

valora

GROUP RESULTS

2010

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2010 at Valora in retrospect



Ready for growth!

In retrospect

- Objectives for 2010 largely accomplished
- Good performance based on consistent implementation of basic strategy
- Substantial efficiency gains and cost savings achieved
- Retail division's profitability significantly raised
- Margins at Valora Services back in target range
- Challenging year for Valora Trade
- Significant increase in net income
- Group's finances sound
- Growth strategy with ambitious targets initiated
- First strategic acquisitions in Germany (Retail) and Norway (Trade) completed

BOTTOM LINE

- **Valora has done its homework in 2010, creating a platform for further growth in Europe**

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2010 overview



With its strength now consolidated, Valora is looking to grow

1 Profitability significantly enhanced

- Gross profit (EBIT) up nearly 20 percent in 2010
- Retail and Services divisions perform well

2 Turnaround nearly complete

- 80 percent of „Valora 4 Success“ basic strategy now accomplished
- Target profitability of 3 – 4 percent within reach

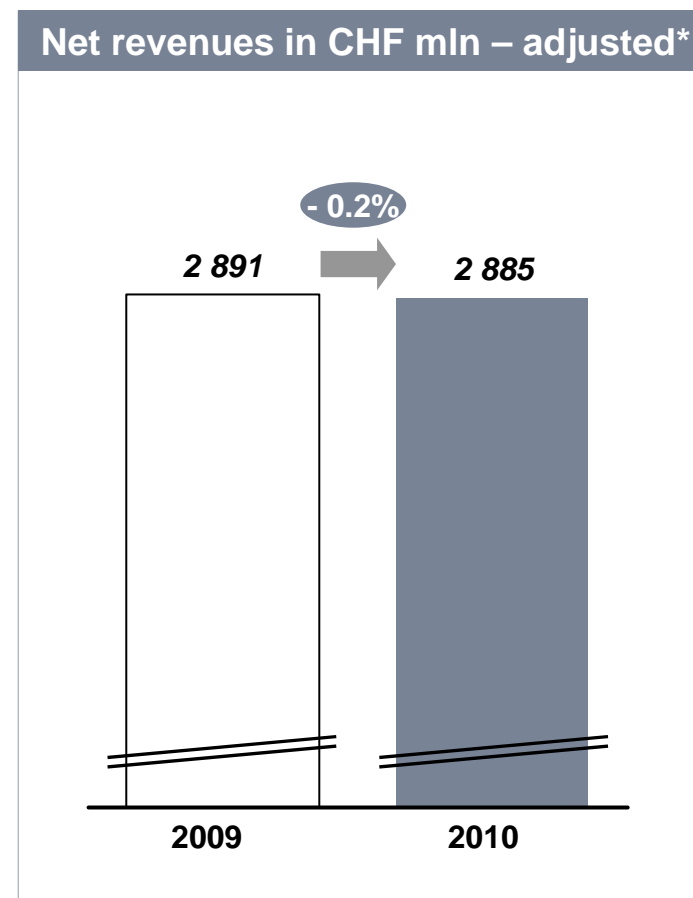
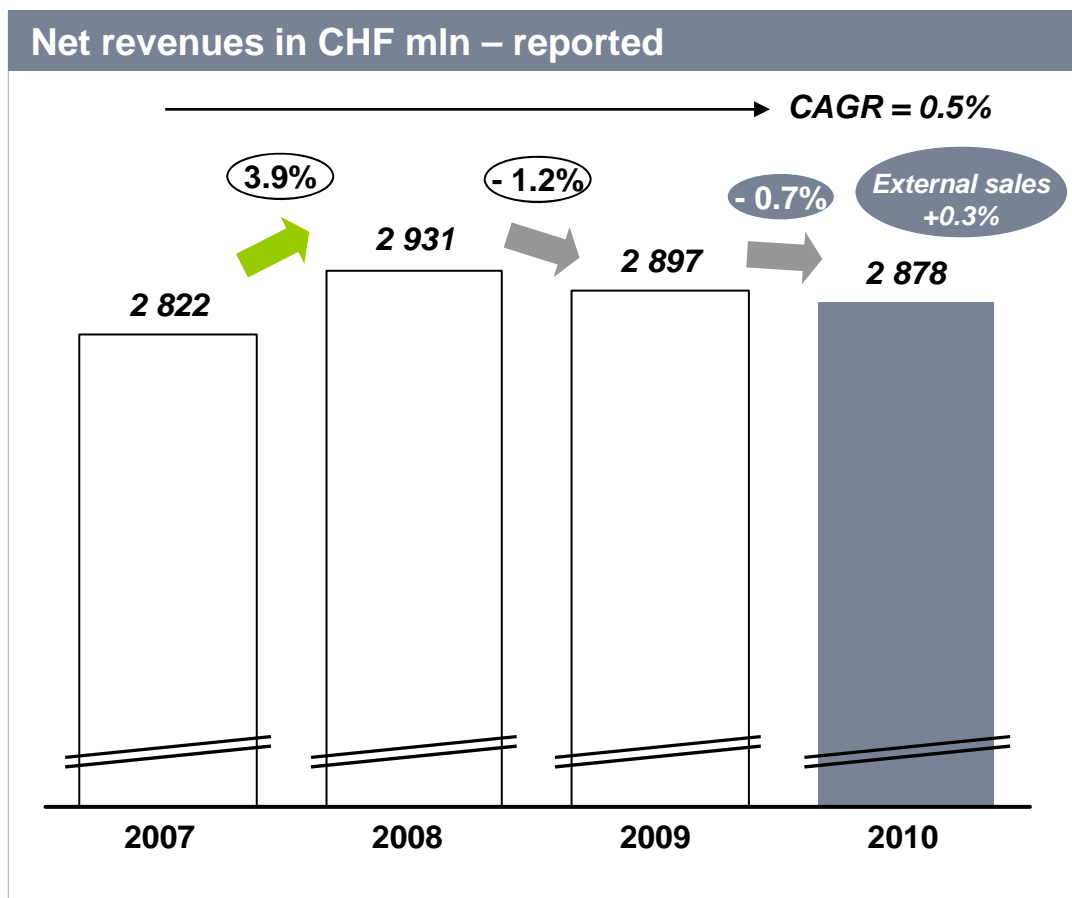
3 „Valora 4 Growth“ opens up new perspectives

- Operating profit to double by 2015
- First important acquisitions (EMH, tabacon) successful

Net revenue performance, 2007 – 2010



Net revenue growth flat in a competitive retail market

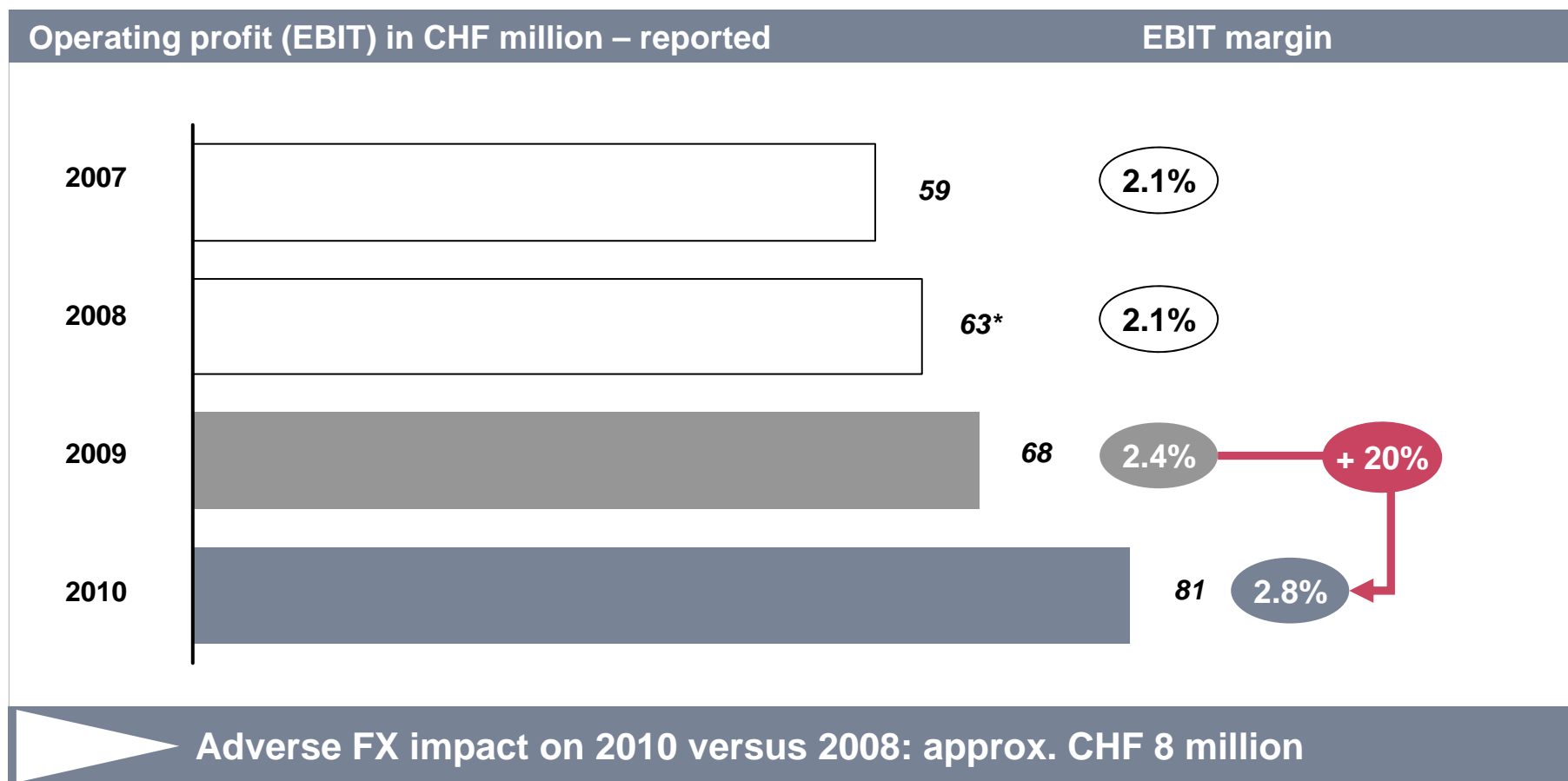


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Operating profit performance 2007 – 2010



„Valora 4 Success“ raised profitability by nearly 20 percent in 2010



* before restructuring costs

Key performance metrics for 2010



3 percent operating profit margin now within reach

in CHF million

△ vs 2009

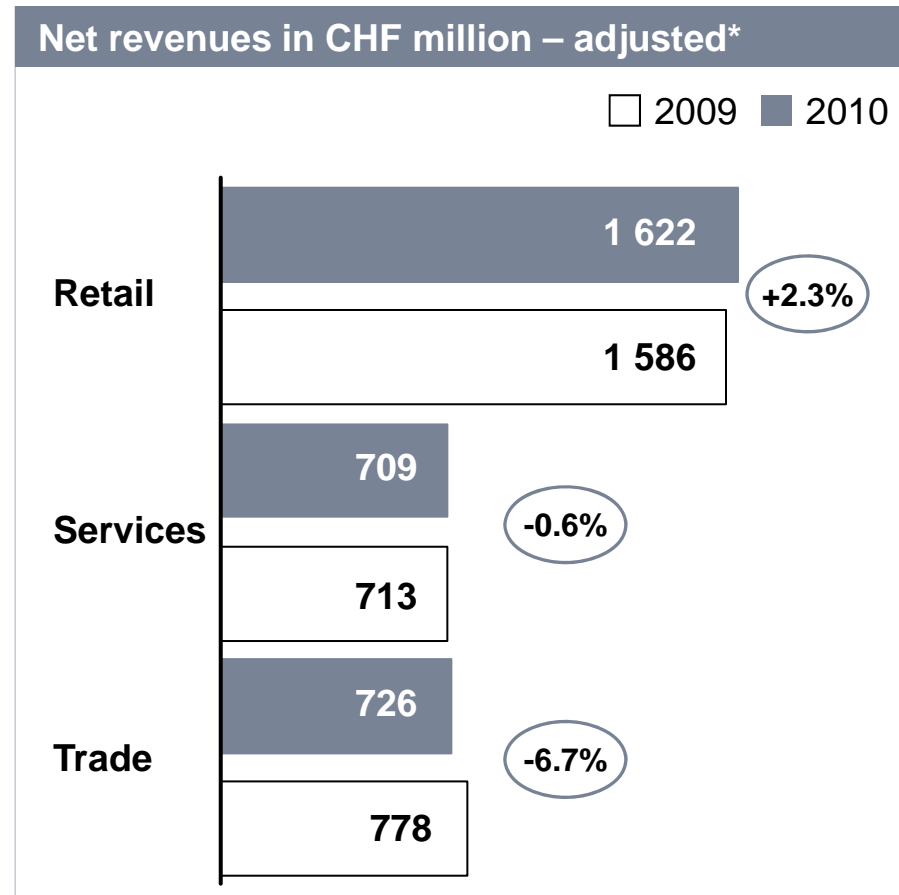
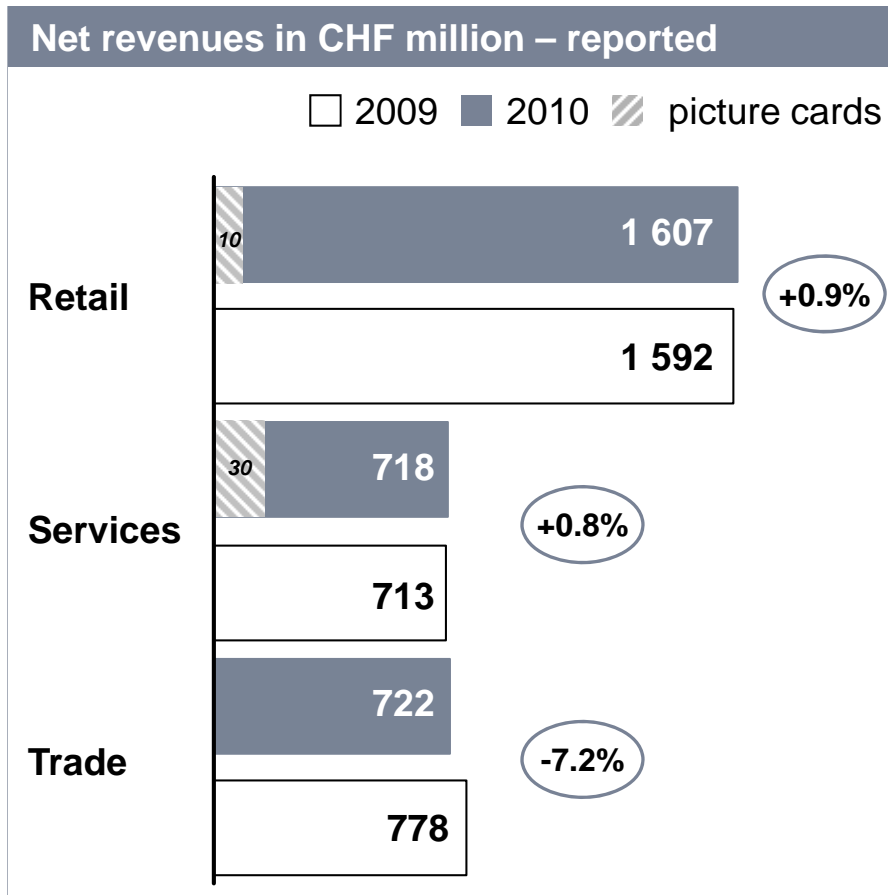
External sales (incl. franchisee sales)	2 946.5		+ 0.3%
Net revenues	2 877.7		- 0.7%
<i>Adjusted net revenues*</i>	2 884.7		- 0.2%
EBIT	81.3		+ 19.3%
<i>Adjusted EBIT*</i>	77.4		+ 12.9%
EBIT margin	2.8%		+ 0.4pP
Net income	63.6		+ 15.9%

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Net revenues by division, 2009 and 2010



Retail and Services performed well | Trade faced demanding markets in 2010

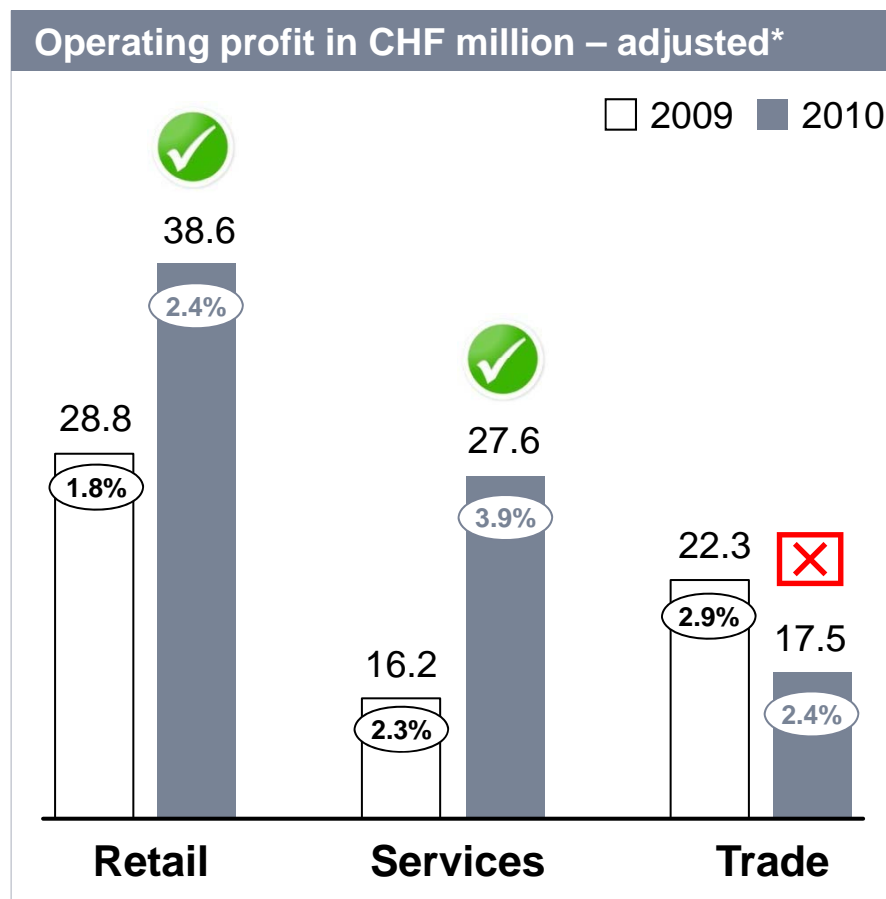
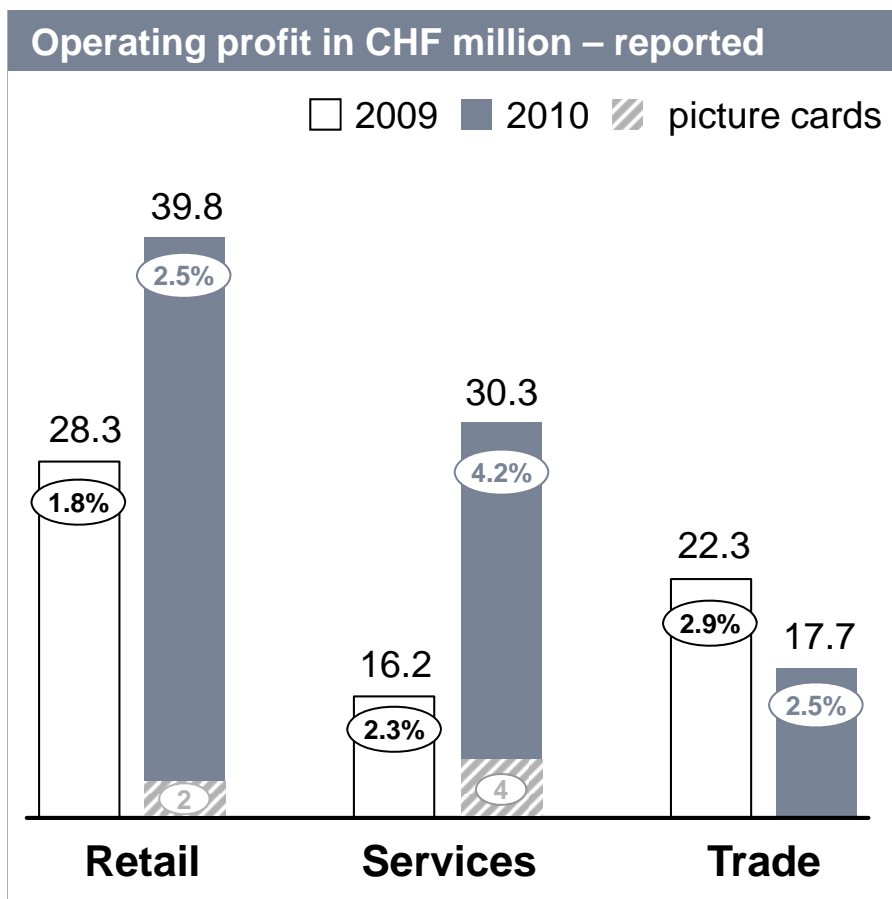


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EBIT comparison by division, 2009 vs 2010



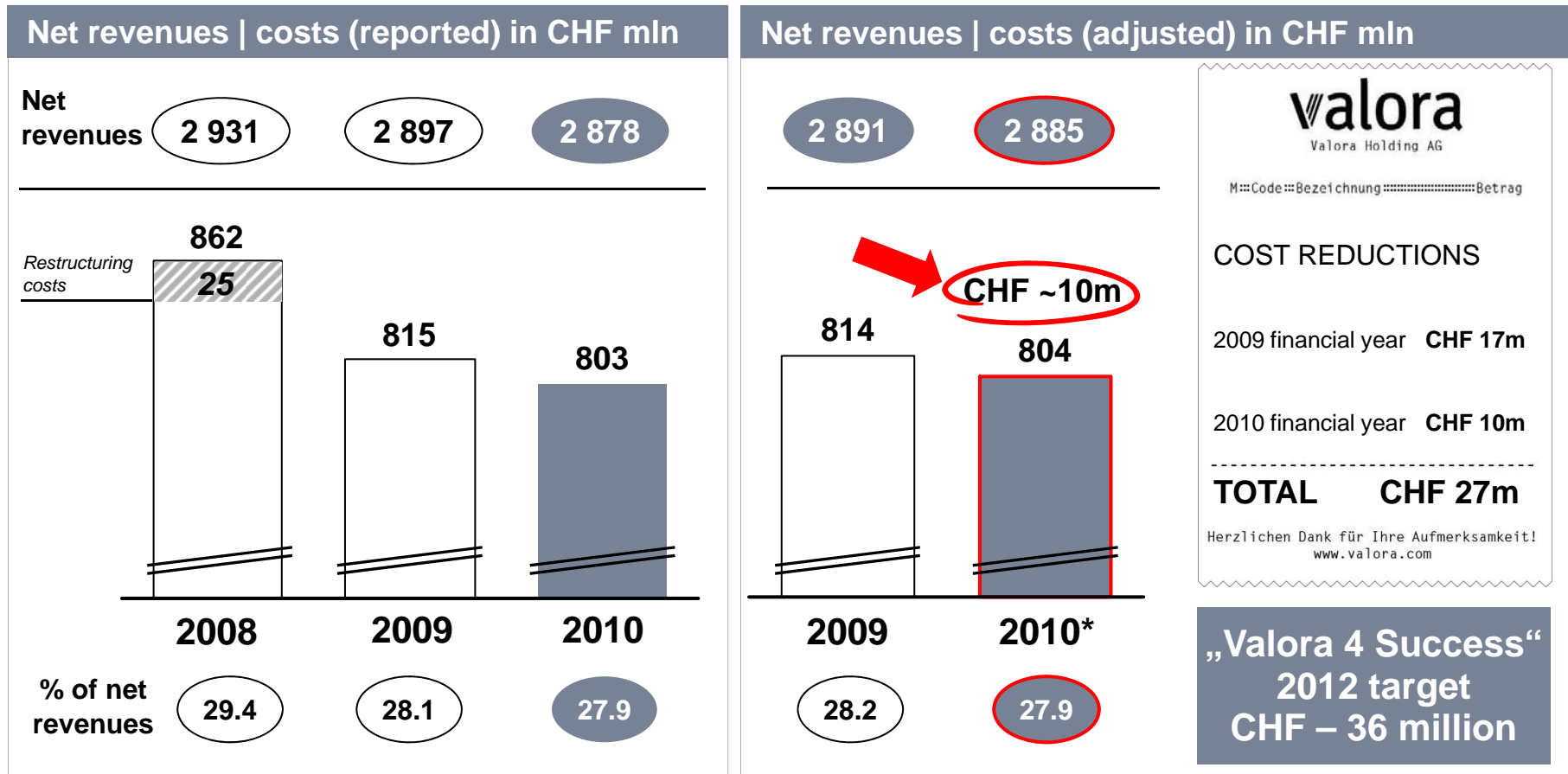
Good results at Retail and Services | Trade with potential



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Cost trends

Annual costs cut by CHF 27 million since 2008



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Valora Group in 2010



EBIT margin of 3% within reach

in CHF million	2010	2009	Delta
External sales	2 946.5	2 937.9	+0.3%
Net revenues	2 877.7	2 897.0	-0.7%
<i>Adjusted net revenues*</i>	<i>2 884.7</i>	<i>2 891.0</i>	<i>-0.2%</i>
Operating profit	875.2	867.6	+0.9%
<i>Operating profit margin</i>	<i>30.4%</i>	<i>29.9%</i>	<i>+0.5pP</i>
Operating costs	-802.6	-815.5	-1.6%
<i>Operating costs in % of net revenues</i>	<i>27.9%</i>	<i>28.1%</i>	<i>-0.2pP</i>
Other income	8.7	16.0	-45.4%
EBIT	81.3	68.1	+19.3%
<i>Adjusted EBIT*</i>	<i>77.4</i>	<i>68.6</i>	<i>+12.9%</i>
EBIT margin	2.8%	2.4%	+0.4pP
<i>Adjusted EBIT margin*</i>	<i>2.7%</i>	<i>2.4%</i>	<i>+0.3pP</i>

Key messages

- External sales growth attributable to higher franchisee sales
- Adjusted net revenues stable year-on-year
- Higher operating profit thanks to growth in high-margin food category
- Strict cost discipline and logistics efficiency gains reduced operating costs
- Lower net revenues were expected, given lower real estate revenues
- Operating profit improved by nearly 20%
- EBIT margin of 2.8% is on target

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Valora Retail 2010



Robust increase in EBIT margin to 2.5 percent

in CHF million	2010	2009	Delta
Net revenues	1 606.5	1 592.1	+0.9%
<i>Adjusted net revenues*</i>	<i>1 622.2</i>	<i>1 586.1</i>	<i>+2.3%</i>
Operating profit	562.4	554.7	+1.4%
<i>Operating profit margin</i>	<i>35.0%</i>	<i>34.8%</i>	<i>+0.2pP</i>
Operating costs, net	-522.6	-526.4	-0.7%
EBIT	39.8	28.3	+40.3%
<i>Ajusted EBIT*</i>	<i>38.6</i>	<i>28.8</i>	<i>+34.2%</i>
EBIT margin	2.5%	1.8%	+0.7pP
<i>Adjusted EBIT margin*</i>	<i>2.4%</i>	<i>1.8%</i>	<i>+0.6pP</i>

Key messages

- Positive sales performance despite adverse currency effects
- Marked growth in sales of food (+7.2%) and tobacco (+4.3%)
- All national subsidiaries and formats (except Caffè Spettacolo) increased their net revenues and operating profits
- Streamlined logistics costs and staff rota planning made for lower operating costs
- Substantial improvement in operating profit – to some CHF 40 million
- EBIT margin enhanced by 0.7 percentage points to 2.5%

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Valora Services 2010

Margin back in target range



in CHF million	2010	2009	Delta
Net revenues	718.4	712.9	+0.8%
<i>Adjusted net revenues*</i>	<i>708.5</i>	<i>712.9</i>	<i>-0.6%</i>
Operating profit	148.2	146.8	+1.0%
<i>Operating profit margin</i>	<i>20.6%</i>	<i>20.6%</i>	<i>0.0pP</i>
Operating costs, net	-117.9	-130.6	-9.7%
EBIT	30.3	16.2	+86.4%
<i>Adjusted EBIT*</i>	<i>27.6</i>	<i>16.2</i>	<i>+69.7%</i>
EBIT margin	4.2%	2.3%	+1.9pP
<i>Adjusted EBIT margin*</i>	<i>3.9%</i>	<i>2.3%</i>	<i>+1.6pP</i>

Key messages

- Net revenues stable despite contracting overall press market
- Tobacco sales volumes rose a substantial 8%
- Operating profit improved thanks to higher services revenues
- More efficient internal and external logistics (in Switzerland and Austria) reduced costs
- Operating cost ratio down 1.9 percentage points to 16.4%
- Reported and adjusted operating profits both up sharply
- EBIT margin of 4.2% back within target range

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Valora Trade 2010



Challenging markets, adverse exchange rates and Own Brands effect weigh on results

in CHF million	2010	2009	Delta
Net revenues	721.8	777.6	-7.2%
<i>Adjusted net revenues*</i>	<i>725.8</i>	<i>777.6</i>	<i>-6.7%</i>
Operating profit	154.7	155.4	-0.4%
<i>Operating profit margin</i>	<i>21.5%</i>	<i>20.0%</i>	<i>+1.5pP</i>
Operating costs, net	-137.0	-133.1	+2.9%
EBIT	17.7	22.3	-20.5%
<i>Adjusted EBIT*</i>	<i>17.5</i>	<i>22.3</i>	<i>-21.5%</i>
EBIT margin	2.5%	2.9%	-0.4pP
<i>Adjusted EBIT margin*</i>	<i>2.4%</i>	<i>2.9%</i>	<i>-0.5pP</i>

Key messages

- Net revenue decline due to expiring distribution contracts with former Own Brands firms and currency effects
- Modest, CHF -0.7 million, decline in gross profit, despite challenging markets
- Operating profit margin improved by 1.5 percentage points
- Operating costs rose due to investment in supra-national Trade platform
- Lower sales cut EBIT by CHF 4.6 million

* 2010: adjusted for currency fluctuations and acquisitions

2010 net income



Net income raised by some 16 percent

in CHF million	2010	2009	Delta
EBIT	81.3	68.1	+19.3%
<i>Adjusted EBIT*</i>	77.4	68.6	+12.9%
Financing result, net	-7.9	-5.3	-48.4%
Share of associates' and JV results	0.7	0.6	+21.3%
Earnings before taxes	74.2	63.4	+16.9%
Income taxes	-12.5	-10.4	-19.9%
Net income, continuing operations	61.7	53.0	+16.3%
Net income, discontinued operations	1.9	1.9	+3.3%
Group net income	63.6	54.9	+15.9%
Tax rate	16.8%	16.4%	+0.4pP

Key messages

- Volatile FX markets and marked euro depreciation reduced foreign exchange result by CHF -2.6 million
- Net interest costs slightly higher than last year due to historically lower interest rates
- Tax rate of 16.8% below expected long-term Group rate of 18%
- Significant improvement in Group net income, up some 16%

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Key balance sheet data



Group solidly financed, balance sheet structure healthy

<i>in CHF million</i>	2010	2009	Delta
Cash and cash equivalents	130.5	161.6	-19.3%
Shareholders' equity	478.1	453.7	+5.4%
<i>Equity cover</i>	<i>43.6%</i>	<i>41.3%</i>	<i>+2.3pP</i>
Net debt	14.1	-15.8	n.a.
Net working capital (NWC)	125.4	109.3	+14.7%
<i>NWC in % of net revenues</i>	<i>4.4%</i>	<i>3.8%</i>	<i>+0.6pP</i>

Key messages

- **Cash and cash equivalents lower due to deadline-specific investments in net working capital**
- **Investments in property, plant and equipment are related to tabacon and EMH acquisitions**
- **Equity cover raised to 43.6%, providing very sound capital basis**
- **Net debt remains at low level**

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Valora 4 Success – status report














Good results achieved – 80 percent of overall objectives now accomplished

Initiatives	Goals achieved, 2008 – 2010	% achieved
 <p>V1 Core business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Adapting and extending product ranges (ok.-, services) ■ Developing and extending P&B in Switzerland ■ Streamlining outlet design and press layouts ■ Partnership with MoneyGram, Zurich, Kuoni ■ Testing and rolling out agency model for kiosk 	
 <p>V2 Growth</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Developing new avec. concept (incl. excision Migros products) ■ Adapting and professionalising franchise model at convenience stores ■ Expanding avec. network to ~100 outlets ■ 4 acquisitions (Wittwer, MCB, EMH, tabacon) 	
 <p>V3 Efficiency</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Streamlining logistics processes ■ Relocating logistics to Egerkingen ■ Slimming down administration ■ IT systems renewal 	
 <p>V4 People</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Enhancing communication by centralising HQ sites ■ Finalising general contract of employment ■ Developing Code of Conduct leadership principles ■ Increasing focus on the customer (customer surveys) 	

„Valora 4 Growth“ expansion strategy




Ambitious growth objectives set for 2015

Growth initiatives and objectives for 2015	Achieved in 2010
 <p>Organic margin growth <i>Improvement by 0.2 percent each year</i></p>	 + 0.4 pct points 
 <p>Organic revenue growth <i>2 percent each year, through expansion of current activities</i></p>	 +/- 0%
 <p>Acquisition-led growth at Retail/Services <i>Expansion as European micro retailer with a total of 5 to 6 formats</i></p>	 + CHF 130 million  <i>(external sales p.a.)</i>
 <p>Acquisition-led growth at Trade <i>Expanding the largest pan-European distributor</i></p>	 + CHF 75 million  <i>(p.a.)</i>

Growth initiative G1 – Organic margin growth



Major drivers already initiated, and expected to be fully in effect in 2011

Initiative G1	Achieved in 2008 – 2010, examples	Effect on margins
 <div data-bbox="562 1066 801 1313" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Organic margin growth Improvement by 0.2 percentage points each year</p> </div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Relocating and re-engineering logistics ■ Streamlining staff rota planning ■ Centralising headquarters 	<p style="text-align: right;">+ 0.2 pct pts p.a.</p>
	<p>To be achieved in 2011 and beyond, examples</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Implementing agency model ■ Improving purchasing/promotion ■ Nearshoring/outsourcing of central functions 	<p style="text-align: right;">+ 0.2 pct pts p.a.</p>

Growth initiative G1 – the agency system example (1/2)

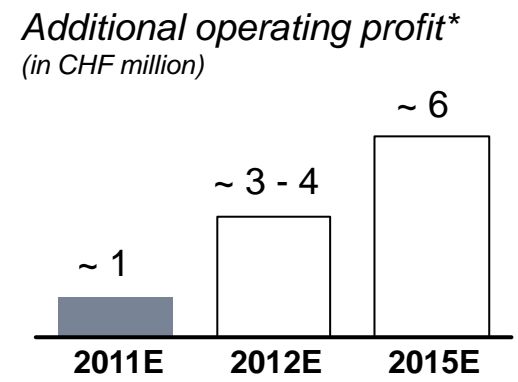
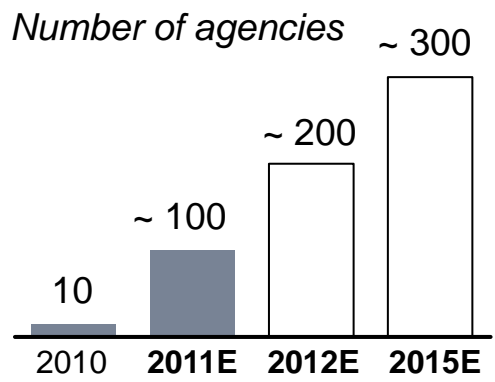


Promising model for agency operators and Valora



Measures	Result
■ Fostering motivation and entrepreneurial approach	➔ + 5% sales
■ Greater staff rota planning flexibility	➔ - 5% personnel costs
■ Enhancing agency profitability (win/win situation)	➔ + 2.5 pct pts EBIT/kiosk (Valora) ~ + 10% salary (agency operator)

Expected agency growth and its financial implications



* 2011 assumptions: Ø 55 agencies * CHF 25k additional EBIT per kiosk (Ø sales CHF 1 million | + 2.5% EBIT per kiosk)

Growth initiative G1 – the agency system example (2/2)



Harnessing available internal resources to promote entrepreneurship

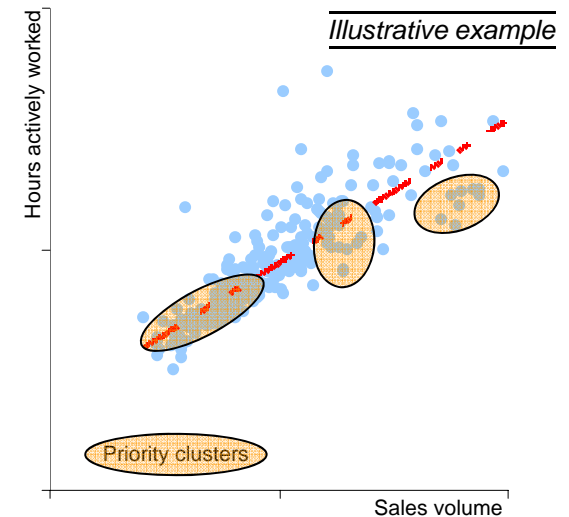


Svetla Videnova 1st agent at kiosk Schweiz

Criteria

- Kiosk location
- Sales volume
- Number of staff
- Suitability for leadership
- Scope to take on multiple outlets
- ➔ **Potential for enhancing hours actively worked and revenues**

Potential matrix



Result of analysis

- **Priority 1:** approx. 100 outlets with current regional group heads and current outlet managers (2011)
- **Priority 2:** approx. 200 additional outlets with current outlet managers or external agent managers (from 2012)

Growth initiative G2 – Organic revenue growth




Services and extended principal portfolio at Trade are key drivers

Initiative G2	Achieved in 2008 – 2010, examples	Effect on sales
 <div data-bbox="241 1007 450 1257" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>Organic revenue growth 2 percent each year, through expansion of current activities</p> </div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Introduction of „ok.-“ private label brand ■ Improved food product range ■ Extending range of services on offer (@ k kiosk) 	<p>~ CHF 30 million</p> <p>~ CHF 10 million</p> <p>~ CHF 15 million*</p>
	<p>To be achieved in 2011 and beyond, examples</p>	<p>exp. sales effect</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Introducing additional services ■ avec. gastronomy module ■ Additional principals for Trade ■ New offerings at Services (e.g. start-of-day logistics) 	<p>~ CHF 60 million p.a.</p>

* Valora till revenues | commission income included in net revenues

Growth initiative G3 – acquisition-led growth at Retail/Services

Initial market reconnaissance reveals good potential for acquisitions

Initiative G3	Achieved in 2008 – 2010, examples	External sales effect
 <p>Acquisition-led growth at Retail/Services Expansion as a European micro retailer with a total of 5 to 6 formats</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ tabacon acquisition (Germany) – 2010 ■ Mediacenter Berlin acquisition (Germany) – 2009 	<p>~ CHF 130 mln p.a.</p> <p>~ CHF 10 mln p.a.</p>
	<p>To be achieved in 2011 and beyond examples</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 800 kiosks in Germany ■ 1 – 2 travel retail formats (bakery, fashion accessories, stationery, etc...) 	<p>exp. external sales effect</p> <p>+ CHF 150 – 200 mln p.a.</p>

Growth initiative G3 – the tabacon example



Strong nucleus with highly professional franchise concept



Rationale	Key facts
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Nationwide footprint ■ Strong presence at shopping center entrances ■ Professional franchise model ■ Simple integration into Valora Retail Germany organisation (complete) ■ Potential for product ranges optimization | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 184 outlets ■ CHF 130 million external sales p.a. ■ CHF > 2 million operating profit (EBIT) p.a. ■ Rebranding of ~ 50 outlets as k kiosk in 2011 |
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k kiosk and tabacon product ranges compared



Growth initiative G4 – acquisition-led growth at Trade



EMH get growth strategy off to a good start

Initiative G4	Achieved in 2008 – 2010, examples	Effect on sales
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ EMH acquisition (2010) 	<p>~ CHF 75 million p.a.</p>
	<p>To be achieved in 2011 and beyond, examples</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ New categories in existing markets ■ Acquire leading distributors in new markets 	<p>exp. sales effect</p> <p>+ CHF 100 – 150 million p.a.</p>

Growth initiative G4 – the Salty Snacks example



Enhancing portfolio strategy by extending savoury products range



Rationale

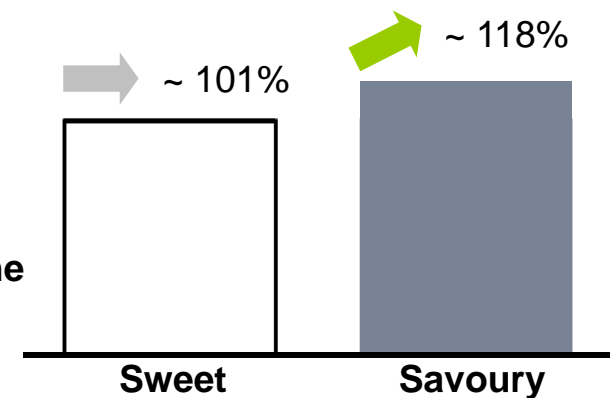
- Family-run business
- Focus on savoury baked goods
- Niche player in German market
- Strong market growth
- Synergies with existing Trade organisation in Germany

Key facts

- Sales CHF ~ 12 million
- Above average EBIT margin

Sweet and savoury snacks sales index 2007 – 2010

- Strong bias towards savoury snacks
- Confectionery under regulatory pressure in some regions



Outlook 2011

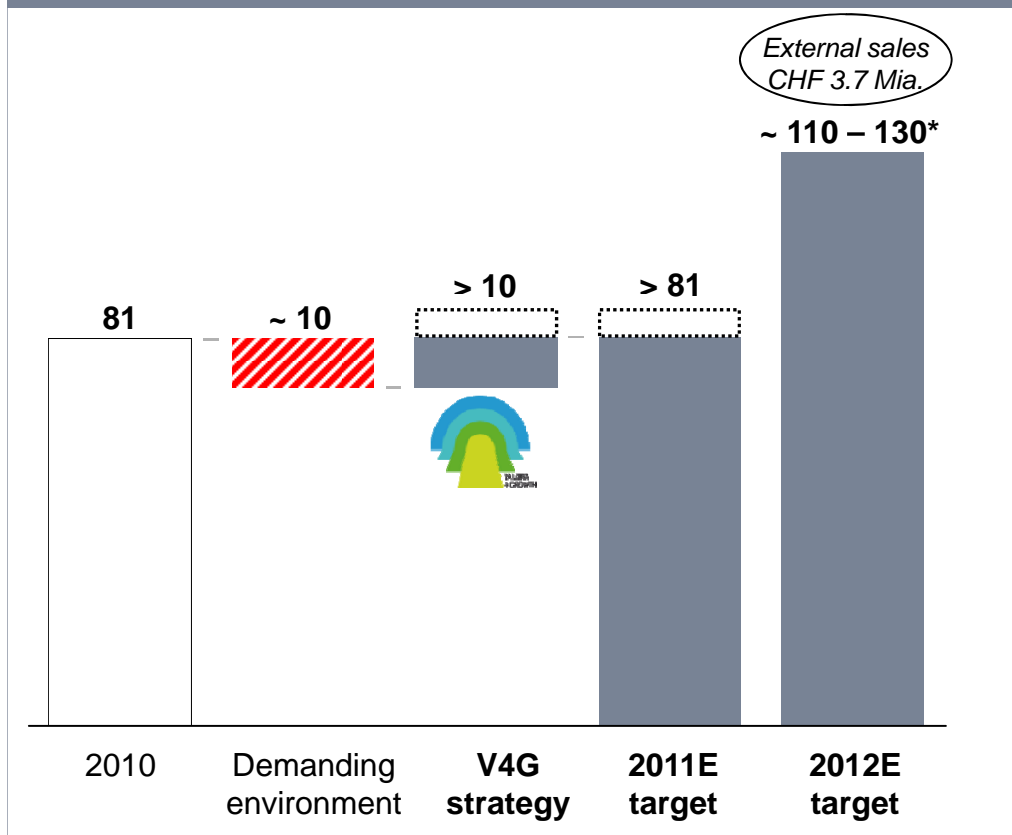


Further increases in profitability despite demanding environment

Expectations/market conditions in 2011

- 1 Demanding environment, due to**
 - Weaker press market
 - Weak EUR/CHF relation
 - Political hazards
 - No football championship (EBIT CHF - 6 Mio.)
- 2 Further improvement at Retail, Trade to rebound**
- 3 Services to maintain profitability**
- 4 1 – 2 acquisitions**


Projected operating profit (EBIT)



* in CHF million at 2010 exchange rates

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Summary

- 1 Valora largely met its goals in 2010 | EBITmargin of 3 – 4 percent now within reach**
- 2 Successful implementation of fundamental „Valora 4 Success“ strategy allows shift in focus to expansion and „Valora 4 Growth“**
- 3 First major milestones in growth strategy reached with tabacon and EMH acquisitions**
- 4 Further expansion to be pursued with due care and only where prerequisite of added value for our shareholders is met**

Board recommendations to AGM

- 1 15% increase in dividend, to CHF 11.50 per share**
- 2 Authorisation to the Board to carry out a share buy back programme covering a maximum of 280 000 shares (10% of the company's current issued share capital - only in the event that excess liquidity accumulates which is not required for operational purposes)**
- 3 Authorisation to the Board to carry out an approved capital increase of up to 840 000 shares (30% of the company's current issued share capital) in order to maintain the company's financial flexibility**

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2011 General Meeting

April 15, 2011

2011 Half-year results

August 25, 2011

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