# FACT SHEET Q4 & FY 2016/17

### Q4 2016/17: CECONOMY delivered strong sales and solid earnings improvement

- // Total sales were up +4.6%, supported by a favourable comparison base, new product launches in the mobile phone and entertainment segments and investments to strengthen our position in selected markets
- // Online sales grew by +21% (+39% excl. pure player); pick-up rate slightly higher at around 44%
- // Services & Solutions sales increased +16% yoy, largely driven by mobile and financing services
- // German MediaMarkt Club now counting around 3.2m members in September vs. 2.8m in June; Saturn Card in Germany with more than 600k members after 4 months; all customer programmes counted more than 14.5m members in total internationally
- // Selective **store expansion** continued with 13 openings and 1 closure; average store size further reduced by -3.4% in the past 12 months to now 2,811sqm
- // **EBITDA** before special items increased by €+14m yoy to €302m, supported by a substantial improvement in the gross margin of 0.8%p. to 22.6%
- // Considerable earnings uplift in Germany supported by additional later income; particularly positive performance also in the Netherlands and a stabilisation in Russia, but lower earnings in Italy
- // **EBIT** before special items improved €+37m yoy to €244m as **D&A** declined due to c. €20m higher unscheduled write-downs in the previous year
- // EBITDA special items of €71m were broadly flat vs. prior year in Q4 2016/17

# FY 2016/17: CECONOMY reached all targets in a transitional year

- // **Total sales** increased by +1.3% to €22.2bn (FY 2015/16: €21.9bn) with like-for-like sales up +1.9%
- // **Online** was the key growth driver; online sales rose by +23% yoy (+40% excl. pure player) and now represent 10.9% of total sales vs. 8.9% last year

- // **Services & Solutions** sales were up +6% yoy, accounting for 6.2% of total sales vs. 6.0% one year ago
- // Rising operational **EBITDA** before special items offset by planned lower pension income and additional expenses for the formation of a listed holding company, leading to an EBITDA reduction of €-15m yoy to €704m
- // EBIT before special items increased by €+6m to €471m or €+10m before FX-effects as D&A declined due to c. €20m higher unscheduled write-downs in the previous year
- // EBITDA special items amounted to €107m (€+7m yoy), primarily due to restructuring efforts in Russia, the completed restructuring of redcoon and charges for the Group-wide restructuring and efficiency improvement programme
- // **EPS** before special items improved considerably by €+0.11 to €0.58, helped by a substantial improvement in the tax rate from 48.8% to 44.1%
- // Dividend proposal of €0.26 per ordinary share, equivalent to a pay-out ratio before special items of 45%
- // Net Working Capital improved by €52m year-on-year; strong rise in payables, which more than compensated for higher inventories and higher receivables
- // CAPEX (excl. acquisition of Fnac Darty stake) decreased by €-79m to €319m, mainly due to absence of previous year's investments in Digital Shelf Labels
- // As a result, underlying Free Cash Flow (FCF) improved by around €420m; reported FCF negatively impacted by loans repayment in the previous year and the acquisition of our Fnac Darty stake, but positively impacted by higher tax refund

#### **Outlook FY 2017/18**

The outlook is adjusted for currency effects and portfolio changes.

€m	FY 2016/17 <sup>1</sup>	FY 2017/18
Total sales	22,155	Slight increase <sup>2</sup>
EBITDA (excl. Fnac Darty)	704	At least mid-single digit % growth
EBIT (excl. Fnac Darty)	471	At least mid-single digit % growth
Fnac Darty profit share (consensus)	n.a.	Low to mid double-digit €m amount

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>EBITDA & EBIT in FY 2016/17 before special items. EBITDA & EBIT in FY 2017/18 as reported.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 2}$  Correspondingly, a slight improvement in NWC compared with the previous year is expected.

# Income statement Q4/FY 2016/17

	Before speci	Before special items 1)		Before special items 1)	
EURm	Q4 2015/16	Q4 2016/17	FY 2015/16	FY 2016/17	
Sales	5,032	5,264	21,870	22,155	
Sales yoy change (%)	-1.0%	4.6%	0.6%	1.3%	
DACH	2,768	2,968	12,358	12,662	
Western & Southern Europe	1,541	1,639	6,609	6,714	
Eastern Europe	532	517	2,181	2,226	
Others 4)	191	141	722	553	
Gross profit	1,096	1,190	4,472	4,561	
Gross margin (%)	21.8%	22.6%	20.4%	20.6%	
EBITDA <sup>2)</sup>	288	302	719	704	
EBITDA margin <sup>3)</sup> (%)	5.7%	5.7%	3.3%	3.2%	
DACH	173	201	493	539	
Western & Southern Europe	90	76	230	169	
Eastern Europe	-2	15	9	34	
Others <sup>4)</sup>	27	9	-12	-38	
EBIT <sup>2)</sup>	207	244	466	471	
EBIT margin <sup>3)</sup> (%)	4.1%	4.6%	2.1%	2.1%	
DACH	127	169	359	421	
Western & Southern Europe	72	57	158	91	
Eastern Europe	-21	9	-35	3	
Others 4)	28	8	-16	-44	
Net financial result	-10	-14	-22	-26	
Earnings before taxes	197	229	444	446	
Income taxes	-109	-84	-217	-197	
Tax rate (%)	55.3%	36.5%	48.8%	44.1%	
Profit or loss for the period	88	146	227	249	
attributable to non-controlling interest	36	27	75	60	
attributable to shareholders of CECONOMY AG	52	119	152	189	
EPS (in Euro)	0.16	0.36	0.47	0.58	

## Contact

**CECONOMY AG** Benrather Strasse 18-20 40213 Dusseldorf

## **Investor Relations**

Telephone +49 (0) 211-5408-7222 Email IR@ceconomy.de

Website https://www.ceconomy.de/en/investor-relations/

<sup>1)</sup> All figures before special items with the exception of sales and gross profit.
2) See for this alternative performance indicator CECONOMY's Annual Report 2016/17, pages 49-52.
3) Ratio EBIT or EBITDA to total sales.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4)</sup> Including consolidation and discontinued country operations.

#### **Disclaimer**

To the extent that statements in this document do not relate to historical or current facts, they constitute forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements herein are based on certain estimates, expectations and assumptions at the time of publication of this document and there can be no assurance that these estimates, expectations and assumptions are or will prove to be accurate. Furthermore, the forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties including (without limitation) future market and economic conditions, the behaviour of other market participants, investments in innovative sales formats, expansion in online and multichannel sales activities, integration of acquired businesses and achievement of anticipated cost savings and productivity gains, and the actions of public authorities and other third parties, many of which are beyond our control, that could cause actual results, performance or financial position to differ materially from any future results, performance or financial position expressed or implied in this document. Accordingly, no representation or warranty (express or implied) is given that such forward-looking statements, including the underlying estimates, expectations and assumptions, are correct or complete. Readers are cautioned not to place reliance on these forward-looking statements.

This document is intended for information only, does not constitute a prospectus or similar document and should not be treated as investment advice. It is not intended as an offer for sale, or as a solicitation of an offer to purchase or subscribe to, any securities in any jurisdiction. Neither this document nor anything contained therein shall form the basis of, or be relied upon in connection with, any commitment or contract whatsoever. The third parties whose data is cited in this document are neither registered broker-dealers nor financial advisors and the permitted use of any data does not constitute financial advice or recommendations.

Historical financial information contained in this document is mostly based on or derived from the consolidated (interim) financial statements for the respective period. Financial information with respect to the business of MediaMarktSaturn Retail Group is particularly based on or derived from the segment reporting contained in these financial statements.

Such financial information is not necessarily indicative for the operational results, the financial position and/or the cash flow of the CECONOMY business on a stand-alone basis neither in the past nor in the future and may, in particular, deviate from any historical financial information based on corresponding combined financial statements with respect to the CECONOMY business. Given the aforementioned uncertainties, (prospective) investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any of this information. No representation or warranty is given and no liability is assumed by CECONOMY AG, express or implied, as to the accuracy, correctness or completeness of the information contained in this document.

This document contains certain supplemental financial or operative measures that are not calculated in accordance with IFRS and are therefore considered as non-IFRS measures. We believe that such non-IFRS measures used, when considered in conjunction with (but not in lieu of) other measures that are computed in accordance with IFRS, enhance the understanding of our business, results of operations, financial position or cash flows. There are, however, material limitations associated with the use of non-IFRS measures including (without limitation) the limitations inherent in the determination of relevant adjustments. The non-IFRS measures used by us may differ from, and not be comparable to, similarly-titled measures used by other companies. Detail information on this topic can be found in CECONOMY's Annual Report 2016/17, pages 49-52. All numbers shown are before special items, unless otherwise stated. All amounts are stated in million euros (€ million) unless otherwise indicated. Amounts below €0.5 million are rounded and reported as 0. Rounding differences may occur.