



Management Discussion & Analysis

Q4 / FY'2024



Phoenix Group's
Bitcoin Mining
Revenue Soars
236% YoY,
Fuelled by
Strategic Global
Expansion

Phoenix Group delivers phenomenal growth of almost 1852% since 2022 in its mining vertical.



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These results are a testament to our unwavering commitment to innovation and strategic growth on a global scale. The past year has been pivotal for Phoenix Group, marked by significant expansion and enhanced profitability. We are not simply navigating the digital asset revolution - we are shaping it. With a strong foundation and a clear vision, we are confident in delivering continued value to our shareholders and stakeholders worldwide."

# **Munaf Ali**

Co-Founder & Group CEO



NAME OF THE LISTED COMPANY

# PHOENIX GROUP PLC

THE PERIOD OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS COVERED BY THE REPORT

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OVERVIEW OF THE RESULTS DURING THE FINANCIAL PERIOD

Phoenix Group PLC (ADX: PHX) is pleased to announce an impressive 236% y-oy growth in Bitcoin mining revenue inline with its focus on this vertical as its strategic bet in FY' 2024. The mining revenue in 2024 stands at \$107M compared to \$32M in 2023 and \$5.4M in 2022 marking a surge of 1852% between 2022 and 2024. Industry challenges emanating from halving and bearish crypto market, specifically Bitcoin price during most of the year (until November 2024) kept the overall gross revenue from all verticals on a lower side at \$206M down 29% y-o-y.

The company earned a net income of \$167M down 19% y-o-y due to multiple one-off transactions in Q4'24, adjusting for which net income is \$193M down 7.2% y-o-y. The one-off items include cost to Company for exiting CIS region as part of a strategic move to optimize its sites and geographically align in more suitable regions as part of its global expansion. Company reported an adjusted net income of \$30M in Q4'24.

Self-mining gross margin substantially improved to 24% in Q4'24 vs a mere 5% in Q3'24 on the back of an average 37% increase in Bitcoin price and a 6% improvement in efficiency mainly coming from sites in US and Canada.

The company managed contribution of **15.0** EH/s of processing power where its share in network remained constant at **1.9%**.

SECURITIES ISSUED
DURING THE FINANCIAL
PERIOD

None



SUMMARY OF THE MOST IMPORTANT NON-FINANCIAL EVENTS AND DEVELOPMENTS DURING THE FINANCIAL PERIOD

Key developments for the financial year ending 2024 include:

- Launch of new sites in US, Canada and Oman totaling
   160 MW
- 2. New digital asset investments including SOL, ETH, FAH, UNCN, LVLY and Ton
- 3. Signed agreements for new sites including Ethiopia (132MW), Texas (20 MW) totaling **152 MW**
- 4. Collaboration with **Tether Foundation** on launch of dirham backed stablecoin

SUMMARY OF THE
OPERATING
PERFORMANCE DURING
THE FINANCIAL PERIOD

The revenue for Q4 '24 clocked in at \$49M up 38% q-o-q. The growth was mainly led by self mining and trading.

**Self-mining** posted a **13%** q-o-q growth on the back of 37% increase in Bitcoin price after US elections (Avg BTC price \$83K vs \$61K in Q3'24).

**Trading revenue** was **\$15.3M** up from \$2.7M last quarter. The growth in trading revenue is mainly on the back of exit from CIS as the miners' inventory was sold to exit the site.

**Hosting revenue** declined by 38% to \$4M in Q4'24 from \$6.7M in Q3'24. The decline was in line with the strategy to phase out customers in CIS as site have been exited and we want to continue focus on mining income.

The company reported an increase in hash rate from 12.1 EH/s in Q3'24 to **15.0 EH/s** in Q4'24 despite exit from CIS as its biggest site Citadel went 100% live after curtailment in Q3'24 and its new site in Canada went live.



# SUMMARY OF THE PROFIT AND LOSS DURING THE FINANCIAL PERIOD

All Numbers in USD	FY 2024	FY 2023	Y/Y
Revenue from contract with customers	205,685,956	288,186,931	-28.6%
Cost of goods sold	(179,670,033)	(199,325,057)	-9.9%
Gross profit	26,015,923	88,861,874	-70.7%
Total OPEX (Exc; Other Income and dep)	(68,212,392)	(41,056,353)	66.1%
Total Income from Investments (Inc; Other Income)	232,884,304	160,829,212	44.8%
EBITDA	190,687,835	208,634,733	-8.6%
Finance Income	1,115,256	273,151	308.3%
Depreciation/Amortizaion on PPE, ROU, and Intangibles	(14,545,375)	(795,265)	1729.0%
Finance costs	(10,265,396)	(333,145)	2981.4%
Profit for the year	166,992,320	207,779,474	-19.6%
Corporate tax expense	380,157	-	NA
Profit after Tax	167,372,477	207,779,474	-19.4%
Other comprehensive income for the year	51,459,796	13,156,526	291.1%
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to the shareholders	218,832,273	220,935,999	-1.0%
EPS	0.028	0.040	-30.0%

	Q4'24	Q4'23	Q3'24	Y/Y	Q/Q	Q4'24 Normalised	Normalised, Q/Q
Gross Revenue	49,573,412	58,609,053	35,973,811	-15%	38%	40,092,538	11%
Self Mining	30,092,189	11,755,364	26,633,893	156%	13%	30,092,189	13%
Hosting	4,123,436	25,215,052	6,651,339	-84%	-38%	4,123,436	-38%
Trading	15,357,787	21,638,637	2,688,579	-29%	471%	5,876,913	119%
Gross Margin	-48%	10%	9%	-58.5 pp	-58 pp	15%	7 pp
Self Mining	24%	49%	5%	-24.9 pp	19 pp	24%	19 pp
Hosting	4%	11%	9%	-7.3 pp	-6 pp	4%	-6 pp
Trading	-204%	-12%	47%	-191.9 pp	-251 pp	-19%	-66 pp
Hash Rate Avg	15.0 EH/s	15.7 EH/s	12.1 EH/s	-4%	24%		
Contribution in global hash rate	1.9%	3.1%	1.9%	-1.3 pp	-0.1 pp		

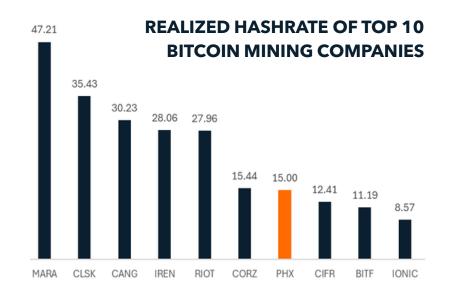
SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD Total Digital Assets: **USD 441.5M** 

Total Assets: USD 962.4M

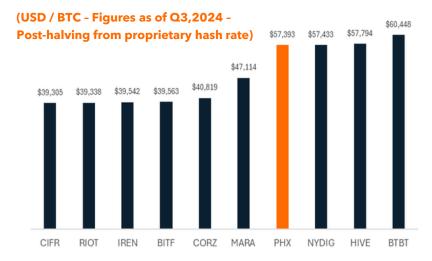
Total Equity: USD 891.7M



SUMMARY OF PEER COMPARISION VIS.A.VIS REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL BTC MINERS Ranked amongst top 10 bitcoin mining companies based on latest available data. Q4/FY' 2024



### **IMPLIED COST OF MINING 1 BTC**



Source: SEC Filing, TheMinerMag, PHOENIX GROUP PLC Internal Data Matrices



# FUTURE PLANS FOR GROWTH AND CHANGES IN OPERATIONS IN FUTURE PERIODS

- Continue to invest in modern highly efficient mining technologies and power sites to gain access to competitive energy prices.
- Continue to optimise existing sites and minimise geographic or regulatory risks.
- Continue to seek access to attractive investment opportunities in complimenting tech and web3 sectors with focus on tokenization.
- Develop sites in Ethiopia and Texas (US) totaling 152
   MW with latest state of the art mining infrastructure.
- Collaborate with Al-centric enterprises to evaluate data center needs and create a strategic plan and framework to find synergies in the backdrop of rush for power globally.
- Consider listing on an exchange in the US.

# SECTOR & INDUSTRY UPDATE

The cryptocurrency market, in general, and Bitcoin, in particular, continue to be recognized as an asset class alongside traditional asset classes. The improved sentiment following increased institutional adoption through ETFs and proxies such as MicroStrategy has driven significant demand for Bitcoin, pushing its price from \$42K in 2023 to a recent all-time high of \$109K.

In Q4' 2024, the market experienced a major rally after the U.S. elections, as investors anticipated a pro-crypto government. Additionally, Bitcoin continues to reinforce its primary use case as a store of value and a natural hedge against liquidity cycles. The surge in Bitcoin's price has increased the potential returns from crypto mining, leading to a substantial rise in network hash rate from 530 EH/s at the end of December 2023 to 785 EH/s by December 2024, significantly enhancing network security. However, the combination of a higher hash rate and the Bitcoin halving event during the year worsened mining economics for older miners, making it difficult for them to remain profitable. In contrast, leading mining companies adopted the latest miner released by OEMs (Original models Manufacturers), allowing them to offset the impact of halving and rising difficulty. These advanced models enabled miners to maintain the same output at a much lower cost.



THE DEVELOPMENTS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECTS, PLANS AND TRANSACTIONS AND DEALS THAT WERE DISCUSSED BY THE COMPANY'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN THE REPORT FOR THE PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR

The company's board of directors noted the progress in implementation of the company's strategy and continued efforts for good corporate governance and have demonstrated their support through several board meetings held during the year. The board is expected to meet again to assess progress on various initiatives as well as review and approve the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024.



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