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Highlights Q3 2018

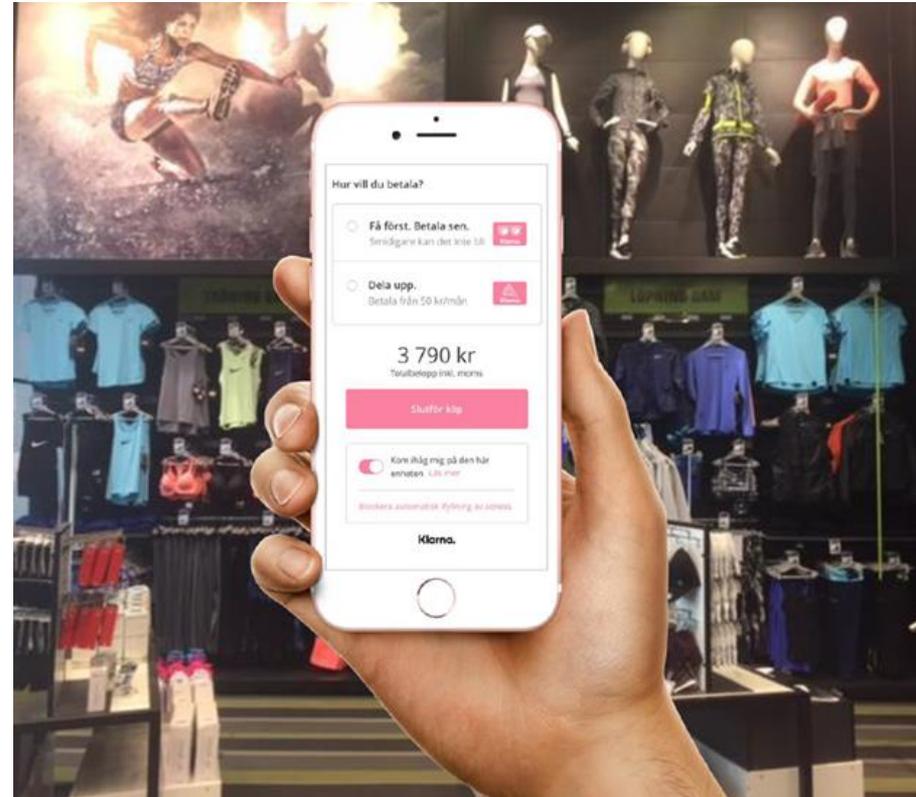
- Total revenues of NOK 2 504 million – growth of 4%
 - Negative like for like growth of 6%
- E-commerce growth of 40%
 - Now 14.4% of Group sales vs. 10.6% in Q3 17
- One new store opening – Graz in Austria on 4 September
- Summer months impacted by limited demand and traffic while September represented a more normal month
- Gross margin down from 38.7% in Q3 17 to 36.9% in Q3 18
 - Lower supplier bonuses received of around NOK 20 million or 0.7 points on margins – inventory per store coming down
 - Mix effects with high growth online with lower gross margins
 - Overall retail market with many discounts and campaigns in the summer months
- Cost control
 - OPEX% up from 28.3% to 29.3% driven by negative like for like growth
 - Norway and Sweden with negative cost leverage in the stores
 - Finland, Denmark and Austria with improvements
- EBITDA of NOK 190 million, down from NOK 252 million in Q3 17
 - Lower sales in the summer months
 - Less supplier bonuses received
- New omni-channel solutions performing well



New digital initiatives

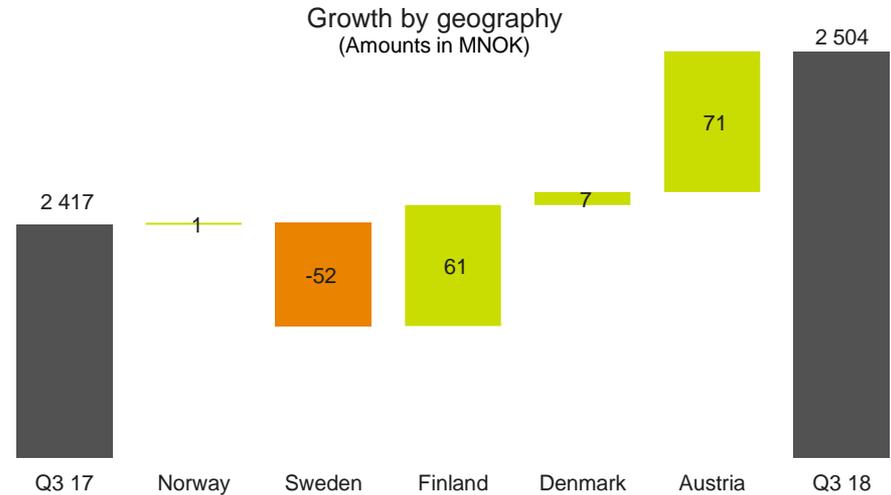
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- Omni-channel stock solution further rolled out
 - All stores and categories in Norway, Sweden and Austria
 - Finland in Q4 18
 - Optimizing the value chain over time
- More efficient payment solutions by introducing Klarna Instore
 - Ability to pay by the mobile phone, at home and with credit as an add on feature
 - Using the same interface for stores as online – omni-channel user experience
 - Customer data collection
- New pick-up services in stores to be tested out
 - High degree of self-service
 - Frictionless user experience
 - Efficiency in the store operations
 - New features to be introduced and tested over time
- Extensive AB-testing of the front end and landing pages
 - Including using louds.no as a test site as well
- Pilot of personalized pages based on navigation behavior
 - Fully automated, cookie based
 - Improved relevancy and customer experience
 - Enhanced efficiency for technical development



Growth drivers in the quarter

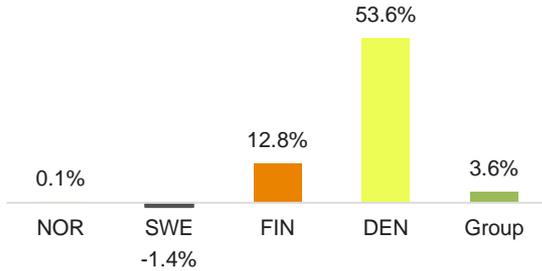
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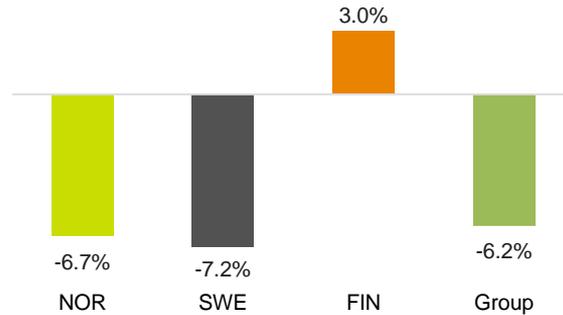
Growth split by markets

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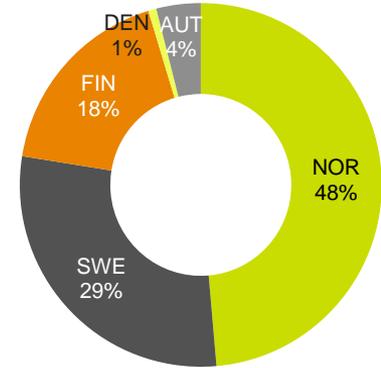
Growth by segments
(Local currency)



Like for like growth
(Local currency)

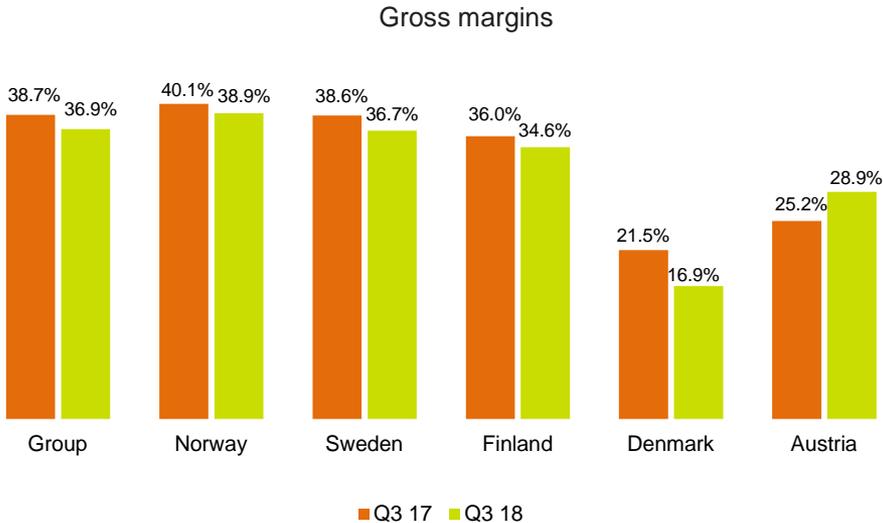


Revenue split



Gross margin development

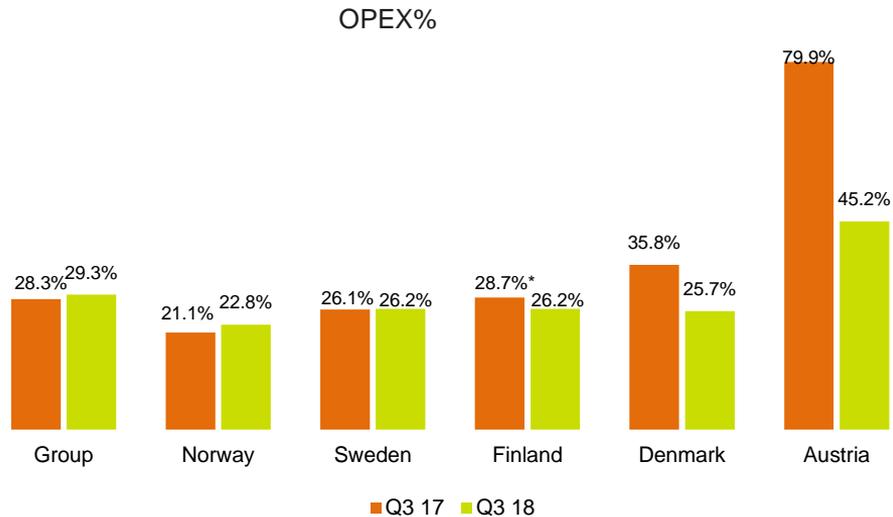
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- Group gross margin declined by 1.8 points YoY
 - Lower supplier bonuses received of around NOK 20 million or 0.7 points on margins
 - Negative mix effects with high growth online with lower gross margins
 - Overall retail market with many discounts and campaigns in the summer months

OPEX development

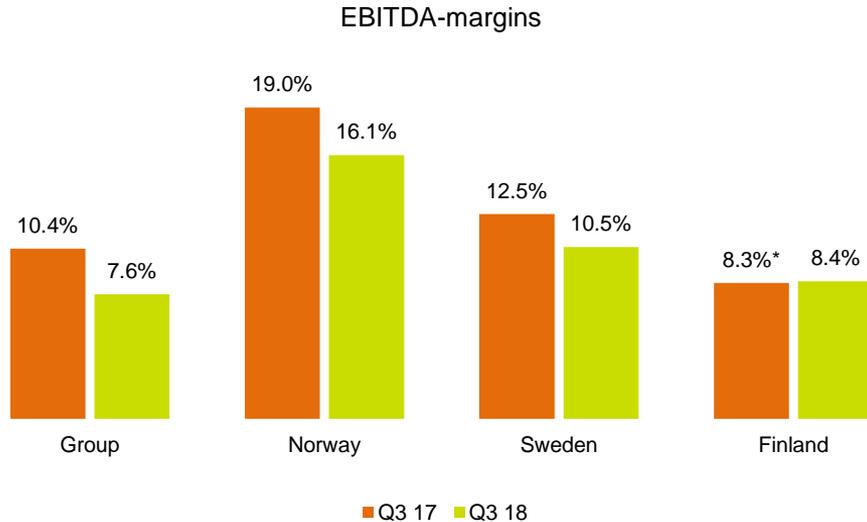
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- Group OPEX% up by 1.0 points to 29.3% YoY
 - Driven by negative like for like growth of 6.2%
- Norway and Sweden with negative cost leverage in the stores
- Finland, Denmark and Austria with improvements
- Many cost initiatives and adjusting the operations to the difficult summer season
 - More flexible personnel planning
 - Less marketing activities
 - May have hold back too long late in the quarter
- Cost control

EBITDA development

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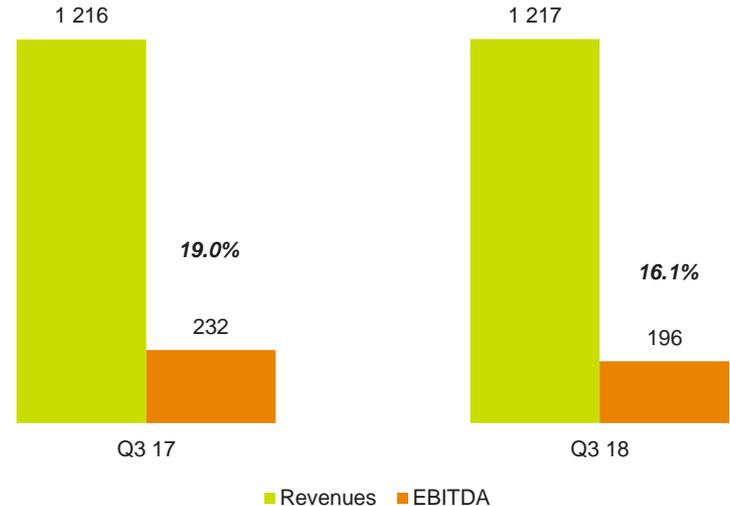
- EBITDA of NOK 190 million
- Lower EBITDA in Norway due to negative like for like growth and lower gross margin
- Sweden impacted by lower gross margin, but stable OPEX%
- Finland with improvement despite lower gross margin – cost efficiency

Norway – Tough summer market

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- Stable revenues of NOK 1 217 million
- Negative like for like growth of 6.7%
 - Negative of 5.2% excluding cannibalization effects
- Challenging retail market in the summer season
- Gross margin decreased by 1.2 points to 38.9% in Q3 18
 - Lower amount of supplier volume bonuses of around NOK 10 million – equals 0.8 points
 - Mix effects from strong online growth with lower margins vs. negative like for like growth in the stores
- Scaled down on personnel and marketing costs
 - Right strategy early in the quarter but lasted too long
- EBITDA-margin declined to 16.1%
 - Gross margin reduction
 - Negative cost leverage in the stores due to negative like for like growth

Amounts in MNOK

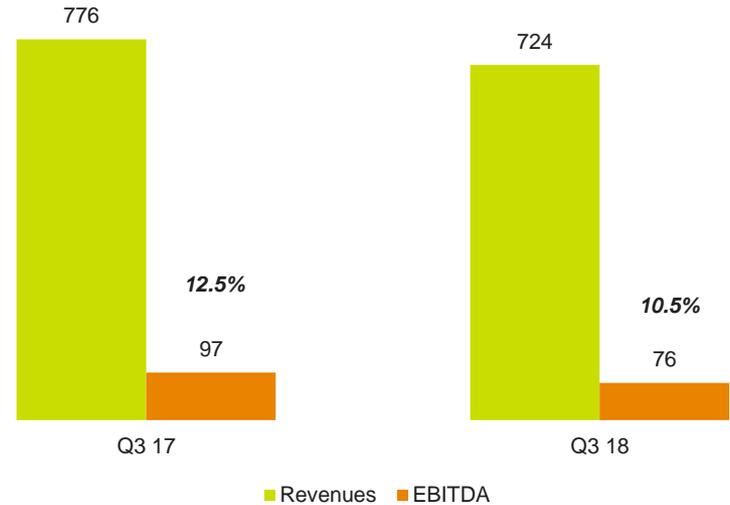


Sweden – High volatility in the market

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- Negative revenue growth of 1.4% YoY in local currency
- Like for like growth down 7.2% in local currency
- Still a volatile market with a lot of discounts from many players
- Gross margin declined by 1.9 points YoY
 - Lower amount of supplier volume bonuses of around NOK 7 million which equals 0.9 points
 - Mix effects from strong online growth with lower margins vs. negative like for like growth in the stores
 - Many summer campaigns and discounts in the market
- OPEX% stable of 26.2%
 - Costs adjusted to a difficult market
 - May have impacted the like for like growth
- EBITDA of NOK 76 million and a margin of 10.5%

Amounts in MNOK

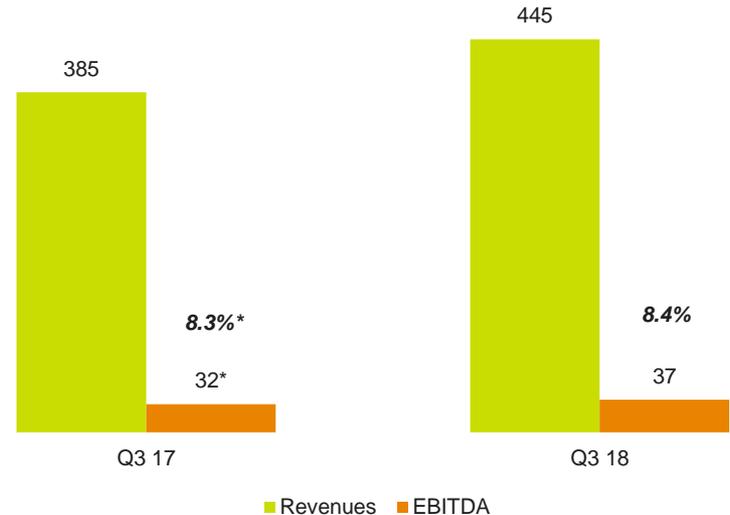


Finland – Driving the market

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- 13% revenue growth YoY in local currency
- Like for like growth of 3.0% in local currency driven by solid growth from E-commerce
- Gross margin declined by 1.4 points to 34.6%
 - Lower amount of supplier volume bonuses of around NOK 3 million which equals 1.0 points
 - Mix effects from strong growth online on lower margins than in the stores
- OPEX down from 28.7%* to 26.2% YoY
 - Despite negative like for like growth in the stores
 - Cost efficiency and focus over time
 - OPEX of 26.6% in Q3 17 including positive effects of NOK 4 million related to reversal of accrued pension costs
- EBITDA of NOK 37 million and a margin of 8.4%
 - EBITDA of NOK 32 million and a margin of 8.3% in Q3 17 adjusted for positive effect of pension costs
 - Reported EBITDA of NOK 36 million and a margin of 9.4% in Q3 17

Amounts in MNOK



Market data

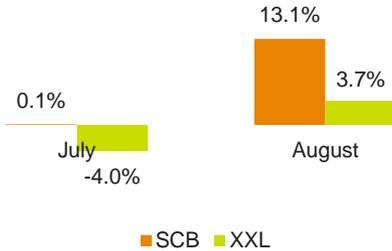
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SSB vs. XXL monthly growth (YoY)



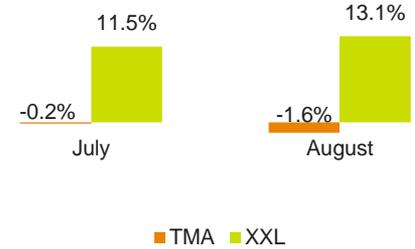
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SCB vs. XXL monthly growth (YoY)



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TMA vs. XXL monthly growth (YoY)



■ Figures for September not disclosed

Denmark – Strong growth

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- Revenue growth of 54% YoY in local currency
- More aggressive campaigns to take volume
 - Gross margin declined from 21.5% to 16.9% YoY
 - High share of freight and return costs
 - Sales mix effects – higher AOV but lower margins
- OPEX% improved from 35.8% in Q3 17 to 25.7% in Q3 18
 - Negative EBITDA of NOK 2 million
- XXL has a competitive business model
- Denmark has delivered according to plan and is soon on target to reach break-even figures on EBITDA
- Utilizing the existing infrastructure in the Group has proven successful

Amounts in MNOK



Austria – First year in operation

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- Still in the early establishing phase
 - Four stores and E-commerce
 - Opened a new store – Graz on 4 September
- Revenues of NOK 99 million in Q3 18
 - Equals 4% of the Group revenues this quarter
- Increasing perception in the market and attracting customers with campaigns and high marketing spending
 - Gross margin of 28.9%
- OPEX of NOK 45 million
 - High marketing spending when ramping up in three large cities and limited immediate synergies
 - Store in Graz carried full cost in Q3 18 but only a month with sales
 - Centralized organization in Austria for buying and support
 - Logistics and support functions within the Group working efficiently
- Negative EBITDA of NOK 16 million
- XXL has signed a third store in Vienna for opening in spring 2019

Amounts in MNOK

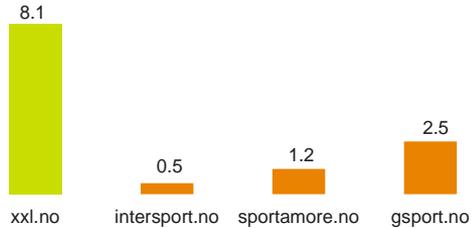


Market data – Online traffic



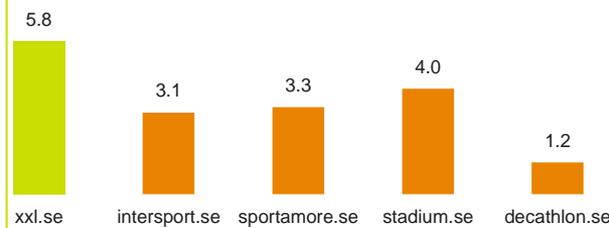
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Q3 18 total visits in millions



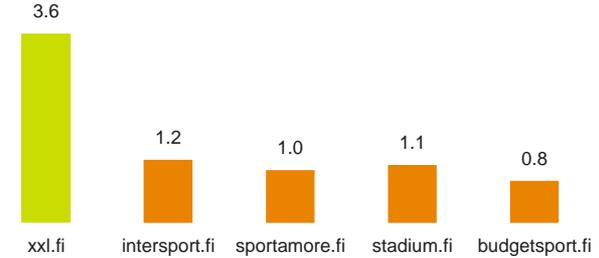
Sweden

Q3 18 total visits in millions



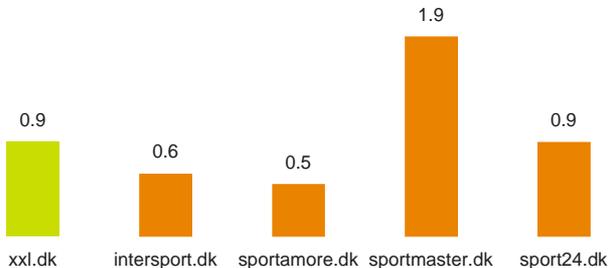
Finland

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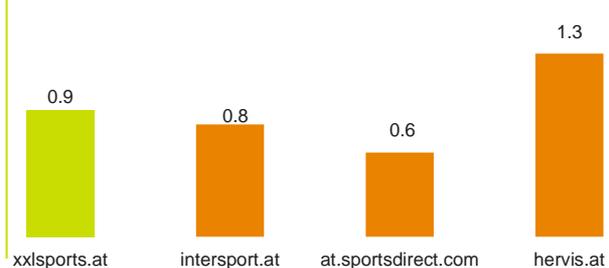
Denmark

Q3 18 total visits in millions



Austria

Q3 18 total visits in millions



XXL gaining high online traffic shares in all markets

HQ and Logistics – Investing in the backbone

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- OPEX of NOK 102 million to 4.1% of Group sales
 - NOK 95 million and 3.9% of Group sales in Q3 17
- Lower sales than expected in the summer months
- Several new recruitments to central functions including purchasers, technical system architects and IT-resources
- Infrastructure investments of NOK 50 million YTD
- XXL continues to invest in the future omni-channel model



Prime Minister of Sri Lanka, Mr. Ranil Wickremesinghe, visiting the XXL central warehouse in Norway in October 2018



Strategic ambitions

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Retail is Changing

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- Fast migration of traffic and sales from stores to online
- Online sales will be a large part of sport retail sales in the future
- Traditional sport store closings will accelerate and new ones will be introduced
- Niche and small pure players will struggle
- Successful pure- and omni-players will be controlling the retail prices and margins
- Transparency will put pressure on gross margins over time
- Omni-channel players will have to utilize a lower OPEX base
- XXL prepare for a ...
 - *continued strong growth in E-commerce towards 30% of Group sales in 2023*
 - *possible negative like-for-like growth in the stores, but with an ambition for growth and innovation*

Building an Omni-Channel Champion

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- We aim at transforming XXL into an omni-channel champion suited for the future competitive retail environment
- We have a highly scalable omni base
 - 81 identical stores with online inventory in prime locations where people live
 - Large customer availability in stores
 - E-commerce platform with high volume traffic and scaled for growth
 - Invested into omni logistics with robotics and automatization
 - Stores to be used as pick-up, return and service points
 - Digital instore infrastructure
 - Same business culture everywhere
- We have the lowest and most flexible OPEX in the industry
 - Same IT systems everywhere
 - All 81 stores built up the same way
 - Identical organizational set-up every where
 - Sharing similar marketing for stores and E-commerce
 - One HQ with support functions for all channels
 - Further potential for automation, scale in administration and logistics
- We have a technology driven and adaptive management team

Reach OPEX of 25% in 2023

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OPEX25 is mostly about generating growth the next 5 years

- E-commerce must become a larger part of Group revenue
- Opening a controlled amount of stores will fuel the E-commerce growth
- Build revenue scale in the omni-channel platform
- Utilize technological opportunities

..but we must also create more efficiency in all cost areas

■ Personnel

- More efficiency in workload in stores through logistics, automation and digitalization of store concept
- Scale through growth in personnel on E-com., HQ functions and Logistics

■ Marketing

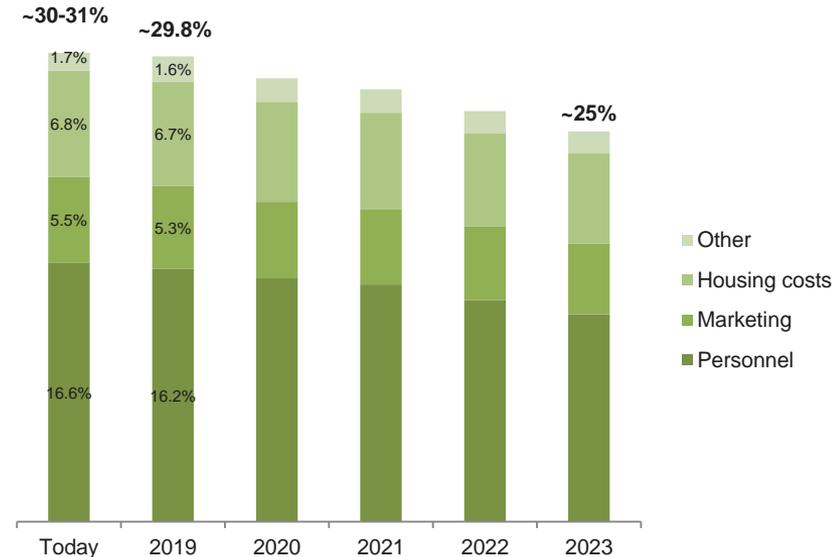
- Dominate selected channels and create scale in marketing spend
- More efficiency through use of CRM, personalization and digitalization

■ Housing costs

- Renegotiate all parts of all contracts
- Reduction of store space
- More flexible rent levels

■ Challenge all other cost items in the Group through cost driven mind set and culture

■ Main priority to turn around the OPEX% development YoY



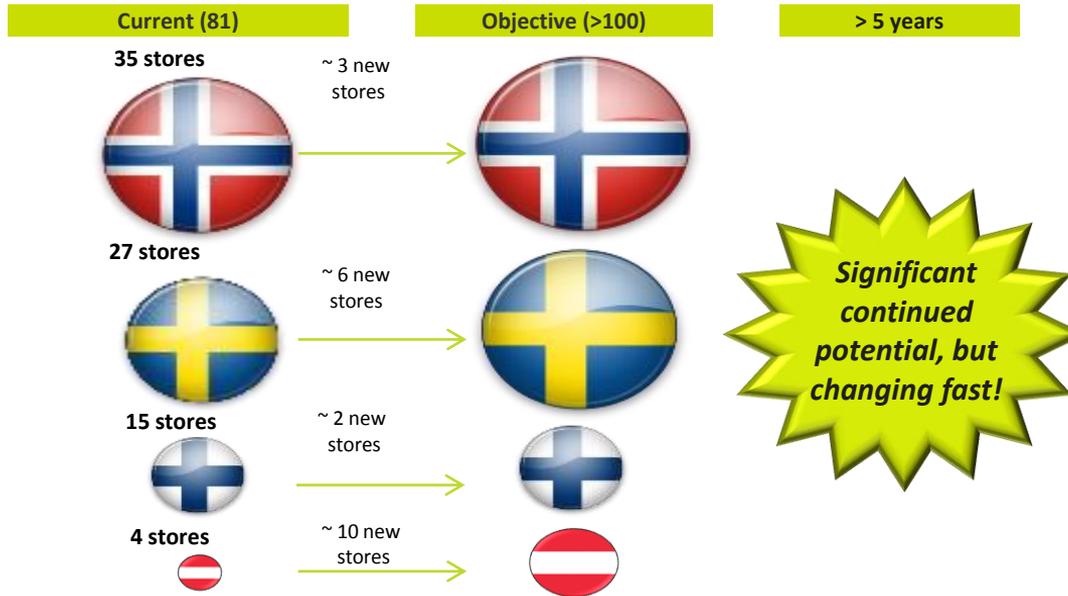
Key Strategic Initiatives

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- Drive like-for-like growth
 - New E-commerce sales initiatives including new concepts (team sales), markets and broader assortment
 - Data collection and segmented/personalized customer communication
 - Fine tuned store roll out plan
- Protect the gross margin
 - Improving supply chain with AI and machine learning
 - Shipment and delivery including freight and return costs
 - Risk sharing in value chain
- Deliver on OPEX 25% project
 - A combination of topline growth, scale in marketing, lower rent, creating cost scale in administration, smarter logistics and simplify store operations
- Best instore omni experience
 - Automation, queue free and frictionless experience, immediate collect, returns, value added services, product show room, human interaction
- Fact and data driven replenishment and buying processes
 - Investment into Artificial Intelligence
- Improve the Swedish business opportunities
 - Improve local assortment, continued store roll-out, more intelligent marketing spending
- Customer data driven marketing
 - Collect and analyze customer data in all channels. Use algorithms and machine learning to create segmented and personalized marketing

Growth in New Stores and E-commerce

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*Well founded analysis before signing new stores
Intention to open 7 – 10 stores every year, this ambition can change fast
High potential and fast growth in E-commerce including new markets, can reduce speed in store openings*

- First year of operation – sales around 15% below expectations, but great feedback!
 - 2 stores in Vienna
 - 1 store in Linz
 - 1 store in Graz
 - E-commerce – xxlsports.at
 - Fantastic acceptance by the guests

- Revised strategy forward
 - Strengthening the local assortment, improving marketing and more training of employees
 - Short term focus on store openings in areas where we already have presence
 - New type of rental contracts going forward
 - New stores must deliver financially on lower revenue, in build up phase
 - Existing stores, including city center location in Vienna, expected to have average revenues of around EUR 10 mill
 - Gross margin and EBITDA-profile will be as in Sweden over time
 - Omni-channel stock solution introduced in 2019
 - Austrian management capacity will be used in German rollout
 - XXL expects around 10-15 stores in total in the Austrian market, depending on E-commerce growth speed

Working Capital and Dividend Ambitions

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Improve cash flow

- ✓ Deliver on EBITDA ambition
- ✓ Free up working capital



Allocate for future growth

- ✓ Continue to invest in new stores/E-com in selected markets
 - ✓ Continue to invest in the omni-channel strategy

Allocate for shareholders and banks

- ✓ Maintain dividend policy (\geq NOK 2 per share)
- ✓ Net Debt/EBITDA ratio towards 2.0x over time

Addressing the High Working Capital Levels

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Working capital at a relatively high level

Historically main priority has been top line growth

Several initiatives to improve working capital

1

Increase turnover on existing inventory

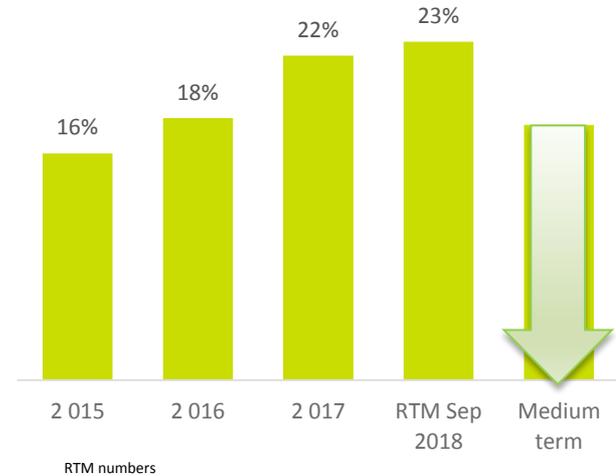
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More active assortment strategy and maximize the true potential of the omni channel presence

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Target to increase number of payment days

Working capital % of sales



Summary

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- Rapid change in sport retail
- XXL is well positioned
- Many opportunities targeted for XXL
- We will turn XXL into an omni-channel champion
- XXL is highly scalable “both ways” (ref. OPEX25)
- Strong focus on working capital improvements
- Maximize the Swedish potential
- Our ambition is “black numbers” in Austria in 2020



Financial review

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Income statement

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- Revenue growth of 4%
 - Negative like for like growth of 6.2%
 - E-commerce growth of 40%
- Challenging summer months with low traffic and demand
- Gross margin impacted by lower supplier volume bonuses and mix effects from high growth online with lower gross margins
- EBITDA down to NOK 190 million (NOK 252 million)
 - Lower gross margins
 - Higher OPEX% driven by negative like for like growth in Norway and Sweden
 - Improvements in Finland, Denmark and Austria
 - Many efficiency initiatives and good cost control
- Net financials cost of NOK 12 million
 - Net interest expenses of NOK 9 million
 - Positive currency effect of NOK 3 million
 - Other transaction and financial costs related to refinancing of the Group
- Estimated effective tax rate of 20%

<i>Amounts in MNOK</i>	Q3 18	Q3 17	YTD 18	YTD 17
Total operating revenue	2 504	2 417	6 905	6 184
Operating income	143	213	288	385
Net financials	-12	-23	-48	-37
Profit before income tax	131	190	240	348
Income tax expense	26	38	48	70
Net profit	105	152	192	279

Cash flow

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- Improved working capital partly offset by lower profit from income tax
 - Inventory per store of NOK 36.4 million compared to NOK 39.0 million in Q3 17
 - But still too high and due to lower sales than expected in a difficult July
 - Moving towards target of normalization of NOK 35 million and aiming to be closer to target by end of the year, but will fluctuate between seasons
- Accounts payable decrease due to reduction in purchase of goods
- Investments in stores and infrastructure of NOK 193 million including six new stores so far in 2018
- Dividend payment of NOK 278 million and share buy-back of NOK 50 million in the quarter
- Initiating a new share buy-back program in Q4 2018 of up to NOK 50 million
- NIBD/EBITDA of 2.7x
- Available liquidity reserve of NOK 414 million

Cash flow

<i>(Amounts in MNOK)</i>	YTD 18	YTD 17
Cash provided by operating activities	132	105
Cash used by investing activities	-193	-181
Cash provided (used) by financing activities	-135	56
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	-195	-20
Cash and cash equivalents beginning of year	314	115
Cash and cash equivalents end of period	118	95

Changes in working capital

<i>(Amounts in MNOK)</i>	YTD 18	YTD 17
Changes in inventory	-91	-274
Changes in accounts receivable	61	-11
Changes in accounts payable	-58	78
Other changes	-87	-58
Change in working capital	-176	-265

Our Long-Term Objectives: Group Level

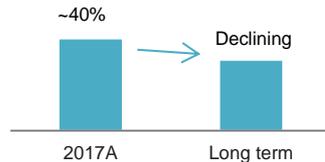
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Net turnover

- ✓ 7 – 10 new stores p.a.
- ✓ LfL: low single digits
- ✓ E-Commerce share of total revenues: towards 30% in 2023

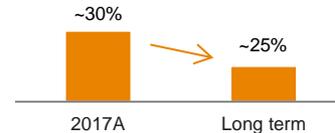
Gross margin

- Competition and E-commerce growth to put pressure on gross margin over time



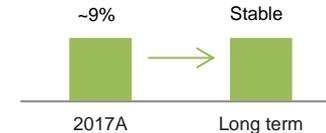
Operating expenses

- Objective to improve as % of Group sales gradually down towards 25% in a 5 year period



EBITDA margin

- EBITDA margin stable as a result of improved operating expenses offset by lower gross margin



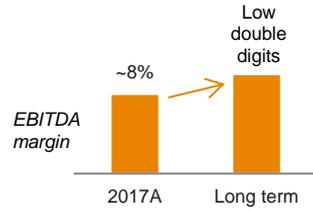
Our Long-Term Objectives: Country Level

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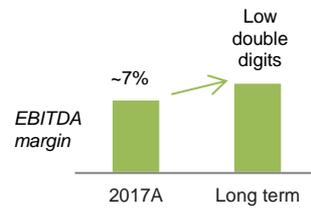
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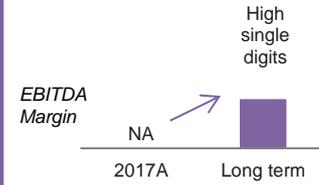
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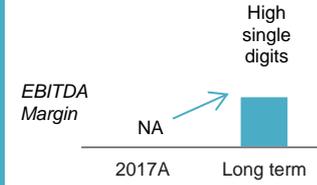
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Outlook

- XXL has signed 7 new lease agreements for new store openings for 2018 where of 4 in Norway, 1 in Sweden and 2 in Austria. This figure includes 6 stores that are opened by the end of Q3 2018
- XXL has already signed 5 new lease agreements for future store openings in 2019 and aims for 7-9 stores in total for 2019. XXL will at all times evaluate the trend of E-commerce growth compared to opening of new stores
- Total investments in infrastructure, IT and training facilities for 2018 in the range of NOK 70-90 million
- Austria
 - Average sales per store expected to be around EUR 10 million
 - Gross margins and EBITDA-profile as in Sweden over time when excluding for the build up of a centralized organization for buying and support
 - CAPEX per store in the range of EUR 1.7-1.9 million
 - Average pay-back time estimated at 4-5 years including net working capital
 - XXL expects around 10-15 stores in total



Summary

- Strong growth from E-commerce but negative like for like growth under difficult retail conditions
- E-commerce now 14% of Group sales driven by many new features on site and omni-channel solutions
- EBITDA down to NOK 190 million (NOK 252 million)
 - Lower like for like sales and gross margins
 - Cost control despite negative like for like growth
- XXL is adapting to the ongoing transformation in retail and sees many new opportunities in the years to come
- High focus on working capital improvements
- XXL will be an omni-channel champion!





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