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REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of November 2018

Commission File Number 001-35751

STRATASYS LTD.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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(Address of principal executive office)

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The contents of this Report of Foreign Private Issuer on Form 6-K (this "Form 6-K"), including Exhibits 99.1, 99.2 and 101 annexed hereto, are incorporated by reference into the Registrant's registration statements on Form S-8, SEC file numbers 333-185240 and 333-190963, filed by the Registrant with the SEC on December 3, 2012 and September 3, 2013, respectively, and shall be a part thereof from the date on which this Form 6-K is furnished, to the extent not superseded by documents or reports subsequently filed or furnished.

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On November 1, 2018, Stratasys Ltd., or Stratasys, released its financial results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018.

Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 are the unaudited, condensed consolidated financial statements of Stratasys for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 (including the notes thereto) (the "Q3 2018 Financial Statements").

Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2 is Stratasys' review of its results of operations and financial condition for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, including the following:

(i) Operating and Financial Review and Prospects

(ii) Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

(iii) Legal Proceedings Update

Attached hereto as Exhibit 101 are the Q3 2018 Financial Statements, formatted in XBRL (eXtensible Business Reporting Language), consisting of the following sub-exhibits:

Exhibit Number	**Document Description**
EX-101.INS	XBRL Taxonomy Instance Document
EX-101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
EX-101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Calculation Linkbase Document
EX-101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
EX-101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Label Linkbase Document
EX-101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Presentation Linkbase Document

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

	STRATASYS LTD.
Dated: November 1, 2018	By: /s/ Lilach Payorski
	Name: Lilach Payorski
	Title: Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit 99.1

STRATASYS LTD.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE THREE AND NINE MONTHS ENDED

SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

(UNAUDITED)

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STRATASYS LTD.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Unaudited)

Consolidated Balance Sheets

(in thousands, except share data)

	September 30, 2018	December 31, 2017
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 348,887	$ 328,761
Accounts receivable, net	129,477	132,671
Inventories	118,075	115,717
Net investment in sales-type leases	3,489	7,208
Prepaid expenses	5,932	7,696
Other current assets	41,870	22,858
Total current assets	647,730	614,911
Non-current assets		
Net investment in sales-type leases - long-term	2,038	4,439
Property, plant and equipment, net	191,437	199,951
Goodwill	386,728	387,108
Other intangible assets, net	117,448	142,122
Other non-current assets	20,428	31,219
Total non-current assets	718,079	764,839
Total assets	$ 1,365,809	$ 1,379,750
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable	$ 38,944	$ 39,849
Current portion of long-term debt	5,143	5,143
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	34,257	30,041
Accrued compensation and related benefits	32,382	35,356
Deferred revenues	53,102	52,908
Total current liabilities	163,828	163,297
Non-current liabilities		
Long-term debt	23,286	27,143
Deferred tax liabilities	1,836	7,069
Deferred revenues - long-term	16,009	15,200
Other non-current liabilities	30,459	32,899
Total non-current liabilities	71,590	82,311
Total liabilities	$ 235,418	$ 245,608
Contingencies (see note 12)		
Redeemable non-controlling interests	931	1,635
Equity		
Ordinary shares, NIS 0.01 nominal value, authorized 180,000 thousands shares; 53,810 thousands shares and 53,631 thousands shares issued and outstanding at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively	146	145
Additional paid-in capital	2,675,762	2,663,274
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(8,815)	(7,023)
Accumulated deficit	(1,537,633)	(1,523,906)
Equity attributable to Stratasys Ltd.	1,129,460	1,132,490
Non-controlling interests	-	17
Total equity	1,129,460	1,132,507
Total liabilities and equity	$ 1,365,809	$ 1,379,750

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

STRATASYS LTD.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Unaudited)

Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
in thousands, except per share data	2018	2017	2018	2017
Net sales				
Products	$ 109,647	$ 108,401	$ 331,967	$ 344,509
Services	52,402	47,466	154,151	144,510
	162,049	155,867	486,118	489,019
Cost of sales				
Products	48,640	49,840	147,120	159,043
Services	34,481	30,788	100,773	94,465
	83,121	80,628	247,893	253,508
Gross profit	78,928	75,239	238,225	235,511
Operating expenses				
Research and development, net	25,786	21,767	74,585	69,652
Selling, general and administrative	49,792	60,345	168,684	190,406
	75,578	82,112	243,269	260,058
Operating income (loss)	3,350	(6,873)	(5,044)	(24,547)
Financial income (expense), net	(39)	(305)	(114)	380
Income (loss) before income taxes	3,311	(7,178)	(5,158)	(24,167)
Income tax expenses	304	2,571	1,110	5,205
Share in losses of associated companies	(3,752)	(489)	(11,185)	(1,006)
Net loss	$ (745)	$ (10,238)	$ (17,453)	$ (30,378)
Net loss attributable to non-controlling interests	(66)	(81)	(182)	(377)
Net loss attributable to Stratasys Ltd.	$ (679)	$ (10,157)	$ (17,271)	$ (30,001)
Net loss per ordinary share attributable to Stratasys Ltd. - basic and diluted	$ (0.01)	$ (0.19)	$ (0.34)	$ (0.57)
Weighted average ordinary shares outstanding - basic and diluted	53,769	53,012	53,716	52,827
Comprehensive loss				
Net loss	(745)	(10,238)	(17,453)	(30,378)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:				
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(234)	1,953	(1,445)	5,103
Unrealized gains (losses) on derivatives designated as cash flow hedges	522	(86)	(347)	100
Other comprehensive income, net of tax	288	1,867	(1,792)	5,203
Comprehensive loss	(457)	(8,371)	(19,245)	(25,175)
Less: comprehensive loss attributable to non-controlling interests	(66)	(81)	(182)	(377)
Comprehensive loss attributable to Stratasys Ltd.	$ (391)	$ (8,290)	$ (19,063)	$ (24,798)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

STRATASYS LTD.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Unaudited)

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
in thousands	**2018**	**2017**
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net loss	$ (17,453)	$ (30,378)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	45,902	49,791
Stock-based compensation	11,706	14,133
Foreign currency transaction loss (gain)	3,450	(8,678)
Deferred income taxes	(3,733)	(3,086)
Share in losses of associated companies	11,185	855
Non-cash gain from divestitures	(7,932)	-
Other non-cash items, net	2,577	2,802
Change in cash attributable to changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable, net	1,681	3,218
Inventories	(7,723)	(5,984)
Net investment in sales-type leases	6,120	9,500
Other current assets and prepaid expenses	(2,980)	(1,048)
Other non-current assets	(1,075)	540
Accounts payable	(289)	3,472
Other current liabilities	3,330	(2,678)
Deferred revenues	2,504	1,706
Other non-current liabilities	(2,222)	6,706
Net cash provided by operating activities	45,048	40,871
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of property and equipment	(18,908)	(15,879)
Investment in unconsolidated entities	(13,015)	(2,548)
Net proceeds from divestitures	8,998	-
Purchase of intangible assets	(1,114)	(1,227)
Proceeds from sale of plant and property	4,105	-
Other investing activities	(229)	(113)
Net cash used in investing activities	(20,163)	(19,767)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Repayment of current portion of long-term debt	(3,857)	(2,786)
Payments of obligations in connection with acquisitions	-	(1,476)
Acquisition of redeemable non-controlling interests	(1,500)	-
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	2,379	2,632
Net cash used in financing activities	(2,978)	(1,630)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(1,801)	3,011
Net change in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	20,106	22,485
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of period	329,359	280,623
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of period	$ 349,465	$ 303,108
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:		
Transfer of fixed assets to inventory	380	1,326
Transfer of inventory to fixed assets	1,859	4,248

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

Note 1. Business Description and Basis of Presentation

Stratasys Ltd. (collectively with its subsidiaries, the “Company”) is a global provider of applied additive technology solutions for a broad range of industries. The Company focuses on customers’ business requirements and seeks to create new value for its customers across their product lifecycle processes, from design prototypes to manufacturing tools and final production parts. The Company operates a 3D printing ecosystem of solutions and expertise, comprised of: 3D printers ranging from entry-level desktop 3D printers to systems for rapid prototyping (“RP”) and large production systems for direct digital manufacturing (“DDM”) based on precise fused deposition modeling (“FDM”) and PolyJet technologies; advanced materials for the use with its 3D printers; software with voxel level control; application-based services; on-demand parts; and key partnerships.

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements include the accounts of Stratasys Ltd. and its subsidiaries. All intercompany accounts and transactions, including profits from intercompany sales not yet realized outside the Company, have been eliminated in consolidation.

The consolidated interim financial information herein is unaudited; however, such information reflects all adjustments (consisting of normal, recurring adjustments), which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair statement of results for the interim period. The results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year. Certain financial information and footnote disclosures normally included in the annual consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”) have been condensed or omitted. The reader is referred to the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto for the year ended December 31, 2017, filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) as part of the Company’s Annual Report on Form 20-F for such year on February 28, 2018.

Note 2. New Accounting Pronouncements

Accounting Pronouncements Adopted in the Current Period

In February 2017, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) issued an Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) which applies to the derecognition of nonfinancial assets and in substance nonfinancial assets to noncustomers, including partial sales, unless other specific guidance applies. The new ASU does not apply to the derecognition of businesses or financial assets, or to contracts with customers. According to the new ASU, when an entity transfers its controlling interest in a nonfinancial asset, but retains a non-controlling ownership interest in the respective nonfinancial asset, the entity will measure the retained interest at fair value. This will result in gain or loss recognition upon the sale of a controlling interest in a nonfinancial asset. As a result of these changes, the same accounting treatment will be applied to a transfer of a nonfinancial asset in exchange for the non-controlling ownership interest in another entity or other consideration. Previous guidance generally prohibited gain recognition on the retained interest. The Company adopted this guidance on January 1, 2018, which did not impact its consolidated financial position or net income for the current period.

In November 2016, the FASB issued an ASU which requires entities to include amounts generally described as restricted cash and restricted cash equivalents in cash and cash equivalents when reconciling beginning-of-period and end-of-period total amounts shown on the statement of cash flows. The Company adopted this guidance in the first quarter of 2018 utilizing the retrospective transition method. The adoption of this ASU did not have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In October 2016, the FASB issued an ASU which eliminates the exception for an intra-entity transfer of an asset other than inventory. This ASU requires that the income tax consequences of an intra-entity asset transfer other than inventory are recognized at the time of the transfer, rather than when the transferred asset is sold to a third party or otherwise recovered through use. The Company adopted this guidance on January 1, 2018, utilizing the modified retrospective method, resulting in an increase of \$2.1 million in retained earnings with a corresponding effect on deferred taxes balances for the cumulative-effect adjustments as of the date of adoption.

In January 2016, the FASB issued an ASU which effects changes to the current measurement model that primarily affect all equity investments in unconsolidated entities (other than those accounted for using the equity method of accounting), financial liabilities under the fair value option, and the presentation and disclosure requirements for financial instruments. Under the new ASU, equity investments in unconsolidated entities (other than those accounted for using the equity method of accounting) with readily determinable fair values will generally be measured at fair value through earnings. Equity investments that do not have readily determinable fair values may be measured at fair value or at cost minus impairment, if any, plus or minus changes resulting from observable price changes in orderly transactions for an identical or a similar investment of the same issuer. The Company adopted this guidance on January 1, 2018, which has not impacted its consolidated financial position or results of operations for the current period.

In May 2014, the FASB issued a new comprehensive revenue recognition guidance on revenue from contracts with customers, as well as certain related amendments (hereinafter the "Standard"), which superseded the previous revenue recognition guidance. The Standard provides a unified model to determine when and how revenue is recognized. The core principle of the Standard is that an entity should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. In addition, the Standard requires the deferral and amortization of incremental costs incurred to obtain a contract. The primary contract acquisition costs for the Company are sales commissions. Under previous GAAP, the Company expensed sales commissions as incurred while under the Standard certain of such costs are classified as an asset (which is presented under other non-current assets in the Company's consolidated balance sheets) and amortized over a period that approximates the timing of revenue recognition on the underlying contracts. The Standard also allows entities to apply certain practical expedients at their discretion. Accordingly, the Company elected the practical expedient to analyze the contract acquisition cost only on uncompleted contracts. The Company adopted the Standard using the modified retrospective approach on January 1, 2018, resulting in an increase of $1.4 million in retained earnings with a corresponding effect on other non-current assets for the cumulative-effect adjustments recorded due to the deferral and amortization of incremental costs incurred to obtain a contract as of the date of adoption. Refer also to Note 6 for further details.

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements Not Yet Adopted

In August 2017, the FASB issued a new ASU which expands the activities that may be eligible to qualify for hedge accounting, simplifies the rules for reporting hedging transactions and better portrays the economic results of risk management activities in the financial statements. It also amends certain presentation and disclosure requirements and eases certain hedge effectiveness assessment requirements. The new guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of the adoption of the new guidance on its consolidated financial statements.

In February 2016, the FASB issued a new ASU which supersedes the current lease accounting guidance. Under the new guidance, lessees will be required to recognize a right-of-use asset and a lease liability for all leases, other than leases that meet the definition of a short-term lease. The liability and the right-of-use asset arising from the lease will be measured as the present value of the lease payments. In addition, this guidance requires disclosure of key information about leasing arrangements to increase transparency and comparability among organizations. The new standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted. The new standard must be adopted using a modified retrospective transition approach, with certain practical expedients. While the Company is currently evaluating the impact of the adoption of the new lease accounting guidance on its consolidated financial statements, the Company expects that the adoption of the new guidance may materially affect the amounts of total assets and total liabilities reported in its consolidated financial statements upon adoption.

Note 3. Business Activities

During 2018, the Company, jointly with certain employees and one of the Company's board members formed an entity for one of its research and development projects (“Evolve”), which received subsequent investments from certain additional strategic investors. Evolve is considered a variable interest entity. The Company does not consolidate the results of operations of Evolve, commencing March 2018, as the Company no longer holds the power to direct the activities that most significantly affect the economic performance of Evolve. Following this transaction, the Company transferred cash, long-lived assets and the related IP into Evolve and retained a minority equity interest in Evolve. As a result of this transaction, the Company recorded $1.6 million of non-cash charges under its operating expenses and $5.0 million under share in losses of associated companies due to the write-off of its related in-process research and development project.

During the first quarter of 2018, as part of its continuous efforts to rationalize its operating model, the Company sold one of its facilities (which included land and building) in Eden Prairie, Minnesota for total consideration of approximately $3.7 million in cash. As a result, the Company recognized a gain of approximately $1.6 million included in selling, general and administrative expenses.

During the third quarter of 2018, the Company sold Solidscape, a wholly-owned subsidiary focused on SCP, ink-jetting technology to produce wax-like patterns for lost-wax casting. As a result of this divestiture, the Company recognized a gain of $7.0 million, net of transaction costs, under selling, general and administrative expenses, during the third quarter of 2018.

During the fourth quarter of 2018, the Company sold its minority interests in LPW Technology ("LPW") to a third party. This transaction had no effect on the Company's consolidated statements of operations and net income for the third quarter of 2018. The Company's investment in LPW is recorded under current assets on the Company's consolidated balance sheets as of September 30, 2018.

Note 4. Inventories

Inventories consisted of the following:

	September 30, 2018	December 31, 2017
	U.S. $ in thousands	
Finished goods	$ 59,406	$ 63,234
Work-in-process	2,928	2,271
Raw materials	55,741	50,212
	$ 118,075	$ 115,717

Note 5. Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Goodwill

Changes in the carrying amount of the Company’s goodwill for the nine-months ended September 30, 2018 were as follows:

	U.S. $ in millions
Goodwill as of January 1, 2018	$ 387.1
Translation differences	(0.4)
Goodwill as of September 30, 2018	$ 386.7

During the fourth quarter of 2017, the Company performed a quantitative assessment for goodwill impairment for its Stratasys-Objet reporting unit.

Following its quantitative assessment, the Company concluded that the fair value of its Stratasys-Objet reporting unit exceeded its carrying amount by approximately 7%, with a carrying amount of $387 million of goodwill assigned to this reporting unit.

When evaluating the fair value of its Stratasys-Objet reporting unit the Company used a discounted cash flow model which utilized Level 3 measures that represent unobservable inputs into the valuation method. Key assumptions used to determine the estimated fair value include: (a) expected cash flows for five years following the assessment date which were based on, among other factors, expected revenue growth, costs to produce, operating profit margins and estimated capital needs; (b) an estimated terminal value that utilized a terminal year growth rate of 3.1% that was determined based on the growth prospects of the reporting unit; and (c) a discount rate of 14.0% based on management’s best estimate of the after-tax weighted average cost of capital. If any of these were to vary materially from the Company's estimates, the Company could face impairment of goodwill allocated to this reporting unit in the future.

A hypothetical decrease in the growth rate of 1% or an increase of 1% to the discount rate would have reduced the fair value of the Stratasys-Objet reporting unit by approximately $48 million and $88 million, respectively.

Based on the Company’s assessment as of December 31, 2017, no goodwill was determined to be impaired.

During the third quarter of 2018 the Company reaffirmed that no significant events or circumstances occurred that contradict the assumptions and data used in the annual impairment test performed in the fourth quarter of 2017.

Determining the fair value of the Stratasys-Objet reporting unit requires significant judgment, including judgments about the appropriate discount rates, terminal growth rates, weighted average costs of capital and the amount and timing of projected future cash flows. The Company will continue to monitor the fair value of its Stratasys-Objet reporting unit to determine whether events and changes in circumstances such as deterioration in the business climate or operating results, significant decline in the Company's share price, changes in management’s business strategy or downward adjustments to the Company's cash flows projections, warrant further interim impairment testing.

Other Intangible Assets

Other intangible assets consisted of the following:

	September 30, 2018			December 31, 2017		
	Carrying Amount, Net of Impairment	Accumulated Amortization	Net Book Value	Carrying Amount, Net of Impairment	Accumulated Amortization	Net Book Value
	U.S. $ in thousands					
Developed technology	$ 299,643	$ (231,654)	$ 67,989	$ 304,601	$ (220,420)	$ 84,181
Patents	10,317	(5,931)	4,386	19,708	(14,279)	5,429
Trademarks and trade names	27,253	(18,730)	8,523	27,248	(18,245)	9,003
Customer relationships	104,188	(68,122)	36,066	106,203	(63,435)	42,768
Capitalized software development costs	19,541	(19,057)	484	19,541	(18,800)	741
	$ 460,942	**$ (343,494)**	**$ 117,448**	**$ 477,301**	**$ (335,179)**	**$ 142,122**

Amortization expense relating to intangible assets for the three-month periods ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 was approximately $8.0 million and $8.8 million, respectively. Amortization expense relating to intangible assets for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 was approximately $24.2 million and $26.1 million, respectively.

The decrease in the Company's other intangible assets carrying amount, net of impairment and the corresponding accumulated amortization resulted from Solidscape divestment, which is described in Note 2.

As of September 30, 2018, the estimated amortization expense relating to intangible assets currently subject to amortization for each of the following periods was as follows:

Remaining 3 months of 2018	$	8,122
2019		31,995
2020		31,659
2021		31,099
2022		9,993
Thereafter		4,580
Total		117,448

Note 6. Revenue Recognition

Effective January 1, 2018, the Company adopted the new accounting standard related to the recognition of revenue in contracts with customers using the modified retrospective transition method applied to those contracts which were not completed as of January 1, 2018. Accordingly, results for reporting periods beginning after January 1, 2018 are presented under the new accounting standard, while prior period amounts have not been adjusted and continue to be reported in accordance with the previous revenue recognition guidance. The impact to revenue and results of operations for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018 compared to the same periods in 2017 was not material.

The Company derives revenues from sales of additive manufacturing systems, consumables and services. The Company sells its products directly through its sales force and independent sales agents and indirectly through authorized resellers.

The Company determines revenue recognition through the following steps:

- Identification of the contract, or contracts, with a customer
- Identification of the performance obligations in the contract
- Determination of the transaction price
- Allocation of the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract
- Recognition of revenue when, or as, the Company satisfies a performance obligation

Revenue is measured as the amount of consideration expected to be received in exchange for transferring goods or providing services to the end customer or to the reseller. The amount of consideration is usually at fixed price at the contract inception. Taxes assessed by various government entities, such as sales, use and value-added taxes, collected at the time of sale are excluded from revenue. Shipping and handling costs billed to customers are included in revenue.

Revenue from products, which consist of systems and consumables, is recognized when the customer has obtained control of the goods, in most cases at a point in time based on the shipping terms. The Company recognizes revenue on sales to resellers when the reseller has economic substance apart from the Company and the reseller is considered the principal for the transaction with the end-user customer. Service revenue derives from service type warranty and from the Company's direct manufacturing parts services. Revenue from service type warranty under a contract is recognized ratably on a straight-line basis over the time of the service, as control is transferred over time or as services are performed if not under contract. For direct manufacturing parts, control is transferred at a point in time, usually upon shipment of the parts.

For multiple performance obligations arrangements, such as selling a system with a service type warranty, the Company accounts for the individual performance obligations separately if they are distinct. The transaction price is allocated to the separate performance obligations on a relative standalone selling price ("SSP") basis and revenue is recognized for each performance obligation when control has passed. In most cases, the Company is able to establish SSP based on the observable prices of services sold separately in comparable circumstances to similar customers and for products based on the Company's best estimates of the price at which the Company would have sold the product regularly on a stand-alone basis. The Company reassesses the SSP on a periodic basis or when facts and circumstances change.

In assessing collectability as part of the revenue recognition process, the Company considers a number of factors in the evaluation of the creditworthiness of the customer, including past due amounts, payment history and financial condition. In some cases where collectability is not assured, payment terms are set partially or entirely as prepayment or customers may be required to furnish letters of credit.

Contract Assets and Contract Liabilities

Contract assets are recorded when the Company's right to consideration is conditional on constraints other than the passage of time. The Company had no material contract assets as of September 30, 2018.

Contract liabilities include advance payments and billings in excess of revenue recognized. Contract liabilities are presented under deferred revenues.

The Company's deferred revenues as of September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017 were as follows:

	September 30, 2018	**December 31, 2017**
	U.S. $ in thousands	
Deferred revenue*	69,111	68,108

* Includes $16.0 million and $15.2 million under long term deferred revenue in the Company's consolidated balance sheets as of September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively.

The Company provides customers with an initial service type warranty, usually for a period of one to three years, and defers a portion of the revenue from the related printer at the time of the sale. The Company also offers customers an option to purchase an additional service type warranty via a contract ranging generally from one to three years. Deferred revenues are derived mainly from these service type warranty contracts.

Revenue recognized in the nine months ended September 30, 2018 that was included in deferred revenue balance as of January 1, 2018 was $44.2 million.

The Company expects to recognize revenue from deferred revenues in amounts of approximately $53.1 million in the next twelve months, $10.3 million in the following twelve-month period and $5.7 million thereafter.

Incremental Costs of Obtaining a Contract

Sales commissions earned mainly by the Company's sales agents are considered incremental costs of obtaining a contract with a customer. The majority of the sales commissions are not subject to capitalization as the commission expense is recognized as the related revenue is recognized. Sales commissions for initial contracts related to the service type warranty are deferred and then amortized on a straight-line basis over the expected customer relationship period if the Company expects to recover those costs. The Company determined the period of benefit by taking into consideration customer contracts including renewals, the technology and other factors. Amortization expense is included in selling, general and administrative expenses in the consolidated statements of operations.

The Company recorded the cumulative effect of deferred commission as an adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings in an amount of $1.4 million. As of September 30, 2018, the deferred commission amounted to $2.5 million.

Note 7. Loss Per Share

The following table presents the numerator and denominator of the basic and diluted net loss per share computations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017:

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
	In thousands, except per share amounts		In thousands, except per share amounts	
Numerator:				
Net loss attributable to Stratasys Ltd.	$ (679)	$ (10,157)	$ (17,271)	$ (30,001)
Adjustment of redeemable non-controlling interest to redemption amount	-	-	(935)	-
Net loss attributable to Stratasys Ltd. for basic and diluted loss per share	(679)	(10,157)	(18,206)	(30,001)
Denominator:				
Weighted average shares – denominator for basic and diluted net loss per share	53,769	53,012	53,716	52,827
Net loss per share attributable to Stratasys Ltd.				
Basic	$ (0.01)	$ (0.19)	$ (0.34)	$ (0.57)
Diluted	$ (0.01)	$ (0.19)	$ (0.34)	$ (0.57)

The computation of diluted net loss per share excluded share awards of 4.2 million shares for the three and nine months ended each of September 30, 2018 and 2017, because their inclusion would have had an anti-dilutive effect on the diluted net loss per share.

Note 8. Income Taxes

The Company had an effective tax rate of 9.2% for the three-month periods ended September 30, 2018 compared to a negative effective tax rate of 35.8% for the three-month periods ended September 30, 2017, and a negative effective tax rate of 21.5% for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018 and 2017. The Company's effective tax rate as of September 30, 2018 was primarily impacted by the geographic mix of its earnings and losses.

Note 9. Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. A hierarchy has been established for inputs used in measuring fair value that maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs by requiring that the most observable inputs be used when available.

Observable inputs are inputs that are developed using market data, such as publicly available information about actual events or transactions, and that reflect the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability. Unobservable inputs are inputs for which market data is not available and that are developed using the best information available about the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability.

The fair value hierarchy is categorized into three Levels. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the reporting entity can access at the measurement date. Level 2 inputs include inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 inputs) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 inputs). Categorization within the valuation hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

Financial instruments measured at fair value

The following tables summarize the Company's financial assets and liabilities that are carried at fair value on a recurring basis, on its consolidated balance sheets:

	September 30, 2018	December 31, 2017
	(U.S. $ in thousands)	
Assets:		
Foreign exchange forward contracts not designated as hedging instruments	$ 701	$ 90
Foreign exchange forward contracts designated as hedging instruments	172	263
Liabilities:		
Foreign exchange forward contracts not designated as hedging instruments	(149)	(921)
Foreign exchange forward contracts designated as hedging instruments	(189)	-
	$ 535	$ (568)

The Company's foreign exchange forward contracts are classified as Level 2, as they are not actively traded and are valued using pricing models that use observable market inputs, including interest rate curves and both forward and spot prices for currencies (Level 2 inputs).

Other financial instruments consist mainly of cash and cash equivalents, current and non-current receivables, net investment in sales-type leases, bank loan, accounts payable and other current liabilities. The fair value of these financial instruments approximates their carrying values.

Note 10. Derivative instruments and hedging activities

Since the Company conducts its operations globally, it is exposed to global market risks and to the risk that its earnings, cash flows and equity could be adversely impacted by fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. The Company enters into transactions involving foreign currency exchange derivative financial instruments. The Company manages its foreign currency exposures on a consolidated basis, which allows the Company to net exposures and take advantage of any natural hedging. The transactions are designed to manage the Company's net exposure to foreign currency exchange rates and to reduce the volatility of earnings and cash flows associated with changes in foreign currency exchange rates. The Company does not enter into derivative transactions for trading purposes.

The Company is primarily exposed to foreign exchange risk with respect to recognized assets and liabilities and forecasted transactions denominated in the New Israeli Shekel ("NIS"), Euro, Korean Won, Chinese Yuan and the Japanese Yen. The gains and losses on the hedging instruments partially offset losses and gains on the hedged items. Financial markets and currency volatility may limit the Company's ability to hedge these exposures.

The following table summarizes the consolidated balance sheets classification and fair values of the Company's derivative instruments:

		Fair Value		Notional Amount	
	Balance sheet location	**September 30, 2018**	**December 31, 2017**	**September 30, 2018**	**December 31, 2017**
		U.S. $ in thousands			
Assets derivatives -Foreign exchange contracts, not designated as hedging instruments	Other current assets	$ 701	$ 90	$ 55,410	$ 22,036
Assets derivatives -Foreign exchange contracts, designated as cash flow hedge	Other current assets	172	263	11,714	13,169
Liability derivatives -Foreign exchange contracts, not designated as hedging instruments	Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	(149)	(921)	29,445	65,668
Liability derivatives -Foreign exchange contracts, designated as hedging instruments	Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	(189)	-	13,303	-
		$ 535	$ (568)	$ 109,872	$ 100,873

As of September 30, 2018, the notional amounts of the Company's outstanding exchange forward contracts, not designated as hedging instruments, were $84.9 million, and were used to reduce foreign currency exposures. With respect to such derivatives, gain of $0.6 million and loss of $1.4 million were recognized under financial income, net for the three-month periods ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and gain of $1.5 million and loss of $4.1 million were recognized under financial income, net for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Such gains or losses partially offset the foreign currencies revaluation changes of the balance sheet items. These foreign currencies revaluation changes are also recognized under financial income, net.

As of September 30, 2018, the Company had in effect foreign exchange forward contracts, designated as cash flow hedge for accounting purposes, for the conversion of $25.0 million into NIS. The Company uses short-term cash flow hedge contracts to reduce its exposure to variability in expected future cash flows resulting mainly from payroll costs denominated in NIS. The changes in fair value of those contracts are included in the Company's accumulated other comprehensive loss. These contracts mature through September 2019.

Note 11. Equity

a. Stock-based compensation plans

Stock-based compensation expenses for equity-classified stock options and restricted stock units ("RSUs") were allocated as follows for the three and nine month periods ended each of September 30, 2018 and 2017:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
	U.S $ in thousands		U.S $ in thousands	
Cost of sales	$ 351	$ 642	$ 1,180	$ 2,084
Research and development, net	928	905	2,608	2,843
Selling, general and administrative	2,734	3,351	7,918	9,206
Total stock-based compensation expenses	$ 4,013	$ 4,898	$ 11,706	$ 14,133

A summary of the Company's stock option activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 is as follows:

	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Options outstanding as of January 1, 2018	3,330,953	$ 31.53
Granted	50,000	20.48
Exercised	(87,158)	19.41
Forfeited	(527,286)	38.29
Options outstanding as of September 30, 2018	2,766,509	$ 30.42
Options exercisable as of September 30, 2018	1,476,128	$ 38.30

The outstanding options generally have a term of ten years from the grant date. Options granted become exercisable over the vesting period, which is normally a four-year period beginning on the grant date, subject to the employee's continuous service to the Company. The fair value of stock options is determined using the Black-Scholes model.

During the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, the Company issued 87,158 shares and 196,003 shares, respectively, upon the exercise of stock options. This resulted in an increase in equity of $1.7 million and $2.6 million for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

As of September 30, 2018, the unrecognized compensation cost of $11.2 million related to all unvested, equity-classified stock options is expected to be recognized as an expense over a weighted-average period of 2.2 years.

A summary of the Company's RSUs activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 is as follows:

	Number of RSUs	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value	
Unvested RSUs outstanding as of January 1, 2018	302,163	$	30.88
Granted	1,306,825		19.69
Forfeited	(70,831)		44.36
Vested	(91,911)		27.73
Unvested RSUs outstanding as of September 30, 2018	**1,446,246**	**$**	**20.07**

The fair value of RSUs is determined based on the quoted price of the Company's ordinary shares on the date of the grant.

As of September 30, 2018, the unrecognized compensation cost of $22.5 million related to RSUs is expected to be recognized as expense over a weighted-average period of 2.9 years.

b. Accumulated other comprehensive loss

The following tables present the changes in the components of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of taxes, for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively:

	Nine months ended September 30, 2018					
	Net unrealized gain (loss) on cash flow hedges		Foreign currency translation adjustments		Total	
	U.S. $ in thousands					
Balance as of January 1, 2018	$	330	$	(7,353)	$	(7,023)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications		(733)		(1,540)		(2,273)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss		386		95		481
Other comprehensive loss		(347)		(1,445)		(1,792)
Balance as of September 30, 2018	$	(17)	$	(8,798)	$	(8,815)

	Nine months ended September 30, 2017					
	Net unrealized gain (loss) on cash flow hedges		Foreign currency translation adjustments		Total	
	U.S. $ in thousands					
Balance as of January 1, 2017	$	(24)	$	(13,455)	$	(13,479)
Other comprehensive income before reclassifications		994		5,103		6,097
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss		(894)		-		(894)
Other comprehensive income		100		5,103		5,203
Balance as of September 30, 2017	$	76	$	(8,352)	$	(8,276)

Note 12. Contingencies

Patent Law-Based Claim

On November 23, 2017, a former employee, whose employment had been terminated by the Company in 2008 and who had previously unsuccessfully filed a suit against the Company, brought an additional proceeding against the Company under Section 134 of the Israeli Patent Law seeking compensation and royalties for service inventions he invented while he served as an employee of the Company. In this new proceeding, the former employee claims to be entitled to receive royalties in an amount equal to: (a) 20% of the benefits, revenues and /or savings generated by the Company in the past and in the future, including the rise in the value of the Company, as determined in the merger with Stratasys Inc., which took place in December 2012; (b) 20% of the gross profit generated by the Company in the past and 9% of the gross profit produced and that will be produced by the Company; (c) 20% of the gross profit generated by the Company in the past and the relative share of the former Objet entity of the Company in the total gross profit produced and that will be produced by the Company; or (d) 20% of the value of the service inventions at issue. The former employee further sought an order of accounts. The Company rejects the claims that serve as a basis for the proceeding and intends to defend against them vigorously.

The Company is a party to various other legal proceedings, the outcome of which, in the opinion of management, will not have a significant adverse effect on the financial position or profitability of the Company.

Exhibit 99.2

OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW AND PROSPECTS.

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with our unaudited consolidated financial statements and the related notes included as Exhibit 99.1 to the Report of Foreign Private Issuer on Form 6-K to which this Operating and Financial Review and Prospects is attached, or the Form 6-K. The discussion below contains forward-looking statements (within the meaning of the United States federal securities laws) that are based upon our current expectations and are subject to uncertainty and changes in circumstances. Actual results may differ materially from these expectations due to inaccurate assumptions and known or unknown risks and uncertainties, including those identified in "Forward-Looking Statements and Factors that May Affect Future Results of Operations", below, as well in the "Risk Factors" in Item 3.D of our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2017, or our 2017 Annual Report.

Overview of Business and Trend Information

We are a leading global provider of applied additive technology solutions for industries including aerospace, automotive, healthcare, consumer products and education. We focus on customers' business requirements and seek to create new value for our customers across their product lifecycle processes, from design prototypes to manufacturing tools and final production parts. We operate a 3D printing ecosystem of solutions and expertise, comprised of advanced materials; software with voxel level control; precise, repeatable and reliable fused deposition modeling (FDM) and PolyJet 3D printers; application-based services; on-demand parts and key partnerships. We strive to ensure that our solutions are integrated seamlessly into each customer's evolving workflow. Our applications are industry-specific and geared towards accelerating business processes, optimizing value chains and driving business performance improvements. Our customers range from individuals and smaller businesses to large, global enterprises, including a number of Fortune 100 companies.

Our 3D printers include systems ranging from entry-level desktop 3D printers to systems for rapid prototyping, or RP, and large production systems for direct digital manufacturing, or DDM. We also develop, manufacture and sell materials for use with our systems and provide related services offerings. We offer a powerful range of additive manufacturing materials, including clear, rubberlike and biocompatible photopolymers, and tough high-performance thermoplastics. We believe that the range of 3D printing consumable materials that we offer, consisting of 58 FDM cartridge-based materials, 37 PolyJet cartridge-based materials, 158 non-color digital materials, and over 500,000 color variations, is the widest in the industry. Our service offerings include Stratasys Direct Manufacturing, or SDM, printed parts services, which offers additive manufacturing, or AM, capabilities encompassing a wide range of technologies allowing for plastic and metal parts for rapid prototyping and production processes, as well as related professional services.

We conduct our business globally and provide products and services to our global customer base through our main operational facilities which are located in Israel, the United States, Germany and Hong Kong as well through our offices in China, Brazil, India, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Switzerland and the United Kingdom. Our extensive global reach is well-positioned through a network of approximately 200 resellers and selling agents around the world and an online channel. We have approximately 2,200 employees and hold more than 1,200 granted or pending additive manufacturing patents globally.

Summary of Financial Results

Our unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, or GAAP. In the opinion of our management, all adjustments considered necessary for a fair statement of the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been included herein and are of a normal recurring nature. The following discussion compares the actual results, on a GAAP basis, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 with the corresponding periods in 2017.

Results of Operations

Comparison of Three Months Ended September 30, 2018 to Three Months Ended September 30, 2017

The following table sets forth certain statement of operations data for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended September 30,			
	2018		2017	
	U.S. $ in thousands	% of Revenues	U.S. $ in thousands	% of Revenues
Revenues	$ 162,049	100.0%	$ 155,867	100.0%
Cost of revenues	83,121	51.3%	80,628	51.7%
Gross profit	78,928	48.7%	75,239	48.3%
Research and development, net	25,786	15.9%	21,767	14.0%
Selling, general and administrative	49,792	30.7%	60,345	38.7%
Operating income (loss)	3,350	2.1%	(6,873)	-4.4%
Financial expense, net	(39)	0.0%	(305)	-0.2%
Income (loss) before income taxes	3,311	2.0%	(7,178)	-4.6%
Income tax expenses	304	0.2%	2,571	1.6%
Share in losses of associated companies	(3,752)	-2.3%	(489)	-0.3%
Net loss attributable to non-controlling interests	(66)	0.0%	(81)	-0.1%
Net loss attributable to Stratasys Ltd.	(679)	-0.4%	(10,157)	-6.5%

Discussion of Results of Operations

Revenues

Our products and services revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, as well as the percentage change reflected thereby, were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		
	2018	2017	% Change
	U.S. $ in thousands		
Products	$ 109,647	$ 108,401	1.1%
Services	52,402	47,466	10.4%
	$ 162,049	$ 155,867	4.0%

Products Revenues

Revenues derived from products (including systems and consumable materials) increased by $1.2 million, or 1.1%, for the three months ended September 30, 2018, as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2017. The increase in products revenues was driven by an increase in our consumables revenues and relatively flat systems revenues which were partially offset by lower recognized revenues of Solidscape, our subsidiary which was divested during the third quarter of 2018.

Systems revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2018 were relatively flat as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2017. Our systems revenues were impacted by an increase in our high-end systems revenues and a decrease in our lower-end systems revenues.

Consumables revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2018 increased by 2.6% as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2017. The increase reflects higher utilization of our installed base of systems.

Services Revenues

Services revenues (including Stratasys Direct Manufacturing ("SDM"), maintenance contracts, spare parts and other services) increased by $4.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018, or 10.4%, as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2017. The increase in services revenues was primarily driven by an increase in SDM revenues, as well as a 7.4% increase in customer support revenues, which include revenues generated mainly by maintenance contracts on our systems, reflecting the growth in our installed base of systems and improvement in our service contract attach rate.

Revenues by Region

Revenues and the percentage of revenues by region for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, as well as the percentage change in revenues in each such region reflected thereby, were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,				
	2018		2017		% Change
	U.S.$ in thousands	% of Revenues	U.S.$ in thousands	% of Revenues	
Americas*	$ 105,027	64.8%	$ 96,539	61.9%	8.8%
EMEA	32,436	20.0%	34,474	22.1%	-5.9%
Asia Pacific	24,586	15.2%	24,854	16.0%	-1.1%
	$ 162,049	100.0%	$ 155,867	100.0%	4.0%

* Represent the United States, Canada and Latin America

Revenues in the Americas region increased by $8.5 million, or 8.8%, to $105.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018, compared to $96.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. The increase was driven by higher systems revenues, consumables revenues and services revenues.

Revenues in the EMEA region decreased by $2.0 million, or 5.9%, to $32.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018, compared to $34.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. The decrease reflects lower systems revenues, partially offset by higher services revenues. In local currencies terms, revenues in the EMEA region for the three months ended September 30, 2018 decreased by 5.3% as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2017. Revenues in the EMEA region were unfavorably impacted by approximately $0.2 million, on a constant currency basis when using prior period's exchange rates.

Revenues in the Asia Pacific region decreased by $0.3 million, or 1.1%, to $24.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018, compared to $24.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. The decrease reflects lower systems revenues, partially offset by higher services revenues.

Gross Profit

Gross profit for our products and services for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, as well as the percentage change reflected thereby, were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		
	2018	2017	
	U.S. $ in thousands		Change in %
Gross profit attributable to:			
Products	$ 61,007	$ 58,561	4.2%
Services	17,921	16,678	7.5%
	$ 78,928	$ 75,239	4.9%

Gross profit as a percentage of revenues for our products and services for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,	
	2018	2017
Gross profit as a percentage of revenues from:		
Products	55.6%	54.0%
Services	34.2%	35.1%
Total gross profit	48.7%	48.3%

Gross profit attributable to products revenues increased by $2.4 million, or 4.2%, to $61.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018, compared to gross profit of $58.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. Gross profit attributable to products revenues as a percentage of products revenues increased to 55.6% for the three months ended September 30, 2018, compared to gross profit of 54.0% for the three months ended September 30, 2017.

The increase in gross profit attributable to products revenues was primarily driven by product mix toward our high-end systems revenues.

Gross profit attributable to services revenues increased by $1.2 million, or 7.5%, to $17.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018, compared to $16.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. Gross profit attributable to services revenues as a percentage of services revenues in the three months ended September 30, 2018 decreased to 34.2%, as compared to 35.1% for the three months ended September 30, 2017. The decrease in gross margin attributable to services revenues was primarily driven by the expansion of our services operations and support as we continued to make investments in our customer base and was partially offset by improvement in SDM gross margin.

Operating Expenses

The amount of each type of operating expense for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, as well as the percentage change reflected thereby, and total operating expenses as a percentage of our total revenues in each such quarter, were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		
	2018	2017	% Change
	U.S. $ in thousands		
Research and development, net	$ 25,786	$ 21,767	18.5%
Selling, general & administrative	49,792	60,345	-17.5%
	$ 75,578	$ 82,112	-8.0%
Percentage of revenues	46.6%	52.7%	

Research and development expenses, net increased by $4.0 million, or 18.5%, to $25.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018, compared to $21.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. The amount of research and development expenses constituted 15.9% of our revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2018, as compared to 14.0% for the three months ended September 30, 2017.

Our research and development expenses were impacted by timing of projects' spending based on our portfolio management, product development life cycle, as well as payroll related expenses. We continue to invest in long-term initiatives that include advancements in our core FDM and PolyJet technologies, as well as our new metal additive manufacturing platform, advanced composite materials, and software and application development.

Selling, general and administrative expenses decreased by $10.6 million, or 17.5%, to $49.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018, as compared to $60.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. The amount of selling, general and administrative expenses constituted 30.7% of our revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2018, as compared to 38.7% for the three months ended September 30, 2017.

The decrease in our selling, general and administrative expenses was primarily driven by the gain of $7.0 million from the Solidscape divestment and lower payroll related expenses, partially offset by higher marketing expenses.

Operating Income (loss)

Operating income (loss) and operating income (loss) as a percentage of our total revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,	
	2018	2017
	U.S. $ in thousands	
Operating income (loss)	$ 3,350	$ (6,873)
Percentage of revenues	2.1%	-4.4%

Operating income amounted to $3.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018 compared to an operating loss of $6.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. The increase in operating income was primarily attributable to the gain of $7.0 million from the Solidscape divestment and lower operating expenses for the three months ended September 30, 2018 compared to the three months ended September 30, 2017, as discussed above.

Financial expense, net

Financial expense, net, which was primarily comprised of effects of foreign currencies changes, as well as interest income and interest expense, amounted to less than $0.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018, compared to financial expense, net of $0.3 million, for the three months ended September 30, 2017.

Income Taxes

Income taxes and income taxes as a percentage of net loss before taxes for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, as well as the percentage change in each reflected thereby, were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		
	2018	2017	
	U.S. $ in thousands		Change in %
Income tax expense	$ 304	$ 2,571	-88.2%
As a percent of loss before income taxes	9.2%	-35.8%	-125.6%

We had an effective tax rate of 9.2% for the three-month period ended September 30, 2018 compared to a negative effective tax rate of 35.8% for the three-month period ended September 30, 2017. Our effective tax rate as of September 30, 2018 was primarily impacted by the geographic mix of our earnings and losses.

Share in Losses of Associated Companies

Share in losses of associated companies reflects our proportionate share of the losses of unconsolidated entities accounted for by using the equity method of accounting. During the three months ended September 30, 2018, our proportionate share of the losses of our equity method investments was $3.8 million compared to $0.5 million in the three months ended September 30, 2017. The increase in our proportionate share of the losses of our equity method investments was primarily driven by an in-process research and development (IPR&D) write-off incurred in certain new equity method investment.

Net Loss Attributable to Stratasys Ltd. and Net Loss Per Share

Net loss attributable to Stratasys Ltd., and diluted net loss per share, for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,	
	2018	2017
	U.S. $ in thousands	
Net loss attributable to Stratasys Ltd.	$ (679)	$ (10,157)
Percentage of revenues	-0.4%	-6.5%
Diluted net loss per share	$ (0.01)	$ (0.19)

Net loss attributable to Stratasys Ltd. was $0.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018 compared to net loss of $10.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. The decrease in the net loss attributable to Stratasys Ltd. was primarily attributable to decreased operating expenses and income tax expenses, partially offset by an increase in share in losses of associated companies, as described above.

Diluted net loss per share was $0.01 and $0.19 for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The weighted average fully diluted share count was 53.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018, compared to 53.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017.

Comparison of Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018 to Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017

The following table sets forth certain statement of operations data for the periods indicated:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2018		2017	
	U.S. $ in thousands	% of Revenues	U.S. $ in thousands	% of Revenues
Revenues	$ 486,118	100.0%	$ 489,019	100.0%
Cost of revenues	247,893	51.0%	253,508	51.8%
Gross profit	238,225	49.0%	235,511	48.2%
Research and development, net	74,585	15.3%	69,652	14.2%
Selling, general and administrative	168,684	34.7%	190,406	38.9%
Operating loss	(5,044)	-1.0%	(24,547)	-5.0%
Financial income (expense), net	(114)	0.0%	380	0.1%
Loss before income taxes	(5,158)	-1.1%	(24,167)	-4.9%
Income tax expenses	1,110	0.2%	5,205	1.1%
Share in losses of associated companies	(11,185)	-2.3%	(1,006)	-0.2%
Net loss attributable to non-controlling interests	(182)	0.0%	(377)	-0.1%
Net loss attributable to Stratasys Ltd.	(17,271)	-3.6%	(30,001)	-6.1%

Discussion of Results of Operations

Revenues

Our products and services revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, as well as the percentage change reflected thereby, were as follows:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2018	2017	% Change
	U.S. $ in thousands		
Products	$ 331,967	$ 344,509	-3.6%
Services	154,151	144,510	6.7%
	$ 486,118	$ 489,019	-0.6%

Products Revenues

Revenues derived from products (including AM systems and consumable materials) decreased by $12.5 million, or 3.6%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, as compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2017. The decrease in products revenues was driven by a decrease in our systems revenues and was partially offset by an increase in our consumables revenues.

Systems revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 decreased by 9.9% as compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2017. Consumables revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 increased by 3.0% as compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2017.

Services Revenues

Services revenues (including SDM, maintenance contracts, spare parts and other services) increased by $9.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, or 6.7%, as compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2017. Within services revenues, customer support revenue, which includes revenue generated mainly by maintenance contracts on our systems, increased by 8.0%, reflecting our growing installed base of systems and our effective support solutions suitable for end-users' needs.

Revenues by Region

Revenues and the percentage of revenues by region for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, as well as the percentage change in revenues in each such region reflected thereby, were as follows:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,				
	2018		2017		% Change
	U.S.$ in thousands	% of Revenues	U.S.$ in thousands	% of Revenues	
Americas*	$ 299,731	61.7%	$ 306,426	62.7%	-2.2%
EMEA	108,634	22.3%	105,239	21.5%	3.2%
Asia Pacific	77,753	16.0%	77,354	15.8%	0.5%
	$ 486,118	100.0%	$ 489,019	100.0%	-0.6%

* Represent the United States, Canada and Latin America

Revenues in the Americas region decreased by $6.7 million, or 2.2%, to $299.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, compared to $306.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. The decrease was primarily driven by lower systems revenues, partially offset by higher services and consumables revenues.

Revenues in the EMEA region increased by $3.4 million, or 3.2%, to $108.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, compared to $105.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. The increase reflects higher consumables and services revenues. In local currencies terms, revenues in the EMEA region for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 decreased by 3.1% as compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2017. Revenues in the EMEA region were favorably impacted by approximately $6.6 million, on a constant currency basis when using prior period's exchange rates.

Revenues in the Asia Pacific region increased by $0.4 million, or 0.5%, to $77.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, compared to $77.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. The increase reflects higher services revenues, partially offset by lower products revenues.

Gross Profit

Gross profit for our products and services for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, as well as the percentage change reflected thereby, were as follows:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2018	2017	
	U.S. $ in thousands		Change in %
Gross profit attributable to:			
Products	$ 184,847	$ 185,466	-0.3%
Services	53,378	50,045	6.7%
	$ 238,225	$ 235,511	1.2%

Gross profit as a percentage of revenues for our products and services for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, were as follows:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2018	2017
Gross profit as a percentage of revenues from:		
Products	55.7%	53.8%
Services	34.6%	34.6%
Total gross profit	49.0%	48.2%

Gross profit attributable to products revenues decreased by $0.6 million, or 0.3%, to $184.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, compared to gross profit of $185.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. Gross profit attributable to products revenues as a percentage of products revenues increased to 55.7% for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, compared to gross profit of 53.8% for the nine months ended September 30, 2017.

Gross profit attributable to services revenues increased by $3.3 million, or 6.7%, to $53.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, compared to $50.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. Gross profit attributable to services revenues as a percentage of services revenues in the nine months ended September 30, 2018 was 34.6% and remained the same as for the nine months ended September 30, 2017.

Operating Expenses

The amount of each type of operating expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, as well as the percentage change reflected thereby, and total operating expenses as a percentage of our total revenues in each such period, were as follows:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2018	2017	% Change
	U.S. $ in thousands		
Research and development, net	$ 74,585	$ 69,652	7.1%
Selling, general & administrative	168,684	190,406	-11.4%
	$ 243,269	$ 260,058	-6.5%
Percentage of revenues	50.0%	53.2%	

Research and development expenses, net increased by $4.9 million, or 7.1%, to $74.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, compared to $69.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. The amount of research and development expenses constituted 15.3% of our revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, as compared to 14.2% for the nine months ended September 30, 2017.

Selling, general and administrative expenses decreased by $21.7 million, or 11.4%, to $168.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, as compared to $190.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. The amount of selling, general and administrative expenses constituted 34.7% of our revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, as compared to 38.9% for the nine months ended September 30, 2017.

The decrease in our selling, general and administrative expenses was primarily driven by the gain of $7.0 million from the Solidscape divestment, lower commissions and payroll related expenses, as well as the gain of $1.6 million that resulted from the sale of one of our facilities in Minnesota.

Operating Loss

Operating loss and operating loss as a percentage of our total revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, were as follows:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2018	2017
	U.S. $ in thousands	
Operating loss	$ (5,044)	$ (24,547)
Percentage of revenues	-1.0%	-5.0%

Operating loss amounted to $5.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 compared to an operating loss of $24.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. The decrease in operating loss was primarily attributable to lower operating expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2017 and the gains from the sale of Solidscape and our facility in Minnesota, as discussed above.

Financial Income (expense), net

Financial expense, net, which was primarily comprised of effects of foreign currencies, interest income and interest expense, amounted to $0.1 million, and financial income, net, of $0.4 million, for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Income Taxes

Income taxes and income taxes as a percentage of net loss before taxes for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, as well as the percentage change in each reflected thereby, were as follows:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2018	2017	
	U.S. $ in thousands		Change in %
Income tax expense	$ 1,110	$ 5,205	-78.7%
As a percent of loss before income taxes	-21.5%	-21.5%	0.0%

We had a negative effective tax rate of 21.5% for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2018 and for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2017. Our effective tax rate was primarily impacted by different geographic mixes of earnings and losses.

Share in Losses of Associated Companies

Share in losses of associated companies reflects our proportionate share of the earnings of unconsolidated entities accounted for by using the equity method of accounting. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, our proportionate share of the earnings of our equity method investments was $11.2 million compared to $1 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2017. The difference is primarily due to in-process research and development (IPR&D) write-offs.

Net Loss Attributable to Stratasys Ltd. and Net Loss Per Share

Net loss attributable to Stratasys Ltd., and diluted net loss per share, for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, were as follows:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2018	2017
	U.S. $ in thousands	
Net loss attributable to Stratasys Ltd.	$ (17,271)	$ (30,001)
Percentage of revenues	-3.6%	-6.1%
Diluted net loss per share	$ (0.34)	$ (0.57)

Net loss attributable to Stratasys Ltd. was $17.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 compared to net loss of $30.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. The decrease in the net loss attributable to Stratasys Ltd. was primarily attributable to decreased operating expenses and income tax expenses, partially offset by an increase in share in losses of associated companies, as described above. In computing our loss per share for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, we adjusted the net loss attributable to Stratasys Ltd. downwards by $0.9 million due to an excess redemption amount of redeemable non-controlling interest.

Diluted net loss per share was $0.34 and $0.57 for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The weighted average fully diluted share count was 53.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, compared to 52.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017.

Supplemental Operating Results on a Non-GAAP Basis

The following non-GAAP data, which excludes certain items as described below, are non-GAAP financial measures. Our management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures are useful information for investors and shareholders of our company in gauging our results of operations (x) on an ongoing basis after excluding merger, acquisition and divestments related expense or gains and reorganization-related charges or gains, and (y) excluding non-cash items such as stock-based compensation expenses, acquired intangible assets amortization, including intangible assets amortization related to equity method investments, impairment of long-lived assets, changes in fair value of obligations in connection with acquisitions and the corresponding tax effect of those items. These non-GAAP adjustments either do not reflect actual cash outlays that impact our liquidity and our financial condition or have a non-recurring impact on the statement of operations, as assessed by management. These non-GAAP financial measures are presented to permit investors to more fully understand how management assesses our performance for internal planning and forecasting purposes. The limitations of using these non-GAAP financial measures as performance measures are that they provide a view of our results of operations without including all items indicated above during a period, which may not provide a comparable view of our performance to other companies in our industry. Investors and other readers should consider non-GAAP measures only as supplements to, not as substitutes for or as superior measures to, the measures of financial performance prepared in accordance with GAAP. Reconciliation between results on a GAAP and non-GAAP basis is provided in a table below.

Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Results of Operations

The following tables present the GAAP measures, the corresponding non-GAAP amounts and related non-GAAP adjustments for the applicable periods:

	Three Months Ended September 30,					
	2018 GAAP	Non-GAAP Adjustments	2018 Non-GAAP	2017 GAAP	Non-GAAP Adjustments	2017 Non-GAAP
	U.S. dollars and shares in thousands (except per share amounts)					
Gross profit (1)	$ 78,928	$ 5,545	$ 84,473	$ 75,239	$ 6,598	$ 81,837
Operating income (loss) (1,2)	3,350	4,815	8,165	(6,873)	14,933	8,060
Net income (loss) attributable to Stratasys Ltd. (1,2,3)	(679)	6,383	5,704	(10,157)	14,299	4,142
Net income (loss) per diluted share attributable to Stratasys Ltd. (4)	$ (0.01)	$ 0.12	$ 0.11	$ (0.19)	$ 0.27	$ 0.08
(1) Acquired intangible assets amortization expense		5,221			5,688	
Non-cash stock-based compensation expense		351			642	
Reorganization and other related costs		(27)			72	
Merger and acquisition related expense		-			196	
		5,545			6,598	
(2) Acquired intangible assets amortization expense		2,532			2,593	
Non-cash stock-based compensation expense		3,662			4,256	
Change in fair value of obligations in connection with acquisitions		-			65	
Gain from divestiture, net of transaction costs		(7,016)				
Reorganization and other related costs		92			383	
Merger and acquisition related expense		-			1,038	
		(730)			8,335	
		4,815			14,933	
(3) Corresponding tax effect		(750)			(836)	
Acquired intangible assets amortization and write-off related to equity method investments		2,318			202	
		$ 6,383			$ 14,299	
(4) Weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding- Diluted	53,769		53,992	53,012		53,664

	Nine Months Ended September 30,					
	2018 GAAP	Non-GAAP Adjustments	2018 Non-GAAP	2017 GAAP	Non-GAAP Adjustments	2017 Non-GAAP
	U.S. dollars and shares in thousands (except per share amounts)					
Gross profit (1)	$ 238,225	$ 16,852	$ 255,077	$ 235,511	$ 19,996	$ 255,507
Operating income (loss) (1,2)	(5,044)	28,750	23,706	(24,547)	47,708	23,161
Net income (loss) attributable to Stratasys Ltd. (1,2,3)	(17,271)	33,789	16,518	(30,001)	45,729	15,728
Net income (loss) per diluted share attributable to Stratasys Ltd. (4)	$ (0.34)	$ 0.65	$ 0.31	$ (0.57)	$ 0.86	$ 0.29
(1) Acquired intangible assets amortization expense		15,645			17,081	
Non-cash stock-based compensation expense		1,180			2,084	
Reorganization and other related costs		27			303	
Merger and acquisition related expense		-			528	
		16,852			19,996	
(2) Acquired intangible assets amortization expense		7,629			7,725	
Non-cash stock-based compensation expense		10,526			12,049	
Change in fair value of obligations in connection with acquisitions		-			1,378	
Gain from divestiture, net of transaction costs		(7,016)				
Reorganization and other related costs		631			2,667	
Merger and acquisition related expense		128			3,893	
		11,898			27,712	
		28,750			47,708	
(3) Corresponding tax effect		(2,661)			(2,571)	
Acquired intangible assets amortization and write-off related to equity method investments		7,700			592	
		$ 33,789			$ 45,729	
(4) Weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding- Diluted	53,716		53,820	52,827		53,521

Liquidity and Capital Resources

A summary of our statement of cash flows is as follows:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2018	2017
	U.S. $ in thousands	
Net loss	$ (17,453)	$ (30,377)
Depreciation and amortization	45,902	49,791
Deferred income taxes	(3,733)	(3,086)
Stock-based compensation	11,706	14,133
Other non-cash item, net	9,280	(5,022)
Change in working capital and other items	(654)	15,431
Net cash provided by operating activities	45,048	40,870
Net cash used in investing activities	(20,163)	(19,767)
Net cash used in financing activities	(2,978)	(1,630)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(1,801)	3,011
Net change in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	20,106	22,484
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of period	329,359	280,623
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of period	$ 349,465	$ 303,107

Our cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash balances increased to $349.5 million on September 30, 2018 from $329.4 million on December 31, 2017. The increase in cash and cash equivalents in the nine months ended September 30, 2018 was primarily due to net cash provided by operating activities in an amount of $45.0 million, partially offset by net cash used in investing activities of $20.2 million and net cash used in financing activities of $3.0 million.

Our cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash balances increased to $303.1 million at September 30, 2017 from $280.6 million at December 31, 2016.

Cash flows from operating activities

We generated $45.0 million of cash from operating activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2018. This cash generated by our operating activities reflects our $17.5 million net loss for this period, as adjusted to eliminate non-cash charges including depreciation and amortization of $45.9 million, share in losses of associated companies of $11.2 million, stock-based compensation expense of $11.7 million and non-cash gain from divestitures of $7.9 million. In addition, changes in our working capital balances and other assets and liabilities decreased our cash flow provided by operating activities by $0.7 million. The only slight impact of the changes in our working capital balances reflect our close monitoring of our operating working capital including effective collection efforts.

We generated $40.9 million of cash from operating activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2017. That cash generated by our operating activities reflected our $30.4 million net loss for that period, as adjusted to eliminate non-cash charges such as $49.8 million of depreciation and amortization and $14.1 million of stock-based compensation expense, as well as $15.4 million of changes in our working capital balances and other assets.

Cash flows from investing activities

We used $20.2 million of cash in our investing activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2018. Cash was primarily used to invest $18.9 million to purchase property and equipment. Our principal property and equipment purchases were for our new buildings complex under construction in Rehovot, Israel. The new facility in Rehovot, Israel, which will contain two buildings, houses our Israeli headquarters, research and development facilities and certain marketing activities.

In addition, we used $13.0 million of cash for investments in unconsolidated entities during the nine months ended September 30, 2018. Cash used was partially offset by net proceeds of $9.0 million received from the divestiture of Solidscape and $3.8 million of cash that we received from the sale of one of our operational facilities in Minnesota.

We used $19.8 million of cash in our investing activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2017. Cash was primarily used to invest $15.9 million to purchase property and equipment and for certain strategic investments in unconsolidated entities.

Cash flows from financing activities

We used $3.0 million of cash in our financing activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2018. Cash used for financing activities was mainly attributable to the quarterly repayments of our long-term loan in an amount of $3.9 million.

We used $1.6 million of cash in our financing activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2017. Cash used for financing activities was mainly attributable to the quarterly repayments of our long-term loan in an amount of $2.8 million and to finance our payments for obligations in connection with acquisitions in an amount of $1.5 million. Cash provided by financing activities was mainly attributable to proceeds of $2.6 million from the exercise of stock options.

Capital resources and capital expenditures

Our total current assets amounted to $647.7 million as of September 30, 2018, of which $349.5 million consisted of cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash. Total current liabilities amounted to $163.8 million. Most of our cash and cash equivalents are held in banks in Israel, Switzerland and the U.S.

The credit risk related to our accounts receivable is limited due to the relatively large number of customers and their wide geographic distribution. In addition, we seek to reduce the credit exposure related to our accounts receivable by credit limits, credit insurance, ongoing credit evaluation and account monitoring procedures.

We believe that we will have adequate cash and cash equivalents to fund our ongoing operations and that these sources of liquidity will be sufficient to satisfy our capital expenditure and debt service requirements for the next twelve months.

Long-Term Bank Loan and Credit Line

In December 2016, we entered into a secured loan agreement with Bank Hapoalim Ltd. in connection with our new office facility in Israel, which agreement we refer to as the Bank Loan Agreement. Pursuant to the Bank Loan Agreement, our company borrowed $26 million initially in December 2016, which we refer to as the Bank Loan, and secured a credit line for an additional $24 million, or the Credit Line. Any loans drawn upon the Credit Line will be under similar terms as the Bank Loan. The Bank Loan will mature in December 2023 and is payable in equal consecutive quarterly principal installments of principal and accrued interest. Any early repayment of the Bank Loan is subject to, within the initial three year term of the Bank Loan, a maximum 1% penalty of the amount prepaid. The repayment of the Bank Loan is secured by a first-priority lien on all of our company’s rights in the property of our new office facility in Israel. The Bank Loan bears interest at the rate of LIBOR plus 3.35%. The Bank Loan Agreement contains customary representations and warranties, affirmative covenants and negative covenants, which include, without limitation, restrictions on indebtedness, liens, investments, and certain dispositions with respect to the property secured by the lien. The Bank Loan Agreement also contains customary events of default that entitle the lender to cause any or all of our company's indebtedness to become immediately due and payable and to foreclose on the lien, and includes customary grace periods before certain events are deemed events of default. Borrowings under the Bank Loan Agreement were mainly used for the financing of our new facility in Israel. As of September 30, 2018, we had borrowed $10 million under the Credit Line.

We believe that we were in compliance with all of the covenants under the Bank Loan Agreement, including those related to the Bank Loan and Credit Line, as of September 30, 2018.

Critical Accounting Policies

We have prepared our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. This has required us to make estimates, judgments, and assumptions that affected the amounts we reported. Actual results may differ from those estimates. To facilitate the understanding of our business activities, certain accounting policies that are important to the presentation of our financial condition and results of operations and that require management's subjective judgments are described in our 2017 Annual Report. We base our judgments on our experience and various assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Forward-Looking Statements and Factors That May Affect Future Results of Operations

Certain information included in or incorporated by reference into the Report of Foreign Private Issuer on Form 6-K to which this Operating and Financial Review and Prospects is appended, or the Form 6-K, may be deemed to be "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Forward-looking statements are those that predict or describe future events or trends and that do not relate solely to historical matters. You can generally identify forward-looking statements as statements containing the words "may," "will," "could," "should," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "estimate," "believe," "project," "plan," "assume" or other similar expressions, or negatives of those expressions, although not all forward-looking statements contain these identifying words.

These forward-looking statements may include, but are not limited to, statements regarding our future strategy, future operations, projected financial position, proposed products, estimated future revenues, projected costs, future prospects, the future of our industry and results that might be obtained by pursuing management's current plans and objectives.

You should not place undue reliance on our forward-looking statements because the matters they describe are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions that are difficult to predict. Our forward-looking statements are based on the information currently available to us and speak only as of the date of the Form 6-K. Over time, our actual results, performance or achievements may differ from those expressed or implied by our forward-looking statements, and such difference might be significant and materially adverse to our shareholders. We undertake no obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Important factors that could cause actual results, developments and business decisions to differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements include, among other things:

- the extent of our success at introducing new or improved products and solutions that gain market share;
- the extent of growth of the 3D printing market generally;
- impairments of goodwill or other intangible assets in respect of companies that we acquire;
- changes in our overall strategy, including as related to any reorganization activities and our capital expenditures;
- the impact of shifts in prices or margins of the products that we sell or services we provide;
- the extent of our success at efficiently and successfully integrating the operations of various companies that we have acquired or may acquire;
- the impact of competition and new technologies;
- global market, political and economic conditions, and in the countries in which we operate in particular;
- government regulations and approvals;

- litigation and regulatory proceedings;

- infringement of our intellectual property rights by others (including for replication and sale of consumables for use in our systems), or infringement of others' intellectual property rights by us;

- the extent of our success at maintaining our liquidity and financing our operations and capital needs;

- impact of tax regulations on our results of operations and financial condition; and

- those factors referred to in Item 3.D, "Key Information - Risk Factors", Item 4, "Information on the Company", and Item 5, "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects" in our 2017 Annual Report, as well as in the 2017 Annual Report generally.

Readers are urged to carefully review and consider the various disclosures made throughout the Form 6-K, our 2017 Annual Report, and in our other reports filed with or furnished to the SEC, which are designed to advise interested parties of the risks and factors that may affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURE ABOUT MARKET RISK

Reference is made to Item 11, "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk" in our 2017 Annual Report.

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We are subject to various litigation and other legal proceedings. For a discussion of certain of these matters, which we deem to be material to our company, see Note 12-"Contingencies" in the notes to our unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements attached as Exhibit 99.1 to the Form 6-K.