

Interim Statement

31 March 2025

FRIEDRICH VORWERK GROUP SE

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Friedrich Vorwerk in figures

Three months

Tillee months	2023	2024	Δ 2025
(unaudited)			/ 2024
	€k	€k	%
Order backlog	1,136,204	1,045,430	8.7
Order intake	81,584	121,337	-32.8
Earnings figures (adjusted*)	€k	€k	%
Revenue	133,040	76,710	73.4
Operating performance	133,040	76,710	73.4
Total performance	135,933	81,200	67.4
Cost of materials	-64,631	-34,260	88.6
Staff costs	-40,435	-31,994	26.4
EBITDA	18,179	6,761	168.9
EBITDA margin	13.7%	8.8%	
EBIT	12,755	1,944	556.2
EBIT margin	9.6%	2.5%	
EBT	12,250	2,001	512.1
EBT margin	9.2%	2.6%	
Consolidated net profit after non-controlling interests	8,572	1,585	440.9
EPS in €	0.43	0.08	440.9
Average number of shares outstanding	20,000,000	20,000,000	0.0
Earnings figures (IFRS)	€k	€k	%
EBITDA	18,179	6,761	168.9
Group result	8,555	1,558	449.2
EPS in €	0.43	0.08	449.2
Figures from the statement of financial position (IFRS)	31 Mar	31 Dec	
	€k	€k	%
Non-current assets	158,077	152,677	3.5
Current assets	245,150	284,883	-13.9
thereof cash funds	110,166	174,647	-36.9
Issued capital	20,000	20,000	0.0
Other equity	193,426	185,006	4.6
Total equity	213,426	205,006	4.1
Equity ratio	52.9%	46.9%	
Non-current liabilities	63,149	60,541	4.3
Current liabilities	126,653	172,012	-26.4
Total assets	403,227	437,560	-7.8
Net cash (+) / net debt(-)**	90,967	154 257	-41.0
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With regard to the adjustments, please refer to the information provided in the section on result of operations, financial position and net assets.

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2.7

Employees

^{**} This value includes the securities.

Business development, result of operations, financial position and net assets

Business Development

FRIEDRICH VORWERK has made a very successful start to the 2025 financial year. Based on the high-quality order backlog and high capacity utilisation, Group revenue increased by 73.4% to €133.0 million in the first three months of the year. This is also clearly reflected in the development of the key earnings figures. In the first quarter, which is usually weaker due to seasonal factors, EBITDA increased by 168.9% to €18.2 million, which corresponds to an EBITDA margin of 13.7% and a margin increase of around 5 percentage points (Q1/24: €6.8 million and 8.8%). Adjusted EBIT amounted to €12.8 million, more than six times the previous year's figure (Q1/24: €1.9 million).

The order intake in the first three months of the financial year amounted to €81.6 million, around one third below the same period of the previous year (Q1/24: €121.3 million). The decline in order intake in the first quarter of 2025 is attributable to lower award activity and slight delays in individual award procedures. Nevertheless, the Management Board expects further order intake in the Natural Gas, Clean Hydrogen and Electricity segments in a significant amount starting in the second quarter. Among other things, further sections of the South German natural gas pipeline (SEL), the SuedLink electricity highway and other major pipeline projects are to be awarded in the near future. At €1,136.2 million (31 December 2024: €1,187.7 million), the order backlog as at 31 March 2025 remains at a very high level, thus providing a solid foundation for continued revenue and earnings growth.

On 27 February 2025, the FRIEDRICH VORWERK Group signed an agreement to acquire the Wischhafen branch, including the Stade site of Gerhard Rode Rohrleitungsbau GmbH & Co KG, effective from 1 April 2025. The branch with around 40 employees is expected to generate annual revenue in the mid-single-digit million range and make a valuable contribution to the realisation of the Group's ongoing major projects from as early as the second quarter of 2025.

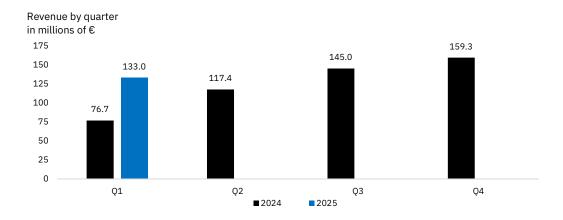
On 18 March 2025, the German Bundestag approved a comprehensive debt-financed infrastructure investment budget in the amount of €500 billion for the next 12 years. These investments may have a positive impact on FRIEDRICH VORWERK's business activities and further growth, including in the Adjacent Opportunities segment. At the same time, the new government intends to leverage further potential for accelerating the planning and approval of infrastructure projects, which could have a positive impact on the predictability and speed of implementation of complex construction projects in all segments of the FRIEDRICH VORWERK Group.

The Management Board and Supervisory Board of Friedrich Vorwerk Group SE have proposed to distribute a dividend of €0.30 per entitled share for the 2024 financial year and to carry forward the remaining amount to new account. The dividend is subject to approval by the Annual General Meeting, which will take place on 2 June 2025 in Hamburg.

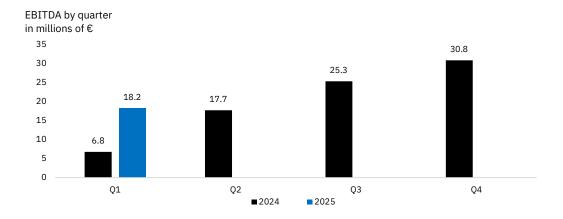
Results of operations, financial position and net assets

The order backlog amounted to &1,136.2 million as at 31 March 2025. Of this figure, 13% is attributable to the Natural Gas segment, 73% to the Electricity segment, 4% to the Clean Hydrogen segment and 10% to the Adjacent Opportunities segment. The order intake in the reporting period amounted to &81.6 million.

Consolidated revenue of the FRIEDRICH VORWERK Group amounted to €133.0 million in the reporting period. This corresponds to an increase of 73.4% compared to the same period of the previous year (€76.7 million). In addition to high capacity utilisation and productivity in a mild spring, the increase in revenue is mainly due to a high revenue share from the major A-Nord project, where work started again early in January after a short winter break.



EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortisation) increased by €11.4 million to €18.2 million in the first three months (same period of the previous year: €6.8 million). The EBITDA margin is therefore already 13.7% in the seasonally weaker first quarter, which is attributable to the high-quality order backlog and very high utilisation of resources. The development of the key earnings figures in the first three months of the financial year thus directly follows on from the positive trend of the previous year.



After adjusted depreciation and amortisation of $\[\in \]$ 5.4 million (same period of the previous year: $\[\in \]$ 4.8 million), adjusted EBIT amounted to $\[\in \]$ 12.8 million (same period of the previous year: $\[\in \]$ 1.9 million). The year-on-year increase in depreciation and amortisation is mainly the result of increased investment activity in recent financial years. Adjusted net income after minority interests amounted to $\[\in \]$ 8.6 million (same period of the previous year: $\[\in \]$ 1.6 million) and $\[\in \]$ 0.43 per share (previous year: $\[\in \]$ 0.08 per share).

Equity amounted to €213.4 million as at 31 March 2025 (31 December 2024: €205.0 million). In relation to the consolidated balance sheet total of €403.2 million (31 December 2024: €437.6 million), the equity ratio as at the balance sheet date was 52.9%, compared to 46.9% as at 31 December 2024. The increase is due to the current result.

As at 31 March 2025, the FRIEDRICH VORWERK Group has liquidity (including securities) of £112.0 million (31 December 2024: £176.6 million). The decline in liquidity reserves in the first quarter is mainly due to the negative cash flow from operating activities of £-54.4 million. The operating cash flow is mainly characterised by the seasonal increase in net working capital, which decreases again towards the end of the year. Another reason for the decline in liquidity reserves is the high level of investment activity of £8.4 million. After deducting financial liabilities of £21.0 million (31 December 2024: £22.4 million), net cash and cash equivalents amounted to £91.0 million as at the reporting date (31 December 2024: £154.3 million). This is around £75 million higher that at the end of the first quarter of 2024 and thus provides an excellent starting point for further inorganic growth steps.

Outlook

Due to the successful start to the 2025 financial year, the Management Board expects the forecasted revenue of €540-570 million to be achieved at the upper end of the range. The EBITDA margin is still expected to be in the range of 16-17%.

IFRS consolidated income statement

IFRS consolidated income statement	1 Jan – 31 Mar 2025	1 Jan - 31 Mar 2024
(unaudited)	€k	€k
Revenue	133,040	76,710
Operating performance	133,040	76,710
Income from equity investments	1,515	3,198
Other operating income	1,378	1,292
Total performance	135,933	81,200
Cost of raw materials and supplies	-16,969	-8,485
Cost of purchased services	-47,662	-25,774
Cost of materials	-64,631	-34,260
Wages and salaries	-31,301	-24,756
Social security and pension costs	-9,134	-7,238
Staff costs	-40,435	-31,994
Other operating expenses	-12,688	-8,185
Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortisation		
(EBITDA)	18,179	6,761
Depreciation and amortisation	-5,451	-4,858
Earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT)	12,728	1,904
Finance income	716	323
Finance expenses	-386	-252
Earnings attributable to non-controlling interests	-834	-11
Net finance costs	-504	60
Earnings before taxes (EBT)	12,225	1,963
Income tax expense	-3,534	-294
Other taxes	-137	-112
Profit or loss for the period	8,554	1,557
Non-controlling interests	1	0
Consolidated net profit	8,555	1,557
Earnings per share (in €)	0.43	0.08

IFRS consolidated statement of comprehensive income

IFRS consolidated statement of comprehensive income	1 Jan – 31 Mar 2025	1 Jan – 31 Mar 2024
(unaudited)	€k	€k
Profit or loss for the period	8,554	1,557
Items that may be subsequently reclassified to profit and loss		
Currency translation differences	11	4
Items that cannot be subsequently reclassified to profit and loss		
Changes in the fair value of shares	-147	205
Other comprehensive income after taxes	-136	209
Comprehensive income for the reporting period	8,418	1,767
thereof attributable to:		
- Shareholders of the parent company	8,419	1,767
- Non-controlling interests	-1	0

IFRS consolidated statement of financial position

IFRS consolidated statement of financial position	31 Mar 2025	31 Dec 2024
Assets	unaudited	audited
	€k	€k
Non-current assets		
Concessions, industrial property rights and similar rights	1,010	1,028
Goodwill	4,450	4,450
Intangible assets	5,459	5,477
Land and buildings, including buildings on third-party land	50,645	50,920
Technical equipment and machinery	40,913	39,728
Other equipment, operating and office equipment	34,878	32,973
Advance payments and assets under construction	4,992	4,775
Property, plant and equipment	131,429	128,397
Equity investments	10,991	9,310
Investment securities	1,836	1,982
Financial assets	12,826	11,293
Deferred tax assets	8,363	7,510
	158,077	152,677
Current assets		
Raw materials and supplies	8,273	6,715
Work in progress	3,131	332
Inventories	11,404	7,047
Trade receivables	35,385	40,475
Contract assets	76,141	53,880
Other current assets	12,054	8,834
Trade receivables and other current assets	123,580	103,189
Cash in hand	10	9
Bank balances	110,156	174,639
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	245,150	284,883
Total assets	403,227	437,560

IFRS consolidated statement of financial position	31 Mar 2025	31 Dec 2024
Equity and liabilities	unaudited	audited
	€k	€k
Equity		
Issued capital	20,000	20,000
Capital reserve	76,204	76,204
Retained earnings and other reserves	117,256	108,837
Non-controlling interests	-35	-35
	213,426	205,006
Non-current liabilities		
Liabilities to banks	12,917	13,462
Liabilities to non-controlling interests	9,367	8,534
Liabilities from participation rights	10,213	10,213
Lease liabilities	1,772	2,185
Pension provisions	2,122	2,122
Deferred tax liabilities	26,758	24,026
	63,149	60,541
Current liabilities		
Liabilities to banks	4,317	4,534
Contract liabilities	43,282	80,750
Trade payables	15,103	4,369
Liabilities to non-controlling interests	3,270	3,225
Other liabilities	16,015	31,839
Lease liabilities	2,029	2,192
Provisions with liability character	30,187	31,447
Tax provisions	5,241	7,653
Other provisions	7,209	6,004
	126,653	172,012
Total equity and liabilities	403,227	437,560

IFRS consolidated statement of cash flows

IFRS consolidated statement of cash flows	1 Jan – 31 Mar 2025	1 Jan – 31 Mar 2024
(unaudited)	€k	€k
1. Cash flow from operating activities		
Earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT)	12,728	1,904
Depreciation and amortisation	5,451	4,858
Increase (+), decrease (-) in provisions	1,205	-30
Losses (+), gains (-) from disposal of property, plant and equipment	-47	6
Results from equity investments	-1,515	-3,198
Other non-cash expenses and income	-60	16
Adjustments for non-cash transactions	5,034	1,652
Increase (-), decrease (+) in inventories, trade receivables and other assets	-26,469	-8,090
Decrease (-), increase (+) in trade payables and other liabilities	-43,711	-11,976
Change in working capital	-70,180	-20,066
Income taxes paid	-2,610	-1,484
Other taxes paid	-137	0
Interest received	716	323
Cash receipts from dividends paid by equity investments	84	0
Cash flow from operating activities	-54,365	-17,671
2. Cash flow from investing activities		
Investments (-), divestments (+) in intangible assets	-49	-114
Investments (-), divestments (+) in property, plant and equipment	-8,351	-7,895
Company acquisitions (less cash received)	0	-126
Cash flow from investing activities	-8,400	-8,134
3. Cash flow from financing activities		
Proceeeds from borrowing financial loans	0	8,000
Repayments of financial loans	-762	-771
Repayments of lease liabilities	-576	-702
Interest payments	-382	-248
Cash flow from financing activities	-1,719	6,280

IFRS consolidated statement of cash flows	1 Jan –	1 Jan –
TFRS consolidated statement of cash flows	31 Mar 2025	31 Mar 2024
(unaudited)	€k	€k
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period		
Change in cash and cash equivalents	-64,484	-19,526
Effects of changes in foreign exchange rates (non-cash)	3	1
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	174,647	56,530
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	110,166	37,005
Composition of cash and cash equivalents		
Cash in hand	10	17
Bank balances	110,156	36,988
Reconciliation to liquidity reserve as at 31 March	2025	2024
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	110,166	37,005
Investment securities	1,836	2,273
Liquidity reserves as at 31 March	112,002	39,278

Segment reporting

Segment reporting 1 Jan – 31 Mar 2025	Natural Gas	Electricity	Clean Hydrogen	Adjacent Opp.	Group
(unaudited)	€k	€k	€k	€k	€k
Revenue from third parties	30,555	73,796	3,057	25,632	133,040
EBITDA	2,696	7,878	832	6,774	18,179
EBITDA margin (in %)	8.8%	10.7%	27.2%	26.4%	13.7%
Revenue share	23.0%	55.5%	2.3%	19.3%	

Segment reporting 1 Jan – 31 Mar 2024	Natural Gas	Electricity	Clean Hydrogen	Adjacent Opp.	Group
(unaudited)	€k	€k	€k	€k	€k
Revenue from third parties	28,387	20,032	5,217	23,074	76,710
EBITDA	3,946	1,345	267	1,204	6,761
EBITDA margin (in %)	13.9%	6.7%	5.1%	5.2%	8.8%
Revenue share	37.0%	26.1%	6.8%	30.1%	

Financial calendar

Quarterly report Q1 2025 30 April 2025

Annual General Meeting
2 June 2025

Half-year financial report 2025 14 August 2025

Quarterly report Q3 2025 13 November 2025

End of financial year 31 December 2025

Conferences

Berenberg European Conference, Manhattan, New York City 20 May 2025

Hamburg Investor Days, Hamburg 27 August 2025

Berenberg and Goldman Sachs German Corporate Conference, Munich 23 September 2025

Quirin SME Conference, Paris 23 September 2025

German Equity Forum, Frankfurt 24-26 November 2025

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