

# AUSTRIAN POST INVESTOR PRESENTATION FY 2017

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# **HIGHLIGHTS 2017**



**Market:** Basic trends continue: 5% drop p.a. in addressed letter mail volumes, dynamic double-digit parcel growth, strong competition



**Revenue:** 2017 Group revenue increase by 2.3% (excl. trans-o-flex), drop in letter mail (-2.1%) more than compensated by parcel growth (+17.7%)



**Earnings:** EBIT increase of 2.7% in 2017 to EUR 207.8m on the back of good revenue development and cost discipline



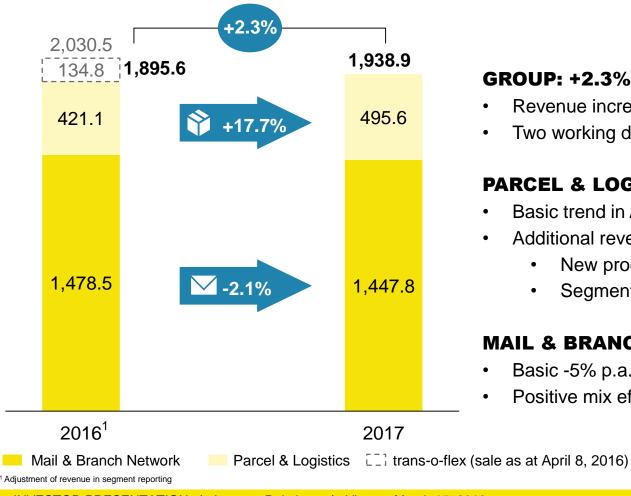
**Outlook 2018:** Aiming for stable revenue development and operating earnings



### **REVENUE INCREASE DRIVEN BY DYNAMIC PARCEL GROWTH**

#### **REVENUE DEVELOPMENT**

EUR m



#### GROUP: +2.3% (Q4: +2.7%)

- Revenue increase due to strong parcel growth
- Two working days less year-on-year

#### **PARCEL & LOGISTICS: +17.7% (Q4: +17.9%)**

- Basic trend in Austria in 2017 of about +12%
- Additional revenue generated in 2017 by:
  - New product structure as at Jan. 1, 2017 (Packet)
  - Segment change of M&BM Express, Bulgaria

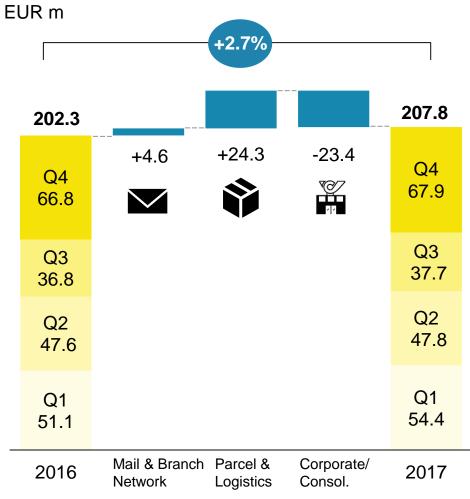
#### MAIL & BRANCH NETWORK: -2.1% (Q4: -1.8%)

- Basic -5% p.a. decline in addressed letter mail
- Positive mix effects from new product structure



# **IMPROVED OPERATING EARNINGS (EBIT)**

#### **EBIT DEVELOPMENT**



#### MAIL & BRANCH NETWORK:

- EBIT up by EUR 4.6m in 2017 (+ EUR 2.2m in Q4)
- Earnings contribution from positive price/mix effect and increased delivery of packets

#### **PARCEL & LOGISTICS:**

- EBIT increase of EUR 24.3m due to good revenue development in 2017
- 2016 results burdened by change in reporting for Aras Kargo (- EUR 16.7m)

#### **CORPORATE:**

- EBIT drop of EUR 23.4m in 2017 (- EUR 21.1m in Q4 due to special effects)
- 2016: lower allocation to provisions mainly due to legal changes,

2017: higher need for provisions related to realignment of financial services business



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# **CLEAR STRATEGIC PRIORITIES**

#### **1** DEFENDING MARKET LEADERSHIP IN THE CORE BUSINESS

Safeguarding market position in a competitive environment



#### **2.** PROFITABLE GROWTH IN SELECTED MARKETS

Focusing and performance enhancement



# **3.** OPTIMISING THE COST STRUCTURE

Logistics infrastructure and process optimisation



# **4** CUSTOMER ORIENTATION AND INNOVATION

Promotion of self-service solutions and service improvements





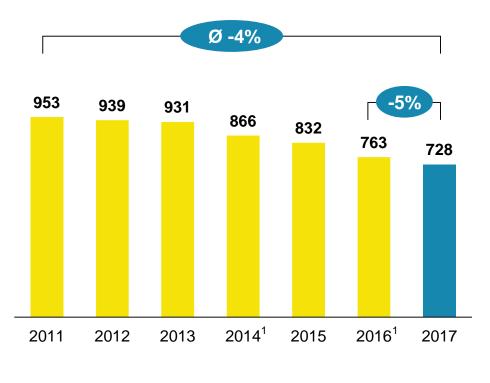
# MAIL VOLUME DEVELOPMENT IN AUSTRIA

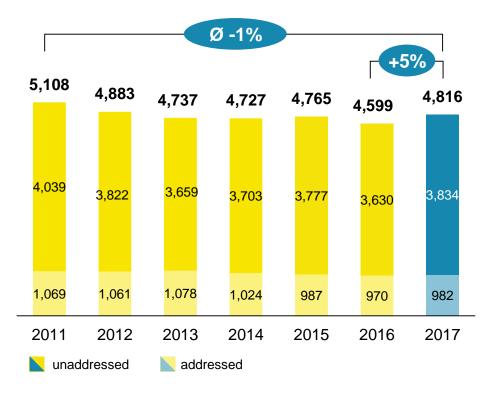
#### **LETTER MAIL** (millions of items)

• Basic trend of electronic substitution continues

#### **DIRECT MAIL/MEDIA POST** (millions of items)

- Good business climate supports advertising
- Positive volume effect from the launch of new, attractive postage pricing models



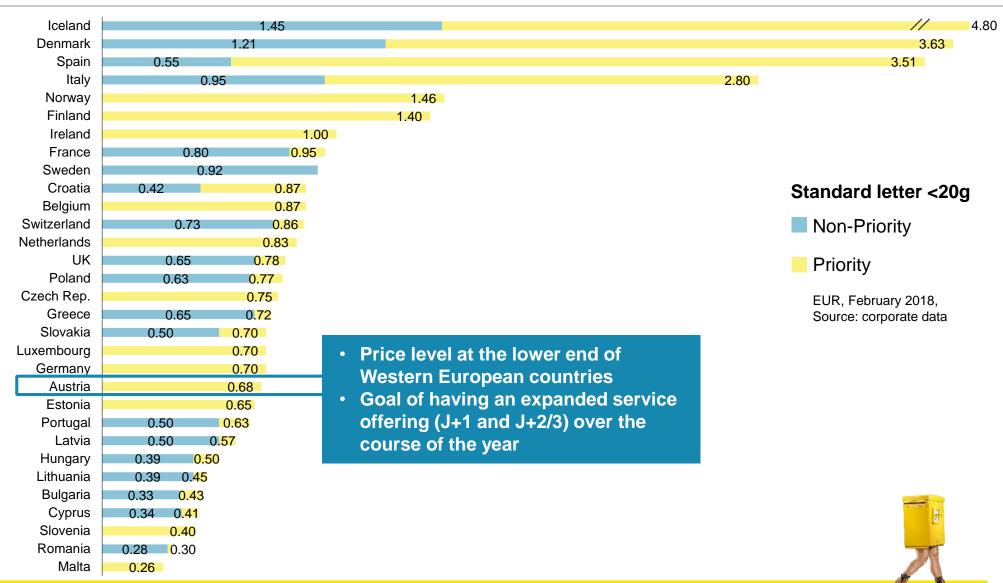


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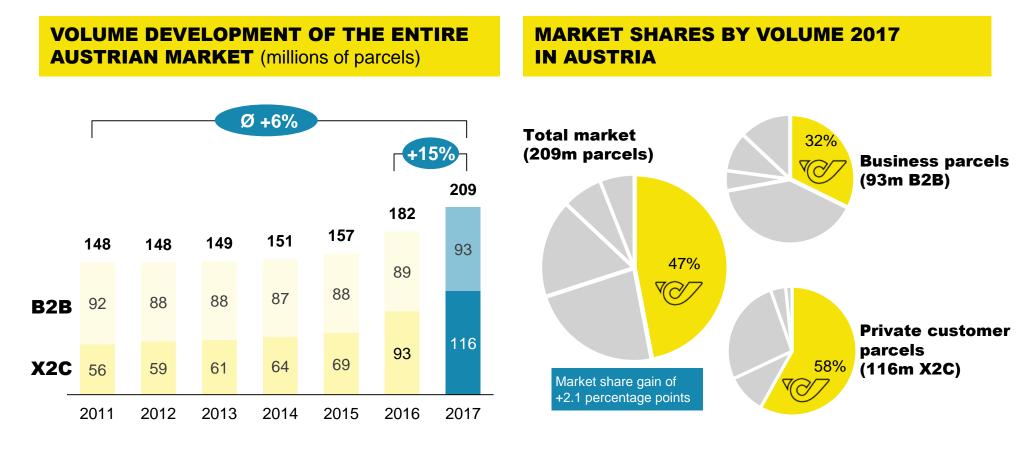
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### INTERNATIONAL TREND: PRIORITY AND NON-PRIORITY POSTAGE RATES IN EUROPE





# **AUSTRIAN PARCEL MARKET ENVIRONMENT**



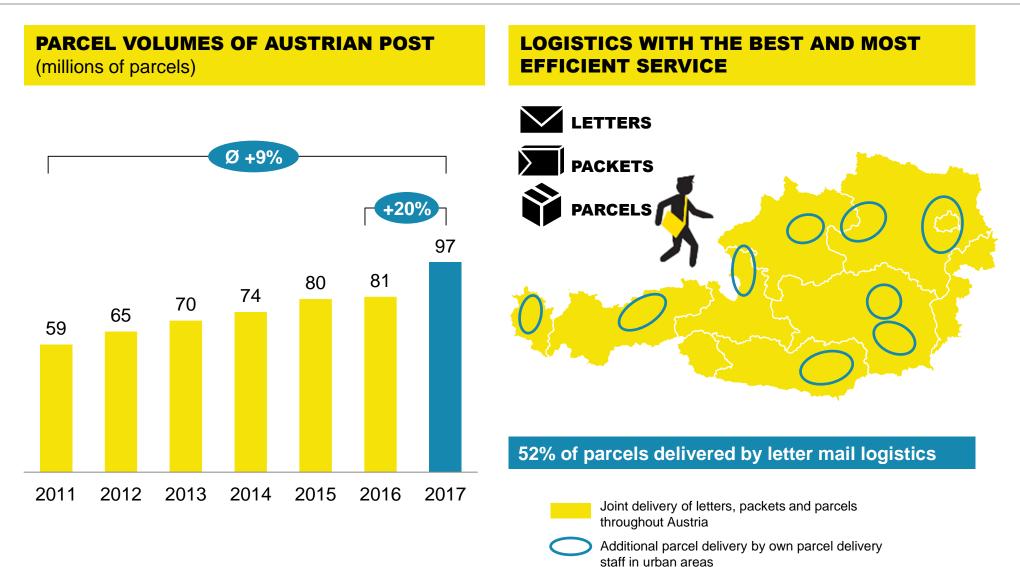
Strong volume growth in the private parcel segment due to online shopping trend. Increase in business parcels along with the economic situation.

Market share gains in both the private parcel and business parcel segments despite strong competition.

Source: BRANCHENRADAR.com Marktanalyse GmbH , February 2018



# PARCEL & LOGISTICS BUSINESS IN AUSTRIA





### **2** BRANCH NETWORK BUSINESS: REALIGNMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

#### **1,800 POSTAL SERVICE POINTS**

#### THREE PRODUCT GROUPS WILL CONTINUE TO BE A FIXED PART OF THE PRODUCT OFFERING

- 38m CUSTOMER CONTACTS p.a. in the branch office
- 19m CUSTOMER CONTACTS p.a. by postal partners

Acceptance of parcels and letters

good cooperation with A1

 Comprehensive consulting offering for postal services

Telecommunication: revenue increase thanks to

TELE-COMMUNICATION & RETAIL GOODS

**POST PRODUCTS** 

FINANCIAL SERVICES • Termination of cooperation agreement by banking partner BAWAG P.S.K.

Post Energy Cost Calculator: established on

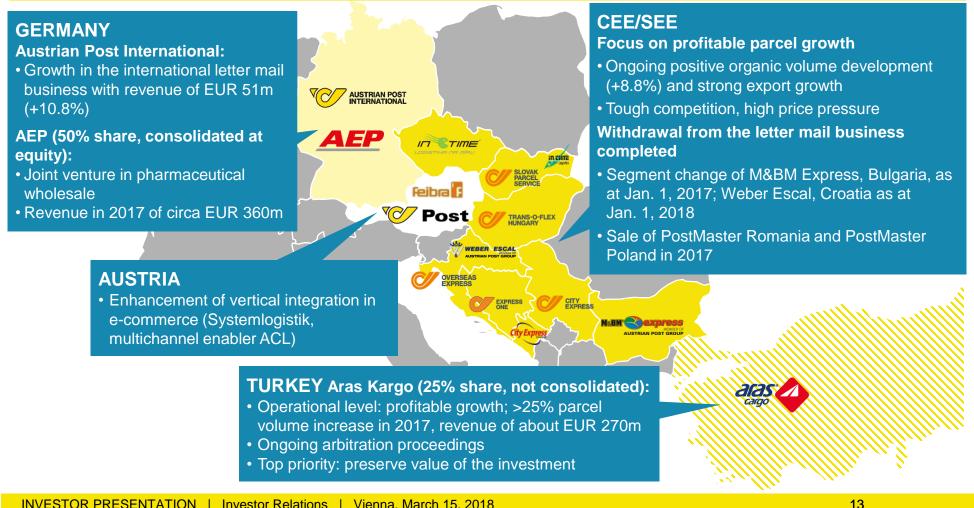
the market, about 27,000 contracts p.a.

- Agreement on step by step dissolution of the partnership for the most part by the end of 2019 incl. compensation payments
- Redimensioning of banking consulting services, counter transactions will remain unchanged
- Talks being held with potential new national and international partners



# **GROWTH IN SELECTED MARKETS**

#### **GROWTH FOCUS ON PARCEL & LOGISTICS**





# **3** CAPACITY AND QUALITY DRIVE

#### **PLANNED EXPANSION OF PARCEL LOGISTICS IN AUSTRIA**

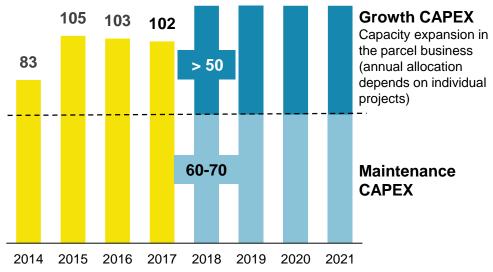
#### TARGET BY 2021:

- Doubling of sorting capacity to 100,000 parcels/hour
- Volume development from 97m parcels in 2017 to 150m parcels, even in the case of partial own delivery by individual large-volume shippers





CAPEX (EUR m)<sup>1</sup>

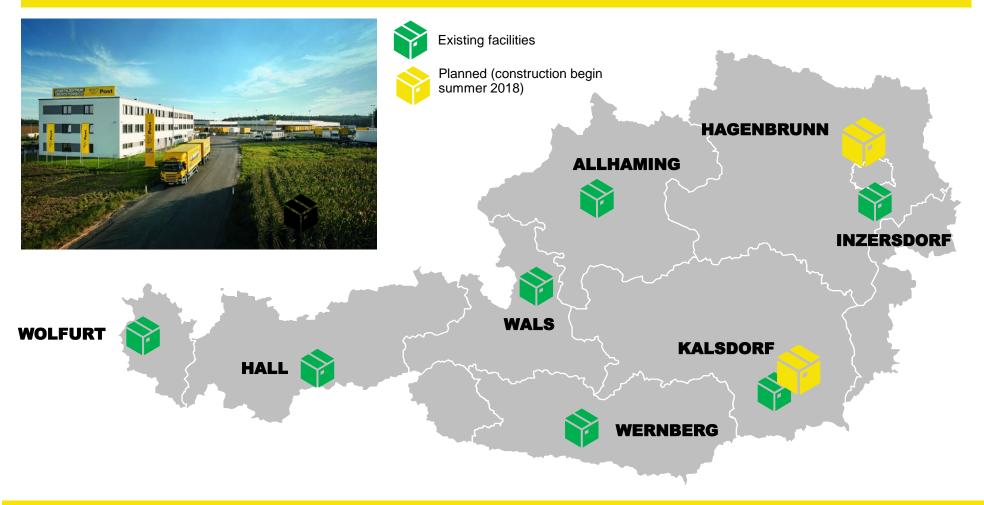


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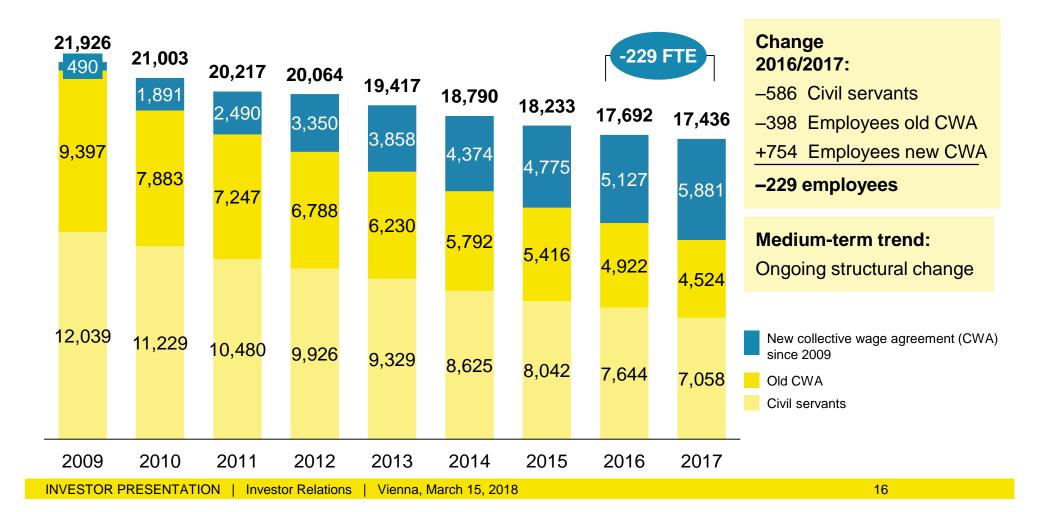
#### NEW PARCEL DISTRIBUTION CENTRES AND MODIFICATION OR EXPANSION OF EXISTING FACILITIES





# **3** STAFF STRUCTURE IN AUSTRIA

#### FULL TIME EQUIVALENTS IN THE AUSTRIAN CORE BUSINESS (average for period)





# **4** FURTHER EXPANSION OF SELF-SERVICE CUSTOMER SOLUTIONS

2017: >1.6m items     2017: >2.2m items     2017: >3.9m items       Image: Constraint of the second		23,662 PICK-UP BOXES	<b>308 PICK-UP STATIONS</b>	376 DROP-OFF BOXES
Jun 2 De 17 Nov 3		2017: >1.6m items	2017: >2.2m items	2017: >3.9m items
Jun.12     Dec.17     Nov.13     Dec.17     Nov.13     Dec.17				
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	MEDIUM.TERM DOUBLING OF NUMBER OF SELE-SERVICE SOLUTIONS	Jun.12 Dec.17	Nov.13 Dec.17	Nov.13 Dec.17



# **4** NEW OFFERINGS FOR MORE CUSTOMER SERVICE

#### **PICK-UP SERVICE**



- Pick-up of postpaid parcels by delivery staff
- In person or from any desired location
- Online bookable for EUR 2.50

#### SERVICE EVALUATION AND DAMAGE REPORT WITH THE POST APP



- 4-step evaluation system in the Post App; automatic feedback channel after delivery, direct forwarding to customer service if necessary
- Uncomplicated damage report

#### ONGOING FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF THE PRODUCT AND SERVICE OFFERING TO ENHANCE CUSTOMER BENEFITS



## **INVESTMENTS AND PROJECT DEVELOPMENT IN 2017**

#### NEW CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS, VIENNA

#### **COTTON RESIDENCE, VIENNA**



- Relocation completed at the end of 2017
- Implementation "in time & budget"



- Development/expansion of a historic property in Vienna until April 2019 (www.cotton-residence.at)
- More than 60% of the space has already been sold

#### EVALUATION OF REAL ESTATE PORTFOLIO TO DETERMINE VALUE ENHANCEMENT POTENTIAL AND OWN DEVELOPMENT OF PROPERTIES



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# **2017 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

	2016	2017	
Revenue (EUR m)	2,030.5	1,938.9	Revenue below 2016 due to deconsolidation of trans-o-flex
Revenue excl. trans-o-flex (EUR m)	1,895.6	1,938.9	Revenue up 2.3% on like-for-like basis
EBITDA margin	13.6%	15.2%	Improved EBITDA margin of 15.2%
EBIT margin	10.0%	10.7%	Increased profitability after sale of trans-o-flex
Earnings/share (EUR)	2.26	2.45	Higher YOY Earnings per share
Cash flow (EUR m)	223.6	255.7	Higher YOY Cash flow from operating activities
Equity ratio	43.5%	41.7%	Increase in equity, somewhat lower equity ratio resulting from higher balance sheet total



## **MAIN ACCOUNTING AND EARNINGS EFFECTS**

2017		Earnings effect
CLAIMS RELATED TO NON-WAGE COSTS	Positive net effect from claims related to non-wage costs paid in previous periods	+ EUR 21.0m
IMPAIRMENT LOSSES	Various impairment losses in CEE/SEE and for real estate	- EUR 14.1m
STAFF COSTS (EXCL. TRANS-O-FLEX)	Higher staff costs due to changes in provisions (especially redimensioning of financial services business)	- EUR 8.9m
2016		
ARAS KARGO	Change in reporting for the strategic investment in Aras Kargo (from at-equity consolidation to a financial asset) and thus realisation of currency translation reserves in profit and loss	- EUR 16.7m
STAFF COSTS, REAL ESTATE	Positive effects in staff costs (due to legal changes) and real estate (reversal of impairment)	+ EUR 11.7m



# **KEY INCOME STATEMENT INDICATORS**

EUR m	2016 <sup>1</sup>	2017	%	Δ	Q4 2016 <sup>1</sup>	Q4 2017	
Revenue excl. trans-o-flex	1,895.6	1,938.9	2.3%	43.3	520.1	534.3	Revenue +2.3% driven by parcel growth
Revenue	2,030.5	1,938.9	-4.5%	-91.6	520.1	534.3	Positive net effect from
Other operating income	70.1	112.7	60.7%	42.6	20.0	69.5	claims related to non-
Raw materials, consumables and services used	-495.2	-409.9	17.2%	85.2	-111.2	-113.4	wage costs paid in previous periods
Staff costs	-1,035.2	-1,020.1	1.5%	15.1	-250.4	-275.3	(+ EUR 21.0m)
Other operating costs	-294.1	-325.0	-10.5%	-30.9	-93.9	-118.3	Higher staff costs excl. trans-o-flex due to
At equity consolidation	0.9	-1.9	<-100%	-2.9	0.7	-0.8	higher allocation to
EBITDA	277.1	294.6	6.3%	17.5	85.3	95.9	provisions for non- operational staff costs
EBITDA margin	13.6%	15.2%	-	-	16.4%	17.9%	(- EUR 8.9m)
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment	-74.8	-86.8	-16.1%	-12.0	-18.5	-28.0	Impoirmont lossoo
EBIT	202.3	207.8	2.7%	5.5	66.8	67.9	Impairment losses totalling EUR 14.1m in
EBIT margin	10.0%	10.7%	-	-	12.8%	12.7%	CEE/SEE and for real estate
Other financial result	-0.7	12.8	>100%	13.5	0.5	12.2	Positive effect of EUR
Income tax	-48.8	-55.6	-13.9%	-6.8	-15.0	-20.9	11.0m from the sale of
Profit for the period	152.7	165.0	8.0%	12.3	52.3	59.1	shares in BAWAG Group AG

<sup>1</sup> Change in the reporting of gains and losses from the disposal of financial assets accounted for using the equity method, now reported as other operating income or expenses



### MAIL & BRANCH NETWORK DIVISION: REVENUE DEVELOPMENT IN 2017

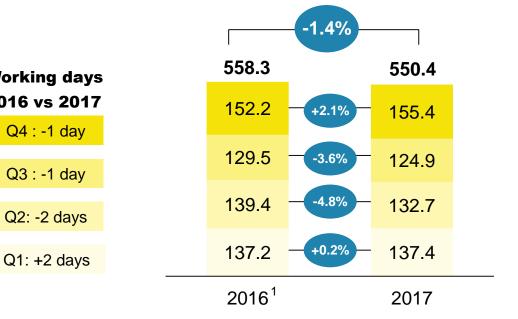
#### **LETTER MAIL & MAIL SOLUTIONS** (EUR m)

- Drop in letter mail volume of about 5% p.a.
- Positive effect from new product structure in 2017 and selective postal rate adjustments (e.g. letters with advice of receipt)

#### -2.4% 801.8 782.8 216.9 208.7 -3.8% Working days 2016 vs 2017 181.1 178.1 -1.7% Q4 : -1 day 198.7 189.5 Q3: -1 day -4.7%

#### **DIRECT MAIL/MEDIA POST** (EUR m)

- Ongoing positive trend for stationary retail market (predominantly food retailers)
- Positive election effects in 2016 and 2017
- Lower revenue and selective market exit in CEE/SEE (- EUR 4.6m)
- Declining business for newspapers/magazines



<sup>1</sup> Adjustment of revenue in segment reporting

2016 1

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2017

+0.7%





### MAIL& BRANCH NETWORK DIVISION: INCOME STATEMENT

EUR m	2016 <sup>1</sup>	2017	%	Δ	Q4 2016 <sup>1</sup>	Q4 2017	Positive election
Revenue	1,478.5	1,447.8	-2.1%	-30.7	399.7	392.5	effects of EUR
Letter Mail & Mail-Solutions	801.8	782.8	-2.4%	-19.0	216.9	208.7	11.6m in 2017 (2016: EUR 19.3m)
Direct Mail	416.7	413.3	-0.8%	-3.4	112.4	115.0	
Media Post	141.6	137.1	-3.1%	-4.4	39.8	40.3	
Branch Services	118.4	114.6	-3.2%	-3.8	30.6	28.5	Structural decline in financial services
Revenue intra-Group	85.1	101.7	19.5%	16.6	24.4	29.8	
Total revenue	1,563.6	1,549.5	-0.9%	-14.1	424.2	422.3	Additional revenue due to increased
EBITDA	319.7	312.8	-2.1%	-6.8	95.8	95.0	delivery of packets and parcels
EBITDA margin <sup>2</sup>	20.4%	20.2%	-	-	22.6%	22.5%	and parceis
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment	-34.6	-23.2	32.9%	11.4	-8.4	-5.5	EBIT rise based on
EBIT	285.1	289.6	1.6%	4.6	87.4	89.6	cost discipline and
EBIT margin <sup>2</sup>	18.2%	18.7%	-	-	20.6%	21.2%	synergy effects

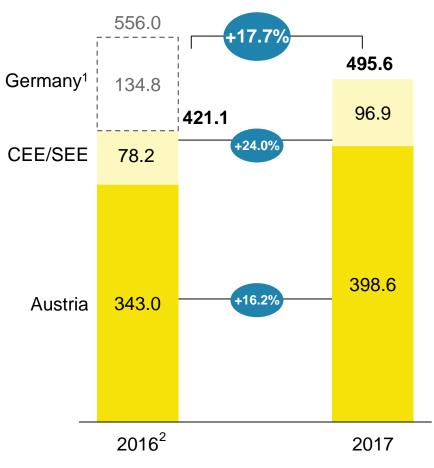
<sup>1</sup> Adjustment of revenue in segment reporting

<sup>2</sup> EBITDA/EBIT margin in relation to total revenue





#### **REVENUE** (EUR m)



**PARCEL & LOGISTICS DIVISION:** 

 Revenue in 2017 up 17.7% following sale of trans-o-flex (+15.3% excl. segment change of M&BM Express)

#### CEE/SEE: +24.0% (Q4: +22.8%)

- Segment change of M&BM Express (+EUR 9.9m; formerly Mail & Branch Network Division)
- Solid organic revenue growth (+11.3%), high price pressure
- Good revenue development in Hungary and Slovakia

#### AUSTRIA: +16.2% (Q4: +16.8%)

- Basic revenue trend in 2017 of about +12%; market growth driven by disproportionately high growth of large customers
- Additional revenue from new product structure (Packet)

<sup>1</sup> Incl. revenue of trans-o-flex ThermoMed Austria GmbH <sup>2</sup> Adjustment of revenue in segment reporting





### PARCEL & LOGISTICS DIVISION: INCOME STATEMENT

EUR m	2016 <sup>1</sup>	2017	%	Δ	Q4 2016 <sup>1</sup>	Q4 2017	
Revenue excl. trans-o-flex	421.1	495.6	17.7%	74.4	121.4	143.1	+15.3% revenue increase excl.
Revenue	556.0	495.6	-10.9%	-60.4	121.4	143.1	segment change of
Premium	338.1	240.7	-28.8%	-97.5	61.0	69.3	M&BM Express
Standard	186.1	219.0	17.7%	32.9	53.3	63.5	
Other Parcel Services	31.7	35.9	13.2%	4.2	7.2	10.3	
Revenue intra-Group	7.8	4.8	-38.1%	-3.0	2.5	1.3	2016: change in
Total revenue	563.8	500.4	-11.2%	-63.4	123.9	144.4	reporting for Aras Kargo, burden of
At equity consolidation	2.2	-0.1	<-100%	-2.3	0.9	-0.4	EUR 16.7m from
EBITDA	29.8	58.1	94.6%	28.2	-3.3	18.6	currency translation reserves realised in
EBITDA margin <sup>2</sup>	5.3%	11.6%	n.a.	-	-2.7%	12.9%	profit and loss
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment	-11.4	-15.2	-34.2%	-3.9	-2.9	-4.7	High profitability
EBIT	18.5	42.8	>100%	24.3	-6.3	13.9	due to good
EBIT margin <sup>2</sup>	3.3%	8.6%	-	-	-5.0%	9.6%	capacity utilisation of logistics
							infrastructure

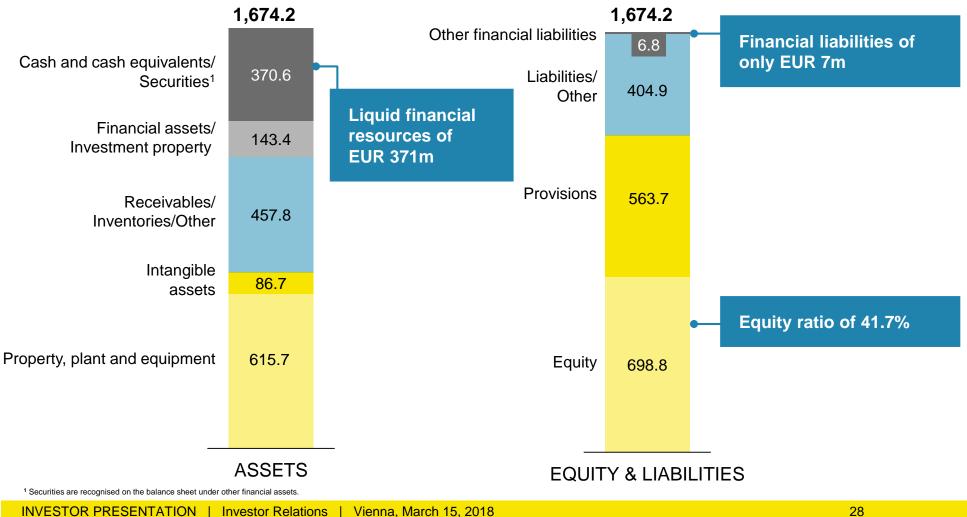
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# **SOLID BALANCE SHEET STRUCTURE**

#### **BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2017**

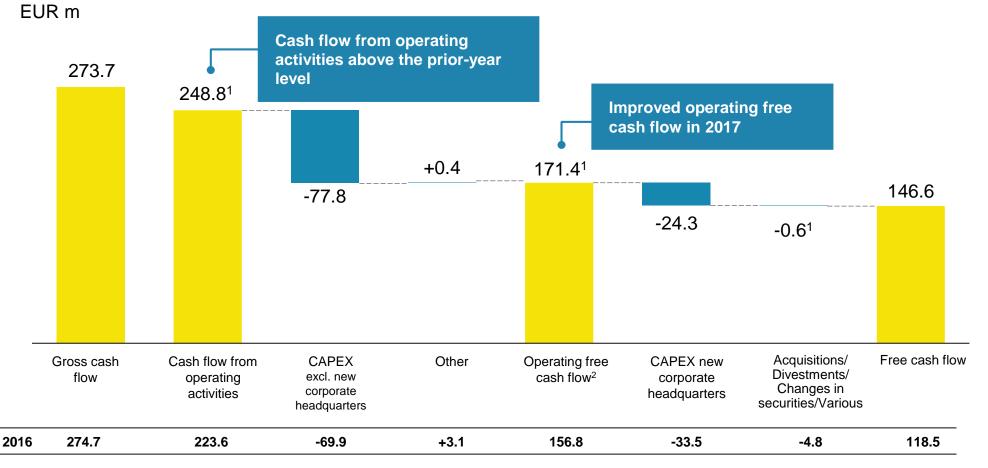
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# **ROBUST CASH FLOW IN 2017**

#### **CASH FLOW DEVELOPMENT**



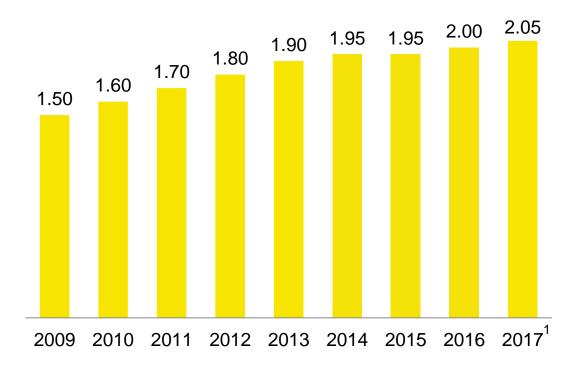
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## **DIVIDEND POLICY**

#### ATTRACTIVE AND PREDICTABLE DIVIDEND POLICY

- Dividend proposal to the Annual General Meeting: EUR 2.05/share
- Dividend yield as at Dec. 31, 2017: 5.5% (share price of EUR 37.42)
- Unchanged dividend policy: distribution of at least 75% of the Group net profit



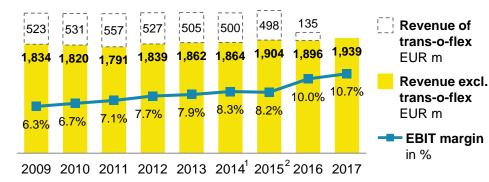
<sup>1</sup> Proposal to the Annual General Meeting on April 19, 2018



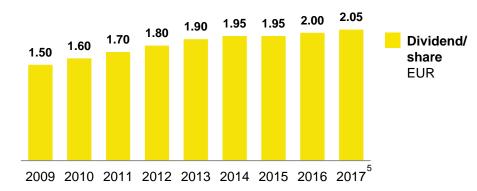


## **CLEAR AND PREDICTABLE MARKET POSITIONING**

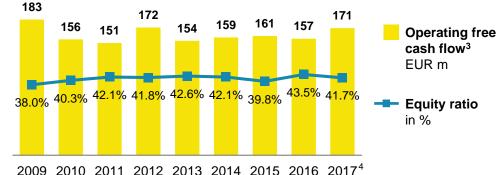
#### SOLID AND PROFITABLE **BUSINESS MODEL**



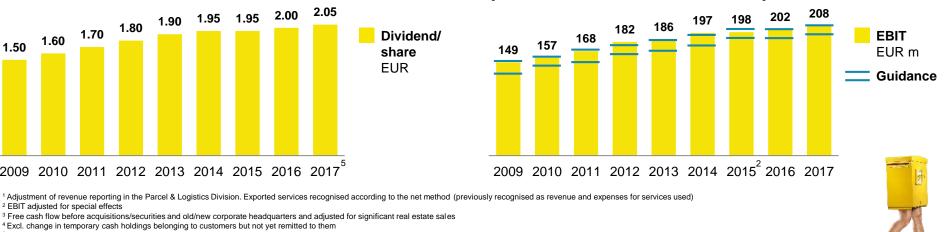
#### ATTRACTIVE DIVIDEND POLICY



#### STRONG BALANCE SHEET & SOLID CASH FLOW



#### RELIABILITY ("PROMISE & DELIVER")



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<sup>4</sup> Excl. change in temporary cash holdings belonging to customers but not yet remitted to them

<sup>3</sup> Free cash flow before acquisitions/securities and old/new corporate headquarters and adjusted for significant real estate sales

<sup>2</sup> EBIT adjusted for special effects

<sup>5</sup> Proposal to the Annual General Meeting on April 19, 2018



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# **OUTLOOK 2018**

Market environment	<ul> <li>5% volume decline p.a. of addressed letter mail due to electronic substitution</li> <li>Stable development of direct mail thanks to economic upswing</li> <li>Double-digit growth on the parcel market thanks to online shopping boom, intense competition</li> </ul>
Revenue	<ul> <li>Ongoing stable revenue development expected in 2018</li> <li>Mail: Goal of expanded service offering (J+1 and J+2/3)</li> <li>Branch network: realignment of financial services (step by step dissolution of current partnership for the most part by the end of 2019)</li> <li>Parcel &amp; Logistics: growth in mid single-digit to low double-digit range is possible, depending on market share development</li> </ul>
Investments	<ul> <li>Investments in efficiency/service (EUR 60-70m investments p.a. in the core business)</li> <li>Good parcel volume development requires growth investments in the coming years (at least EUR 50m in 2018 to expand sorting capacities as quickly as possible, furthermore expansion of existing facilities or property purchases possible)</li> </ul>
Earnings	<ul> <li>Objective of achieving stability in operating earnings</li> <li>Continued process and structural optimisation</li> </ul>
Dividends	<ul> <li>Proposal to distribute a dividend of EUR 2.05/share</li> <li>Unchanged target of distributing at least 75% of the Group net profit</li> </ul>



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