







# **Interim Report**

1 January – 31 March 2016



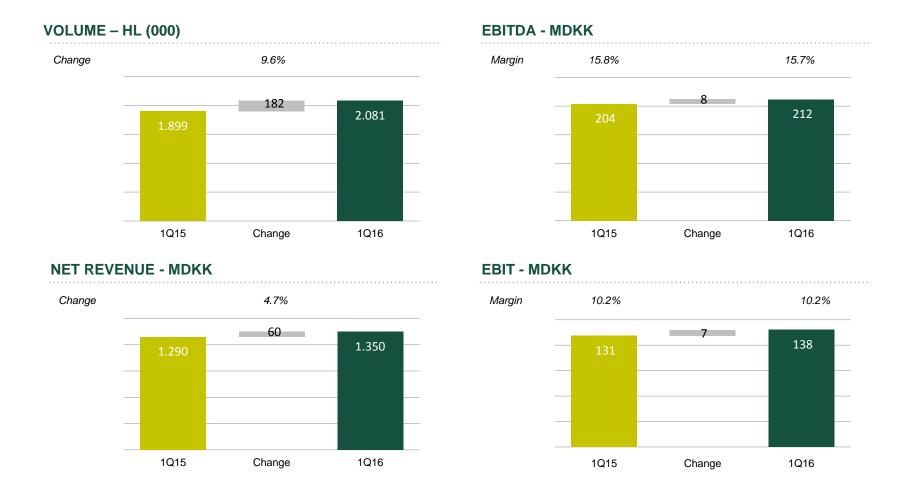
# Performance improvement

## - in line with expectations

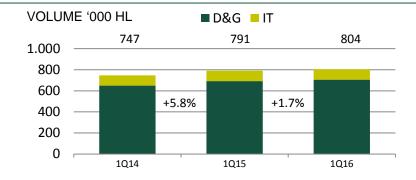
- Maintained market positions
- Volume increase of 10% to 2.1mHL
- Net revenue increase of 5% to DKK 1.4bn
- EBIT increase of 5% to DKK 138m
- Unchanged EBIT-margin of 10.2%
- Free cash flow up DKK 127m to DKK 5m on additional Aarhus sale
- Maintained outlook for 2016

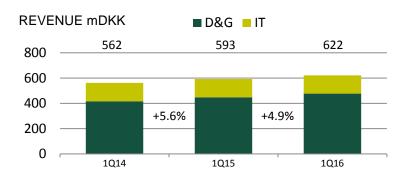


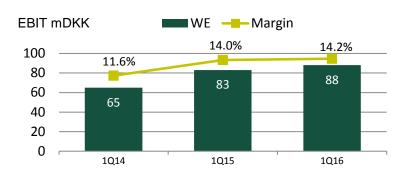
### Increasing first quarter activity and results



# Western Europe – revenue & earnings growth – as expected





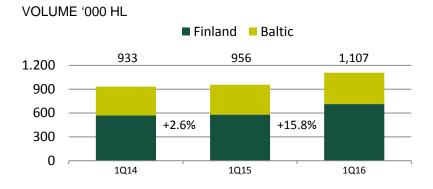


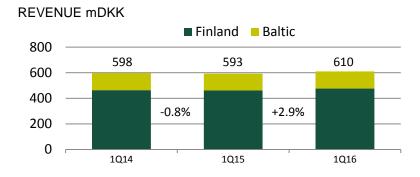
- Denmark and Germany improved market position
- Consumer preferences continued shift towards branded products. Increasing consumer interest in craft beer
- Significant innovations and partnerships

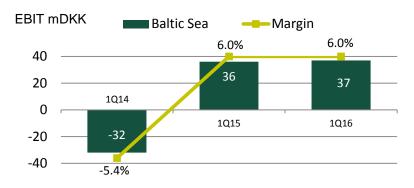
   extension of organic beer range and craft
   beer brands with strong references to our
   local beer history
- Launch of distribution of PepsiCo snacks in Denmark as planned
- Italy overall beer consumption unchanged
- Market position maintained



### Baltic Sea – revenue & earnings growth – as expected



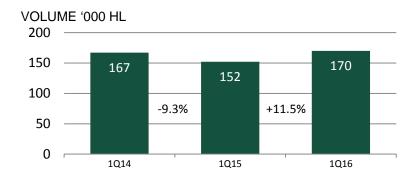


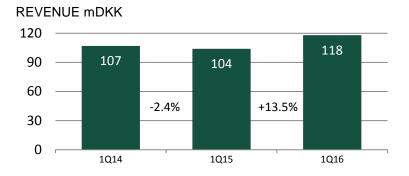


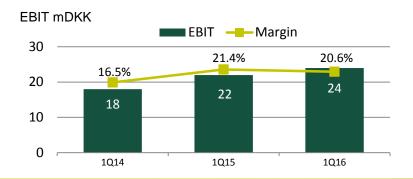
- Finland overall consumption declining and deflationary environment
- Continued low consumer confidence unfavorable macro-economics
- Special beer campaign volume increase and NR/HL dilution
- Market positions unchanged (excl. beer campaign)
- Commercial agenda focus on relationship with the trade, in-store execution and innovations
- Continuous efficiency improvements
- Baltic market position maintained
- Declining consumption excise increases and can deposit in Lithuania
- Launch of co-operation with PepsiCo production, sale and distribution of PepsiCo soft drinks as planned



# Malt Beverages & Exports – revenue and earnings growth – as expected







- Continued solid growth broad based
- Some inventory build up at customer level
- Developing countries challenged by low commodity and energy prices:
  - Macroeconomics negative impact
  - Hard currency restricted accessibility
  - Purchasing power FX depreciation
- Increased penetration solid revenue growth in spite of challenges
- Deeper penetration leverage on existing markets and distributors
- Marketing and organizational investment continues as planned. Focus on brand building and positions



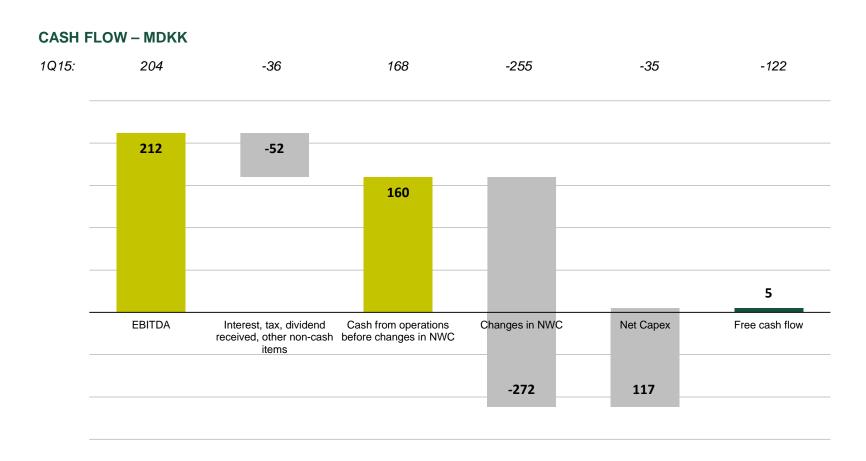
# Improved financial performance

mDKK	1Q 2016	1Q 2015	Change	FY 2015
P&L ITEMS:				
Net revenue	1,350	1,290	60	6,032
Gross margin	50.9%	51.0%	-0.1 pp	52.6%
EBIT	138	131	7	917
EBIT margin	10.2%	10.2%	0.0 pp	15.2%
Profit before tax	127	119	8	902
Consolidated profit	99	92	7	711
BALANCE SHEET ITEMS:				
Net interest bearing debt	1,269	1,710	-441	1,184
Net working capital	-731	-555	-176	-990
Total assets	6,506	6,768	-262	6,748
Equity	2,945	2,900	<i>4</i> 5	2,935
Equity ratio	45.3%	42.9%	2.4 pp	43.5%





# Free cash flow – improvement on additional sale of Aarhus





### Outlook 2016

mDKK	Outlook 2016	Realized 2015	Realized 2014
Net revenue	6,150 – 6,400	6,032	6,056
EBITDA	1,190 – 1,290	1,225	1,130 *)
EBIT	885 – 985	917	826 *)

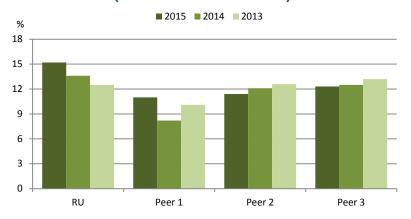
<sup>\*)</sup> Incl. 50 mDKK one-time restructuring costs



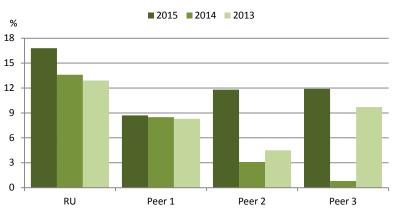


## Solid performance to peers 2015

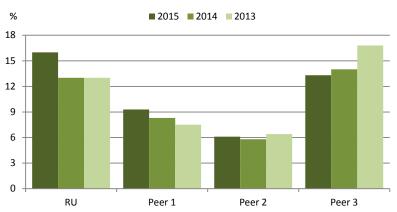
### **EBIT MARGIN (COMPARABLE REGION)\***



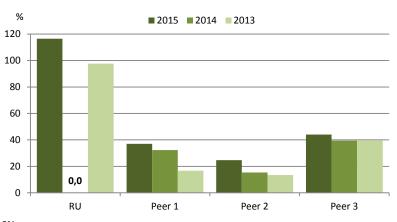
#### FREE CASH FLOW - % OF REVENUE



#### **RETURN ON INVESTED CAPITAL\*\***



#### **CASH RETURN TO SHAREHOLDERS**



<sup>\*</sup> Based on FY2013 and FY2014 results on comparable basis. RU proforma 2013 EBIT margin 12,0%

<sup>\*\*</sup> Based on average invested capital vs. previously on year end figures

## **Financial targets**

	November 2015 revised target	August 2014 revised target	Post Hartwall acquisition target**	Pre Hartwall acquisition target*
EARNINGS	EBIT margin 15%	EBIT margin 14%	EBIT margin 13%	EBIT margin 14%
EQUITY RATIO	Minimum 30%	Minimum 30%	Minimum 30%	Minimum 30%
NIBD/EBITDA	Maximum 2.5x	Maximum 2.5x	Maximum 2.5x	Maximum 2.5x

- Dividends and share buy-backs resumed in 2015
- Distribution policy:
  - Dividends 40-60% of group net result
  - Share buy-back to adjust capital structure



<sup>\*</sup> Basically no amortization

<sup>\*\*</sup> Amortization from the acquisition decreased EBIT-margin by approx. 50bp