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H1 2014 - Executive Summary

Group results stable after adjusting for one-off factors | Good performance in core business

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H1 2014 results show contrasting trends

- Group results in line with H1 2013 after adjusting for one-off factors
- Retail Switzerland and Ditsch/Brezelkönig achieved good performance
- Despite facing challenges, Retail Germany maintained stable profitability
- Trade division executing comprehensive transformation process

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Focusing strategy

- Focus on small-outlet retail at heavily frequented locations and expansion of high-margin product lines are key success factors
- Successful Valora Services divestment marks major milestone
 - book gain CHF 34 million (in H2 2014)
 - cash inflow CHF 63 million (in H2 2014)

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Core business doing well | Trade executing transformation



Advances achieved in core business offset adverse results at Trade



Retail Strategic progress at Retail division

-  ➤ New product lines and modernised Swiss kiosk network offset reduced press sales and effect of implementing retail-margin model
-  ➤ Profitability stable despite need for further development of Convenience Concept network

Ditsch/Brezelkönig Ambitious and profitable growth in line with plan

-  ➤ Network growth and expansion on track
-  ➤ Strong wholesale growth and good retail-network performance

Trade Comprehensive transformation process

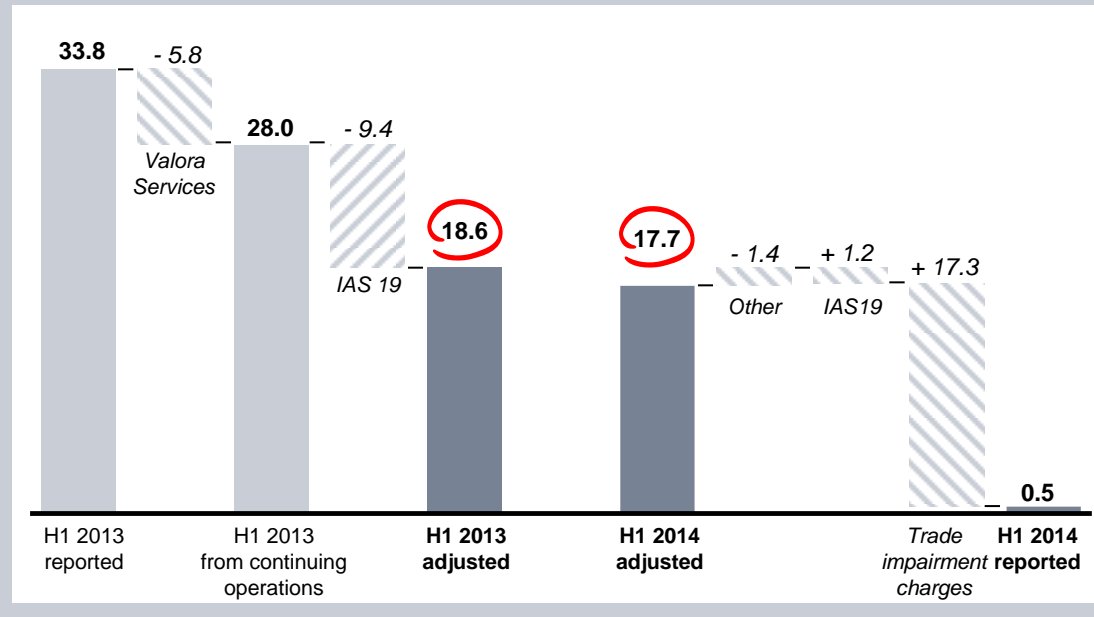
- Impairment charges to goodwill and intangible assets (CHF -17 million)
- Cosmetics achieving stable profitability
- Classics' turnaround progress varies by market, with stabilisation now foreseeable in individual territories



EBIT comparison between H1 2013 and H1 2014

Operating profit stable between periods after adjusting for one-off factors

One-off factors affecting H1 2013 and 2014 EBIT (in CHF million)



Comments

- Group EBIT stable between H1 2013 and H1 2014 after adjusting for one-off factors
- Greatest impact from impairment charges at Trade division

Key financial metrics for H1 2014

EBITDA stable (excl. IAS 19 in 2013)

in CHF million and Δ versus 2013 from continuing operations

External sales	1 541.4	→	-3.4%
Net revenues	1 248.9	→	-4.9%
Gross profit	458.9	→	-0.6%
<i>Gross-profit margin</i>	<i>36.7%</i>	→	<i>+1.6 pct pts</i>
Operating costs, net	-458.4	→	+5.8%
EBITDA	49.4	→	-14.8%
EBITDA margin	4.0%	→	-0.4% pct pts
EBIT*	0.5	→	-98.1%



Comments

- Lower external sales/net revenues due to adoption of new distribution model and portfolio streamlining at Trade
- Increased gross profits in core business | Lower volumes at Trade impact Group results
- Ditsch/Brezelkönig and greater volume of commission-based business at Trade raised gross-profit margin
- Higher operating costs due to impairment in Trade and IAS 19 effect (2013)
- EBIT and EBITDA in line with H1 2013 after adjusting for one-off factors (impairment charges/IAS 19/other)

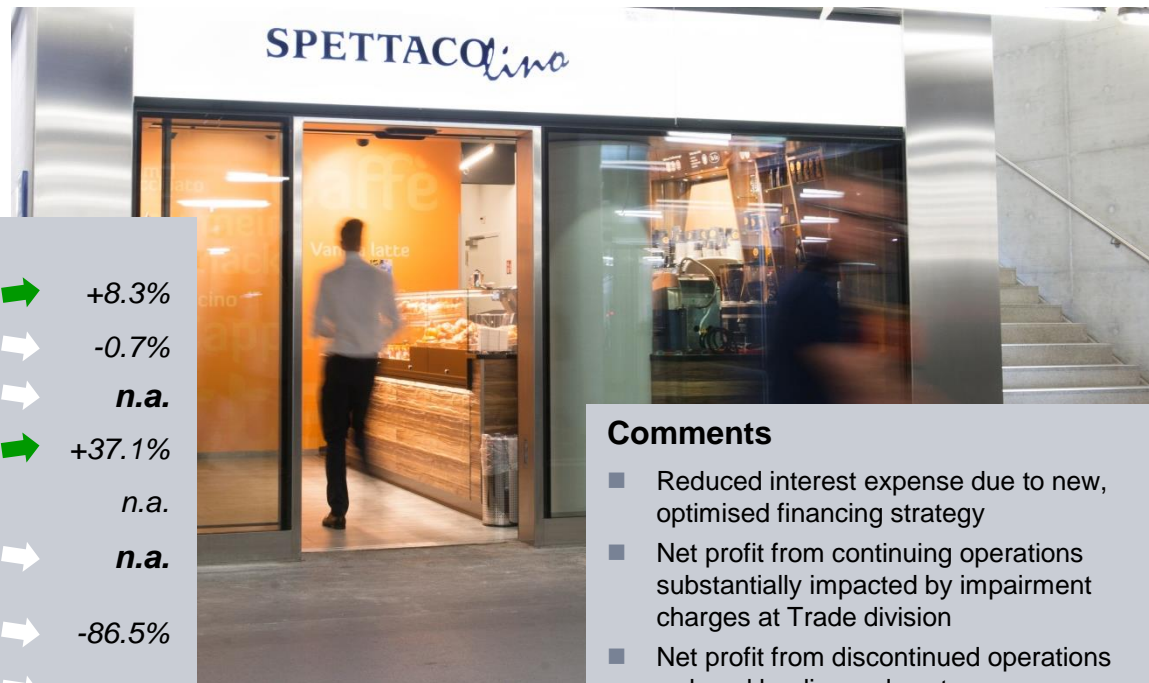
* incl. impairment charges to Valora Trade goodwill and intangible assets of CHF -17.3 million

H1 2014 net profit

New financing strategy beginning to generate positive effects

in CHF million and Δ versus 2013

EBIT	0.5		
Financing activities, net	-8.7	➔	+8.3%
Share of associates' / JV results	0.1	➔	-0.7%
Earnings before taxes	-8.1	➔	n.a.
Income taxes	-2.3	➔	+37.1%
<i>Tax rate</i>	<i>n.a.</i>		<i>n.a.</i>
Net profit from continuing operations	-10.4	➔	n.a.
<i>Net profit from discontinued operations</i>	<i>1.5</i>	➔	<i>-86.5%</i>
Group net result	-8.9	➔	n.a.



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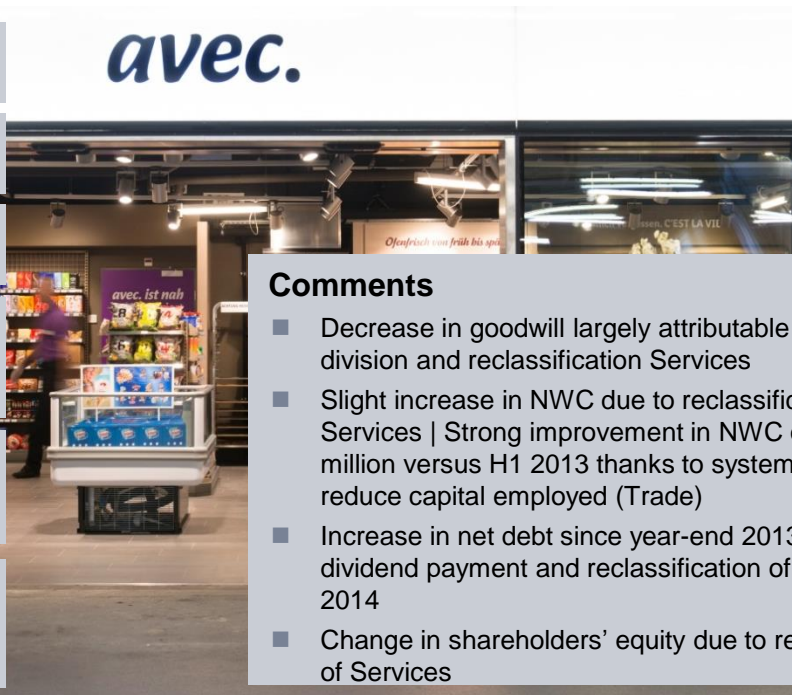
- Reduced interest expense due to new, optimised financing strategy
- Net profit from continuing operations substantially impacted by impairment charges at Trade division
- Net profit from discontinued operations reduced by disposal costs

Key Balance-sheet metrics

Sound balance sheet with equity cover of 42.8%

in CHF million and
 △ versus 31.12.2013

Total assets	1 544.3	→	-5.3%
Cash & cash equivalents	104.7	→	-40.2%
Goodwill	415.9	→	-63.0 million
Net working capital	106.6	→	+2.5%
<i>NWC in % net revenues</i>	<i>4.3%</i>	→	<i>+0.6 pct pts</i>
Net debt	299.6	→	+80.4 million
<i>Leverage ratio</i>	<i>2.1x</i>	→	<i>+0.6x</i>
Shareholders' equity	661.5	→	-9.4%
<i>Equity cover</i>	<i>42.8%</i>	→	<i>-1.9 pct pts</i>



Comments

- Decrease in goodwill largely attributable to Trade division and reclassification Services
- Slight increase in NWC due to reclassification Services | Strong improvement in NWC of CHF -56 million versus H1 2013 thanks to systematic efforts to reduce capital employed (Trade)
- Increase in net debt since year-end 2013 following dividend payment and reclassification of Services in H1 2014
- Change in shareholders' equity due to reclassification of Services

Cash flow

Reduction in capital employed generates further positive effects

Half-year* (in CHF million)	2013	2014
EBIT	28.0	0.5
Depreciation and amortisation	30.0	48.9
EBITDA	58.0	49.4
Elimination of non-cash items	-8.6	-0.1
NWC and current assets	-19.7	-13.5
Interest and taxes (net)	-18.2	-9.3
Cash flow from operations	11.5	26.5
Capital expenditure	-19.6	-29.4
Proceeds from asset disposals	2.7	1.2
Cash flow from ordinary investing activities	-16.9	-28.2
Free cash flow	-5.4	-1.7



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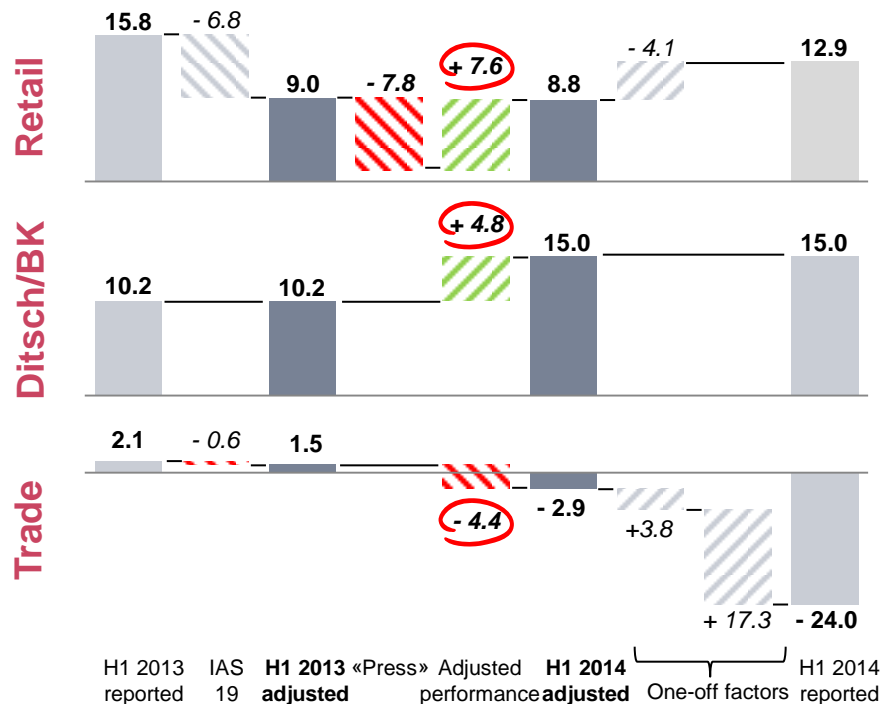
- Sound cash-flow from operations
- Reduction in capital employed (especially at Trade) and lower interest expense due to new financing strategy both have positive impact on results
- Higher capital expenditure due to carry overs from 2013

* from continuing operations

Adjusted EBIT results by division

Performance achieved by Ditsch/Brezelkönig and Retail Switzerland offsets Trade and press effects

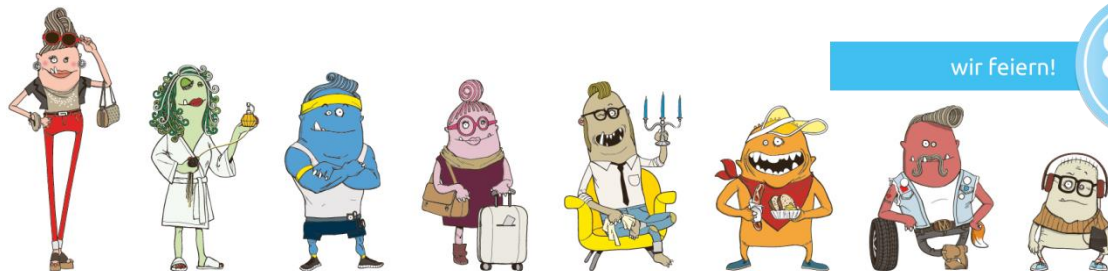
(in CHF million)



- 2014 one-off factors: IAS 19 CHF +1.0 million, release of provisions CHF -2.5 million, Panini CHF -2.6 million
- Adjusted performance offsets effect of lower press volumes (CHF -4.4 million) and lower press margins (CHF -3.5 million)
- **Strong adjusted performance at Retail Switzerland**
- Increased profitability thanks to strong sales performance in Germany and Switzerland
- **Rapid growth, especially in wholesale activities**
- 2014 one-off factors: impairment charges (CHF -17.3 million), restructuring costs (CHF -3.7 million) and IAS 19 (CHF 0.1 million)
- **Adverse adjusted performance due to volume effects, portfolio streamlining and market factors**

Valora Retail results (1/2)

Kiosk-network modernisation and product-line adjustments generate strong performance



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Key division metrics (in CHF million versus 2013)

External sales	1 138.4	➔	+3.0%
Net revenues	846.0	➔	+2.7%
Gross profit	303.7	➔	+0.6%
Gross-profit margin	35.9%	➔	-0.6 pct pts
Operating costs, net	-290.8	➔	+1.7%
EBITDA	35.6	➔	-3.0%
EBITDA margin	4.2%	➔	-0.2 pct pts
EBIT*	12.9	➔	-18.8%*

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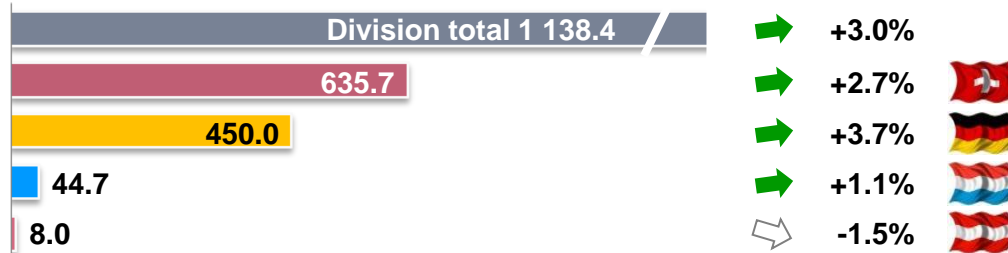
- Nearly all country units achieved positive sales growth
- Kiosk-network modernisation and product-line adjustments in Germany and Switzerland offset the adverse impact on net revenues from lower press volumes
- New, more profitable product lines enabled Valora Retail to raise its gross profit despite marked decline in press volumes and adverse effect of new retail-margin model for press products
- Operating costs rose in H1 2014 due to positive IAS 19 effects in H1 2013
- **EBIT stable after adjusting for one-off factors (CHF 6.8 million in IAS 19 cost savings) in H1 2013**

* IAS 19 resulted in cost savings of CHF 6.8 million in H1 2013

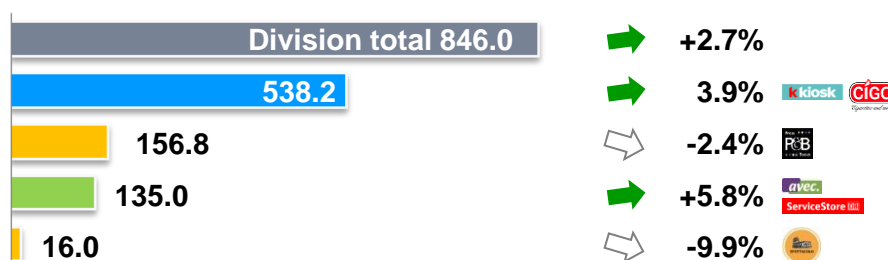
Valora Retail results (2/2)

Solid growth in external sales at kiosks and convenience stores in Germany and Switzerland

Retail division external sales* (in CHF million versus 2013)



Retail division net revenues (in CHF million versus 2013)

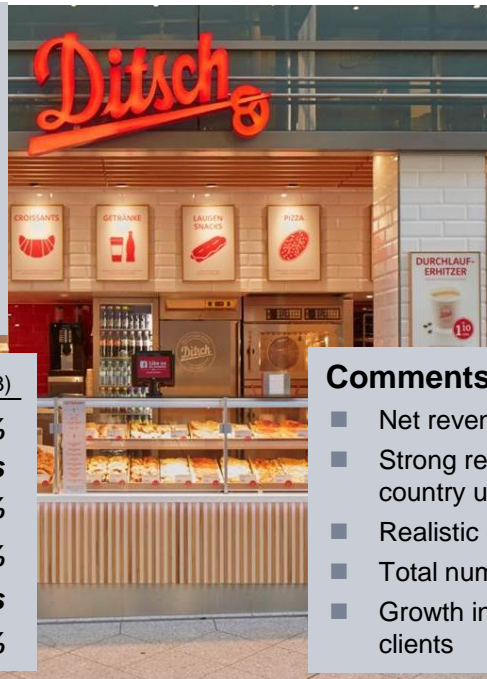
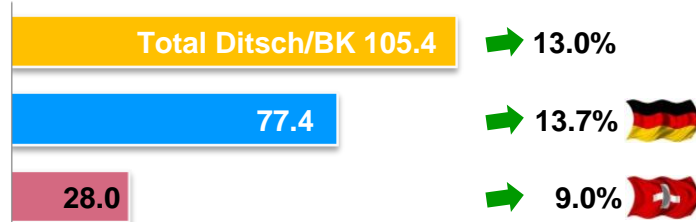


* External sales comprise Valora net revenues plus revenues generated by outlets contractually bound to Valora

Ditsch/Brezelkönig results

Expanded outlet network and strong wholesale performance make for outstanding results

Net revenues by country (in CHF million versus 2013)



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Further key metrics for Ditsch/BK (in CHF million versus 2013)

Gross profit	79.6	12.3%
Gross-profit margin	75.5%	-0.5 pct pts
Operating costs, net	-64.6	+6.5%
EBITDA	21.6	+24.8%
EBITDA margin	20.5%	+1.9 pct pts
EBIT	15.0	+46.5%

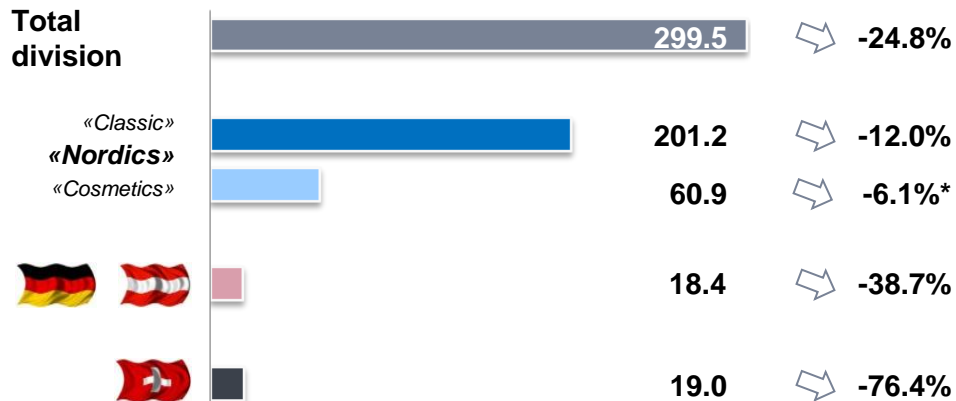
Comments

- Net revenues rise above CHF 100 million mark
- Strong revenue and profitability growth at both country units
- Realistic expansion and growth plans
- Total number of outlets: 237 (6 openings)
- Growth in existing and through new wholesale clients

Valora Trade results

Comprehensive transformation process impacts performance

Trade division H1 2014 net revenues (in CHF million versus 2013)



Further key metrics for Trade

in CHF million
versus 2013

Gross profit	75.6	⇒	-14.7%
Gross-profit margin	25.3%	➔	+3.0 pct pts
Operating costs, net	-99.6	⇒	-5.0%
EBITDA	-4.5	⇒	n.a.
EBITDA margin	-1.5%	⇒	n.a.
EBIT	-24.0	⇒	n.a.

Comments

- Change of business model in Switzerland had no impact on gross profit, but substantially reduced net working capital
- Cosmetics revenues up +1.9% in local currencies
- Targeted initiatives have reduced cost base
- Write down on goodwill and intangible assets substantially impacted results

* substantial impact from exchange rates – net revenues grew +1.9% in local-currency terms

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Strategic focus on Valora's core business

Lean, agile small-outlet retailer operating at heavily frequented locations



- **Strengthening product range** with food, beverage and service lines



- **Leveraging excellent international outlet network and strong location footfall** through successful formats



- **Building on market leadership** in lye-bread products through expansion

- **Optimising processes and raising efficiency levels** across the Group

Examples: enhancing product lines, leveraging outlet network

Strong customer footfall and product lines provide basis for success

Product lines



- Investment in product lines significantly raises turnover and increases customer footfall
- Resulting improvement in gross-profit margins offsets effects of structural contraction of press sales

Outlet network

A total of 26 suppliers have agreed to participate, alongside a further 80 brand partners

Prices and offer discounts with a value of more than CHF 80 million

We are celebrating kiosk's 80th anniversary



- Attractive partner for innovative social-commerce platform
- Playful and appealing links to the online and offline world
- Leveraging substantial, as yet untapped market potential

Special focus on Valora Trade (1/3): market dynamics and challenges **valora**

Increasing pressure on margins

Market dynamics and measures to address them

Market consolidation and margin pressure

- Compensate by winning new business and adapting structures
- Greater focus on smaller and medium-sized brand owners
- Reduce dependence on traditional retail
- Increased transparency, more accurate profitability measurement

Capital costs

- Enhance understanding of NWC
- Improve contract terms (inventories, payment terms)

Parallel imports | e-commerce | private-label brands

- Focus on euro pricing and supply-chain efficiency
- Product and packaging innovations, pricing policies
- Position Valora Trade as an e-commerce supplier

Internal challenges and measures to address them

Portfolio

- Consequent tracking of complexity
- Focus on balanced portfolio structure in order to avoid bulk risks

Brand owners

- Further reduction of brand owners with insufficient profitability
- Systematic category approach and focus on category deepness as objective
- Increase focus on brand owners which enable the exploration of alternative trade channels

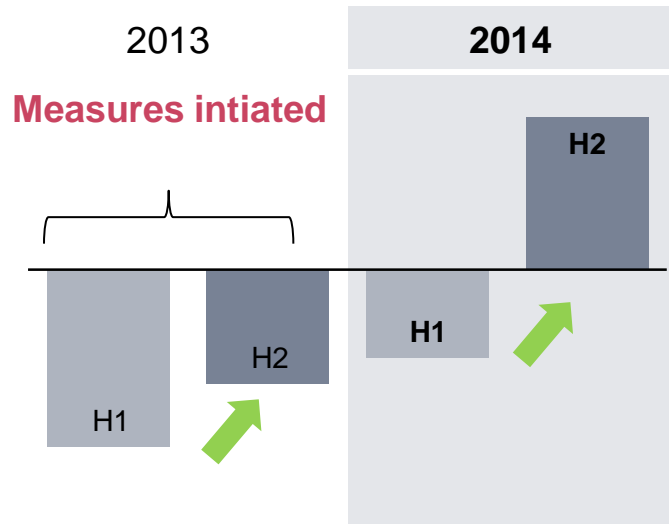
Processes

- Optimize effectiveness of IT platforms
- Improve efficiency in «route-to-market»
- Share of best practice (market oriented / back office)

Special focus on Valora Trade (2/3): example turnaround in Denmark

Securing profitability as the key objective

EBIT performance at Valora Trade Denmark *(for illustrative purposes, excluding one-off factors)*



Measures initiated

- Streamlining the 2015 brand-owner portfolio (from 112 to ~ 60)
- Cost savings (achieved by merging several categories)
- Category leadership as a magnet to attract further strong brands
- Bacardi-Martini and Fernet Branca will strengthen presence in beverage market (effect will be noticeable in H2 2014)
- New management team (CEO, CFO and Commercial Directors)
- Implementing a new route-to-market approach





 **Positive momentum despite remaining risks and opportunities**


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Outlook

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-  ➤ Continued kiosk-network modernisation (2015: 300 POS)
-  ➤ Increased focus on services at k kiosk
-  ➤ Reconfigure and optimise Convenience Concept outlet network
-  ➤ Adapt operational processes and IT systems

Ditsch 

- Continue outlet expansion as planned
- Enhance product range through innovation
- Expand international wholesale business
- Extend geographic network as opportunities arise

Valora Trade

- Challenging transformation process
- Streamline portfolio and adapt organisational structure
- Evaluate all options for each individual unit

Guidance

- **FY 2014: EBIT of CHF ~ 30 million** *(incl. CHF 10 – 15 million in streamlining costs in H2 2014)*
- **Full-year net profit stable following Valora Services sale**
- **Current dividend policy to be maintained** *(minimum of CHF 12.50 | payout ratio of up 80%)*
- **FY 2016: EBIT of CHF ~ 80 million**



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Corporate calendar

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Corporate calendar

2014 results publication date

March 26, 2015

2015 Ordinary General Meeting

April 22, 2015

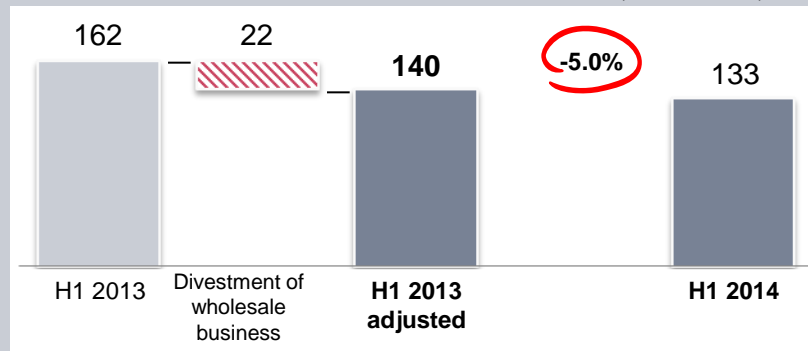
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APPENDIX

Discontinued operations: Valora Services

Disposal successfully completed with effect from July 31, 2014

Services division H1 2014 net revenues (in CHF million)



Further key metrics for division (in CHF million versus 2013)

Gross profit	44.5	➔	+4.4%
Gross-profit margin	33.5%	➔	+7.2 pct pts
Operating costs, net	-38.4	➔	+4.4%
EBITDA	7.6	➡	-4.6%
EBITDA margin	5.8%	➔	+0.9 pct pts
EBIT	6.1	➔	+4.4%

Comments

- Continuing contraction of press market in Switzerland (-6.9%) and Luxembourg (-4.9%)
- Good growth in third-party logistics services (+9.2%)



Valora Group H1 2014 key financial metrics



in CHF million	H1 2013	H1 2014	Δ
External sales	1 594.9	1 541.4	-3.4%
Net revenues	1 313.7	1 248.9	-4.9%
Gross profit	461.5	458.9	-0.6%
<i>Gross-profit margin</i>	35.1%	36.7%	+1.6 pct pts
Operating costs	-435.8	-463.3	+6.3%
<i>Operating costs in % of net revenues</i>	-33.2%	-37.1%	-3.9 pct pts
Other revenues	2.3	4.9	+114.6%
EBITDA	58.0	49.4	-14.8%
EBITDA margin	4.4%	4.0%	-0.4 pct pts
EBIT	28.0	0.5	-98.1%
EBIT margin	2.1%	0.0%	-2.1 pct pts

H1 2014 net profit

in CHF million	H1 2013	H1 2014	Δ
EBITDA	58.0	49.4	-14.8%
EBIT	28.0	0.5	-98.1%
Financing activities, net	-9.5	-8.7	+8.3%
Share of result from associates and joint ventures	0.1	0.1	-0.7%
Earnings before taxes	18.6	-8.1	n.a.
Income taxes	-3.7	-2.3	+37.1%
Net profit from continuing operations	14.9	-10.4	n.a.
Net profit from discontinued operations	11.0	1.5	-86.5%
Group net profit	25.8	-8.9	n.a.
Tax rate	20.0%	n.a.	n.a.

Valora Retail H1 2014 results



in CHF million	H1 2013	H1 2014	Δ
External sales	1 105.2	1 138.4	+3.0%
Net revenues	824.0	846.0	+2.7%
Gross profit	301.8	303.7	+0.6%
<i>Gross-profit margin</i>	36.6%	35.9%	-0.7 pct pts
Operating costs, net	-286.0	-290.8	+1.7%
EBITDA	36.7	35.6	-3.0%
EBITDA margin	4.4%	4.2%	-0.2 pct pts
EBIT	15.8	12.9	-18.8%
EBIT margin	1.9%	1.5%	-0.4 pct pts

Ditsch/Brezelkönig H1 2014 results

in CHF million	H1 2013	H1 2014	Δ
Net revenues	93.3	105.4	13.0%
Gross profit	70.9	79.6	+12.3%
<i>Gross-profit margin</i>	76.0%	75.5%	-0.5 pct pts
Operating costs, net	-60.7	-64.6	+6.5%
EBITDA	17.3	21.6	+24.8%
EBITDA margin	18.6%	20.5%	+1.9 pct pts
EBIT	10.2	15.0	+46.5%
EBIT margin	11.0%	14.3%	+3.3 pct pts

Valora Trade H1 2014 results



in CHF million	HY 2013	HY 2014	Δ
Net revenues	398.3	299.5	-24.8%
Gross profit	88.7	75.6	-14.7%
<i>Gross-profit margin</i>	22.3%	25.3%	+3.0 pct pts
Operating costs, net	-86.6	-99.6	+15.0%
EBITDA	4.1	-4.5	n.a.
EBITDA margin	1.0%	-1.5%	-2.5 pct pts
EBIT	2.1	-24.0	n.a.
EBIT margin	0.5%	-8.0%	-8.5 pct pts

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