

Top 50 LLP accounts 2015-16: in depth



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2 – Borrowing figures look higher than peers as firm is financed primarily through debt rather than partner capital loans. 3 – Bird & Bird reports in Euros. The exchange rates used were 1.2791 for 2015-16, 1.3801 for 2014-15 and 1.2179 for 2013-14.

4 – The head of that group is in fact IMCO Holdings Limited, but that company is registered in Jersey so no accounts are available. This uses the Irwin Mitchell LLP accounts.

5 – WFW Global is actually the parent and these figures are used here.

6 – Shakespeare LLP merged with SGH Martineau LLP in June 2015.

7 – Gateley LLP business was transferred to Gateley Plc on 1 May 2015, therefore the comparatives are for Gateley LLP. The firm now no longer publishes certain information as it is a Public Limited Company and not an LLP.

8 – Taking into account cash balances Norton Rose had no net debt at the end of the financial year despite its borrowings