

## CAPITAL MARKETS DAY AGENDA

#### 1400 - Welcome

Torben Sand, Director of Investor Relations & Communications

#### 1405 - Launch of Focus 2030

Niels Frederiksen, Chief Executive Officer

#### 1435 - Strategic Priorities

Régis Broersma, Chief Commercial Officer

- Stabilise Machine-Rolled Cigars
- Grow Handmade Cigars

1500 - Q&A

**Executive Board** 

#### 1510 - Short Break

5 minutes

#### 1515 - Strategic Priorities

Régis Broersma, Chief Commercial Officer

Accelerate Nicotine Pouch business

#### 1525 - Delivering Value

Marianne Rørslev Bock, Chief Financial Officer

- Five-year Summary
- Financial Ambitions
- Shareholder Return Policy

1550 - Q&A

**Executive Board** 

#### 1625 - Closing Remarks

Torben Sand, Director of Investor Relations & Communications

# IMPORTANT DISCLOSURES

## FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

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## MARKETING PRINCIPLES

Our Marketing Principles ensure that we develop, market and promote our products in accordance with the law and our core values. In the US, where the legal minimum age for purchasing tobacco is 21, the Group sells directly to consumer on our websites and in our retail stores. Our US retail websites ensure legal age verification of all consumers, utilizing a state-of-the-art third-party age verification solution to ensure compliance. We ensure compliance with the minimum age in our stores in the US by requesting age verification. Our Marketing Principles are ingrained in the way we work and are front of mind in our consumer-focused teams. They are reviewed annually and revised as needed. We conduct training in the Marketing Principles to the relevant functions in the Group.



## OUR PURPOSE AND VISION REMAIN THE SAME

FCCUS2030

**PURPOSE** 

**CRAFT THE RITUALS THAT MAKE US MORE** 

**VISION** 

BE THE UNDISPUTED & SUSTAINABLE GLOBAL LEADER IN CIGARS

# FOCUS2030 SHARPENING OUR FOCUS & RAISING EXECUTION

Build a more consumer-centric organisation and larger power brands

Simplify our portfolio & business

Invest in opportunities where we have the right to win

Invest in people, data, digitalisation & business analytics

# WHAT STG WILL LOOK LIKE IN 2030

Sustainable and stable Machine-Rolled Cigar and Smoking Tobacco business primarily focused on Europe

Growing an increasingly attractive Handmade Cigar business anchored in the U.S. – but with a stronger global footprint

Larger Nicotine Pouch business with upside opportunity in an attractive category



# ROLLING TOWARDS 2025 WE MADE SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENTS...

Strengthened our platform through acquisitions

MOSI, Room101, La Perla Habana, Alec Bradley, XQS & Mac Baren

## **Turned Growth Enablers into outcomes**

NPs & retail expansion added to portfolio of product offerings and consumer touchpoints. International HMC delivered double-digit growth

Delivered substantial Shareholder Returns

Returned more than DKK 5 billion to shareholders in dividends & share buy-backs

## Transforming through process excellence

Digital transformation of legacy ERP landscape and ways of working

## Building resilience through sustainability

Significantly advanced efforts, especially with compliance and climate

## ... WITH CHALLENGES ALONG THE WAY

## Financial outcomes fell short of ambitions

Lower than expected as a result of both external and internal challenges

## Machine-Rolled cigars underperformed against expectations

Declining market shares and volumes as well as lower profitability

#### Supply chain challenges

Affected market share and product availability after the pandemic and during ERP system rollouts

#### Rising costs impacted profitability

Especially in Machine-Rolled Cigars – harder to offset with pricing, OPEX growing faster than sales

# Share price performance weighed on Total Shareholder Returns

Impacted by profit warnings during strategy period

## **WHERE WE ARE TODAY**

Market leader in Handmade Cigars in the U.S.

Unmatched
HMC distribution
network in the
U.S.

Market leading positions in MRC in Europe

Global pipe leader and selected strongholds in smoking tobacco

Significant growth in Nicotine Pouch business – 4% of total NS

## Dynamic market environment & changing consumer behaviour

Financial performance below ambitions

Leverage ratio above target of 2.5x

Dividend payout ratio unbalanced with current earnings level



# STRATEGIC PRIORITY STABILISE MACHINE-ROLLED CIGARS

### **VALUE CHAIN**

Optimise and simplify value chain to stabilise earnings

### **OTHER CATEGORIES**

Maximise earnings in other markets, categories (fine cut and pipe tobacco) & other brands

### COSTS

Drive optimisation and profitability improvements across all functions

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Continue to simplify brand portfolio, formats, SKUs, and blends based on consumer insights

#### **INVENTORY**

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### **POWER BRANDS**

La Paz, Signature, Mehari's & Panter

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## **MARKET SHARE**

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### **PROFITABILITY**

Increase profitability through scale and with an option of investing in own manufacturing

# FOCUS2030 STRATEGY OVERVIEW

## FCCUS2030

PURPOSE	CRAFT THE RI	TUALS THAT	MAKE US MORE		
VISION	Be the undisputed & sustainable global leader in cigars				
AMBITION	We want to build a sustainable and growing business for the future, creating value for our consumers, employees, and shareholders				
STRATEGIC PRIORITIES	WIN with handmade cigars in the US	LEAD in machine-rolled cigars in Europe	BUILD a competitive nicotine pouch business in Europe		
ENABLERS	Consumer & Customer Centricity	Data & Digitalisation	Process & Execution Excellence		
	Sustainability	People Engagement	Performance Culture		





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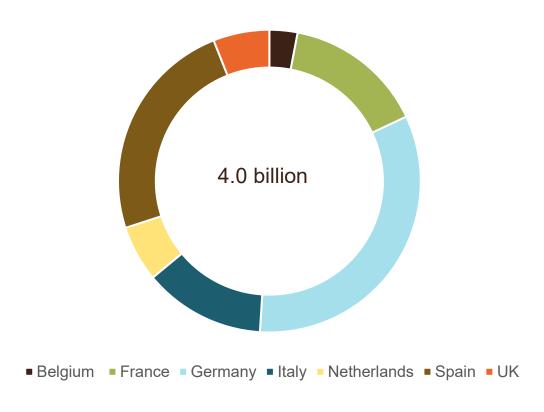
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## KEY MARKETS IN EUROPE WILL CONTINUE TO DECLINE

#### **Key takeaways**

- Key markets continue to decline at higher rate than rest of the world
- 4% CAGR volume decline (2022-2024)
- Year to date 2025 shows a better development than historical decline rate
- Higher cigarette category decline rate and poly-use between categories likely to put pressure on MRC category in the future

#### MRC Key Markets in EU Volume 2024



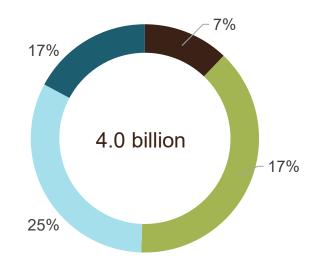
Source: Logista, IRI/Circana and Nielsen Note: STG EU markets included: Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Spain and UK. Categories include all SF, PLC and LC reported within these markets.

## MRC TRADITIONAL SEGMENT SOFTENING

#### **Key takeaways**

- Traditional segment of no filter and no flavor products is under pressure and losing its importance in consumer repertoire across MRC in EU
- Filter and flavor products are winning hearts of consumers reaching almost the same share as traditional segment
- STG is relatively stronger in the segments which is declining the most

#### MRC Volume - 7 Key STG Markets in Europe, 2024



	Relative Growth of segment	STG strength in segment
No filter & Flavour		
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## STG IS NO.1 PLAYER IN EUROPE FOR MRC



#### Market share in key European markets

France	~45%	Spain	~25%
Belgium	~80%	Italy	~10%
Netherlands	~40%	UK	~45%
Germany	~10%	Total	27%

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Source:

1 MRC - global volumes calculated by taking out HMC volumes from cigars & cigarillos volumes in Euromonitor Passport, all tobacco markets

# WELL POSITIONED ACROSS EVERYDAY SMOKING MOMENTS

MRC Market Landscape Brands positioning



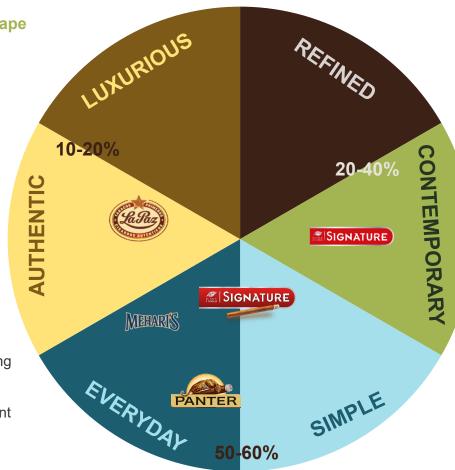
Simple Smoke & Everyday platforms across its biggest brand markets (France & UK).

Attributes are more functional nature (smooth, aromatic and easy to smoke) which drives the relevance of the brand among MRC smokers.



More sophisticated & upscale proposition, existing in Authentic Smoke platform.

Strongest of STG equities and can play significant role in increasing value share of our portfolio.





Strong in Everyday Smoke platform in Netherlands, its biggest market.

Panter can co-exist with Signature and secure strong relevance for those valuing availability, affordability and smooth smoke.

### MEHARI'S

Seen as upscaled everyday smoking proposition that brings a bit more authenticity to everyday cigarillo.

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## FOUR POWER BRANDS TO PROTECT & LEAD

#### Strong presence in geographies and by segments

- Spanning across a minimum of 17 countries (Panter) through to ~100 countries (Signature)
- Unique product specifications including flavour, blends, size & filter/no filter
- Covering different price points from Value for Money all the way up to Premium
- Four Power Brands represent significant part of total short filler portfolio

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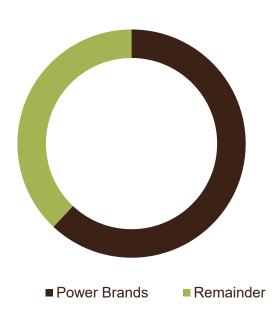


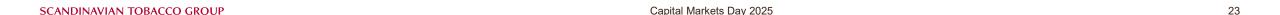
■ Power Brands
■ Remainder

**Group Net Sales** 



#### **Total Volume**





# STRATEGIC ROLL OUT: SIGNATURE AS EXAMPLE

#### Our biggest and most profitable brand globally

- Delivering around 25% of our global short fillers volume
- Distinctive stronghold in the most relevant consumer territory 'Enjoyment' and Signature stands for: Original smooth indulgence, elevating everyday moments
- During 2025, different initiatives have been tested in France and Spain, showing very promising results, demonstrating the strong growth potential of Signature
- France YTD September '25 share of market around 14%, +0.5ppt vs. PY
- Spain YTD September '25 share of market around 12%, +1.5ppt vs. PY



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# AMBITIONS FOR OUR 7 KEY MARKETS IN EUROPE

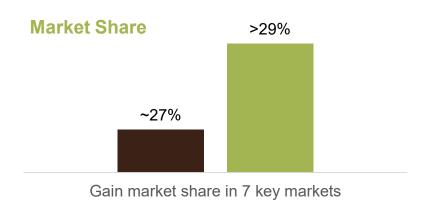
#### **Investing in our four Power Brands**

- Transforming consumer insights to innovation in our products (redesigns, limited editions, enhancements) to create more moments of enjoyment
- Adapting to a consumer centric pricing model with more consistency across brand families
- Driving efforts within existing strongholds to increase consumer relevance based on critical assessments in a local context

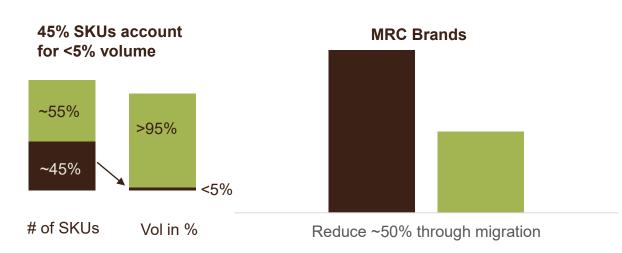


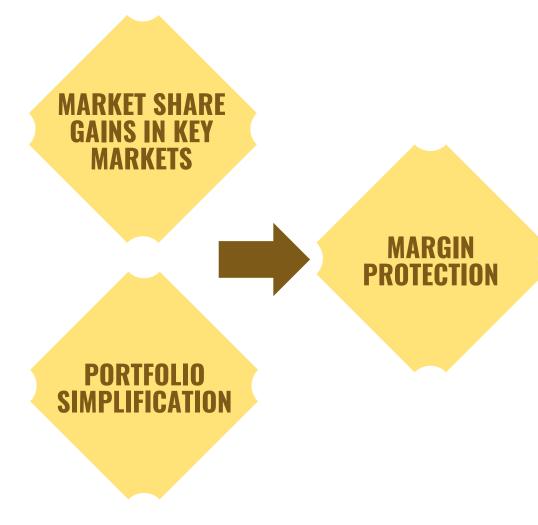


## STRATEGIC LEVERS TO SUCCESS



#### **Portfolio Simplification**







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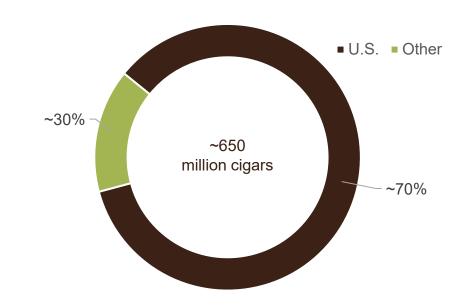
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## THE U.S. IS THE KEY DRIVER OF CATEGORY GROWTH

#### **Key insights**

- Market remains biggest and volume base significantly higher vs. before COVID period
- HMC in key EU markets continue to grow with Spain and Germany as biggest contributors
- Volume developments challenged post-COVID
- Total market expected to stabilise going forward

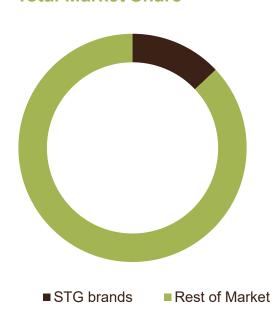
#### HMC U.S. & Rest Of World - Market Volume 2024



Source: US = Imports (codes 8080 & 8050, marking large premium cigars), market data and estimates from Int. HMC Expansion project

# OPPORTUNITY TO INCREASE MARKET SHARE THROUGH POWER BRANDS IN THE U.S.

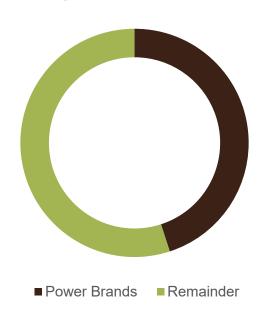
#### **Total Market Share**



STG brands account for total of 13%

Power Brands account for 5% of total

**Group Net Sales** 



Power Brands account for ~45% of our Net Sales in U.S.









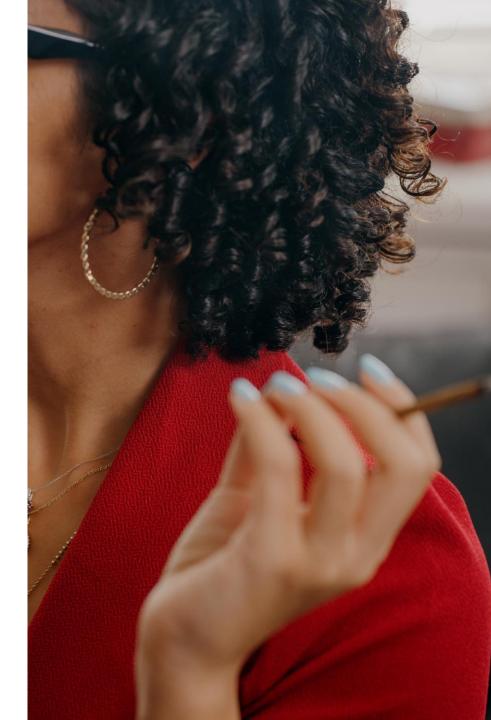
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- Targeting different price points including premium, mainstream, value for money – capturing wide consumer base
- Maximising impact with accelerated investments in Power Brands
- Driving brand positioning in both retail and online channels
- Tailored manufacturing to be competitive in both value and premium
- Streamlining ways of working
- Increasing distinctiveness of online proposition



NET SALES GROWTH





# BRANDS WELL POSITIONED TO MEET ALL CONSUMER NEEDS ACROSS HMC CATEGORY IN U.S.

#### **Consumer loyalty**

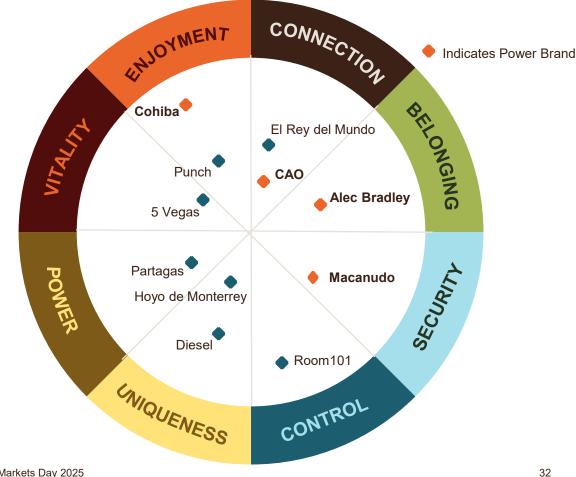
- Our portfolio covers the full spectrum of consumer demand segments
- Ambition to strengthen brand equity and reinforce emotional connections with targeted consumers
- HMC brands show breadth across emotional motivations, requiring a specific portfolio strategy







**HMC US Market Landscape, 2025** 



Source: US HMC market landscape & consumer segmentation study

# STRATEGIC ROLL OUT: MACANUDO AS EXAMPLE

#### **Rationale for Power Brand**

- Global scale and recognition
- Broad appeal across experience levels
- Trusted, approachable entry to premium cigars
- Strong foundation for distribution and volume growth

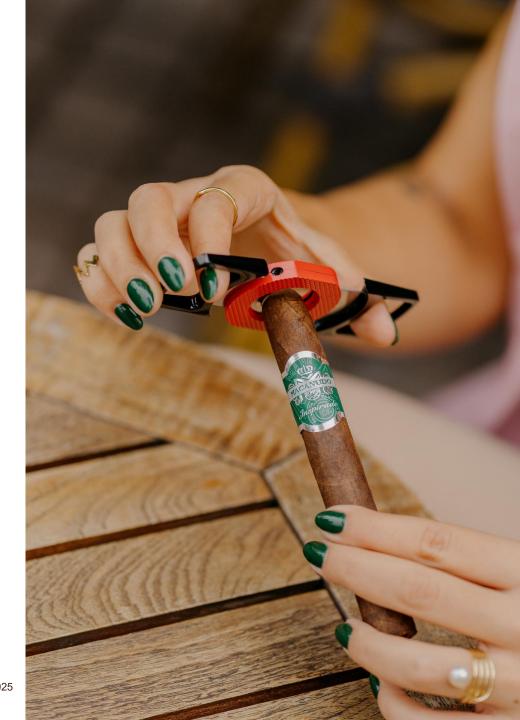
#### **Consumer mindset**

 The approachable classic – trusted by experienced and new smokers alike

#### **Premium Price Tiers**

#### 7 major sub-brands

- Café
- Maduro
- Gold Label
- Vintage
- Inspirado
- Emissary
- M by Macanudo



# POWER BRANDS DRIVEN BY OUR POWERFUL DISTRIBUTION

### STG-owned distribution channels

- Driving premiumisation through exclusivity
- Experience-based events and branded takeovers in retail stores
- Integrated 360° consumer engagement
- Merchandising and promotional prioritisation

#### Third party retail channels

- Brand visibility via better execution
- Sales training and incentives
- Promotional support through advertising and collaborations



Community

**Daily Cigar Deal** 



# RETAIL EXPANSION CONTINUES TO STRENGTHEN OUR MARKET PRESENCE





#### **15 STORES ACROSS 5 STATES**

 2007
 2012
 2018
 2020
 2022
 2023
 2024
 2025

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Bethlehem, PA

Hamburg, PA

The Colony, TX

Fort Worth, TX Lutz, FL Tampa, FL San Antonio, TX

Conroe, TX Katy, TX Bridgeville, PA Jacksonville, FL East Ridge, TN

Newport, KY Orlando, FL





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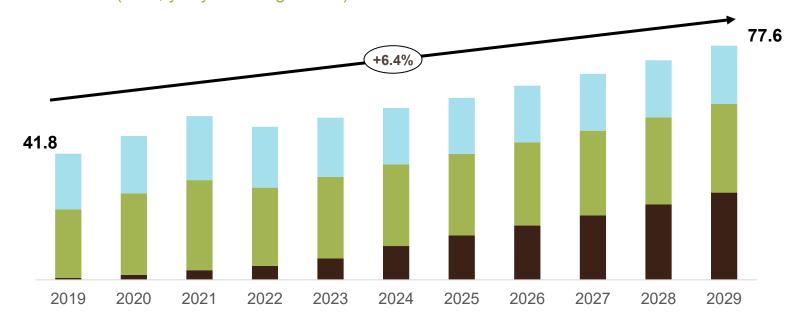
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# GROWTH EXPECTED ACROSS ALL STG CATEGORIES WITH BIGGEST GROWTH IN NICOTINE POUCHES

### RRP market value size, US & European markets

USD billion (RSP, y-o-y exchange rates)



	2010 2024	2020 2020
Nicotine pouches	s +77.1	+18.4
Cigars & cigarillo	s +0.4	+0.9

CAGR %

2019-2024 2025-2029

+3.5

Growth %

+2.2

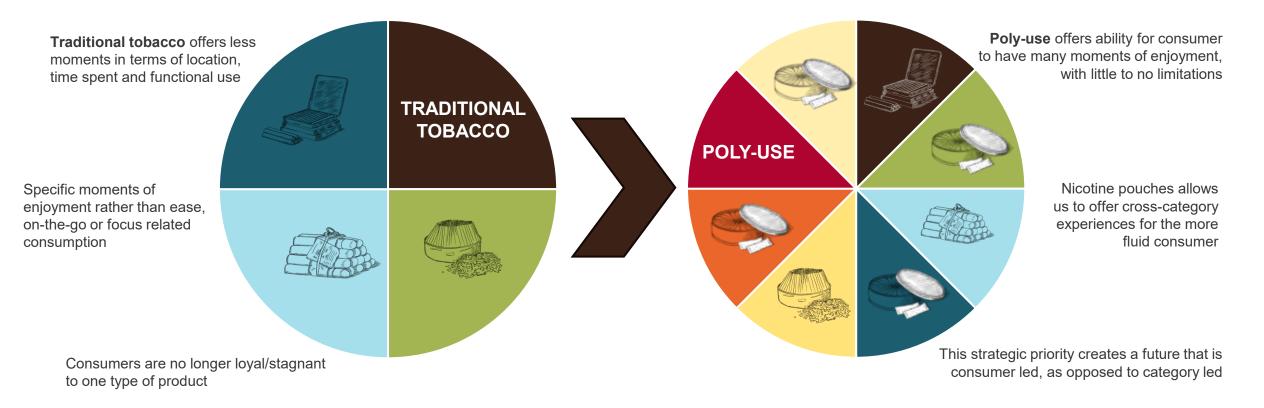
Source: Euromonitor

Smoking tobacco

Markets: US, Western & Eastern Europe

## MULTI-CATEGORY POLY-USE DRIVING GROWTH

#### BUILDING COMPLEMENTARY MOMENTS TO MEET CONSUMER PREFERENCES



## STRATEGIC LEVERS TO SUCCESS

- Invest in product development capabilities
- Accelerate user conversion through targeted, insight-led innovation
- Initiate new market entries within existing NP markets
- Focus on existing competitive route-to market
- Optimise investments toward relevant consumers through distribution
- Focus on brand building to position XQS as preferred contender





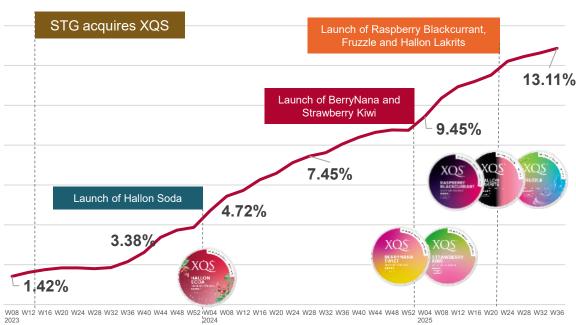




# XQS NO.2 IN MOST COMPETITIVE MARKET — BOOSTED BY DISTRIBUTION EXPANSION AND INNOVATION

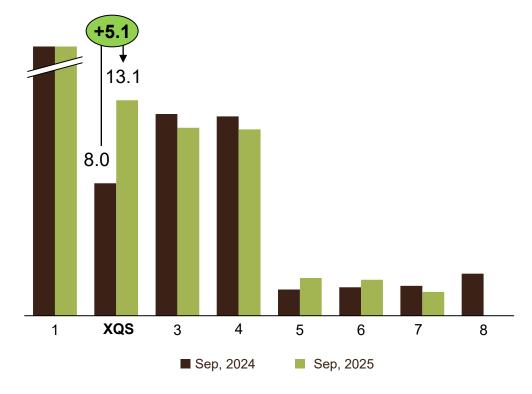
### Latest launches driving incremental growth

Market Share, %



### XQS maintaining the pace of the fastest growing brand

Market Share, %



Source: Nielsen Note: does not include online sales SCANDINAVIAN TOBACCO GROUP

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# BUILDING A MAINSTREAM BRAND THROUGH PORTFOLIO EXPANSIONS



## BREAK AND REWARDERS

Driven by indulgence and relaxation.

Low-frequency users looking for nicotine moments in order to relax between activities and to treat themselves.

#### **XQS PROPOSITIONS**

All portfolio pillars are relevant for this audience

#### **FREEDOM**



## EXPERIENCE SEEKERS

Driven by novelty and discovery.

Medium-frequency users looking for exciting taste, new innovations, seasonal twists, fresh experiences, etc.

## XQS PROPOSITIONS CORE STRENGTH

Fruity Flavors
(Fruit / Citrus / Berries)

'Nostalgia' Flavors (Beverages / Confectionary / Others)

**COMMUNITY** 

**INDIVIDUALITY** 



### FOCUS BOOSTERS

Driven by performance and balance.

Medium-frequency users looking for pouches in order to stay focused, feel calm or boost their energy.

## XQS PROPOSITIONS FOCUS IN 2026

Nic-free Caffeine Pouches

Active Ingredients

Slow Nicotine Release



## SAVVY REGULARS

Driven by quality and consistency. High-frequency users looking for a familiar nicotine experience, trusted flavours, consistent quality. XQS PROPOSITIONS FOCUS IN 2026

Mint and Menthol Flavors

Higher Nicotine Strengths

# CONSCIOUS EXPANSION - DIFFERENTIATION, GROWTH & LONGEVITY

**TAILORED APPEAL MASS APPEAL FUNCTIONAL NOSTALGIA** CORE **MINT** XQS launched before 2023 XQS launched in 2023 / 2024 Mint / Fruity / Citrus / Energy **Beverages / Confectionary / Others** Fruity / Berry / Citrus Mint / Menthol XQS launched in 2025 Reach **Differentiation Future** Growth **Opportunity Social currency** Relevance **Credibility Awareness Consumer loyalty Commercial success Popularity GLOBAL** 

## OUR STRATEGIC PRIORITIES IN SUMMARY









## INSIGHTS SHAPING OUR FINANCIAL AMBITIONS



Through EBIT expansion and disciplined capital management approach

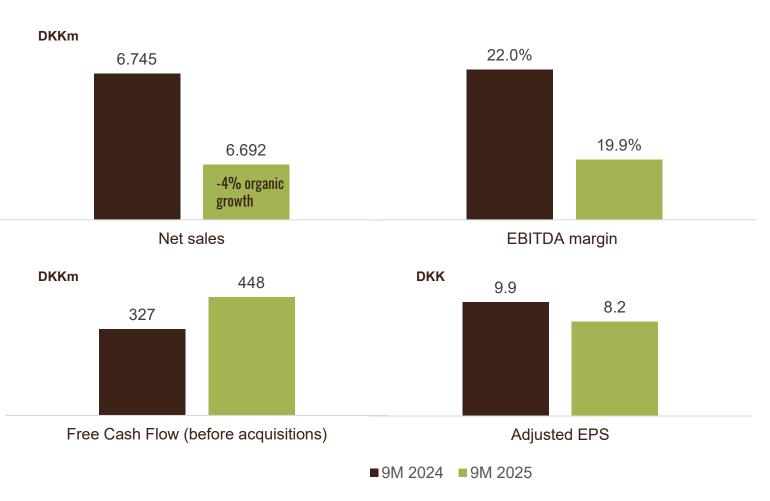


Through market share gains, strategic pricing, cost efficiency and cash flow discipline



Reflecting Focus2030 priorities and to keep financial flexibility

## FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE 9M 2025



## **FINANCIAL EXPECTATIONS 2025**

**NET SALES** 

DKK 9.1-9.2 billion

FREE CASH FLOW

Before acquisitions

DKK 0.8-1.0 billion

**EBITDA MARGIN** 

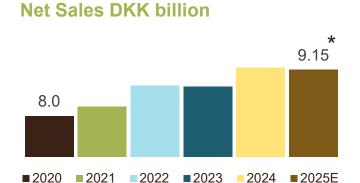
Before special items

19.5-20.5%

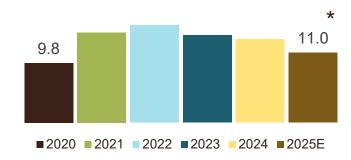
**ADJUSTED EPS** 

**DKK 10-12** 

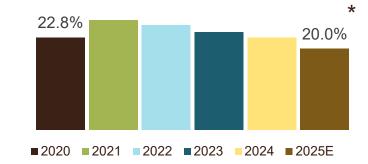
## ROLLING TOWARDS 2025 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE



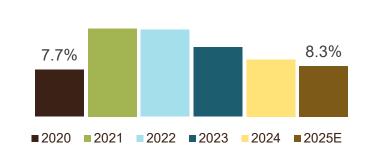




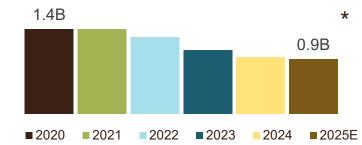
### **EBITDA Margin**



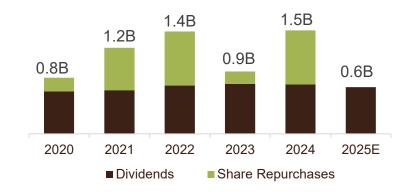
#### ROIC



## Free Cash Flow before acquisitions DKK

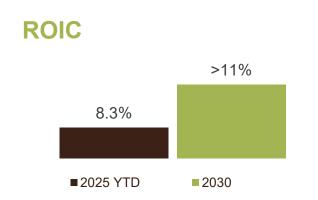


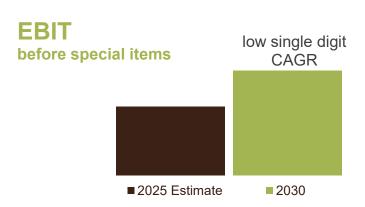
#### **Capital Distribution DKK**

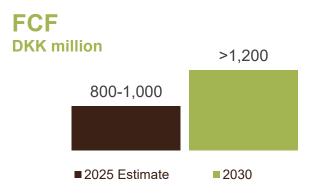


<sup>\*</sup> Mid-point 2025 Expectations

# NEW FINANCIAL AMBITIONS PROVIDE FOUNDATION FOR ATTRACTIVE SHAREHOLDER RETURNS



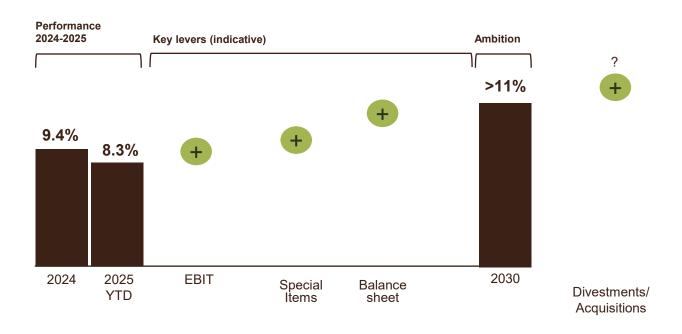




## DISCIPLINED CAPITAL ALLOCATION

#### ROIC

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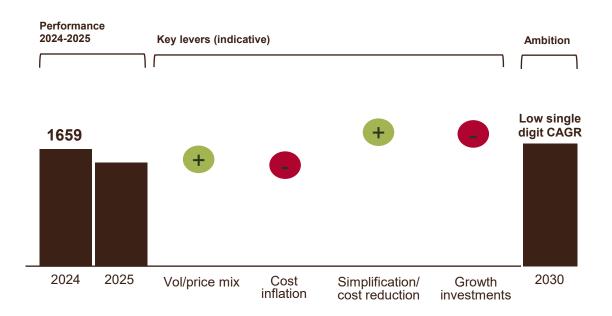
### **Key levers impacting ROIC**

- Incremental EBIT b.s.i. growth
- Special items 2025 ~DKK 200m
- Balance sheet
- Potential divestments and acquisitions must support ROIC ambition

## **EARNINGS IMPROVEMENT**

### **EBIT** before special items

**DKKm** 

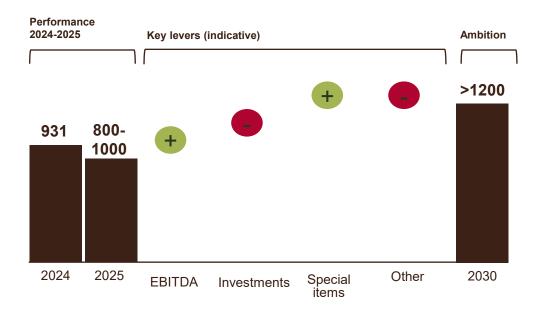


#### **Key levers impacting EBIT**

- Volumes/price mix improvements
- Cost inflation in the level of 3% p.a.
- Simplification
- Both growth investments and depreciation/amortisations to increase about DKK 100 million annually
- Efficiency program: DKK 200 million

# GENERATING STRONGER FREE CASH FLOW

## Free Cash Flow before acquisitions DKKm



#### Key levers impacting free cash flow

- EBITDA increase
- Investments ~DKK 1.5 billion 2026-2030
- Special cash items in 2025 of ~DKK 200m
- Other (tax a.o.)

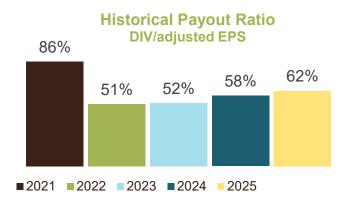
## SHAREHOLDER RETURN REMAINS CORE

## Adjusting policy to allow financial flexibility

#### Maintaining our investment grade credit rating

### Payout ratio-based dividend policy

- · Reflecting ambition of investing in Focus2030
- · Stronger alignment with performance to ensure balanced payments
- · Consistent with market practice
- Increasing headroom for share buy-back component in capital allocation





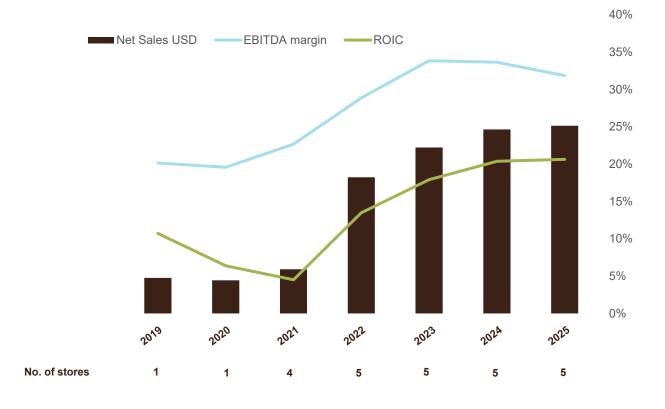




## **RETAIL STORES**

#### **Selection examples: Stores opened >3 years**

Total investment of ~ USD 37 Million





- The Colony, TX in 2018
- Fort Worth, TX in 2021
- Tampa, FL in 2021
- Lutz, FL in 2021
- San Antonio, TX in 2022

## **NICOTINE POUCH AMBITIONS**

### **Financial Highlights Today**

- DKK 250-300 million invested as of 2025
- Net sales exceeding DKK 400 million in 2025
- Market Shares: Sweden >13%, UK ~1%
- Gross Margin ~25-30% and EBITDA breakeven

#### **Financial Ambitions 2030**

- Market shares increasing
- Expanding to new markets
- Must deliver meaningful margin and ROIC progression







