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Financial Statements 2019

#### **NFON AG**

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We want to dominate the European Cloud telephony market by delivering freedom of business communication.















## KPI development

# Continued growth 2019



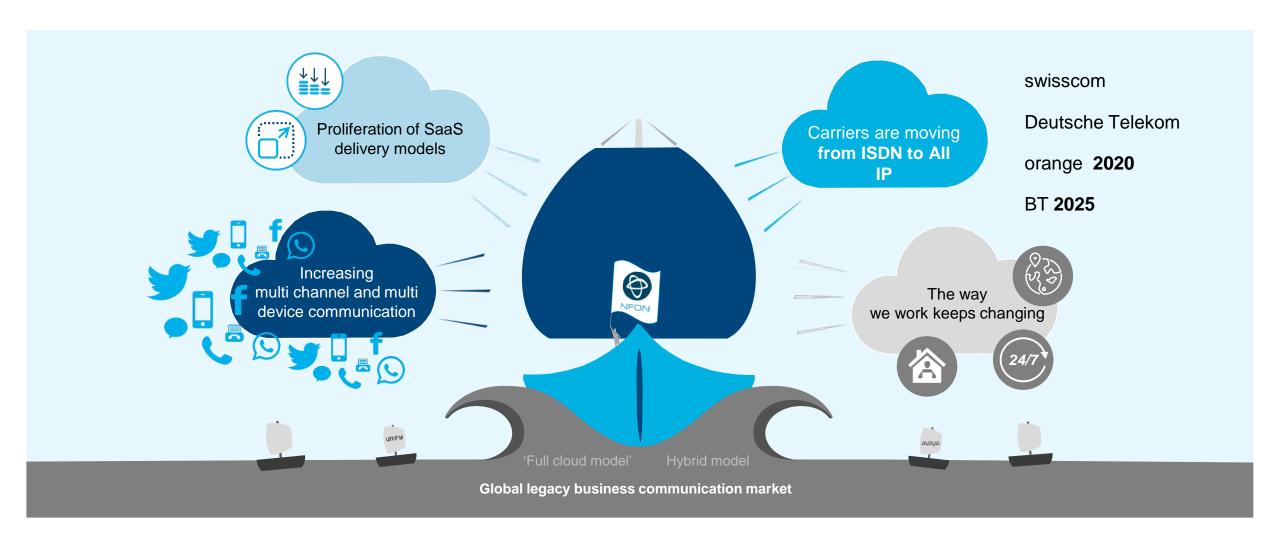


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#### **Business communication**

# Wind of change – Fundamental Market Trends





## Coherent multi vector growth strategy

## Our way to become the No 1 in Europe





Increase penetration and adoption

Increase marketing
efforts to drive
penetration of existing
clients and adoption of
new clients in existing
markets



**Transform product** 

Roll-out of innovative features will attract additional customers, increase ARPU and add value to the core product



**Open APIs** 

Further develop open APIs to allow broad access for third party solutions



**Expand regionally** 

Leverage
proven market
entry strategy
to cover
continental Europe



Capitalise on high market fragmentation

Consolidate highly fragmented European market by capitalising on opportunities to gain further market share

**Customer** development



**Product development** 



Market development



Market consolidation

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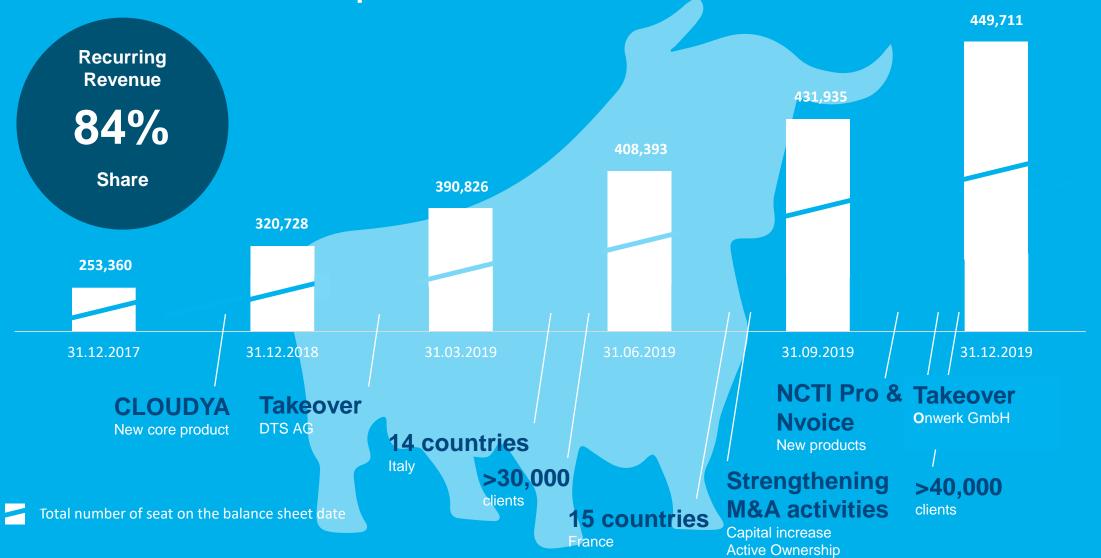
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# **Business Highlights**

Milestones Completed 2019







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#### **Business model**

# Strong business model resulting in unique combination of massive growth and sustainable recurring revenue





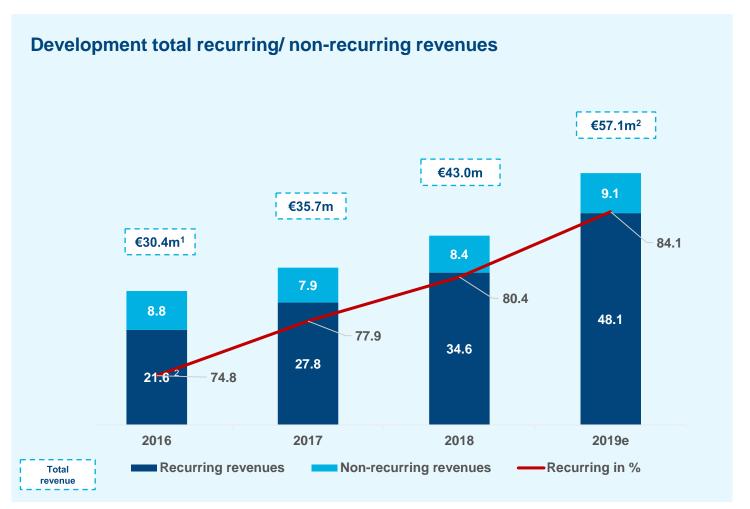
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## Revenue development

# Significant increase of recurring revenues





#### **Comments**

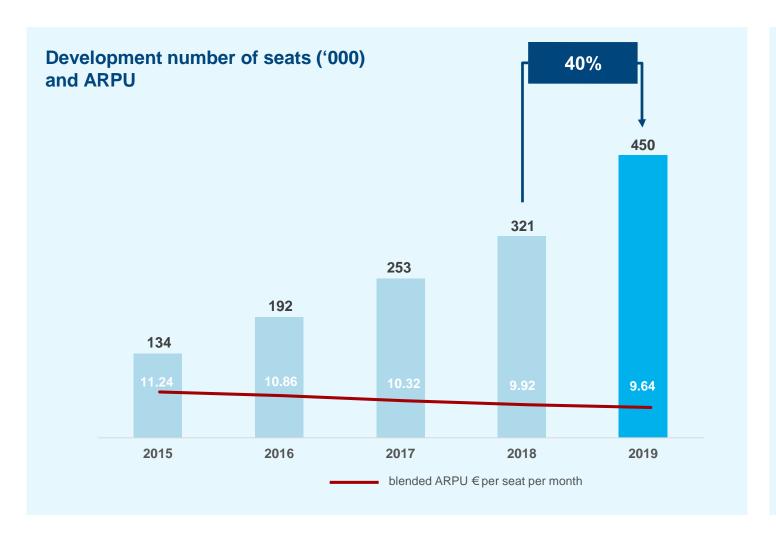
- Total revenues grow by 32.7% to €57.1m in comparison to €43.0m in 2018
- Q4 2019 total revenues on a growth rate of 32.9% compared to Q4 2018 (€15.7m vs. €11.8m)
- Non-recurring revenues 2019 show slight increase of 7.3% compared to 2018
- Significant increase of recurring revenues by 38.9% compared to 2018 (Q4 2019 compared to Q4 2018: 39.7%)
- Cumulative effect quarter by quarter due to steadily growing total number of seats
- High share of recurring revenue (84.1%) due to strong and sustainable growing customer base

<sup>1</sup> including extraordinary effect from R&D project amounting to €1.5m

<sup>2</sup>First time consolidation of DTS in March 2019

# Strong growth of seats





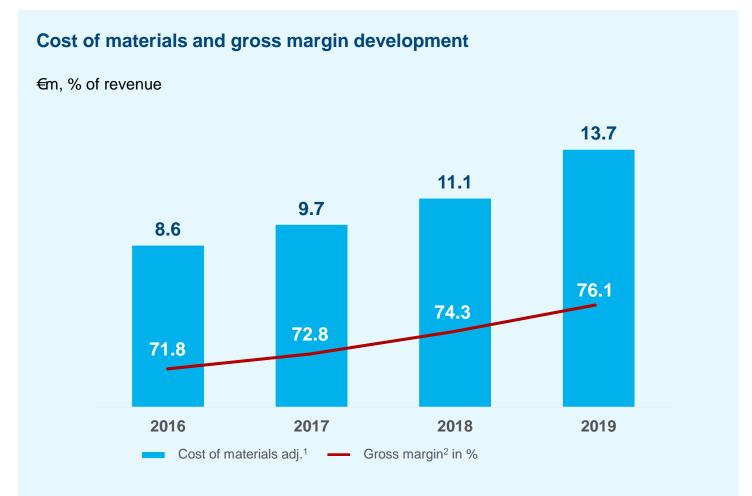
#### **Comments**

- Increase of total number of seats by 40.2%
- Very low gross churn rate of <0.5% per month underlines quality of product and service and guarantees continuous recurring revenues
- Share of DTS business (CentrexX) selling more in the mid-price segment leads to expected decrease of total blended ARPU as well as successful business with wholesale partners
- Additional premium solutions represent upside potential for ARPU development in the medium term

## **Gross Margin**

# Consistently increasing gross margin emphasizes scalability of the business model





#### **Comments**

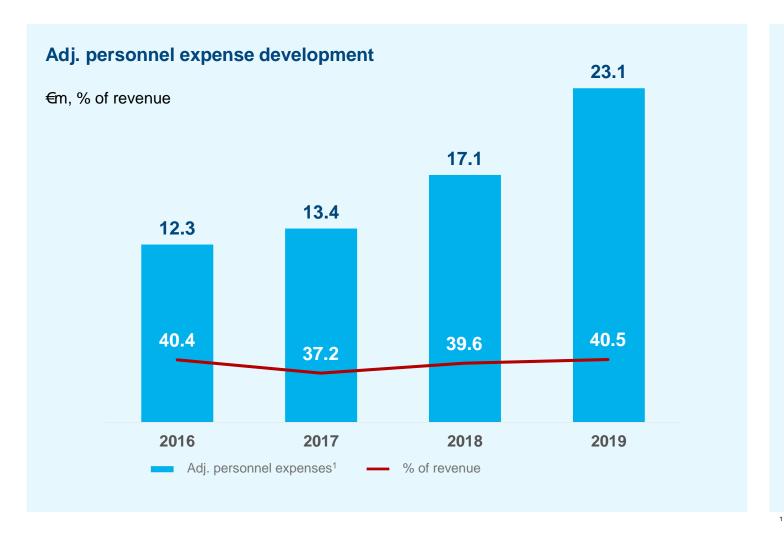
- Cost of materials are largely variable in nature and mainly comprise of costs for hardware sold, costs for airtime sold and data centre housing costs
- Cost of materials rose disproportionately low in relation to revenue by 23.0% in 2019 compared to 2018
- Gross margin continues to show a positive development and increases to 76.1%

1 Cost of materials adjusted for changes in inventories of finished goods. 2 Gross margin defined as (revenue - adj. cost of materials)/ revenue

## Personnel expenses

# Securing tomorrow's growth by investing in today's workforce





#### **Comments**

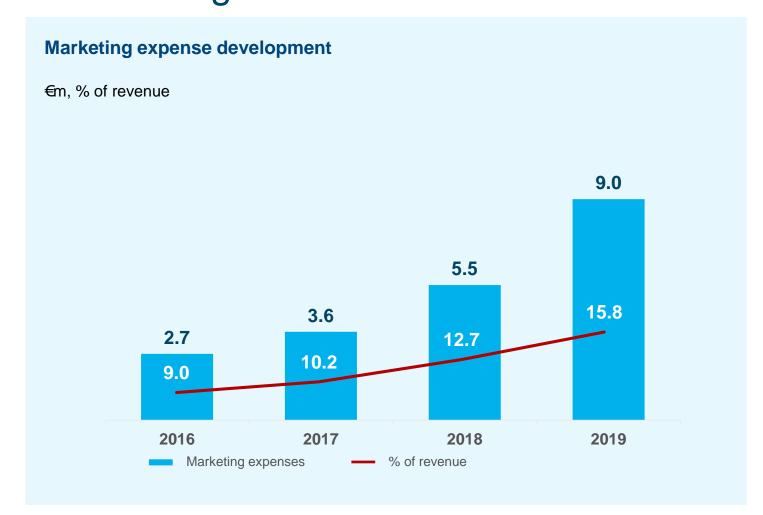
- > Personnel expenses as reported amount to €24.2m (2018: €22.1m) increase by 9.8% including DTS workforce
- Adjustments personnel expenses: €1.1m for Stock Option Plan and Retention Bonus (2018: €5.0m for Share-Base Payments, Retention Bonus, Exit Bonus)
- Personnel costs relieved for the first time by capitalization of development costs (NFON AG) in 2019 by €2.0m
- Increase of adj. personnel expenses by 35.5% compared to 2018

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Personnel expenses adjusted for et.al. Stock Option Plan, Retention Bonus, Share-Base Payments, Exit Bonus

## Marketing expenses

# Gaining partners, customers and seats through intensified marketing activities





#### **Comments**

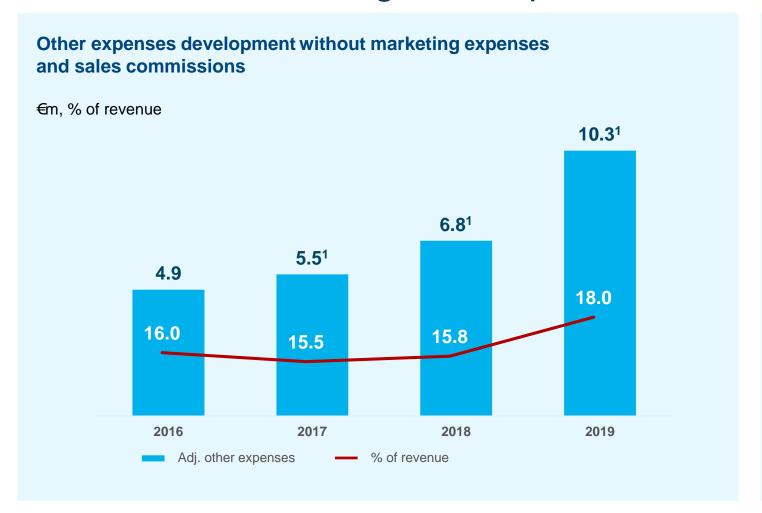
Marketing expense increases as planned by 65.9% building a strong brand that drives sales and growth of partner network

- > >2,500 partners across Europe
  - > New partners in UK, Italy, Spain et al.
- > >40,000 customers across Europe
- Introduction of Nvoice for Microsoft Teams and NCTI Pro
- Accelerating marketing activities in new subsidiaries Italy and France as well as UK and Austria

## Adjusted other operating expenses

# Other operating expenses grow due to increase in headcounts and regional expansion





#### **Comments**

- Other operating expenses as reported (e.g. sales commissions, marketing costs, supporting cost, general administration expenses and consulting fees) amount to €26.8m in total (2018: €18.9m) and increases by 41.8%
- NFON adjusts other operating expenses by one-off expenses (e.g. acquisition DTS) and does not include marketing cost and sales commissions
  - Marketing costs 2019 amount to €9.0m (2018: €5.5m)
  - Sales commissions 2019 amount to €6.7m (2018: €4.3m)
- Increase of adj. other operating expenses from €6.8m to €10.3m (51.4%) due to various reasons (amongst others: start in Italy, France and consolidation of DTS)
- > IFRS 16 leads to lower OPEX of €1.4m

<sup>1</sup> Adjusted by one-off effects like IPO-costs, acquisition costs

## Development of earnings

## EBITDA reflects investments to execute growth strategy



#### **Detailed reconciliation of one-off items**

| -7.0 | -7.8                                 |
|------|--------------------------------------|
| 0.6  | 3.6 <sup>1</sup>                     |
| 0.5  | 0.8                                  |
| 0    | 2.4                                  |
| 0.7  | -0.2                                 |
| 1.9  | 6.6                                  |
| -5.1 | -1.2                                 |
|      | 0.6<br>0.5<br>0<br>0.7<br><b>1.9</b> |

#### **Comments**

- ➤ EBITDA as reported amounts to approx. €-7.0m
- In accordance with strategy, personnel costs, marketing and sales commissions continue to increase
- One-off effects in connection with the consistent implementation of the M&A strategy (DTS) in the amount of €0.6m burdened plus €0.1m others
- > Adj. EBITDA at €-5.1m

<sup>1</sup> Including equity and cash settled share-based payment programmes <sup>2</sup>Expenses related to tax and social security matters (2018: reversals)

# 2020 - Financial year under special circumstances



#### **COVID19 – General statements**

- Not yet fully taking into account the effects of the spread of COVID-19, as these cannot yet be quantified.
- It cannot be assumed that there will be no impact on the business development of NFON AG.
- Both negative and positive effects are possible.
- In principle, the business model still has a certain robustness to market fluctuations due to the high proportion of recurring revenues.

#### **COVID19 – Possible downside**

- Should there be a recession, combined with insolvencies or reduction of seats, this could nevertheless lead to a loss of sales for the NFON Group.
- In addition, it is to be expected that decisions by customers will be delayed and new Seat profits could fall short of the expectations.

### **COVID19 – Possible upside**

- Additional demand impulses may arise as customers increasingly switch to home offices.
- Existing customers are shifting their activities to the home office and are therefore increasingly requesting not only telephony but also the possibility of telephone conferences.
- NFON is also receiving enquiries from interested parties who do not yet have a solution with which they can flexibly set up home office workstations.

# Continued growth course







In line with our vision of becoming the no. 1 in the European market for cloud telephony, we will continue to invest significantly in gaining market share. Therefore, assuming a stable overall economic development and a cloud communications market in Europe that is expanding rapidly as expected, NFON expects a continuation of its dynamic revenue growth with possible additional impulses from further M&A activities. The EBITDA breakeven point could be reached in the medium term if the current investment intensity is maintained. This does not include investments to take advantage of additional growth opportunities that arise in the short term.

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# Key investment highlights



- Huge addressable business communication market being disrupted by structural shift to Cloud PBX solutions
- Only true Pan-European Cloud PBX company best positioned to become the dominant European player
- Strong business model resulting in unique combination of massive growth and sustainable recurring revenue
- State-of-the-art "German Engineering" Cloud PBX solution tailored to European customer needs
- 5 Proven track record of scalable growth
- 6 Proven growth strategy leveraging multi dimensional layers of growth



Further information about NFON

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# Management Board





Hans Szymanski CEO/CFO

- > >20 years of C-Level experience
- Previous experience includes
  - CEO/CFO Francotyp-Postalia
  - President Jenoptik LOS
  - Klöckner & Co



Jan-Peter Koopmann CTO

- > >20 years of experience in the IT/Telco industry
- Previous experience includes
  - Founder Seceidos
  - Tiscali
  - Telenor Group



César Flores Rodríguez
CSO

- > >10 years of C-Level experience
- Previous experience includes
  - Aconex
  - Co-founder conject Group
  - Mercer Management Consulting



## Financial calendar



| Date | Event |
|------|-------|
|------|-------|

1 April 2020

**Presentation Final Financial Results 2019** 

Web- and Telephone Conference

3 May 2020

NFON - Roadshow

Virtual Roadshow

18 May 2020

Interim Report 1st Quarter 2020

Web- and Telephone Conference

28 May 2020

Annual General Meeting

Online Meeting

20 Aug 2020

Presentation Half-year Financial Report 2020

Web- and Telephone Conference

16 - 17 Nov 2020

Preliminary Figures 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2020/ Equity Forum

Presentation and Conference with 1on1

## NFON AG

# Share at a glance



#### **Facts**

ISIN

Segment

**Shares** 

Designated sponsor

First day of trading

Coverage

DE000A0N4N52

Prime Standard/ Telecommunication

15.1 million

(21 October 2019)

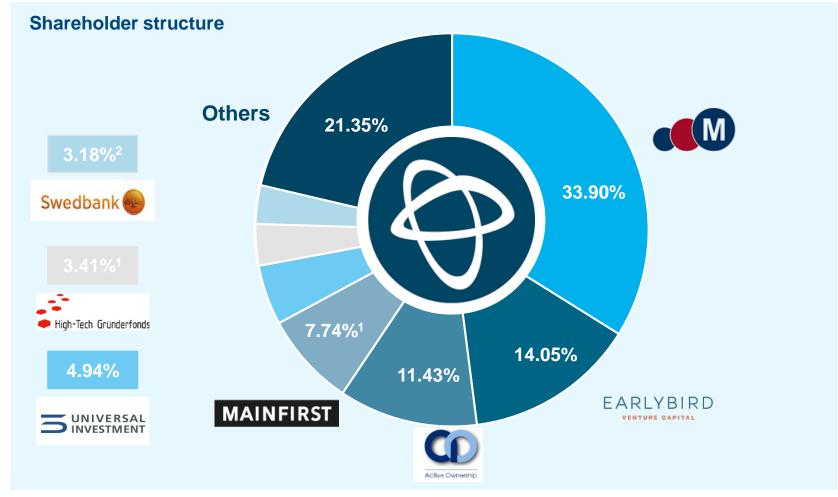
Baader Bank ODDO Seydler

11 May 2018

Berenberg Bank, Baader Bank,

Hauck & Aufhäuser,

Mainfirst



<sup>1</sup> voting rights based on 13.8 million shares <sup>2</sup> voting rights based on 14.1 million shares

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