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# CECONOMY WITH SLIGHT INCREASE IN FX-ADJUSTED SALES IN FINANCIAL YEAR 2017/18 – SALES IN Q4 DECLINED

## **Dusseldorf, 25 October 2018**

_		Sales (€ million)	Change	Currency effects	Sales adjusted for currency and portfolio change effects	Like-for-like sales (local currency)	
	FY 2016/17	FY 2017/18	FY 2017/18	FY 2017/18	FY 2017/18	FY 2017/18	
Total*	21,605	21,418	-0.9%	-1.1%	0.2%	-0.7%	
DACH	12,662	12,410	-2.0%	-0.4%	-1.6%	-1.5%	
Western/Southern Europe*	6,691	6,777	1.3%	0.0%	1.3%	-0.5%	
Eastern Europe	1,699	1,689	-0.6%	-10.3%	9.7%	3.9%	
Others	553	542	-2.0%	-4.4%	2.4%	3.3%	

Note: All figures from continuing operations only, i.e. excluding the Russian MediaMarkt business; no further portfolio changes occurred. \* Sales figures for Italy for 2016/17 and 2017/18 were restated to present revenues related to extended warranties on a net basis.

_		Sales (€ million)	Change	Currency effects	Sales adjusted for currency and portfolio change effects	Like-for-like sales (local currency)	
	Q4 2016/17	Q4 2017/18	Q4 2017/18	Q4 2017/18	Q4 2017/18	Q4 2017/18	
Total*	5,150	4,953	-3.8%	-1.9%	-1.9%	-2.8%	
DACH	2,968	2,843	<b>-</b> 4.2%	-0.2%	-4.0%	-3.6%	
Western/Southern Europe*	1,632	1,622	-0.6%	0.0%	-0.6%	-2.4%	
Eastern Europe	409	362	<b>-</b> 11.6%	-21.5%	9.9%	1.9%	
Others	141	126	<b>-</b> 10.5%	-7.0%	<b>-</b> 3.5%	-2.3%	

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#### FY 2017/18

- // Fx-adjusted sales grew slightly by +0.2%; reported sales decreased by -0.9% to €21.4bn
- // **Online** sales increased by +13% yoy, accounting now for 12.1% of total sales (previous year: 10.6%); pick-up rate slightly higher at 42% vs. 40% in the prior year
- // **Services & Solutions** sales grew by +10% yoy, accounting now for 6.9% of total sales (previous year: 6.2%)
- // Selective store expansion with 34 openings and 8 closures; average store size reduced by -3.0% to 2,724sqm since September 2017, mainly due to openings of small formats and store rightsizings

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// CECONOMY informed in its ad hoc announcement on 8 October 2018 that it expects for financial year 2017/18 an EBITDA of around €630m (comparative previous-year figure: €714m before special items) and an EBIT of around €400m (comparative previous-year figure: €494m before special items), both not taking into account the earnings contributions from the investment in Fnac Darty S.A. On the Group level, the change in net working capital (NWC) is likely to be better compared to the respective prior-year period.

#### Q4 2017/18

- // **Fx-adjusted sales** declined −1.9%; reported sales decreased by −3.8% to €5.0bn; sales faced a high comparison base and were negatively impacted particularly in Germany by the unusually hot weather in July and August
  - **\_DACH** (–4.0% fx-adj.): Positive momentum from promotional campaigns in September could not compensate for the overall decline in sales in Germany; Switzerland also recorded negative sales growth, while Hungary continued to grow double-digit
  - **\_Western/Southern Europe** (-0.6% fx-adj.): Sales developed particularly positive in Italy, while the business in the Netherlands and Belgium was below the prior-year period
  - **\_Eastern Europe** (+9.9% fx-adj.): Turkey again with double-digit sales growth also driven by inflation
  - **\_Others** (–3.5% fx-adj.): Declining sales at other smaller operating businesses and slightly lower sales in Sweden
- // **Online** sales rose by +10% yoy, accounting for 12.2% of total sales (previous year: 10.6%); pick-up rate increased slightly to 43% vs. 42% in the prior-year period
- // Services & Solutions sales grew slightly by +3% yoy, accounting for 8.0% of total sales (previous year: 7.5%); service "smart bars" already implemented in 922 stores (+101 vs. June 2018)
- // **German MediaMarkt Club** continues solid growth in number of members, counting around 4.9m members in September (vs. 3.2m in September 2017 and vs. 4.5m in June 2018)
- // **Selective store expansion** continued with reduced number of openings and a focus on small-scale formats; 5 stores were opened, while 2 stores were closed in the same period

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## **Online and Services & Solutions**

<u>-</u>	in % Sales (€ million) Change (%) of total sales			Sales (€ million)		Change (%)	in % of total sales	
	Q4 2016/17	Q4 2017/18			FY 2016/17	FY 2017/18		
Online	547	604	10.4	12.2	2,300	2,593	12.7	12.1
Services & Solutions	386	396	2.6	8.0	1,344	1,478	10.0	6.9

# Store network as of 30 September 2018

	30/06/2018	Openings Q4 2017/18	Closures Q4 2017/18	30/09/2018	30/09/2017	Openings FY 2017/18	Closures FY 2017/18	30/09/2018
Germany	432	1	-1	432	429	5	-2	432
Austria	52	0	0	52	50	2	0	52
Switzerland	28	0	-1	27	27	1	-1	27
Hungary	24	0	0	24	24	0	0	24
DACH	536	1	-2	535	530	8	-3	535
Belgium	29	0	0	29	28	1	0	29
Greece	12	0	0	12	12	0	0	12
Italy	115	0	0	115	116	1	-2	115
Luxembourg	2	0	0	2	2	0	0	2
Netherlands	49	0	0	49	49	0	0	49
Portugal	10	0	0	10	10	0	0	10
Spain	85	0	0	85	83	2	0	85
Western/S. Europe	302	0	0	302	300	4	-2	302
Poland	86	0	0	86	86	3	-3	86
Turkey	68	3	0	71	53	18	0	71
Eastern Europe	154	3	0	157	139	21	-3	157
Sweden	27	1	0	28	27	1	0	28
Others	27	1	0	28	27	1	0	28
CECONOMY	1,019	5	-2	1,022	996	34	8	1,022

# **Financial calendar**

Q4/FY 2017/18 results	Wednesday	19 December 2018
Q1 2018/19 results	Friday	8 February 2019
Annual General Meeting	Wednesday	13 February 2019
Q2/H1 2018/19 results	Tuesday	21 May 2019
Q3/9M 2018/19 results	Tuesday	13 August 2019
Q4/FY 2018/19 trading statement	Thursday	24 October 2019
Q4/FY 2018/19 results	Tuesday	17 December 2019

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