

# QSC AG

## Company Presentation

Analyst Conference, February 28, 2011

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# AGENDA

- **13.30h**                    **Strategic Overview**  
Dr. Bernd Schlobohm, Founder & CEO
- **14.00h**                    **Preliminary Results FY 2010**  
Jürgen Hermann, CFO
- **14.30h**                    **Outlook 2011**  
Dr. Bernd Schlobohm, Founder & CEO
- **14.45h**                    **Q&A**
- **15.15h**                    **Coffee Break**
- **15.30h**                    **Huge opportunity in the ICT market: “Q-loud”**  
Roland Hänel, Head of Project “Q-loud”  
Andreas Schmidt, Team Member “Q-loud”

# Strategic Overview

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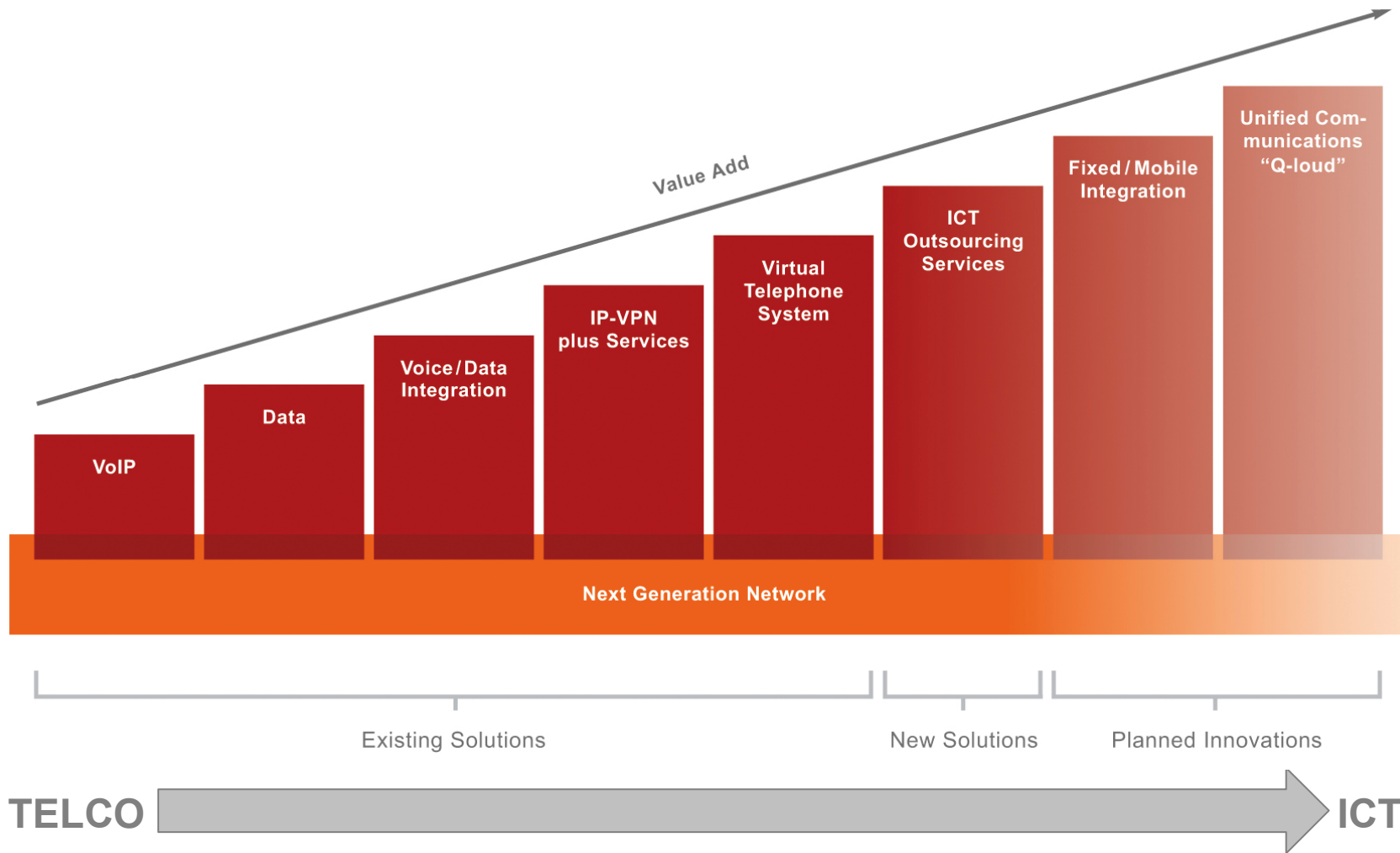
## OUR MISSION STATEMENT 2.0



QSC is the leading medium-sized provider in the telecommunications market that creates sustainable value for medium-sized companies, cooperation partners and employees through the highest quality and customer focus!

*In 2010, QSC took a big step forward to becoming the leading medium-sized provider in the ICT market for medium-sized companies*

# 2010: ONGOING TRANSFORMATION PROCESS ...



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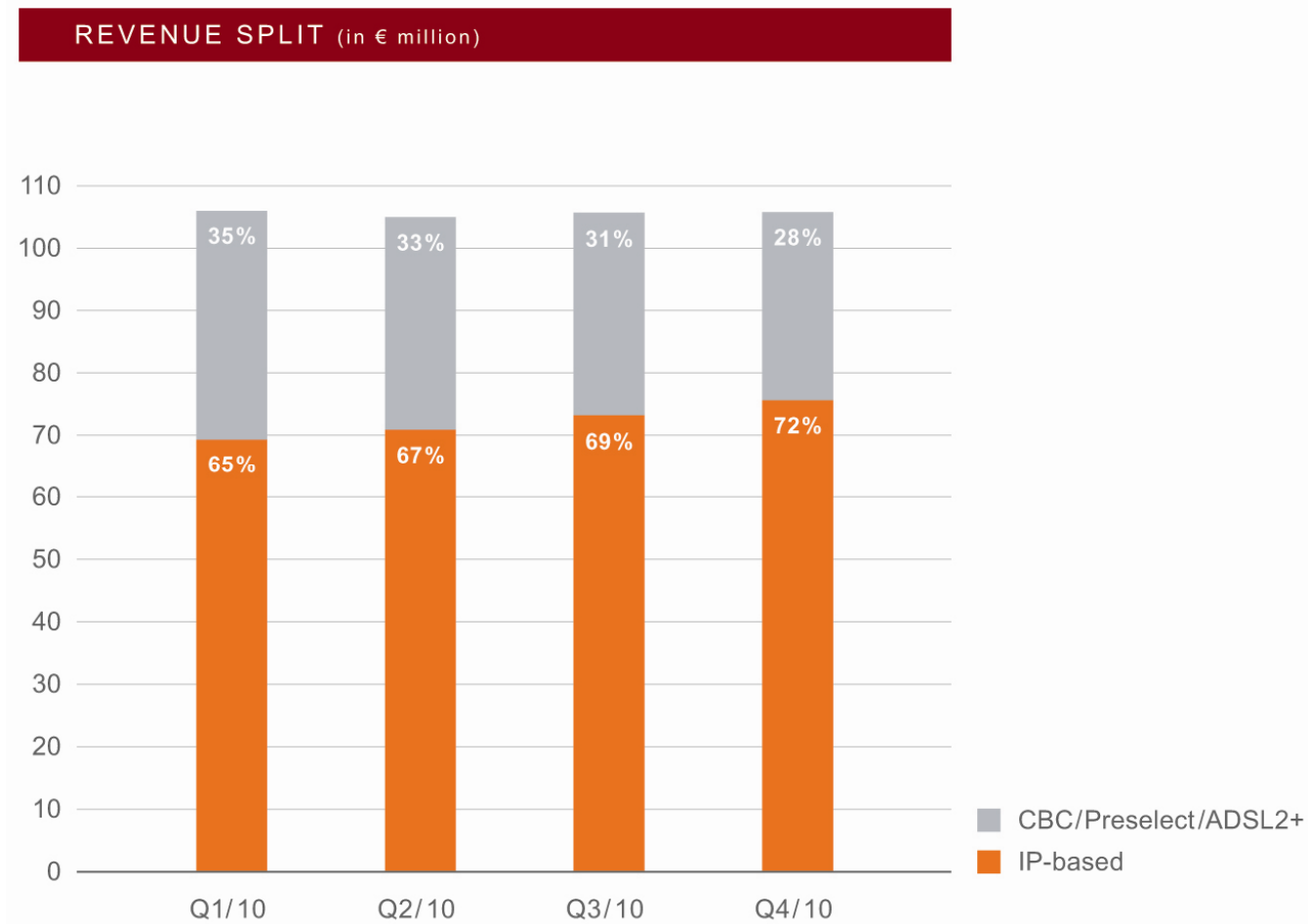
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## ... WITH ATTRACTIVE RESULTS

- In 2010, QSC raised the share of IP-based revenues to 68% and improved its revenue mix
- Overall, QSC generated revenues of € 422.1 million and earned an EBITDA of € 78.1 million
- QSC more than doubled its EBIT to € 20.9 million
- QSC more than quadrupled its Net Profit to € 24.2 million
- QSC more than doubled its Free Cash Flow to € 27.7 million

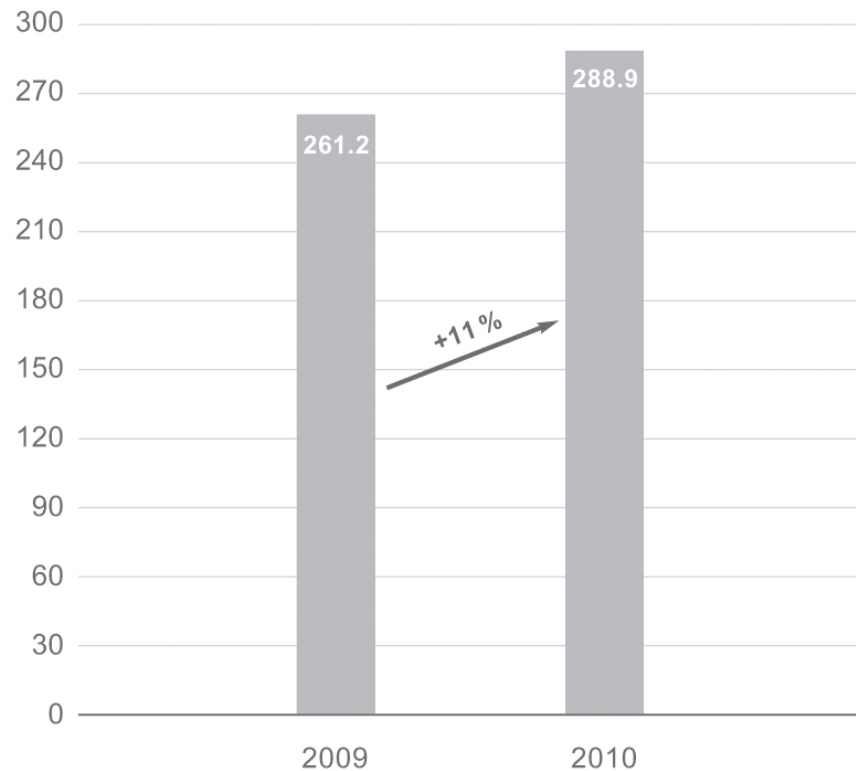
# RISING SHARE OF IP-BASED REVENUES PROVES PROGRESS IN TRANSFORMATION PROCESS



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# WHAT'S BEHIND THE DOUBLE-DIGIT GROWTH IN IP-BASED REVENUES?

IP-BASED (in € million)



## Two main developments:

- Growing demand for “all IP” service solutions
- Success in new lines of business



# MAIN DRIVERS FOR GROWTH IN ALL IP SERVICE SOLUTIONS

- **Next Generation Network**

Thanks to its **high cost-efficiency**, the IP-based NGN has led to a significant growth in Voice Wholesale in 2010 (e.g. KPN, sipgate, Tata Communications)

- **Successes in new business**

As a mid-sized ICT-provider, QSC won **attractive mid-sized customers** like Mövenpick, DERAG and Paper Union in 2010

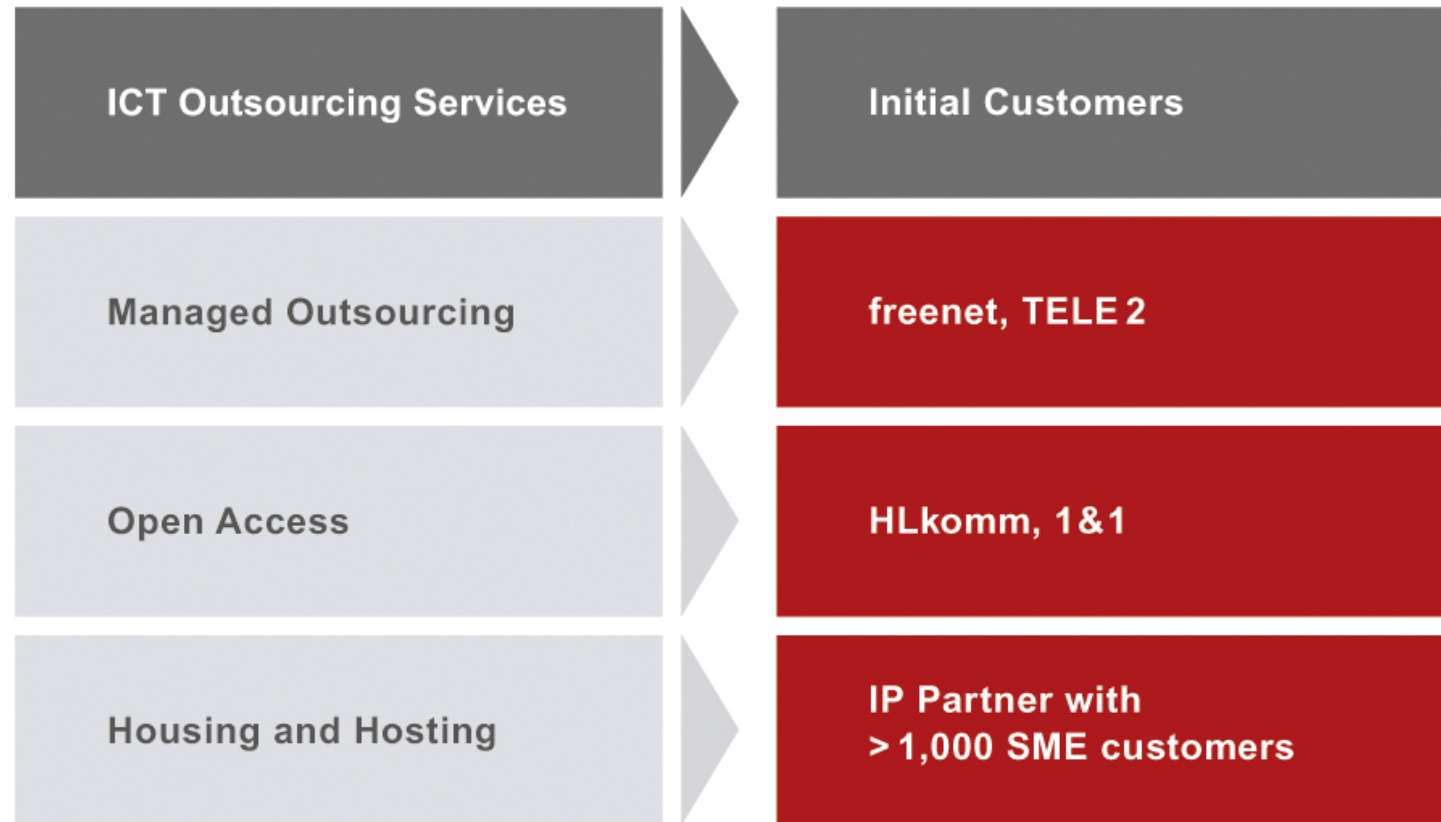
- **Progress in upselling**

QSC has managed to **increase its share of wallet** with existing customers by e.g. integrating VoIP to existing IP-VPN solutions (e.g. Borussia Dortmund, Deutsche Post CSC, GAGFAH)

- **Product and process innovations**

In 2010, QSC launched IPfonie centraflex 3.0, and the IPfonie App

# SUCCESS IN THREE NEW LINES OF BUSINESS – QSC HAS LAUNCHED ICT OUTSOURCING SERVICES

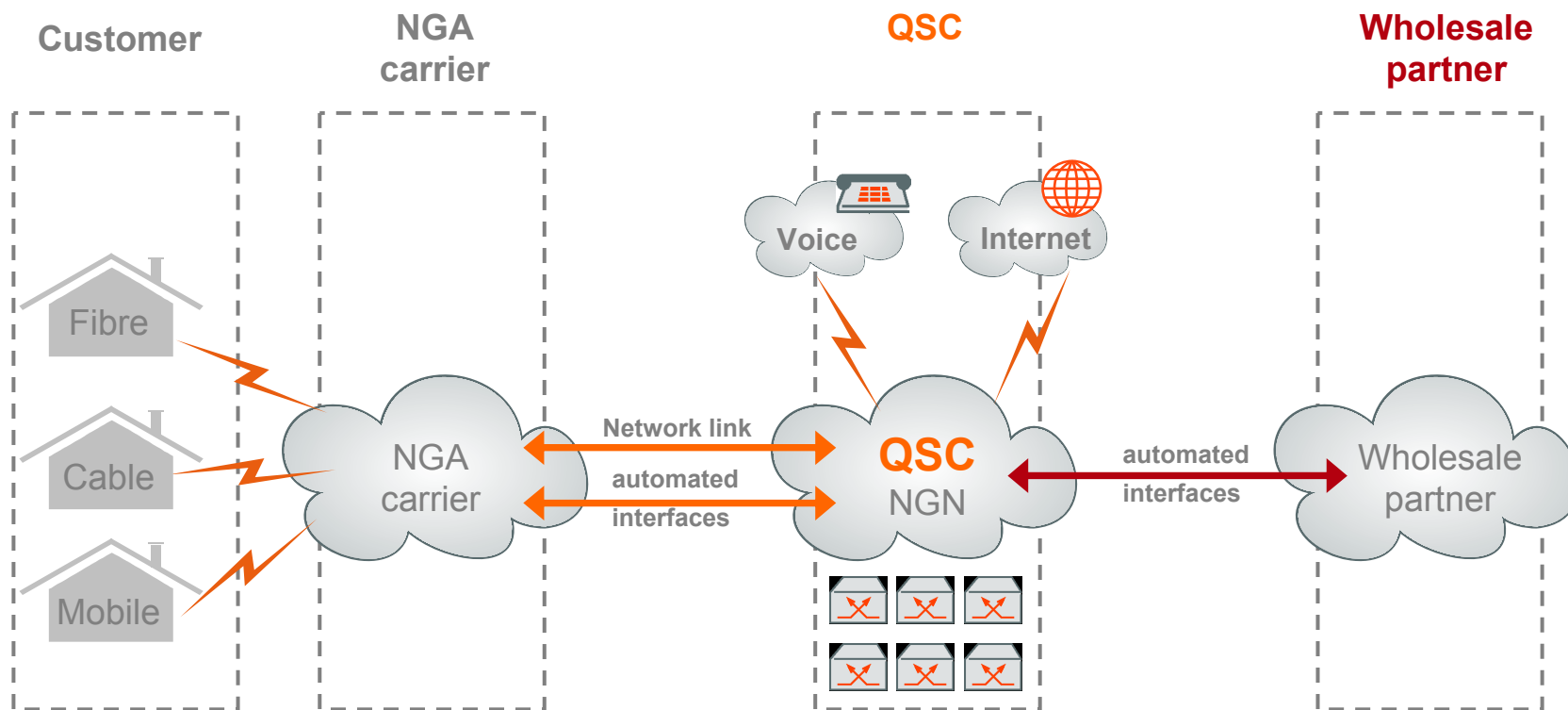


# MANAGED OUTSOURCING FOR VOICE NETWORKS

- In 2010, **freenet and TELE2** each signed 10-year **Managed Outsourcing partnership** contracts
  - QSC **integrates narrowband networks** and handles the voice traffic of its telco partners; end-customers will stay with the partner
  - Managed Outsourcing will produce **smaller margins** than other new lines of business
- ⇒ **NGN is the perfect toolbox** for cost-efficient IP-based voice outsourcing services
- ⇒ **Approx. 6 players** still run a small or outdated infrastructure in Germany

# OPEN ACCESS THE KEY TO NEXT GENERATION ACCESS

QSC has launched the first nationwide Open Access 'Integrator' platform in Germany



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## INTEGRATION PLATFORM BASED ON OPEN ACCESS

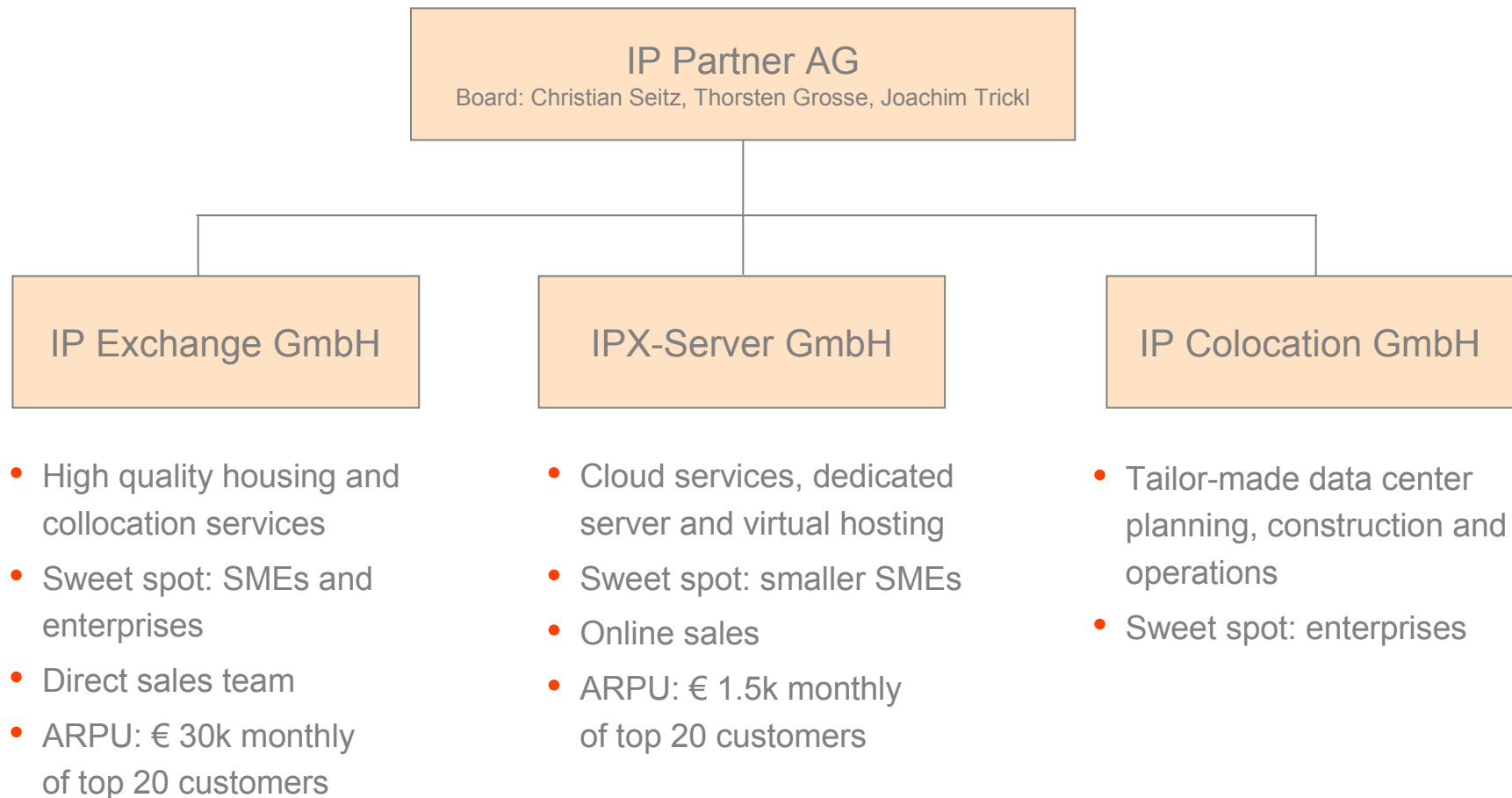
- The **new platform** will enable regional carriers **to market their NGAs**, mostly based on fibre optic networks, beyond regional borders and to **increase utilization**
- QSC is entering an attractive market
  - **More than 50 regional players** are working on NGA infrastructures
  - **650,000 households** are already connected to FTTX lines (2007: 110,000)
- QSC gained two partners in 2010:
  - Leipzig-based **HL komm** is the **first infrastructure provider**
  - **1&1 Internet AG** is the **first user** of the Open Access platform and will add NGA connections of up to 100 Mbit/s to its product range in 2011

# HOUSING AND HOSTING

## QSC HAS ACQUIRED A FAST-GROWING PLAYER

- In December 2010, **QSC acquired 100% of IP Partner**, Nuremberg, a fast-growing provider of housing and hosting services
  - The company already operates two data centers with more than 10,000 servers for over **1,000 SME customers**
  - In 2010, the company **increased its revenues** by approx. 30% to € 14 million and earned a positive EBITDA, EBIT and Net Profit
  - QSC bought “**Product & Talent**” with IP Partner
- ⇒ **Acquisition accelerates transformation into an ICT service provider**

# IP PARTNER ACTIVE IN THREE KINDS OF BUSINESS



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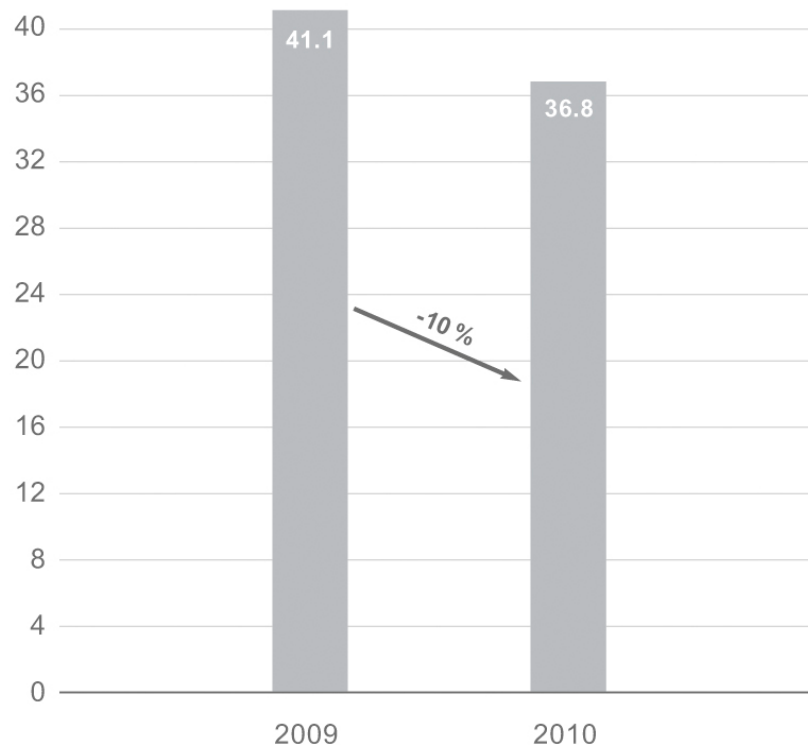
## CORE ASSET OF IP PARTNER – DATA CENTERS

- IP Partner today
  - **Data centers** in Nuremberg and Munich **with 3,000 sqm** and **more than 10,000 servers** under management
  - Usage >90%
  - **TÜV-certificates** for the data center (Tier III – IV) for energy efficiency and service quality
- In 2011, IP Partner will **double its capacity**
  - 2,000 sqm in Nuremberg under construction
  - 1,200 sqm in Munich under construction
- CAPEX of € 7 million already part of QSC's forecast for 2011



# FOCUS ON IP-BASED REVENUES DECLINE OF OTHER REVENUES LIKE CALL-BY-CALL

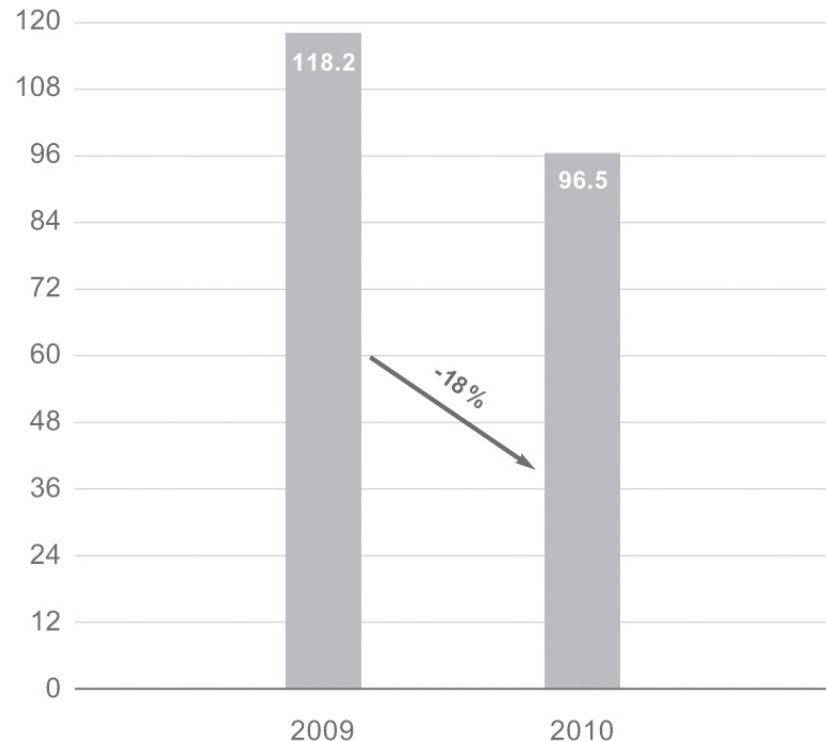
CBC/PRESELECT (in € million)



- Market development: Clear trend toward using complete connections and VoIP for calls in Germany
  - Call-by-Call: -27% for voice minutes\*
  - Preselect: -42% for voice minutes\*
- Ongoing fierce price competition

# FOCUS ON IP-BASED REVENUES DECLINE OF ADSL2+ BUSINESS

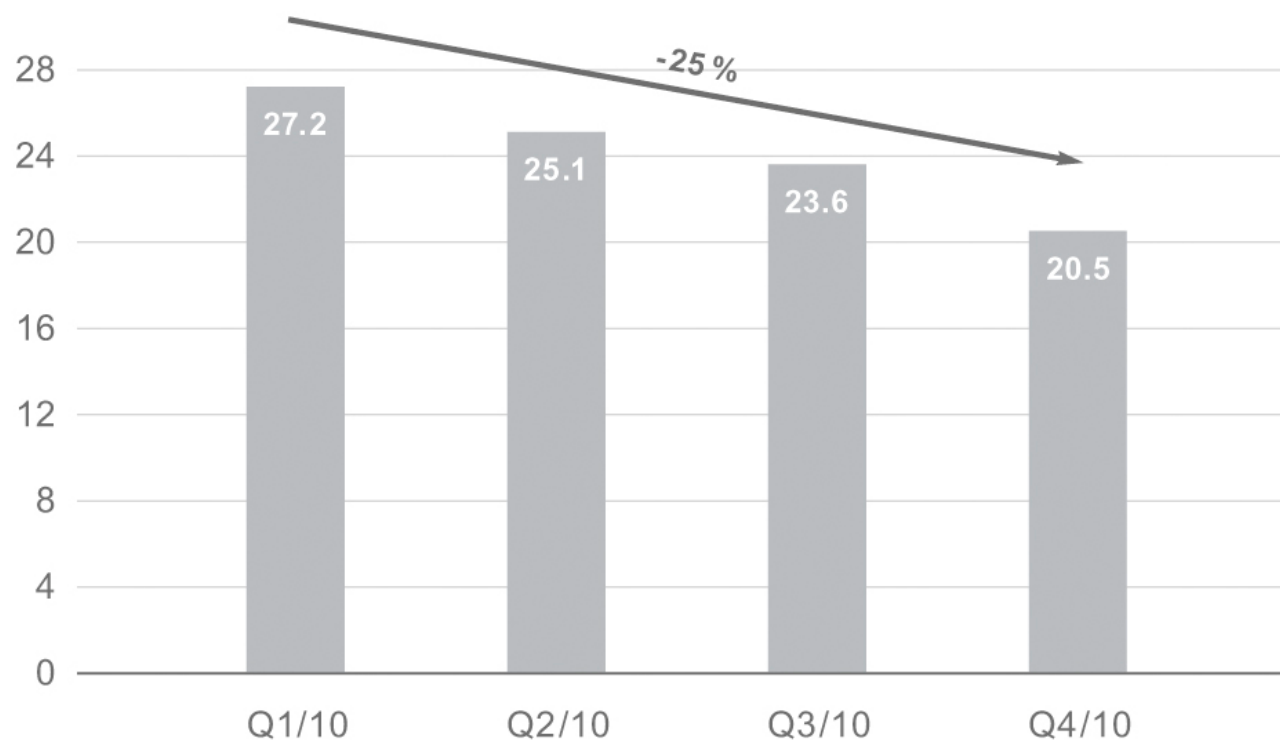
ADSL2+ (in € million)



- Number of DSL lines has declined from 588,800 to 512,400
- Ongoing price competition
- Growing competition from cable operators
- HanseNet has shifted new business to new parent company Telefónica

# ADSL2+ REVENUES DECLINED QUARTER BY QUARTER IN 2010 AND WILL CONTINUE TO DECLINE IN 2011

ADSL2+ (in € million)



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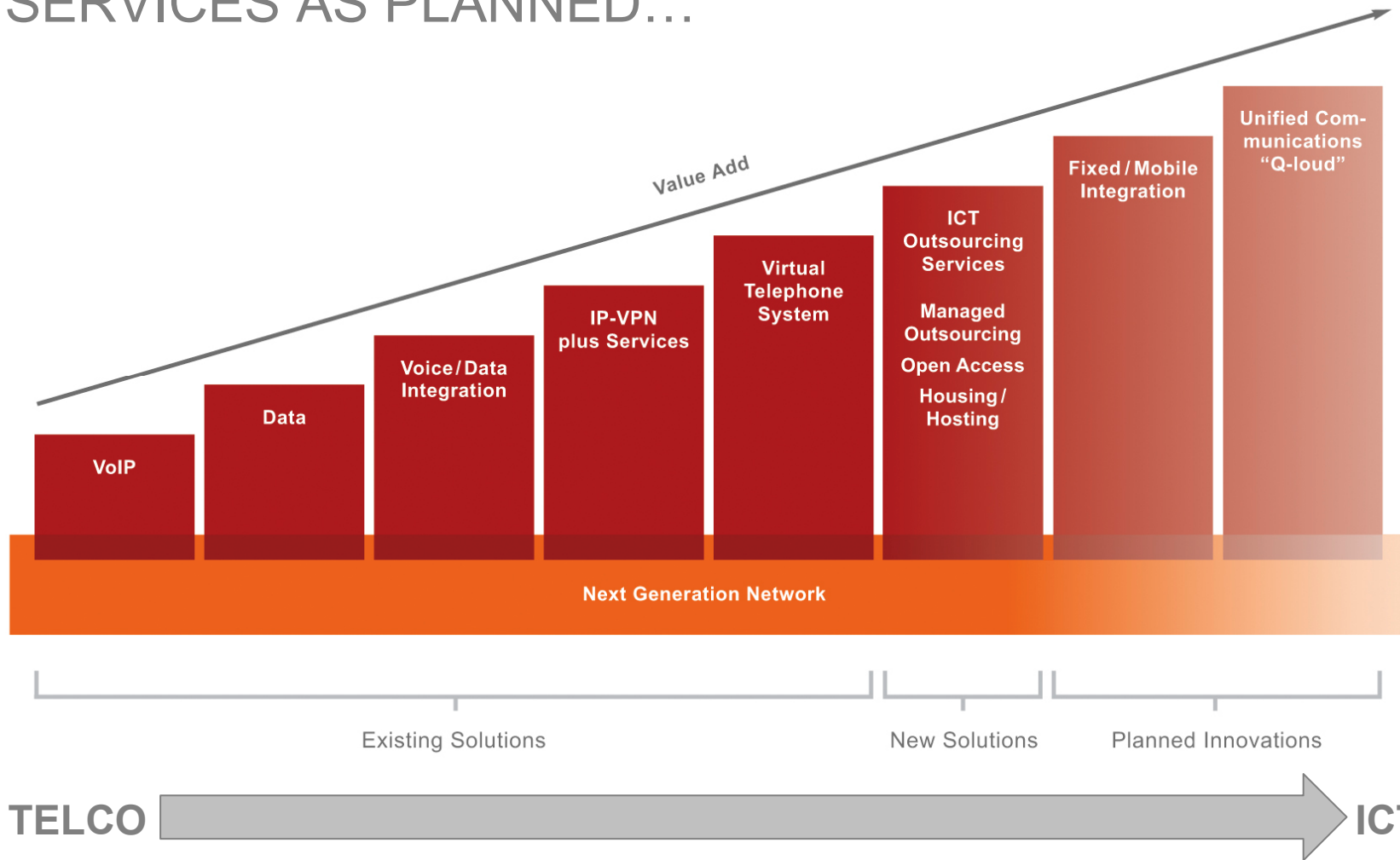
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## FURTHER HIGHLIGHT OF 2010 AGREEMENTS WITH TELE2

- **Premature termination of the Plusnet collaboration**  
TELE2 paid € 66.2 million for the premature termination of the collaboration agreement, which would otherwise have run through December 31, 2013
  - **QSC acquired 32.5% of Plusnet**  
QSC paid € 36.7 million to acquire the 32.5%-stake of TELE2 in Plusnet, equivalent to the current book value of the stake
  - **10-year Managed Outsourcing contract**
  - **10-year DSL wholesale partnership**
- ⇒ **100% Plusnet ownership makes it much easier to grasp network synergies**
- Optimizing DSL infrastructure
  - Expanding Managed Outsourcing business

# IN 2010, QSC LAUNCHED NEW ICT OUTSOURCING SERVICES AS PLANNED...



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## ... AND TOOK A BIG STEP FORWARD TO BECOMING AN ICT SERVICE PROVIDER

- QSC has raised the **share of IP-based revenues to 68%** from 62% in 2009
- QSC has managed to offset the decline in ADSL2+ and CbC/Preselect with an **increase of 11% in IP-based** lines of businesses
- QSC has developed **three new lines of business:**
  - Managed Outsourcing
  - Open Access
  - Housing and Hosting

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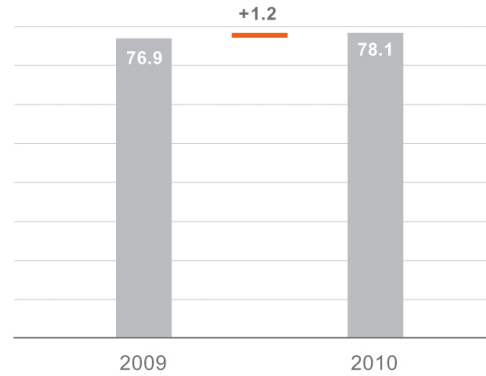
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# QSC IMPROVED PROFITABILITY IN 2010

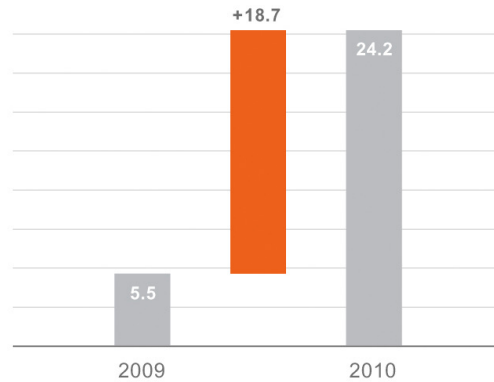
REVENUES (in € million)



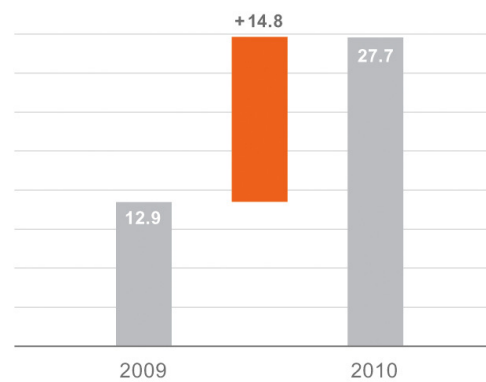
EBITDA (in € million)



NET PROFIT (in € million)



FREE CASH FLOW (in € million)





## QSC MORE THAN QUADRUPLDED ITS NET PROFIT

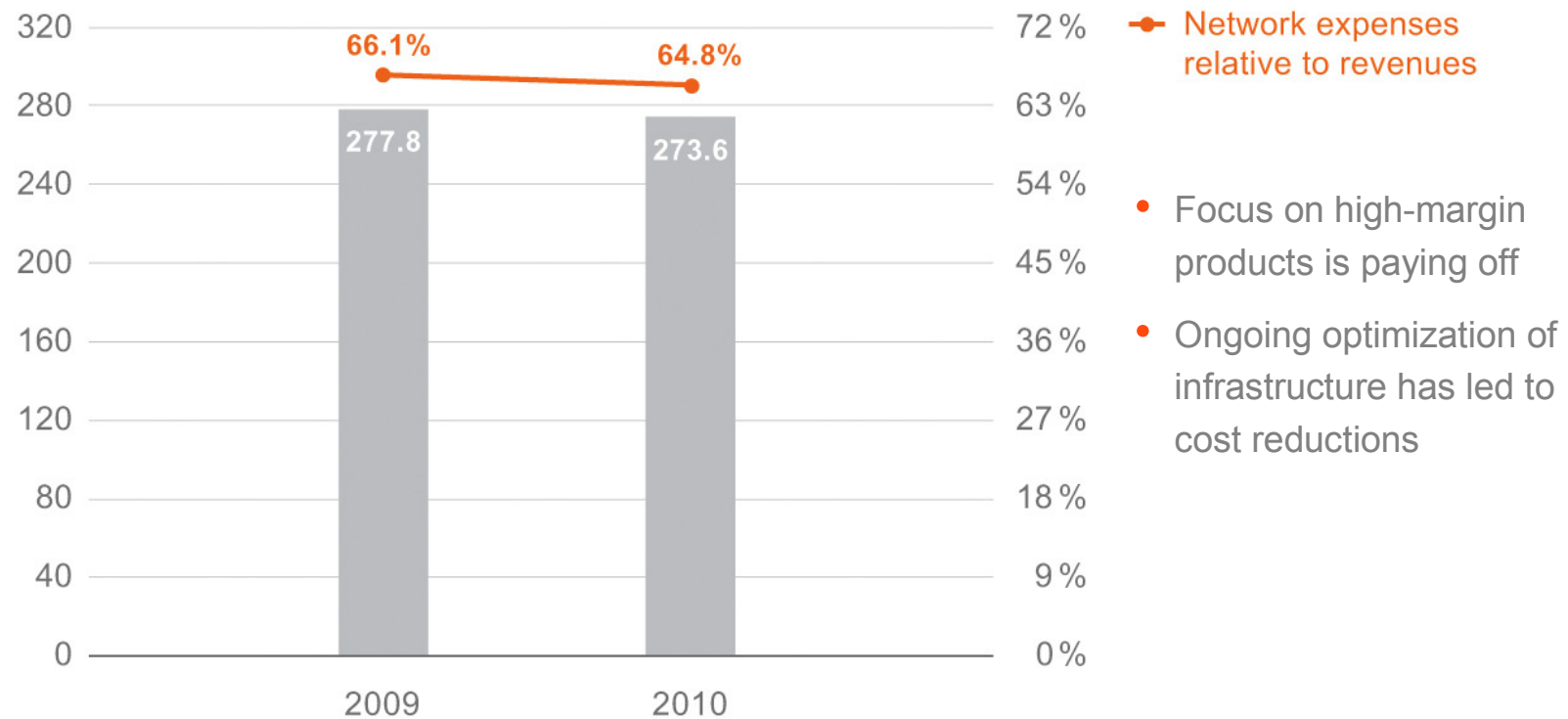
In € millions	2009	2010	Δ
• Revenues	420.5	422.1	+0.4%
• Network expenses <sup>(1)</sup>	277.8	273.6	-1.5%
• <b>Gross profit</b>	<b>+142.7</b>	<b>+148.5</b>	<b>+4.1%</b>
• Other operating expenses <sup>(1)</sup>	65.8	70.4	+7.0%
• <b>EBITDA profit</b>	<b>+76.9</b>	<b>+78.1</b>	<b>+1.6%</b>
• Depreciation	67.2	57.2	-14.9%
• <b>EBIT profit</b>	<b>+9.7</b>	<b>+20.9</b>	<b>+115.5%</b>
• Financial results	-2.5	-2.0	-20.0%
• Income taxes	-1.7	+5.3	nm
• <b>Net profit</b>	<b>+5.5</b>	<b>+24.2</b>	<b>+340.0%</b>

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(1) Excluding depreciation and non-cash share-based payments

# NETWORK COSTS ARE DECLINING....

## NETWORK EXPENSES (in € million)



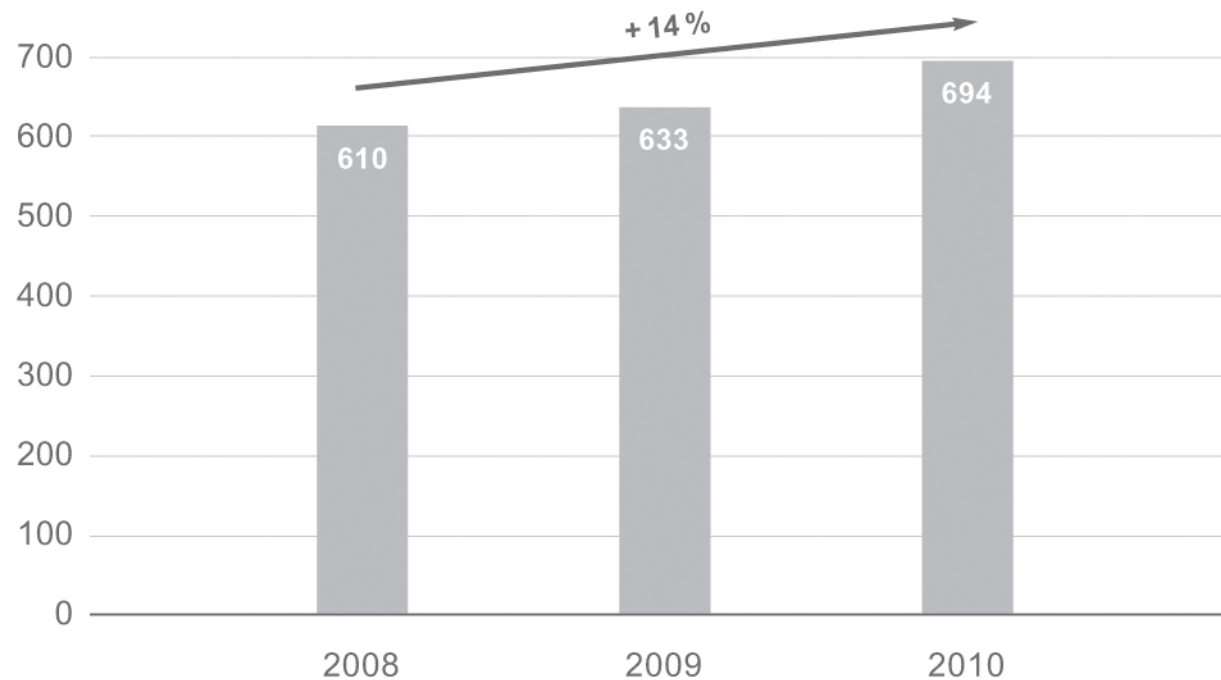
... AND WILL DECLINE OVER THE COMING YEARS

## Main Drivers

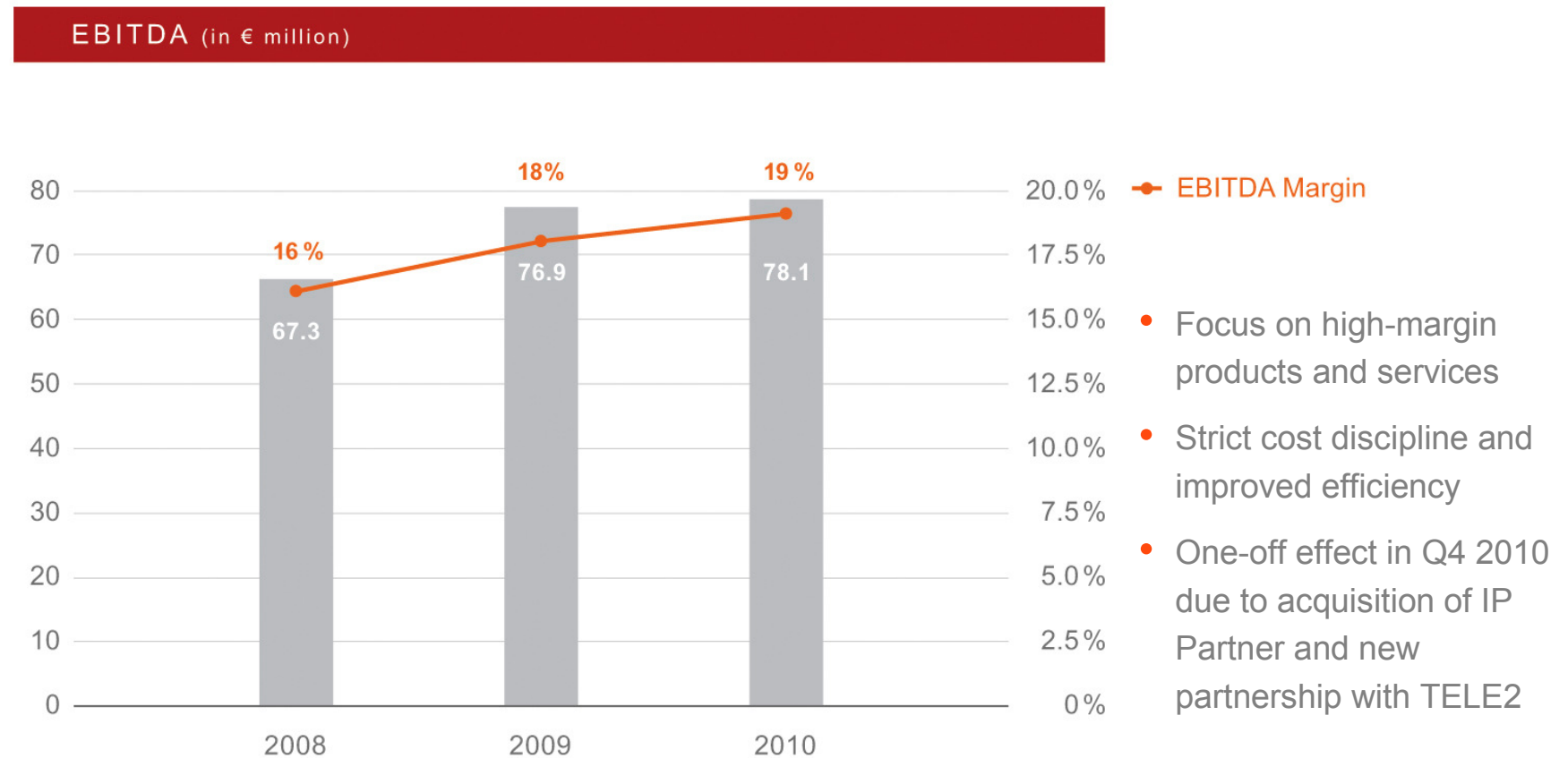
- **Optimization in COs and backbone** by
  - Renegotiation of contracts
  - Streamlining of Metropolitan Service Centers (MSC)
  - Streamlining of COs
  - Cooperation with other network operators
- **Ongoing optimization of network capacities** to lower costs per unit

# STRICT COST DISCIPLINE HAS LEAD TO HIGHER PRODUCTIVITY

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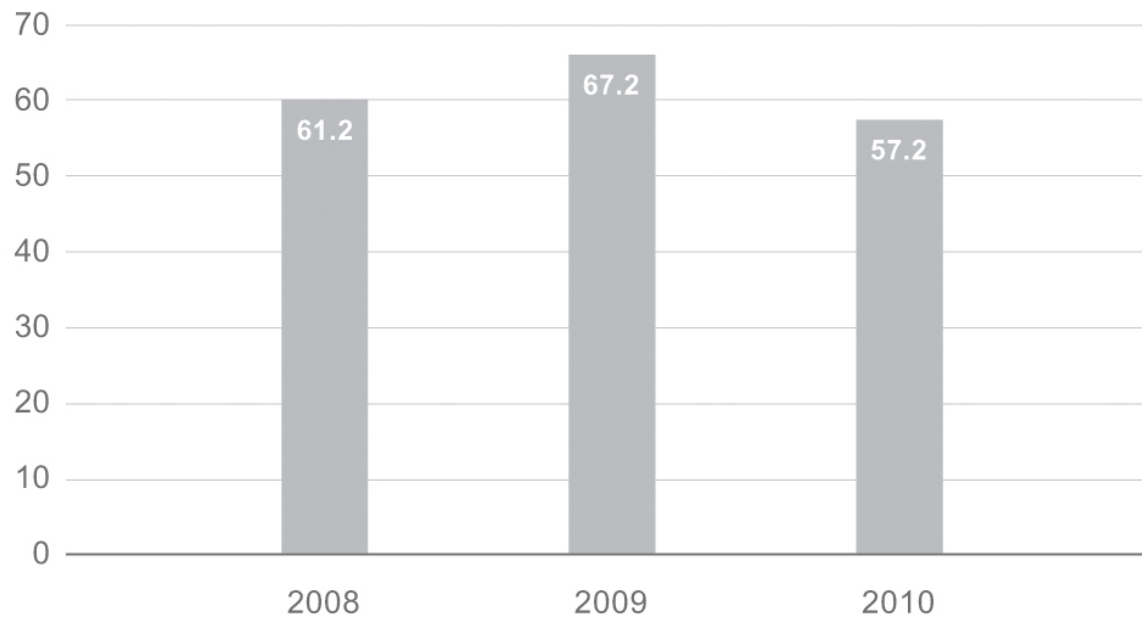


# QSC NOW HAS AN EBITDA MARGIN OF 19%



# DEPRECIATION STARTED TO DECLINE IN 2010

DEPRECIATION\* (in € million)



- Growth of ADSL2+ business in 2007 – 2009 is over
- Network rollout has been completed

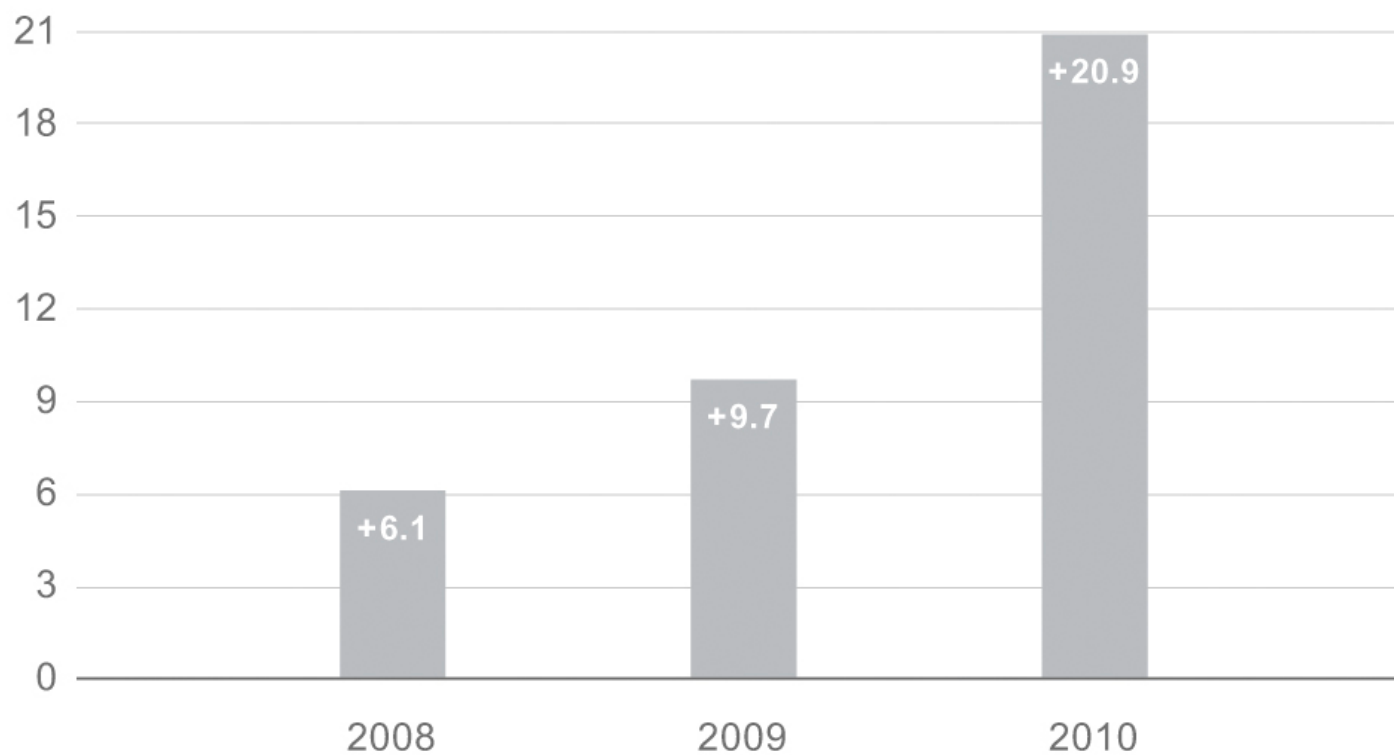
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## ... AND WILL DECLINE OVER THE COMING YEARS

- QSC expects depreciation expense to decline over the coming years for three main reasons
  - As an ICT service provider, **QSC will invest much less** than as a pure Telco network player  
=> QSC will not invest in fibre access infrastructure
  - QSC will focus on mid-sized business customers, **avoiding huge investments in customer connections**
  - More and more **long-term assets have fully depreciated**

## QSC HAS DOUBLED ITS EBIT

EBIT (in € million)



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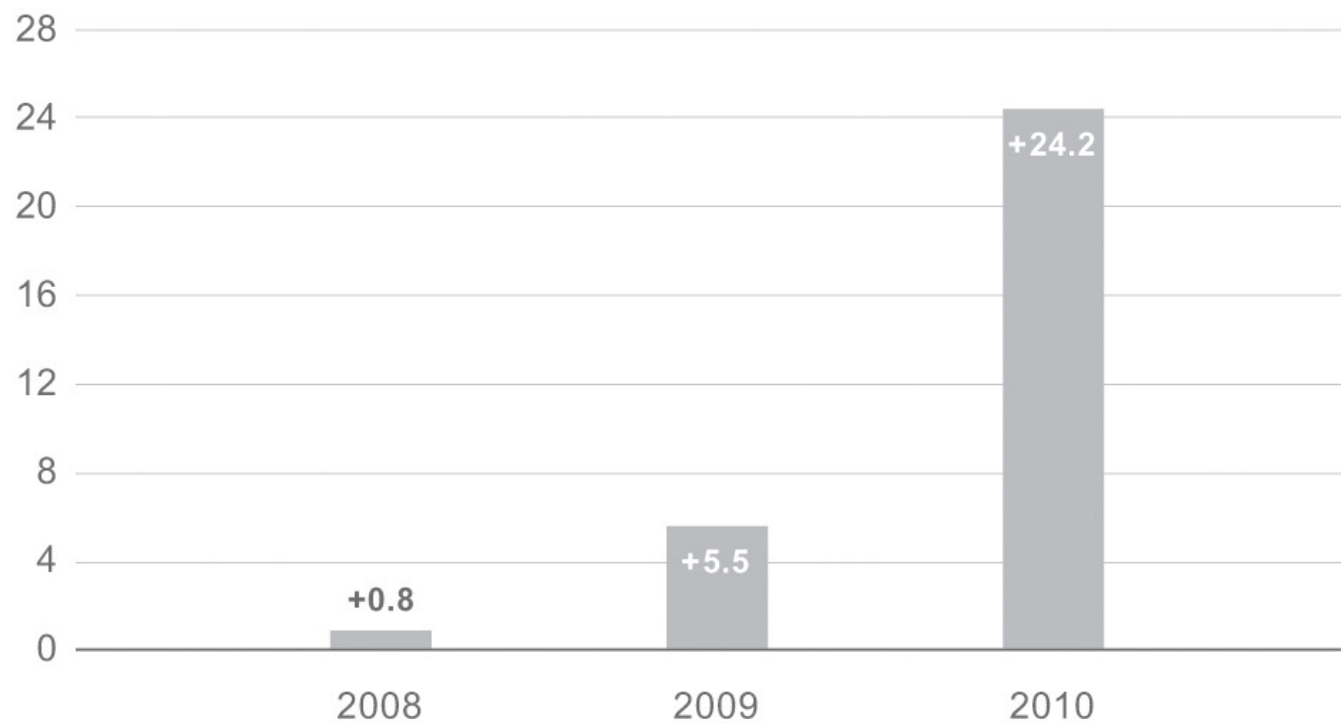
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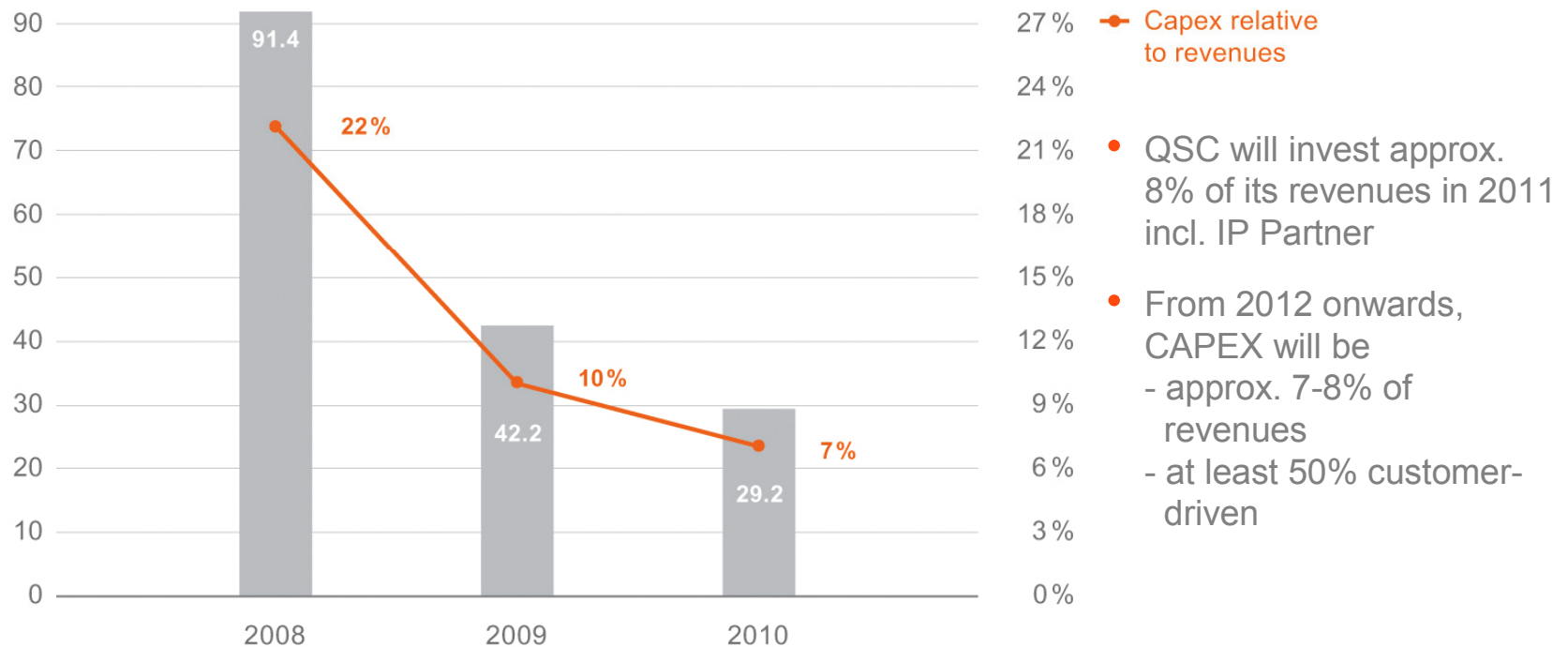
# QSC IS EARNING A SUSTAINABLE NET PROFIT

NET PROFIT (in € million)



# THE INVESTMENT PERIOD IS OVER – ICT SERVICE PROVIDER QSC INVESTS JUST 7-8% OF REVENUES

CAPEX (in € million)



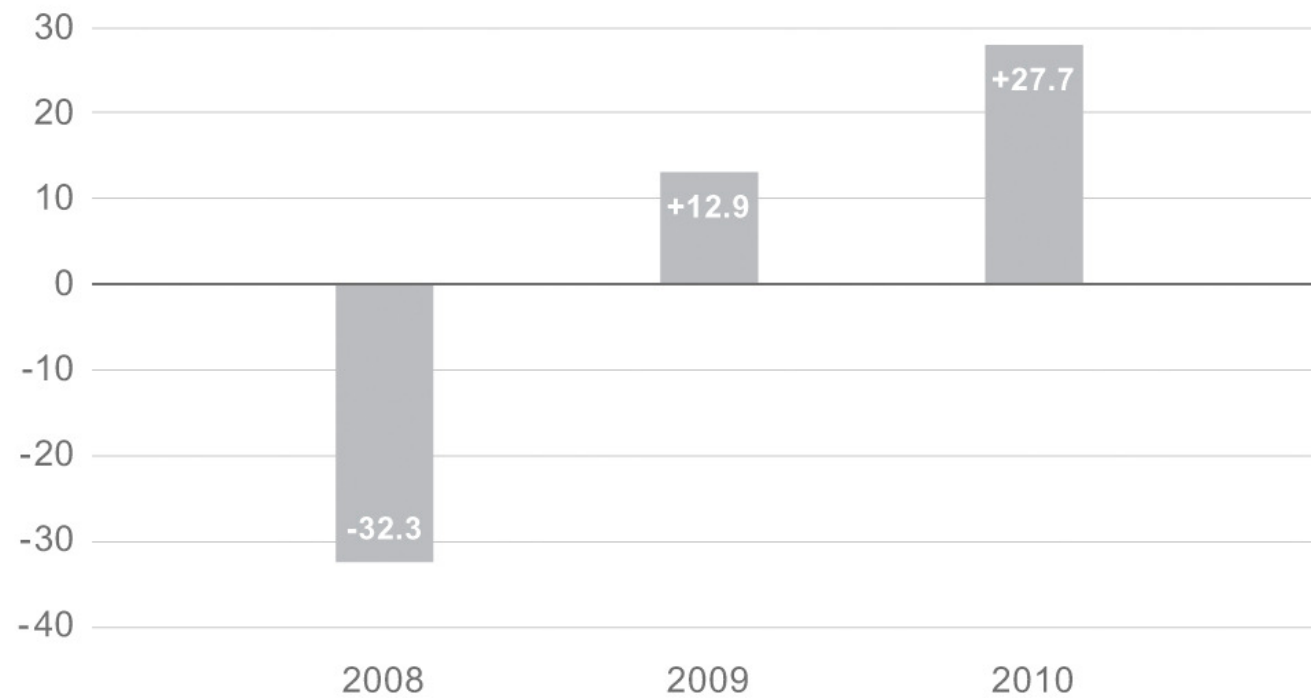
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# SHARP INCREASE IN FREE CASH FLOW

FREE CASH FLOW (in € million)

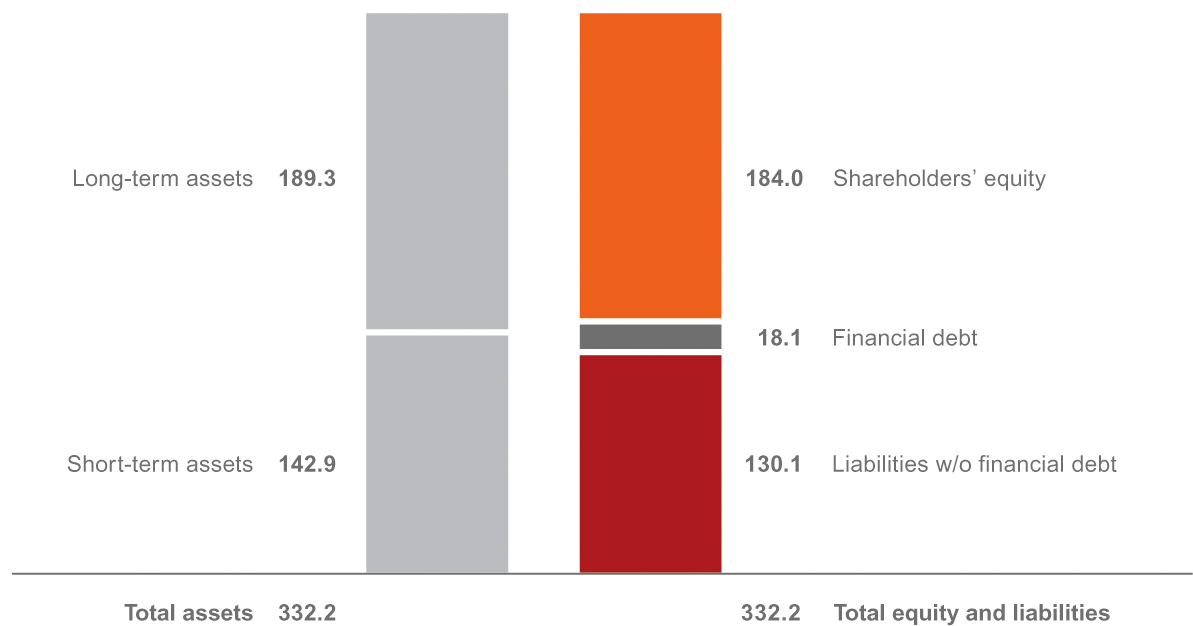


## QSC IS BUILDING UP A NET CASH POSITION

In € millions	Dec. 31, 2009	Dec. 31, 2010	△
+ Cash and short-term deposits	+41.0	+46.2	+5.2
+ Available-for-sale financial assets	+0.3	+0.3	-
<b>+ Liquidity</b>	<b>+41.3</b>	<b>+46.5</b>	<b>+5.2</b>
- Finance lease obligations	-22.8	-7.5	+15.3
- Other short-term liabilities	-2.8	-0.6	+2.2
- Liabilities due to banks	-15.0	-10.0	+5.0
<b>- Financial debt</b>	<b>-40.6</b>	<b>-18.1</b>	<b>+22.5</b>
<b>= Net liquidity</b>	<b>+0.7</b>	<b>+28.4</b>	<b>+27.7</b>

# SOLID FINANCING

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS AS OF DEC. 31, 2010 (in € million)



$$\frac{\text{Liabilities w/o debt}}{\text{Short-term assets}} < 1$$

$$\frac{\text{Equity + debt}}{\text{Long-term assets}} > 1$$

$$\frac{\text{Debt}}{\text{EBITDA}} = 0.2$$

# QSC ACHIEVED ITS GOALS IN 2010

## GUIDANCE 2010 VS. RESULTS IN 2010

Free Cash Flow > € 25 million	Free Cash Flow: € 27.7 million	✓
Net Profit > € 16 million	Net Profit: € 24.2 million	✓
Revenues > € 420.5 million	Revenues: € 422.1 million	✓
EBITDA > € 76.9 million	EBITDA: € 78.1 million	✓

## ... AND MANAGED TO OUTPERFORM THE STOCK MARKET SIGNIFICANTLY



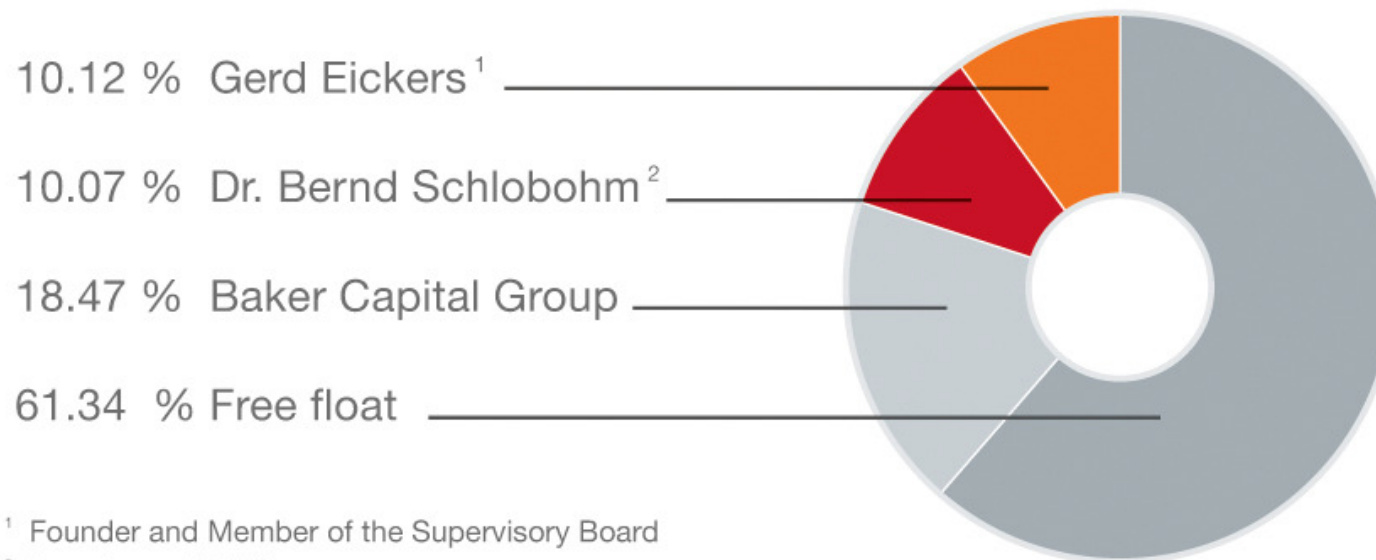
## IN FEBRUARY 2011, LONG-TERM INVESTOR BAKER CAPITAL TRANSFERRED QSC SHARES

- In 1999, closed-end funds of Baker Capital invested in QSC
  - 1999 – 2011, neither Baker Capital nor the founders sold a single QSC share
  - In 2011, Baker Capital transferred some 8.3 million QSC shares to its mainly institutional investors in conjunction with a distribution
- ⇒ QSC has enlarged its investor base in the U.S.
- ⇒ QSC has proven again its ability to manage major changes in ownership of shares without large fluctuations in price
- ⇒ QSC has enlarged its free float



# QSC RAISED ITS FREE FLOAT TO 61.3%

## SHAREHOLDER STRUCTURE



<sup>1</sup> Founder and Member of the Supervisory Board

<sup>2</sup> Founder and CEO

Status quo: 09/02/2011

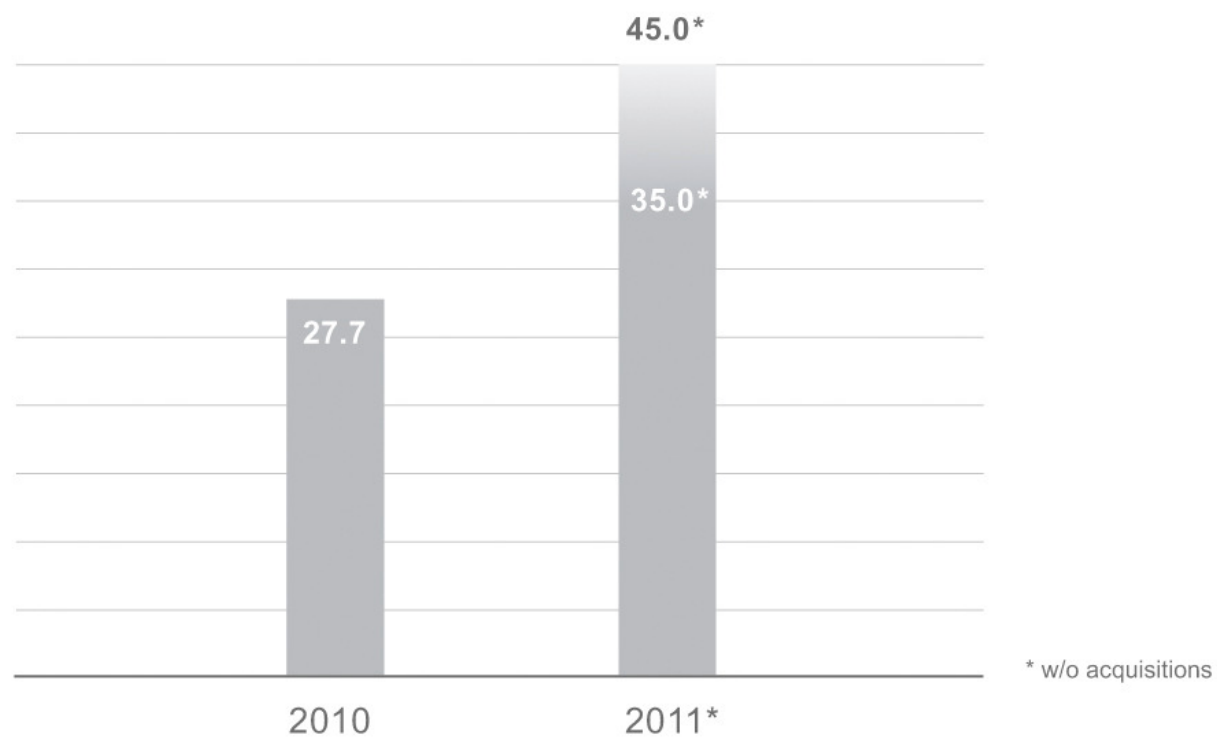
# Outlook 2011

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# OUTLOOK 2011

## FOCUS ON FINANCIAL STRENGTH

FREE CASH FLOW (in € million)



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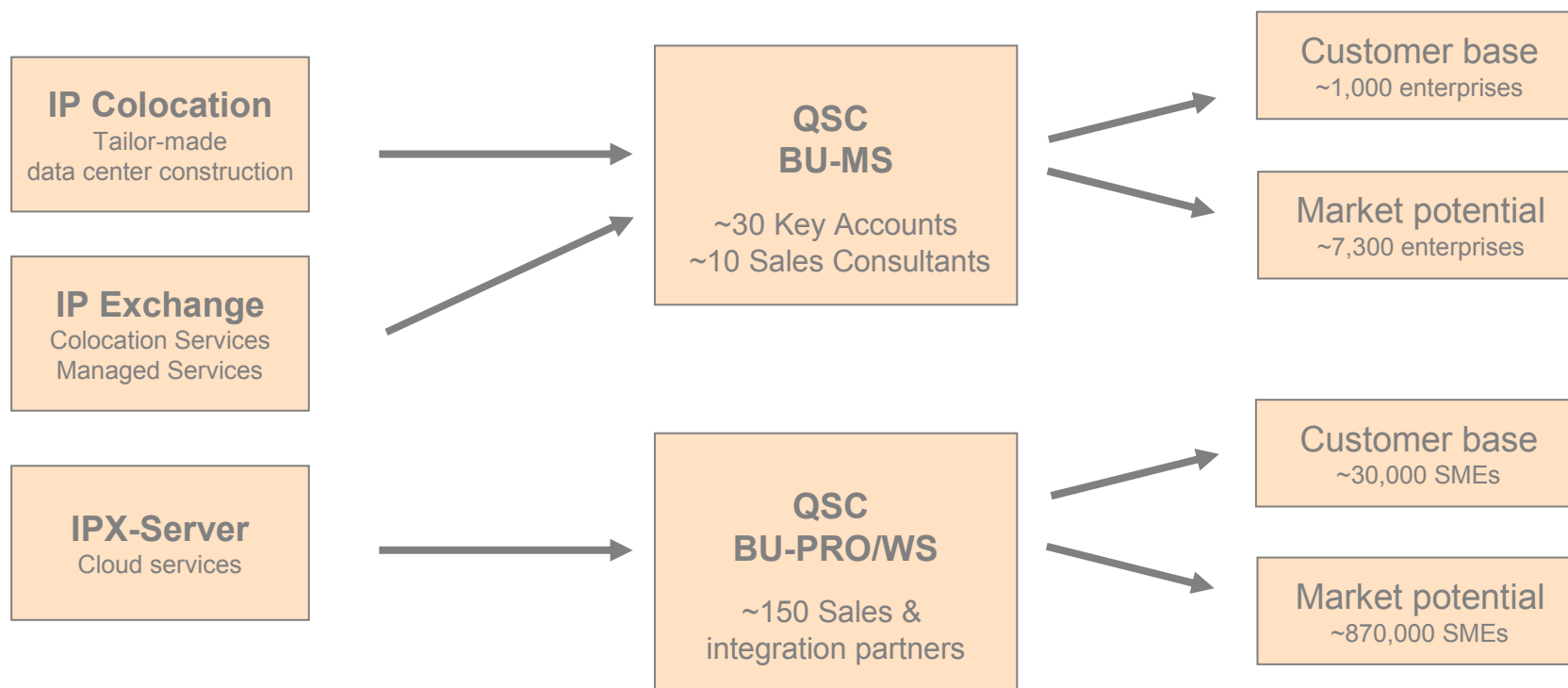
## QSC WILL START TO PAY A DIVIDEND FOR FY 2011

- **Rising Free Cash Flow** and **net liquidity** have paved the way for paying a dividend
- FY 2011 will be the starting point for **regular dividend payments**
- Depending on operative development and the development of capital markets, QSC does **not exclude a share-buyback program** as well

# ONGOING TRANSFORMATION PROCESS

- Split development of QSC's markets
    - (-) Ongoing price pressure in legacy voice
    - (-) Market saturation and price pressure in ADSL2+
    - (-/+ ) Lower mobile termination fees
- versus
- (+) Rising market share of VoIP services & applications
  - (+) Stronger demand for IP-VPN and value-added services
  - (+) Growing interest in ICT services (e.g. Housing, Hosting, Cloud Services)

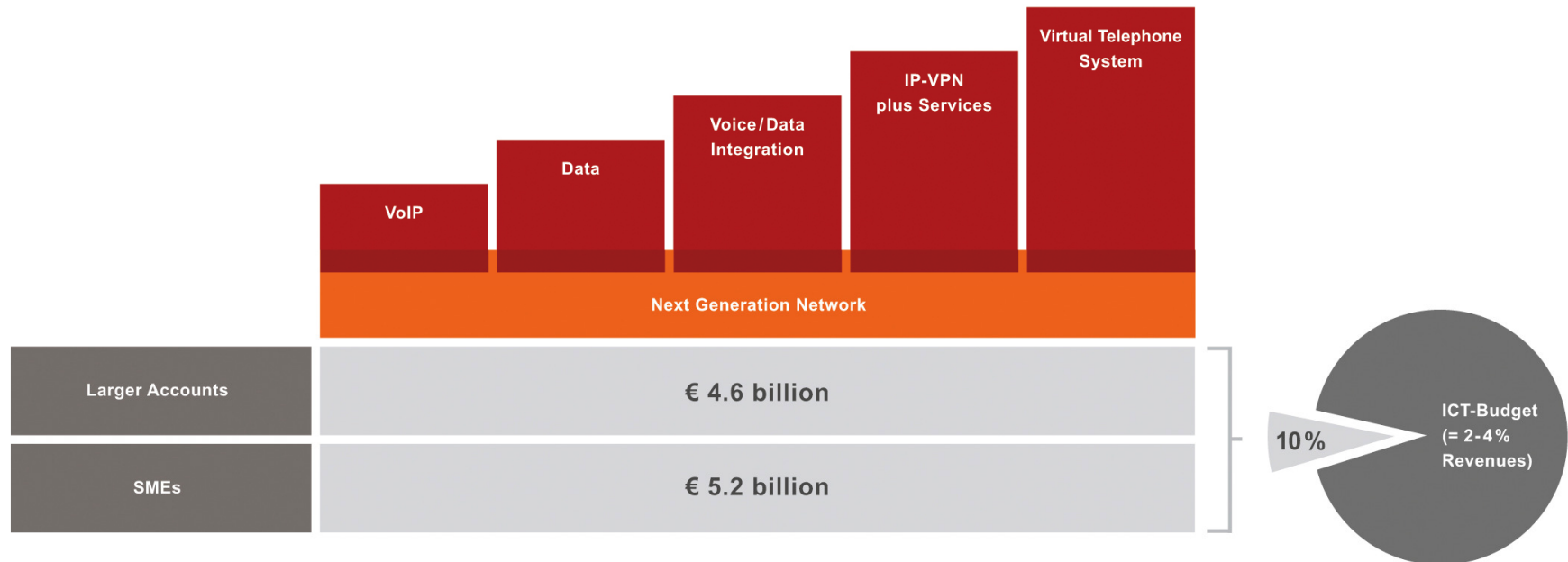
# FOCUS ON HOUSING AND HOSTING – QSC WILL LEVERAGE IP PARTNER



## TWO PLANNED INNOVATIONS IN 2011

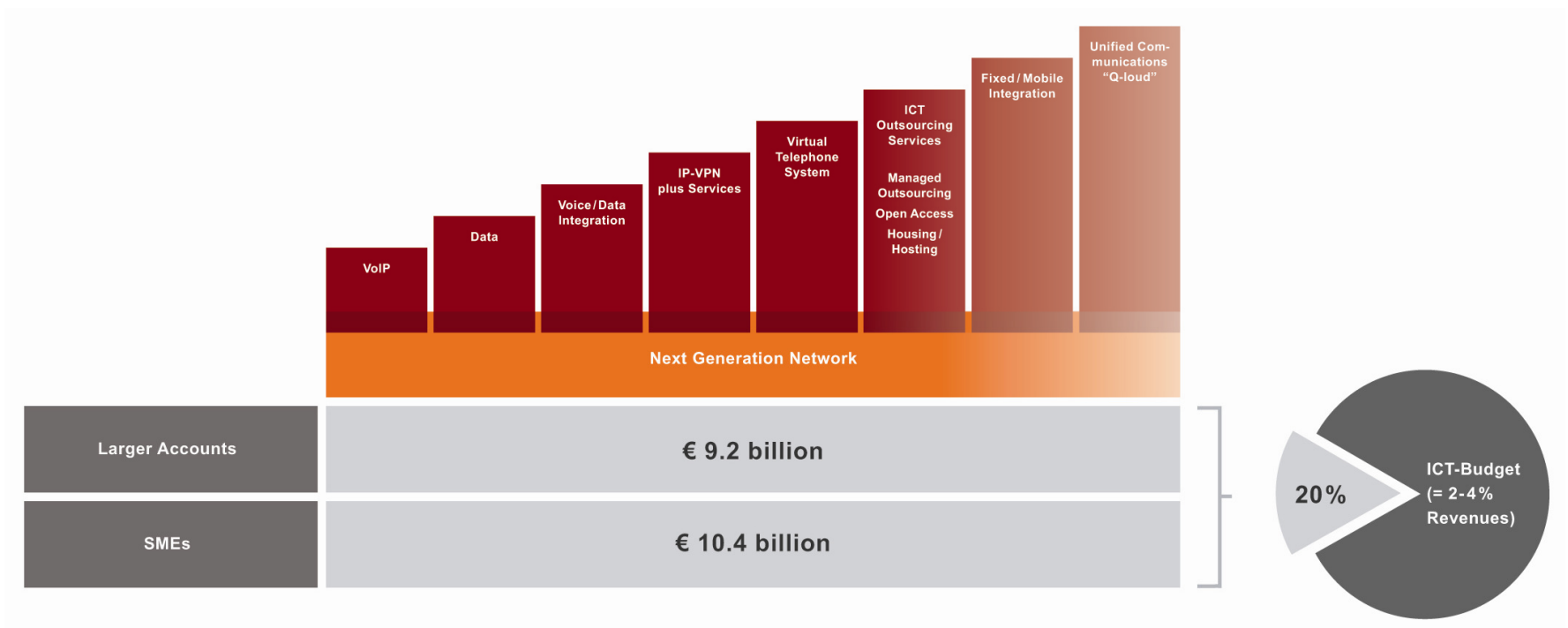
- QSC is focusing on **two planned innovations**
    - **Fixed mobile integration**
    - **Unified communications “Q-loud”**
  - QSC is working on **fixed Mobile Products** for business customers
  - QSC will extend the NGN by launching the **“Q-loud service platform”**  
=> **first application**: unified communications
- ⇒ **QSC’s NGN becomes a “Cloud”**

# TRANSFORMATION PROCESS WILL INCREASE QSC'S MARKET BY...





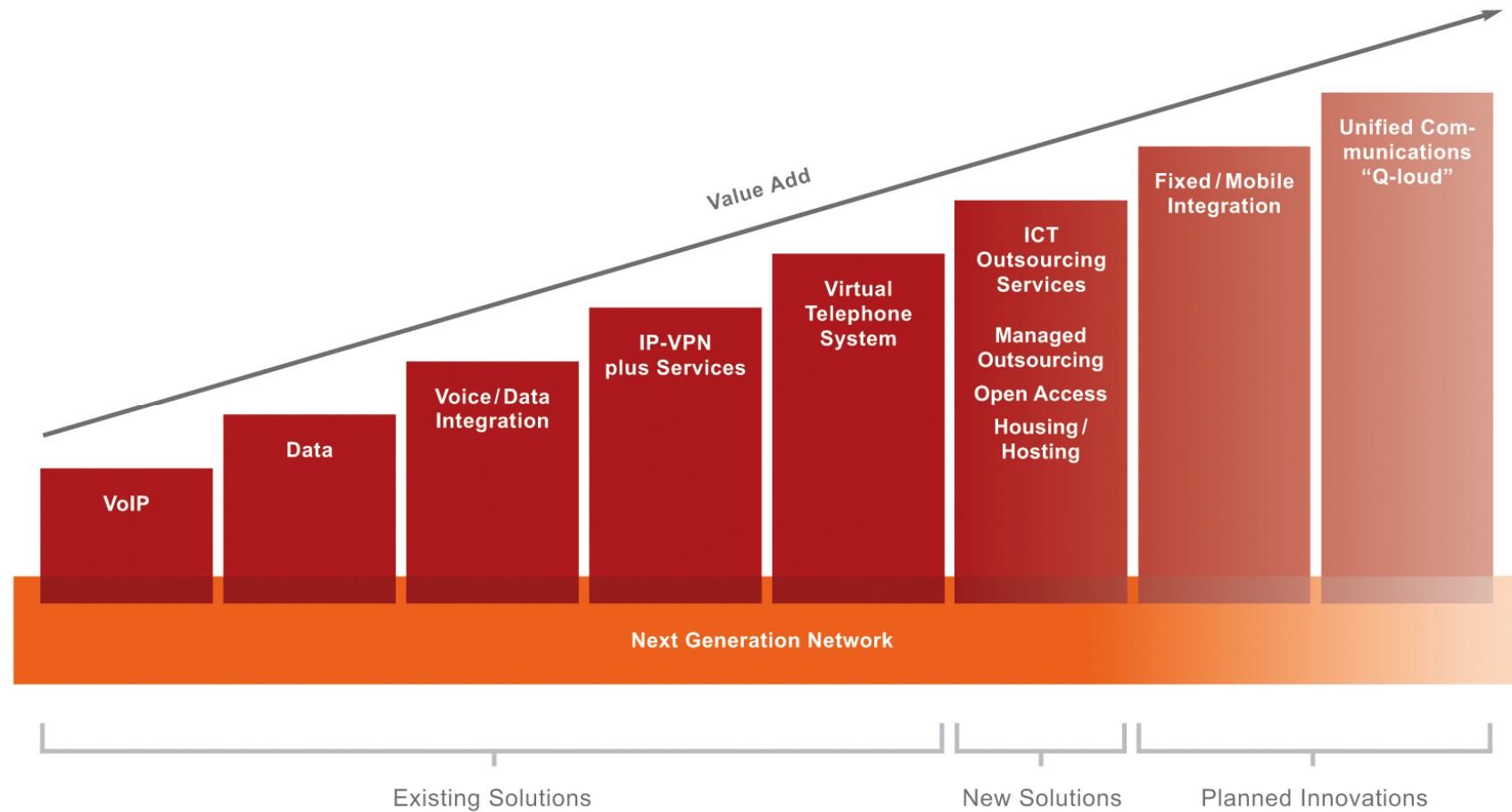
# ... 100% AS QSC WILL OFFER MORE INNOVATIVE ICT SERVICES AND BENEFIT FROM THE "CLOUD"



# ACCELERATION OF TRANSFORMATION PROCESS THROUGH DEDICATED ACQUISITION STRATEGY

- QSC is considering acquiring further ICT players who
  - **Fit into QSC's strategy** and corporate culture
  - **Accelerate transformation** => moving up the value chain in the “Cloud”
  - Are **reasonably priced**
- QSC is in a good position for acquisitions – it has:
  - **One of the healthiest balance sheets** in the European telco industry
  - **Net liquidity of € 28.4 million** as of December 31, 2010
  - **A proven track record of successful integration** of new subsidiaries since IPO

# QSC's TRANSFORMATION WILL CONTINUE IN 2011



# Questions & Answers

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# FINANCIAL CALENDAR

March 24, 2011	10th Annual Telecoms Conference, Société Générale, Paris
March 31, 2011	Publication of Annual Report 2010
May 9, 2011	Publication of Quarterly Report I/2011
May 19, 2011	Annual Shareholders Meeting
May 20, 2011	German & Austrian Corporate Conference, Deutsche Bank, Frankfurt
August 8, 2011	Publication of Quarterly Report II/2011
November 7, 2011	Publication of Quarterly Report III/2011

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