

# How housework's done today.

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## Introduction to Leifheit



## "We are your leading experts for solutions that make your everyday life at home more easy and convenient"

## Leifheit Group

## Brand Business (~ 85% of turnover)

Volume Business (~ 15% of turnover)

- Distribution in international markets
- Product categories: Cleaning, Laundry Care, Kitchen goods, Wellbeing
- High-quality branded products with a high degree of consumer benefit, mid to upper price segment
- Consistent brand management
- Systematic processes for innovation and market launch

- Products in mid-price range
- Customer-specific product development
- Strong service component























## Offering products in four categories

## Cleaning Leifheit has an easy and convenient solution for every cleaning demand. Our high quality cleaning products can be flexibly combined.



## Kitchen goods

Opening, cooking, cutting or storing – Leifheit's kitchen accessories simplify work and keep hands and kitchen clean.







## Wellbeing

Soehnle is a leading brand supplier for kitchen and bathroom scales. Air Treatment, medical products and wearables are complementary new assortments for a modern lifestyle.









## Distributing in leading distribution channels

TOP-10 clients (50 % of turnover)













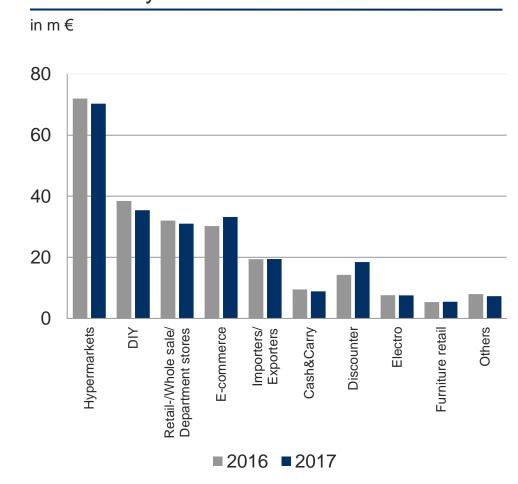








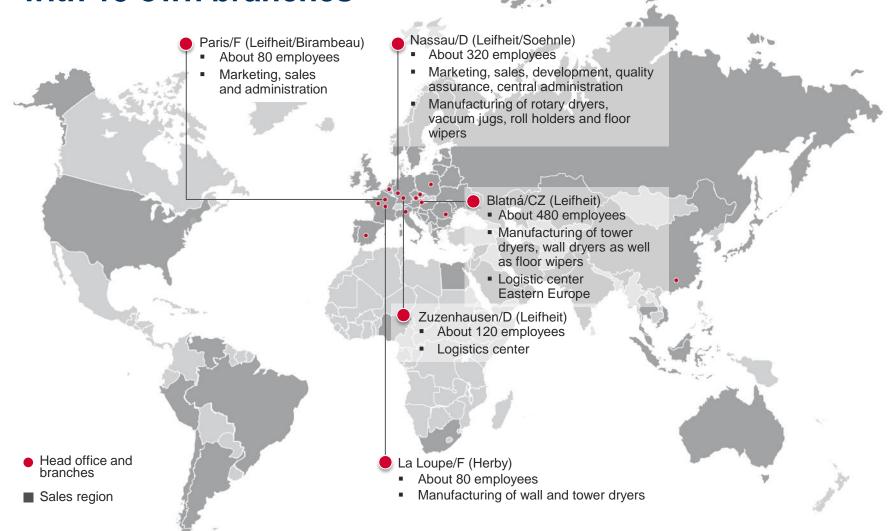
## Turnover by distribution channel<sup>1</sup>



### Introduction to Leifheit



## Operating in more than 80 countries with 15 own branches





## Highlights First Quarter 2018



## Germany continues on solid growth trajectory

## Sales affected by unfavorable weather conditions

- Group turnover in Q1 2018 almost on par with the previous year
- Substantial growth in Germany both in brand business and volume business despite unfavorable weather conditions in March
- Reorganization of sales force in Germany shows good effects
- Lack of sales volumes in Central Europe
- Lower sales in Eastern Europe has to be reviewed within the context of considerable Brand building activities in the first quarter of the previous year – similar activities are planned in other regions for subsequent quarters of this year
- EBIT under impression of lower gross profit as a result of currency effects, increased material prices and sales deductions, improvements in distribution and administration costs were unable to fully balance out this

## Dividend remains strong

Proposing stable ordinary dividend for business year 2017



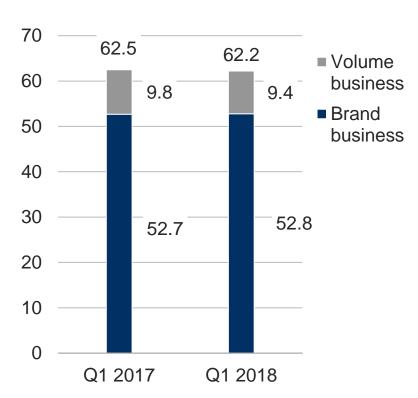
## Financial Figures First Quarter 2018



## Domestic market position substantially increased

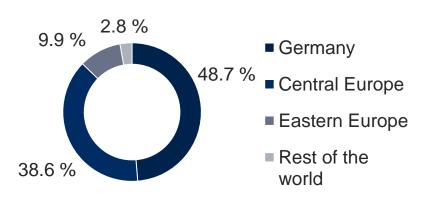
## Group turnover by segment

Q1 2017 vs Q1 2018 / in € m



## Group turnover by region

Q1 2018



- Germany grew by 4.9% due to a strong performance of both brand business and volume business despite unfavorable weather conditions in March
- Central Europe declined by 2.7%, double-digit growth rates in Scandinavia and the French brand business were unable to balance out declines in Luxembourg, Italy, the Netherlands and Volume Business in France
- Eastern Europe declined by 10.9%, almost entirely due to the expiration of brand building activities in Hungary, while Slovakia, Romania and Russia grew strongly

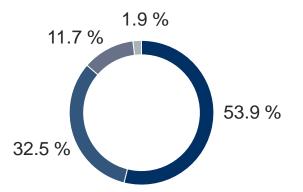


## Brand Business: strong growth in Germany while sales declined in Eastern and Central Europe

	_	Q1 2017	Q1 2018	Δ
Turnover	€ m	52.7	52.8	+0.3 %
Gross profit	€m	26.8	24.8	-7.9 %
Segment result (EBIT)	€m	4.3	4.2	-1.8%

## **Turnover Brand Business**

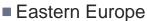
Q1 2018 / by region



- High quality products by Leifheit and Soehnle brands are the center piece of the "Leifheit 2020" growth strategy
- Brand Business represents 84.9 % of total sales (Q1 2017: 84.3 %)
- Substantial growth drivers: laundry care and wellbeing
- New products already contribute to success
- Turnover affected by lack of sales volumes in Eastern Europe related to brand building activities in the previous year
- Gross profit impacted by currency effects, higher material prices and sales deductions
- EBIT recovered by improvements in distribution and administration costs







Rest of the World







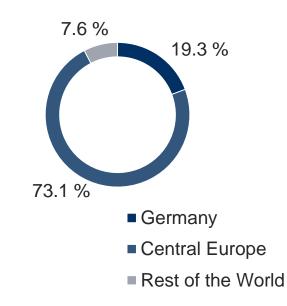




## Volume Business: lower sales volume in France not entirely compensated by strong domestic growth

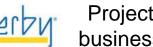
	_	Q1 2017	Q1 2018	Δ
Turnover	€ m	9.8	9.4	-4.1 %
Gross profit	€m	3.1	2.9	-5.7 %
Segment result (EBIT)	€m	0.8	0.5	-35.7 %

## Turnover Volume Business Q1 2018 / by region



- Focus on profitability, European markets and project business
- Continued strong turnover increase in Germany cannot compensate for decline in France and USA
- Volume Business represents 15.1 % (Q1 2017: 15.7 %) of group turnover
- Decline in turnover result of lower sales volumes at a French hypermarket









## **Group results at a glance**

		Q1 2017	Q1 2018	Δ
Group turnover	€m	62.5	62.2	-0.4 %
Gross margin	%	47.8	44.6	-3.2 pps
Foreign currency results	€m	0.1	-0.1	-
EBIT	€m	5.1	4.7	-8.3 %
EBIT margin	%	8.2	7.5	-0.7 pps
Earnings before taxes (EBT)	€m	4.8	4.3	-10.0 %
Net result for the period	€m	3.4	3.1	-9.8 %





## **Free Cash Flow improved**

in € m	Q1 2017	Q1 2018	Δ
Cash flow from operating activities	-4.1	-4.0	+0.1
Cash flow from investment activities	-1.8	-0.9	+0.9
Free cash flow <sup>1</sup>	-5.9	-4.9	+1.0





## Proposal to the Annual General Meeting on May 30, 2018: stable ordinary dividend

■ Board of Management and Supervisory Board propose appropriating the Leifheit AG balance sheet profit of 10.000.000 € as follows:

**Dividend of € 1.05** per eligible no-par-value bearer share



## Forecast Financial Year 2018



## 2018 forecast slightly adjusted

## Economic environment 2018

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

## Forecast Group development 2018

- ► Continue to pursue group growth strategy "Leifheit 2020", despite current risks in the retail sector
- ► Group: Turnover growth slightly below 4 5% Brand Business: Turnover growth slightly below 5 6% Turnover on previous year's level
- ► EBIT at the 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 %



# Strategy "Leifheit 2020" sharpened – Key Initiatives 2018



## Leifheit's vision for 2020

"We are your leading experts for solutions, that make your everyday life at home more easy and convenient."





## Strategy "Leifheit 2020" sharpened - Better use of the opportunities of digitalization

- Strengthen our existing assortment, accelerate development of new products
- Sales force effectiveness / efficiency program
- Increase efficiency in structure and value chain
- Foreign currency risk reduction by rolling exchange rate hedging system with closer coordination to the planning period
- 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



2018: implementation of important future-oriented projects that will strengthen our mid-term comprehensiveness and significantly improve profitability in the future.



## Vectors of growth: New products vs existing business

## **New products** (20 – 30 % of annual turnover growth)

- Outcome of the new product pipeline defined until 2020
- Based on the mega trends relevant for Leifheit:
  - Fading of traditional gender rolls
  - Electrification
  - Digitalization & connectivity
- Based on Leifheit consumer segmentation
- New product development closer to existing assortments
- Different innovation streams by grade of technical change / newness of application



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## New digital business segment Soehnle connect





Strategy "Leifheit 2020" sharpened - Key Initiatives 2018

Kitchen scale Page Aqua Proof – 100% waterproof









## Vectors of growth: New products vs. existing business

## Existing business (70 – 80 % of annual turnover growth)

- Further expand online business across all geographies,
   open-up new e-commerce customers, drive multi-channel approach
- "Win from strength markets" Europe stationary
  - Conversion of existing customer listings in broad distribution by
    - Sales effectiveness/efficiency programs
    - Marketing/promotion programs
  - Closure of listing gaps in existing and new customers
- "Win from behind" markets Europe stationary
  - Entry via promotional business into selected customers based on a hunting list
  - Conversion of promotions in listings
- "Entrepreneurs" ME/Asia
  - More focus as of 2018 (Asia)



## Sales effectiveness and efficiency program in Germany

## **Next level Sales**

Growth-orientated field sales force in Germany

## **Order-to-SAP**

Effectiveness and efficiency of order management from order taking to processing

## Field sales force

## Increase coverage from 19 to 26 regions

- Change from independent business representatives to own employees
- Increase number of visits by 30%
- Establish pictures of success
- Creation of standards and guidelines
- Creation of process for information flow between field, KAM, trade marketing and back office

## CRM Order taking

- Creation of an information platform
- Documentation of in-store performance and analysis
- Order taking via CRM
- Availability checks
- Returns management

Phase 1

## Customers, Logistics

- Simplification of trade terms and logistics
- Optimize interfaces between back office and logistics
- Optimize customerspecific order behavior
- IT processes, EDI and SAP issues



## More contemporary positioning of Leifheit brand

Well-thought-out and easy-to-use products from Leifheit. Our Regulus PowerVac 2in1 cordless vacuum cleaner, the CleanTenso steam cleaner, the CLEAN TWIST Cleaning System, the Airboard ironing board and the successful Leifheit window vacuum cleaner...

...all have one thing in common: they help people in today's ever faster-paced world by making housework easier and the home more attractive so that there is more time for the truly important things in life. Leifheit. How housework's done today.























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## More contemporary positioning of Leifheit brand





## TV advertisement

Q1 2018 CLEAN TWIST System MR

Q1 2018: Window vacuum

Dry & Clean

Q1 2018: Lino Protect 400

Q4 2018: Air Board

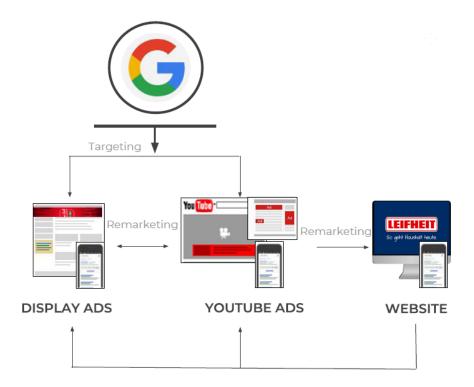




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## **Focus on Online communication**

- Accompanying measures related to TV advertisements
- Strengthening online awareness of Leifheit brand and tapping into modern target groups
- Campaigns in wide-reach online media channels for selected Leifheit products:
   Google Display, Youtube, Facebook, Instagram







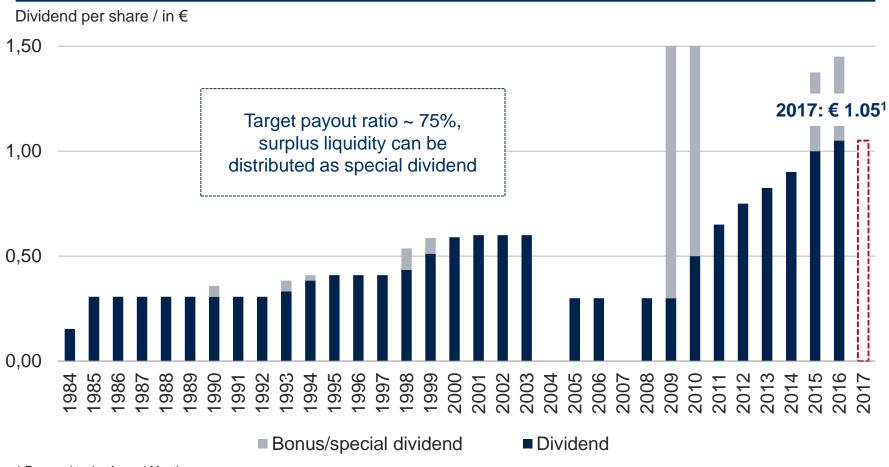


## Investment Highlights



## Committed to shareholder returns

## Long-term dividend development





## We drive from strength

## **Strong brands**

- ▶ Well known, high consumer confidence
- ▶ Leading positions: Germany and many European countries
- ► High-quality supplier, middle and upper price range

## Sustainable earnings

- ▶ Non-cyclical business: Leifheit brands are used every day
- Well prepared to exploit e-commerce potential
- ► Efficient cost structure, sustainable margins, high cash flow, solid financial position

## Attractive dividend policy

- ▶ Distribution of approx. 75% of max (free cash flow, net income) targeted and backed by solid cash flow
- ▶ Surplus cash can be distributed to shareholders via special dividend

## Significant growth potential

- Offline/online conversion helped by well suited e-commerce assortment
- Strategy "Leifheit 2020" to reach higher levels of profitable growth
  - Organic growth through focus on core categories, innovation, digital, efficiency
  - External growth options (focus on core categories and capabilities)



Leifheit is more than just household products

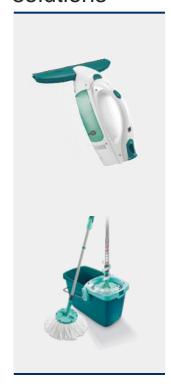


## Leifheit is more than just household products – for almost 60 years

Strong brands



Innovative products and solutions



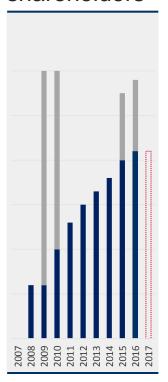
Creative people



Efficient and lean processes



Reliable partner of our shareholders





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Your questions please.