



## Interim report | Q2 2019

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# Presenter and agenda

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2. Financial performance in Q2/19
3. Market update and conclusion



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## Profitability initiatives on track

- Revenues of NOK 187.5 million and EBIT of NOK 4.4 million or 2.4%.
- High renewal activity and new customers demonstrates strong market position, solid pipeline for H2/19
- Strengthening sales & marketing to boost revenue growth
- EBIT-improvement program on track to deliver 10% margin ultimo 2019

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## Stable revenue development in Q2

### Key figures

NOK million	Q2 2019	
	Q2/19	Q2/18
Revenues	187.5	188.8
Adjusted EBIT <sup>1</sup>	4.4	1.5
Profit for the period	(3.3)	(1.1)
EPS (NOK)	(0.16)	(0.06)

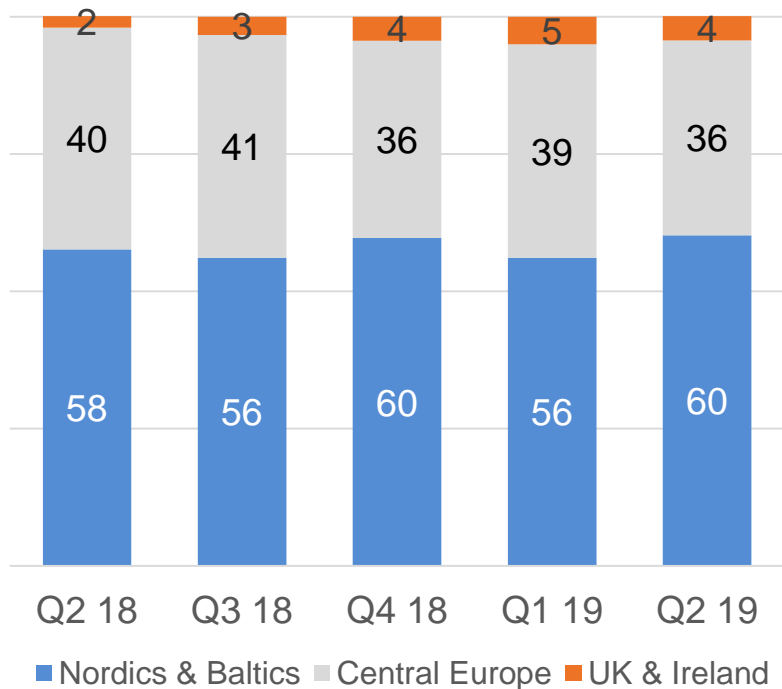
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*<sup>1</sup> EBIT before other costs*

- Revenues of 187.5 million, down 0.7% y-o-y
- Adjusted EBIT of NOK 4.4 million, up from NOK 1.5 million in Q2/18
  - Improvement driven by stabilized business post acquisitions
  - Several group-wide initiatives ongoing to reduce costs and increase utilization
- Seasonal variations negatively impact both revenues and profit compared to Q1/19

## Renewals confirm strong market position

Distribution of revenues  
by geography (in per cent)



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### Northern Europe

- Increase of 3.7% y-o-y to NOK 112.8 million
- Driven by launch of new customers in Managed Services and annual recognition of project revenue
- Several renewals with key clients in the quarter, confirming strong market position

### Central Eastern Europe

- Decreased by NOK 9.7 million y-o-y to NOK 66.5 million in Q2/19.
- Negative impact from fewer consultants in Germany
- Positive recruitment trend in Q2

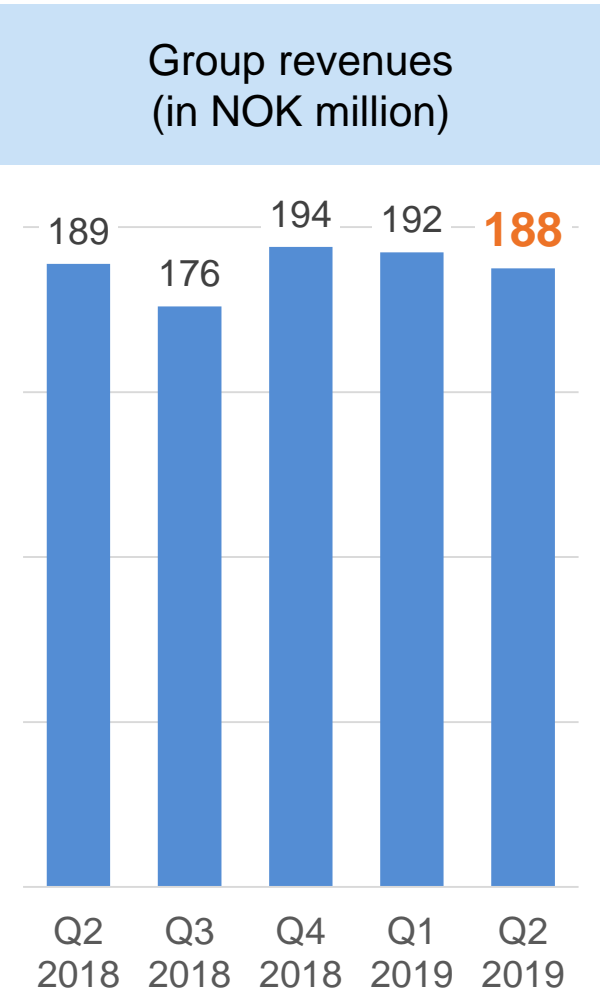
### UK & Ireland

- Continued strong growth in revenues, from NOK 3.9 million in Q2/18 to NOK 8.2 million in Q2/19.
- Increased utilization and materialization of positive pipeline trend
- Signed new contract with The Barden Corporation Ltd.

# Key financials

Second quarter 2019

## Quarterly revenues

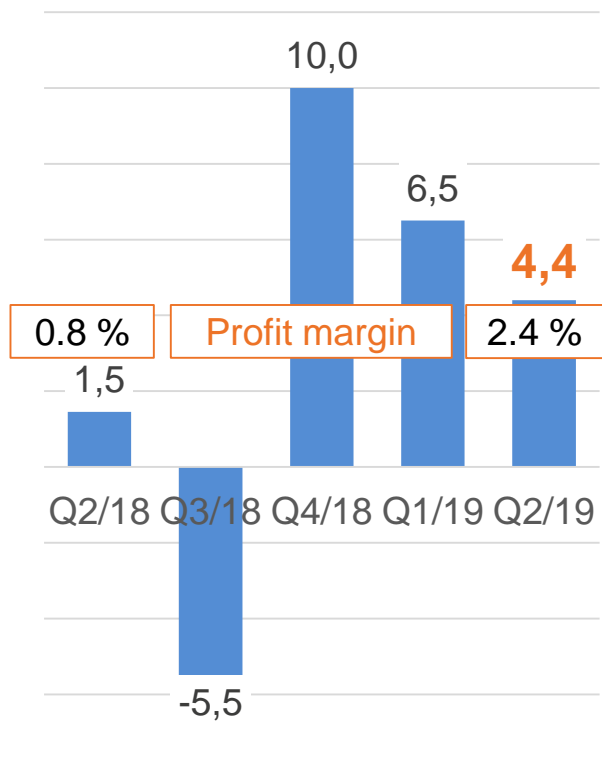


- Revenues for Q2/19 amounted to 187.5 million, slightly down from Q2/18
- Renewals of key contracts with price reductions impact y-o-y growth rate
  - Ensures long term recurring revenue
  - Possibilities for increased scope of work
- Increasing efforts in sales & marketing to capitalize on strong market demand

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## Group EBIT NOK 4.4 million

Group EBIT  
(in NOK million)

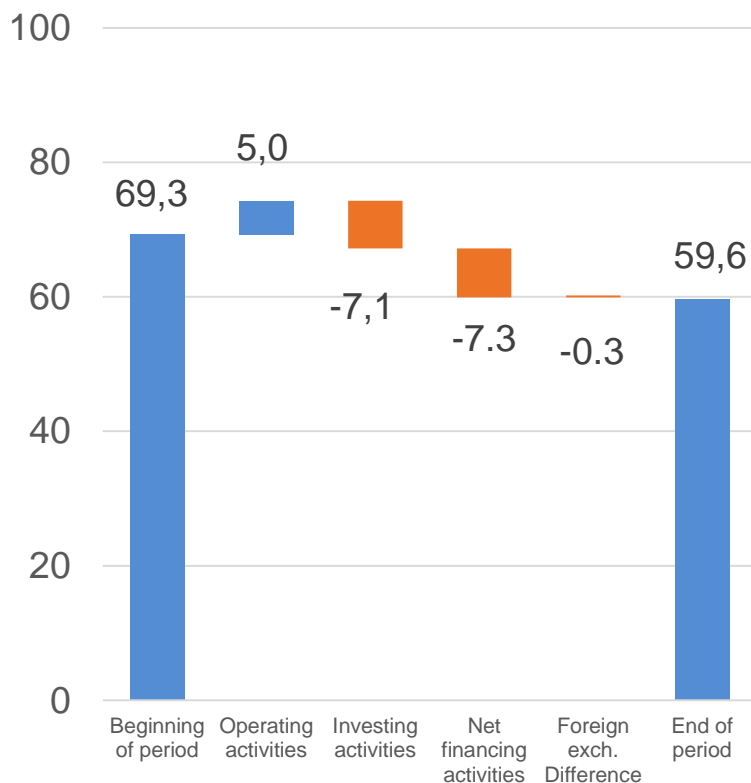


- Group EBIT for the quarter was NOK 4.4 million, compared to NOK 1.5 million in Q2/18.
- Increased profitability y-o-y despite lower revenues, as combined business post-acquisitions stabilizes
- EBIT and EBIT-margin for H1/19 amounted to NOK 10.9 million (12.8) and 2.9% (3.4%) respectively

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## Ongoing investments impact cash flow

### Cash and cash flows Q2/19 (in NOK million)



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### Changes in balance sheet and cash flows

- Increase in total assets by NOK 96.4 million y-o-y to NOK 724.8 million at 30 June 2019, mainly due to Q3/18 refinancing
- Equity decreased by NOK 5.5 million y-o-y to NOK 100 million, driven by share buy-back program and currency effects
- Cash and cash equivalents were NOK 59.6 million as of the end of Q2/19, up from NOK 32.8 million in Q2/18
- Cash balance declined due to investments of NOK 7.1 million mainly related to improved product functionality
- Net interest-bearing debt increased by NOK 94.1 million y-o-y to NOK 308.7 million due to Q3/18 refinancing and negative cash flow in H1/19.

## Key financials | Business segment

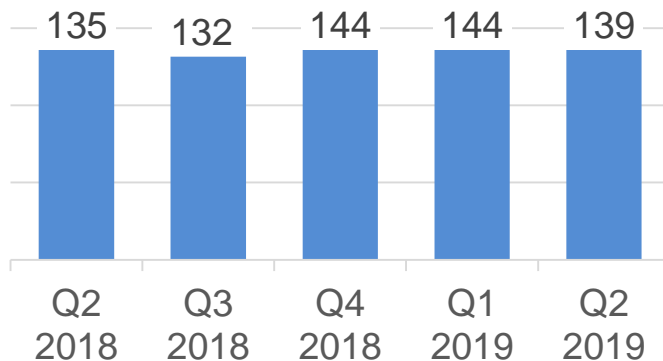
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## Varying performance across segments

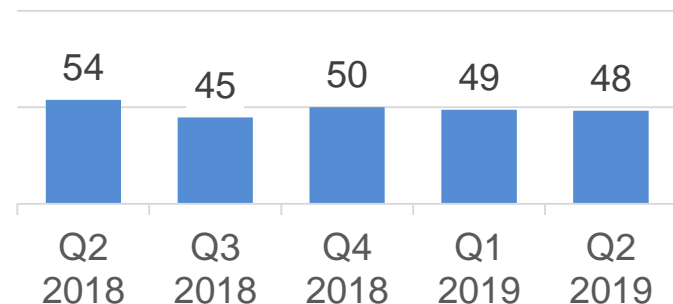
### Managed Services (NOK million)

- Revenues in Q2/19 amounted to NOK 139.4 million, a y-o-y growth of 3.2 %.
- Growth reflects increased number of employees served at existing customers in Northern Europe region
- Positive effect from full launch of new BPO customers like Aker BP, DNB and Statkraft



### Professional Services (NOK million)

- Decreased by NOK 5.6 million y-o-y to NOK 48.2 million in Q2/19
- Decline mainly driven by fewer consultants in Germany
- Consulting capacity in UK improved utilization and increased revenues compared to previous year



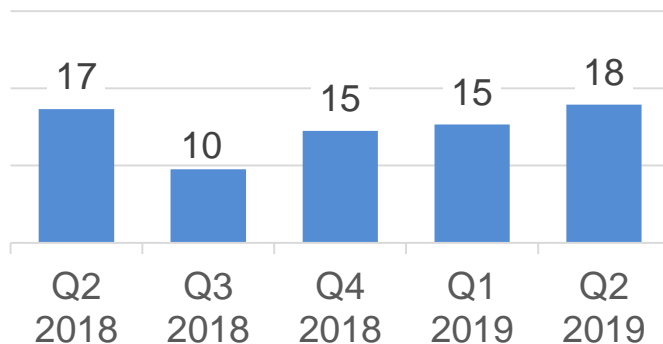
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## Increased utilization drives EBIT-improvement

### Managed Services

(NOK million)

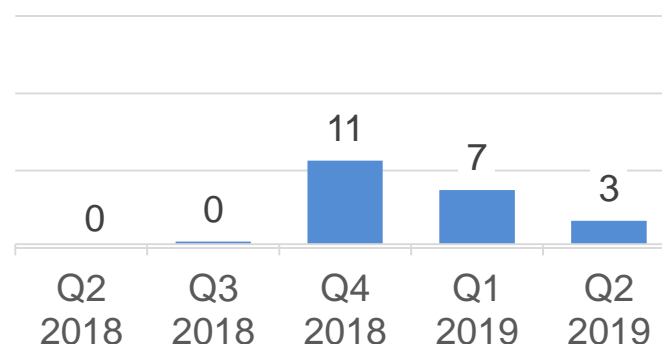
- EBIT of NOK 17.9 million in Q2/19 in line with same quarter last year
- Positive nominal EBIT-trend in last four quarters
- Increased utilization of offshore resources for Northern Europe and Central Eastern Europe



### Professional Services

(NOK million)

- The EBIT was NOK 3.0 million, up from negative NOK 0.1 million in the same quarter last year
- Improvement driven by increased utilization of consulting capacity for the group



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Update on EBIT improvement program and concluding remarks

## **EBIT improvement program starting to show results**

- **EBIT-improvement program launched in Q1 presentation**

- Targeting return to pre-acquisition EBIT-margin run rate of 10% going into 2020
- Reduce monthly costs by NOK 4.7 million compared to Q1 baseline

- **Key sources of improvements:**

- Cost synergy realization from acquisitions addressing both operational efficiency and overhead costs
- Organizational simplification
- Increased utilization of near and offshore capabilities
- Converting internal focused capacity to market facing

- **Status: Underlying cost development in Q2 shows promising trend**

- 14% of cost-cutting target realized in Q2
- 40% by ultimo Q3
- 70% ultimo Q4
- 100% by Q1/20

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## 1) Improve and stabilize overall Managed Services Operating Margins

- Operate Managed Services as a global organization
- Consolidate service centers to strategic locations
- Establish partner model to grow into new small volume geographies
- Introduce Zalaris 4.0 Operating model
- Increased use of Near and Offshore

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## 2) Improve CEE - Managed Services to deliver margins in line with the NE business

- Consolidate German BPO and AMO services to Leipzig
- Consolidate two SAP hosting centers to one, based on the Zalaris SAP Cloud platform
- Utilize Offshore capabilities
- Renegotiated contracts and pricing with certain key customers
- Drive operational efficiencies through process improvements and Robotic Process Automation

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## 3) Reduce CEE Regional and Country Overhead

- Move Finance and Accounting functions to Group Shared Service functions and rightsize local Controlling team
- Consolidate 6 legal entities to 2 (one per country) with corresponding simplification of structures and reduced administrative incl. audit costs
- Focus product and service portfolio with goal of increasing market facing capacity

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## 4) Increase revenue in the CEE Professional Services

- Operate Professional Services as global business unit maximizing available capacity
- Strengthen recruiting effort and build on recent success of recruiting 12 new consultants
- Increase prices
- Utilize PS capability and support offshore
- Continue digitize and optimize internal processes

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## Group overhead

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## 5) Reduce Group Overhead

- Consolidate group functions to head office and near/offshore locations
- Reduce external costs through clean-up and renegotiation with supplier pool
- Reduce travel costs through increased use of digital alternatives and the implementation of a global travel procurement solution
- Continue digitize and optimize internal processes

## On track for profitability improvement and continued growth

- The key priority for Zalaris in 2019 remains to return to margin-levels from before the 2017-acquisitions.
- On track with cost-cutting initiatives to reach consistent 10% adjusted EBIT going into 2020
- Increasing sales & marketing efforts to capitalize on continued strong demand for IT outsourcing in core markets and boost growth
- Zalaris currently expects to achieve moderate revenue growth y-o-y in 2019 and full effect of cost-cutting program from Q1/20

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