

2007 Group Financial Highlights

Amounts staked (million)*

€2,028 +13%

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Total income (million)*

€279.0 +28%

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Profit before tax (million)

€75.8 +53%

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Profit after tax (million)

€62.8 +52%

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Earnings per share**

€1.274 +62%

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Dividends per share

51.0c +58%

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* Amounts staked by customers represents amounts received in respect of bets placed on sporting events that occurred during the period and net winnings, commission income and fee income earned on gaming activities. Income (or 'gross win') represents the net gain on sports betting transactions (stake less payout) plus the gain or loss on the revaluation of open positions at year end, net winnings on fixed odds and online casino gaming activities, and commission income and tournament fees earned from peer to peer games.

** Earnings per share growth is calculated excluding a once-off after-tax property gain of €1,677,000 that was recorded in the year ended 31 December 2006.