

# How housework's done today.

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# Highlights First Half 2018



#### Slight turnover growth in the first half

- Slight overall turnover growth in the first half driven by both brand and volume business.
- While the first quarter was partially affected by unfavourable weather conditions, the second quarter saw growth driven by strong performance in the German market.
- Lower sales in Eastern Europe to be viewed within the context of considerable Brand building activities in the first half of the previous year. Comparable measures are expected for the second half of 2018.
- Positive development of new products.
- Market for electrical devices for surface cleaning turned unexpectedly soft.
- EBIT returns to previous year level, after falling short in the first quarter.



# Financial Figures First Half 2018

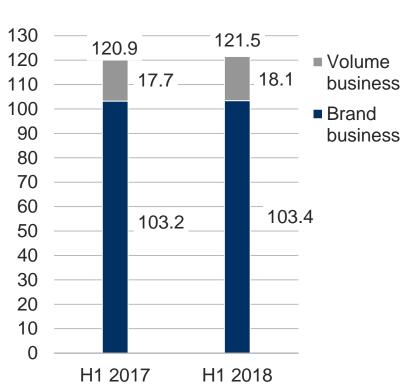




## Slight overall turnover growth driven by continued good performance in domestic market

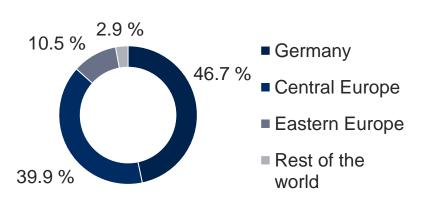
#### Group turnover by segment

H1 2017 vs H1 2018 / in € m



#### Group turnover by region

H1 2018



- Germany grew by 2.1 % based on a good performance of both brand and volume business
- Central Europe remained widely stable with -0.2 %, while Scandinavia, France, Greece and the UK experienced strong growth, sales saw declines in Luxembourg, Italy and Belgium
- Eastern Europe declined by 0.9 %, almost entirely due to brand building activities in Hungary in the first half 2017, while the Czech Republic and Romania grew strongly



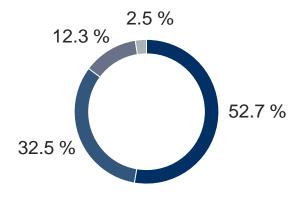
## Brand Business: Cleaning, Laundry Care, Wellbeing and Online contributed to the growth

	_	H1 2017	H1 2018	$\Delta$
Turnover	€m	103.2	103.4	+0.2 %
Gross profit	€m	51.6	47.9	-7.3 %
Segment result (EBIT)	€m	6.0	5.4	-10.2 %

- Brand Business represents 85.1 % of total sales (H1 2017: 85.3 %)
- Growth drivers: cleaning, laundry care, wellbeing and online
- New products increasingly contribute to success
- Sales in electrical surface cleaning clearly behind expectations
- Turnover affected by lack of sales volumes in Eastern
   Europe related to brand building activities in previous year
- Gross profit impacted by currency effects, higher material prices, product and customer mix effects
- EBIT supported by improvements in administration costs

#### Turnover Brand Business

H1 2018 / by region



- Germany
- Central Europe
- Eastern Europe
- Rest of the World











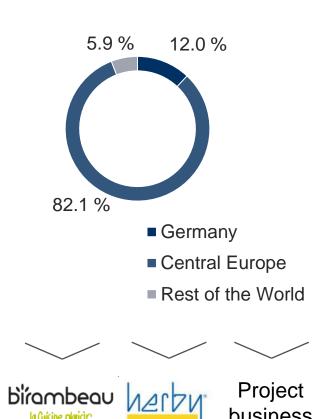
## Volume Business: Growth driven by kitchen and laundry care products

	_	H1 2017	H1 2018	$\Delta$
Turnover	€m	17.7	18.1	1.9 %
Gross profit	€m	5.4	5.6	5.6 %
Segment result (EBIT)	€m	0.8	1.4	81,4 %

- Volume Business represents 14.9 % (H1 2017: 14.9 %) of group turnover
- Focus on profitability, European markets and project business
- Continued strong turnover increase in Germany and Central Europe compensate decline in sales in USA
- Growth driven by kitchen segment in France and laundry care in Germany
- Gross profit and EBIT growth driven by good performance in France and improved foreign currency results

#### Turnover Volume Business

H1 2018 / by region





#### Group earnings on previous year's level

		H1 2017	H1 2018	Δ
Group turnover	€m	120.9	121.5	+0.5 %
Gross margin	%	47.1	44.0	-3.1 pps
Foreign currency results	€m	-1.1	0.1	>100%
EBIT	€m	6.8	6.8	-
EBIT margin	%	5.6	5.6	-
Earnings before taxes (EBT)	€m	6.2	6.2	-
Net result for the period	€m	4.4	4.4	-

- Gross margin fell by € 3.5 m year on year to € 53.5 m (prev. year: € 57.0 m) as a result of price increases for materials, negative currency effects as well as product- and customer mix effects.
- Drop in gross margin was compensated by lower on-off expenses, improvements in administration costs and the rise in foreign currency results.



#### Free Cash Flow substantially improved

in € m	H1 2017	H1 2018	Δ
Cash flow from operating activities	-3.5	3.0	+6.5
Cash flow from investment activities <sup>1</sup>	2.7	13.1	+10.4
Cash flow from financing activities	-13.8	-10.0	+3.8
Free cash flow <sup>2</sup>	-5.7	1.0	+6.7

in € m	31.12.2017	30.06.2018	$\Delta$
Cash and Cash equivalents at the end of reporting period	28.2	34.2	+6.0
Current financial assets	29.0	14.0	-15.0
Group liquidity	57.2	48.2	-9.0

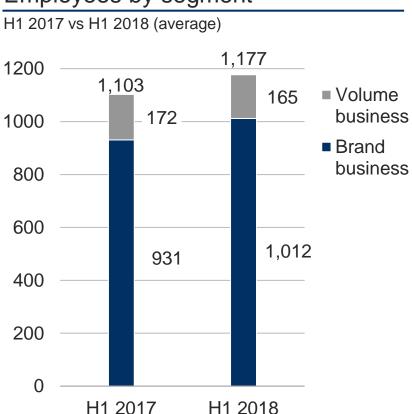
<sup>1</sup> Adjusted for proceeds from the sale of financial assets, cash outflow was m  $\in$  2.0 (previous year: m  $\in$  2.2).

<sup>2</sup> Sum of cash flow from operating activities and investment activities adjusted for financial assets.



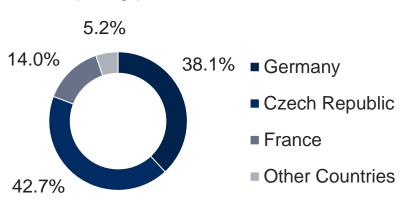
## Increase in number of employees mainly driven by sales reorganization and insourcing

#### Employees by segment



#### Employees by region

H1 2018 (average)



- The reorganization of sales activities in Germany meant switching from commercial agents to employees
- Number of production staff in Czech Republic increased as a result of new products, insourcing projects and replacement of temporary workers with in-house employees
- Leifheit again
   "Top Employer Midsized Germany 2018"





## Forecast Financial Year 2018



#### Forecast 2018 slightly adjusted

## Economic environment 2018

- ▶ Moderate economic growth in our key European markets
- External risks of changing US economic policies and a rising level of inflation

### Forecast Group development 2018

► Group: Turnover growth approx. 2.5 – 3.5%

(previously: slightly below 4 - 5%)

Brand Business: Turnover growth approx. 3 - 4%

(previously: slightly below 5 to 6%)

Volume Business: Turnover on previous year's level

- EBIT of € 16 m to € 17 m (prev.: lower end of € 17 m to € 18 m), return to target EBIT margin as of 2019
- Investments of about € 8 m (2017: € 7.8 m)
- Free cash flow of about € 5 to 7 m

#### Mid term Group development

- ➤ Sustainable and profitable organic turnover growth of about 4 % CAGR¹
- ► Target EBIT margin of 8 to 9 %



## Key strategic initiatives 2018



#### Better use of the opportunities of digitalization

- Digitalization as an integral part of the strategy
  - Positioning of brands in the digital media
  - Further strengthen E-Commerce position
  - Connected products and services
  - Digital processes and efficiency
- Sales force effectiveness / efficiency program for stationary
- Strengthen our existing assortment, accelerate development of new products
- Geographic expansion to Asia
- Increase efficiency in structure and value chain
- Foreign currency risk reduction by rolling exchange rate hedging system with closer coordination to the planning period

Translating key learnings into new strategies to significantly improve growth and profitability in the coming 3 years.





## Investment Highlights



## Stock performance driven by smaller volumes, long term oriented shareholder dividend policy unchanged

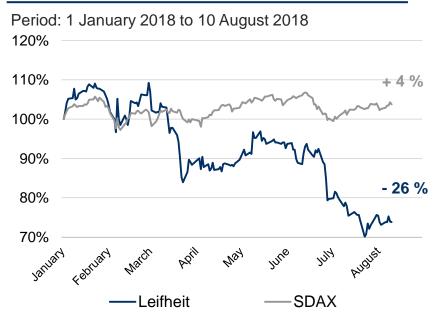
Share price performance in 2018 at approx. -25%, throughout the past ten years at a CAGR of approx. +11 %

#### Above average dividend yield¹:

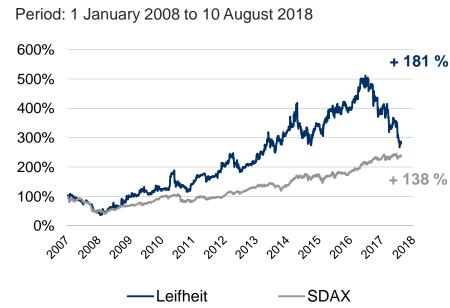
2017:	3.8%	2013:	5.3%
2016:	5.1%	2012:	5.2%
2015:	5.6%	2011:	
2014:	3.9%	2010:	5.6% <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Based on the particular closing price at year-end

#### Short-term price performance



#### Long-term price performance



<sup>2</sup> Plus special dividend on disposals



## Your questions please