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### Interim Results for the six months ended 30 June 2006

Christie Group, a leading business services and software group, today announces its interim results for the six months ended 30 June 2006.

### **Highlights**

- Turnover up 16% to £45.0 million (2005: £38.9 million).
- Group operating profit up 40% to £3.1 million (2005: £2.2 million), reflecting a strong performance by the Professional Business Services division.
- Cash generated from operations of £1.7 million (2005: £0.1 million).
- Basic EPS up 39% to 7.5p (2005: 5.4p).
- Interim dividend increased to 1.25p per share (2005: 1.0p per share).

### Philip Gwyn, Chairman, commented:

"This was another solid period of growth for Christie Group. We saw a string of new business wins throughout the Group with a particularly strong performance, albeit in a buoyant market, for business property services. Given a continuation of current market conditions, we believe that the second half of 2006 will prove a further profitable trading period during which we will continue to invest for growth."

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Note to Editors

Christie Group plc (CTG.L) is quoted on AIM. It is a leading business services and software group with three business divisions: *Professional Business Services, Software Solutions* and *Stock and Inventory Services*. The three complementary businesses focus on the leisure, retail and care markets. Christie Group has 33 offices across Europe – located in the UK as well as in Belgium, France, Germany, Italy and Spain, and 1 office in Canada.

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#### **CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT**

#### HALF YEAR TO 30 JUNE 2006

Christie Group's revenue for the half year to June 2006 increased 16% to £45.0 million (2005: £38.9 million). Group operating profit (stated under IFRS) increased by 40% to £3.1 million (2005: £2.2 million).

These results reflect a strong performance in a strong market for business property services.

The Board has declared an increased interim dividend of 1.25p per share (2005: 1.0p).

#### **Professional Business Services**

Revenue in our Professional Business Services division grew by 24%. Each of the trade sectors in which we operate – Hospitality & Leisure, Retail and Care - were buoyant.

Agency income rose by 34% compared with the first half of 2005.

A busy period for Christie + Co which sold the Scotsman Hotel Group, valued the George V pursuant to the Dubai flotation of Kingdom Hotel Investments and acted as valuers for Morgan Stanley in their acquisition of 7 InterContinental hotels. We contracted the sale of 65 shops for the Unwin receiver and valued 241 specialist care facilities for Paragon Healthcare amongst numerous assignments.

Associated Christie First Business Mortgage activity also increased.

#### **Software Solutions**

Income increased 10%. The company successfully launched its new software, Colombus.next, to its user conference in May. A restricted number of orders have been taken for fulfilment in 2006, prior to wider availability in 2007.

New customers in the period included Phox, a chain of 450 photographic stores, Canelle, Billabong and Mercedes.

We have successfully completed the roll-out of ticketing and concessions systems to 61 Vue Cinemas in the UK, with a further phase to follow.

#### **Stock & Inventory Services**

Demand for our services continues to increase. We have seen a strong increase in turnover at our Pharmacy division to the highest level since 1846.

We won a major new customer from the food retailing sector, an area we believe holds further growth prospects for us.

Profit was held back by the need to retrain staff following a £600,000 re-equipping with Denso technology and an unrecoverable loss of £100,000 following the collapse of Unwins.

Renewed contracts and new business from Thistle Hotels, Brook Hotels and Sodexho should provide further growth in 2007.

### Outlook

Given a continuation of current market conditions, we believe that the second half of 2006 will prove a further profitable trading period during which we will continue to invest for growth.

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# **Consolidated interim income statement**

	Note	Half year to 30 June 2006 £'000 (Unaudited)	Half year to 30 June 2005 £'000 (Unaudited)	Year ended 31 December 2005 £'000
Revenue	4	45,018	38,878	77,506
Employee benefit expenses		(26,278)	(22,324)	(43,497)
		18,740	16,554	34,009
Depreciation and amortisation		(639)	(639)	(1,292)
Other operating expenses		(15,038)	(13,723)	(28,308)
Operating Profit	4	3,063	2,192	4,409
Interest payable		(133)	(121)	(249)
Interest receivable		143	73	221
Total finance credit / ( costs)		10	(48)	(28)
Profit before tax		3,073	2,144	4,381
Taxation	5	(1,189)	(801)	(1,694)
Profit for the period after tax		1,884	1,343	2,687
Attributable to:				
Minority interest		3	1	3
Equity shareholders of the parent		1,881	1,342	2,684
		1,884	1,343	2,687
Earnings per share (pence)				
- Basic	6	7.50p	5.41p	10.79p
- Fully diluted	6	7.48p	5.35p	10.69p

All amounts derive from continuing activities

## Consolidated interim statement of changes in shareholders' equity

Attributable to the equity holders of the Company Cumulative translation Total Share Fair value and Retained Minority capital other reserves adjustments earnings interest equity £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 Balance at 1 January 2005 495 4,484 3,002 (347)16 7,650 Issue of share capital 3 65 68 Currency translation adjustments (120)(120)Net income/(expense) recognised directly in equity 3 65 (120)(52)1 Profit for the period 1,342 1,343 Total recognised income/(expense) for the period 3 65 (120)1,342 1 1,291 Employee share option scheme: -value of services provided 32 32 Dividend (482)(482)Balance at 1 July 2005 498 4.581 (467)3,862 17 8,491 Issue of share capital 2 44 46 Currency translation adjustments 80 80 Net income recognised directly in equity 2 44 80 126 Profit for the period 1,342 2 1,344 2 Total recognised income for the period 44 80 1,342 2 1,470 Movement in respect of employee share 64 64 scheme Employee share option scheme: -value of services provided 33 33 Exchange difference on repayment of foreign exchange loan 158 (158)Dividend (244)(244)Balance at 1 January 2006 500 4,722 (229)4,802 19 9,814 Issue of share capital 2 61 59 \_ Currency translation adjustments 27 27 Net income recognised directly in equity 2 59 27 88 Profit for the period 3 1,881 1,884 Total recognised income for the period 2 59 27 1,881 3 1,972 Movement in respect of employee share (314)(314)Employee share option scheme: - value of services provided 40 40 Dividend (612)(612)Balance at 30 June 2006 502 4,507 (202)6,071 22 10,900

# **Consolidated interim balance sheet**

	Note	At 30 June 2006 £'000 (Unaudited)	At 30 June 2005 £'000 (Unaudited)	At 31 December 2005 £'000
Assets			,	
Non-current assets				
Property, plant and equipment		2,346	2,484	2,179
Intangible assets - Goodwill		3,939	4,025	3,939
Intangible assets - Other	8	2,307	2,183	2,810
Deferred tax assets		1,917	2,231	1,977
Available-for-sale financial assets		300	100	300
		10,809	11,023	11,205
Current assets				
Inventories		427	295	310
Trade and other receivables		19,863	17,474	14,117
Available-for-sale financial assets		-	504	-
Cash and cash equivalents		5,638	3,019	6,811
		25,928	21,292	21,238
Total assets		36,737	32,315	32,443
Equity  Capital and reserves attributable to the Con  Share capital	npany's equity holders	5 502	498	500
Fair value and other reserves		4,507	4,581	4,722
Cumulative translation reserve		(202)	(467)	(229)
Retained earnings		6,071	3,862	4,802
Trotamou carriingo		10,878	8,474	9,795
Minority interest		22	17	19
Total equity		10,900	8,491	9,814
Liabilities		·		·
Non-current liabilities				
Borrowings		2,191	2,281	2,221
Retirement benefit obligations	9	6,593	6,796	6,790
O and Pal PPC		8,784	9,077	9,011
Current liabilities		45.740	40.050	10.710
Trade and other payables		15,710	12,858	12,748
Current tax liabilities		1,021	325	732
Borrowings		322	1,564	138
		17,053	14,747	13,618
Total liabilities		25,837	23,824	22,629
Total equity and liabilities		36,737	32,315	32,443

These consolidated interim financial statements have been approved for issue by the Board of Directors on 7 September 2006.

# Consolidated interim cash flow statement

		Half year to	Half year to	Year to
		30 June	30 June	31 December
		2006	2005	2005
		£'000	£'000	£'000
	Note	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Cash flow from operating activities				
Cash generated from operations	10	1,748	117	6,772
Interest paid		(133)	(121)	(249)
Tax (paid) / received		(841)	33	(214)
Net cash generated from operating activities		774	29	6,309
Cash flow from investing activities				
Acquisition of subsidiary (net of cash acquired)		-	(139)	(79)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment (PPE)		(938)	(523)	(858)
Proceeds from sale of PPE		64	103	132
Intangible assets expenditure		(715)	(1,072)	(1,712)
Proceeds from sale of intangibles		210	-	-
Proceeds from sale of available-for-sale assets		-	-	70
Increased investment in available-for-sale assets		-	-	(200)
Interest received		143	73	221
Net cash used in investing activities		(1,236)	(1,558)	(2,426)
Cash flow from financing activities				
Proceeds from issue of share capital		61	68	114
(Investment in) / proceeds from ESOP		(314)	-	64
Proceeds from borrowings		-	510	510
Repayments of borrowings		(41)	(27)	(277)
Payments of finance lease liabilities		(23)	(58)	(111)
Dividends paid		(612)	(482)	(726)
Net cash (used in) / generated from financing activities		(929)	11	(426)
Net (decrease) / increase in net cash (including bank overdrafts)		(1,391)	(1,518)	3,457
Cash and bank overdrafts at beginning of period		6,811	3,354	3,354
Cash and bank overdrafts at end of period		5,420	1,836	6,811

#### Notes to the consolidated interim financial statements

#### 1. General information

Christie Group plc is the parent undertaking of a group of companies covering a range of related activities. These fall into three divisions – Professional Business Services, Software Solutions and Stock and Inventory Services. Professional Business Services principally covers business valuation and agency, mortgage and insurance services, and business appraisal. Software Solutions covers EPoS, Head office systems and supply chain management. Stock and Inventory Services covers Stock and Audit inventory preparation and valuation.

### 2. Basis of preparation

These interim consolidated financial statements of Christie Group plc are for the six months ended 30 June 2006. The interim financial statements have been prepared using accounting policies set out in the Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2005 and in accordance with those IFRS standards and IFRIC interpretations issued and effective or issued and early adopted as at the time of preparing these statements (September 2006). The IFRS standards and IFRIC interpretations that will be applicable at 31 December 2006, including those that will be applicable on an optional basis, are not known with certainty at the time of preparing these interim financial statements. These consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

These consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standard (IFRS) IAS 34 'Interim Financial Reporting'. They do not include all of the information required for full annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2005.

The financial information included in this interim report for the six months ended 30 June 2006 does not constitute statutory financial statements as defined by Section 240 of the Companies Act 1985 and is unaudited. The comparative information for the six months ended 30 June 2005 is also unaudited. The comparative figures for the year ended 31 December 2005 have been extracted from the Group's financial statements as filed with the Registrar of Companies, on which the auditors gave an unqualified opinion and did not make a statement under Section 237 (2) or (3) of the Companies Act 1985.

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise judgement in the process of applying the Company's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the consolidated interim financial statements, are disclosed in Note 3.

### 3. Critical accounting estimates and judgements

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are consistent with those applied to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2005.

# 4. Segment information

# a. Primary reporting format – business segments

The Group is organised into three main business segments: Professional Business Services, Software Solutions and Stock and Inventory Services.

The segment results for the period ended 30 June 2006 are as follows:

	Professional		Stock and		
	Business	Software	Inventory		
	Services	Solutions	Services	Other	Group
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Continuing Operations					
Total gross segment sales	24,919	8,039	12,093	1,437	46,488
Inter-segment sales	(33)	-	-	(1,437)	(1,470)
Revenue	24,886	8,039	12,093	-	45,018
Operating profit	4,083	(1,425)	793	(388)	3,063
Net finance credit					10
Profit before tax					3,073
Taxation					(1,189)
Profit for the period after tax					1,884

The segment results for the period ended 30 June 2005 are as follows:

	Professional		Stock and		
	Business	Software	Inventory		
	Services	Solutions	Services	Other	Group
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Continuing operations					
Total gross segment sales	20,126	7,299	11,473	1,285	40,183
Inter-segment sales	(20)	-	-	(1,285)	(1,305)
Revenue	20,106	7,299	11,473	-	38,878
Operating profit	1,558	(287)	1,037	(116)	2,192
Net finance costs					(48)
Profit before tax					2,144
Taxation					(801)
Profit for the period after tax					1,343

### 4. Segment information (continued)

The segment results for the year ended 31 December 2005 are as follows:

	Professional		Stock and		
	Business	Software	Inventory		
	Services	Solutions	Services	Other	Group
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Continuing operations					
Total gross segment sales	43,289	13,714	20,536	2,554	80,093
Inter-segment sales	(33)	-	-	(2,554)	(2,587)
Revenue	43,256	13,714	20,536	•	77,506
Operating profit	4,519	(1,268)	1,356	(198)	4,409
Net finance costs					(28)
Profit before tax					4,381
Taxation					(1,694)
Profit for the period after tax					2,687

Other segment items included in the income statement are as follows:

	Professional		Stock and		
	Business	Software	Inventory		
	Services	Solutions	Services	Other	Group
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
For the period ended 30 June 2006					
Depreciation and amortisation	293	166	161	19	639
Impairment of trade receivables	732	152	25	-	909
For the period ended 30 June 2005					
Depreciation and amortisation	345	149	124	21	639
Impairment of trade receivables	557	147	7	-	711
For the year ended 31 December 2005					
Depreciation and amortisation	673	304	269	46	1,292
Impairment of trade receivables	644	166	2	-	812

The segment assets and liabilities at 30 June 2006 and capital expenditure for the period then ended are as follows:

	Professional Business	Software	Stock and Inventory		
	Services	Solutions	Services	Other	Group
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Assets	17,137	11,114	5,270	1,299	34,820
Deferred tax assets					1,917
					36,737
Liabilities	11,886	4,625	4,020	1,813	22,344
Current tax liabilities					1,021
Borrowings (excluding finance leases)					2,472
					25,837
Capital expenditure	135	820	694	4	1,653

### 4. Segment information (continued)

The segment assets and liabilities at 30 June 2005 and capital expenditure for the period then ended are as follows:

	Professional		Stock and		
	Business	Software	Inventory		
	Services	Solutions	Services	Other	Group
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Assets	13,301	10,739	5,930	114	30,084
Deferred tax assets					2,231
					32,315
Liabilities	9,520	4,344	4,471	1,438	19,773
Current tax liabilities					325
Borrowings (excluding finance leases)					3,726
					23,824
Capital expenditure	998	511	64	22	1,595

The segment assets and liabilities at 31 December 2005 and capital expenditure for the period then ended are as follows:

	Professional		Stock and		
	Business	Software	Inventory		
	Services	Solutions	Services	Other	Group
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Assets	14,589	9,984	4,707	1,186	30,466
Deferred tax assets					1,977
					32,443
Liabilities	10,066	3,507	4,006	2,024	19,603
Current tax liabilities					732
Borrowings (excluding finance leases)					2,294
					22,629
Capital expenditure	1,130	1,224	187	29	2,570

Segment assets consist primarily of property, plant and equipment, intangible assets, inventories, receivables and operating cash. They exclude deferred taxation.

Segment liabilities comprise operating liabilities. They exclude items such as taxation and corporate borrowings.

Capital expenditure comprises additions to property, plant and equipment and intangible assets.

### 4. Segment information (continued)

### b. Secondary format - geographical segments

The Group manages its business segments on a global basis. The UK is the home country of the parent. The operations are based in two main geographical areas. The main operations in the principal territories are as follows:

- Europe
- Rest of the World (primarily North America).

The Group's sales are mainly in Europe. Sales are allocated based on the country in which the customer is located.

	30 June 2006	30 June 2005	31 December 2005
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Sales			
Europe	44,564	38,637	77,080
Rest of the World	454	241	426
	45,018	38,878	77,506

Total segment assets are allocated based on where the assets are located.

	30 June 2006	30 June 2005	31 December 2005
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Total assets			
Europe	34,485	29,811	30,169
Rest of the World	335	273	297
	34,820	30,084	30,466

Capital expenditure is allocated based on where the assets are located.

	30 June 2006	30 June 2005	31 December 2005
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Capital expenditure			
Europe	1,653	1,595	2,570
Rest of the World	-	-	-
	1,653	1,595	2,570

### 5. Taxation

The tax charge for the six months ending 30 June 2006 has been based on a forecasted effective tax rate for the year to 31 December 2006 of 38.7% (Half year to 30 June 2005: 37.4%; Year ended 31 December 2005: 38.7%), which includes the movement in deferred tax asset relating to Retirement Benefit obligations.

### 6. Earnings per share

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to equity holders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period.

	30 June 2006	30 June 2005	31 December 2005
Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company (£'000)	1,881	1,342	2,684
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue (thousands)	25,065	24,788	24,866
Basic earnings per share (pence)	7.50	5.41	10.79

Diluted earnings per share is calculated adjusting the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding to assume conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares. The Company has only one category of dilutive potential ordinary shares: share options.

The calculation is performed for the share options to determine the number of shares that could have been acquired at fair value (determined as the average annual market share price of the Company's shares) based on the monetary value of the subscription rights attached to outstanding share options. The number of shares calculated as above is compared with the number of shares that would have been issued assuming the exercise of the share options.

	30 June 2006	30 June 2005	31 December 2005
Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company (£'000)	1,881	1,342	2,684
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue (thousands)	25,065	24,788	24,866
Adjustment for share options (thousands)	86	285	249
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for diluted earnings per share (thousands)	25,151	25,073	25,115
Diluted earnings per share (pence)	7.48	5.35	10.69

### 7. Dividends per share

	30 June 2006 £'000	30 June 2005 £'000	31 December 2005 £'000
Interim			
2005 interim, paid September 2005 (1.0p)	-	-	244
Final			
2004 final, paid June 2005 (2.0p)	-	482	482
2005 final, paid June 2006 (2.5p)	612	-	-
	612	482	726

An interim dividend in respect of 2006 of 1.25p per share, amounting to a dividend of £305,000, was declared by the directors at their meeting on 7 September 2006. These financial statements do not reflect this dividend payable.

The dividend of 1.25p per share will be payable to shareholders on the record on 22 September 2006. The ex-dividend date will be 20 September 2006. The dividend will be paid on 20 October 2006.

### 8. Intangible assets - other

The dispute regarding the Christie + Co operational support system has been resolved and the software development costs capitalised of £1,193,000 have been fully recovered of which £210,000 was received in the period.

### 9. Retirement benefit obligations

The amounts recognised in the balance sheet are determined as follows:

	30 June 2006 £'000	30 June 2005 £'000	31 December 2005 £'000
United Kingdom	6,533	6,745	6,732
Overseas	60	51	58
	6,593	6,796	6,790

### **United Kingdom**

The Group operates two defined benefit schemes, providing benefits on final pensionable pay. The contributions are determined by qualified actuaries on the basis of triennial valuations using the projected unit method.

When a member retires, the pension and any spouse's pension is either secured by an annuity contract or paid from the managed fund. Assets of the schemes are reduced by the purchase price of any annuity purchase and the benefits no longer regarded as liabilities of the scheme.

The amounts recognised in the income statement and the movement in the liability recognised in the balance sheet has been based on the forecasted position for the year to 31 December 2006 after adjusting for the actual contributions paid in the period.

The amounts recognised in the income statement are as follows:

Total included in employee benefit expenses	(439)	(613)	(1,169)
Net actuarial loss recognised in the year	-	-	(26)
Expected return on plan assets	755	611	1,269
Interest cost	(720)	(764)	(1,515)
Current service cost	(474)	(460)	(897)
	Half year to 30 June 2006 £'000	Half year to 30 June 2005 £'000	Year ended 31 December 2005 £'000

The movement in the liability recognised in the balance sheet is as follows:

	Half year to 30 June 2006 £'000	Half year to 30 June 2005 £'000	Year ended 31 December 2005 £'000
Beginning of the period	6,732	7,067	7,067
Expenses included in employee benefit expenses	439	613	1,169
Contributions paid	(638)	(935)	(1,504)
End of the period	6,533	6,745	6,732

### 9. Retirement benefit obligations (continued)

The principal actuarial assumptions used were as follows:

	Half year to 30 June 2006	Half year to 30 June 2005	Year ended 31 December 2005
	%	%	%
Discount rate	4.80 - 5.00	4.70 – 4.80	4.70 – 4.80
Inflation rate	2.75	2.75	2.75
Expected return on plan assets	6.20 - 7.50	6.00 - 6.25	6.00 - 6.25
Future salary increases	2.75 – 3.10	2.75 - 3.10	2.75 – 3.10
Future pension increases	3.00	3.00 - 3.60	3.00 - 3.60

Assumptions regarding future mortality experience were consistent with those disclosed in the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2005.

#### **Overseas**

In accordance with French law a retirement indemnity provision is held. Rights to these benefits accrue on the condition that the employee will be with the employer at retirement date.

The movement in the liability recognised in the balance sheet is as follows:

			Year ended
	Half year to	Half year to	31 December
	30 June 2006	30 June 2005	2005
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Beginning of the period	58	50	50
Expenses included in employee benefit expenses	2	1	8
End of the period	60	51	58

The principal actuarial assumptions were consistent with those disclosed in the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2005.

# 10. Notes to the cash flow statement

# **Cash generated from operations**

	Half year to	Half year to	Year to
	30 June 2006	30 June 2005	31 December 2005
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Profit for the period	1,884	1,343	2,687
Adjustments for:			
- Taxation	1,189	801	1,694
- Net finance (credits) / costs	(10)	48	28
- Depreciation	614	623	1,251
- Amortisation of intangible assets	25	16	41
- Profit on sale of property, plant and equipment	(19)	(16)	(20)
- Profit on sale of current available for sale financial assets	-	-	(176)
- Foreign currency translation	27	(74)	(19)
- Movement in share option charge	40	32	65
- Movement in retirement benefit obligation	(197)	(322)	(327)
Changes in working capital (excluding the effects of acquisition and			
exchange differences on consolidation):			
- (Increase) / decrease in inventories	(117)	60	45
- Increase in trade and other receivables	(4,651)	(3,976)	(515)
- Decrease in current available-for-sale assets	-	-	504
- Increase in trade and other payables	2,963	1,582	1,514
Cash generated from operations	1,748	117	6,772

#### **GROUP COMPANIES**

#### **PROFESSIONAL BUSINESS SERVICES**

Business Sales and Valuations, Consultancy, Financial Services

#### Christie + Co

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The leading specialist firm providing business intelligence in the hospitality, leisure, retail and care sectors. International operations are based in Barcelona, Berlin, Frankfurt, London, Madrid, Munich, Marseilles, Dusseldorf and Paris. Its 16 offices across the UK are focused on agency, valuation services, investment and consultancy activity in its key sectors – hotels, public houses, restaurants, leisure, care and retail.

#### **Christie First**

### www.christiefirst.com

The market leader in finance and insurance for the leisure, retail and care sectors. Services include finance for business purchase or re-financing arranged in conjunction with major financial institutions, and the provision of tailored insurance schemes.

### **Pinders**

### www.pinders.co.uk and www.pinderpack.com

The UK's leading specialist business appraisal, valuation and consultancy company, principally providing professional services to the licensed leisure, retail and care sectors, and increasingly within the commercial and corporate business sectors, especially in relation to professional practices and service businesses.

Pinders also has an expanding Building Consultancy Division that offers a full range of project management, building monitoring and building surveying services. Instructions are undertaken for a broad cross section of corporate, charity, private and public sector clients

#### **SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS**

EPoS and Head Office Systems.

### VcsTimeless

#### www.vcstimeless.com

#### Retail

The VcsTimeless retail applications address such sectors as fashion, accessories, luggage, leather goods, sport, footwear, home furnishings, DIY, perfumery and toys. Solutions include head office, back office, EPoS, CRM, supply chain optimisation and business intelligence applications. The Colombus Enterprise Suite is a comprehensive retail management software suite, proven to meet the specific needs of single and multi-channel retailers.

#### Leisure and cinemas

VcsTimeless' VENPoS and Vista-branded leisure, hospitality and cinema management software comprise admissions, head office, back office, and online ticketing modules.

#### STOCK AND INVENTORY SERVICES

Stock and Inventory Control

#### Orridge

#### www.orridge.co.uk

Europe's longest established stocktaking business, specialising in all fields of retail stocktaking including high street, warehousing and factory. In addition, it has a specialised pharmacy division providing valuation and stocktaking services. A full range of stocktaking and inventory management solutions is provided for a wide range of clients in the UK and Europe.

#### Venners

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Leading supplier of stocktaking, inventory, control audit and related stock management services to the hospitality sector. Bespoke software and systems enables real time management reporting to its customer base using the most up-to-date technology.