms.

Subject to the requirements in the German Stock Corporation Act, section 87 (1), the Supervisory Board is entitled to revise the STI and the LTI in extraordinary and unforeseeable circumstances.

For the terms and details of the RSU Milestone Plan 2015, see the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements section, Note (27). The number of RSUs to be issued to each member of the Executive Board in 2013 by way of long-term incentive was decided by the Supervisory Board on February 14, 2013.

An additional long-term incentive plan (LTI HANA) has been dedicated to Vishal Sikka to align his remuneration to his new expanded role with regard to SAP HANA. The LTI HANA for the years 2013 to 2015 consists of three annual compensation components with an assessment period of three years that will be cash-settled after this period. The LTI HANA is linked to KPIs specific to SAP HANA.

The contracts of Executive Board members Bill McDermott, Lars Dalgaard, and Vishal Sikka include clauses that determine the exchange rates for the translation of euro-denominated compensation into U.S. dollars.

In 2010 and 2011, the Executive Board members were granted a variable medium-term incentive (MTI) plan to reward performance in the plan year and the two subsequent years. The variable compensation under the MTI 2011 granted for the fiscal year 2011 depends on the Group's performance over the three years 2011 to 2013 against the KPI target values for software and software-related service revenue growth and earnings per share (both of which are non-IFRS, constant currency values). In addition, the MTI element has a discretionary component that is assessed by the Supervisory Board at the end of the plan period. The close of the fiscal year 2013 represents the end of the plan period for the MTI 2011, and therefore the corresponding entitlement under the MTI 2011 is included in the compensation for the fiscal year 2013. The payment will be due after the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in May 2014.

Executive Board Members Compensation for 2013

thousands	Fixed Elements		Performance-Related Element		Long-Term Incentive Element Share-Based Payment (RSU Milestone Plan 2015) ⁽²⁾	Compensation for 2013 ⁽¹⁾
	Salary	Other ⁽¹⁾	Short-Term and Medium-Term Incentive Elements STI	Medium-Term Incentive Elements MTI 2011		
Bill McDermott (co-CEO)	1,150.0	1,570.5	1,737.2	1,011.1	4,143.5	9,612.3
Jim Hagemann Snabe (co-CEO)	1,150.0	6,082.9	1,737.2	1,011.1		9,981.2
Dr. Werner Brandt	700.0	29.0	1,051.5	611.0	1,486.4	3,877.9
Lars Dalgaard (until May 31, 2013) ⁽³⁾	291.7	203.3	469.1			964.1
Luisa Deplazes Delgado (until June 30, 2013) ⁽³⁾	350.0	26.1	421.0			797.1
Gerhard Oswald	700.0	17.0	1,051.5	611.0	1,486.4	3,865.9

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Dr. Vishal Sikka	700.0	383.6	1,051.5	611.0	1,486.4	4,232.5
Total	5,041.7	8,312.4	7,519.0	3,855.2	8,602.7	33,331.0

(1) Insurance contributions, benefits in kind, expenses for maintenance of two households, relocation costs, non-recurring payments, use of aircraft, tax, cash disbursement of long-term incentive element, discrete payments arising through application of the fixed exchange-rate clause. The effects from the application of the fixed exchange-rate clause are disclosed under Other (in the prior year under the different compensation components). Further, these amounts are shown in the year of payment rather than in the year of entitlement of the underlying compensation. The amount for Jim Hagemann Snabe under Other includes the fixed payments for the 2012 and 2013 RSUs according to the description below.

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- (2) Compensation attributable to Executive Board members for 2013 including the 2013 plan tranche of LTI 2015 based on the grant value at time of grant.
- (3) Salary and STI for 2013 are pro rata temporis amounts until the end of the respective term. The RSUs allocated for 2013 are forfeited upon the end of their contract.

In 2012, the Executive Board members already received the LTI grants for the years 2012 to 2015, which are dependent on their uninterrupted tenure as Executive Board members in the years in question. Although these allocations are tied to the respective years and thus from an economic perspective represent compensation for the Executive Board members in the respective years, for the purpose of disclosure in the Compensation Report the grants had to be included in the total compensation for Executive Board members for the year in which the grants were allocated (in 2012) pursuant to section 314 of the German Commercial Code (HGB). The share-based payment amounts in the table above disclose the LTI grants for the year 2013 that were already granted in 2012 and included in the total compensation for 2012. Consequently they are excluded from the total Executive Board compensation for 2013 (see second next paragraph) calculated as required under section 314 of the German Commercial Code.

Jim Hagemann Snabe resigned his seat on the Executive Board with effect from May 21, 2014 (Annual General Meeting of Shareholders). The SAP Supervisory Board will propose that he be elected to the SAP Supervisory Board by the SAP shareholders on the same day. Mr. Snabe's termination agreement provides as follows: To replace the payout for 2012 RSUs under the RSU Milestone Plan that on allocation in 2012 were valued 4,318,400 based on a stock price of 45.26, he will be paid 6,485,800 gross based on a stock price of 52.96 (that is, the mean of

the 2012 and 2013 reference prices) discounted at 2% because of early payment. Of that amount, 4,318,400, which was already allocated in 2012 and which was the grant value at time of grant, was already included in 2012 compensation. The difference of 2,167,400 is included in the total compensation for 2013 (see below). The RSUs allocated for 2013 were converted into a fixed payment of 3,768,300 (gross amount) based on a share price of 58.69, a target achievement of 92.97%, and it is discounted at an interest rate of 2% over the period to the original contractual disbursement date. This amount will be paid out after the close of the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in May 2014.

To compensate for his 2014 RSUs, Mr. Snabe will receive a prorated payment of 1,700,000 in respect of the period he serves in 2014. This amount will also be paid out after the close of the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in May 2014.

Including allocations for 2014 and 2015 to Gerhard Oswald (1,574,800 each) that were allocated in 2013 in line with the extension of his Executive Board contract, the total Executive Board compensation calculated as required under section 314 of the German Commercial Code amounts to 24,109,600, thereof: Bill McDermott 5,468,800, Jim Hagemann Snabe 6,212,900, Werner Brandt 2,391,500, Lars Dalgaard 964,100, Luisa Deplazes Delgado 797,100, Gerhard Oswald 5,529,100, and Vishal Sikka 2,746,100.

The share-based payment amounts in 2013 result from the following RSUs under the RSU Milestone Plan 2015.

Share-Based Payment Under RSU Milestone Plan 2015

	Quantity	Grants for 2013 Total Grant Value at Time of Grant ⁽¹⁾ thousands
Bill McDermott (co-CEO)	73,289	4,143.5

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Jim Hagemann Snabe (co-CEO) ⁽²⁾		
Dr. Werner Brandt	26,290	1,486.4
Lars Dalgaard (until May 31, 2013) ⁽²⁾		
Luisa Deplazes Delgado (until June 30, 2013) ⁽²⁾		
Gerhard Oswald	26,290	1,486.4
Dr. Vishal Sikka	26,290	1,486.4
Total	152,159	8,602.7

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(1) The grant value of each RSU allocated in 2013 was 56.54.

(2) The allocations for Jim Hagemann Snabe (73,289 RSUs) were converted into a fixed payment. The allocations for Lars Dalgaard (26,290 RSUs) and Luisa Deplazes Delgado (21,562 RSUs) forfeited upon the end of their contract. Consequently they are not disclosed in the table above.

Total Executive Board Payment in 2012

thousands	Fixed Elements		Performance-Related Element		Long-Term Incentive Element Share-Based Payment (RSU Milestone Plan 2015) ^{(1),(3)}	Compensation for 2012 ⁽¹⁾
	Salary	Other ⁽²⁾	Short-Term and Medium-Term Incentive Elements	MTI 2010		
Bill McDermott (co-CEO)	1,150.0	699.6	1,545.7	1,067.6	4,318.4	8,781.3
Jim Hagemann Snabe (co-CEO)	1,150.0	163.8	1,545.7	1,067.6	4,318.4	8,245.5
Dr. Werner Brandt	700.0	26.7	935.5	645.1	1,549.1	3,856.4
Lars Dalgaard (from April 12, 2012)	503.6	0	674.8	0	1,156.2	2,334.6
Luisa Deplazes Delgado (from September 1, 2012)	233.3	96.4	193.9	0	414.4	938.0
Gerhard Oswald	700.0	16.5	935.5	645.1	1,549.1	3,846.2
Dr. Vishal Sikka	700.0	143.9	935.5	577.9	1,549.1	3,906.4
Total	5,136.9	1,146.9	6,766.6	4,003.3	14,854.7	31,908.4

(1) Compensation attributable to Executive Board members for financial year 2012 including the 2012 tranche of LTI 2015 based on the grant value at time of grant.

(2) Insurance contributions, benefits in kind, expenses for maintenance of two households, relocation costs, non-recurring payments, use of aircraft, tax, discrete payments arising through application of the fixed exchange-rate clause. The disclosure of payments arising through application of the fixed exchange-rate clause was adapted to the disclosure for 2013.

(3) Fair value at the time of grant.

In 2012, in addition to the LTI grant for 2012, Executive Board members already received the LTI grants for the years 2013 to 2015, which are dependent on their uninterrupted tenure as Executive Board members in the years in question. Although these allocations are tied to the respective years and thus from an economic perspective represent compensation for the Executive Board members in the respective years, for

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the purpose of disclosure in the Compensation Report the grants must be included in the total compensation for Executive Board members for the year in which the grants were allocated pursuant to section 314 of the German Commercial Code. Vesting of a plan tranche is dependent on the respective Executive Board member's continuous service for the Company in the respective fiscal year. In 2012, the contracts of Werner Brandt and Gerhard Oswald were set to expire in mid-2014, while the contracts of Lars Dalgaard and Luisa Deplazes Delgado were set to expire in mid-2015. As a result, the LTI allocations

for the years 2014 to 2015 (for Werner Brandt and Gerhard Oswald) and the LTI allocations for the year 2015 (for Lars Dalgaard and Luisa Deplazes Delgado) had not yet been allocated with legally binding force in 2012.

In 2012, additional grants for Executive Board members for future years were 4,390,000 for each co-CEO and 1,574,800 for each regular Executive Board member, in each of 2013, 2014, and 2015 (except Luisa Deplazes Delgado, who was supposed to receive 1,291,600 for the year 2013). The total compensation for 2012 pursuant to section 314 of the German Commercial Code, in other words, including this additional compensation as well as the long-term compensation tranches granted but not yet earned, amounted to 72,138,400, thereof: Bill McDermott 21,951,300, Jim Hagemann Snabe 21,415,500, Werner Brandt 5,431,200, Lars Dalgaard 5,484,200, Luisa Deplazes Delgado 3,804,400, Gerhard Oswald 5,421,000, and Vishal Sikka 8,630,800.

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Share-Based Payment Under RSU Milestone Plan 2015

	Quantity	Grants for 2012 Grant Value per Unit at Time of Grant	Total Grant Value at Time of Grant thousands
Bill McDermott (co-CEO)	95,414	45.26	4,318.4
Jim Hagemann Snabe (co-CEO)	95,414	45.26	4,318.4
Dr. Werner Brandt	34,226	45.26	1,549.1
Lars Dalgaard (from April 12, 2012)	24,594	47.01	1,156.2
Luisa Deplazes Delgado (from September 1, 2012)	8,332	49.73	414.4
Gerhard Oswald	34,226	45.26	1,549.1
Dr. Vishal Sikka	34,226	45.26	1,549.1
Total	326,432		14,854.7

End-of-Service Benefits***Regular End-of-Service Undertakings*****Retirement Pension Plan**

The following retirement pension agreements apply to the individual members of the Executive Board:

Werner Brandt, Luisa Deplazes Delgado (who stepped down on June 30, 2013), and Gerhard Oswald receive a retirement pension when they reach the retirement age of 60 and vacate their Executive Board seat, or a disability pension if, before reaching the regular retirement age, they become subject to occupational disability or permanent incapacity. A surviving dependent's pension is paid on the death of a former member of the Executive Board. The disability pension is 100% of the vested retirement pension entitlement and is payable until the beneficiary's 60th birthday, after which it is replaced by a retirement pension. The surviving dependent's pension is 60% of the retirement pension or vested disability pension entitlement at death. Entitlements are enforceable against SAP AG. Current pension payments are reviewed annually for adjustments and, if applicable, increased according to the surplus in the pension liability insurance. If service is ended before the retirement age of 60 is reached, pension entitlement is reduced in proportion as the actual length of service stands in relation to the maximum possible length of service.

The applied retirement pension plan is contributory. The contribution is 4% of

applicable compensation up to the applicable income threshold plus 14% of applicable compensation above the applicable income threshold. For this purpose, applicable compensation is 180% of annual base salary. The applicable income threshold is the statutory annual income threshold for the state pension plan in Germany (West), as amended from time to time.

Originally, Gerhard Oswald was under a performance-based retirement plan. This plan was discontinued when SAP introduced a contributory retirement pension plan in 2000. His pension benefits are derived from any accrued entitlements on December 31, 1999, under performance-based pension agreements and a salary-linked contribution for the period commencing January 1, 2000. Gerhard Oswald's rights to

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retirement pension benefits will increase by further annual contributions because he will remain a member of the Executive Board after his 60th birthday until his retirement on December 31, 2016.

Werner Brandt's rights to retirement pension benefits will increase by further contributions as he will remain a member of the Executive Board after his 60th birthday until his retirement on June 30, 2014.

Bill McDermott has rights to future benefits under the portion of the SAP America pension plan classified as Non-Qualified Retirement Plan according to the U.S. Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA). The Non-Qualified pension plan of SAP America is a cash balance plan that on retirement provides either monthly pension payments or a lump sum. The pension becomes available from the

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beneficiary's 65th birthday. Subject to certain conditions, the plan also provides earlier payment or invalidity benefits. The Non-Qualified pension plan closed with effect from January 1, 2009. Interest continues to be paid on the earned rights to benefits within this plan.

SAP made contributions to a third-party pension plan for Bill McDermott and Vishal Sikka. SAP's contributions are based on Bill McDermott's and Vishal Sikka's payments into this pension plan. In 2013, SAP paid contributions for Bill McDermott totaling 698,400 (2012: 1,053,600) and for Vishal Sikka totaling 153,900 (2012: 215,300).

Instead of paying for entitlements under the pension plan for Executive Board members, SAP pays equivalent amounts to a non-SAP pension plan for Jim Hagemann Snabe. In 2013, SAP paid contributions totaling 282,900 (2012: 283,400).

Lars Dalgaard has no entitlements under the pension plan for Executive Board members. SAP made no retirement pension plan contributions to a third-party pension plan with respect to Lars Dalgaard in 2013.

Total Projected Benefit Obligation (PBO) and the Total Accruals for Pension Obligations to Executive Board Members

thousands	Bill		Luisa Deplazes	Gerhard Oswald	Dr. Vishal Sikka ⁽¹⁾	Total
	Mc Dermott (co-CEO) ⁽¹⁾	Dr. Werner Brandt	Delgado (until June 30, 2013)			
PBO January 1, 2012	1,139.5	1,499.7	NA	4,485.5	53.1	7,177.8
Less plan assets market value January 1, 2012	56.6	1,131.0	NA	3,811.2	48.5	5,047.3
Accrued January 1, 2012	1,082.9	368.7	NA	674.3	4.6	2,130.5
PBO change in 2012	64.4	541.8	55.1	1,231.3	53.1	1,710.7
Plan assets change in 2012	56.6	217.0	48.3	383.3	48.5	543.5
PBO December 31, 2012	1,075.1	2,041.5	55.1	5,716.8	0	8,888.5
Less plan assets market value December 31, 2012	0	1,348.0	48.3	4,194.5	0	5,590.8
Accrued December 31, 2012	1,075.1	693.5	6.8	1,522.3	0	3,297.7
PBO change in 2013	32.4	96.0	25.2	99.7	0	188.5
Plan assets change in 2013	0	226.2	76.5	456.8	0	759.5
PBO December 31, 2013	1,042.7	2,137.5	80.3	5,816.5	0	9,077.0
Less plan assets market value December 31, 2013	0	1,574.2	124.8	4,651.3	0	6,350.3
Accrued December 31, 2013	1,042.7	563.3	44.5	1,165.2	0	2,726.7

⁽¹⁾ Prior to May 18, 2012, the qualified portion of the SAP America pension plan was terminated and account balances transferred to third-party pension accounts.

The table below shows the annual pension entitlement of each member of the Executive Board on reaching age 60 based on entitlements from SAP under performance-based and salary-linked plans vested on December 31, 2013.

Annual Pension Entitlement

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thousands	Vested on December 31, 2013	Vested on December 31, 2012
Bill McDermott (co-CEO) ⁽¹⁾	88.4	78.1
Dr. Werner Brandt	89.8 ⁽²⁾	88.2
Luisa Deplazes Delgado (until June 30, 2013) ⁽³⁾	5.8	2.3
Gerhard Oswald	267.9 ⁽⁴⁾	259.9 ⁽⁵⁾

⁽¹⁾ The rights shown here for Bill McDermott refer solely to rights under the SAP America pension plan.

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- (2) Due to the last extension of Werner Brandt's contract beyond his 60th birthday, this value represents the retirement pension entitlement that he would receive after his current Executive Board contract expires on June 30, 2014, based on the entitlements vested on December 31, 2013.
- (3) Due to changes in tax regulations in Germany, for commitments after January 1, 2012, the minimum age to receive pension payments increased to age 62. The value shown for Luisa Deplazes Delgado for 2013 represents the retirement pension entitlement that she would receive at the age of 62 based on the entitlements vested by the end of her contract.
- (4) Due to the most recent extension of Gerhard Oswald's contract beyond June 30, 2014, this value represents the retirement pension entitlement that he would receive after his current Executive Board contract expires on December 31, 2016, based on the entitlements vested on December 31, 2013.
- (5) Due to the last extension of Gerhard Oswald's contract beyond his 60th birthday, this value represents the retirement pension entitlement that he would receive after his current Executive Board contract expires on June 30, 2014, based on the entitlements vested on December 31, 2012.

These are vested entitlements. To the extent that members continue to serve on the Executive Board and that therefore more contributions are made for them in the future, pensions actually payable at the age of 60 will be higher than the amounts shown in the table.

Postcontractual Non-Compete Provisions

During the agreed 12-month postcontractual non-compete period, each Executive Board member receives abstention payments corresponding to 50% of his or her final average contractual compensation as agreed in the respective contract on an individual basis. Any other occupational income generated by the Executive Board member will be deducted from his compensation in

accordance with section 74c of the German Commercial Code.

The following table presents the net present values of the postcontractual non-compete abstention payments. The net present values in the table reflect the discounted present value of the amounts that would be paid in the fictitious scenario in which the Executive Board members leave SAP at the end of their respective current contract terms and their final average contractual compensation prior to their departure equals the compensation in 2013. Actual postcontractual non-compete payments will likely differ from these amounts depending on the time of departure and the compensation levels and target achievements at the time of departure.

Net Present Values of the Postcontractual Non-Compete Abstention Payments

thousands	Contract Term Expires	Net Present Value of Postcontractual Non-Compete Abstention Payment
Bill McDermott (co-CEO)	June 30, 2017	4,534.1
Dr. Werner Brandt	June 30, 2014	1,933.3

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Gerhard Oswald	December 31, 2016	1,846.3
Dr. Vishal Sikka	December 31, 2017	1,958.9
Total		10,272.6

After his resignation as a member of the Executive Board, Jim Hagemann Snabe will receive monthly abstention compensation over a period of twelve

months for the postcontractual non-compete period totaling 3,015,500 (gross).

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Early End-of-Service Undertakings***Severance Payments***

The standard contract for all Executive Board members provides that on termination before full term (for example, where the member's appointment is revoked, where the member becomes occupationally disabled, or in connection with a change of control), SAP AG will pay to the member the outstanding part of the compensation target for the entire remainder of the term, appropriately discounted for early payment. A member has no claim to that payment if he or she has not served SAP as a member of its Executive Board for at least one year or if he or she leaves SAP AG for reasons for which he or she is responsible.

If an Executive Board member's appointment to the Executive Board expires or ceases to exist because of, or as a consequence of, change or restructuring, or due to a change of control, SAP AG and each Executive Board member has the right to terminate the employment contract within eight weeks of the occurrence by giving six months' notice. A change of control is deemed to occur when a third party is required to make a mandatory takeover offer to the shareholders of SAP AG under the German Securities Acquisition and Takeover Act, when SAP AG merges with another company and becomes the subsumed entity, or when a control or profit transfer agreement is concluded with SAP AG as the dependent company. An Executive Board member's contract can also be terminated before full term if his or her appointment as an SAP AG Executive Board member is revoked in connection with a change of control.

Postcontractual Non-Compete Provisions

Abstention compensation for the postcontractual non-compete period as described above is also payable on early contract termination.

Permanent Disability

In case of permanent disability, the contract will end at the end of the quarter in which the permanent inability to work was determined. The Executive Board member receives the monthly basic salary for a further 12 months starting from the date the permanent disability is determined.

Payments to Executive Board Members Retiring in 2013

Luisa Deplazes Delgado resigned from her position as Executive Board member with effect from June 30, 2013, with the approval of the Supervisory Board. Lars Dalgaard resigned from his position as Executive Board member with effect from May 31, 2013, with the approval of the Supervisory Board. The postcontractual non-compete provision in both contracts has been canceled without compensation.

Payments to Former Executive Board Members

In 2013, we paid pension benefits of 1,387,000 to Executive Board members who had retired before January 1, 2013 (2012: 1,360,000). At the end of the year, the PBO for former Executive Board members was 29,181,000 (2012: 30,551,000). Plan assets of 26,015,000 are available to service these obligations (2012: 26,054,000).

Executive Board Members Long-Term Incentives

Members of the Executive Board hold or held throughout the year share-based payment rights under the RSU Milestone Plan 2015 and the SAP SOP 2010 (which were granted in previous years). For information about the terms and details of these programs, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements section, Note (27).

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RSU Milestone Plan 2015

The table below shows Executive Board members' holdings, on December 31, 2013, of restricted share units issued to them under the RSU Milestone Plan 2015. The plan is a cash-settled long-term incentive scheme with a payout subsequent to a performance period of one year and an additional holding period of three years. The RSU Milestone Plan 2015 consists of four plan tranches to be issued with respect to the calendar years 2012 through 2015.

RSU Milestone Plan 2015

Quantity of RSUs	Holding on January 1, 2013	Grants in 2013	Performance- Related Adjustment	Exercised Units	Forfeited Units	Holding on December 31, 2013
Bill McDermott (co-CEO)	127,425	73,289	5,152			195,562
Jim Hagemann Snabe (co-CEO) ⁽¹⁾	127,425	73,289	5,152	195,562		
Dr. Werner Brandt	45,709	26,290	1,848			70,151
Lars Dalgaard (until May 31, 2013)	32,845	26,290			26,290	32,845
Luisa Deplazes Delgado (until June 30, 2013)	11,127	21,562			21,562	11,127
Gerhard Oswald	45,709	26,290	1,848			70,151
Dr. Vishal Sikka	45,709	26,290	1,848			70,151
Total	435,950	273,300	15,849	195,562	47,852	449,987

⁽¹⁾ According to the termination agreement with Jim Hagemann Snabe, the 2012 and 2013 grants will be paid out after the close of the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders on May 21, 2014 based on a fixed share price of 52.96 for the 2012 grants and 58.69 for the 2013 grants. The holding of RSUs on December 31, 2013, that were issued and not forfeited in 2013, reflects the number of RSUs multiplied by the 92.97% target achievement. The RSUs allocated in 2012 have a remaining term of 2.08 years, the RSUs allocated in 2013 have a remaining term of 3.08 years.

RSU Milestone Plan 2015 (2012 Tranche)

Quantity of RSUs	Holding on January 1, 2012	Grants in 2012	Performance- Related Adjustment	Exercised Units	Forfeited Units	Holding on December 31, 2012
Bill McDermott (co-CEO)		95,414	32,011			127,425
Jim Hagemann Snabe (co-CEO)		95,414	32,011			127,425
Dr. Werner Brandt		34,226	11,483			45,709
Lars Dalgaard (from April 12, 2012)		24,594	8,251			32,845
Luisa Deplazes Delgado (from September 1, 2012)		8,332	2,795			11,127
Gerhard Oswald		34,226	11,483			45,709
Dr. Vishal Sikka		34,226	11,483			45,709

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Total	326,432	109,518	435,950
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The holding on December 31, 2012, reflects the number of RSUs issued in 2012 multiplied by the 133.55% target achievement.

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SAP SOP 2010

The table below shows Executive Board members' holdings, on December 31, 2013, of virtual share options issued to them under the SAP SOP 2010 since its inception. The strike price for an option is 115% of the base price. The issued options have a term of seven years and can only be exercised on specified dates after the vesting period. The options issued in 2010 are exercisable beginning in September 2014 and the options issued in 2011 are exercisable beginning in June 2015.

SAP SOP 2010 Virtual Share Options

	Year Granted	Holding on January 1, 2013		Strike Price per Option	Rights Exercised in 2013 Quantity of Options	Price on Exercise Date	Exercisable Rights of Retired Members of the Executive Board Quantity of Options	Forfeited Rights of Options	Holding on December 31, 2013	
		Quantity of Options	Remaining Term in Years						Quantity of Options	Remaining Term in Years
Bill McDermott (co-CEO)	2010	135,714	4.69	40.80					135,714	3.69
	2011	112,426	5.44	48.33					112,426	4.44
Jim Hagemann Snabe (co-CEO)	2010	135,714	4.69	40.80					135,714	3.69
	2011	112,426	5.44	48.33					112,426	4.44
Dr. Werner Brandt	2010	82,428	4.69	40.80					82,428	3.69
	2011	68,284	5.44	48.33					68,284	4.44
Gerhard Oswald	2010	82,428	4.69	40.80					82,428	3.69
	2011	68,284	5.44	48.33					68,284	4.44
Dr. Vishal Sikka	2010	82,428	4.69	40.80					82,428	3.69
	2011	68,284	5.44	48.33					68,284	4.44
Total		948,416							948,416	

Total Expense for Share-Based Payment

In the report year and the prior year, total expense for the share-based payment plans of Executive Board members was recorded as follows.

Total Expense for Share-Based Payment

thousands	2013	2012
Bill McDermott (co-CEO)	1,529.7	16,239.0
Jim Hagemann Snabe (co-CEO)	2,967.0	16,239.0
Dr. Werner Brandt	1,042.9	4,998.1
Lars Dalgaard (until May 31, 2013)	2,264.2	4,239.6
Luisa Deplazes Delgado (until June 30, 2013)	2,126.4	2,795.6
Gerhard Oswald	376.0	6,417.0
Dr. Vishal Sikka	376.0	6,500.3

Total	8,596.4	57,428.6
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The expense is recognized in accordance with IFRS 2 Share-Based Payments . Because the RSU Milestone Plan 2015 tranches for 2014 to 2015 were allocated at the beginning of 2012, we are required to recognize them in part in 2013 even though these future tranches depend on the achievement of specific financial targets in future periods.

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Shareholdings and Transactions of Executive Board Members

No member of the Executive Board holds more than 1% of the ordinary shares of SAP AG. Members of the Executive Board held a total of 30,201 SAP shares on December 31, 2013 (2012: 35,271 shares).

The table below shows transactions by Executive Board members and persons closely associated with them notified to SAP pursuant to the German Securities Trading Act, section 15a, in 2013.

Transactions in SAP Shares

	Transaction Date	Transaction	Quantity	Unit Price
Dr. Werner Brandt	June 10, 2013	Share purchase	800	58.5900
	November 26, 2013	Share sale	11,000	60.9000
Gerhard Oswald	June 11, 2013	Share purchase	815	57.5260
Jim Hagemann Snabe (co-CEO)	July 22, 2013	Share purchase	1,815	55.2038
Bill McDermott (co-CEO)	July 23, 2013	Purchase of ADRs	1,500	US\$72.8400
Dr. Vishal Sikka	September 11, 2013	Purchase of ADRs	1,000	US\$72.5800

Executive Board: Other Information

We did not grant any compensation advance or credit to, or enter into any commitment for the benefit of, any member of our Executive Board in 2013 or the previous year.

As far as the law permits, SAP AG and its affiliated companies in Germany and elsewhere indemnify and hold harmless their respective directors and officers against and from the claims of third parties. To this end, we maintain directors' and officers' (D&O) group liability insurance. The policy is annual and is renewed from year to year. The insurance covers the personal liability of the insured group for financial loss caused by its managerial acts and omissions. The current D&O policy includes an individual deductible for Executive Board members of SAP AG as required by section 93 (2) of the German Stock Corporation Act.

Compensation for Supervisory Board Members***Compensation System***

Supervisory Board members' compensation is governed by our Articles of Incorporation, section 16. Each member of the Supervisory Board receives, in addition to the reimbursement of his or her expenses, compensation composed of fixed elements and a variable element. The variable element depends on the dividend paid by SAP on its shares.

The fixed element is 100,000 for the chairperson, 70,000 for the deputy chairperson, and 50,000 for other members. For membership of the Audit Committee, Supervisory Board members receive additional fixed annual remuneration of 15,000, and for membership of any other Supervisory Board committee 10,000, provided that the committee concerned has met in the year. The chairperson of the Audit Committee

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receives 25,000, and the chairpersons of the other committees receive 20,000. The fixed remuneration is payable after the end of the year.

The variable compensation element is 10,000 for the chairperson, 8,000 for the deputy chairperson, and 6,000 for the other members of the Supervisory Board for each 0.01 by which the dividend distributed per share exceeds 0.40. The variable remuneration is payable after the end of the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders that resolves on the dividend for the relevant year.

However, the aggregate compensation excluding compensation for committee memberships must not exceed 250,000 for the chairperson, 200,000 for the deputy chairperson, and 150,000 for other members of the Supervisory Board.

Any members of the Supervisory Board having served for less than the entire year receive one-twelfth of the annual remuneration for each month of service commenced. This also applies to the increased compensation of the chairperson and the deputy chairperson and to the remuneration for the chairperson and the members of a committee.

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Amount of Compensation

Subject to the resolution on the appropriation of retained earnings by the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders on May 21, 2014, the compensation paid to Supervisory Board members in respect of 2013 will be as set out in the table below.

Supervisory Board Members Compensation in 2013

thousands	2013				2012			
	Fixed Compensation	Compensation for Committee Work	Variable Compensation	Total	Fixed Compensation	Compensation for Committee Work	Variable Compensation	Total
Prof. Dr. h.c. mult. Hasso Plattner (chairperson)	100.0	81.7	150.0	331.7	100.0	60.0	150.0	310.0
Christiane Kuntz-Mayr (deputy chairperson)	70.0	10.8	130.0	210.8	67.5	10.0	128.3	205.8
Pekka Ala-Pietilä	50.0	30.0	100.0	180.0	50.0	20.0	100.0	170.0
Panagiotis Bissirtsas	50.0	20.0	100.0	170.0	50.0	24.2	100.0	174.2
Prof. Anja Feldmann	50.0	10.8	100.0	160.8	33.3	6.7	66.7	106.7
Prof. Dr. Wilhelm Haarmann	50.0	40.8	100.0	190.8	50.0	30.0	100.0	180.0
Margret Klein-Magar	50.0	20.0	100.0	170.0	33.3	6.7	66.7	106.7
Lars Lamadé	50.0	20.8	100.0	170.8	62.5	10.0	120.8	193.3
Bernard Liautaud	50.0	30.0	100.0	180.0	50.0	16.7	100.0	166.7
Dr. h. c. Hartmut Mehdorn	50.0	10.8	100.0	160.8	50.0	10.0	100.0	160.0
Dr. Kurt Reiner	50.0	20.0	100.0	170.0	33.3	13.3	66.7	113.3
Mario Rosa-Bian	50.0	9.2	100.0	159.2	33.3	6.7	66.7	106.7
Dr. Erhard Schipporeit	50.0	35.0	100.0	185.0	50.0	25.0	100.0	175.0
Stefan Schulz	50.0	25.8	100.0	175.8	50.0	24.2	100.0	174.2
Inga Wiele	50.0	25.0	100.0	175.0	33.3	16.7	66.7	116.7
Prof. Dr.-Ing. Dr.-Ing. E.h. Klaus Wucherer	50.0	25.0	100.0	175.0	50.0	20.0	100.0	170.0
Compensation for former Supervisory Board Members	NA	NA	NA	NA	104.0	39.7	208.5	352.2
Total	870.0	415.8	1,680.0	2,965.8	900.8	339.6	1,740.8	2,981.3

In addition, we reimburse members of the Supervisory Board for their expenses and the value-added tax payable on their compensation.

The total compensation of all Supervisory Board members in 2013 for work for SAP excluding compensation relating to the office of Supervisory Board member was 1,176,200 (2012: 1,083,500). Those amounts are composed entirely of remuneration received by employee representatives on the Supervisory Board relating to their position as SAP employees in 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Supervisory Board member Wilhelm Haarmann practiced as a partner in the law firm HAARMANN Partnerschaftsgesellschaft in Frankfurt am Main, Germany, until February 2013. In February 2013, he was elected a partner in Linklaters LLP in Frankfurt am Main, Germany. Wilhelm Haarmann occasionally advises SAP on particular projects, tax matters, and questions of law. Before Mr. Haarmann joined Linklaters LLP, SAP had already received consulting services from Linklaters and will continue to do so. In 2013, the fees for such services totaled 327,500 (2012: 9,400).

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Long-Term Incentives for the Supervisory Board

We do not offer members share options or other share-based payment for their Supervisory Board work. Any share options or other share-based payment received by employee-elected members relate to their position as SAP employees and not to their work on the Supervisory Board.

Shareholdings and Transactions of Supervisory Board Members

Supervisory Board chairperson Hasso Plattner and the companies he controlled held 119,300,882 SAP shares on December 31, 2013 (December 31, 2012: 121,348,807 SAP shares), representing 9.711% (2012: 9.878%) of SAP's share capital. No other member of the Supervisory Board held more than 1% of the SAP AG share capital at the end of 2013 or of the previous year. Members of the Supervisory Board held a total of 119,316,444 SAP shares on December 31, 2013 (December 31, 2012: 121,363,858 SAP shares).

The table below shows transactions by Supervisory Board members and persons closely associated with them notified to SAP pursuant to the German Securities Trading Act, section 15a, in 2013:

Transactions in SAP Shares

	Transaction Date	Transaction	Quantity	Unit Price in
Christian Wiele	August 23, 2013	Share sale	116	57.2600
Inga Wiele	August 26, 2013	Share sale	92	57.3500
Margret Klein-Magar	August 26, 2013	Share sale	132	57.0400
Mario Rosa-Bian	August 27, 2013	Share sale	130	57.3500
Hasso Plattner	October 24, 2013	Share sale	(1)	(1)

(1) The notifying party (Hasso Plattner GmbH & Co. Beteiligungs-KG) concluded a contract with a bank acting as commission agent for the monthly sale of SAP shares with a fair value of 10,000,000 per month. The sale will be carried out at the bank's own discretion in the stock market or over the counter, during December 2013 through November 2014. With this transaction a program running since November 2012 will be continued (see notification on November 30, 2012). Price: Targeted is the volume-weighted average (stock market) price of the SAP share on the relevant day of sale. Number of items: Total amount traded divided by the relevant sale price of the sold shares.

Supervisory Board: Other Information

We did not grant any compensation advance or credit to, or enter into any commitment for the benefit of, any member of our Supervisory Board in 2013 or the previous year.

Hasso Plattner, the chairperson of the Supervisory Board, entered into a consulting contract with SAP after he joined the Supervisory Board in May 2003. The contract does not provide for any

compensation. The only cost we incurred under the contract was the reimbursement of expenses.

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As far as the law permits, we indemnify Supervisory Board members against, and hold them harmless from, claims brought by third parties. To this end, we maintain directors and officers (D&O) group liability insurance. The current D&O policy does not include an individual deductible for Supervisory Board members as envisaged in the German Corporate Governance Code.

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EMPLOYEES**Headcount**

Note (7) to our Consolidated Financial Statements presents the number of employees, measured in full-time equivalents by functional area and by geographic region.

On December 31, 2013, we had 66,572 full-time equivalent (FTE) employees worldwide (December 31, 2012: 64,422). This represents an increase in headcount of 2,150 FTEs in comparison to 2012. Of the overall headcount increase in 2013, 1,111 resulted from acquisitions. The average number of employees in 2013 was 65,409 (2012: 61,134).

We define the FTE headcount as the number of people we would employ if we only employed people on full-time employment contracts. Students employed part-time and certain individuals who are employed by SAP but who, for various reasons, are not currently working are excluded from our figures. Also, temporary employees are not included in the above figures. The number of such temporary employees is not material.

On December 31, 2013, the largest number of SAP employees (47%) were employed in the EMEA region (including 26% in Germany and 21% in other countries in the region), while 29% were employed in the Americas region (including 20% in the United States and 9% in other countries in the region) and 24% in the APJ region.

Our worldwide headcount in the field of software and software-related services grew 7% to 11,261 FTEs (2012: 10,551). Cloud operations and support accounted for most of the increase. Professional services and other services counted 14,629 FTEs at the end of 2013 – an increase of 3% (2012: 14,259). Most of this increase was in consulting. A shift in the focus of our industry solutions led to some movement of employees from research and development to sales and marketing, resulting in a 1% headcount decrease to 17,804 FTEs (2012: 18,012) in research and development and a 6% headcount increase to 15,824 FTEs (2012: 14,899) in sales and marketing. Mainly as a result of our acquisition of hybris, general and administration headcount rose 7% to 4,566 FTEs at the end of the year (2012: 4,286). Our infrastructure employees, who provide IT and facility management services, numbered 2,488 FTEs – an increase of 3% (2012: 2,415) that mainly resulted from our

acquisitions and investments in our company IT.

In the Americas region, headcount (FTEs) increased by 445, or 2%; in the EMEA region, the increase was 1,236, or 4%; and in the APJ region, it was 469, or 3%.

Our personnel expense per employee decreased to approximately \$114,000 in 2013 (2012: approximately \$119,000). The decrease is primarily related to foreign exchange effects as the majority of our employees is located outside of the eurozone and paid in local currency. The personnel expense per employee is defined as the personnel expense divided by the average number of employees. For more information about employee compensation and a detailed overview of the number of people SAP employed, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements section, Note (7).

Employee Relations and Labor Unions

On a worldwide basis, we believe that our employee relations are excellent.

On the legal entity level, the SAP AG works council represents the employees of SAP AG with 39 members; the employees of SAP Deutschland AG & Co. KG (SAP Germany) are represented by a works council with 31 members. For different areas of co-determination the entity-level works councils have elected committees. By law the works councils are entitled to consultation and, in some areas, to co-determination rights concerning labor conditions at SAP AG and SAP Germany. Other employee representatives include the group works council currently having seven members (members of the works councils of SAP AG and SAP Germany), the representatives of severely disabled persons in all entities and on group level (Germany) and the spokespersons committee as the representation of the executives.

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Employees of SAP France S.A. and SAP Labs France S.A. are subject to a collective bargaining agreement. Each of SAP France S.A., SAP Labs France S.A. and b-process France are represented by a French works council. A French works council is responsible for protecting the employees' collective interests by ensuring that management considers the interests of employees in making decisions on behalf of the company. A French works council is entitled to certain company information and to consult with management on matters that are expected to have an impact on

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company structure or on the employees it represents. The union negotiates agreements with SAP France S.A. and SAP Labs France S.A. Some negotiations are compulsory under law. The staff representatives are obligated to present all individual or collective complaints regarding salary, policies or agreements between the employees and the company in question.

In addition, the employees of our subsidiaries SAP Espana S.A., SAP Belgium N.V., SAP Nederland B.V., and SAP Italia S.p.A. are also represented by works councils. Each of SAP (UK) Limited and SAP Ireland Limited has an employee consultation forum which represents the employees' interests. Furthermore, there are workers representatives in Slovenia at SAP Systems, Applications and Products for Data Processing Ltd.

In September 2012 the SAP European Works Council (EWC) was established and held its constituent meeting. The EWC represents all employees of SAP within the European Union. By law and agreement with SAP the EWC is entitled to receive information and consult on transnational matters.

Employees of SAP Brazil and SAP Labs Brazil are represented by a specific union related to Technology companies and subject to a collective bargaining agreement.

For Argentina, there is a legal requirement under which all employees have to be affiliated to the Union indicated by the government. However, for the IT Industry, as of 2014, no Union had completed all registration procedures with the Ministry of Labor and the IT Chamber, to be recognized by the Government as the Industry Union.

SHARE OWNERSHIP

Beneficial Ownership of Shares

The ordinary shares beneficially owned by the persons listed in Item 6. Directors, Senior Management and Employees' Compensation Report is disclosed in Item 7. Major Shareholders and Related-Party Transactions' Major Shareholders.

SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION PLANS

Share-Based Compensation

We maintain certain share-based compensation plans. The share-based compensation from these plans result from cash-settled and equity-settled awards issued to employees. For more information on our share-based compensation plans refer to Item 6. Directory, Senior Management and Employees' Compensation Report and Note (27) to our Consolidated Financial Statements.

ITEM 7. MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS AND RELATED-PARTY TRANSACTIONS

MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS

The share capital of SAP AG consists of ordinary shares, which are issued only in bearer form. Accordingly, SAP AG generally cannot determine the identity of its shareholders or how many shares a particular shareholder owns. SAP's ordinary shares are traded in the United States by means of ADRs. Each ADR currently represents one SAP AG ordinary share. On March 7, 2014, based on information provided by the Depositary there were 54,741,215 ADRs held of record by 1,028 registered holders. The ordinary shares underlying such ADRs represented 4.46% of the then-outstanding ordinary shares (including treasury stock). Because SAP's ordinary shares are issued in bearer form only, we are unable to determine the number of ordinary shares directly held by persons with U.S. addresses.

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The following table sets forth certain information regarding the beneficial ownership of the ordinary shares to the extent known to SAP as of March 7, 2014 of: (i) each person or group known by SAP AG to own beneficially 5% or more of the outstanding ordinary shares; and (ii) the beneficial ownership of all members of the Supervisory Board and all members of the Executive Board,

individually and as a group, in each case as reported to SAP AG by such persons. There was, as far as we are able to tell given the nature of our shares, no significant change in the percentage ownership held by any major shareholder during the past three years. None of the major shareholders have special voting rights.

Major Shareholders	Ordinary Shares Beneficially Owned	
	Number	% of Outstanding
Dietmar Hopp, collectively ⁽¹⁾	65,273,200	5.313%
Hasso Plattner, Chairperson Supervisory Board, collectively ⁽²⁾	118,787,272	9.669%
Klaus Tschira, collectively ⁽³⁾	92,079,595	7.495%
Executive Board Members as a group (5 persons)	30,201	0.002%
Supervisory Board Members as a group (16 persons)	118,802,834	9.671%
Executive Board Members and Supervisory Board Members as a group (21 persons) ⁽⁴⁾	118,833,035	9.673%
Options and convertible bonds that are vested and exercisable within 60 days of March 7, 2014, held by Executive Board Members and Supervisory Board Members, collectively	0	NA
BlackRock, Inc. ⁽⁵⁾	NA	>5%

(1) Represents 65,273,200 ordinary shares beneficially owned by Dietmar Hopp, including 3,404,000 ordinary shares owned by DH Besitzgesellschaft mbH & Co. KG (formerly known as Golf Club St. Leon-Rot GmbH & Co. Betriebs-oHG) of which DH Verwaltungs-GmbH is the general partner and 61,869,200 ordinary shares owned by Dietmar Hopp Stiftung, GmbH. Mr. Hopp exercises voting and dispositive powers of the ordinary shares held by such entities. The foregoing information is based solely on a Schedule 13G filed by Dietmar Hopp and Dietmar Hopp Stiftung, GmbH on February 14, 2014.

(2) Includes Hasso Plattner Förderstiftung GmbH and Hasso Plattner GmbH & Co. Beteiligungs-KG in which Hasso Plattner exercises sole voting and dispositive power.

(3) Includes Klaus Tschira Stiftung gGmbH and Dr. h. c. Tschira Beteiligungs GmbH & Co. KG in which Klaus Tschira exercises sole voting and dispositive power.

(4) We believe each of the other members of the Supervisory Board and the Executive Board beneficially owns less than 1% of SAP AG's ordinary shares as of March 7, 2014.

(5) As required under German law, BlackRock, Inc. informed SAP that they own more than 5% of SAP's outstanding ordinary shares. BlackRock, Inc. is not required to provide SAP with the number of shares owned and has not provided such information.

We at present have no knowledge about any arrangements, the operation of which may at a subsequent date result in a change in control of the company.

RELATED-PARTY TRANSACTIONS

For further information on related-party transactions see Note (30) to our Consolidated Financial Statements.

ITEM 8. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULE

See Item 18. Financial Statements and pages F-1 through F-105.

OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Legal Proceedings

We are subject to a variety of legal proceedings and claims, either asserted or unasserted, which arise in the ordinary course of business, including claims and lawsuits involving businesses we have acquired.

In 2010, we recorded a provision of US\$1.3 billion for the TomorrowNow litigation. When the trial judge set aside the 2010 verdict and offered Oracle a remittitur of US\$272 million, we subsequently reduced the provision to

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US\$272 million. Oracle did not accept the remittitur; rather, Oracle opted for a second trial. Prior to the second trial, the parties stipulated to a final judgment of US\$306 million with each party reserving all appeal rights. Consequently, we increased the provision to US\$306 million. Since then, both parties have filed their respective notice of appeal. On appeal, Oracle is seeking three forms of relief: (1) reinstatement of the November 2010 \$1.3 billion verdict; (2) as a first alternative, a new trial at which Oracle may again seek hypothetical license damages (based in part on evidence of alleged saved development costs) plus SAP's alleged infringer's profits without any deduction of expenses (Oracle does not put a number on its claim for the requested new trial); and (3) as a second alternative, increase of the remittitur (alternative to new trial) to \$408.7 million (vs. the \$272 million Oracle had previously rejected). SAP has dismissed its cross-appeal. A hearing on Oracle's appeal is scheduled for May 13, 2014.

In April 2007, Versata Software, Inc. (Versata) instituted patent infringement litigation in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas against SAP. Trial in the litigation ultimately resulted in an infringement determination and past damages verdict of approximately US\$390 million. The judgment also resulted in an injunction against SAP that Versata has since abandoned. During the pendency of the appeals process, SAP challenged at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) the patentability of the infringed claims of Versata patent and prevailed in invalidating those claims. That PTO decision is now being appealed by Versata. The litigation regarding damages has returned to the trial court where SAP has sought dismissal of the judgment based on the PTO decision, and alternatively has sought to stay the litigation pending the outcome of appeal regarding the PTO decision. Versata has opposed SAP's requests in the trial court and has sought an order requiring payment of the judgment, which SAP has opposed.

Although the outcome of such proceedings and claims cannot be predicted with certainty,

management does not believe that the outcome of all other matters currently pending against us has had or will have a material adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit or cash flows. Any litigation, however, involves potential risk and potentially significant litigation costs, and therefore there can be no assurance that any litigation which is now pending or which may arise in the future will not have such a material adverse effect on our business, financial position, profit, cash flows or reputation.

See a detailed discussion of our legal proceedings in Note (23) to our Consolidated Financial Statements.

Dividend Policy

For more information on dividend policy see the disclosure in Item 3. Key Information - Dividends .

Significant Changes

Not applicable.

ITEM 9. THE OFFER AND LISTING

GENERAL

Our ordinary shares are officially listed on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange, the Berlin Stock Exchange and the Stuttgart Stock Exchange. The principal trading market for the ordinary shares is Xetra, the electronic dealing platform of Deutsche Boerse AG.

ADRs representing SAP AG ordinary shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) under the symbol SAP, and currently each ADR represents one ordinary share.

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TRADING ON THE FRANKFURT STOCK EXCHANGE AND THE NYSE

The table below sets forth, for the periods indicated, the high and low closing sales prices for the ordinary shares on the Xetra trading System of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange together with the closing highs and lows of the DAX, and the high and low closing sales prices for the ADRs on the NYSE (information is provided by Reuters):

	Price per Ordinary Share in		DAX ⁽¹⁾ in points		Price per ADR in US\$	
	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
Annual Highs and Lows						
2009	35.26	25.00	6,011.55	3,666.41	52.37	31.69
2010	38.40	31.12	7,077.99	5,434.34	54.08	41.59
2011	45.90	34.26	7,527.64	5,072.33	68.31	48.39
2012	61.43	41.45	7,672.10	5,969.40	81.21	53.25
2013	64.80	52.20	9,589.39	7,459.96	87.14	70.27
Quarterly Highs and Lows						
2012						
First Quarter	54.51	41.45	7,157.82	6,017.23	72.31	53.25
Second Quarter	53.21	44.16	7,056.65	5,969.40	70.97	55.24
Third Quarter	56.69	44.71	7,451.62	6,387.57	72.90	55.50
Fourth Quarter	61.43	52.86	7,672.10	6,950.53	81.21	69.05
2013						
First Quarter	64.80	57.82	8,058.37	7,581.18	84.58	77.38
Second Quarter	64.05	54.42	8,530.89	7,459.96	83.11	71.45
Third Quarter	57.80	53.42	8,694.18	7,806.00	76.94	70.27
Fourth Quarter	62.31	52.20	9,589.39	8,516.69	87.14	70.94
Monthly Highs and Lows						
2013						
July	57.80	54.50	8,379.11	7,806.00	76.00	70.77
August	57.80	55.82	8,438.12	8,103.15	76.94	73.82
September	56.11	53.42	8,694.18	8,180.71	75.29	70.27
October	57.89	52.20	9,033.92	8,516.69	79.79	70.94
November	61.60	57.60	9,405.30	9,007.83	83.38	77.78
December	62.31	58.54	9,589.39	9,006.46	87.14	80.91
2014						
January	62.55	56.47	9,742.96	9,306.48	85.45	76.42
February	58.52	55.28	9,708.94	9,116.32	80.29	75.03
March (through March 7, 2014)	57.65	56.37	9,589.15	9,350.75	79.27	77.74

⁽¹⁾ The DAX is a continuously updated, capital-weighted performance index of 30 German blue chip companies. In principle, the shares included in the DAX are selected on the basis of their stock exchange turnover and the issuer's free-float market capitalization. Adjustments to the DAX are made for capital changes, subscription rights and dividends.

On March 7, 2014, the closing sales price per ordinary share on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (Xetra Trading System) was 56.37 and the closing sales price per ADR on the NYSE was US \$78.19, as reported by Reuters.

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ITEM 10. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Organization and Register

SAP AG is a stock corporation organized in the Federal Republic of Germany under the Stock Corporation Act (Aktiengesetz). SAP AG is registered in the Commercial Register (Handelsregister) at the Lower Court of Mannheim, Germany, under the entry number HRB 350269. SAP AG publishes its official notices in the Federal Gazette (www.bundesanzeiger.de).

Objects and Purposes

SAP's Articles of Incorporation state that our objects involve, directly or indirectly, the development, production and marketing of products and the provision of services in the field of information technology, including:

developing and marketing integrated product and service solutions for e-commerce;

developing software for information technology and the licensing of its use to others;

organization and deployment consulting, as well as user training, for e-commerce and other software solutions;

selling, leasing, renting and arranging the procurement and provision of all other forms of use of information technology systems and related equipment; and

making capital investments in enterprises active in the field of information technology to promote the opening and advancement of international markets in the field of information technology.

SAP is authorized to act in all the business areas listed above and to delegate such activities to affiliated entities within the meaning of the German Stock Corporation Act; in particular SAP is authorized to delegate its business in whole or in part to such entities. SAP AG is authorized to establish branch offices in Germany and other countries, as well as to form, acquire or invest in other companies of the same or related kind and to enter into collaboration and joint venture agreements. SAP is further authorized to invest in

enterprises of all kinds principally for investment purposes. SAP is authorized to dispose of investments, to consolidate the management of enterprises in which it participates, to enter into affiliation agreements with such entities, or to limit its activities to manage its shareholdings.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Introduction

SAP AG, as a German stock corporation, is governed by three separate bodies: the Supervisory Board, the Executive Board and the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. Their rules are defined by German law, by the German Corporate Governance Code and by SAP's Articles of

Incorporation (Satzung) and are summarized below. See Item 16G. Differences in Corporate Governance Practices for additional information on our corporate governance practices.

The Supervisory Board

The Supervisory Board appoints and removes the members of the Executive Board and oversees and advises the management of the corporation. At regular intervals it meets to discuss current business as well as business development and planning. The SAP Executive Board must consult with the Supervisory Board concerning the corporate strategy, which is developed by the Executive Board. The Supervisory Board maintains a list of transactions for which the Executive Board requires the Supervisory Board's consent. Accordingly, the Supervisory Board must also approve the annual budget of SAP upon submission by the Executive Board and certain subsequent deviations from the approved budget. The Supervisory Board is also responsible for representing SAP AG in transactions between SAP AG and Executive Board members.

The Supervisory Board, based on a recommendation by its Audit Committee, provides its proposal for the election of the external independent auditor to the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. The Supervisory Board is also responsible for monitoring the auditor's independence, a task it has delegated to its audit committee.

The German Co-determination Act of 1976 (Mitbestimmungsgesetz) requires supervisory boards of corporations with more than 2,000 employees to consist of an equal number of representatives of the shareholders and

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representatives of the employees. The minimum total number of supervisory board members, and thus the minimum number of shareholder representatives and employee representatives, is legally fixed and depends on the number of employees employed by the corporation and its German subsidiaries. Our Supervisory Board currently consists of sixteen members, of which eight members have been elected by SAP AG's shareholders at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders and eight members which have been elected by the employees of the German SAP entities (i.e. entities of the SAP Group having their registered office in Germany).

Any Supervisory Board member elected by the shareholders at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders may be removed by three-quarters of the votes cast at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. Any Supervisory Board member elected by the employees may be removed by three quarters of the votes cast by the employees of the German SAP entities.

The Supervisory Board elects a chairperson and a deputy chairperson among its members by a majority of vote of its members. If such majority is not reached on the first vote, the chairperson will be chosen solely by the members elected by the shareholders and the deputy chairperson will be chosen solely by the members elected by the employees. Unless otherwise provided by law, the Supervisory Board acts by simple majority. In the case of any deadlock the chairperson has the deciding vote.

The members of the Supervisory Board cannot be elected for a term longer than approximately five years. The term expires at the close of the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders giving its formal approval of the acts of the Supervisory Board and the Executive Board in the fourth fiscal year following the year in which the Supervisory Board was elected unless the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders specifies a shorter term of office when electing individual members of the Supervisory Board or the entire Supervisory Board. Re-election is possible. Our Supervisory Board normally meets four times a year. The compensation of the members of the Supervisory Board is set in the Articles of Incorporation.

As stipulated in the German Corporate Governance Code (GCGC), an adequate number of our Supervisory Board members are independent. To be considered for appointment to the Supervisory Board and for as long as they serve, members must comply with certain criteria

concerning independence, conflicts of interest and multiple memberships of management, supervisory and other governing bodies. They must be loyal to SAP in their conduct and must not accept any position in companies that are in competition with SAP. Members are subject to insider trading prohibitions and the respective directors' dealing rules of the German Securities Trading Act. A member of the Supervisory Board may not vote on matters relating to certain contractual agreements between such member and SAP AG. Further, as the compensation of the Supervisory Board members is set in the Articles of Incorporation, Supervisory Board members are unable to vote on their own compensation, with the exception that they are able to exercise voting rights in a General Meeting of Shareholders in connection with a resolution amending the Articles of Incorporation.

The Supervisory Board may appoint committees from among its members and may, to the extent permitted by law, entrust such committees with the authority to make decisions on behalf of the Supervisory Board. Currently the Supervisory Board maintains the following committees:

The Audit Committee

The focus of the Audit Committee (Prüfungsausschuss) is the oversight of SAP's external financial reporting as well as SAP's risk management, internal controls (including internal controls over the effectiveness of the financial reporting process), corporate audit and compliance matters. According to German Law SAP's Audit Committee includes at least one independent member with specialist expertise in the fields of financial reporting or auditing. Among the tasks of the Audit Committee are the discussion of SAP's quarterly and year end financial reporting prepared under German and U.S. regulations, including this report. The Audit Committee proposes the appointment of the external independent auditor to the Supervisory Board, determines focus audit areas, discusses critical accounting policies and estimates with and reviews the audit reports issued and audit issues identified by the auditor. The audit committee also negotiates the audit fees with the auditor and monitors the auditor's independence and quality. SAP's Corporate Audit, SAP's Global Compliance Office and SAP's Risk Management Office report upon request or at the occurrence of certain findings, but in any case at least once a year (Global Compliance Office and Risk Management Office) or twice a year (Corporate Audit), directly to the Audit Committee.

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The Audit Committee has established procedures regarding the prior approval of all audit and non-audit services provided by our external independent auditor. See Item 16C. Principal Accountant Fees and Services for details. Furthermore the Audit Committee monitors the effectiveness of our internal risk management and other monitoring processes that are or need to be established.

The Supervisory Board has determined Erhard Schipporeit to be an audit committee financial expert as defined by the regulations of the SEC issued under Section 407 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act as well as an independent financial expert as defined by the German Stock Corporation Act. See Item 16A. Audit Committee Financial Expert for details. He is also the chairperson of the Audit Committee.

The General and Compensation Committee

The General and Compensation Committee (Präsidial- und Personalausschuss) coordinates the work of the Supervisory Board, prepares its meetings and deals with corporate governance issues. In addition, it carries out the preparatory work necessary for the personnel decisions made by the Supervisory Board, notably those concerning compensation for the Executive Board members and the conclusion, amendment and termination of the Executive Board members' contracts of appointment.

The German Stock Corporation Act prohibits the Compensation Committee from deciding on the compensation of the Executive Board members on behalf of the Supervisory Board and requires that such decision is made by the entire Supervisory Board. This Act also provides the General Meeting of Shareholders with the right to vote on the system for the compensation of Executive Board members, such vote not being legally binding for the Supervisory Board.

The Finance and Investment Committee

The Finance and Investment Committee (Finanz- und Investitionsausschuss) addresses general financing issues. Furthermore, it regularly discusses acquisitions of intellectual property and companies, venture capital investments and other investments with the Executive Board and reports to the Supervisory Board on such investments. It

is also responsible for the approval of such investments if the individual investment amount exceeds certain specified limits.

The Mediation Committee

Required by the German Co-determination Act of 1976 (Mitbestimmungsgesetz), the Mediation Committee (Vermittlungsausschuss) convenes only if the two-thirds majority required for appointing/revoking the appointment of Executive Board members is not attained. This committee has never held a meeting in SAP AG's history.

The Technology and Strategy Committee

The Technology and Strategy Committee (Technologie- und Strategieausschuss) monitors technology transactions and provides the Supervisory Board with in-depth technical advice.

The Nomination Committee

The Nomination Committee (Nominierungsausschuss) is exclusively composed of shareholder representatives and is responsible for identifying suitable candidates for membership of the Supervisory Board for recommendation to the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders.

The Special Committee

The Special Committee (Sonderausschuss) is tasked with coordinating and managing the Supervisory Board's external legal advisors concerned with the investigation and analysis of the facts in connection with the legal action brought by Oracle Corporation.

The People and Organization Committee

The People and Organization Committee (Ausschuss für Mitarbeiter- und Organisationsangelegenheiten) deliberates and advises the Executive and Supervisory Board on key personnel matters and major organizational changes below the Executive Board and Global Managing Board level as well as equal opportunities for women at SAP.

The duties, procedures and committees of the Supervisory Board are specified in their respective

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bylaws, if any, which reflect the requirements of the German Stock Corporation Act and the recommendations of the GCGC.

According to the provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, SAP does not grant loans to the members of the Executive Board or the Supervisory Board.

The Executive Board

The Executive Board manages the Company's business, is responsible for preparing its strategy and represents it in dealings with third parties. The Executive Board reports regularly to the Supervisory Board about SAP operations and business strategies and prepares special reports upon request. A person may not serve on the Executive Board and on the Supervisory Board at the same time.

The Executive Board and the Supervisory Board must cooperate closely for the benefit of the Company. Without being asked, the Executive Board must provide to the Supervisory Board regular, prompt and comprehensive information about all of the essential issues affecting the SAP Group's business progress and its potential business risks. Furthermore, the Executive Board must maintain regular contact with the chairperson of the Supervisory Board and vice versa. The Executive Board must inform the chairperson of the Supervisory Board promptly about exceptional events that are of significance to SAP's business. The Supervisory Board chairperson must inform the Supervisory Board accordingly and shall, if required, convene an extraordinary meeting of the Supervisory Board.

Pursuant to the Articles of Incorporation, the Executive Board must consist of at least two members. SAP AG's Executive Board is currently comprised of five members. Any two members of the Executive Board jointly or one member of the Executive Board and the holder of a special power of attorney (Prokurist) jointly may legally represent SAP AG. The Supervisory Board appoints each member of the Executive Board for a maximum term of five years, with the possibility of re-appointment. Under certain circumstances, a member of the Executive Board may be removed by the Supervisory Board prior to the expiration of that member's term. A member of the Executive Board may not vote on matters relating to certain contractual agreements between such member and SAP AG, and may be liable to SAP AG if such member has a material interest in any contractual agreement between SAP and a third party which

was not previously disclosed to and approved by the Supervisory Board. Further, as the compensation of the Executive Board members is set by the Supervisory Board, Executive Board members are unable to vote on their own compensation, with the exception that they are able to exercise voting rights in a General Meeting of Shareholders resolving a non-binding vote on the system for the compensation of Executive Board members.

Under German law SAP AG's Supervisory Board members and Executive Board members have a duty of loyalty and care towards SAP AG. They must exercise the standard of care of a prudent and diligent businessman and bear the burden of proving they did so if their actions are contested. Both bodies must consider the interest of SAP AG shareholders and our employees and, to some extent, the common good. Those who violate their duties may be held jointly and severally liable for any resulting damages, unless they acted pursuant to a lawful resolution of the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders.

SAP has implemented a Code of Business Conduct for employees (see Item 16B. Code of Ethics for details). The employee code is equally applicable to managers and members of the Executive Board. Its rules are observed as well by members of the Supervisory board as applicable.

Under German law the Executive Board of SAP AG has to assess all major risks for the SAP Group. In addition, all measures taken by management to reduce and handle the risks have to be documented. Therefore, SAP's management has adopted suitable measures such as implementing an enterprise-wide monitoring system to ensure that adverse developments endangering the corporate standing are recognized at a reasonably early point in time.

The Global Compliance Office, an extension of SAP's Global Legal Department, was created by the SAP Executive Board in 2006 to oversee and coordinate legal and regulatory policy compliance at SAP. Effective March 1, 2007, the Company appointed a Chief Global Compliance Officer who reports to the General Counsel, and also has direct communication channels and reporting obligations to the Executive Board and the Audit Committee of the Supervisory Board. The Global Compliance Office manages a network of more than 100 local subsidiary

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Compliance Officers who act as the point of contact for local questions or issues under the SAP Code of Business Conduct for employees. The Global Compliance

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Office provides training and communication to SAP employees to raise awareness and understanding of legal and regulatory compliance policies. Employee help lines are also supported in each region where questions can be raised or questionable conduct can be reported without fear of retaliation.

Pursuant to Sec. 289a of the German Commercial Code (Handelsgesetzbuch) the Executive Board of publicly listed companies like SAP AG are required to issue a corporate governance statement (Erklärung zur Unternehmensführung) every year together with its annual financial statements. Companies are free to include the corporate governance statement in their management report or publish the statement on their website. SAP has chosen to publish the statement on its website under (www.sap.com/corporate-en/investors/governance/index.epx). As stipulated by law the statement comprises the declaration of implementation with the recommendations of the GCGC pursuant to Sec. 161 of the German Stock Corporation Act, relevant disclosures of the company's corporate governance practices such as ethical, work and welfare standards, and a description of the Executive Board and Supervisory Board's rules of procedure as well as information on the composition and rules of procedure of their sub-committees.

The Global Managing Board

In May 2012, SAP created a Global Managing Board in addition to the SAP Executive Board, which retains ultimate responsibility for overseeing and deciding on the activities of the company. The Global Managing Board allows SAP to appoint a broader range of global leaders to help steer the organization. The Global Managing Board has advisory and decision-supporting functions for the Executive Board and comprises all Executive Board members as well as Robert Enslin, Bernd Leukert and Luka Mucic.

The Annual General Meeting of Shareholders

Shareholders of the Company exercise their voting rights at shareholders' meetings. The Executive Board calls the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, which must take place within the first eight months of each fiscal year. The Supervisory Board or the Executive Board may call an extraordinary meeting of the shareholders if the interests of the stock corporation so require.

Additionally, shareholders of SAP AG holding in the aggregate a minimum of 5% of SAP AG's issued share capital may call an extraordinary meeting of the shareholders. Shareholders as of the record date are entitled to attend and participate in shareholders' meetings if they have provided timely notice of their intention to attend the meeting.

At the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, the shareholders are asked, among other things, to formally approve the actions taken by the Executive Board and the Supervisory Board in the preceding fiscal year, to approve the appropriation of the corporation's distributable profits and to appoint an external independent auditor. Shareholder representatives of the Supervisory Board are generally elected at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders for a term of approximately five years. Shareholders may also be asked to grant authorization to repurchase treasury shares, to resolve on measures to raise or reduce the capital of the Company or to ratify amendments of our Articles of Incorporation. The Annual General Meeting of Shareholders can make management decisions only if requested to do so by the Executive Board.

CHANGE IN CONTROL

There are no provisions in the Articles of Incorporation of SAP AG that would have an effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in control of SAP AG and that would only operate with respect to a merger, acquisition or corporate restructuring involving it or any of its subsidiaries.

According to the German Securities Acquisition and Takeover Act (Wertpapiererwerbs- und Übernahmegesetz) a bidder seeking control of a company with its corporate seat in Germany or another state of the European Economic Area (EEA) and its shares being traded on an EEA stock exchange must publish an advance notice of its decision to make a tender offer, submit an offer statement to the Federal Financial Supervisory Authority (Bundesanstalt für Finanzdienstleistungsaufsicht) for review, and obtain certification from a qualified financial institution that adequate financing is in place to complete the offer. The offer statement must be published upon approval by the Federal Financial Supervisory Authority or expiry of a certain time period without such publication being prohibited by the Federal Financial Supervisory Authority. Once a

shareholder has acquired shares representing at least 30% of the voting rights in

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an EEA-listed company, it must make an offer for all remaining shares. The Securities Acquisition and Takeover Act requires the executive board of the target company to refrain from taking any measures that may frustrate the success of the takeover offer. However, the target executive board is permitted to take any action that a prudent and diligent management of a company that is not the target of a takeover bid would also take. Moreover, the target executive board may search for other bidders and, with the prior approval of the supervisory board, may take other defensive measures, provided that both boards act within the parameters of their general authority under the German Stock Corporation Act. An executive board may also adopt specific defensive measures if such measures have been approved by the supervisory board and were specifically authorized by the general shareholders' meeting no earlier than 18 months in advance of such measures by a resolution of at least 75% of the shares represented.

Under the European Takeover Directive of 2004 member states had to choose whether EU restrictions on defensive measures apply to companies that are registered in their territory. Germany decided to opt out and to retain its current restrictions on a board implementing defensive measures (as described above). As required by the Directive if a country decides to opt out the German Securities Acquisition and Takeover Act grants companies the option of voluntarily applying the European standard by a change of the Articles of Incorporation (opt-in). SAP AG has not made use of this option.

CHANGE IN SHARE CAPITAL

Under German law, the capital stock may be increased in consideration of contributions in cash or in kind, or by establishing authorized capital or contingent capital or by an increase of the company's capital reserves. Authorized capital provides the Executive Board with the flexibility to issue new shares for a period of up to five years. The Executive Board must obtain the approval of the Supervisory Board before issuing new shares with regard to the authorized capital. Contingent capital allows the issuance of new shares for specified purposes, including stock option plans for Executive Board members or employees and the issuance of shares upon conversion of convertible bonds and exercise of stock options. By law, the Executive Board may only issue new shares with regard to the contingent capital for the specified purposes. Capital increases require

an approval by at least 75% of the share capital represented and by the simple majority of the votes cast at the General Meeting of Shareholders in which the increase is proposed, and requires an amendment to the Articles of Incorporation.

The share capital may be reduced by an amendment to the Articles of Incorporation approved by at least 75% of the share capital represented and by the simple majority of the votes cast at the General Meeting of Shareholders. In addition, the Executive Board of SAP AG is allowed to authorize a reduction of the company's capital stock by canceling a defined number of repurchased treasury shares if this repurchasing and the subsequent reduction have already been approved by the General Meeting of Shareholders.

The Articles of Incorporation do not contain conditions regarding changes in the share capital that are more stringent than those provided by German law.

RIGHTS ACCOMPANYING OUR SHARES

There are no limitations imposed by German law or the Articles of Incorporation of SAP AG on the rights to own securities, including the rights of non-residents or foreign holders to hold the ADRs or ordinary shares, to exercise voting rights or to receive dividends or other payments on such shares.

According to the German stock corporation law, the rights of shareholders cannot be amended without shareholders' consent. The Articles of Incorporation do not provide more stringent conditions regarding changes of the rights of shareholders than those provided by German law.

Voting Rights

Each ordinary SAP AG share represents one vote. Cumulative voting is not permitted under German law. A corporation's articles of incorporation may stipulate a majority necessary to pass a shareholders' resolution differing from the majority provided by law, unless the law does not mandatorily require a certain majority. Section 21 (1) of SAP AG's Articles of Incorporation provides that resolutions may be passed at

the General Meeting of Shareholders by the majority as provided by law. This means that resolutions may be passed by a majority of 50% plus one vote of

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votes cast (simple majority), unless the law provides or requires a higher majority. German law requires that the following matters, among others, be approved by at least 75% of the share capital represented and by the simple majority of the votes cast at the General Meeting of Shareholders in which the matter is proposed:

changing the corporate purpose of the company set out in the articles of incorporation;

capital increases and capital decreases;

excluding preemptive rights of shareholders to subscribe for new shares or for treasury shares;

dissolution;

a merger into, or a consolidation with, another company;

a transfer of all or virtually all of the assets; and

a change of corporate form.

Section 21 (3) of SAP AG's Articles of Incorporation provides that, if at an election no candidate receives a simple majority of votes during the first ballot in an election, a second, deciding ballot shall be conducted between the candidates who received the largest number of votes. If the second ballot is tied, the election shall be determined by drawing lots.

Dividend Rights

See Item 3. Key Information Dividends.

Preemptive Rights

Shareholders have preemptive rights to subscribe (Bezugsrecht) for any issue of additional shares in proportion to their shareholdings in the issued capital. The preemptive rights may be excluded under certain circumstances by a shareholders' resolution (approved by at least 75% of the share capital represented and by the simple majority of the votes cast at the General Meeting of Shareholders) or by the Executive Board authorized by such shareholders' resolutions and subject to the consent of the Supervisory Board.

Liquidation

If SAP AG were to be liquidated, any liquidation proceeds remaining after all of our liabilities were

paid would be distributed to our shareholders in proportion to their shareholdings.

Disclosure of Shareholdings

SAP AG's Articles of Incorporation do not require shareholders to disclose their share holdings. The German Securities Trading Act (Wertpapierhandelsgesetz), however, requires holders of voting securities of SAP AG to notify SAP AG and the Federal Financial Supervisory Authority of the number of shares they hold if that number reaches, exceeds or falls below specified thresholds. These thresholds are 3%, 5%, 10%, 15%, 20%, 25%, 30%, 50% and 75% of the corporation's outstanding voting rights. In respect of certificates representing shares, the notification requirement shall apply exclusively to the holder of the certificates. In addition, the German Securities Trading Act also obliges anyone who holds, directly or indirectly, financial instruments that convey an unconditional entitlement to acquire under a legally binding agreement, shares in SAP AG, to notify SAP AG and the Federal Financial Supervisory Authority if the thresholds mentioned above have been reached, exceeded or fallen below, with the exception of the 3% threshold. This notification obligation also exists for the holder of a financial instrument which merely de facto enables its holder or a third party to acquire shares in SAP AG, subject to the thresholds mentioned in the preceding sentence. In connection with this notification obligation positions in voting rights and other financial instruments have to be aggregated.

Exchange Controls and Other Limitations Affecting Security Holders

The euro is a fully convertible currency. At the present time, Germany does not restrict the export or import of capital, except for investments in certain areas in accordance with applicable resolutions adopted by the United Nations and the European Union. However, for statistical purposes only, every individual or corporation residing in Germany (Resident) must report to the German Central Bank (Deutsche Bundesbank), subject only to certain immaterial exceptions, any payment received from or made to an individual or a corporation residing outside of Germany (Non-Resident) if such payment exceeds 12,500 (or the equivalent in a foreign currency). In addition, German Residents (except for individuals and certain financial institutions) must

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report any accounts payable to or receivable from Non-Residents if such payables or receivables, in the aggregate, exceed 5 million (or the equivalent in a foreign currency) at the end of any calendar month. Furthermore, companies resident in Germany with accounts payable to or receivable from Non-Residents in excess of 500 million have to report any payables or receivables to/from Non-Residents arising from derivative instruments at the end of each calendar quarter. Residents are also required to report annually to the German Central Bank any shares or voting rights of 10% or more which they hold directly or indirectly in non-resident corporations with total assets of more than 3 million. Corporations residing in Germany with assets in excess of 3 million must report annually to the German Central Bank any shares or voting rights of 10% or more held directly or indirectly by a Non-Resident.

TAXATION

General

The following discussion is a summary of certain material German tax and U.S. federal income tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of our ADRs or ordinary shares to a U.S. Holder. In general, a U.S. Holder (as hereinafter defined) is any beneficial owner of our ADRs or ordinary shares that (i) is a citizen or resident of the U.S. or a corporation organized under the laws of the U.S. or any political subdivision thereof, an estate whose income is subject to U.S. federal income tax regardless of its source or a trust, if a U.S. court can exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more U.S. persons are authorized to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (ii) is not a resident of Germany for purposes of the income tax treaty between the U.S. and Germany (Convention between the Federal Republic of Germany and the United States of America for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to Taxes on Income and Capital and to certain other Taxes, as amended by the Protocol of June 1, 2006 and as published in the German Federal Law Gazette 2008 vol. II pp. 611/851; the Treaty); (iii) owns the ADRs or ordinary shares as capital assets; (iv) does not hold the ADRs or ordinary shares as part of the business property of a permanent establishment or a fixed base in Germany; and (v) is fully entitled to the benefits under the Treaty with respect to income and gain derived in connection with the ADRs or ordinary shares.

THE FOLLOWING IS NOT A COMPREHENSIVE DISCUSSION OF ALL GERMAN TAX AND U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES THAT MAY BE RELEVANT FOR U.S. HOLDERS OF OUR ADRs OR ORDINARY SHARES. THEREFORE, U.S. HOLDERS ARE STRONGLY URGED TO CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS REGARDING THE OVERALL GERMAN TAX AND U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE ACQUISITION, OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSITION OF OUR ADRs OR ORDINARY SHARES IN LIGHT OF THEIR PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES, INCLUDING THE EFFECT OF ANY STATE, LOCAL OR OTHER FOREIGN OR DOMESTIC LAWS.

German Taxation

The summary set out below is based on German tax laws, interpretations thereof and applicable tax treaties to which Germany is a party and that are in force at the date of this report; it is subject to any changes in such authority occurring after that date, potentially with retroactive effect, that could result in German tax consequences different from those discussed below. This discussion is also based, in part, on representations of the Depository and assumes that each obligation of the Deposit Agreement and any related agreements will be performed in accordance with its terms. For additional information on the Depository and the fees associated with SAP's ADR program see Item 12. Description of Securities Other Than Equity Securities - American Depository Shares.

For purposes of applying German tax law and the applicable tax treaties to which Germany is a party, a holder of ADRs will generally be treated as owning the ordinary shares represented thereby.

German Taxation of Dividends

Under German income tax law, the full amount of dividends distributed by a company is generally subject to German withholding tax at a domestic rate of 25% plus a solidarity surtax of 5.5% (effectively 1.375% of dividends before withholding tax), resulting in an aggregate withholding tax rate from dividends of 26.375%. Non-resident corporate shareholders will generally be entitled to a refund in the amount of two-fifths of the withholding tax (including solidarity surtax). This does not preclude a further reduction of withholding tax, if any, available

under a relevant tax treaty.

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Generally, for many non-resident shareholders the withholding tax rate is currently reduced under applicable income tax treaties. Rates and refund procedures may vary according to the applicable treaty. To reduce the withholding tax to the applicable treaty tax rate a non-resident shareholder must apply for a refund of withholding taxes paid. Claims for refund, if any, are made on a special German claim for refund form, which must be filed with the German Federal Tax Office (Bundeszentralamt für Steuern, D-53221 Bonn, Germany; <http://www.bzst.de>). The relevant forms can be obtained from the German Federal Tax Office or from German embassies and consulates. For details, such non-resident shareholders are urged to consult their own tax advisors. Special rules apply for the refund to U.S. Holders (we refer to the below section *Refund Procedures for U.S. Holders*).

Refund Procedures for U.S. Holders

Under the Treaty, a partial refund of the 25% withholding tax equal to 10% of the gross amount of the dividend and a full refund of the solidarity surtax can be obtained by a U.S. Holder. Thus, for each US\$100 of gross dividends paid by SAP AG to a U.S. Holder, the dividends (which are dependent on the euro/dollar exchange rate at the time of payment) will be initially subject to a German withholding tax of US\$26.375, of which US\$11.375 may be refunded under the Treaty. As a result, a U.S. Holder effectively would receive a total dividend of US\$85 (provided the euro/dollar exchange rate at the time of payment of the dividend is the same as at the time of refund, otherwise the effective dividend may be higher or lower).

To claim the refund of amounts withheld in excess of the Treaty rate, a U.S. Holder must submit (either directly or, as described below, through the Data Medium Procedure participant) a claim for refund to the German tax authorities, with, in the case of a direct claim, the original bank voucher (or certified copy thereof) issued by the paying entity documenting the tax withheld, within four years from the end of the calendar year in which the dividend is received. Claims for refund are made on a special German claim for refund form, which must be filed with the German Federal Tax Office (Bundeszentralamt für Steuern, D-53221 Bonn, Germany). The German claim for refund form may be obtained from the German tax authorities at the same address where applications are filed, from the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, 2300 M Street NW,

Washington, DC 20037, or can be downloaded from the homepage of the German Federal Tax Office (<http://www.bzst.de>).

U.S. Holders must also submit to the German tax authorities a certification of their U.S. residency status (IRS Form 6166). This certification can be obtained from the Internal Revenue Service by filing a request for certification (generally on an IRS Form 8802, which will not be processed unless a user fee is paid) with the Internal Revenue Service, P.O. Box 71052, Philadelphia, PA 19176-6052. U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding how to obtain an IRS Form 6166.

An IT-supported quick-refund procedure is available for dividends received (the Data Medium Procedure DMP). If the U.S. Holder's bank or broker elects to participate in the DMP, it will perform administrative functions necessary to claim the Treaty refund for the beneficiaries. The refund beneficiaries must confirm to the DMP participant that they meet the conditions of the Treaty provisions and that they authorize the DMP participant to file applications and receive notices and payments on their behalf. Further each refund beneficiary must confirm that (i) it is the beneficial owner of the dividends received; (ii) it is resident in the U.S. in the meaning of the Treaty; (iii) it does not have its domicile, residence or place of management in Germany; (iv) the dividends received do not form part of a permanent establishment or fixed base in Germany; and (v) it commits, due to its participation in the DMP, not to claim separately for refund.

The beneficiaries also must provide an IRS Form 6166 certification with the DMP participant. The DMP participant is required to keep these documents in its files and prepare and file a combined claim for refund with the German tax authorities by electronic media. The combined claim provides evidence of a U.S. Holder's personal data including its U.S. Tax Identification Number.

The German tax authorities reserve the right to audit the entitlement to tax refunds for several years following their payment pursuant to the Treaty in individual cases. The DMP participant must assist with the audit by providing the necessary details or by forwarding the queries to the respective refund beneficiaries.

The German tax authorities will issue refunds denominated in euros. In the case of shares held through banks or brokers participating in the

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Depository, the refunds will be issued to the Depository, which will convert the refunds to dollars. The resulting amounts will be paid to banks or brokers for the account of the U.S. Holders.

German Taxation of Capital Gains

Under German income tax law, a capital gain derived from the sale or other disposition of ADRs or ordinary shares by a non-resident shareholder is subject to income tax in Germany only if such non-resident shareholder has held, directly or indirectly, ADRs or ordinary shares representing 1% or more of the registered share capital of a company at any time during the five-year period immediately preceding the sale or other disposition.

However, a U.S. Holder of ADRs or ordinary shares that qualifies for benefits under the Treaty is not subject to German income or corporate income tax on the capital gain derived from the sale or other disposition of ADRs or ordinary shares.

German Gift and Inheritance Tax

Generally, a transfer of ADRs or ordinary shares by a shareholder at death or by way of gift will be subject to German gift or inheritance tax, respectively, if (i) the decedent or donor, or the heir, donee or other transferee is resident in Germany at the time of the transfer, or with respect to German citizens who are not resident in Germany, if the decedent or donor, or the heir, donee or other transferee has not been continuously outside of Germany for a period of more than five years; (ii) the ADRs or ordinary shares are part of the business property of a permanent establishment or a fixed base in Germany; or (iii) the ADRs or ordinary shares subject to such transfer form part of a portfolio that represents 10% or more of the registered share capital of the Company and has been held, directly or indirectly, by the decedent or donor, respectively, at the time of the transfer, actually or constructively together with related parties.

However, the right of the German government to impose gift or inheritance tax on a non-resident shareholder may be limited by an applicable estate tax treaty. In the case of a U.S. Holder, a transfer of ADRs or ordinary shares by a U.S. Holder at death or by way of gift generally will not be subject to German gift or inheritance tax by

reason of the estate tax treaty between the U.S. and Germany (Convention between the Federal Republic of Germany and the United States of America for the Avoidance of Double Taxation with respect to Estate, Gift and Inheritance Taxes, German Federal Law Gazette 1982 vol. II page 847, as amended by the Protocol of December 14, 1998 and as published on December 21, 2000, German Federal Law Gazette 2001 vol. II, page 65; the Estate Tax Treaty) so long as the decedent or donor, or the heir, donee or other transferee was not domiciled in Germany for purposes of the Estate Tax Treaty at the time the gift was made, or at the time of the decedent's death, and the ADRs or ordinary shares were not held in connection with a permanent establishment or a fixed base in Germany. In general, the Estate Tax Treaty provides a credit against the U.S. federal gift or estate tax liability for the amount of gift or inheritance tax paid in Germany, subject to certain limitations, in a case where the ADRs or ordinary shares are subject to German gift or inheritance tax and U.S. federal gift or estate tax.

Other German Taxes

There are currently no German net worth, transfer, stamp or other similar taxes that would apply to a U.S. Holder on the acquisition, ownership, sale or other disposition of our ADRs or ordinary shares.

U.S. Taxation

The following discussion applies to U.S. Holders only if the ADRs and ordinary shares are held as capital assets for tax purposes. It does not address tax considerations applicable to U.S. Holders that may be subject to special tax rules, such as dealers or traders in securities, financial institutions, insurance companies, tax-exempt entities, regulated investment companies, U.S. Holders that hold ordinary shares or ADRs as a part of a straddle, conversion transaction or other arrangement involving more than one position, U.S. Holders that own (or are deemed for U.S. tax purposes to own) 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of voting stock of SAP AG, U.S. Holders that have a principal place of business or tax home outside the United States or U.S. Holders whose functional currency is not the dollar and U.S. Holders that hold

ADRs or ordinary shares through partnerships or other pass-through entities.

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The summary set out below is based upon the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), the Treaty and regulations, rulings and judicial decisions thereunder at the date of this report. Any such authority may be repealed, revoked or modified, potentially with retroactive effect, so as to result in U.S. federal income tax consequences different from those discussed below. No assurance can be given that the conclusions set out below would be sustained by a court if challenged by the IRS. The discussion below is based, in part, on representations of the Depositary, and assumes that each obligation in the Deposit Agreement and any related agreements will be performed in accordance with its terms.

For U.S. federal income tax purposes, a U.S. Holder of ADRs will be considered to own the ordinary shares represented thereby. Accordingly, unless the context otherwise requires, all references in this section to ordinary shares are deemed to refer likewise to ADRs representing an ownership interest in ordinary shares.

U.S. Taxation of Dividends

Subject to the discussion below under *Passive Foreign Investment Company Considerations*, distributions made by SAP AG with respect to ordinary shares (other than distributions in liquidation and certain distributions in redemption of stock), including the amount of German tax deemed to have been withheld in respect of such distributions, will generally be taxed to U.S. Holders as ordinary dividend income.

As discussed above, a U.S. Holder may obtain a refund of German withholding tax under the Treaty to the extent that the German withholding tax exceeds 15% of the dividend distributed. Thus, for each US\$100 of gross dividends paid by SAP AG to a U.S. Holder, the dividends (which are dependent on the euro/dollar exchange rate at the time of payment) will be initially subject to German withholding tax of US\$25 plus US\$1.375 solidarity surtax, and the U.S. Holder will receive US\$73.625. A U.S. Holder who obtains the Treaty refund will receive from the German tax authorities an additional amount in euro that would be equal to US\$11.375. For U.S. tax purposes, such U.S. Holder will be considered to have received a total distribution of US\$100, which will be deemed to have been subject to German withholding tax of US\$15 (15% of US\$100) resulting in the net receipt of US\$85 (provided the euro/dollar

exchange rate at the time of payment of the dividend is the same as at the time of refund, otherwise the effective dividend may be higher or lower).

In the case of a distribution in euro, the amount of the distribution generally will equal the dollar value of the euro distributed (determined by reference to the spot currency exchange rate on the date of receipt of the distribution, or receipt by the Depositary in the case of a distribution on ADRs), regardless of whether the holder in fact converts the euro into dollars, and the U.S. Holder will not realize any separate foreign currency gain or loss (except to the extent that such gain or loss arises on the actual disposition of foreign currency received). However, a U.S. Holder may be required to recognize foreign currency gain or loss on the receipt of a refund in respect of German withholding tax to the extent the U.S. dollar value of the refund differs from the U.S. dollar equivalent of that amount on the date of receipt of the underlying dividend.

Dividends paid by SAP AG generally will constitute portfolio income for purposes of the limitations on the use of passive activity losses (and, therefore, generally may not be offset by passive activity losses) and as investment income for purposes of the limitation on the deduction of investment interest expense. Dividends paid by SAP AG will not be eligible for the dividends received deduction generally allowed to U.S. corporations under Section 243 of the Code. Dividends paid by SAP AG to an individual are treated as qualified dividends subject to capital gains rates, i.e. at a maximum rate of 20%, if SAP AG was not in the prior year and, is not in the year in which the dividend is paid, a passive foreign investment company (PFIC). Based on our audited financial statements and relevant market and shareholder data, we believe that we were not treated as a PFIC for U.S. federal income taxes with respect to our 2013 tax year. In addition, based on our audited financial statements and our current expectations regarding the value and nature of our assets, the sources and nature of our income, and relevant market and shareholder data, we do not anticipate becoming a PFIC for the 2014 tax year. With the enactment of The Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 for tax years beginning after December 31, 2012, certain US holders who are individuals, trusts, or estates, must pay a Medicare tax at a rate of 3.8% on the lesser of (i) net investment income such as dividends and (ii) the excess of modified adjusted gross income over the statutory thresholds.

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U.S. Taxation of Capital Gains

In general, assuming that SAP AG at no time is a PFIC, upon a sale or exchange of ordinary shares to a person other than SAP AG, a U.S. Holder will recognize gain or loss in an amount equal to the difference between the amount realized on the sale or exchange and the U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in the ordinary shares. Such gain or loss will be a capital gain or loss and will be considered a long-term capital gain (taxable at a reduced rate for individuals) if the ordinary shares were held for more than one year. Capital gains may also be subject to the Medicare tax at a rate of 3.8%. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to significant limitations. Upon a sale of ordinary shares to SAP AG, a U.S. Holder may recognize a capital gain or loss or, alternatively, may be considered to have received a distribution with respect to the ordinary shares, in each case depending upon the application to such sale of the rules of Section 302 of the Code.

Deposit and withdrawal of ordinary shares in exchange for ADRs by a U.S. Holder will not result in its realization of gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

U.S. Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

Dividend payments made to holders and proceeds paid from the sale of shares or ADRs are subject to information reporting to the Internal Revenue Service and will be subject to backup withholding taxes (currently imposed at a 28% rate) unless the holder (i) is a corporation or other exempt recipient or (ii) provides a taxpayer identification number on a properly completed IRS Form W-9 and certifies that no loss of exemption from backup withholding has occurred. Holders that are not U.S. persons are not subject to information reporting or backup withholding. However, such a holder may be required to provide a certification of its non-U.S. status in connection with payments received within the United States or through a U.S.-related financial intermediary.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax and any amounts withheld as backup withholding may be credited against a holder's U.S. federal income tax liability. A holder may obtain a refund of any excess amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules by timely filing the appropriate claim for refund with the Internal Revenue Service and furnishing any required information.

Shareholders may be subject to other U.S. information reporting requirements and should consult their own tax advisors for application of these reporting requirements to their own facts and circumstances.

U.S. Foreign Tax Credit

In general, in computing its U.S. federal income tax liability, a U.S. Holder may elect for each taxable year to claim a deduction or, subject to the limitations on foreign tax credits generally, a credit for foreign income taxes paid or accrued by it. For U.S. foreign tax credit purposes, subject to the applicable limitations under the foreign tax credit rules, German tax withheld from dividends paid to a U.S. Holder, up to the 15% provided under the Treaty, will be eligible for credit against the U.S. Holder's federal income tax liability or, if the U.S. Holder has elected to deduct such taxes, may be deducted in computing taxable income.

For U.S. foreign tax credit purposes, dividends paid by SAP AG generally will be treated as foreign-source income and as passive category income (or in the case of certain holders, as general category income). Gains or losses realized by a U.S. Holder on the sale or exchange of ordinary shares generally will be treated as U.S.-source gain or loss.

Passive Foreign Investment Company Considerations

Special and adverse U.S. tax rules apply to a U.S. Holder that holds an interest in a passive foreign investment company (PFIC). Based on current projections concerning the composition of SAP AG's income and assets, SAP AG does not believe that it will be treated as a PFIC for its current or future taxable years. However, because this conclusion is based on our current projections and expectations as to its future business activity, SAP AG can provide no assurance that it will not be treated as a PFIC in respect of its current or any future taxable years.

MATERIAL CONTRACTS

Ariba, Inc.

Pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of May 22, 2012 by and among Ariba, Inc., SAP America, Inc. and Angel Expansion Corporation, (the Merger Agreement), on

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October 1, 2012 SAP America acquired Ariba, the leading cloud-based business commerce network, for US\$45.00 per share, representing an enterprise value of approximately US\$4.3 billion. The acquisition combines Ariba's successful buyer-seller collaboration network with SAP's broad customer base and deep business process expertise to create new models for business-to-business collaboration in the cloud. The transaction was funded from SAP's free cash and a 2.4 billion term loan facility.

The preceding description is a summary of the Merger Agreement and is qualified in its entirety by the Merger Agreement which is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC by Ariba, Inc. on May 22, 2012.

See Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects – Liquidity and Capital Disclosures, for information on our credit facilities.

DOCUMENTS ON DISPLAY

We are subject to the informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. In accordance with these requirements, we file reports and furnish other information as a foreign private issuer with the SEC. These materials, including this report and the exhibits thereto, may be inspected and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, N.E., Room 1580, Washington, D.C. 20549. The SEC also maintains a Web site at www.sec.gov that contains reports and other information regarding registrants that file electronically with the SEC. This report as well as some of the other information submitted by us to the SEC may be accessed through this Web site. In addition, information about us is available at our Web site: www.sap.com.

ITEM 11. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

We are exposed to various financial risks, such as market risks, including changes in foreign currency exchange rates, interest rates and equity prices, as well as credit risk and liquidity risk. We manage these risks on a Group-wide basis. Selected derivatives are exclusively used for this purpose and not for speculation, which is defined as entering into derivative instruments without a corresponding underlying transaction.

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risk management is done centrally. See Notes (24), (25) and (26) to our Consolidated Financial Statements for our quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk.

ITEM 12. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES OTHER THAN EQUITY SECURITIES

AMERICAN DEPOSITARY SHARES

Fees and Charges Payable by ADR Holders

Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas is the Depositary for SAP AG's ADR program. ADR holders may be required to pay the following charges:

taxes and other governmental charges;

registration fees as may be in effect from time to time for the registration of transfers of SAP ordinary shares on any applicable register to the Depositary or its nominee or the custodian or its nominee in connection with deposits or withdrawals under the Deposit Agreement;

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applicable air courier, cable, telex and facsimile expenses of the Depositary;

expenses incurred by the Depositary in the conversion of foreign currency;

\$5.00 or less per 100 ADSs (or portion thereof) to the Depositary for the execution and delivery of ADRs (including in connection with the depositing of SAP ordinary shares or the exercising of rights) and the surrender of ADRs as well as for the distribution of other securities;

a maximum aggregate service fee of U.S. \$2.00 per 100 ADSs (or portion thereof) per calendar year to the Depositary for the services performed by the Depositary in administering the ADR program, including for processing any cash dividends and other cash distributions; and

\$5.00 or less per 100 ADSs (or portion thereof) to the Depositary for distribution of securities other than SAP ordinary shares or rights. These charges are described more fully in Section 5.9 of the Amended and Restated Deposit

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Agreement dated November 25, 2009, incorporated by reference as Exhibit 4.1.2 to our 2010 Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the Commission on March 18, 2011.

Applicable service fees are either deducted from any cash dividends or other cash distributions or charged separately to holders in a manner determined by the Depositary, depending on whether ADSs are registered in the name of investors (whether certificated or in book-entry form) or held in brokerage and custodian accounts (via DTC). In the case of distributions of securities other than SAP ordinary shares or rights, the Depositary charges the applicable ADS record date holder concurrent with the distribution. In the case of ADSs registered in the name of the investor, whether certificated or in book entry form, the Depositary sends invoices to the applicable record date ADS holders. For ADSs held in brokerage and custodian accounts via DTC, the Depositary may, if permitted by the settlement systems provided by DTC, collect the fees through those settlement systems from the brokers and custodians holding ADSs in their DTC accounts. The brokers and custodians who hold their clients' ADSs in DTC accounts in such case may in turn charge their clients' accounts the amount of the service fees paid to the Depositary.

In the event of a refusal to pay applicable fees, the Depositary may refuse the requested services until payment is received or may set off the amount of the service from any distribution to be made to the ADR holder, all in accordance with the Deposit Agreement.

If any taxes or other governmental charges are payable by the holders and/or beneficial owners of ADSs to the Depositary, the Depositary, the custodian or SAP may withhold or deduct from any distributions made in respect of the deposited SAP ordinary share and may sell for the account of the holder and/or beneficial owner any or all of the deposited ordinary shares and apply such distributions and sale proceeds in payment of such taxes (including applicable interest and penalties) or charges, with the holder and the beneficial owner thereof remaining fully liable for any deficiency.

Fees and Other Payments Payable by the Depositary to SAP

The Depositary has agreed to make certain payments to SAP as reimbursement for expenses incurred by SAP in connection with its ADR program and in support of SAP's ongoing investor relations activities related to the ADR program. For the year ended December 31, 2013, the Depositary has made direct and indirect payments to SAP in an aggregate amount of US \$2,662,202 for investor relations activities related to the ADR program, including the production of annual reports and Form 20-F filings, 2013 NYSE listing fees, road shows, production of investor targeting, peer analysis, shareholder identification reports and perception studies, postage for mailing annual and interim reports and other communications to ADR holders and participation in retail investor activities, broker conferences, SAP sponsored analyst events and capital markets days.

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ITEM 13. DEFAULTS, DIVIDEND ARREARAGES AND DELINQUENCIES

None.

ITEM 14. MATERIAL MODIFICATIONS TO THE RIGHTS OF SECURITY HOLDERS AND USE OF PROCEEDS

None.

ITEM 15. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

EVALUATION OF DISCLOSURE CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Disclosure controls and procedures are controls and other procedures of SAP that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by SAP in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Commission's rules and forms. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by SAP in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to SAP management, including SAP's principal executive and financial officers (i.e. SAP's co-chief executive officers (Co-CEOs) and chief financial officer (CFO)), or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. SAP's management evaluated, with the participation of SAP's Co-CEOs and CFO the effectiveness of SAP's disclosure controls and procedures as of December 31, 2013. The evaluation was led by SAP's Global Governance Risk & Compliance function, including dedicated SOX Champions in all of SAP's major entities and business units with the participation of process owners, SAP's key corporate senior management, senior management of each business group, and as indicated above under the supervision of SAP's Co-CEOs and CFO. Based on the foregoing, SAP's management, including SAP's Co-CEOs and CFO, concluded that as of December 31, 2013, SAP's disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

MANAGEMENT'S ANNUAL REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

The management of SAP is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. SAP's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed under the supervision of SAP's Co-CEOs and CFO to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external reporting purposes in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

SAP's management assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2013. In making this assessment, it used the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) in Internal Control - Integrated Framework.

Based on the assessment under these criteria, SAP management has concluded that, as of December 31, 2013, the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective.

KPMG, our independent registered public accounting firm has issued its attestation report on the effectiveness of SAP's internal control over financial reporting, which is included in Item 18. Financial Statements, Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.

CHANGES IN INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

There has been no change in our internal control over financial reporting during the period covered by this report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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ITEM 16A. AUDIT COMMITTEE FINANCIAL EXPERT

Our Supervisory Board has determined that Erhard Schipporeit is an audit committee

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financial expert, as defined by the regulations of the Commission issued pursuant to Section 407 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and meeting the requirements of Item 16A. He is independent, as such term is defined in Rule 10A-3 under the Exchange Act.

ITEM 16B. CODE OF ETHICS

In 2003, SAP adopted a Code of Business Conduct that applies to all employees (including all personnel in the accounting and controlling departments), managers and the members of SAP's Executive Board (including our CEOs and CFO). Our Code of Business Conduct constitutes a code of ethics as defined in Item 16.B of Form 20-F. Our Code of Business Conduct sets standards for all dealings with customers, partners, competitors and suppliers and includes, among others, regulations with regard to confidentiality, loyalty, preventing conflicts of interest, preventing bribery, and avoiding anti-competitive practices. International differences in culture, language, and legal and social systems make the adoption of uniform Codes of Business Conduct across an entire global company challenging. As a result, SAP has set forth a master code containing minimum standards. In turn, each company within the SAP Group has been required to adopt a similar code that meets at least these minimum standards, but may also include additional or more stringent rules of conduct. Newly acquired companies also are required to meet the minimum standards set forth in the Code of Business Conduct. Effective February 2012, SAP amended its Code of Business Conduct to address certain changes in bribery laws, and to update the intellectual property and non-retaliation provisions. We have made our amended Code of Business Conduct publicly available by posting the full text on our Web site under <http://www.sap.com/corporate-en/investors/governance/policies-statutes.epx>.

ITEM 16C. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES

AUDIT FEES, AUDIT RELATED FEES, TAX FEES AND ALL OTHER FEES

Refer to Note (31) to our Consolidated Financial Statements for information on fees billed by our independent registered public accounting firm, KPMG, for audit services and other professional services.

AUDIT COMMITTEE'S PRE-APPROVAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

As required under German law, our shareholders appoint our external independent auditors to audit our financial statements, based on a proposal that is legally required to be submitted by the Supervisory Board. The Supervisory Board's proposal is based on a proposal by the Audit Committee. See also the description in Item 10. Additional Information - Corporate Governance.

In 2002 our Audit Committee adopted a policy with regard to the pre-approval of audit and non-audit services to be provided by our external independent auditors. This policy, which is designed to assure that such engagements do not impair the independence of our auditors, was amended and expanded in 2003, 2007 and 2009 (changes in 2009 only related to information requirements). The policy requires prior approval of the Audit Committee for all services to be provided by our external independent auditors for any entity of the SAP Group. With regard to non-audit services the policy distinguishes among three categories of services:

- (i) Prohibited services: This category includes services that our external independent auditors must not be engaged to perform. These are services that are not permitted by applicable law or that would be inconsistent with maintaining the auditors' independence.

- (ii) Services requiring universal approval: Services of this category may be provided by our external independent auditors up to a certain aggregate amount in fees per year that is determined by the Audit Committee.

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(iii) Services requiring individual approval: Services of this category may only be provided by our external independent auditors if they have been individually (specifically) pre-approved by the Audit Committee or an Audit Committee member who is authorized by the Audit Committee to make such approvals.

Our Chief Accounting Officer or individuals empowered by him review all individual requests to engage our external independent auditors as a service provider in accordance with this policy and determines the category to which the requested service belongs. All requests for engagements with expected fees over a specified limit are additionally reviewed by our CFO. Based on the

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determination of the category the request is (i) declined if it is a prohibited service, (ii) approved if it is a service requiring universal approval and the maximum aggregate amount fixed by the Audit Committee has not been reached or (iii) forwarded to the Audit Committee for individual approval if the service requires individual approval or is a service requiring universal approval and the maximum aggregate amount fixed by the Audit Committee has been exceeded.

Our Audit Committee's pre-approval policies also include information requirements to ensure the Audit Committee is kept aware of the volume of engagements involving our external independent auditors that were not individually pre-approved by the Audit Committee itself.

Substantially all of the work performed to audit our Consolidated Financial Statements was performed by our principal accountant's full-time, permanent employees.

ITEM 16D. EXEMPTIONS FROM THE LISTING STANDARDS FOR AUDIT COMMITTEES

Rule 10A-3 of the Exchange Act requires that all members of our audit committee be independent, subject to certain exceptions. In accordance with German law, the Audit Committee consists of both employee and shareholder elected members. Rule 10A-3 provides an exception for an employee of a foreign private issuer such as SAP who is not an executive officer of that issuer and who is elected to the supervisory board or audit committee of that issuer pursuant to the issuer's governing law. In this case, the employee is exempt from the independence requirements of Rule 10A-3 and is permitted to sit on the audit committee.

We rely on this exemption. Our Audit Committee includes two members who are non-executive employees of SAP AG, Inga Wiele and Stefan Schulz, who were named to our Supervisory Board pursuant to the German Co-determination Act (see Item 6. Directors, Senior Management and Employees. for details). We believe that the reliance on this exemption does not materially adversely affect the ability of our Audit Committee to act independently and to satisfy the other requirements of Rule 10A-3.

ITEM 16E. PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES BY THE ISSUER AND AFFILIATED PURCHASERS

In 2013 there were no purchases made by us or on our behalf or on behalf of affiliates of SAP of SAP shares or SAP ADRs. The total number of SAP shares that SAP could purchase under existing repurchase programs was 88,054,869 per December 31, 2013.

At the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders on June 4, 2013, the Executive Board was authorized to acquire, on or before June 3, 2018, up to 120 million shares of SAP. The authorization from June 4, 2013 replaced the authorization from June 8, 2010.

Both authorizations were subject to the provision that the shares to be purchased, together with any other shares already acquired and held by SAP, do not account for more than 10% of SAP's capital stock.

ITEM 16F. CHANGES IN REGISTRANT'S CERTIFYING ACCOUNTANT

Not applicable.

ITEM 16G. DIFFERENCES IN CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The following summarizes the principal ways in which our corporate governance practices differ from the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) corporate governance rules applicable to U.S. domestic issuers (the NYSE Rules).

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SAP is incorporated under the laws of Germany, with securities publicly traded on markets in Germany, including the Frankfurt Exchange and in the United States on the NYSE.

The NYSE Rules permit foreign private issuers to follow applicable home country corporate governance practices in lieu of the NYSE corporate governance standards, subject to certain exceptions. Foreign private issuers electing to follow home country corporate governance

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rules are required to disclose the principal differences in their corporate governance practices from those required under the NYSE Rules. This Item 16G summarizes the principal ways in which SAP's corporate governance practices differ from the NYSE Rules applicable to domestic issuers.

LEGAL FRAMEWORK

The primary source of law relating to the corporate governance of a German stock corporation is the German Stock Corporation Act (Aktengesetz). Additionally, the Securities Trading Act (Wertpapierhandelsgesetz), the German Securities Purchase and Take Over Act (Wertpapiererwerbs- und Übernahmegesetz), the Stock Exchange Admission Regulations, the German Commercial Code (Handelsgesetzbuch) and certain other German statutes contain corporate governance rules applicable to SAP. In addition to these mandatory rules, the German Corporate Governance Code (GCGC) summarizes the mandatory statutory corporate governance principles found in the German Stock Corporation Act and other provisions of German law. Further, the GCGC contains supplemental recommendations and suggestions for standards on responsible corporate governance intended to reflect generally accepted best practices.

The German Stock Corporation Act requires the executive and the supervisory board of publicly listed companies like SAP to declare annually that the recommendations set forth in the GCGC have been and are being complied with or which of the recommendations have not been or are not being complied with and why not. SAP has disclosed and reasoned deviations from a few of the GCGC recommendations in its Declaration of Implementation on a yearly basis since 2003. Declarations from 2008 forward are available on the SAP website (www.sap.com/corporate-en/investors/governance/policies-statutes.epx).

SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCES

We believe the following to be the significant differences between German corporate governance practices, as SAP has implemented them, and those applicable to domestic companies under the NYSE Rules.

GERMAN STOCK CORPORATIONS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A TWO-TIER BOARD SYSTEM

SAP is governed by three separate bodies: (i) the Supervisory Board, which counsels, supervises and controls the Executive Board; (ii) the Executive Board, which is responsible for the management of SAP; and (iii) the General Meeting of Shareholders. The rules applicable to these governing bodies are defined by German law and by SAP's Articles of Incorporation. This corporate structure differs from the unitary board of directors established by the relevant laws of all U.S. states and the NYSE Rules. Under the German Stock Corporation Act, the Supervisory Board and Executive Board are separate and no individual may be a member of both boards. See Item 10. Additional Information Corporate Governance for additional information on the corporate structure.

DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE RULES

The NYSE Rules require that a majority of the members of the board of directors of a listed issuer and each member of its nominating, corporate governance, compensation and audit committee be independent. As a foreign private issuer, SAP is not subject to the NYSE board, compensation committee and corporate governance committee independence requirements but instead can elect to follow its home country rules. With respect to the audit committee, SAP is required to satisfy Rule 10A-3 of the Exchange Act, which provides certain exemptions from the audit committee independence requirements in the case of employee board representatives. The NYSE Rules stipulate that no director qualifies as independent unless the board of directors has made an affirmative determination that the director has no material direct or indirect relationship with the listed company. However, under the NYSE Rules a director may still be deemed independent even if the director or a member of a director's immediate family has received during a 12 month period within the prior three years up to \$120,000 in direct compensation. In addition, a director may also be deemed independent even if a member of the director's immediate family works for the company's auditor in a non-partner capacity and not on the company's audit. By contrast, the GCGC requires that the Supervisory Board ensure that proposed candidates are persons with the

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necessary knowledge, competencies and applicable experience. Additionally, the Supervisory Board is required to implement and adhere to concrete director independence criteria, including a consideration of the total number of independent Supervisory Board members as defined in Section 5.4.2 of the Code. According to this definition, a Supervisory Board member will not be considered independent in particular if s/he has personal or business relations with the company, its executive bodies, a controlling shareholder or an enterprise associated with any of the preceding persons and entities which could cause a substantial and sustained conflict of interest. The members of the Supervisory Board must have enough time to perform their board duties and must carry out their duties carefully and in good faith. For as long as they serve, they must comply with the criteria that are enumerated in relation to the selection of candidates for the Supervisory Board concerning independence, conflict of interest and multiple memberships of management, supervisory and other governing bodies. They must be loyal to SAP in their conduct and they must not accept appointment in companies that are in competition with SAP. Supervisory Board members must disclose any planned non-ordinary course business transactions with SAP to the Supervisory Board promptly. The Supervisory Board members cannot carry out such transactions before the Supervisory Board has given its permission. The Supervisory Board may grant its permission for any such transaction only if the transaction is based on terms and conditions that are standard for the type of transaction in question and if the transaction is not contrary to SAP's interest. SAP complies with these GCGC director independence requirements.

German corporate law requires that for publicly listed stock corporations at least one member of the Supervisory Board who has expert knowledge in the areas of financial accounting or audit of financial statements must be independent. Mr. Erhard Schipporeit who is the Chairman of SAP's Audit Committee meets these requirements. However, German corporate law and the GCGC do not require the Supervisory Board to make an affirmative determination for each individual member that is independent or that a majority of Supervisory Board members or the members of a specific committee are independent.

The NYSE independence requirements are closely linked with risks specific to unitary boards of directors that are customary for U.S. companies.

In contrast, the two-tier board structure requires a strict separation of the executive board and supervisory board. In addition, the supervisory board of large German stock corporations is subject to the principle of employee codetermination as outlined in the German Co-Determination Act of 1976 (Mitbestimmungsgesetz). As a result, the Supervisory Board of SAP AG consists of 16 members, of which eight have been elected by SAP AG's shareholders at the Annual General Meeting and eight members have been elected by employees of SAP AG and its German subsidiaries. Typically, the chairperson of the supervisory board is a shareholder representative. In case of a tie vote, the supervisory board chairperson may cast the decisive tie-breaking vote. This board structure creates a different system of checks and balances, including employee participation, and cannot be directly compared with a unitary board system.

AUDIT COMMITTEE INDEPENDENCE

As a foreign private issuer, the NYSE Rules require SAP to establish an Audit Committee that satisfies the requirements of Rule 10A-3 of the Exchange Act with respect to audit committee independence. SAP is in compliance with these requirements. The Chairman of SAP's Audit Committee and Prof. Dr. Klaus Wucherer meet the independence requirements of Rule 10A-3 of the Exchange Act. The other two Audit Committee members, Inga Wiele and Stefan Schulz, are employee representatives who are eligible for the exemption provided by Rule 10A-3(b)(1)(iv)(C) (see Item 16D Exemptions from the listing standards for audit committees for details).

The Audit Committee independence requirements are similar to the Board independence requirements under German corporate law and GCGC. See the section above under Director Independence Rules. Nonetheless, SAP meets the NYSE Rules on audit committee independence applicable to foreign private issuers.

RULES ON NON-MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETINGS ARE DIFFERENT

Section 303 A.03 of the NYSE Rules stipulates that the non-management board of each listed issuer must meet at regularly scheduled executive

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sessions without the management. Under German corporate law and the GCGC the Supervisory Board is entitled but not required to exclude Executive Board members from its meetings. The Supervisory Board exercises this right generally during its meetings.

RULES ON ESTABLISHING COMMITTEES DIFFER

Pursuant to Section 303 A.04 and 303 A.05 of the NYSE Rules listed companies are required to set up a Nominating/Corporate Governance Committee and a Compensation Committee, each composed entirely of independent directors and having a written charter specifying the committee's purpose and responsibilities. In addition, each committee's performance must be reviewed annually. With one exception, German corporate law does not mandate the creation of specific supervisory board committees. Required by the German Co-Determination Act of 1976 (Mitbestimmungsgesetz), the Mediation Committee (Vermittlungsausschuss) convenes only if the 2/3 majority required for appointing/revoking the appointment of Executive Board Members is not attained. This committee has never been convened in SAP's history. In addition, the GCGC recommends that the Supervisory Board establish an Audit Committee and a Nomination Committee. In addition to the legally required Mediation Committee, SAP has the following committees, which are in compliance with the GCGC: General and Compensation Committee, Audit Committee, Strategy and Technology Committee, Finance and Investment Committee, Nomination Committee, Special Committee and People and Organization Committee (See Item 10. Additional Information Corporate Governance for more information).

RULES ON SHAREHOLDERS' COMPULSORY APPROVAL ARE DIFFERENT

Section 312 of the NYSE Rules requires U.S. companies to seek shareholder approval of all equity-compensation plans, including certain material revisions thereto (subject to certain exemptions as described in the rules), issuances of common stock, including convertible stock, if the common stock has, or will have upon issuance, voting power of or in excess of 20% of the then outstanding common stock, and issuances of common stock if they trigger a change of control.

According to the German Stock Corporation Act and other applicable German laws, shareholder approval is required for a broad range of matters, such as amendments to the articles of association, certain significant corporate transactions (including inter-company agreements and material restructurings), the offering of stock options and similar equity compensation to its Executive Board members or its employees by a way of a conditional capital increase or by using treasury shares (including significant aspects of such an equity compensation plan as well as the exercise thresholds), the issuance of new shares, the authorization to purchase the corporation's own shares, and other essential issues, such as transfers of all, or substantially all, of the assets of the stock corporation, including shareholdings in subsidiaries.

SPECIFIC PRINCIPLES OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Under the NYSE Rules Section 303A.09 listed companies must adopt and disclose corporate guidelines. Since October 2007, SAP has applied, with few exceptions, the recommended corporate governance standards of the GCGC rather than company-specific principles of corporate governance. The GCGC recommendations differ from the NYSE Standards primarily as outlined in this Item 16G.

SPECIFIC CODE OF BUSINESS CONDUCT

NYSE Rules Section 303 A.10 requires listed companies to adopt and disclose a code of business conduct and ethics for directors, officers and employees, and to disclose promptly any waivers of the code for directors or executive officers. Although not required under German law, SAP has adopted a Code of Business Conduct, which is equally applicable to employees, managers and members of the Executive Board. SAP complies with the requirement to disclose the Code of Business Conduct and any waivers of the code with respect to directors and executive officers. See Item 16B. Code of Ethics for details.

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ITEM 17. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Not applicable.

ITEM 18. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Consolidate Financial Statements are included herein on pages F-1 through F-105.

The following are filed as part of this report:

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.

Consolidated Financial Statements

Consolidated Income Statements for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011.

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011.

Consolidated Statements of Financial Position as of December 31, 2013 and 2012.

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011.

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

ITEM 19. EXHIBITS

The following documents are filed as exhibits to this report:

1 Articles of Incorporation (Satzung) of SAP AG, as amended effective November 20, 2012 (English translation).⁽¹⁾

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- 2.1 Form of global share certificate for ordinary shares (English translation).⁽²⁾

Certain instruments which define rights of holders of long-term debt of SAP AG and its subsidiaries are not being filed because the total amount of securities authorized under each such instrument does not exceed 10% of the total consolidated assets of SAP AG and its subsidiaries. SAP AG and its subsidiaries hereby agree to furnish a copy of each such instrument to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon request.

- 4.1.2 Amended and Restated Deposit Agreement dated as of November 25, 2009 among SAP AG, Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas as Depositary, and all owners and holders from time to time of American Depositary Receipts issued thereunder, including the form of American Depositary Receipts.⁽³⁾
- 4.9 Agreement and Plan of Merger dated May 22, 2012 by and among Ariba, Inc., SAP America, Inc. and Angel Expansion Corporation⁽⁴⁾
- 8 For a list of our subsidiaries see Note (33) to our Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 18. Financial Statements .
- 12.1 Certification of Bill McDermott, Co-Chief Executive Officer, required by Rule 13a-14(a) or Rule 15d-14(a).
- 12.2 Certification of Jim Hagemann Snabe, Co-Chief Executive Officer, required by Rule 13a-14(a) or Rule 15d-14(a).
- 12.3 Certification of Werner Brandt, Chief Financial Officer, required by Rule 13a-14(a) or Rule 15d-14(a).
- 13.1 Certification of Bill McDermott, Co-Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 13.2 Certification of Jim Hagemann Snabe, Co-Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

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13.3 Certification of Werner Brandt, Chief Financial Officer, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

15 Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.

(1) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1 of SAP AG's Annual Report on Form 20-F filed on March 22, 2013.

(2) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 of SAP AG's Annual Report on Form 20-F filed on March 22, 2006.

(3) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99(A) of Post Effective Amendment #1 to SAP AG's Registration Statement on Form F-6 filed on November 25, 2009.

(4) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to Ariba, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 22, 2012.

SIGNATURES

The Registrant hereby certifies that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form 20-F and that it has duly caused and authorized the undersigned to sign this report on its behalf.

SAP AG

(Registrant)

By: /s/ BILL MCDERMOTT

Name: Bill McDermott

Title: Co-Chief Executive Officer

Dated: March 20, 2014

By: /s/ JIM HAGEMANN SNABE

Name: Jim Hagemann Snabe

Title: Co-Chief Executive Officer

Dated: March 20, 2014

By: /s/ WERNER BRANDT

Name: Dr. Werner Brandt

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Dated: March 20, 2014

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Supervisory Board of SAP AG:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statements of financial position of SAP AG and subsidiaries (SAP or the Company) as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, and the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, changes in equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2013. We also have audited SAP's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2013, based on criteria established in Internal Control – Integrated Framework (1992) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). SAP's management is responsible for these consolidated financial statements, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Annual Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements and an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audits of the consolidated financial statements included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of SAP AG and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2013, in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB). Also in our opinion, SAP AG maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2013, based on criteria established in Internal Control – Integrated Framework (1992) issued by the COSO.

/s/ KPMG AG
Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft

Mannheim, Germany

February 20, 2014

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CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENTS OF SAP GROUP

for the years ended December 31,

	Notes	(Unaudited) 2013 ⁽¹⁾ US\$	2013	2012	2011
millions, unless otherwise stated					
Software		6,223	4,516	4,658	4,107
Cloud subscriptions and support		959	696	270	18
Software and cloud subscriptions		7,182	5,212	4,928	4,125
Support		12,040	8,738	8,237	7,194
Software and software-related service revenue		19,221	13,950	13,165	11,319
Consulting		3,089	2,242	2,442	2,341
Other services		859	623	616	573
Professional services and other service revenue		3,948	2,865	3,058	2,914
Total revenue	(5)	23,169	16,815	16,223	14,233
Cost of software and software-related services		3,579	2,597	2,555	2,107
Cost of professional services and other services		3,309	2,402	2,520	2,247
Total cost of revenue		6,888	4,999	5,075	4,354
Gross profit		16,281	11,816	11,147	9,879
Research and development		3,145	2,282	2,261	1,935
Sales and marketing		5,692	4,131	3,912	3,083
General and administration		1,193	866	949	715
Restructuring	(18)	97	70	8	4
TomorrowNow litigation	(23)	0	0	0	717
Other operating income/expense, net	(6)	17	12	23	25
Total operating expenses		16,998	12,336	12,181	9,348
Operating profit		6,171	4,479	4,041	4,884
Other non-operating income/expense, net	(8)	23	17	173	75
Finance income		158	115	103	119
Finance costs		249	181	175	161
Financial income, net	(9)	92	66	72	42
Profit before tax		6,057	4,396	3,796	4,767
Income tax TomorrowNow litigation		0	0	0	281
Other income tax expense		1,476	1,071	993	1,049
Income tax expense	(10)	1,475	1,071	993	1,331
Profit after tax		4,581	3,325	2,803	3,437
Profit attributable to non-controlling interests		1	1	0	1
Profit attributable to owners of parent		4,583	3,326	2,803	3,435
Earnings per share, basic (in ¢)	(11)	3.84	2.79	2.35	2.89
Earnings per share, diluted (in ¢)	(11)	3.83	2.78	2.35	2.89

(1) The 2013 figures have been translated solely for the convenience of the reader at an exchange rate of US\$1.3779 to 1.00, the Noon Buying Rate certified by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York on December 31, 2013.

The accompanying Notes are an integral part of these Consolidated Financial Statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME OF SAP GROUP

for the years ended December 31,

	Notes	2013	2012	2011
		millions		
Profit after tax		3,325	2,803	3,437
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss				
Remeasurements on defined benefit pension plans	(18)	16	12	17
Income tax relating to items that will not be reclassified	(10)	3	4	5
Other comprehensive income after tax for items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss		13	8	12
Items that will be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss	(20)			
Exchange differences		576	214	106
Available-for-sale financial assets	(26)	60	13	7
Cash flow hedges	(25)	0	63	1
Income tax relating to items that will be reclassified	(10)	8	20	7
Other comprehensive income after tax for items that will be reclassified to profit or loss		524	157	105
Other comprehensive income net of tax		511	165	93
Total comprehensive income		2,814	2,638	3,530
attributable to owners of parent		2,815	2,638	3,528
attributable to non-controlling interests		1	0	1

The accompanying Notes are an integral part of these Consolidated Financial Statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION OF SAP GROUP

as at December 31,

	Notes	(Unaudited) 2013 ⁽¹⁾ US\$	2013	2012
			millions	
Cash and cash equivalents		3,786	2,748	2,477
Other financial assets	(12)	346	251	154
Trade and other receivables	(13)	5,326	3,865	3,917
Other non-financial assets	(14)	477	346	294
Tax assets		195	142	85
Total current assets		10,131	7,352	6,928
Goodwill	(15)	18,861	13,688	13,192
Intangible assets	(15)	4,074	2,956	3,234
Property, plant, and equipment	(16)	2,508	1,820	1,708
Other financial assets	(12)	837	607	509
Trade and other receivables	(13)	135	98	88
Other non-financial assets	(14)	147	107	68
Tax assets		236	172	170
Deferred tax assets	(10)	405	294	408
Total non-current assets		27,202	19,741	19,378
Total assets		37,332	27,094	26,306
Trade and other payables	(17)	1,171	850	870
Tax liabilities		597	433	440
Financial liabilities	(17)	1,031	748	802
Other non-financial liabilities	(17)	3,118	2,263	2,204
Provision TomorrowNow litigation	(23)	307	223	234
Other provisions		582	422	609
Provisions	(18)	889	645	843
Deferred income	(19)	1,941	1,408	1,386
Total current liabilities		8,746	6,347	6,546
Trade and other payables	(17)	61	45	63
Tax liabilities		438	318	388
Financial liabilities	(17)	5,179	3,758	4,446
Other non-financial liabilities	(17)	154	112	98
Provisions	(18)	382	277	347
Deferred tax liabilities	(10)	158	115	223
Deferred income	(19)	102	74	62
Total non-current liabilities		6,474	4,699	5,627
Total liabilities		15,220	11,046	12,173
Issued capital		1,693	1,229	1,229
Share premium		759	551	492
Retained earnings		22,401	16,258	13,934
Other components of equity		989	718	194
Treasury shares		1,764	1,280	1,337
Equity attributable to owners of parent		22,102	16,040	14,125
Non-controlling interests		12	8	8
Total equity	(20)	22,112	16,048	14,133
Total equity and liabilities		37,332	27,094	26,306

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SAP AG AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY OF SAP GROUP

as at December 31,

Note reference	Equity Attributable to Owners of Parent Other Components of Equity							Total	Non- Controlling Interests	Total Equity
	Issued Capital	Share Premium	Retained Earnings	Exchange Differences	Available- for-Sale Financial Assets	Cash Flow Hedges	Treasury Shares			
	Statement of Comprehensive Income									
	(20)	(20)	(20)				(20)			
January 1, 2011 prior to IAS 19 (revised) adoption	1,227	337	9,767	131	16	27	1,382	9,807	17	9,824
Cumulated difference from the retrospective adoption of IAS 19 (revised)			11					11		11
January 1, 2011 after IAS 19 (revised) adoption	1,227	337	9,756	131	16	27	1,382	9,796	17	9,813
Profit after tax			3,435					3,435	1	3,437
Other comprehensive income			12	112	7	0		93		93
Comprehensive income			3,423	112	7	0		3,528	1	3,530
Share-based payments		9						9		9
Dividends			713					713		713
Issuance of shares under share-based payments	1	46						47		47
Purchase of treasury shares							246	246		246
Reissuance of treasury shares under share-based payments		27					251	278		278
Change in non-controlling interests			19					19	10	29
December 31, 2011	1,228	419	12,448	19	9	27	1,377	12,681	8	12,689
Profit after tax			2,803					2,803		2,803
Other comprehensive income			8	217	13	47		165		165
Comprehensive income			2,795	217	13	47		2,638		2,638
Share-based payments		41						41		41
Dividends			1,310					1,310		1,310
Issuance of shares under share-based payments	1	14						15		15
Purchase of treasury shares							53	53		53
Reissuance of treasury shares under share-based payments		18					93	111		111
Other			2					2		2
December 31, 2012	1,229	492	13,934	236	22	20	1,337	14,125	8	14,133
Profit after tax			3,326					3,326	1	3,325
Other comprehensive income			13	584	60	0		511		511
Comprehensive income			3,339	584	60	0		2,815	1	2,814
Share-based payments		30						30		30
Dividends			1,013					1,013		1,013
Reissuance of treasury shares under share-based payments		29					57	86		86
December 31, 2013	1,229	551	16,258	820	82	20	1,280	16,040	8	16,048

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS OF SAP GROUP

for the years ended December 31,

	Notes	(Unaudited) 2013 ⁽¹⁾ US\$	2013	2012	2011
		millions			
Profit after tax		4,582	3,325	2,803	3,437
Adjustments to reconcile profit after tax to net cash flows provided by operating activities:					
Depreciation and amortization	(15),(16)	1,310	951	863	724
Income tax expense	(10)	1,476	1,071	993	1,331
Financial income, net	(9)	91	66	72	42
Decrease/increase in sales and bad debt allowances on trade receivables		58	42	25	18
Other adjustments for non-cash items		79	57	31	14
Decrease/increase in trade and other receivables		152	110	298	426
Decrease/increase in other assets		181	131	23	39
Decrease/increase in trade payables, provisions, and other liabilities		243	176	420	404
Decrease/increase in deferred income		172	125	154	121
Cash outflows due to TomorrowNow litigation	(23)	1	1	7	52
Interest paid		219	159	165	139
Interest received		92	67	92	92
Income taxes paid, net of refunds		1,784	1,295	1,102	908
Net cash flows from operating activities		5,280	3,832	3,822	3,775
Business combinations, net of cash and cash equivalents acquired	(4)	1,598	1,160	6,094	188
Purchase of intangible assets and property, plant, and equipment		780	566	541	445
Proceeds from sales of intangible assets or property, plant, and equipment		76	55	39	55
Purchase of equity or debt instruments of other entities		2,110	1,531	1,022	2,046
Proceeds from sales of equity or debt instruments of other entities		1,958	1,421	1,654	1,398
Net cash flows from investing activities		2,454	1,781	5,964	1,226
Purchase of non-controlling interests		0	0	0	28
Dividends paid	(21)	1,396	1,013	1,310	713
Purchase of treasury shares	(21)	0	0	53	246
Proceeds from reissuance of treasury shares		68	49	90	251
Proceeds from issuing shares (share-based payments)		0	0	15	46
Proceeds from borrowings		1,378	1,000	5,778	519
Repayments of borrowings		2,239	1,625	4,714	1,005
Net cash flows from financing activities		2,189	1,589	194	1,176
Effect of foreign currency exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents		263	191	152	74
Net decrease/increase in cash and cash equivalents		373	271	2,488	1,447
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	(21)	3,413	2,477	4,965	3,518
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	(21)	3,786	2,748	2,477	4,965

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NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(1) General Information about Consolidated Financial Statements

The accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements of SAP AG and its subsidiaries (collectively, we, us, our, SAP, Group, and Company) have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). The designation IFRS includes all standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and related interpretations issued by the IFRS Interpretations Committee (IFRIC).

We have applied all standards and interpretations that were effective on and endorsed by the European Union (EU) as at December 31, 2013. There were no standards or interpretations impacting our Consolidated Financial Statements for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012,

and 2011, that were effective but not yet endorsed. Therefore our Consolidated Financial Statements comply with both IFRS as issued by the IASB and with IFRS as endorsed by the EU.

Our Executive Board approved the Consolidated Financial Statements on February 20, 2014, for submission to our Supervisory Board.

All amounts included in the Consolidated Financial Statements are reported in millions of euros (millions) except where otherwise stated. Due to rounding, numbers presented throughout this document may not add up precisely to the totals we provide and percentages may not precisely reflect the absolute figures.

(2) Scope of Consolidation

The Consolidated Financial Statements include SAP AG and all subsidiaries of SAP AG.

The following table summarizes the changes in the number of entities included in the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Entities Consolidated in the Financial Statements

	German	Foreign	Total
December 31, 2011	23	176	199
Additions	4	92	96
Disposals	5	23	28
December 31, 2012	22	245	267
Additions	1	24	25
Disposals	1	19	20
December 31, 2013	22	250	272

The additions relate to legal entities added in connection with acquisitions and foundations. The disposals are due to sales, mergers and liquidations of legal entities.

In August 2013, we acquired hybris AG, which may affect comparability of our 2013 Consolidated Financial Statements with our 2012 and 2011 Consolidated Financial Statements. For more information about our business combinations and the effect on our Consolidated Financial Statements, see Note (4).

(3) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(3a) Bases of Measurement

The Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for the following:

Derivative financial instruments, available-for-sale financial assets, and liabilities for cash-settled share-based payments are measured at fair value.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at period-end exchange rates.

Post-employment benefits are measured according to IAS 19 (Employee Benefits) as described in Note (18a). Where applicable, information about the methods and assumptions used in determining the respective measurement bases is disclosed in the Notes specific to that asset or liability.

(3b) Relevant Accounting Policies
Business Combinations and Goodwill

Business combinations are accounted for using the acquisition method as at the closing date, which is the date on which we obtain control of the acquiree. The consideration transferred in an acquisition is measured at the fair value of the assets transferred and liabilities incurred at the date of transfer of control. Settlements of pre-existing relationships are not included in the consideration transferred. Such amounts are recognized in profit and loss. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed in a business combination (including contingent consideration) are measured at their acquisition date fair values. Changes in contingent consideration classified as a liability at the acquisition date are recognized in profit and loss unless they related to facts that existed at the measurement date that we become aware of during the measurement period. We decide on a transaction-by-transaction basis whether to measure the non-controlling interest in the acquiree either at fair value or at the proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets. Acquisition-related costs are accounted as expense in the periods in which the costs are incurred and the services are received, with the expense being classified as general and administration expense.

The excess of the consideration transferred in a business combination over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired is recorded as goodwill.

With respect to at-equity investments, the carrying amount of goodwill is included in the carrying amount of the investment.

Foreign Currencies

Assets and liabilities of our foreign subsidiaries that use a functional currency other than the euro are translated at the closing rate at the date of the Statement of Financial Position. Income and expenses are translated at average rates of exchange computed on a monthly basis. All resulting exchange differences are recognized in other comprehensive income. Exchange differences from monetary items denominated in foreign currency transactions that are part of a long-term investment (that is, settlement is neither planned nor likely to occur in the foreseeable future) are also included in other comprehensive income. When a foreign operation is disposed of, liquidated, or abandoned, the foreign currency translation adjustments applicable to that entity are reclassified from other comprehensive income to profit or loss.

On initial recognition, foreign currency transactions are recorded in the respective functional currencies of Group entities by applying to the foreign currency amount the exchange rate at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currencies are remeasured at the period-end closing rate. Resulting exchange differences are recognized, in the period in which they arise, in other non-operating expense.

Operating cash flows of foreign subsidiaries are translated into euros using average rates of exchange computed on a monthly basis. Investing and financing cash flows of foreign subsidiaries are translated into euros using the exchange rates in effect at the time of the respective transaction. The effect of exchange rate changes on cash is reported in a separate line item in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

Any goodwill arising from the acquisition of a foreign operation and any fair value adjustments to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities arising from the acquisition are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign operation and translated at the respective closing rates.

The exchange rates of key currencies affecting the Company were as follows:

Exchange Rates

Equivalent to 1		Closing Rate as at December 31		Annual Average Exchange Rate		
		2013	2012	2013	2012	2011
U.S. dollar	USD	1.3791	1.3194	1.3301	1.2862	1.3863
Pound sterling	GBP	0.8337	0.8161	0.8482	0.8104	0.8656
Japanese yen	JPY	144.72	113.61	130.21	103.05	110.17
Swiss franc	CHF	1.2276	1.2072	1.2302	1.2055	1.2299
Canadian dollar	CAD	1.4671	1.3137	1.3710	1.2843	1.3739
Australian dollar	AUD	1.5423	1.2712	1.3944	1.2419	1.3436

Revenue Recognition

We derive our revenue from fees charged to our customers for (a) licenses to our on-premise software products, (b) the use of our hosted cloud subscription software offerings and (c) support, consulting, development, training, and other services. The majority of our software arrangements include support services, and many also include professional services and other elements.

Software and software-related service revenue, as shown in our Consolidated Income Statements, is the sum of our software revenue, our support revenue and our cloud subscriptions and support revenue. Professional services and other service revenue as shown in our Consolidated Income Statements is the sum of our consulting revenue and other service revenue. Other service revenue as shown in our Consolidated Income Statements mainly consists of revenue from training services, messaging services, and SAP marketing events. Revenue information by segment and geographic region is disclosed in Note (28).

If, for any of our product or service offerings, we determine at the outset of an arrangement that the amount of revenue cannot be measured reliably, we conclude that the inflow of economic benefits associated with the transaction is not probable, and we defer revenue recognition until the arrangement fee becomes due and payable by the customer. If, at the outset of an arrangement, we determine that collectability is not probable, we conclude that the inflow of economic benefits associated with the transaction is not probable, and we defer revenue recognition until the earlier of when collectability becomes probable or payment is received. If collectability becomes not probable before all revenue from an arrangement is recognized, we recognize revenue only to the extent of the fees that are successfully collected unless collectability becomes probable again. If a customer is specifically identified as a bad debtor,

we stop recognizing revenue from the customer except to the extent of the fees that have already been collected.

We account for out-of-pocket expenses invoiced by SAP and reimbursed by customers as support, cloud subscription and support, consulting, or other service revenue, depending on the nature of the service for which the out-of-pocket expenses were incurred.

Software revenue represents fees earned from the sale or license of software to customers for use on the customer's premises, in other words, where the customer has the right to take possession of the software for installation on the customer's premises (on-premise software). Revenue from the sale of perpetual licenses of our standard software products is recognized in line with the requirements for selling goods stated in IAS 18 (Revenue) when evidence of an arrangement exists, delivery has occurred, the risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the customer, the amount of revenue and associated costs can be measured reliably, and collection of the related receivable is probable. The fee of the sale is recognized net of returns and allowances, trade discounts, and volume rebates.

We usually sell or license on-premise software on a perpetual basis. Occasionally, we license on-premise software for a specified period of time. Revenue from short-term time-based licenses, which usually include support services during the license period, is recognized ratably over the license term. Revenue from multi-year time-based licenses that include support services, whether separately priced or not, is recognized ratably over the license term unless a substantive support service renewal rate exists; if this is the case, the amount allocated to the delivered software is recognized as software revenue based on the residual method once the basic criteria described above have been met.

In general, our software license agreements do not include acceptance-testing provisions. If an arrangement allows for customer acceptance-testing of the software, we defer revenue until the earlier of customer acceptance or when the acceptance right lapses.

We usually recognize revenue from on-premise software arrangements involving resellers on evidence of sell-through by the reseller to the end-customer, because the inflow of the economic benefits associated with the arrangements to us is not probable before sell-through has occurred.

Sometimes we enter into customer-specific on-premise software development agreements. We recognize software revenue in connection with these arrangements using the percentage-of-completion method based on contract costs incurred to date as a percentage of total estimated contract costs required to complete the development work. If we do not have a sufficient basis to reasonably measure the progress of completion or to estimate the total contract revenue and costs, revenue is recognized only to the extent of the contract costs incurred for which we believe recoverability to be probable. When it becomes probable that total contract costs exceed total contract revenue in an arrangement, the expected losses are recognized immediately as an expense based on the costs attributable to the contract.

On-premise software subscription contracts combine software and support service elements, as under these contracts the customer is provided with current software products, rights to receive unspecified future software products, and rights to product support during the on-premise software subscription term. Customers pay a periodic fee for a defined subscription term, and we recognize such fees ratably over the term of the arrangement beginning with the delivery of the first product. Revenue from on-premise software subscription contracts is allocated to the software revenue and support revenue line items in our Consolidated Income Statements.

On-premise software rental contracts also combine software and support service elements. Under such contracts the customer is provided with current software products and product support, but not with the right to receive unspecified future software products. Customers pay a periodic fee over the rental term. We recognize fees from software rental contracts ratably over the term of the arrangement. Revenue from rental contracts is allocated to the software revenue and support revenue line items in our Consolidated Income Statements.

Support revenue represents fees earned from providing customers with unspecified future software updates, upgrades, and enhancements, and technical product support services for on-premise software products. We recognize support revenue based on our performance under the support arrangements. Under our major support services our performance obligation is to stand ready to provide technical product support and to provide unspecified updates and enhancements on a when-and-if-available basis. For these support services we recognize revenue ratably over the term of the support arrangement. We do not sell separately technical product support or unspecified software upgrades, updates, and enhancements. Accordingly, we do not distinguish within software and software-related service revenue or within cost of software and software-related services the amounts attributable to technical support services and unspecified software upgrades, updates, and enhancements.

Revenue from cloud subscriptions and support represents fees earned from providing customers with:

The right to use software in a cloud-based-infrastructure (hosting) provided by SAP, where the customer does not have the right to terminate the hosting contract and take possession of the software to run it on the customer's own IT infrastructure or by a third party hosting provider without significant penalty, or

Additional premium support beyond the standard support which is included in SAP's basic cloud subscription fees, or

Hosting services and related application management services for software hosted by SAP, where the customer has the right to terminate the hosting contract and take possession of the software without significant penalty.

Cloud subscription and support revenue is recognized as the services are performed. Where a fixed fee is agreed for the right to continuously access and use a cloud offering for a certain term, the fee is recognized ratably over the term covered by the fixed fee. Fees that are based on actual transaction volumes are recognized as the transactions occur.

Revenue from consulting primarily represents fees earned from providing customers with consulting services which primarily relate to the installation and configuration of our software products and cloud offerings. Usually, our consulting contracts

do not involve significant production, modification, or customization of software and the related revenue is recognized as the services are provided using the percentage-of-completion method of accounting as outlined above.

Revenue from other services represents fees earned from providing customers with training services, application management services for software not hosted by SAP, messaging services, SAP marketing events, and referral services.

Training services provide educational services to customers and partners regarding the use of our software products. We recognize training revenue and application management services as the services are rendered.

Messaging services primarily comprise the transmission of electronic text messages from one mobile phone provider to another. We recognize revenue from message services based upon the number of messages successfully processed and delivered. Revenue from fixed-price messaging arrangements is recognized ratably over the contractual term of the arrangement.

Revenue from marketing events hosted by SAP, for which SAP sells tickets to its customers, is recognized when the marketing event is completed.

Referral services comprise referring customers to partners. We recognize revenue from referral services upon providing the referral. The majority of our arrangements contain multiple elements. We account for software, support, cloud subscription, consulting and other service deliverables as separate units of account and allocate revenue based on fair value. Fair value is determined by establishing either company-specific objective evidence, or an estimated stand-alone selling price.

The revenue amounts allocated to the individual elements are recognized when the revenue recognition criteria described above have been met for the respective element.

We generally determine the fair value of each element based on its company-specific objective evidence of fair value, which is the price charged when that element is sold separately or, for elements not yet sold separately, the price established by our management if it is probable that the price will not change before the element is sold separately.

We derive the company-specific objective evidence of fair value for our support services from the rates charged to renew the support services annually after an initial period. Such renewal rates generally represent a fixed percentage of the discounted software license fee charged to the customer. The majority of our customers renew their annual support service contracts at these rates.

Where company-specific objective evidence of fair value or third-party evidence of selling price cannot be established for deliverables, we determine the fair value of the respective element by estimating its stand-alone selling price. This is generally the case for our cloud subscription offerings.

Estimated stand-alone selling price (ESP) for our cloud subscription offerings is determined based on the rates agreed with the individual customers to apply if and when the subscription arrangement renews. We determine ESP by considering multiple factors which include, but are not limited to, the following: i) substantive renewal rates contained within an arrangement for cloud subscription deliverables; ii) gross margin objectives and internal costs for services; and iii) pricing practices, market conditions, and competitive landscape.

We apply the residual method of revenue recognition when company-specific objective evidence of fair value or estimated stand-alone selling price exists for all of the undelivered elements in the arrangement, but does not exist for one or more delivered elements. This is generally the case in multiple element arrangements involving on-premise software and services related to on-premise software where company-specific objective evidence of fair value or estimated stand-alone selling price exists for all the services in the arrangement (for example, support services, consulting services, cloud subscription services), but does not exist for the on-premise software. Under the residual method, revenue is allocated to all undelivered elements in the amount of their respective fair values and the remaining amount of the arrangement fee is allocated to the delivered element. With this policy we have considered the guidance provided by FASB ASC Subtopic 985-605, Software Revenue Recognition (FASB ASC 985-605), where applicable, as authorized by IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors (IAS 8).

In multiple element arrangements where company-specific objective evidence of fair value or an

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estimated stand-alone selling price exists for all elements, revenue is allocated to the elements based on their relative fair values (relative fair value method).

Our consideration of whether on-premise software, cloud subscriptions, consulting or other services are to be accounted for separately or as one combined element of the arrangement depends on:

Whether the arrangement involves significant production, modification, or customization of the software or cloud subscription, and

Whether the services are not available from third-party vendors and are therefore deemed essential to the software. If neither of the above is the case, revenue for the on-premise software or cloud subscription element, and the other elements, are recognized separately. In contrast, if one or both of the above applies, the respective elements of the arrangement are combined and accounted for as a single unit of account, and the portion of the arrangement fee allocated to this single unit of account is recognized using the percentage-of-completion method, as outlined above, or over the cloud subscription term, if applicable, depending on which service term is longer.

We consider FASB ASC 985-605 in our accounting for options that entitle the customer to purchase, in the future, additional on-premise software. We allocate revenue to future incremental discounts whenever customers are granted the right to license additional on-premise software at a higher discount than the one given within the initial software license arrangement, or to purchase or renew services at rates below the fair values established for these services.

Our contributions to resellers that allow our resellers to execute qualified and approved marketing activities are recognized as an offset to revenue, unless we obtain a separate identifiable benefit for the contribution, and the fair value of the benefit is reasonably estimable.

Cost of Software and Software-Related Services

Cost of software and software-related services includes the cost incurred in producing the goods and providing the services that generate software and software-related service revenue. Consequently, this line item includes primarily

employee expenses relating to these services, amortization of acquired intangibles, fees for third-party licenses, shipping and ramp-up cost.

Cost of Professional Services and Other Services

Cost of professional services and other services includes the cost incurred in providing the services that generate professional service and other service revenue including messaging revenues. The item also includes sales and marketing expenses related to our professional services and other services that result from sales and marketing efforts that cannot be clearly separated from providing the services.

Research and Development

Research and development includes the costs incurred by activities related to the development of software solutions (new products, updates, and enhancements) including resource and hardware costs for the development systems.

Development activities involve the application of research findings or other knowledge to a plan or design of new or substantially improved software products before the start of commercial use. Development expenditures are capitalized only if all of the following criteria are met:

The development cost can be measured reliably.

The product is technically and commercially feasible.

Future economic benefits are probable.

We intend to complete development and market the product.

We have determined that the conditions for recognizing internally generated intangible assets from our software development activities are not met until shortly before the products are available for sale. Development costs incurred after the recognition criteria are met have not been material. Consequently, all research and development costs are expensed as incurred.

Sales and Marketing

Sales and marketing includes costs incurred for the selling and marketing activities related to our software solutions, software-related service portfolio, and cloud business.

General and Administration

General and administration includes costs related to finance and administrative functions, human resources, and general management as long as they are not directly attributable to one of the other operating expense line items.

Leases

We are a lessee of property, plant, and equipment, mainly buildings, hardware, and vehicles, under operating leases that do not transfer to us the substantive risks and rewards of ownership. Rent expense on operating leases is recognized on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease including renewal terms if, at inception of the lease, renewal is reasonably assured.

Some of our operating leases contain lessee incentives, such as up-front payments of costs or free or reduced periods of rent. The incentives are amortized over the life of the lease and the rent expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease. The same applies to contractually-agreed future increases of rents.

Income Tax

Deferred taxes are accounted for under the liability method. We recognize deferred tax assets and liabilities for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities in the Consolidated Statements of Financial Position and their respective tax bases and on the carryforwards of unused tax losses and unused tax credits. Deferred tax assets are recognized to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, unused tax losses, and unused tax credits can be utilized.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realized or the liability is settled, based on tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in profit or loss, unless related to items recognized in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in the period of (substantive) enactment.

The carrying amount of a deferred tax asset is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and is reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow the benefit of part or all of the deferred tax assets to be utilized.

We have aligned the presentation of prior period comparative amounts for tax assets and tax liabilities with the current period presentation by offsetting certain current tax assets against certain current tax liabilities and certain deferred tax assets against certain deferred tax liabilities which were not offset previously. The impact of this offsetting on the comparative amounts was to decrease both, current tax assets and current tax liabilities as of December 31, 2012, by 70 million and to decrease both, deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities as of December 31, 2012, by 353 million. Management concluded that these adjustments were immaterial to the consolidated financial statements.

Share-Based Payments

Share-based payments cover cash-settled and equity-settled awards issued to our employees. The fair values of both equity-settled and cash-settled awards are initially measured at grant date using an option-pricing model.

The fair value of equity-settled awards is not subsequently remeasured. The grant date fair value of equity-settled awards is recognized as personnel expense in profit or loss over the period in which the employees become unconditionally entitled to the rights, with a corresponding increase in share premium. The amount recognized as an expense is adjusted to reflect the actual number of equity-settled awards that ultimately vest. We grant our employees discounts on certain share-based payments. Since those discounts are not dependent on future services to be provided by our employees, the discount is recognized as an expense when the rights are granted.

For the share-based payments that are settled by paying cash rather than by issuing equity instruments, a provision is recorded for the rights granted reflecting the vested portion of the fair value of the rights at the end of each reporting period. Personnel expense is recognized over the period the beneficiaries are expected to perform the related service (vesting period), with a corresponding increase in provisions. Cash-settled awards are remeasured to fair value at the end of each reporting date until the award is settled. Any changes in the fair value of the provision are recognized as personnel expense in profit or loss. The amount of unrecognized compensation

expense is dependent on the future price of our ordinary shares which we cannot reasonably predict.

Where we hedge our exposure to cash-settled awards, changes in the fair value of the respective hedging instruments are also recognized as personnel expense in profit or loss. The fair values for hedged programs are based on market data reflecting current market expectations.

For more information about our share-based payments, see Note (27).

Other Components of Equity

Other components of equity include:

Exchange differences arising from the translation of the financial statements of our foreign operations as well as the exchange differences from intercompany long-term monetary items for which settlement is neither planned nor likely to occur in the foreseeable future

Unrealized gains and losses on available-for-sale financial assets

Gains and losses on cash-flow hedges comprising the net change in fair value of the effective portion of the respective cash-flow hedges that have not yet impacted profit or loss

Treasury Shares

Treasury shares are recorded at acquisition cost and are presented as a deduction from total equity. Gains and losses on the subsequent reissuance of treasury shares are credited or charged to share premium on an after-tax basis. On cancellation of treasury shares, any excess of their carrying amount over the calculated par value is charged to retained earnings.

Earnings per Share

We present basic and diluted earnings per share (EPS). Basic earnings per share is determined by dividing profit after tax attributable to equity holders of SAP AG by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the respective year. Diluted earnings per share reflect the potential dilution assuming the conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares.

Financial Assets

Our financial assets comprise cash and cash equivalents (highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less), loans and receivables, acquired equity and debt investments, and derivative financial instruments (derivatives) with positive fair values.

These assets are recognized and measured in accordance with IAS 39 (Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement). Accordingly, financial assets are recognized in the Consolidated Statements of Financial Position if we have a contractual right to receive cash or other financial assets from another entity. Regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recorded at the trade date. Financial assets are initially recognized at fair value plus, in the case of financial assets not at fair value through profit or loss, directly attributable transaction costs. Interest-free or below-market-rate loans and receivables are initially measured at the present value of the expected future cash flows. The subsequent measurement depends on the classification of our financial assets to the following categories according to IAS 39:

Loans and receivables: Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are neither quoted in an active market nor intended to be sold in the near term. This category comprises trade receivables, receivables and loans included in other financial assets, and cash and cash equivalents. We carry loans and receivables at amortized cost less impairment losses. For further information on trade receivables, see the Trade and Other Receivables section.

Available-for-sale financial assets: Available-for-sale financial assets are non-derivative financial assets that are not assigned to either of the two other categories and mainly include equity investments and debt investments. Available-for-sale financial assets are measured at fair

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value, with changes in fair value being reported net of tax in other comprehensive income. Fair value changes are not recognized in profit or loss until the assets are sold or impaired.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss: Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss comprise only those financial assets that are held for trading, as we do not designate financial assets at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition. This category solely

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contains embedded and freestanding derivatives with positive fair values. Except where hedge accounting is applied, all changes in the fair value of financial assets in this category are immediately recognized in profit or loss. For more information about derivatives, see the Derivatives section.

All financial assets not accounted for at fair value through profit or loss are assessed for impairment at each reporting date or if we become aware of objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that indicate that the carrying amount of the asset may not be recoverable. Objective evidence includes but is not limited to a significant or prolonged decline of the fair value below its carrying amount, a high probability of insolvency, or a material breach of contract by the issuer such as a significant delay or a shortfall in payments due. Impairment losses in the amount of the difference between an asset's carrying amount and the present value of the expected future cash flows or current fair value, respectively, are recognized in financial income, net. For available-for-sale financial assets such impairment losses directly reduce an asset's carrying amount, while impairments on loans and receivables are recorded using allowance accounts. Account balances are charged off against the respective allowance after all collection efforts have been exhausted and the likelihood of recovery is considered remote. Impairment losses are reversed if the reason for the original impairment loss no longer exists. No such reversals are made for available-for-sale equity investments.

Income/expenses and gains/losses on financial assets consist of impairment losses and reversals, interest income and expenses, dividends, and gains and losses from the disposal of such assets. Dividend income is recognized when earned. Interest income is recognized based on the effective interest method. Neither dividend nor interest income is included in net gains/losses at the time of disposal of an asset. Financial assets are derecognized when contractual rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets expire or the financial assets are transferred together with all material risks and benefits.

Derivatives

We account for derivatives and hedging activities in accordance with IAS 39 at fair value.

Derivatives Without Designated Hedge Relationship

Many transactions constitute economic hedges, and therefore contribute effectively to the securing of financial risks but do not qualify for hedge accounting under IAS 39. For the hedging of currency risks inherent in foreign currency denominated and recognized monetary assets and liabilities, we do not designate our held-for-trading derivative financial instruments as accounting hedges, as the profits and losses from the underlying transactions are recognized in profit or loss in the same periods as the profits or losses from the derivatives.

Embedded Derivatives

We occasionally have contracts that require payment streams in currencies other than the functional currency of either party to the contract. Such embedded foreign currency derivatives are separated from the host contract and accounted for separately if the following are met:

The economic characteristics and risks of the host contract and the embedded derivative are not closely related.

A separate instrument with the same terms as the embedded derivative would meet the definition of a derivative.

The combined instrument is not measured at fair value through profit or loss.

Derivatives with Designated Hedge Relationship

We designate derivatives in respect of foreign currency risk or interest rate risk as cash flow or fair value hedges in a hedging relationship that qualifies for hedge accounting under IAS 39 and carry them at their fair value. At inception, we designate and document the hedge relationship, including the nature of the risk, the identification of the hedged item, the hedging instrument, and how we will assess the hedge effectiveness. Furthermore, at inception and on an ongoing basis we measure and document whether the derivatives are highly effective in offsetting the changes in the fair values or cash flows of the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk. The accounting for changes in fair value of the hedging instrument depends on the type of the hedge and the effectiveness of the hedging relationship. For more information about our hedges, see Note (25).

a) Cash Flow Hedge

In general, we apply cash flow hedge accounting to the foreign currency risk of highly probable forecasted transactions and interest rate risk on variable rate financial liabilities.

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of the derivative instrument determined to be an effective hedge is recognized in other comprehensive income and presented within other components of equity from cash flow hedges. With regard to foreign currency risk, this relates to the spot price and the intrinsic values of the derivatives designated and qualifying as cash flow hedges, while gains and losses on the interest element and on those time values excluded from the hedging relationship as well as the ineffective portion of gains or losses are recognized in profit or loss. We subsequently reclassify the effective portion of gains or losses from other comprehensive income to profit or loss when the hedged transaction affects profit or loss.

If the hedge no longer meets the criteria for hedge accounting, any cumulative gain or loss recognized in other comprehensive income at that time remains in other comprehensive income until the forecasted transaction is ultimately recognized in profit or loss. When a forecasted transaction is no longer expected to occur, the cumulative gain or loss existing in other comprehensive income at that time is immediately transferred to profit or loss.

b) Fair Value Hedge

We apply fair value hedge accounting for hedging certain of our fixed rate financial liabilities.

Changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as fair value hedges are recorded in profit or loss, together with any changes in the fair value of the hedged asset or liability that are attributable to the hedged risk (basis adjustment). The change in the fair value of the derivatives and the change in the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk are recognized in profit or loss in the line item relating to the hedged item.

If the hedge no longer meets the criteria for hedge accounting, the basis adjustment to the carrying amount of a hedged item for which the effective interest method is used is amortized over the period to maturity.

Valuation and Testing of Effectiveness

The effectiveness of the hedging relationship is tested prospectively and retrospectively. Prospectively, we apply the critical terms match for our foreign currency hedges as currencies, maturities, and the amounts are identical for the forecasted transactions and the spot element of the forward exchange rate contract or intrinsic value of the currency options, respectively. For interest rate swaps, we also apply the critical terms match as the notional amounts, currencies, maturities, basis of the variable legs or fixed legs, respectively, reset dates, and the dates of the interest and principal payments are identical for the debt instrument and the corresponding interest rate swaps. Therefore, over the life of the hedging instrument, the changes in the designated components of the hedging instrument will offset the impact of fluctuations of the underlying hedged items.

The method of retrospectively testing effectiveness depends on the type of the hedge as described further below:

a) Cash Flow Hedge

Retrospectively, effectiveness is tested on a cumulative basis applying the dollar offset method by using the hypothetical derivative method. Under this approach, the change in fair value of a constructed hypothetical derivative with terms reflecting the relevant terms of the hedged item is compared to the change in the fair value of the hedging instrument employing its relevant terms. The hedge is deemed highly effective if the results are within the range 80% to 125%.

b) Fair Value Hedge

Retrospectively, effectiveness is tested using statistical methods in the form of a regression analysis by which the validity and extent of the relationship between the change in value of the hedged items as the independent and the fair value change of the derivatives as the dependent variable is determined. The hedge is deemed highly effective if the determination coefficient between the hedged items and the hedging instruments exceeds 0.8 and the slope coefficient lies within a range of 0.8 to 1.25.

Trade and Other Receivables

Trade receivables are recorded at invoiced amounts less sales allowances and allowances for doubtful accounts. We record these allowances based on a specific review of all significant outstanding invoices. When analyzing the recoverability of our trade receivables, we consider the following factors:

First, we consider the financial solvency of specific customers and record an allowance for specific customer balances when we believe it is probable that we will not collect the amount due according to the contractual terms of the arrangement.

Second, we evaluate homogenous portfolios of trade receivables according to their default risk primarily based on the age of the receivable and historical loss experience, but also taking into consideration general market factors that might impact our trade receivable portfolio. We record a general bad debt allowance to record impairment losses for a portfolio of trade receivables when we believe that the age of the receivables indicates that it is probable that a loss has occurred and we will not collect some or all of the amounts due.

Account balances are written off, that is, charged off against the allowance after all collection efforts have been exhausted and the likelihood of recovery is considered remote.

In our Consolidated Income Statements, expenses from recording bad debt allowances for a portfolio of trade receivables are classified as other operating income, net, whereas expenses from recording bad debt allowances for specific customer balances are classified as cost of software and software-related services or cost of professional services and other services, depending on the transaction from which the respective trade receivable results. Sales allowances are recorded as an offset to the respective revenue item.

Included in trade receivables are unbilled receivables related to fixed-fee and time-and-material consulting arrangements for contract work performed to date.

Other Non-Financial Assets

Other non-financial assets are recorded at amortized cost, which approximates fair value due to their short-term nature.

Intangible Assets

We classify intangible assets according to their nature and use in our operation. Software and database licenses consist primarily of technology for internal use, whereas acquired technology consists primarily of purchased software to be incorporated into our product offerings and in-process research and development. Customer relationship and other intangibles consist primarily of customer contracts and acquired trademark licenses.

All our purchased intangible assets other than goodwill have finite useful lives. They are initially measured at acquisition cost and subsequently amortized either based on expected usage or on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives ranging from two to 16 years.

We recognize acquired in-process research and development projects as an intangible asset separate from goodwill if a project meets the definition of an asset. Amortization for these intangible assets starts when the projects are complete and the developed software is taken to the market. We typically amortize these intangibles over five to seven years.

Amortization expenses of intangible assets are classified as cost of software and software-related services, cost of professional services and other services, research and development, sales and marketing, and general and administration depending on their use.

Property, Plant, and Equipment

Property, plant, and equipment are carried at acquisition cost plus the fair value of related asset retirement costs, if any and if reasonably estimable, and less accumulated depreciation. Interest incurred during the construction of qualifying assets is capitalized and amortized over the related assets' estimated useful lives.

Property, plant, and equipment are depreciated over their expected useful lives, generally using the straight-line method.

Useful Lives of Property, Plant, and Equipment

	Useful Lives of Property, Plant, and Equipment
Buildings	25 to 50 years
Leasehold improvements	Based on the lease contract
Information technology equipment	3 to 5 years
Office furniture	4 to 20 years
Automobiles	4 to 5 years

Leasehold improvements are depreciated using the straight-line method over the shorter of the term of the lease or the useful life of the asset. If a renewal option exists, the term used reflects the additional time covered by the option if exercise is reasonably assured when the leasehold improvement is first put into operation.

Impairment of Goodwill and Non-Current Assets

We test goodwill for impairment at least annually and when events occur or changes in circumstances indicate that the recoverable amount of a cash-generating unit to which goodwill has been allocated is less than its carrying value.

The recoverable amount of goodwill is estimated each year at the same time. The goodwill impairment test is performed at the level of our operating segments since there are no lower levels in SAP at which goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes.

For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill acquired in a business combination is allocated to the operating segments that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination. If the carrying amount of the operating segment to which the goodwill is allocated exceeds the recoverable amount, an impairment loss on goodwill allocated to this operating segment is recognized. The recoverable amount is the higher of the operating segment's fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. Fair value less costs of disposal is the price that would be received to sell an asset or cash generating unit or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date, less the cost of disposal. Value in use is the present value of the future cash flows expected to be derived from an asset or cash-generating unit. Impairment losses on goodwill are not reversed in future periods.

We review non-current assets, such as property, plant, equipment, and intangible assets for impairment whenever events or changes in

circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset or group of assets may not be recoverable. Intangible assets not yet available for use are tested for impairment annually.

For the purpose of impairment testing, assets that cannot be tested individually are grouped together into the smallest group of assets that generates cash inflows from continuing use that are largely independent of the cash inflows of other assets or groups of assets. If assets do not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or groups of assets, the impairment test is not performed at an individual asset level; instead, it is performed at the level of the cash-generating unit (CGU) to which the asset belongs.

An impairment loss is recognized if the carrying amount of an asset or its CGU exceeds its estimated recoverable amount. The recoverable amount of an asset or its CGU is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs of disposal. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset.

Impairment losses are presented in other operating income, net in profit or loss.

Contingent Assets

We carry insurance policies to, among other things, offset the expenses associated with defending against litigation matters as well as other risks. We recognize the respective reimbursements in profit or loss when it is virtually certain that the reimbursement will be received and retained by us.

Liabilities

Financial Liabilities

Financial liabilities include trade and other payables, bank loans, issued bonds, private placements and other financial liabilities which comprise derivative and non-derivative financial liabilities.

Financial liabilities are recognized and measured in accordance with IAS 39. Accordingly, they are recognized in the Consolidated Financial Statements if we have a contractual obligation to transfer cash or another financial asset to another party. Financial liabilities are initially recognized at fair value. In the case of financial liabilities not measured at fair value through profit or loss, the initial measurement includes directly attributable transaction costs. If material, financial liabilities are discounted to present value based on prevailing market rates adjusted for credit risk, with the discount being recognized over time as interest expense. The subsequent measurement depends on the allocation of financial liabilities to the following categories according to IAS 39:

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss only comprise those financial liabilities that are held for trading, as we do not designate financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition. This category solely contains embedded and other derivatives with negative fair values, except where hedge accounting is applied. All changes in the fair value of financial liabilities in this category are immediately recognized in profit or loss. For more information about derivatives, see the Derivatives section.

Financial liabilities at amortized cost include all non-derivative financial liabilities which are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method.

Expenses and gains/losses on financial liabilities consist of interest expense, and gains and losses from the disposal of such liabilities. Interest expense is recognized based on the effective interest method.

Financial liabilities are derecognized when the contractual obligation is discharged, canceled, or has expired.

Non-Financial Liabilities

Other non-financial liabilities with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market are mainly the result of obligations to employees and fiscal authorities and are generally measured at amortized cost.

Provisions

Provisions are recorded when all of the following conditions are met:

It is more likely than not that we have a legal or constructive obligation to third parties as a result of a past event.
The amount can be reasonably estimated.

It is probable that there will be an outflow of future economic benefits to settle the obligation, while there may be uncertainty about the timing or amount of the future expenditure required in the settlement.

We regularly adjust provisions as further information becomes available or circumstances change. Non-current provisions are reported at the present value of their expected settlement amounts as at the reporting date. Discount rates are regularly adjusted to current market interest rates.

A provision for restructuring is recognized when we have approved a detailed and formal restructuring plan and the restructuring has commenced or has been announced.

Post-Employment Benefits

We measure our pension-benefit liabilities and other post-employment benefits based on actuarial computations using the projected-unit-credit method in accordance with IAS 19. The assumptions used to calculate pension liabilities and costs are disclosed in Note (18a). As a result of the actuarial calculation for each plan, we recognize an asset or liability for the overfunded or underfunded status of the respective defined benefit plan. We classify a portion of the liability as current (determined on a plan-by-plan basis) if the amount by which the actuarial present value of benefits included in the benefit obligation payable within the next 12 months exceeds the fair value of plan assets. Remeasurements of the defined benefit obligation (DBO) or plan assets resulting from demographic and financial data different than originally assumed and from changes in assumptions can result in actuarial gains and losses. We recognize all such remeasurements immediately in retained earnings through other comprehensive income. They will not be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods. Net interest expense and other expenses related to defined benefit plans are recognized in employee expenses.

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SAP's pension benefits are classified as defined contribution plans if the payment to a separate fund relieves SAP of all obligations from the pension plan. Obligations for contributions to defined contribution pension plans are recognized as an expense in profit or loss when paid or due.

Certain of our foreign subsidiaries are required to provide termination indemnity benefits to their employees regardless of the reason for

termination (retirement, voluntary, or involuntary). We treat these plans as defined benefit pension plans if the substance of the post-employment plan is a pension-type arrangement. Most of these arrangements provide the employee with a one-time payout based on compensation levels, age, and years of service on termination independent of the reason (retirement, voluntary, or involuntary).

Deferred Income

Deferred income is recognized as software revenue, support revenue, cloud subscription and support revenue, consulting revenue, or other service revenue, depending on the reasons for the deferral, once the basic applicable revenue recognition criteria have been met, for example, when the related services are performed or when the discounts are used.

(3c) Management Judgments and Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

The preparation of the Consolidated Financial Statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make judgments, estimates, and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses, as well as disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities.

We base our judgments, estimates, and assumptions on historical and forecast information, as well as regional and industry economic conditions in which we or our customers operate, changes to which could adversely affect our estimates. Although we believe we have made reasonable estimates about the ultimate resolution of the underlying uncertainties, no assurance can be given that the final outcome of these matters will be consistent with what is reflected in our assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses. Actual results could differ from original estimates.

The accounting policies that most frequently require us to make judgments, estimates, and assumptions, and therefore are critical to understanding our results of operations, include the following:

Revenue recognition

Valuation of trade receivables

Accounting for share-based payments

Accounting for income tax
Accounting for business combinations

Subsequent accounting for goodwill and other intangibles

Accounting for legal contingencies

Recognition of internally generated intangible assets from development

Our management periodically discusses these critical accounting policies with the Audit Committee of the Supervisory Board.

Revenue Recognition

As described in the Revenue Recognition section of Note (3b), we do not recognize revenue before persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, delivery has occurred, the risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the customer, the amount of revenue can be measured reliably, and collection of the related receivable is probable. The determination of whether the amount of revenue can be measured reliably or whether the fees are collectible is inherently judgmental as it requires estimates as to whether and to what extent subsequent concessions may be

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granted to customers and whether the customer is expected to pay the contractual fees. The timing and amount of revenue recognition can vary depending on what assessments have been made.

In most of our revenue-generating arrangements we sell to the customer more than one product solution or service. Additionally, we have ongoing relationships with many of our customers and often enter into several transactions with the same customer within close proximity in time. We therefore have to determine the following:

Which arrangements with the same customer are to be accounted for as one arrangement

Which deliverables under one arrangement are to be accounted for separately

How to allocate the total arrangement fee to the individual elements of one arrangement

The determination of whether different arrangements with the same customer are to be accounted for as one arrangement is highly judgmental, as it requires us to evaluate whether the arrangements are negotiated together or linked in any other way. The timing and amount of revenue recognition can vary depending on whether two arrangements are accounted for separately or as one arrangement.

Under an arrangement including on-premise software, or a cloud subscription, and other deliverables, we do not account for the on-premise software, or cloud subscription, and the other deliverables separately if one of the other deliverables (such as consulting services) is deemed to be essential to the functionality of the on-premise software, or cloud subscription. The determination whether an undelivered element is essential to the functionality of the delivered element requires the use of judgment. The timing and amount of revenue recognition can vary depending on how that judgment is exercised, because revenue may be recognized over a longer service term.

We also do not account separately for different deliverables under an arrangement if we have no basis for allocating the overall arrangement fee to the different elements of the arrangement. However, we believe that such allocation basis exists if we can either demonstrate for each undelivered element of the arrangement a company-specific fair value, or, where such company-specific fair value cannot be established, if we can reasonably estimate stand-alone selling prices, as further defined in the Revenue Recognition section of Note (3b). Judgment is required in the determination of an appropriate fair value measurement which may impact the timing and amount of revenue recognized depending on the following:

Whether an appropriate measurement of fair value can be demonstrated for undelivered elements.

The approaches used to establish fair value.

Additionally, our revenue for on-premise software contracts would be significantly different if we applied a revenue allocation policy other than the residual method.

Revenue from consulting, other services, and customer-specific on-premise software development projects is determined by applying the percentage-of-completion method. The percentage-of-completion method requires us to make estimates about total revenue, total cost to complete the project, and the stage of completion. The assumptions, estimates, and uncertainties inherent in determining the stage of completion affect the timing and amounts of revenue recognized and expenses reported. If we do not have a sufficient basis to measure the progress of completion or to estimate the total contract revenue and costs, revenue recognition is limited to the amount of contract costs incurred. The

determination of whether a sufficient basis to measure the progress of completion exists is judgmental. Changes in estimates of progress towards completion and of contract revenue and contract costs are accounted for as cumulative catch-up adjustments to the reported revenue for the applicable contract.

Valuation of Trade Receivables

As described in the Trade and Other Receivables section in Note (3b), we account for impairments of trade receivables by recording sales allowances and allowances for doubtful accounts on an individual receivable basis and on a portfolio basis. The assessment of whether a receivable is collectible is inherently judgmental and requires the use of assumptions about customer defaults that could change significantly. Judgment is required when we evaluate available information about a particular customer's financial situation to determine whether it is probable that a credit loss will occur and the amount of such loss is reasonably estimable and thus an allowance for that specific account is necessary. Basing the general allowance for the remaining receivables on our historical loss experience, too, is highly judgmental, as history may not be indicative of future development, particularly in the global economic circumstances resulting from the recent global financial crisis. Changes in our estimates about the allowance for doubtful accounts could materially impact the reported assets and expenses in our financial statements, and our profit could be adversely affected if actual credit losses exceed our estimates.

Accounting for Share-Based Payments

We use certain assumptions in estimating the fair values for our share-based payments, including expected future share price volatility and expected option life (which represents our estimate of the average amount of time remaining until the options are exercised or expire unexercised). In addition, the final payout for these plans also depends on our share price at the respective exercise dates. All these assumptions may significantly impact the fair value determination and thus the amount and timing of our share-based payment expense. Furthermore, the fair values of the options granted under our 2009 Plan (SOP PP) are dependent on our performance against the Technology Peer Group Index (TechPGI) since the respective grant date, the volatility and the expected correlation between the market price of this index, and our share price.

For the purpose of determining the estimated fair value of our stock options, we believe expected volatility is the most sensitive assumption. Regarding future payout under the plans, the price of SAP's shares will be the most relevant factor. The fair values of the Restricted Share Units (RSUs) granted under our Employee Participation Plan (EPP) and Long-Term Incentive Plan (LTI) 2015 depend on SAP's share price directly after the announcement of the preliminary fourth quarter and full-year results for the last financial year of the respective performance period under the EPP (three-year holding period under the LTI 2015), and thus may be significantly above or below the budgeted amounts. With respect to our plan granted in 2009 (SOP PP), we believe that future payout will be significantly impacted not only by our share price but also by the requirement to outperform the TechPGI. Changes in these factors could significantly affect the estimated fair values as calculated by the option-pricing model, and the future payout. For more information about these plans, see Note (27).

Accounting for Income Tax

We conduct operations and earn income in numerous foreign countries and are subject to changing tax laws in multiple jurisdictions within the countries in which we operate. Our ordinary business activities also include transactions where the ultimate tax outcome is uncertain, such as those involving revenue sharing and cost reimbursement arrangements between SAP Group entities. In addition, the amount of income tax we pay is generally subject to ongoing audits by domestic and foreign tax authorities. As a result, judgment is necessary in determining our worldwide income tax provisions. We have made reasonable estimates about the ultimate resolution of our tax uncertainties based on current tax laws and our interpretation thereof. Such judgment can have a material effect on our income tax expense, income tax provision, and profit after tax.

The carrying amount of a deferred tax asset is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and is reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow the benefit of part or all of the deferred tax assets to be utilized. This assessment requires management judgment, estimates, and assumptions. In evaluating our ability to utilize our deferred tax assets, we consider all available positive and negative evidence, including the level of historical taxable income and projections for future taxable income over the periods in which the deferred tax assets are recoverable. Our judgment regarding future taxable income is based

on expectations of market conditions and other facts and circumstances. Any adverse change to the underlying facts or our estimates and assumptions could require that we reduce the carrying amount of our net deferred tax assets.

For more information about our income tax, see Note (10).

Accounting for Business Combinations

In our accounting for business combinations, judgment is required in determining whether an intangible asset is identifiable, and should be recorded separately from goodwill. Additionally, estimating the acquisition-date fair values of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed involves considerable management judgment. The necessary measurements are based on information available at the acquisition date and are based on expectations and assumptions that have been deemed reasonable by management. These judgments, estimates, and assumptions can materially affect our financial position and profit for several reasons, among which are the following:

Fair values assigned to assets subject to depreciation and amortization affect the amounts of depreciation and amortization to be recorded in operating profit in the periods following the acquisition.

Subsequent negative changes in the estimated fair values of assets may result in additional expense from impairment charges.

Subsequent changes in the estimated fair values of liabilities and provisions may result in additional expense (if increasing the estimated fair value) or additional income (if decreasing the estimated fair value).

Subsequent Accounting for Goodwill and Other Intangibles

As described in the Intangible Assets section in Note (3b), all our intangible assets other than goodwill have finite useful lives. Consequently, the depreciable amount of the intangible assets is allocated on a systematic basis over their useful lives. Judgment is required in determining the following:

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The useful life of an intangible asset, as this determination is based on our estimates regarding the period over which the intangible asset is expected to produce economic benefits to us.

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The amortization method, as IFRS requires the straight-line method to be used unless we can reliably determine the pattern in which the asset's future economic benefits are expected to be consumed by us.

Both the amortization period and the amortization method have an impact on the amortization expense that is recorded in each period.

In making impairment assessments for our intangible assets and goodwill, the outcome of these tests is highly dependent on management's latest estimates and assumptions regarding future cash flow projections and economic risks, which are complex and require significant judgment and assumptions about future developments. They can be affected by a variety of factors, including changes in our business strategy, our internal forecasts, and an estimate of our weighted-average cost of capital. Due to these factors, actual cash flows and values could vary significantly from the forecasted future cash flows and related values derived using the discounted cash flow method. Although we believe the assumptions and estimates we have made in the past have been reasonable and appropriate, different assumptions and estimates could materially affect our financial position and profit.

The results of goodwill impairment tests may depend on the allocation of goodwill to our operating segments. This allocation is judgmental as it is based on our estimates regarding which operating segments are expected to benefit from the synergies of the business combination.

We recognized no impairment losses on our goodwill and no significant impairment losses on our intangible assets during 2013. Although we do not currently have an indication of any significant impairment, there can be no assurance that impairment losses will not occur in the future. For more information, see Note (15).

Accounting for Legal Contingencies

As described in Note (23), we are currently involved in various claims and legal proceedings. We review the status of each significant matter not less frequently than each quarter and assess our potential financial and business exposures related to such matters. Significant judgment is required in the determination of whether a provision is to be recorded and what the appropriate amount for such provision should be. Notably, judgment is required in the following:

- Determining whether an obligation exists
- Determining the probability of outflow of economic benefits

- Determining whether the amount of an obligation is reliably estimable

- Estimating the amount of the expenditure required to settle the present obligation

Due to uncertainties relating to these matters, provisions are based on the best information available at the time.

At the end of each reporting period, we reassess the potential obligations related to our pending claims and litigation and adjust our respective provisions to reflect the current best estimate. In addition, we monitor and evaluate new information that we receive after the end of the respective reporting period but before the Consolidated Financial Statements are authorized for issue to determine whether this provides additional information regarding conditions that existed at the end of the reporting period. Such revisions to our estimates of the potential obligations could have a material impact on our financial position and profit. For further information about this case, see Notes (18b) and (23).

Recognition of Internally Generated Intangible Assets from Development

Under IAS 38, internally generated intangible assets from the development phase are recognized if certain conditions are met. These conditions include the technical feasibility, intention to complete, the ability to use or sell the asset under development, and the demonstration of how the asset will generate probable future economic benefits. The cost of a recognized internally generated intangible asset comprises all directly attributable cost necessary to make the asset capable of being used as intended by management. In contrast, all expenditures arising from the research phase are expensed as incurred.

We believe that determining whether internally generated intangible assets from development are to be recognized as intangible assets requires significant judgment, particularly in the following areas:

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Determining whether activities should be considered research activities or development activities.

Determining whether the conditions for recognizing an intangible asset are met requires

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assumptions about future market conditions, customer demand and other developments.

The term *technical feasibility* is not defined in IFRS, and therefore determining whether the completion of an asset is technically feasible requires judgment and a company-specific approach.

Determining the future ability to use or sell the intangible asset arising from the development and the determination of the probability of future benefits from sale or use.

Determining whether a cost is directly or indirectly attributable to an intangible asset and whether a cost is necessary for completing a development.

We have determined that the conditions for recognizing internally generated intangible assets from our software development activities are not met until shortly before the developed products are available for sale. This assessment is monitored by us on a regular basis.

(3d) New Accounting Standards Adopted in the Current Period

The following new accounting standards and amendments to standards have been adopted in fiscal year 2013:

Amendments to IFRS 7 (Financial Instruments: Disclosures) – Offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities, which require entities to disclose gross amounts subject to rights of set-off, amounts set off in accordance with the accounting standards followed, and the related net credit exposure. The amendments did not result in an impact on the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements.

IFRS 10 (Consolidated Financial Statements), IFRS 11 (Joint Arrangements), and IFRS 12 (Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities) including amendments to the transition guidance for IFRS 10-12 issued in June 2012, which provide a single consolidation model that identifies control as the basis for consolidation for all types of entities, establish principles for the financial reporting by parties to a joint arrangement, and combine, enhance and replace the disclosure requirements for subsidiaries, joint arrangements, associates and structured entities. The adoption of this new set of standards (we adopted the new standards earlier than required by the European Union) did not result in a change in the financial position of the Group. However, additional qualitative and quantitative disclosure has been added, for example, with respect to consolidated structured entities.

IFRS 13 (Fair Value Measurement), which defines fair value, sets out in a single IFRS a framework for measuring fair value, and requires disclosures about fair value measurements. The adoption of the standard has resulted in additional disclosures, for example, relating to risks associated with financial instruments and to the valuation techniques used for the valuation of the financial instruments.

Amendments to IAS 1 (Presentation of Financial Statements), which aim to improve and align the presentation of items of other comprehensive income in financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS and U.S. GAAP. Since SAP had already made appropriate changes in the Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income in prior years, the adoption of the standard did not result in any changes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Amendments to IAS 19, which aim to improve the understanding of how defined benefit plans affect an entity's financial position, financial performance, and cash flows. The retrospective application of the revised IAS 19 in accordance with the transitional provisions set out in IAS 19.173 (as revised in 2011) resulted in the netting of items in the Consolidated Statements of Financial Position (mandatory netting of plan assets with time credits and semiretirement obligations now classified as other long-term employee benefits), reclassifications of certain employee benefit liabilities from short-term benefits to long-term benefits and consequential remeasurement of these liabilities. These changes, which are immaterial both individually and in the aggregate, resulted in amounts of adjustments for the following balance sheet line items as of December 31, 2012: decrease of non-current other financial assets by 124 million, increase of deferred tax assets by 18 million (thus reducing total assets by 106 million), increase of current other non-financial liabilities by 68 million, decrease of current and

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non-current other provisions by 93 million and 45 million respectively, increase of deferred tax liabilities by 3 million (thus reducing total liabilities by 67 million) and a reduction of retained earnings by 39 million. The impacts on our income statements were inconsequential in all periods presented. The standard also resulted in

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additional disclosures (for example, a sensitivity analysis for changes in defined benefit obligations, additional components considered in actuarial assumptions, etc.), for more information see Note (18a).

Amendments to IAS 36 (Impairment of Assets), which aim to remove the unintended consequences of IFRS 13 on the disclosures required under IAS 36 and expand the disclosures on recoverable amounts of assets or cash-generating units when they are based on fair value less costs of disposals. SAP has early-adopted these new amendments to IAS 36.

(3e) New Accounting Standards Not Yet Adopted

The standards and interpretations (relevant to the Group) that are issued, but not yet effective, up to the date of issuance of the Group's financial statements are disclosed below. The Group

intends to adopt these standards, if applicable, when they become effective:

IFRS 9 (Financial Instruments) and subsequent amendments to IFRS 7 and IFRS 9, which will be applicable in fiscal year 2017 at the earliest (the final mandatory effective date is expected to be determined after the final guidance has been issued). The new guidance is expected to impact the classification and measurement of financial assets. We have not yet completed the determination of the impact on our Consolidated Financial Statements.

Amendments to IAS 32 (Financial Instruments: Presentation) – Offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities, which become mandatory for the Group's 2014 Consolidated Financial Statements, aim to eliminate inconsistencies when applying the offsetting criteria and include some clarifications. The amendments will not have a material impact on our Consolidated Financial Statements.

(4) Business Combinations

In 2013, we concluded the following business combinations:

Acquired Businesses

	Sector	Acquisition Type	Acquired Voting Interest	Acquisition Date
Ticket-Web GmbH & Co. KG, Wildau, Germany	Solution provider of ticketing & customer relationship management	Asset Deal	NA	March 4, 2013
KMS Software Company LLC., Los Angeles, California, USA	Provider of employee onboarding solutions	Asset Deal	NA	April 1, 2013
Camilion Solutions, Inc., Toronto, Canada	Solutions for the insurance industry	Share Deal	100%	April 2, 2013
SmartOps Corporation, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA	Provider of inventory and service-level optimization software solutions	Share Deal	100%	April 12, 2013
hybris AG, Rotkreuz, Switzerland	Provider of independent commerce technology (B2B and B2C)	Share Deal	100%	August 1, 2013
KXEN Inc., San Francisco, California, USA	Provider of predictive analytics technology for line of business users and analysts	Share Deal	100%	October 1, 2013

We acquire businesses in specific areas of strategic interest to us.

Acquisition of hybris

On August 1, 2013, following satisfaction of applicable regulatory and other approvals, we acquired 100% of the shares of hybris AG.

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hybris is a recognized leader in independent commerce technology (B2B and B2C). We expect this acquisition to combine hybris's omnichannel commerce solution with SAP's enterprise

technology and in-memory, cloud, and mobile innovations and help facilitate new levels of customer insight and engagement.

Financial Impact of Our Acquisitions as of the Acquisition Date

The following table summarizes the values of identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed, as of the acquisition date.

Recognized Amounts of Identifiable Assets Acquired and Liabilities Assumed

millions	Total	Thereof hybris
Cash and cash equivalents	16	10
Other financial assets	1	1
Trade and other receivables	40	30
Other non-financial assets	5	4
Property, plant, and equipment	8	7
Intangible assets	376	332
Thereof acquired technology	192	167
Thereof customer relationship and other intangibles	182	164
Customer relationship	156	144
Trade name	11	10
Other intangible assets	15	10
Thereof software and database licenses	2	1
Current and deferred tax assets	21	13
Total identifiable assets	467	397
Trade accounts payable	13	10
Loans and borrowings	25	24
Current and deferred tax liabilities	83	67
Provisions and other non-financial liabilities	34	30
Thereof legal and litigation related liabilities	1	1
Deferred revenue	16	14
Total identifiable liabilities	171	145
Total identifiable net assets	296	252
Goodwill	840	780
Total consideration transferred in cash	1,136	1,032

The goodwill arising from the acquisitions consists largely of the synergies and the know-how and technical skills of the acquired businesses workforces.

hybris goodwill is attributed to expected synergies from the acquisition particularly sourcing from the customers' transformations from channel-centric to omnichannel business. By combining hybris commerce solutions with SAP products, we expect to enable our customers across all devices, delivery channels and touchpoints to provide

new levels of real-time customer interaction and customer engagement.

The initial accounting for the business combinations entered into in 2013 is incomplete because we are still obtaining the information necessary to identify and measure contingent liabilities and tax related assets and liabilities of the acquired businesses. Accordingly, the respective amounts recognized in our financial statements for these items are regarded provisional as of December 31, 2013.

The acquisition-related costs incurred totaled 10 million for our 2013 business combinations, all of which were recognized in general and administration expense.

Impact of Business Combinations on Our Financial Statements

The amounts of revenue and profit or loss of the hybris business acquired in 2013 since the acquisition date included in the consolidated income statements for the reporting period are as follows:

Impact of hybris on SAP's Financials

millions	Contribution of hybris
Revenue	70
Profit after tax	11

Had hybris been consolidated as of January 1, 2013, our estimated pro forma revenue for the reporting period would have been 16,865 million, and pro forma profit after tax would have been 3,282 million.

These amounts were calculated after applying the Company's accounting policies and after adjusting the results for hybris to reflect, for example:

- Additional depreciation and amortization that would have been charged assuming the fair value adjustment to property, plant, and equipment and intangible assets had been applied from January 1, 2013

- The impact of fair value adjustments on deferred revenue on a full-year basis

- The borrowing costs on the funding levels and debt/equity position of the Company after the business combination
- Employee benefits

- Related tax effects

These pro forma numbers have been prepared for comparative purposes only. The pro forma revenue and profit numbers are not necessarily indicative of either the results of operations that would have actually occurred had the acquisition been in effect at the beginning of the respective periods or of future results.

Prior year acquisitions are described in the Consolidated Financial Statements in the 2012 Annual Report.

(5) Revenue

For detailed information about our revenue recognition policies, see Note (3).

For revenue information by segment and geographic region, see Note (28).

Revenue from construction-type contracts (contract revenue) is included in software revenue and consulting revenue depending on the type of project. The status of our construction projects in progress at the end of the reporting period accounted for under IAS 11 was as follows:

Construction Projects in Progress

millions	2013	2012	2011
Revenue recognized in the respective year	194	196	172
Aggregate cost recognized (multi-year)	221	255	229
Recognized result (+ profit/ loss; multi-year)	87	2	14
Advance payments received	1	3	5
Gross amounts due from customers	3	7	20
Gross amounts due to customers	69	15	44
Loss provisions	3	34	27

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(6) Other Operating Income/Expense, Net

Other operating income/expense, net, was as follows:

Other Operating Income/Expense, Net

millions	2013	2012	2011
Miscellaneous other operating expenses	6	3	3
Gain/loss on disposals of non-current assets	0	5	18
Miscellaneous other operating income	19	31	10
Other operating income/expense, net	12	23	25

(7) Employee Benefits Expense and Headcount***Employee Benefits Expense***

Employee benefits expense comprises the following:

Employee Benefits Expense

millions	2013	2012	2011
Salaries	5,997	5,726	4,938
Social security expense	857	777	642
Pension expense	212	190	168
Share-based payment expense	327	522	68
Termination benefits	39	65	65
Employee-related restructuring expense	57	6	0
Employee benefits expense	7,489	7,286	5,880

Pension expense includes the amounts recorded for our defined benefit and defined contribution plans as described in Note (18a). Expenses for local state pension plans are included in social security expense.

Number of Employees

On December 31, 2013, the breakdown of our full-time equivalent employee numbers by function in SAP and by region was as follows:

Number of Employees

Full-time equivalents	December 31, 2013				December 31, 2012				December 31, 2011			
	EMEA ¹⁾	Americas	Asia Pacific Japan	Total	EMEA ¹⁾	Americas	Asia Pacific Japan	Total	EMEA ¹⁾	Americas	Asia Pacific Japan	Total
Software and software-related services	4,859	2,861	3,541	11,261	4,559	2,628	3,364	10,551	4,068	2,079	2,816	8,963
Professional services and other services	7,177	4,406	3,047	14,629	7,020	4,399	2,840	14,259	6,808	3,963	2,497	13,268
Research and development	8,806	3,630	5,367	17,804	8,952	3,672	5,388	18,012	8,713	3,028	4,120	15,861
Sales and marketing	6,346	6,437	3,041	15,824	5,697	6,220	2,982	14,899	4,856	4,581	2,343	11,780
General and administration	2,424	1,445	697	4,566	2,243	1,383	660	4,286	2,073	1,120	542	3,735
Infrastructure	1,380	790	318	2,488	1,286	821	308	2,415	1,182	702	274	2,158
SAP Group (December 31)	30,993	19,568	16,011	66,572	29,757	19,123	15,542	64,422	27,700	15,473	12,592	55,765
Thereof acquisitions	511	571	29	1,111	791	2,987	1,038	4,816	264	49	90	403
SAP Group (months end average)	30,238	19,418	15,752	65,409	29,009	17,619	14,506	61,134	27,296	15,010	12,040	54,346

¹⁾ Europe, Middle East, Africa

Allocation of Share-Based Payment Expense

The allocation of expense for share-based payments, net of the effects from hedging these instruments, to the various operating expense items is as follows:

Share-Based Payments

millions	2013	2012	2011
Cost of software and software-related services	40	42	5
Cost of professional services and other services	61	104	11
Research and development	90	125	16
Sales and marketing	96	123	15
General and administration	40	127	21
Share-based payments	327	522	68
Thereof cash-settled share-based payments	240	450	33
Thereof equity-settled share-based payments	87	72	35

For more information about our share-based payments, see Note (27).

(8) Other Non-Operating Income/Expense, Net

Other non-operating income/expense, net was as follows:

Other Non-Operating Income/Expense, Net

millions	2013	2012	2011
Foreign currency exchange gain/loss, net	4	154	58
Thereof from financial assets/liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	75	102	44
Thereof from available for sale financial assets	0	2	0
Thereof from loans and receivables	184	32	177
Thereof from financial liabilities at amortized cost	105	20	79
Thereof from non-financial assets/liabilities	0	2	4
Miscellaneous other non-operating income	1	4	2
Miscellaneous other non-operating expense	22	23	19
Other non-operating income/expense, net	17	173	75

(9) Financial Income, Net

Financial Income, net was as follows:

Financial Income, Net

millions	2013	2012	2011
Finance income			
Interest income from			
available-for-sale financial assets (debt)	0	1	2
loans and receivables	37	45	58
derivatives	32	27	37
Gains on			
available-for-sale financial assets (debt)	0	0	1
available-for-sale financial assets (equity)	46	30	12
Share of result of associates	0	0	9
Finance income	115	103	119
Finance cost			
Interest expense from			
financial liabilities at amortized cost	131	130	123
derivatives	23	28	37
TomorrowNow litigation	0	1	8
Losses on			
available-for-sale financial assets (equity)	2	1	0
Impairment losses from			
available-for-sale financial assets (equity)	11	7	2
Fee expenses	14	8	7
Finance cost	181	175	161
Financial income, net	66	72	42

(10) Income Tax

Income tax expense for the years ended December 31 is attributable to the following regions:

Tax Expense According to Region

millions	2013	2012	2011
Current tax expense			
Germany	836	700	635
Foreign	326	506	521
Total current tax expense	1,162	1,206	1,156
Deferred tax expense/income			
Germany	51	11	14
Foreign	142	202	189
Total deferred tax expense/income	91	213	175
Total income tax expense	1,071	993	1,331

Income tax expense for the years ended December 31 comprised the following components:

Major Components of Tax Expense

millions	2013	2012	2011
Current tax expense/income			
Tax expense for current year	1,249	1,173	1,152
Taxes for prior years	87	33	4
Total current tax expense	1,162	1,206	1,156
Deferred tax expense/income			
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	168	266	164
Unused tax losses, research and development tax credits and foreign tax credits	77	53	11
Total deferred tax expense/income	91	213	175
Total income tax expense	1,071	993	1,331

Profit before tax for the years ended December 31 consisted of the following:

Profit Before Tax

millions	2013	2012	2011
Germany	3,126	2,460	2,316
Foreign	1,270	1,336	2,451
Total	4,396	3,796	4,767

The following table reconciles the expected income tax expense computed by applying our combined German tax rate of 26.41% (2012: 26.47%; 2011: 26.34%) to the actual income tax expense. Our 2013 combined German tax rate includes a corporate income tax rate of 15.00% (2012: 15.00%; 2011: 15.00%), plus a solidarity surcharge of 5.5% (2012: 5.5%; 2011: 5.5%) thereon, and trade taxes of 10.58% (2012: 10.64%; 2011: 10.51%).

Relationship Between Tax Expense and Profit Before Tax

millions, unless otherwise stated	2013	2012	2011
Profit before tax	4,396	3,796	4,767
Tax expense at applicable tax rate of 26.41% (2012: 26.47%; 2011: 26.34%)	1,161	1,005	1,256
Tax effect of:			
Foreign tax rates	116	114	79
Non-deductible expenses	158	111	89
Tax exempt income	146	169	149
Withholding taxes	87	71	93
Research and development and foreign tax credits	41	29	33
Prior-year taxes	113	15	25
Reassessment of deferred tax assets, research and development tax credits, and foreign tax credits	60	31	0
Other	21	72	21
Total income tax expense	1,071	993	1,331
Effective tax rate (in %)	24.4	26.2	27.9

105 million of the prior-year tax income recognized in the current reporting period relate to assets acquired or liabilities assumed in business combinations of previous reporting periods.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities on a gross basis as at December 31 are attributable to the following items:

Recognized Deferred Tax Assets and Liabilities

millions	2013	2012
Deferred tax assets		
Intangible assets	87	117
Property, plant, and equipment	18	35
Other financial assets	7	2
Trade and other receivables	38	67
Carryforwards of unused tax losses	521	641
Pension provisions	78	76
Share-based payments	105	122
Other provisions and obligations	305	305
Deferred income	48	46
Research and development and foreign tax credits	65	37
Other	121	120
Deferred tax assets	1,393	1,568
Deferred tax liabilities		
Intangible assets	696	844
Property, plant, and equipment	52	55
Other financial assets	367	382
Trade and other receivables	26	23
Pension provisions	6	4
Share-based payments	1	2
Other provisions and obligations	21	17
Deferred income	6	20
Other	39	36
Deferred tax liabilities	1,214	1,383
Deferred tax assets/liabilities, net	179	185

We retrospectively adjusted the provisional amounts recognized for deferred tax assets and liabilities related to the 2012 Ariba business combination by a corresponding decrease in goodwill in the amount of 82 million. The

adjustment reflects new information obtained about facts and circumstances as of the acquisition date, mainly about the utilization of carryforwards of unused tax losses.

Deferred tax assets have not been recognized in respect of the following items for the years ended December 31:

Items Not Resulting in a Deferred Tax Asset

millions	2013	2012	2011
Unused tax losses			
Not expiring	68	49	38
Expiring in the following year	43	6	10
Expiring after the following year	525	517	93
Total unused tax losses	636	572	141
Deductible temporary differences	178	202	30
Unused research and development and foreign tax credits			
Not expiring	25	32	17
Expiring in the following year	1	0	0
Expiring after the following year	1	36	3
Total unused tax credits	27	68	20

421 million (2012: 367 million; 2011: 34 million) of the unused tax losses relate to U.S. state tax loss carryforwards. As described above, prior-year numbers for unused tax losses related to the 2012 Ariba business combination were adjusted, resulting in a decrease in the amount of 743 million.

We have not recognized a deferred tax liability on approximately 7.07 billion (2012: 5.84 billion)

for undistributed profits of our subsidiaries, because we are in a position to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that such differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

The proposed dividend payment of 1.00 per share for the year ended December 31, 2013, will not have any effects on the income tax of SAP AG.

Total income tax including the items charged or credited directly to share premium and other comprehensive income for the years ended December 31 consists of the following:

Total Income Tax

millions	2013	2012	2011
Income tax recorded in profit	1,071	993	1,331
Income tax recorded in share premium	5	4	10
Income tax recorded in other comprehensive income that will not be reclassified to profit and loss			
Actuarial gains/losses on defined benefit pension plans	3	4	5
Income tax recorded in other comprehensive income that will be reclassified to profit and loss			
Gains/losses on cash flow hedges	0	17	1
Currency effects	8	3	6
Total	1,077	1,005	1,309

The income tax recorded in share premium relates to our equity-settled share-based payment.

We are subject to ongoing tax audits by domestic and foreign tax authorities. As a result of the tax audit of SAP AG and its German subsidiaries for the years 2003 through 2006, we are in dispute with the German tax authorities in respect of intercompany financing matters. We strongly disagree with the tax authorities' position and intend to vigorously contest it. Currently, we expect that we will need to initiate litigation to prevail. We have not recorded a provision for this matter as we believe that the tax authorities' claim has no merit and that no adjustment is warranted. If, contrary to our view, the German tax authorities

were to prevail in their arguments before the court, we would expect to have an additional tax expense (including related interest expense) for the tax audit period 2003 through 2006 and for the following years 2007 through 2013 of approximately 168 million in total.

(11) Earnings per Share

Restricted shares (the bonus shares in the Share Matching Plan discussed in Note (27) below) granted to employees under our share-based payments are included in the diluted earnings per share calculations to the extent they have a dilutive effect.

Earnings per share for the years ended December 31 was calculated as follows:

Earnings per Share

millions, unless otherwise stated	2013	2012	2011
Profit attributable to equity holders of SAP AG	3,326	2,803	3,435
Issued ordinary shares	1,229	1,229	1,227
Effect of treasury shares	35	37	38
Weighted average shares outstanding, basic ⁽¹⁾	1,193	1,192	1,189
Dilutive effect of share-based payments ⁽¹⁾	2	1	1
Weighted average shares outstanding, diluted ⁽¹⁾	1,195	1,193	1,190
Earnings per share, basic, attributable to equity holders of SAP AG (in €)	2.79	2.35	2.89
Earnings per share, diluted, attributable to equity holders of SAP AG (in €)	2.78	2.35	2.89

⁽¹⁾ Number of shares in millions

(12) Other Financial Assets

Other financial assets as at December 31 were as follows:

Other Financial Assets

millions	2013			2012		
	Current	Non-Current	Total	Current	Non-Current	Total
Loans and other financial receivables	90	243	333	35	208	243
Debt investments	38	0	38	15	14	29
Equity investments	0	322	322	0	201	201
Available-for-sale financial assets	38	322	360	15	215	230
Derivatives	123	6	129	104	40	144

Investments in associates	0	36	36	0	46	46
Total	251	607	858	154	509	663

Loans and Other Financial Receivables

Loans and other financial receivables mainly consist of time deposits, investments in pension

assets for which the corresponding liability is included in employee-related obligations (see Note (18b)), other receivables, and loans to employees and third parties. The majority of our loans and other financial receivables are concentrated in the United States.

As at December 31, 2013, there were no loans and other financial receivables past due but not impaired. We have no indications of impairments of loans and other financial receivables that are not past due and not impaired as at the reporting date. For general information on financial risk and the nature of risk, see Note (24).

Available-for-Sale Financial Assets

Our available-for-sale financial assets consist of debt investments in bonds of financial and non-financial corporations and municipalities and equity investments in listed and unlisted securities.

These available-for-sale financial assets are denominated in the following currencies:

Currencies of Available-for-Sale Financial Assets

millions	2013	2012
Euros	51	36
U.S. dollars	305	185
Other	4	9
Total	360	230

For more information on fair value measurement with regard to our equity investments, see Note (26).

Derivatives

Detailed information about our derivative financial instruments is presented in Note (25).

(13) Trade and Other Receivables

Trade and other receivables were as follows:

Trade and Other Receivables

millions	2013			2012		
	Current	Non-Current	Total	Current	Non-Current	Total
Trade receivables, net	3,802	14	3,816	3,837	0	3,837
Other receivables	63	84	147	80	88	168
Total	3,865	98	3,963	3,917	88	4,005

The carrying amounts of our trade receivables as at December 31 are as follows:

Carrying Amounts of Trade Receivables

millions	2013	2012
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Gross carrying amount	3,954	3,943
Sales allowances charged to revenue	96	73
Allowance for doubtful accounts charged to expense	42	33
Carrying amount trade receivables, net	3,816	3,837

The changes in the allowance for doubtful accounts charged to expense were immaterial in all periods presented.

Concentrations of credit risks are limited due to our large customer base and its distribution across many different industries and countries worldwide.

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The aging of trade receivables as at December 31 was:

Aging of Trade Receivables

millions	2013	2012
Not past due and not individually impaired	3,055	3,068
Past due but not individually impaired		
Past due 1-30 days	330	368
Past due 31-120 days	258	246
Past due 121-365 days	120	90
Past due over 365 days	13	14
Total past due but not individually impaired	721	718
Individually impaired, net of allowances	40	51
Carrying amount of trade receivables, net	3,816	3,837

We believe that the recorded sales and bad debt allowances adequately provide for the credit risk inherent in trade receivables.

For more information about financial risk and how we manage it, see Notes (24) and (25).

(14) Other Non-Financial Assets

Other Non-Financial Assets

millions	2013			2012		
	Current	Non-Current	Total	Current	Non-Current	Total
Prepaid expenses	179	57	236	149	68	217
Other tax assets	92	0	92	74	0	74
Capitalized contract cost	55	50	105	56	0	56
Advance payments	17	0	17	11	0	11
Miscellaneous other assets	3	0	3	4	0	4
Total	346	107	453	294	68	362

Prepaid expenses primarily consist of prepayments for operating leases, support services, and software royalties that will be recognized as an expense in future periods.

(15) Goodwill and Intangible Assets**Goodwill and Intangible Assets**

millions	Goodwill	Software and Database Licenses	Acquired Technology/ IPRD	Customer Relationship and Other Intangibles	Total
Historical cost					
January 1, 2012	8,808	489	1,267	1,930	12,494
Foreign currency exchange differences	77	2	3	27	109
Additions from business combinations	4,557	4	578	1,152	6,291
Other additions	0	60	0	0	60
Retirements/disposals	0	18	64	1	83
December 31, 2012	13,288	533	1,778	3,054	18,653
Foreign currency exchange differences	345	2	40	95	482
Additions from business combinations	840	2	192	182	1,216
Other additions	0	43	0	0	43
Retirements/disposals	0	18	1	105	124
December 31, 2013	13,783	558	1,929	3,036	19,306
Accumulated amortization					
January 1, 2012	97	295	692	675	1,759
Foreign currency exchange differences	1	3	6	8	18
Additions amortization	0	57	192	316	565
Retirements/disposals	0	14	64	1	79
Transfers	0	0	29	29	0
December 31, 2012	96	335	843	953	2,227
Foreign currency exchange differences	1	2	20	22	45
Additions amortization	0	51	249	303	603
Retirements/disposals	0	17	1	105	123
December 31, 2013	95	367	1,071	1,129	2,662
Carrying value December 31, 2012	13,192	198	935	2,101	16,426
Carrying value December 31, 2013	13,688	191	858	1,907	16,644

The additions other than from business combinations to software and database licenses in 2013 and 2012 were individually acquired from third parties and include cross-license agreements and patents.

We carry the following significant intangible assets:

Significant Intangible Assets

		Carrying Amount in Millions		Remaining Useful Life in Years
		2013	2012	
Business Objects	Customer Relationships: Maintenance	150	181	8-11
Sybase	Acquired Technologies	225	330	1-3
Sybase	Customer Relationships: Maintenance	466	581	9
Sybase	Customer Relationships: Messaging and License	66	109	1-7
SuccessFactors	Acquired Technologies	206	260	6
SuccessFactors	Customer Relationships: Subscription	383	404	13
Ariba	Acquired Technologies	186	238	7
Ariba	Customer Relationships	480	508	12-14
hybris	Acquired Technologies	159	0	7
hybris	Customer Relationships	137	0	4-14
Total significant intangible assets		2,458	2,611	

The carrying amount of goodwill has been allocated for impairment testing purposes to the SAP's operating segments at December 31, 2013, and 2012, as follows:

Goodwill by Operating Segment

millions	On-Premise Products	On-Premise Services	Cloud Applications	Ariba	Total
	7,462	1,122	2,167	2,523	13,274
Adjustments	0	0	0	82	82
January 1, 2013	7,462	1,122	2,167	2,441	13,192
Additions from business combinations	726	85	27	2	840
Foreign currency exchange differences	105	12	126	100	344
December 31, 2013	8,083	1,195	2,067	2,343	13,688

Prior year goodwill amounts have been adjusted by 82 million relating to tax adjustments. For more information, see Note (10).

Goodwill Impairment Testing

The key assumptions on which management based its cash flow projections for the period covered by the underlying business plans are as follows:

Key Assumptions in Cash Flow Projections

Key assumption	Basis for determining values assigned to key assumption
Budgeted revenue growth	Revenue growth rate achieved in the current fiscal year, increased for an expected increase in SAP's addressable cloud, mobility, and database markets; expected growth in the established categories of applications and analytics. Values assigned reflect our past experience and our expectations regarding an increase in the addressable market.
Budgeted operating margin	Operating margin budgeted for a given budget period equals the operating margin achieved in the current fiscal year, increased for expected efficiency improvements. Values assigned reflect past experience, except for efficiency improvements.
Pre-tax discount rates	Our estimated cash flow projections are discounted to present value by means of the pre-tax discount rates. Pre-tax discount rates are based on the weighted average cost of capital (WACC) approach. The WACC takes into account both debt and equity and reflects specific risks relating to the relevant segment by applying individual beta factors.
Terminal growth rate	Our estimated cash flow projections for periods beyond the business plan were extrapolated using the segment-specific terminal growth rates. These growth rates do not exceed the long-term average growth rates for the markets in which our segments operate.

On-Premise Products and On-Premise Services

The recoverable amounts of the On-Premise Products and On-Premise Services segments have

been determined based on value-in-use calculations. The calculations use cash flow projections based on actual operating results and a Company-wide three-year business plan approved by management.

The key assumptions are set out below:

Key Assumptions

Percent	On-Premise Products		On-Premise Services	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Pre-tax discount rates	11.6	11.5	11.7	10.7
Terminal growth rate	3.0	2.9	0.9	2.1

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We believe that any reasonably possible change in any of the above key assumptions would not cause the carrying amount of our On-Premise Product segment or our On-Premise Services segment to exceed their respective recoverable amounts. Even an increase in discount rate of up

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to five percentage points (pp) or a reduction of estimated cash flows of up to 30% would not result in any additional impairment requirement for our On-Premise Product segment or On-Premise Services segments.

Cloud Applications and Ariba

The recoverable amounts of the Cloud Application and Ariba segments have been determined based upon fair values less costs of disposal. The fair value measurement was categorized as a level 3

fair value based on the inputs used in the valuation technique. The cash flow projections are based on actual operating results and specific estimates covering a 12-year period. The projected results were determined based on management's estimates and are consistent with the assumptions that a market participant would make. Both segments operate in a relatively immature area with significant growth rates projected for the near future. They therefore require a longer detailed planning period relative to mature segments.

The key assumptions (that a market participant would make) are set out below:

Key Assumptions

Percent	Cloud Applications 2013	Ariba 2013
Budgeted revenue growth (average of the budgeted period)	14.5	14.5
Pre-tax discount rates	13.6	14.2
Terminal growth rate	3.5	3.5

We are using a target operating margin of 36% and 34%, respectively, for the Cloud Applications segment and the Ariba segment at the end of budgeted period as a key assumption, which is within the range of expectations of market participants (for example, industry analysts).

The recoverable amounts for the Cloud Applications segment and the Ariba segment exceed the carrying amounts by 608 million (2012: 281 million) and 153 million (2012: 0 million) respectively.

In the prior year, for the Cloud Applications segment, a value-in-use calculation was used based on an eight-year business plan with

budgeted revenue growth rates in a range of 14% to 51% (with higher growth rates expected in the earlier years). The pre-tax discount rate applied was 13.1% and the terminal growth rate was 3.4%. The recoverable amount for the Ariba segment was estimated using the market approach in the prior year, which represented the best estimate of fair value because of the close proximity of the transaction date to year-end. Given available market data supporting revenue and operating margin growth rates exceeding terminal value growth rates for a period longer than five years, we believe that the most appropriate valuation technique for both segments should be based upon fair value less cost of disposals in the current year.

The following table shows amounts by which the key assumptions would need to change individually for the recoverable amount to be equal to the carrying amount:

Sensitivity to Change in Assumptions

	Cloud Applications	Ariba
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	2013	2013
Budgeted revenue growth (average of the budgeted period)	1.7pp	0.5pp
Pre-tax discount rates	+1.4pp	+0.4pp
Terminal growth rate	2.7pp	0.6pp

The recoverable amount for the Cloud Applications segment would equal the carrying amount if an operating margin of only 27% were achieved from 2022, and the recoverable amount for the Ariba

segment would equal the carrying amount if an operating margin of only 31% were achieved from 2024.

(16) Property, Plant, and Equipment

Property, Plant, and Equipment

millions	Land and Buildings	Other Property, Plant, and Equipment	Advance Payments and Construction in Progress	Total
Historical cost				
January 1, 2012	1,360	1,551	7	2,918
Foreign currency exchange differences	12	16	1	29
Additions from business combinations	13	22	1	36
Other additions	55	397	20	472
Retirements/disposals	44	236	5	285
Transfers	1	3	4	0
December 31, 2012	1,373	1,721	18	3,112
Foreign currency exchange differences	34	48	3	85
Additions from business combinations	1	7	0	8
Other additions	65	430	50	545
Retirements/disposals	15	201	6	222
Transfers	12	3	15	0
December 31, 2013	1,402	1,912	44	3,358
Accumulated depreciation				
January 1, 2012	460	907	0	1,367
Foreign currency exchange differences	5	12	0	17
Additions depreciation	56	243	0	299
Retirements/disposals	42	203	0	245
December 31, 2012	469	935	0	1,404
Foreign currency exchange differences	15	31	0	46
Additions depreciation	59	289	0	348
Retirements/disposals	14	154	0	168
December 31, 2013	499	1,039	0	1,538
Carrying value				
December 31, 2012	904	786	18	1,708
December 31, 2013	903	873	44	1,820

The additions and disposals in other property, plant, and equipment relate primarily to the replacement and purchase of computer hardware and vehicles acquired in the normal course of business.

(17) Trade and Other Payables, Financial Liabilities, and Other Non-Financial Liabilities

(17a) Trade and Other Payables

Trade and other payables as at December 31 were as follows:

Trade and Other Payables

millions	2013			2012		
	Current	Non-Current	Total	Current	Non-Current	Total
Trade payables	640	0	640	684	0	684
Advance payments received	80	0	80	81	0	81
Miscellaneous other liabilities	130	45	175	105	63	168
Trade and other payables	850	45	895	870	63	933

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Miscellaneous other liabilities include mainly deferral amounts for free rent periods and liabilities related to government grants.

(17b) Financial Liabilities

Financial liabilities as at December 31 were as follows:

Financial Liabilities

millions	2013 Nominal volume		2013 Carrying amount			2012 Nominal volume		2012 Carrying amount		
	Non-		Non-		Total	Non-		Non-		Total
	Current	Current	Current	Current		Current	Current	Current	Current	
Bonds	500	1,800	500	1,791	2,291	600	2,300	600	2,287	2,887
Private placement transactions	86	1,922	86	1,891	1,977	0	2,094	0	2,088	2,088
Financial Debt	586	3,722	586	3,682	4,268	600	4,394	600	4,375	4,975
Other financial liabilities	NA	NA	162	76	238	NA	NA	202	71	273
Financial liabilities			748	3,758	4,506			802	4,446	5,248

Financial liabilities are unsecured, except for the retention of title and similar rights customary in our industry. Effective interest rates on our financial debt (including the effects from interest rate swaps) were 2.48% in 2013, 2.87% in 2012, and 2.98% in 2011.

For an analysis of the contractual cash flows of our financial liabilities based on maturity, see Note (24). For information on the risk associated with our financial liabilities, see Note (25). For information on fair values, see Note (26).

Bonds

As at December 31, we had outstanding bonds with the following terms:

Bonds

	Maturity	Issue Price	Coupon Rate	Effective Interest Rate	Nominal Volume (in millions)	Balance on 12/31/2013 (in millions)	Balance on 12/31/2012 (in millions)
Eurobond 1 2010	2014	99.755%	2.50% (fix)	2.64%	500	500	499
Eurobond 2 2010	2017	99.780%	3.50% (fix)	3.58%	500	499	498
Eurobond 4 2010	2013	99.857%	2.25% (fix)	2.38%	600	0	600
Eurobond 5 2012	2015	99.791%	1.00% (fix)	1.17%	550	547	547
Eurobond 6 2012	2019	99.307%	2.125% (fix)	2.27%	750	745	743
Bonds						2,291	2,887

In September 2012, we arranged a debt issuance program with an initial renewable term of 12 months. The program enables us to issue bonds in a number of tranches in different currencies up to a volume of 2.4 billion. In November 2012, we issued bonds under the program as shown in the

table above. In September 2013, our debt issuance program was extended by 12 months and the volume was increased to 4 billion, all of which is available for new bond issuances.

All our Eurobonds are listed for trading on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange.

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Private Placement Transactions

Our private placement transactions have the following terms:

Private Placements

	Maturity	Coupon Rate	Effective Interest Rate	Nominal Volume (in respective currency in millions)	Balance on 12/31/2013 (in millions)	Balance on 12/31/2012 (in millions)
German promissory note						
Tranche 3 2009	2014	4.92% (fix)	4.98%	86	86	86
U.S. private placements						
Tranche 1 2010	2015	2.34% (fix)	2.40%	US\$ 300	216	227
Tranche 2 2010	2017	2.95% (fix)	3.03%	US\$ 200	145	151
Tranche 3 2011	2016	2.77% (fix)	2.82%	US\$ 600	434	454
Tranche 4 2011	2018	3.43% (fix)	3.50%	US\$ 150	108	113
Tranche 5 2012	2017	2.13% (fix)	2.16%	US\$ 242.5	175	183
Tranche 6 2012	2020	2.82% (fix)	2.86%	US\$ 290	206	219
Tranche 7 2012	2022	3.18% (fix)	3.22%	US\$ 444.5	313	336
Tranche 8 2012	2024	3.33% (fix)	3.37%	US\$ 323	225	244
Tranche 9 2012	2027	3.53% (fix)	3.57%	US\$ 100	69	75
Private placements					1,977	2,088

The U.S. private placement notes were issued by one of our subsidiaries that has the U.S. dollar as its functional currency.

Other Financial Liabilities

Our other financial liabilities mainly comprise derivative liabilities and liabilities for accrued interest.

(17c) Other Non-Financial Liabilities

Other non-financial liabilities as at December 31 were as follows:

Other Non-Financial Liabilities

millions	2013			2012		
	Current	Non-Current	Total	Current	Non-Current	Total
Other employee-related liabilities	1,775	112	1,887	1,768	98	1,866
Other taxes	488	0	488	436	0	436
Other non-financial liabilities	2,263	112	2,375	2,204	98	2,302

Other employee-related liabilities mainly relate to vacation accruals, bonus and sales commission accruals, as well as employee-related social security obligations.

Other taxes comprise mainly payroll tax liabilities and value-added tax liabilities.

(18) Provisions

Provisions as at December 31 were as follows:

Provisions

millions	2013			2012		
	Current	Non-Current	Total	Current	Non-Current	Total
Pension plans and similar obligations (see Note (18a))	2	62	64	3	69	72
Other provisions (see Note (18b))	643	215	858	840	278	1,118
Total	645	277	922	843	347	1,190

(18a) Pension Plans and Similar Obligations

We maintain several defined benefit and defined contribution pension plans for our employees in Germany and at foreign subsidiaries, which provide for old age, disability, and survivors' benefits. The measurement dates for the domestic and foreign benefit plans are December 31. Individual benefit plans have also been established for members of our Executive Board. Furthermore, in certain countries we provide termination indemnity benefits to employees regardless of the cause for termination. These types of benefits are typically defined by law in these foreign countries.

Our domestic defined benefit pension plans provide participants with pension benefits that are based on the length of service and compensation of employees.

There is also a domestic employee-financed pension plan which SAP funds through the purchase of qualifying insurance policies and where SAP guarantees a minimum return on

investment which is equivalent to the return guaranteed by the insurer. Even though the risk that SAP would be liable for a return that cannot be met by the insurance company is very remote, these employee-financed plans do not qualify as defined contribution plans under IFRS and consequently, the pension liabilities and the respective insurance policies are included in domestic plan assets and plan liabilities respectively.

Foreign defined benefit pension plans provide participants with pension benefits that are based on compensation levels, age, and length of service.

The pension plan in Switzerland accounted for 189 million of defined benefit obligation and 194 million of the plan assets. This plan consists of three benefits namely retirement benefits, disability benefits and spouse pension. These obligations are based on salary and age of the employees. Both employer and employee make contributions to the plan. Statutory minimum funding obligations exist.

The following table shows the present value of the nature of the benefits provided by the defined benefit obligations:

Nature of the Benefits

millions	Domestic	Foreign	Other	Total
	Plans	Plans	Post-Employment	
	2013	2013	Plans	2013
Present value of defined benefit obligation				
Benefits based on final salary				
Annuity	14	2	0	16
Lump sum	0	5	25	30
Benefits not based on final salary				
Annuity	40	189	1	230

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Lump sum	574	35	8	617
Total	628	231	34	893

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The following table shows the change in present values of the defined benefit obligations (DBOs) and the fair value of the plan assets with a reconciliation of the funded status to net amounts:

Change in the Present Value of the DBO and the Fair Value of the Plan Assets

millions	Domestic Plans		Foreign Plans		Other Post-Employment Plans		Total	
	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012
Change in benefit obligation								
Benefit obligation at beginning of year	597	462	220	453	32	23	850	938
Current service cost	7	2	15	15	3	3	25	16
Interest expense	19	21	4	8	1	1	24	30
Employee contributions	28	26	5	5	0	0	33	31
Remeasurements loss (+)/gain ()	17	94	1	0	1	6	17	100
Benefits paid	5	5	4	3	1	2	10	10
Acquisitions/divestitures	0	0	1	0	2	1	3	1
Curtailments/settlements	0	0	0	257	0	0	0	257
Past service cost	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Foreign currency exchange rate changes	0	0	12	1	2	0	14	1
Benefit obligation at year-end	628	597	231	220	34	32	893	850
Thereof fully or partially funded plans	628	597	196	180	20	19	844	796
Thereof unfunded plans	0	0	35	40	14	13	49	54
Change in plan assets								
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	589	461	181	387	9	6	779	854
Interest income	20	22	4	7	1	1	25	30
Employer contributions	1	1	14	31	4	4	19	36
Employee contributions	28	26	5	5	0	0	33	31
Benefits paid	5	5	4	3	1	1	10	9
Acquisitions/divestitures	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Curtailments/settlements	0	0	0	257	0	0	0	257
Remeasurements loss ()/gain (+)	10	84	5	8	0	0	5	92
Foreign currency exchange rate changes	0	0	3	3	2	0	5	3
Fair value of plan assets at year-end	623	589	201	181	11	9	835	779
Reconciliation of net defined benefit liability (asset)								
Net defined benefit liability (asset) at beginning of year	8	1	39	66	23	17	70	84
Current service cost	7	2	15	15	3	3	25	16
Interest expense (income)	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
Employer contributions	1	1	14	31	4	4	19	36
Employee contributions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Remeasurements loss (+)/gain ()	7	10	4	8	1	6	12	8
Benefits paid	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Acquisitions/divestitures	0	0	0	0	2	1	2	1
Past service cost	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Foreign currency exchange rate changes	0	0	9	4	0	0	9	4

millions	Domestic Plans		Foreign Plans		Other Post-Employment Plans		Total	
	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012
Net defined benefit liability (asset) at year-end	5	8	30	39	23	23	58	71
Amounts recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position:								
Non-current pension assets	0	0	6	1	0	0	6	1
Accrued benefit liability (current)	0	0	2	3	0	0	2	3
Accrued benefit liability (non-current)	5	8	34	37	23	23	62	69
Total	5	8	30	39	23	23	58	71

The following weighted average assumptions were used for the actuarial valuation of our domestic and foreign pension liabilities as well as other post-employment benefit obligations as at the respective measurement date:

Actuarial Assumptions for Defined Benefit Liabilities

Percent	Domestic Plans			Foreign Plans			Other Post-Employment Plans		
	2013	2012	2011	2013	2012	2011	2013	2012	2011
Discount rate	3.6	3.3	4.6	2.1	1.9	3.2	5.2	4.8	5.5
Future salary increases	2.5	2.5	2.5	1.7	1.8	0.8	4.7	4.2	3.9
Future pension increases	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Employee turnover	2.0	2.0	2.0	9.9	9.5	4.2	2.5	2.3	2.3
Inflation	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	1.3	0.5	1.1	1.1	1.2

The assumed discount rates are derived from rates available on high-quality corporate bonds and government bonds for which the timing and amounts of payments match the timing and the amounts of our projected pension payments.

The sensitivity analysis table shows how the present value of all defined benefit obligations

would have been influenced by reasonable possible changes to above actuarial assumptions. The sensitivity analysis table presented below considers change in one actuarial assumption at a time, holding all other actuarial assumptions constant.

Sensitivity Analysis

millions	Domestic Plans		Foreign Plans		Other Post-Employment Plans		Total	
	2013		2013		2013		2013	
Present value of all defined benefit obligations if:								
Discount rate was 50 basis points higher	585		217		32		834	
Discount rate was 50 basis points lower	675		246		36		957	
Expected rate of future salary increases was 50 basis points higher	628		233		36		897	
Expected rate of future salary increases was 50 basis points lower	628		228		32		888	
Expected rate of future pension increases was 50 basis points higher	632		236		34		902	
Expected rate of future pension increases was 50 basis points lower	625		226		34		885	
Expected inflation was 50 basis points higher	628		233		36		897	

Expected inflation was 50 basis points lower	628	229	32	889
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The components of total expense of defined benefit pension plans for the years 2013, 2012, and 2011 recognized in operating expense were as follows:

Total Expense of Defined Benefit Pension Plans

millions	Domestic Plans			Foreign Plans			Other Post-Employment Plans			Total		
	2013	2012	2011	2013	2012	2011	2013	2012	2011	2013	2012	2011
Current service cost	7	2	1	15	15	18	3	3	3	25	16	20
Interest expense	19	21	20	4	8	13	1	1	1	24	30	34
Interest income	20	22	21	4	7	12	1	1	0	25	30	33
Past service cost	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	2
Total expense	6	3	2	16	16	17	4	3	4	26	16	19
Actual return on plan assets	10	106	28	9	15	5	1	1	0	20	122	33

Due to the fact that our domestic defined benefit pension plans primarily consist of an employee-financed post-retirement plan that is fully financed with qualifying insurance policies, current service

cost may turn into a credit as a result of adjusting the defined benefit liability's carrying amount to the fair value of the qualifying plan assets. Such adjustments are recorded in service cost.

We have recognized the following amounts as remeasurements for our defined benefit pension plans:

Remeasurements on Defined Benefit Pension Plans

millions	Domestic Plans			Foreign Plans			Other Post-Employment Plans			Total		
	2013	2012	2011	2013	2012	2011	2013	2012	2011	2013	2012	2011
Beginning balance of remeasurements on defined benefit plans (gains () and losses (+))	10	0	4	12	101	87	5	0	0	3	101	83
Remeasurements on defined benefit obligations:												
Actuarial gains () and losses (+) arising from change in demographic assumptions	0	0	0	3	0	5	0	0	0	3	0	5
Actuarial gains () and losses (+) arising from change in financial assumptions	28	106	14	6	5	5	0	0	0	34	111	19
Actuarial gains () and losses (+) arising from experience adjustments	11	12	3	6	5	9	0	5	0	17	12	12
Remeasurements on plan assets:												
Actuarial gains () and losses (+) arising from experience adjustments	10	84	7	5	3	12	0	0	0	5	87	5
Settlement	0	0	0	0	110	0	0	0	0	0	110	0
Foreign currency exchange rate changes	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	0
Ending balance of remeasurements												
on defined benefit plans (gains () and losses (+))	2	10	0	17	12	101	3	5	0	12	3	101

For the determination of the total expense for the years 2013, 2012, and 2011, the projection of the defined benefit obligation and the fair value of the plan assets as at December 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011, the following principal actuarial assumptions (expressed as weighted averages for our foreign and post-employment benefit plans) were used:

Actuarial Assumptions for Total Expense

Percent	Domestic Plans			Foreign Plans			Other Post-Employment Plans		
	2013	2012	2011	2013	2012	2011	2013	2012	2011
Discount rate	3.3	4.6	4.9	2.0	2.2	3.3	4.8	5.6	5.8
Future salary increases	2.5	2.5	2.5	1.7	1.8	1.3	4.2	3.9	3.4
Future pension increases	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Employee turnover	2.0	2.0	2.0	9.8	10.2	4.2	2.0	1.9	2.0
Inflation	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	1.3	0.5	1.1	1.1	1.2

Our investment strategy on domestic benefit plans is to invest all contributions in stable insurance policies.

Our investment strategies for foreign benefit plans vary according to the conditions in the country in which the respective benefit plans are situated. Generally, a long-term investment horizon has been adopted for all major foreign benefit plans. Although our policy is to invest in a risk-diversified portfolio consisting of a mix of assets, both the defined benefit obligation and plan assets can fluctuate overtime which exposes the Group to actuarial and market (investment) risks. Depending on the statutory requirements in each country, it might be necessary to reduce the underfunding by addition of liquid assets. To minimize these actuarial and market fluctuations, SAP reviews relevant financial factors for appropriateness and reasonableness and makes modifications to eliminate certain effects when considered necessary. Our plan asset allocation as at December 31, 2013, and December 31, 2012, was as follows:

Plan Asset Allocation

millions	2013		2012	
	Quoted in an Active Market	Not Quoted in an Active Market	Quoted in an Active Market	Not Quoted in an Active Market
Asset category				
Equity investments	48	0	42	0
Corporate bonds	65	0	63	0
Real estate	33	0	29	0
Insurance policies	9	623	8	589
Cash and cash equivalents	34	0	31	0
Others	23	0	17	0
Total	212	623	190	589

Our expected contribution in 2014 is 1 million for domestic defined benefit pension plans and 15 million for foreign defined benefit pension plans, all of which is expected to be paid in cash.

The weighted duration of our defined benefit plans amounted to 15 years as at December 31, 2013, and 14 years as at December 31, 2012.

The table below presents the maturity analysis of the benefit payments:

Maturity Analysis

millions	Domestic Plans 2013	Foreign Plans 2013	Other Post- Employment Plans 2013
Less than a year	8	20	1
Between 1-2 years	9	36	2
Between 2-5 years	58	53	5
Over 5 years	989	205	64
Total	1,064	314	72

Defined Contribution Plan/State Plans

We also maintain domestic and foreign defined contribution plans. Amounts contributed by us under such plans are based on a percentage of the employees' salaries or the amount of contributions made by employees. Furthermore, in Germany and some other countries we make contributions to public pension plans that are operated by national or local government or a similar institution. The expenses of defined contribution plans and state plans for the years 2013, 2012, and 2011, were as follows:

Total Expense of Defined Contribution Plans and State Plans

millions	2013	2012	2011
Defined contribution plans	182	173	151
State plans	316	296	244
Total expense	498	469	395

(18b) Other Provisions

Changes in other provisions over the reporting year were as follows:

Other Provisions

millions	Balance 1/1/2013	Addition	Additions from business combinations	Utili- zation	Release	Currency Impact	Balance 12/31/2013
Employee-related provisions							
Provisions for share-based payments	579	293	0	360	54	13	445
Other employee-related provisions	87	58	0	80	11	2	52
Customer-related provisions	74	83	0	83	36	2	36
Litigation-related provisions							
TomorrowNow litigation	234	0	0	1	0	10	223
Other litigation-related provisions	55	6	1	11	36	3	12
Restructuring provisions	12	74	0	49	4	0	33
Onerous contract provisions (other than from customer contracts)	53	3	0	22	0	1	33
Other provisions	24	6	0	3	1	2	24
Total other provisions	1,118	523	1	609	142	33	858
Thereof current	840						643

Thereof non-current

278

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For more information about our share-based payments, see Note (27).

Other employee-related provisions primarily comprise obligations for time credits, severance payments, jubilee expenses, and semiretirement. While most of these employee-related provisions can be claimed within the next 12 months, we do not expect the related cash flows within this time period.

Customer-related provisions include performance obligations, as well as expected contract losses from contracts with customers. The associated cash outflows are substantially short-term in nature.

Litigation-related provisions relate primarily to the litigation matters described in Note (23). They include the expenses related to the provision established for the related litigation as well as any related legal fees incurred to date and expected to be incurred in the future. We have established provisions taking into account the facts of each case. The timing of the cash outflows associated with legal claims cannot be reasonably determined in all cases. For more information, see Note (3c).

Restructuring provisions comprise various restructuring activities that occurred in 2013 and 2012.

During 2012 and 2013, we implemented organizational changes in sales and go-to-market in EMEA and North America. We made other changes to integrate Sybase employees into our global finance and administration organization and to integrate the business activities of Crossgate. In line with our new cloud integration strategy, we

set up a plan to cover all cloud-business related organizational changes. The cash outflows for these restructuring programs are typically short-term in nature.

Non-customer contract-related onerous contract provisions have been recorded in connection with unused lease space and unfavorable acquired facility lease terms. The utilization of onerous leases depends on the terms of the underlying lease contract.

Other provisions comprise warranty obligations and decommissioning, restoration, and similar liabilities associated with leased facilities. The related outflow for warranty obligations is short-term in nature. The associated cash outflows for decommissioning, restoration, and similar liabilities, which are typically long-term in nature, are generally expected to occur at the dates we exit the facilities to which they relate.

(19) Deferred Income

Deferred income consists mainly of prepayments made by our customers for support services, cloud subscriptions, and professional services; fees from multiple element arrangements allocated to undelivered elements; and amounts recorded in purchase accounting at fair value for obligations to perform under acquired support contracts in connection with acquisitions.

On December 31, 2013, current deferred income included a total of 443 million in deferred revenue (December 31, 2012: 317 million), which in future will be recognized as revenue from cloud subscriptions and support.

(20) Total Equity***Issued Capital***

As at December 31, 2013, SAP AG had issued 1,228,504,232 no-par value bearer shares (December 31, 2012: 1,228,504,232) with a calculated nominal value of 1 per share. All the shares issued are fully paid. The following table shows the changes in the number and the value of issued shares and treasury shares in millions.

Change in Issued Capital and Treasury Shares

	Number of Shares in Millions		Value in Millions	
	Issued Capital	Treasury Shares	Issued Capital	Treasury Shares
January 1, 2011	1,227	39	1,227	1,382
Issuing shares under share-based payments	1	0	1	0
Purchase of treasury shares	0	6	0	246
Reissuance of treasury shares under share-based payments	0	7	0	251
December 31, 2011	1,228	38	1,228	1,377
Issuing shares under share-based payments	1	0	1	0
Purchase of treasury shares	0	1	0	53
Reissuance of treasury shares under share-based payments	0	2	0	93
December 31, 2012	1,229	37	1,229	1,337
Reissuance of treasury shares under share-based payments	0	2	0	57
December 31, 2013	1,229	35	1,229	1,280

Authorized Shares

The Articles of Incorporation authorize the Executive Board to increase the issued capital:

Up to a total amount of 250 million by issuing new no-par value bearer shares against contributions in cash until June 7, 2015 (Authorized Capital I). The issuance is subject to the statutory subscription rights of existing shareholders.

Up to a total amount of 250 million by issuing new no-par value bearer shares against contributions in cash or in kind until June 7, 2015 (Authorized Capital II). Subject to the consent of the Supervisory Board, the Executive Board is authorized to exclude the shareholders' statutory subscription rights in certain cases.

Up to a total amount of approximately 30 million by issuing new no-par value bearer shares against contributions in cash or in kind until June 7, 2015 (Authorized Capital III). The new shares may only be used to grant shares to employees of SAP AG and its subsidiaries (employee shares). The shareholders' subscription rights are excluded.

Contingent Shares

SAP AG's share capital is subject to a contingent capital increase which may be effected only to the extent that the holders or creditors of convertible bonds or stock options issued or guaranteed by SAP AG or any of its directly or indirectly controlled subsidiaries under certain share-based payments exercise their conversion or subscription rights, and no other methods for servicing these rights are used. As at December 31, 2013, 100 million, representing 100 million shares, was still available for issuance (2012: 100 million).

Share Premium

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Share premium represents all capital contributed to SAP with the proceeds resulting from the issuance of issued capital in excess of their calculated par value. Share premium arises mainly from issuance of issued capital, treasury shares transactions, and share-based payments.

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Retained Earnings

Retained earnings contain prior years' undistributed profit after tax and unrecognized

pension costs. Unrecognized pension costs comprise remeasurements relating to defined benefit pension plans and similar obligations.

Other Comprehensive Income

The component of other comprehensive income before tax that will be reclassified to profit or loss in the future includes the following items:

Items Recognized in Other Comprehensive Income that will be Reclassified to Profit or Loss Before Tax

millions	2013	2012	2011
Gains (losses) on exchange differences	576	214	106
Gains (losses) on remeasuring available-for-sale financial assets	79	33	6
Reclassification adjustments on available-for-sale financial assets	19	20	1
Available-for-sale financial assets	60	13	7
Gains (losses) on cash flow hedges	78	21	23
Reclassification adjustments on cash flow hedges	78	42	22
Cash flow hedges	0	63	1

Treasury Shares

By resolution of SAP AG's General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 4, 2013, the authorization granted by the General Meeting of Shareholders of June 8, 2010, regarding the acquisition of treasury shares was revoked to the extent it had not been exercised at that time, and replaced by a new authorization of the Executive Board of SAP AG to acquire, on or before June 3, 2018, shares of SAP AG representing a pro rata amount of capital stock of up to 120 million in aggregate, provided that the shares purchased under the authorization, together with any other shares in the Company previously acquired and held by, or attributable to, SAP AG do not account for more than 10% of SAP AG's issued share capital. Although treasury shares are legally considered outstanding, there are no dividend or voting rights associated with shares held in treasury. We may redeem or resell shares held in treasury, or we may use treasury shares for the purpose of servicing option or conversion rights under the Company's share-based payment plans. Also, we may use shares held in treasury as consideration in connection with mergers with, or acquisitions of, other companies.

Miscellaneous

Under the German Stock Corporation Act (*Aktiengesetz*), the total amount of dividends

available for distribution to SAP AG's shareholders is based on the profits of SAP AG as reported in its statutory financial statements, which are prepared under the accounting rules in the German Commercial Code (*Handelsgesetzbuch*). For the year ended December 31, 2013, the Executive Board of SAP AG intends to propose a dividend of 1.00 per share (that is, an estimated total dividend of 1,194 million), to be paid from the profits of SAP AG.

Dividends per share for 2012 and 2011 were 0.85 and 1.10 respectively and were paid in the succeeding year.

(21) Additional Capital Disclosures

Capital Structure Management

The primary objective of our capital structure management is to maintain a strong financial profile for investor, creditor, and customer confidence, and to support the growth of our business. We seek to maintain a capital structure that will allow us to cover our funding requirements through the capital markets at reasonable conditions, and in so doing, ensure a high level of independence, confidence, and financial flexibility.

Based on our strong corporate financial profile and our excellent capital market reputation, we have

so far successfully executed external financing transactions without an external rating. However, we will continue to closely monitor our financing

situation to determine whether not having an external rating continues to be appropriate.

Capital Structure

	2013		2012		Change (in %)
	millions	% of Total equity and liabilities	millions	% of Total equity and liabilities	
Equity	16,048	59	14,133	54	14
Current liabilities	6,347	23	6,546	25	3
Non-current liabilities	4,699	17	5,627	21	16
Liabilities	11,046	41	12,173	46	9
Total equity and liabilities	27,094	100	26,306	100	3

Our financing activities improved our debt ratio (defined as the ratio of total liabilities to total equity and liabilities, expressed as a percentage) to 41% at the end of 2013 (as compared to 46% at the end of 2012). The ratio of total financial debt to total equity and liabilities decreased by 3% to 16% at the end of 2013 (19% as at December 31, 2012). Total financial debt consists

of current and non-current bonds or private placements. For more information about our financial debt, see Note (17).

Looking ahead to financing activities in 2014, the Company intends to repay a 500 million Eurobond and an 86 million German promissory note when they both mature in April.

While we monitor these ratios continuously, our main focus is on the management of our net liquidity position as outlined in the following table:

Group Liquidity of SAP Group

millions	2013	2012	Change
Cash and cash equivalents	2,748	2,477	271
Current investments	93	15	78
Group liquidity	2,841	2,492	349
Current financial debt	586	600	14
Net liquidity 1	2,255	1,892	363
Non-current financial debt	3,722	4,394	672
Net liquidity 2	1,467	2,502	1,035

Net liquidity 1 is group liquidity minus current financial debt. In 2013 we paid back a 600 million Eurobond, which was almost fully compensated by reclassifications of 586 million from non-current financial debt to current financial debt due to changes in the respective maturity profile.

Net liquidity 2 is net liquidity 1 minus non-current financial debt.

Improvements of our net liquidity ratios since December 31, 2012 are mainly due to positive cash inflows from our operations, which were partly offset by cash outflows for acquisitions (such as hybris) and dividend payments.

We intend to reduce our financial debt as and when the debt falls due. We will consider issuing new debt, such as bonds or U.S. private placements, on an as-needed basis only and if market conditions are advantageous.

Distribution Policy

Our general intention is to remain in a position to return excess liquidity to our shareholders by distributing annual dividends and repurchasing shares. The amount of future dividends and the extent of future repurchases of shares will be balanced with our effort to continue to maintain an adequate liquidity position.

In 2013, we were able to distribute 1,013 million in dividends from our 2012 profit (as compared to 1,310 million in 2012 and 713 million in 2011 related to 2011 and 2010 profit, respectively), representing 0.85 per share. Aside from the distributed dividend, in 2013, 2012, and 2011 we also returned 0 million, 53 million, and 246 million respectively to our shareholders by repurchasing our own shares.

As a result of our equity-settled share-based payments transactions (as described in Note (27)) we have commitments to grant SAP shares to employees. We intend to meet these commitments by reissuing treasury shares or issuing ordinary shares. For more information about contingent capital, see Note (20).

(22) Other Financial Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

Other Financial Commitments

Our other financial commitments as at December 31, 2013, and 2012, were as follows:

Other Financial Commitments

millions	2013	2012
Operating leases	1,204	923
Contractual obligations for acquisition of property, plant, and equipment and intangible assets	80	