



# Investor presentation

## Fourth quarter 2019

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## Financial Calendar

04.05.2020 (17.45 CET)

Quarterly results 1Q20

13.05.2020

Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders

18.05.2020

Ex-dividend date

20.05.2020

Payment date

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# Highlights 4Q/FY19 Guidance 2020

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# Highlights of 4Q19

4Q19

4Q19 fully in line with our expectations

## Group operating income

€ 1,113.8m

## Group adjusted EBIT

€ 69.2m

6.2% EBIT margin

## Mail & Retail

€ 51.5m

9.6% EBIT margin

- Total operating income at € 536.8m (-2.3%) resulting from domestic mail decrease and deconsolidation of Alvaldis
- Underlying mail volume decline limited to -5.5% supported by favourable phasing effect in transactional and small growth in advertising mail
- Adjusted EBIT impact (-36.8%) from top-line evolution and higher payroll & project costs

## Parcels & Logistics Eurasia

€ 13.9m

5.9% EBIT margin

- Total operating income at € 234.4m. Excluding the net YoY impact of contingent considerations reversals, growth of +8.8% driven by Parcels BeNe (+22.4%)
- Strong organic Parcels BeNe volumes at +24.3% driven by e-commerce growth and DynaLogic
- Adjusted EBIT excluding the elements mentioned above and a goodwill impairment in 4Q18 increased by € 6.6m (+115%) driven by business performance

## Parcels & Logistics N. Am.

€ 10.6m

2.7% EBIT margin

- Total operating income at € 395.3m (+3.8%), supported by FX, confirms positive commercial development, partly offset by 2018 customer churn and repricing impact
- TCV at \$ 385m above FY target
- Adjusted EBIT mainly impacted by costs related to new client launches

# Highlights of FY19

Results in line with guidance

FY19

Topic	Results	Last outlook for 2019	
Group adjusted EBIT	€ 310.8m 8.1% EBIT margin	Adjusted EBIT above € 300m	✓
Mail & Retail	€ 257.4m 12.4% EBIT margin	Adjusted EBIT margin between 11-13%	✓
Parcels & Logistics Eurasia	€ 65.8m 7.9% EBIT margin	Adjusted EBIT margin towards the high end of the 6-8% range	✓
Parcels & Logistics N. Am.	€ -3.0m -0.3% EBIT margin	Adjusted EBIT slightly below break-even	✓
Capex	€ 162.3m	€ 150m - € 185m	✓
Dividend	€ 0.73 gross per share (85% pay-out ratio)	At least 85% of 2019 BGAAP net profit of bpost SA/NV	✓

# Outlook for 2020

Outlook FY20

## Mail & Retail

Total operating income up to -5%

- -9% to -11% underlying Domestic Mail volume decline
- Approved mail pricing impact of +5.1%

8-10% adjusted EBIT margin

## Parcels & Logistics Europe & Asia

Low teens % growth in total operating income

6-8% adjusted EBIT margin

## Parcels & Logistics North America

Mid-single-digit % growth in total operating income

Adjusted EBIT margin positive up to 2%

## Group

Low single-digit % growth in total operating income

Adjusted EBIT between € 240-270m

Gross capex up to € 200m

## Dividend

2020 dividend will depend on the long-term capital allocation policy which is being reviewed by the new CEO and the Board

## Corona

We are monitoring closely the potential impact of the COVID-19 virus on bpost Group. It cannot be excluded that there could be negative impacts on 2020 Group results. We are currently not in a position to make more concrete assessments.

# bpost Group

at a glance



# bpost Group offers a strong investment rationale

at a glance – Group

bpost Group aims at being a responsible company, delivering a sustainable dividend to its shareholders

## What?

We continue to transform the mail and proximity business in the home market to sustain solid cashflows

We develop sustainable activities in the high growth e-commerce logistics & parcels business in our Belgium/Netherlands home market and key geographies in Europe and North America

## How?

Multiple **levers for transformation of the legacy business**: natural attrition, alternating distribution model, stable and predictable regulation, network optimization,...

**Experienced management team** with embedded financial discipline and a strong business transformation track record

**Growth** in e-commerce logistics & parcels: aspired sizeable share of revenues

A **solid balance sheet** with single 'A' credit rating



# We create value for shareholders

Capital allocation and dividend policy are under review

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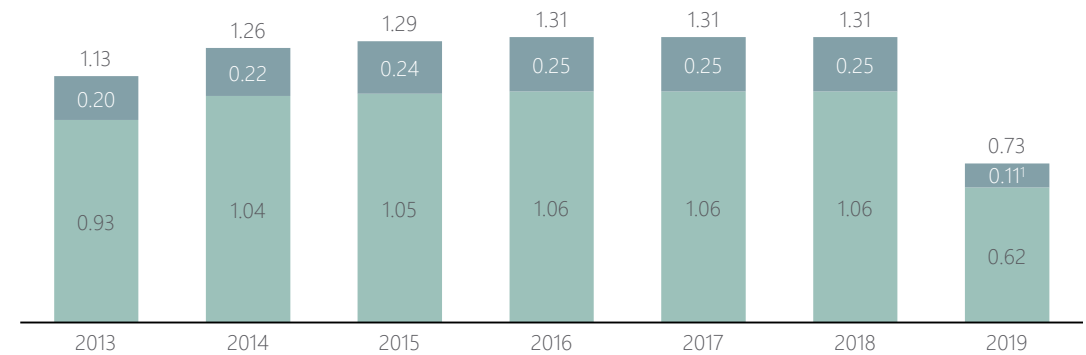
## Dividend Policy

- IPO dividend policy until 2019: Minimum of 85% of BGAAP net profit of the mother company bpost SA/NV (unconsolidated)
- Dividend policy as from 2020: Dividend policy will depend on the capital allocation policy which is being reviewed by the management team and the board

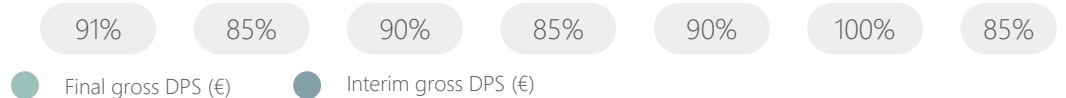
Dividend is constrained by net results of a given year (in BGAAP) + distributable reserves

## Distributable reserves (€ 199m end 2019)

built gradually as from 2013, primarily to neutralize the non-recurring impact of exceptional costs



## Pay-out ratio



<sup>1</sup> Proposed final gross dividend per share to be approved by General Meeting of May 13, 2020

# A diversified mail operator with a footprint in e-commerce logistics

at a glance – Group

€ 3,837.2m<sup>1</sup>  
revenues

€ 310.8m  
8.1%  
EBIT

€ 537.0m  
14.0%  
EBITDA

35,377  
average  
# FTE & interims



	Revenues	% of total
Transactional mail	€ 748m	19%
Advertising mail	€ 236m	6%
Press	€ 344m	9%
Proximity and convenience retail network	€ 465m	12%
Value added services	€ 104m	3%
Parcels Be-Ne	€ 381m	10%
E-commerce logistics	€ 133m	3%
Cross-border	€ 300m	8%
E-commerce logistics	€ 1,018m	26%
International mail	€ 87m	2%

2019 figures (adjusted)

<sup>1</sup> 49.4% Mail & Retail, 21.2% Parcels & Logistics Europe & Asia, 28.6% Parcels & Logistics North America and 0.8% Corporate revenue



# Long-term vision & strategy

at a glance – Group

“Beyond mail, be an efficient global e-commerce logistics player anchored in Belgium”



Mail services to citizens and State remain core and will continue to generate profit with a more adapted distribution model



Drive profitable growth in Parcels BeNe and further develop e-commerce logistics in Europe



Optimize Radial to deliver in the promising North American e-commerce market

# Our experienced management team has responsibilities down to the bottom-line

at a glance – Group



Jean-Paul Van Avermaet  
Group CEO



Luc Cloet  
CEO Mail & Retail



Kathleen Van Beveren  
CEO Parcels & Logistics Europe & Asia



Henri de Romrée  
CEO Parcels & Logistics North America



Mark Michiels  
CHRO



Leen Geirnaerd  
CFO



Dirk Tirez  
CLO



Nico Cools  
CIO

# Sustainability is at the heart of our activities

at a glance – Group

## 3-pillar CSR strategy linked to United Nations



### Selected awards and recognition

- IPC EMMS Scorecard 2019 (sector index): #3
- EcoVadis (clients index): **Gold rating**
- Ethibel Indexes: reconfirmed as a constituent of the Ethibel Sustainability Index (ESI) Excellence Europe since 19/03/2018
- Sustainalytics: **score 17.7%** (low risk)
- MSCI: **Score A**
- Vigeo Eiris: **91%** (sector average: 71%)
- ISS: **Governance Score: 5, Environment Score: 1, Social Score: 3**
- Carbon Disclosure Project: **Score B** (peer average C)

### Ambitious CO<sub>2</sub> reduction targets

- Since 2007 bpost Group has cut its CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by almost 40%
- Target of reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from activities by at least 20% by 2030
- By 2030, at least 50% of vehicles will be fully electric



# Mail & Retail

at a glance

at a glance – M&R

## Sub-segments

Transactional mail

Advertising mail

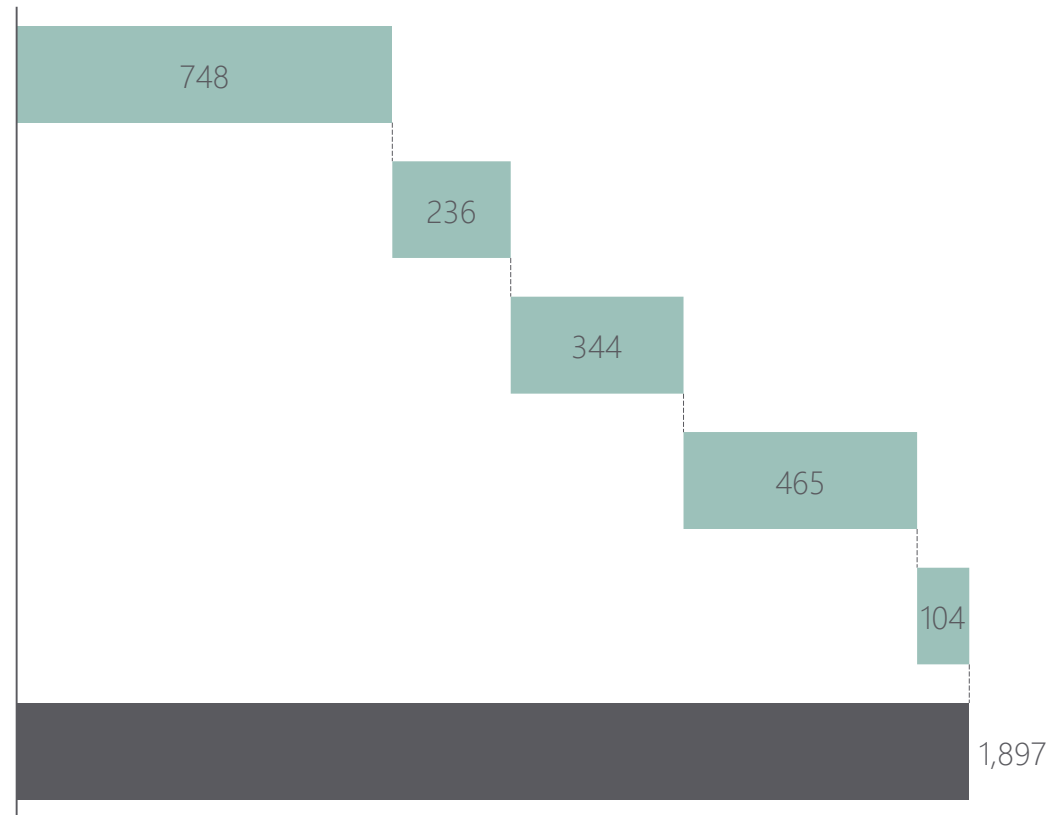
Press

Proximity and convenience retail network

Value added services

Total

## Revenues 2019, €m



## Key facts & figures



~7.1m

letters handled daily



~20.1k

operational FTEs



**Servicing 5m**

letter boxes



5

industrial sorting centers







~2,300

points of presence in Belgium

# Key value drivers for Mail & Retail

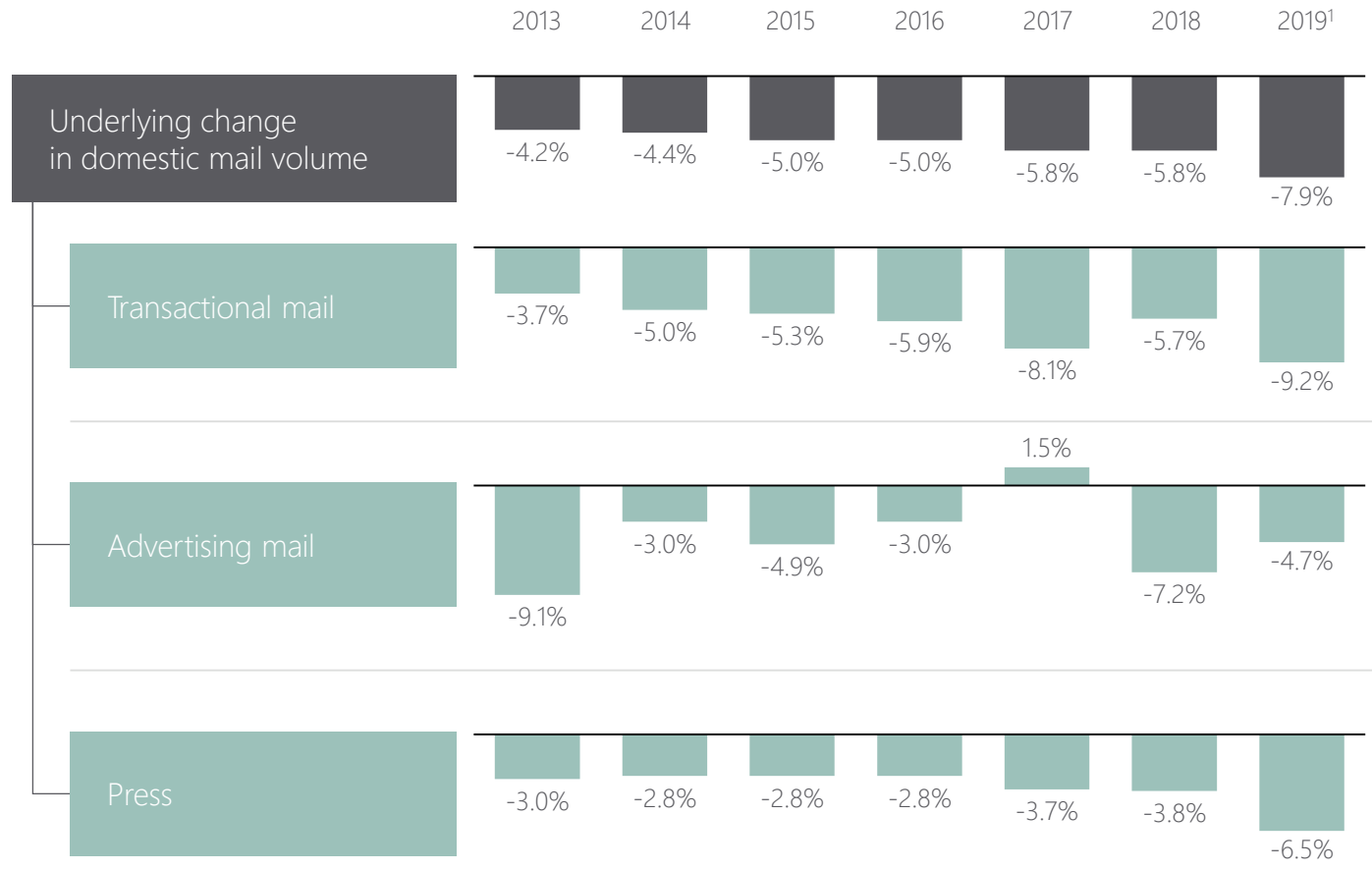
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## Key value drivers

	From	To
 Speed of mail <b>volume decline</b>	-7.9% in 2019	Between 9% - 11% in 2020
 Share of mail volume decline compensated through <b>price increase</b>	18-45% over 2014-2017	>50% <sup>1</sup>
 Renegotiation/retendering of future <b>6<sup>th</sup> Management contract and press concessions</b>	Three contracts until end 2020; compensation contractually set	<b>Extension</b> of press concessions until end 2022 <b>Expected agreement</b> on 7 <sup>th</sup> Management contract
 Evolution of <b>operating model</b> (mail collect and distribution)	Fixed D+1 based model (everywhere, everyday)	<b>Flexible,</b> <b>differentiated offering</b> (prior vs. non-prior.)

<sup>1</sup> 58% in 2019

# Domestic mail volume decline expected to accelerate from -7.9% in 2019 up to ~-9% to -11% in 2020



## Key drivers

- E-substitution at large corporates and SMEs
- Intensifying competition in advertising media
- Shift to digital for newspapers & magazines
- Service level elasticity from the implementation of the Alternating Distribution Model

<sup>1</sup> As of start FY19 Transactional Mail excludes outbound and Press includes Ubiway press distribution



## Designated provider of the Universal Service Obligation until end 2023<sup>1</sup>

- Collection, sorting, transport and distribution of postal items up to 2kg and single piece postal packages up to 10kg
- Collect and deliver **5x per week**
- Cover **full territory** of Belgium for collection and delivery of items belonging to universal service
- Apply **uniform tariffs** and an identical service across the territory

## 4 key contracts with the Belgian State

- **Management contract for the provision of the USO** (2019-2023)
- **6<sup>th</sup> Management Contract** (2016-2020): for the provision of certain SGEIs, i.e. maintenance of retail network, cash at counter, cash payment of pensions at home
- **2 press concessions** (2016-2020 extended for 2 years until end 2022): (1) for distribution of periodicals and (2) for distribution of newspapers

## Postal law of 10 February 2018 provides stable & predictable mail pricing framework

- **Single piece mail** & USO parcels falling within "small user basket" are subject to a price cap
  - Price cap<sup>2</sup> = inflation - (volume evolution + cost reduction factor x efficiency gains sharing factor)
- Volume and operational **discounts allowed** for **other USO** products (bulk)
- **Price increases** done in practice on a **yearly** basis: **+4.4% on average in 2019** on all domestic mail items; **+5.1% on average for 2020**

<sup>1</sup> Refer to slide 65 for more details

<sup>2</sup> Exact formula: Price cap = health index April n-1/health index April n-2 \* (1 - [expected volume decline/(expected volume decline +1)] - 2.8%\*33%) - 1

# New Postal Law (Effective as of February 10, 2018)

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provides stable and predictable regulatory framework to increase prices in context of accelerating mail volume decline

## Drivers of the price cap formula

	Inflation	Volume decline	Efficiency gains
Description	Compensation for inflation	Compensation for mail volume decline	Mechanism to share 1/3 of the efficiency gains target with consumers
Correlation to price cap	Higher inflation results in larger allowed price increase	Larger mail volume decline results in larger allowed price increase	Constant and fixed by law
Calculation logic	Ratio of the health index as measured in April of the years n-1 and n-2	$[V/(V+1)]$ with V as the expected negative volume trend on the Small User Basket	Fixed by the law at 0.9% (i.e., 1/3 of 2.8% efficiency gains target)

Illustrative example assuming 2% inflation and -6% average volume decline:

$$\text{Price cap}^1: 7.6\% = 102\% \times [ 106.4\% - 0.9\% ]$$

<sup>1</sup> Detailed formula: Price cap = (1 + inflation) \* (1 - [V/(V+1)] - 0.9%) - 1, giving for the above example the following calculation (1+2%) \* (1 - [-6%/(-6%+1)] - 0.9%) - 1 = 7.6%

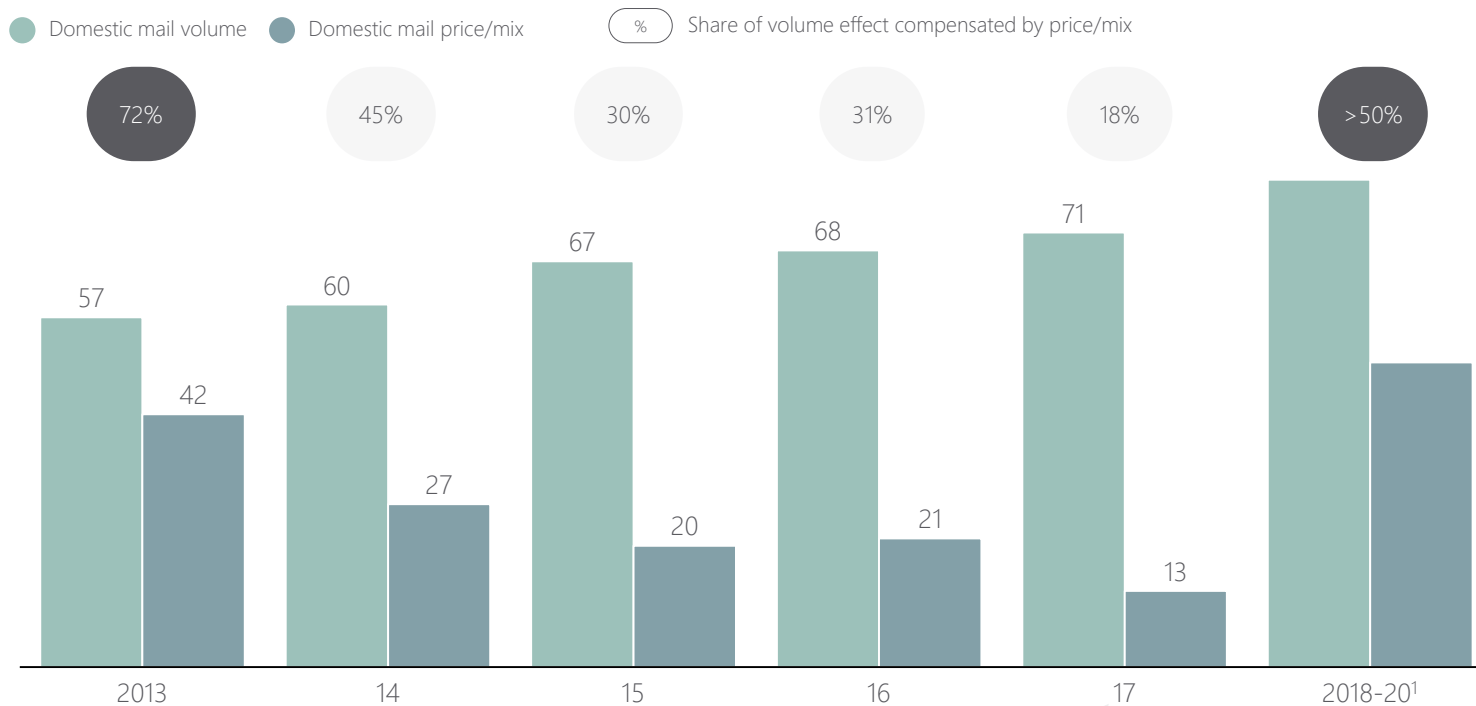




# Price increase and mix effects expected to compensate >50% of mail volume decline

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## Volume and price/mix impact on revenue €m



Price increase on small user basket rejected by regulator

Building on the New Postal Law for price regulated products

<sup>1</sup> 2018 was at 70%, 2019 was 58%

### Key drivers

- Accelerating domestic mail volume decline
- New price cap mechanism of Postal Law defining max price increase for small user basket, and serving as guideline for price increase on non-price capped products
- Price increase partly offset by shift to less expensive mail products

# Management has developed an extended set of cost control options

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## Operating model

- Evolve towards a differentiated offering and Alternating Distribution Model
- Take measures to address absenteeism

## Industrial Mail Centers

- Optimize mail sorting centers footprint
- Pursue continuous improvement

## Collect & Transport

- Align number of red boxes to mail volume decline
- Stop collect on Saturday and increase flexibility of pick-up, delivery and dispatch timing constraints
- Transport optimization (fill-in rate and routes)

## Distribution

- Introduce new generation of Georoute and time potential management
- Simplify process for selected transactions
- Enhance customer experience and productivity through digital (e.g., consumer preferences)

## FTE Unit cost

- Further optimize FTE mix

# A differentiated offering enables a new distribution model to accommodate changing customer needs

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## Differentiated offering

as of January 1<sup>st</sup> 2019

**D+1**

Available to consumers who need D+1 delivery

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**Within D+3**

Service level agreement (SLA) "within 3 days"



## Alternating Distribution Model

as of mid-March 2020

**Mail**

Adjusted "day certain" distribution frequency: in a given street, mail will be distributed on selective days of the week

D+1 delivery will remain available as a separate product ("Prior")

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**Parcels**

D+1 offering

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**Newspapers**

Same day delivery

No change



## Optimizing drop density

Share of houses receiving mail on any given day, %

Model until March 16<sup>th</sup> 2020:  
everywhere, everyday

Year	Share of houses (%)
2004	~70
2018	~55
2022	<50

ADM:  
D+3 combined with D+1

Year	Share of houses (%)
2022	~70

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## Acceptance for D+3-4<sup>1</sup>

Category	Acceptance (%)
Individuals	94%
Professionals	~92%

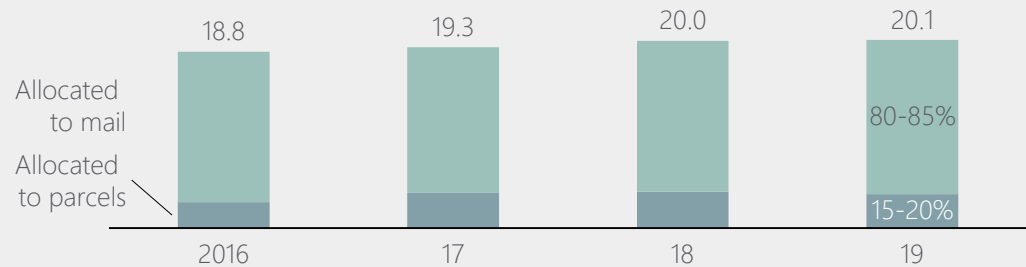
<sup>1</sup> Based on a bpost SA/NV study with 1,000 households & 500 businesses (< 200FTE) interviewed in February 2015

# Labor cost will benefit from decrease of mail related FTEs and optimized employee mix

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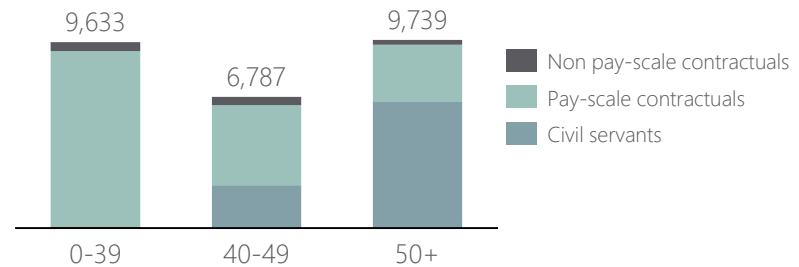
## Operational FTE evolution<sup>1</sup>

Average FTEs and interims, '000



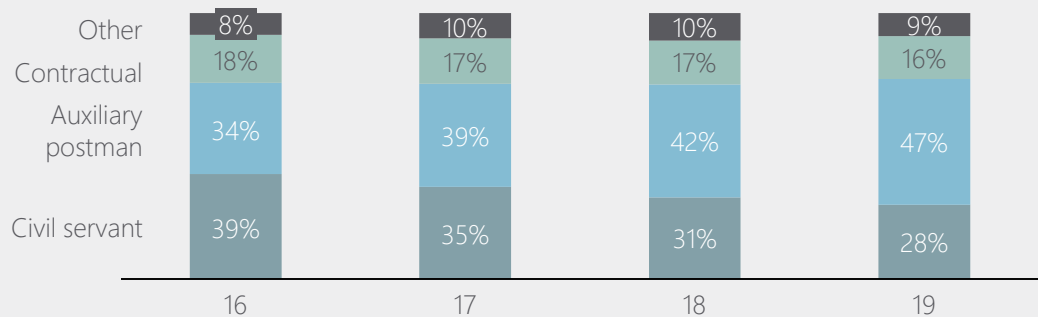
## Age pyramid

Headcount bpost SA/NV per age, 31/12/19



Natural attrition  
Average natural attrition is expected to range from 1,200 to 1,300 FTEs/year

## Operational FTE mix evolution<sup>1</sup>



## Average cost per contract type<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup> bpost SA/NV scope, excluding retail network



# Parcels & Logistics

Europe and Asia at a glance

at a glance – PaLo Eurasia

## Sub-segments

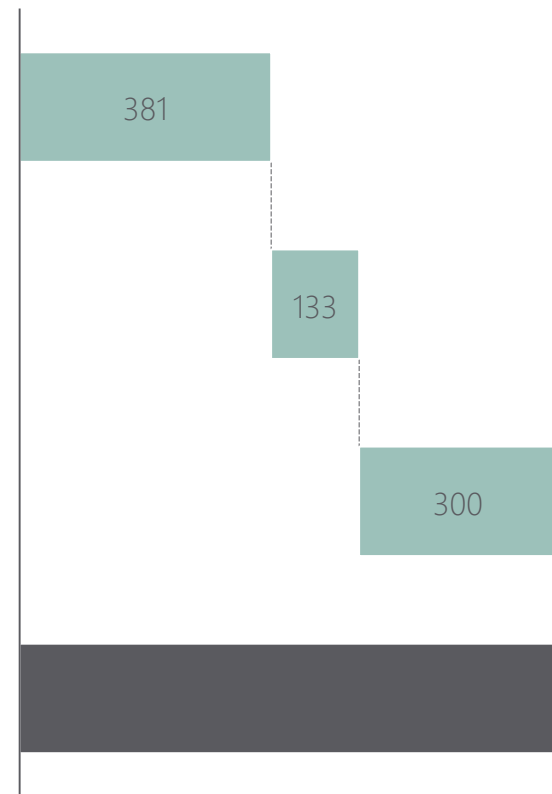
Parcels BeNe (last-mile)

e-Commerce logistics

Cross-border international mail & parcels

Total

## Revenues 2019 (€m)



- Last-mile B2C delivery in the Benelux
- Total of ~74m parcels in 2019
- Mostly fulfilment & transport activities in Europe spread over 11 locations
- Activities include Radial EU, Active Ants and DynaFix
- Majority of cross-border volume is inbound mail and parcels from Europe and Asia

## Key facts & figures

 **Peak days** of up to 480k parcels in December

## Fulfilment footprint



covers 11 locations across 6 countries in Europe

## 3 main cross-border activity centers



i.e. Brussels brucargo, Heathrow UK and Hong Kong



# Key value drivers for Parcels & Logistics Europe & Asia

at a glance – PaLo Eurasia

Sub-segments	Key value drivers	From	To
Parcels BeNe (last-mile)	<p>Ability to <b>capture profitable growth</b> in a competitive environment</p> <p><b>BeNe-wide offering</b> addressing customer requirements</p> <p><b>Optimized last-mile operations</b> based on parcels characteristics and in line with delivery requirements</p>	<p>Volume growth rate of 20-30% with price/mix effect up to -6% over 2016-2018</p> <p>Focus on Belgium (sales force, contracts, DHL partnership)</p> <p>Parcel hubs where enough density</p>	<p>Double-digit volume growth rate, address price/mix</p> <p>BeNe-wide approach</p> <p>Flexible parcels distribution footprint in close collaboration with Mail &amp; Retail</p>
e-Commerce logistics	<p>Ability to organically <b>capture market growth</b> of ~10% p.a. (vs. in-sourcing, pan-European players)</p>	<p>e-Commerce logistics in PL, NL &amp; BE and DynaFix</p>	<p>Increase scale &amp; skills by leveraging capabilities of Radial US and Active Ants</p>
Cross-border	<p><b>Develop international cross-border parcels</b>, also across continents</p> <p>Ability to <b>maintain international mail</b> volume</p>	<p>Natural business evolution</p>	<p>Developing international parcel flows driven by growing e-commerce activity</p>

# Four strategic initiatives for Parcels BeNe

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## Focus on 4 strategic initiatives

### Integrated BeNe offering

- Dedicated, specialized sales force
- Integrated commercial offers
- Partnership with DHL Parcels

### Differentiate pricing policy

- Strategic pricing initiatives

### Attract key foreign e-commerce players

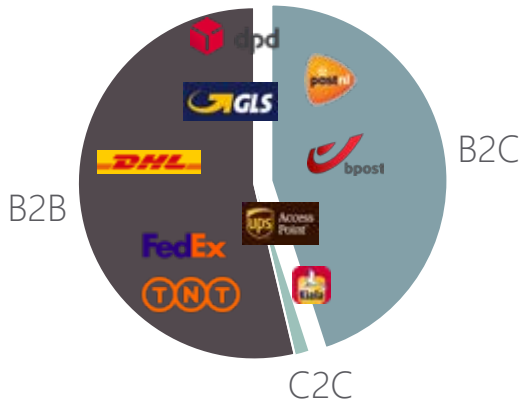
- Partnerships with e-commerce players
- E2E service offering (“gateway to Europe”)

### Convenience & Cost leadership

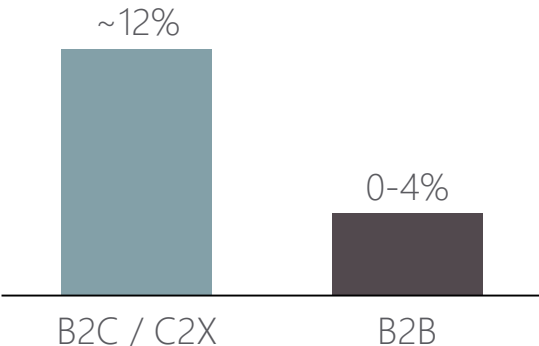
- Increased convenience through improved receiver journey and additional pick-up drop-off lockers (KPI: Net Promoter Score)
- Flexible distribution footprint in close collaboration with Mail & Retail
- Increase sorting capacity
- Fulfilment infrastructure
- Transport optimization
- Digital excellence

# We have an established position in the Belgian B2C/C2C parcels market

2019e parcel market<sup>1</sup>: 100% = € 1.6bn



CAGR 2018-20e<sup>1</sup>, %



<sup>1</sup> Source: Effigy

## Unique selling proposition

Offer **best last-mile** and **broadest delivery options**, supported by acquisitions and partnerships:

- Home delivery 7/7 & evening delivery, including high-end deliveries (2-man)
- ~2,300 pick-up & drop-off points
- ~240 parcel lockers in Belgium
- Click & Collect
- Non-exclusive partnerships with DPDHL for B2C parcel delivery into Belgium (from Germany/France & Benelux)



# Partnership with DHL Parcels NL allows to cover the full BeNe region and to capture important cross-border flows

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Launched in June 2018



## Purchasing behavior

- NL is the most important import country to BE (~20% of import flows)
- BE consumers mainly buy from NL players such as Bol.com and Coolblue

## Large NL-based e-commerce players

- Looking for a BeNe wide offering with regards to last-mile
- Benchmarking prices on a BeNe level

## Competitive offering

- Very competitive & dynamic region with many large players such as PostNL, DHL, DPD, FedEx

# The parcels operating model will be continuously optimized

at a glance – PaLo Eurasia

Optimize distribution cost using drop density of mail rounds



- Maximize parcels in mail rounds
- Cost advantage due to higher drop density leading to lower unit costs

Evolve towards dedicated parcel infrastructure to match customer requirements



- Nationwide Parcel distribution footprint to accommodate distribution of parcels that are not in mail rounds
- Benefits for customer proximity and special services e.g. late-in services, “large scale” evening distribution or same day distribution

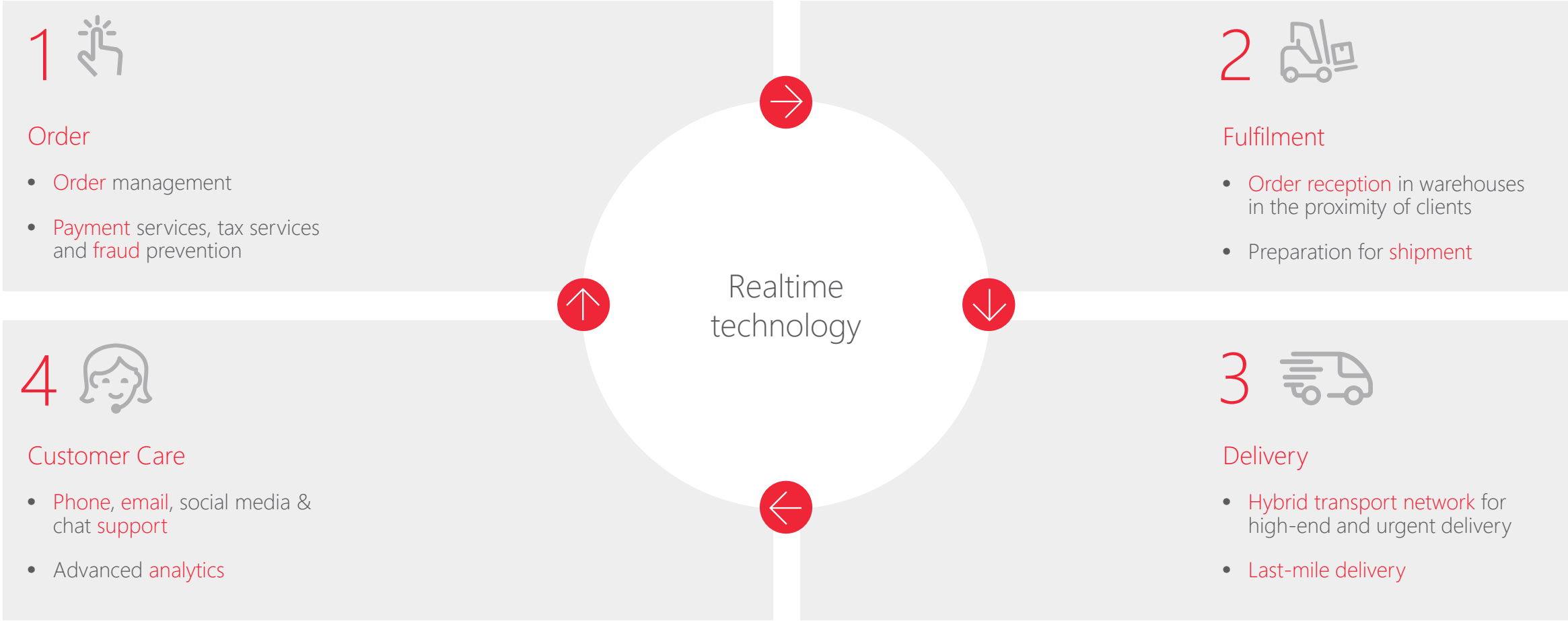
Increase sorting capacity



- Increase sorting capacity in the existing centers of Brussels, Ghent & Antwerp to cope with increasing volume (optimizing sorting footprint mail & parcels)
- Use technology (e.g. address recognition)

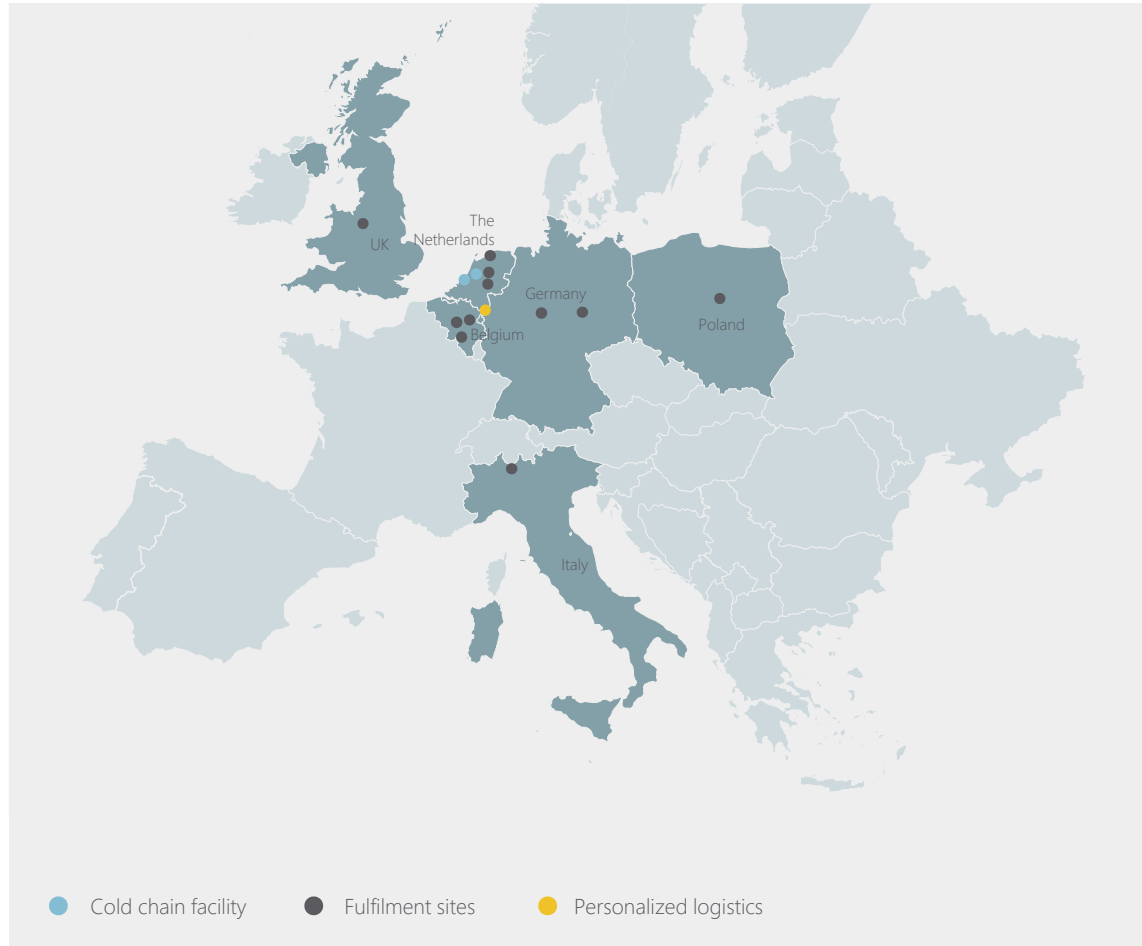
# Supported by acquisitions, bpost Group has initial assets along the entire value chain of e-commerce logistics

at a glance – PaLo Eurasia



# e-Commerce Logistics activities in Europe can be developed thanks to an already strong European footprint

at a glance – PaLo Eurasia



11  
fulfilment centers /  
facilities<sup>1</sup>

~1,100  
Employees

6  
Countries

~€ 133m  
2019 revenue

# e-Commerce Logistics in Europe has 2 complementary engines of growth i.e. Radial Europe and Active Ants

at a glance – PaLo Eurasia



Type of clients

E-tailers & click-and-mortar (omnichannel)

Pure e-tailers

Size of clients

Medium/large

Small/medium

Level of automation

Lower, depends on client

High (AutoStore + automated packaging)

Level of Customization

High, product and price tailored by client

Very low

Current locations

UK, Germany, Belgium, The Netherlands, Italy and Poland

The Netherlands

Leveraging knowledge and experience from Radial US

Leveraging NL success story in other European countries

<sup>1</sup> Including Landmark Global and Belgium fulfilment



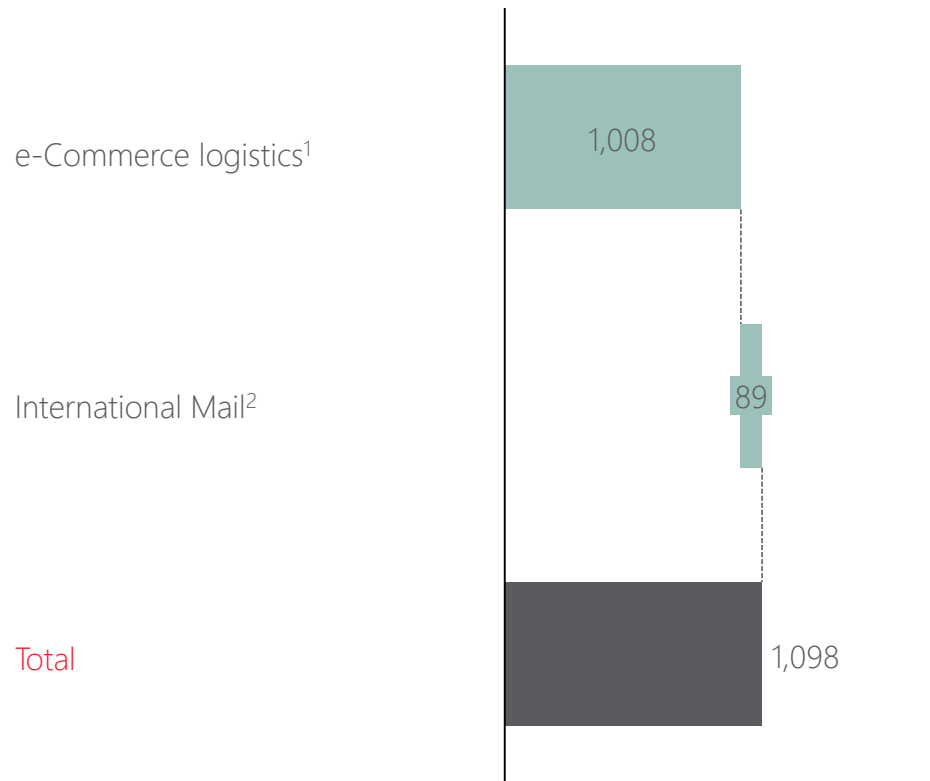
# Parcels & Logistics

North America at a glance

at a glance – PaLo N. Am.

## Sub-segments

Revenues 2019, €m



US e-commerce logistics provider fulfilling 72m parcels p.a. with proven client base, IT infrastructure and capabilities along the E2E value chain

International mail solutions and catalogue fulfilment through US companies



Capabilities to support mid-sized e-tailers to expand cross-border and last-mile distribution in Canada and Australia

## Objective

- Growth engine for bpost Group, to be a leading e-commerce logistics player in US
- Grow with cross-border commerce
- International mail providers delivering profit through infrastructure optimization

<sup>1</sup> Radial North America, Landmark Global, Apple Express and FDM

<sup>2</sup> MSI, Imex, Mail Inc. = The Mail Group



# Acquisition of US-based Radial on 16 November 2017

at a glance – PaLo N. Am.

## Acquisition rationale

### Our growth

- Integrated e-commerce logistics provides access to a **larger and more attractive profit pool**
- Radial as **growth engine** and **key profit contributor**

### Presence in the US and Europe

- Strengthen **US position** building on presence with **Landmark Global**
- Scale bpost Group's e-commerce logistics capabilities in the Benelux and Europe

### Strong growth of e-commerce

- e-commerce is **growing** rapidly with US being an attractive and advanced space (+15% p.a. growth of online retail over 2004-2022e)
- Transatlantic e-commerce is **growing** at >25% p.a. with 20% of European parcels coming from the US

### Knowledge and experience

- **Knowledge** and **experience** of the e-commerce logistics chain increase exponentially with the acquisition of an experienced player

## Key acquisition data Radial Global

- Enterprise Value: \$ 820m
- Sales 2017: \$ 1,082m
- EBITDA 2017: \$ 57m (5.3% margin)
- 100% acquisition of the shares
- Financed through a € 650m 8-year bond issue carrying a coupon of 1.25% (issued 4 July 2018)

## Key indicators for Radial North America

- TCV of new business went from \$ 217m in 2018 to \$ 385m in 2019
- ~7,100 average # of FTEs & interims (2019)
- 24 fulfilment centers (mainly US)

# Radial North America offers multiple services across the entire e-commerce logistics value chain

at a glance – PaLo N. Am.

	Revenues share %	Radial North America assets	Description and key strengths
Technology	17%	Fraud Zero software	<p>Processing global payments, maximizing successful authorization and reconciling tax districts and global duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>98.3% approval rate vs. 97.1% industry average</li> <li>1.6% manual review rate vs. 25% industry average</li> </ul>
		8,700 Stores with fulfilment 12,500 Dropship suppliers	<p>Optimizing efficiency of order management, ship-from-store and in-store pick-up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ability to handle complex orders</li> <li>&lt; 12 weeks to deployment vs. competition 4-6 months</li> <li>Scalability of technology</li> </ul>
Operations	74%	24 fulfilment sites in North America	<p>Adapting warehouse management and parcels preparation to e-commerce with pragmatic automation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>80%+ orders shipped day 0</li> <li>~100% US coverage</li> <li>Experience of scaling employees / workforce up to ~20k peak capacity</li> </ul>
		100% Asset light	<p>Managing a large network of carriers for a seamless customer experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rates 5-15% cheaper than in-sourcing for mid-sized players</li> <li>Clients reached in 2.4 days on average</li> </ul>
		3,400+ Seats across 4 sites	<p>Having a single view of customer's history and profile combined with leading self-service tech</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advanced data analytics</li> </ul>



# Radial North America market dynamics and competitive landscape

at a glance – PaLo N. Am.

## Online revenue e-tailers, US

\$ 680bn<sup>1</sup> expected US online retail revenue in 2020

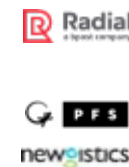


## Addressable e-commerce logistics sector

~\$ 680bn total US online Retail e-commerce	Radial's target audience e-commerce revenue \$ 225-230bn	\$ 45-57bn addressable e-commerce logistics
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## Independent e-commerce logistics providers

Omnichannel & PT&F



Fulfilment



Freight



Customer Care



<sup>1</sup> Source: Forrester Data, Online Retail Forecast, 2020



# Positive commercial development at Radial and financial results in line with expectations

at a glance – PaLo N. Am.

## Commercially heading in the right direction

- We continue to reap benefits from our customer-focused approach, strong new signings in 2019, along with continued improvement in NPS. Strong 2019 peak with a double-digit increase in shipped parcels vs. 2018.
- Starting in 2Q18 and continuing in FY19, we are seeing a positive contract renewal cycle for existing clients.
- New contracts signed had a TCV of \$ 385m for FY19, which was above target and above the previous 3 years (\$ 150m in 2016 and 2017, \$ 217m in 2018).

## Results in line with expectations

- Good end of year 2019 peak management, with productivity gains partly offset by higher costs related to maintaining a sufficient labor pool within a tight US labor market.

## FY18 & FY19 results impacted, as expected, by:

- Churn (mostly in Fulfilment & Transport) and repricing, with revenue growth from new and existing customers not compensating revenue loss from clients terminating with Radial.
- Webstore business phase-out complete, impacting FY18 EBITDA by \$ -21.2m and FY19 EBITDA by \$ -2.6m. Final client exits tailing off in 3Q19.

# 4Q19 Results

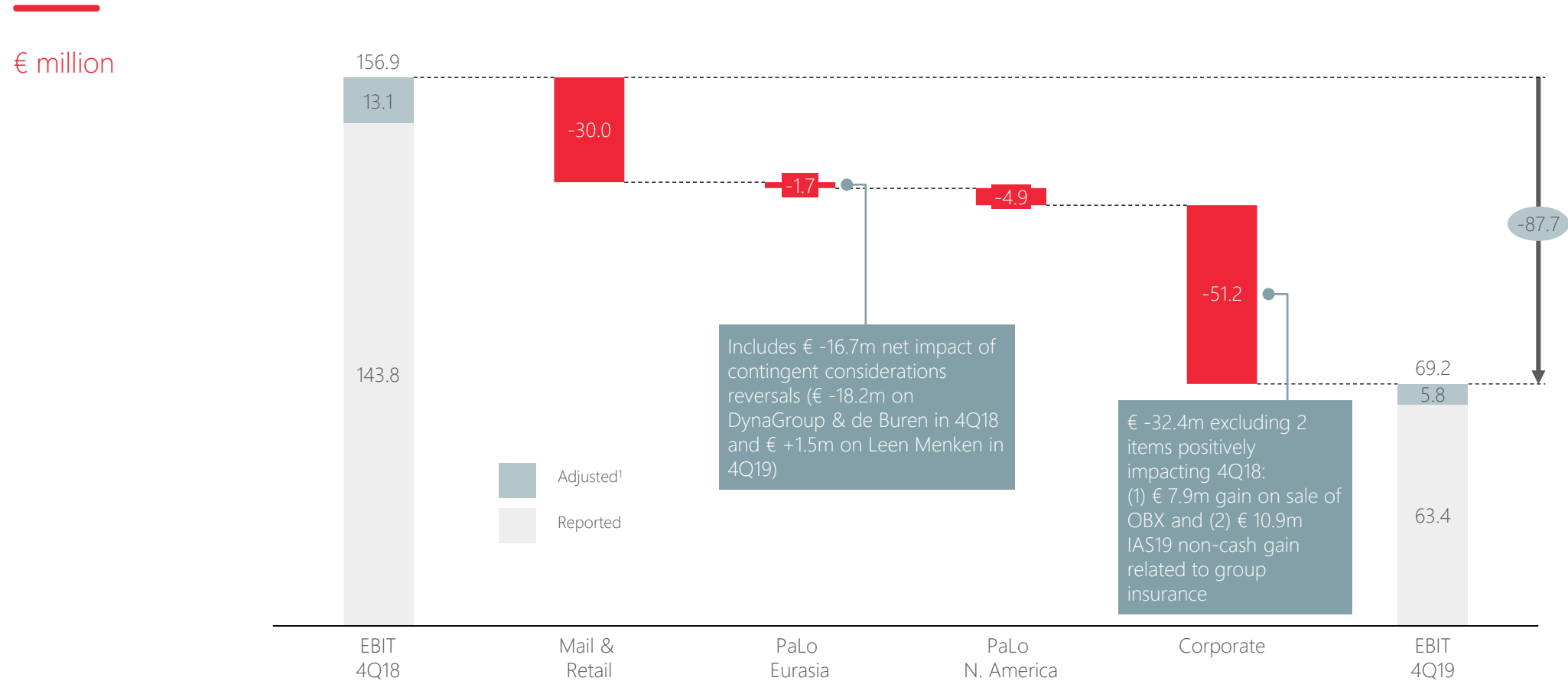
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# 4Q19 EBIT driven by strong PaLo Eurasia performance

4Q19

offset by 4Q18 positive elements, mail volume decline and higher opex



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# Key financials 4Q19

4Q19

€ million	Reported		Adjusted <sup>1</sup>		% ↑	4Q19 IFRS16
	4Q18	4Q19	4Q18	4Q19		
Total operating income	1,131.6	1,113.8	1,131.6	1,113.8	-1.6%	
Operating expenses	925.2	987.4	925.2	987.4	6.7%	+28.1
EBITDA	206.4	126.3	206.4	126.3	-38.8%	+28.1
Depreciation & Amortization	62.6	62.9	49.5	57.1		-27.6
EBIT	143.8	63.4 <sup>1</sup>	156.9	69.2 <sup>1</sup>	-55.9%	+0.5
Margin (%)	12.7%	5.7%	13.9%	6.2%		
Financial result	-8.1	-26.7	-8.1	-26.7		-2.6
Profit before tax	140.5	43.0	153.6	48.8	-68.2%	
Income tax expense	35.9	15.2 <sup>1</sup>	38.2	16.5 <sup>1</sup>		
Net profit	104.6	27.8	115.4	32.4	-71.9%	
FCF	221.8	127.2 <sup>2</sup>	186.0	83.8 <sup>2</sup>	-54.9%	+25.5
bpost S.A./N.V. net profit (BGAAP)	78.1	54.4	78.1	54.4	-30.4%	
Net Debt at 31 December	344.8	779.9	344.8	779.9		+432.3
Capex	48.5	73.2	48.5	73.2	50.9%	
Average # FTEs and interims	39,496	38,730	39,496	38,730		

<sup>1</sup> Amortization of intangibles recognized during PPA is adjusted, leading to increase in EBIT (€ 5.8m) and income tax expense (€ +0.7m)

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<sup>1</sup> Unaudited figures



# Results by segment 4Q19

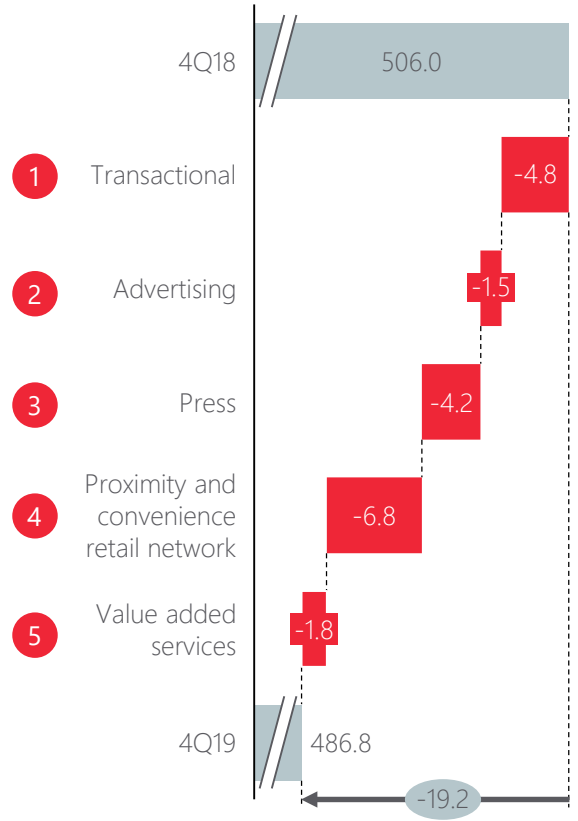
4Q19

€ million

	M&R	PaLo Eurasia	PaLo N. Am.	Corp	Eliminations	Group
External operating income	486.8	229.9	392.5	4.6	0.0	1,113.8
Intersegment operating income	50.0	4.5	2.8	105.7	-163.0	0.0
<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>536.8</b>	<b>234.4</b>	<b>395.3</b>	<b>110.3</b>	<b>(163.0)</b>	<b>1,113.8</b>
Operating expenses	466.4	215.9	369.9	98.3	-163.0	987.4
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>70.4</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>25.4</b>	<b>12.0</b>		<b>126.3</b>
Depreciation & Amortization	20.7	5.4	18.1	18.8		62.9
<b>Reported EBIT</b>	<b>49.7</b>	<b>13.2</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>-6.8</b>		<b>63.4</b>
Margin (%)	9.3%	5.6%	1.9%	-6.2%		5.7%
<b>Adjusted EBIT</b>	<b>51.5</b>	<b>13.9</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>-6.8</b>		<b>69.2</b>
Margin (%)	9.6%	5.9%	2.7%	-6.2%		6.2%

# Mail volume decline and deconsolidation of Alvaldis drove top line decrease

M&R external operating income, € million



### Domestic Mail

Operating income decline at € -10.6m i.e.

- € -1.1m working day impact (1 day less in 4Q19 vs. 4Q18)
- € -3.1m elections held in 4Q18
- € -17.0m volume (-5.5% underlying volume decline)
- € +10.6m price/mix

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### Transactional

-7.2% underlying volume decline supported by phasing of 2020 administrative mailings towards December 2019 ahead of the 2020 price increases.

No change in structural trends: continued e-substitution by big senders and SMEs, higher acceptance of e-documents at the receivers' side and digitization of C2B communication through smartphone apps.

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### Proximity and convenience retail network

Revenue growth of € +3.5m excluding deconsolidation effect of Alvaldis since September 2019 (€ -10.3m impact on 4Q19) driven by Ubiway and bpost retail.

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### Advertising

+0.5% underlying volume decline (excluding elections).

First visible effects of marketing & sales project aimed at re-boosting advertising mail.

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### Press

-6.5% underlying volume decline driven by e-substitution and rationalization.

3

### Value added services

Higher revenues from fines management offset by lower revenue from document management and phasing out of e-ID activities.

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# M&R EBIT impacted by top-line evolution and higher payroll & project costs

€ million

Mail & Retail	4Q18	4Q19	% ↑
External operating income	506.0	486.8	-3.8%
Transactional	201.1	196.3	-2.4%
Advertising	65.6	64.1	-2.3%
Press	92.9	88.6	-4.6%
Proximity and convenience retail network	118.9	112.1	-5.7%
Value added services	27.4	25.6	-6.7%
Intersegment operating income	43.5	50.0	15.0%
<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>549.5</b>	<b>536.8</b>	<b>-2.3%</b>
Operating expenses	448.2	466.4	
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>101.3</b>	<b>70.4</b>	
Depreciation & Amortization	21.5	20.7	
<b>Reported EBIT</b>	<b>79.9</b>	<b>49.7</b>	<b>-37.8%</b>
Margin (%)	14.5%	9.3%	
<b>Adjusted EBIT</b>	<b>81.5</b>	<b>51.5</b>	<b>-36.8%</b>
Margin (%)	14.8%	9.6%	
<b>Average # FTEs and interims</b>	<b>22,551</b>	<b>22,753</b>	

## Additional KPIs<sup>1</sup>

Underlying Mail volume decline	-5.5%
Transactional	-7.2%
Advertising	0.5%
Press (incl. Ubiway)	-6.5%

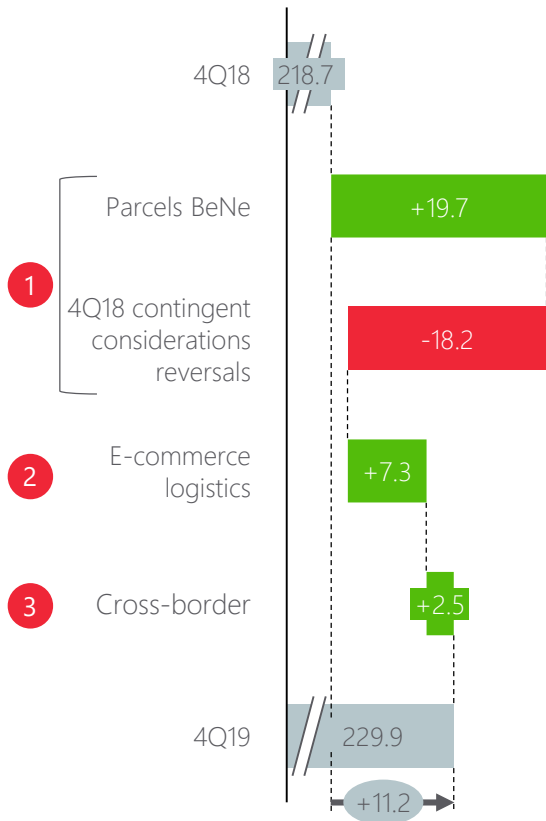
## Key takeaways 4Q19

- Total operating income decline of € -12.7m primarily driven by a domestic mail volume decline and deconsolidation of Alvdavis.
- IFRS 16 impact of € +9.7m on operating expenses and € -9.2m on D&A.
- Operating expenses excluding IFRS 16 impact increased by € -27.9m mainly driven by higher payroll (2019-20 CLA), project related costs and last year's unpaid hours related to November 2018 strikes, partly compensated by a favorable evolution of the FTE mix.
- Adjusted D&A excluding IFRS 16 impact decreased by € +10.1m driven by last year's goodwill impairment on Certipost of € 7.9m.
- As a result, adjusted EBIT declined by € -30.0m.

<sup>1</sup> As of 1Q19 Transactional Mail excludes outbound and Press includes Ubiway press distribution: 4Q18 operating income is restated, but not all comparable KPIs for 4Q18 are available

# Strong organic Parcels BeNe volume growth and continued positive eCommerce development

PaLo Eurasia external operating income, € million



## Parcels BeNe

Reported volume growth of +24.3% (former Domestic Parcels and DynaLogic volumes) driven by e-commerce and good volume development at DynaLogic resulted in Parcels BeNe revenue growth of € +19.7m (+ 22.4%). This was partly offset by contingent considerations reversals in 4Q18 of € 3.6m and € 14.6m on respectively DynaGroup and de Buren.

Negative price/mix fully mix-driven.

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## E-commerce logistics

Growth coming primarily from new client wins at Radial Europe and Active Ants business development including MCS Fulfilment acquired on October 1, 2019.

Reversal of contingent consideration on Leen Menken for € +1.5m.

2

## Cross-border

Better inbound price/mix and additional revenues in the UK and Asia partly offset by lower parcels revenue from Rest of Europe and Outbound.

3

# EBIT growth driven by parcels volumes partly offset by reversals of contingent considerations in 4Q18

€ million

Parcels & Logistics Europe and Asia	4Q18	4Q19	% ↑
External operating income	218.7	229.9	5.1%
Parcels BeNe	106.3	107.8	1.4%
E-commerce logistics	33.3	40.6	21.7%
Cross-border	79.0	81.5	3.2%
Intersegment operating income	13.7	4.5	-67.0%
<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>232.3</b>	<b>234.4</b>	<b>0.9%</b>
Operating expenses	205.4	215.9	
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>27.0</b>	<b>18.5</b>	
Depreciation & Amortization	19.4	5.4	
<b>Reported EBIT</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>13.2</b>	<b>72.7%</b>
Margin (%)	3.3%	5.6%	
<b>Adjusted EBIT</b>	<b>15.5</b>	<b>13.9</b>	<b>-10.9%</b>
Margin (%)	6.7%	5.9%	
<b>Average # FTEs and interims</b>	<b>3,312</b>	<b>3,481</b>	

## Additional KPIs<sup>1</sup>

Parcels volume growth 24.3%

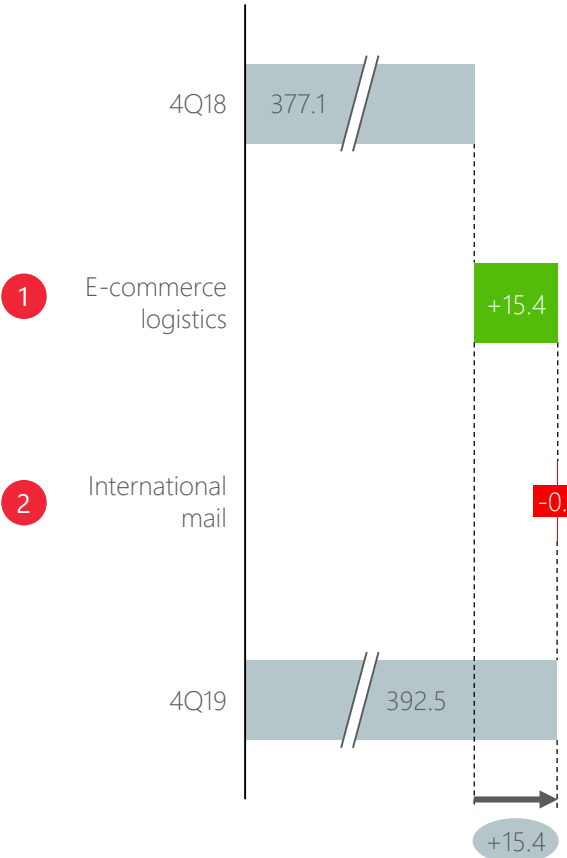
## Key takeaways 4Q19

- Excluding € -16.7m net YoY impact of contingent considerations reversals, total operating income increase of € +18.8m (+8.8%) was driven by the positive volume development and client wins in e-commerce logistics.
- IFRS 16 impact of € +2.5m on operating expenses and € -2.4m on D&A.
- Operating expenses excluding IFRS 16 impact increased by 6.3% or € -13.0m as a result of higher intersegment operating expenses from Mail & Retail driven by parcels growth and higher payroll & interim costs driven by e-commerce logistics organic growth & higher parcels volumes.
- Adjusted D&A excluding IFRS 16 impact declined by € +9.2m driven by last year's goodwill impairment on Bubble Post and de Buren of € 8.4m.
- As a result, adjusted EBIT declined by € -1.7m. Excluding the net YoY impact of contingent considerations reversals and goodwill impairments, adjusted EBIT increased by € 6.6m (+115%) operationally.

<sup>1</sup> As of 1Q19 Parcels BeNe volumes include DynaLogic & former Domestic Parcel volumes. This does not cover the entire Parcels BeNe operating income line. 4Q18 operating income is restated, but not all comparable KPIs for 4Q18 are available

# Parcels & Logistics North America confirms positive commercial momentum

PaLo North America external operating income, € million



### E-commerce logistics

YoY increase of +4.4%, +1.4% at constant exchange rate.

Revenues increase at Radial North America driven by new clients launched in 2019, growth from key existing customers and positive FX development. This is partly offset by the 2018 customer churn and repricing.

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### International mail

Revenues in line with last year supported by positive FX evolution (-3.3% at constant exchange rate).

2

# EBIT mainly impacted by set-up costs from newly onboarded clients

4Q19 – PaLo N. Am.

€ million

Parcels & Logistics North America	4Q18	4Q19	% ↑
External operating income	377.1	392.5	4.1%
E-commerce logistics	354.1	369.5	4.4%
International mail	23.1	23.0	-0.3%
Intersegment operating income	3.6	2.8	-22.8%
<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>380.8</b>	<b>395.3</b>	<b>3.8%</b>
Operating expenses	355.9	369.9	
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>24.8</b>	<b>25.4</b>	
Depreciation & Amortization	12.8	18.1	
<b>Reported EBIT</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>-38.8%</b>
Margin (%)	3.1%	1.9%	
<b>Adjusted EBIT</b>	<b>15.5</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>-31.5%</b>
Margin (%)	4.1%	2.7%	
<b>Average # FTEs and interims</b>	<b>11,970</b>	<b>10,850</b>	
Additional KPIs, adjusted			
Radial North America revenue, \$m	348.5	353.2	1.3%
Radial North America EBITDA, \$m	22.2	18.7	
Radial North America EBIT, \$m	12.1	2.1	

## Key takeaways 4Q19

- Total operating income increase of € +14.5m or +3.8% (+0.9% at constant exchange rate) mainly driven by new client launches at Radial, strong growth from a few key existing clients and positive FX development partly offset by 2018 customer churn and repricing.
- TCV at Radial reached \$ 385m, well above the initial FY objective and primarily signed in fulfilment.
- IFRS 16 impact of € +8.6m on operating expenses and € -8.5m on D&A.
- Excluding IFRS 16, total adjusted opex (incl. D&A) increased by € -19.5m (€ -8.9m excl. FX) driven by higher volumes and set-up costs related to the onboarding of new clients, partially compensated by lower medical expenses and reduced fraud chargebacks.
- Adjusted EBIT declined by € -4.9m.

€ million

Corporate	4Q18	4Q19	% ↑
External operating income	29.8	4.6	-84.5%
Intersegment operating income	85.5	105.7	23.6%
<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>115.3</b>	<b>110.3</b>	<b>-4.4%</b>
Operating expenses	62.0	98.3	
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>53.3</b>	<b>12.0</b>	
Depreciation & Amortization	8.9	18.8	
<b>Reported EBIT</b>	<b>44.4</b>	<b>-6.8</b>	
Margin (%)	38.5%	-6.2%	
<b>Adjusted EBIT</b>	<b>44.4</b>	<b>-6.8</b>	
Margin (%)	38.5%	-6.2%	
<b>Average # FTEs and interims</b>	<b>1,663</b>	<b>1,647</b>	

## Key takeaways 4Q19

- External revenues down € -25.2m due to lower building sales as 4Q18 included € 7.9m gain on disposal of Old Brussels X.
- IFRS 16 impact of € +7.3m on operating expenses and € -7.4m on D&A.
- Net of intersegment opex increase (€ -20.2m) fully re-invoiced to BUs as intersegment operating income, opex (incl. D&A) was up € -25.8m ex-IFRS 16. This is mainly driven by a € -10.9m IAS 19 non-cash gain from group insurance in 4Q18, higher payroll and higher project-specific costs at corporate level in procurement and communication.
- As a result, adjusted EBIT declined by € -51.2m.



# FCF<sup>1</sup> mainly impacted by higher investment outflows and lower building sales

4Q19

Reported - € million

	4Q18	4Q19 (excl. IFRS 16)	IFRS 16	4Q19	Delta
+ Cash flow from operating activities	223.9	192.1	25.5	217.6	-6.3
+ Cash flow from investing activities	-2.1	-90.4		-90.4	-88.3
= Free cash flow	221.8	101.7	25.5	127.2	-94.6
+ Financing activities	-79.1	-137.0	-25.5	-162.4	-83.3
= Net cash movement	142.7	-35.3	0.0	-35.3	-177.9
Capex	(48.5)	(73.2)		(73.2)	(24.7)

## CF from operating activities

Transfer of operating leases to financing activities due to IFRS 16 (€ +25.5m)

CF from operating activities before changes in working capital: € -37.7m

Improvement in working capital evolution: € +14.4m

More collected proceeds related to "due to" Radial's clients: € +7.5m

Higher tax prepayments due to phasing: € -16.0m

## CF from investing activities

Lower proceeds from sale of buildings (€ -39.1m)

Subordinated loan granted to bpost bank (€ -25.0m)

Higher capex (€ -24.7m), primarily build-out of new fulfilment centres in PaLo North America (capex increased by € 6.8m to € 12.4m), mail centres infrastructure, vehicles, new distribution model and migration of ICT infrastructure to the cloud.

## CF from financing activities

Issuance of commercial papers in 4Q18 (€ -165.0m)

Payment of lease liabilities (out of which € 25.5m resulting from IFRS 16 application)

Lower interim dividend (€ +88.0m)

<sup>1</sup>Free cash flow = cash flow from operating activities + cash flow from investing activities

# Balance sheet

4Q19

€ million

Assets	Dec 31, 2018	Dec 31, 2019
PPE	708.0	1,133.6
Intangible assets	874.9	898.3
Investments in associates and joint ventures	251.2	239.5
Other assets	70.7	41.8
Trade & other receivables	723.2	759.0
Inventories	36.9	34.7
Cash & cash equivalents	680.1	670.2
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>3,345.1</b>	<b>3,777.1</b>

€ million

Equity and Liabilities	Dec 31, 2018	Dec 31, 2019
Total equity	702.3	682.6
Interest-bearing loans & borrowings	1,024.8	1,449.9
Employee benefits	308.4	320.6
Trade & other payables	1,230.0	1,278.5
Provisions	39.3	29.8
Derivative instruments	0.8	1.3
Other liabilities	39.6	14.3
<b>Total Equity and Liabilities</b>	<b>3,345.1</b>	<b>3,777.1</b>

## IFRS 16 impacts

Total assets and liabilities as of 31st Dec. 2019 have increased by € 432.0m compared to 31st Dec. 2018, mainly due to the impact of the initial application of IFRS 16.

The balance of the right-of-use assets and lease liabilities end of December 2019 respectively amounted to € 443.4m and € 449.3m.

Balance sheet of 31st Dec. 2018 is not restated for IFRS 16 impact.

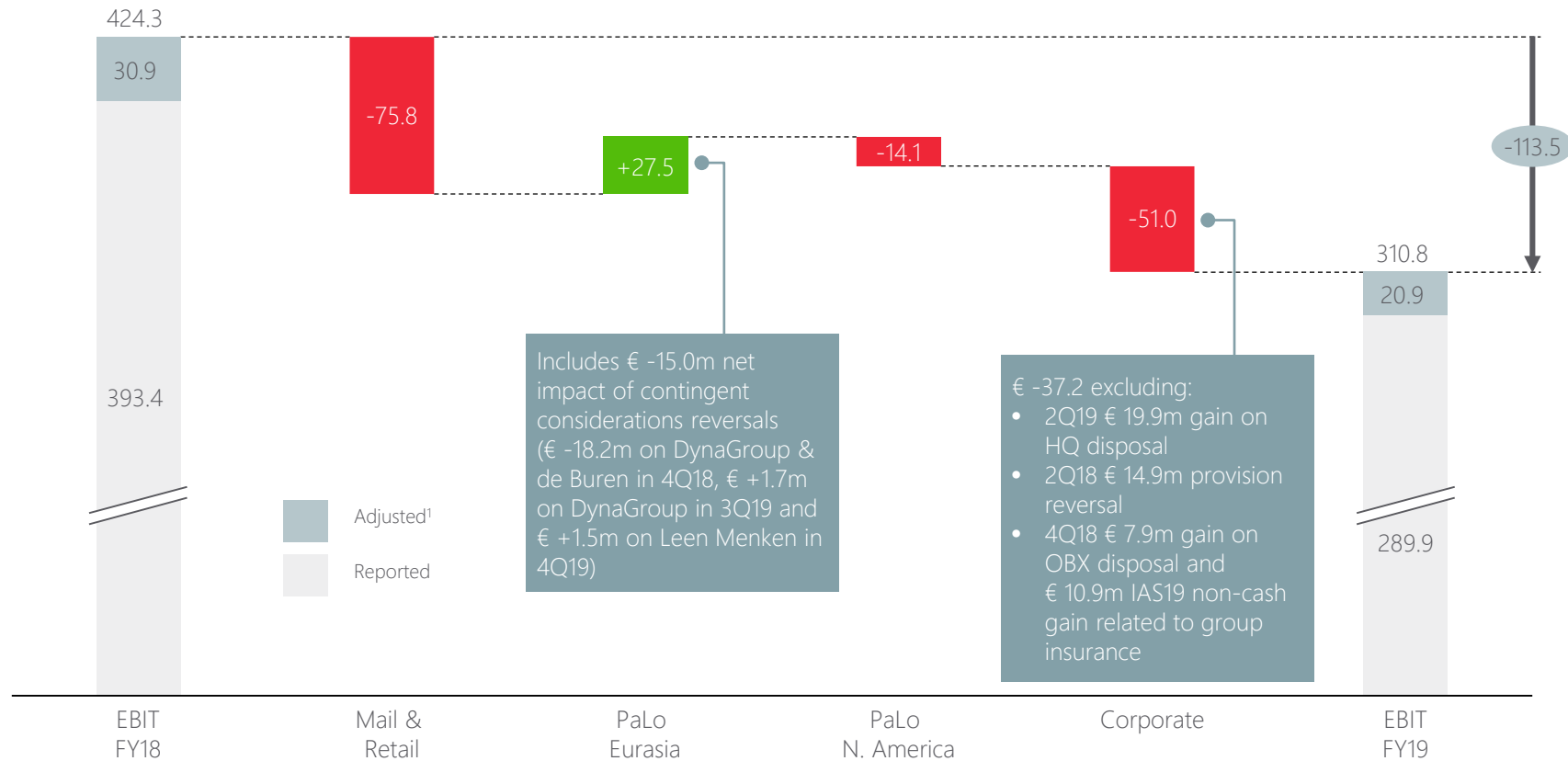
# FY19 Results



# FY19 EBIT fully in line with guidance

FY19 EBIT was driven by strong PaLo Eurasia performance, offset by accelerated mail volume decline, higher opex in M&R and 2018 positive elements

€ million



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# Key financials FY19

FY19

€ million	Reported		Adjusted <sup>1</sup>		% ↑	FY19 IFRS16
	FY18	FY19	FY18	FY19		
Total operating income	3,850.2	3,837.8	3,850.2	3,837.2	-0.3%	
Operating expenses	3,279.1	3,300.2	3,279.1	3,300.2	0.6%	+107.6
EBITDA	571.1	537.6	571.1	537.0	-6.0%	+107.6
Depreciation & Amortization	177.7	247.7	146.8	226.2		-105.3
EBIT	393.4	289.9	424.3	310.8	-26.7%	+2.3
Margin (%)	10.2%	7.6%	11.0%	8.1%		
Financial result	-23.8	-61.5	-23.8	-61.5		-9.7
Profit before tax	381.0	244.3	411.9	265.2	-35.6%	
Income tax expense	117.4	89.6	121.4	92.1		
Net profit	263.6	154.7	290.4	173.1	-40.4%	
FCF	241.2	302.0	231.5	288.0	24.4%	+112.3
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Net Debt at 31 December	344.8	779.9	344.8	779.9		+432.3
Capex	114.9	162.3	114.9	162.3	41.2%	
Average # FTEs and interims	36,109	35,377	36,109	35,377		

**1** Amortization of intangibles recognized during PPA is adjusted, leading to increase in EBIT (€ +21.5m) and income tax expense (€ +1.9m)

**2** Adjusted FCF excludes the cash Radial receives on behalf of its customers for performing billing services

**3** bpost net profit BGAAP excludes Centre Monnaie's profit on disposal: Since the sales price will be reinvested, the profit on disposal and related taxation will be spread throughout the depreciation of these reinvestments This lowers the tax costs on the profit on disposal as the statutory tax rate decreases as from 2020 to 25%

<sup>1</sup> Unaudited figures

# Results by segment FY19

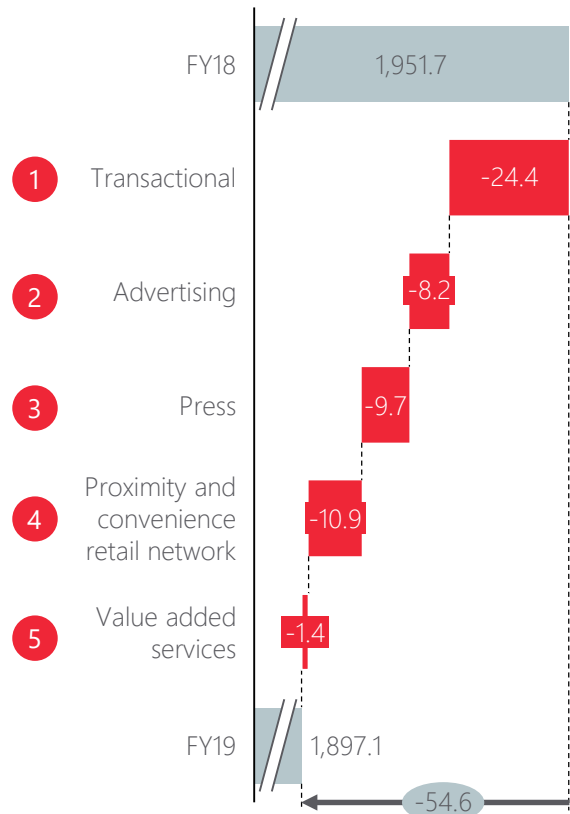
FY19

€ million

	M&R	PaLo Eurasia	PaLo N. Am.	Corp	Eliminations	Group
External operating income	1,897.1	813.2	1,097.5	30.1	0.0	3,837.8
Intersegment operating income	174.7	17.8	6.8	372.0	-571.2	
<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>2,071.7</b>	<b>830.9</b>	<b>1,104.2</b>	<b>402.1</b>	<b>(571.2)</b>	<b>3,837.8</b>
Operating expenses	1,734.2	747.7	1,048.7	340.7	-571.2	3,300.2
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>337.5</b>	<b>83.2</b>	<b>55.5</b>	<b>61.4</b>		<b>537.6</b>
Depreciation & Amortization	83.7	21.7	71.6	70.8		247.7
<b>Reported EBIT</b>	<b>253.8</b>	<b>61.5</b>	<b>-16.1</b>	<b>-9.3</b>		<b>289.9</b>
Margin (%)	12.3%	7.4%	-1.5%	-2.3%		7.6%
<b>Adjusted EBIT</b>	<b>257.4</b>	<b>65.8</b>	<b>-3.0</b>	<b>-9.3</b>		<b>310.8</b>
Margin (%)	12.4%	7.9%	-0.3%	-2.3%		8.1%

# Mail volume decline, mainly in Transactional, drove lower operating income

M&R external operating income, € million



## Domestic Mail

Operating income decline at € -42.3m i.e.

- € -1.5m working days impact
- € -1.5m net impact elections
- € -94.2m volume (-7.9% underlying volume decline)
- € +54.9m price/mix

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## Transactional

-9.2% underlying volume decline led by:

- Continued e-substitution by big senders and SMEs
- Higher acceptance of e-documents at the receivers' side and digitization of C2B communication through smartphone apps
- A tougher comparable base with Mifid & GDPR mailings positively impacting 2Q18

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## Proximity and convenience retail network

Revenue growth of € +1.2m excluding deconsolidation effect of Alvadis since September 2019 (€ -12.1m impact on FY19) driven by Ubiway and bpost retail.

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## Advertising

-4.7% underlying volume decline (excluding elections).

Improved trend vs. -7.2% in 2018 supported by first benefits of dedicated sales and marketing efforts aimed at re-boosting advertising mail.

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## Press

-6.5% underlying volume decline driven by e-substitution and rationalization.

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## Value added services

Higher revenue from fines management more than offset by the phase-out of e-ID activities and lower revenues from document management.

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# M&R EBIT impacted by top-line evolution and higher payroll costs

FY19 – M&R

€ million

Mail & Retail	FY18	FY19	% ↑
External operating income	1,951.7	1,897.1	-2.8%
Transactional	772.4	748.0	-3.2%
Advertising	244.2	236.0	-3.4%
Press	354.1	344.4	-2.7%
Proximity and convenience retail network	475.7	464.8	-2.3%
Value added services	105.3	103.9	-1.3%
Intersegment operating income	159.6	174.7	9.4%
<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>2,111.3</b>	<b>2,071.7</b>	<b>-1.9%</b>
Operating expenses	1,727.6	1,734.2	
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>383.6</b>	<b>337.5</b>	
Depreciation & Amortization	54.1	83.7	
<b>Reported EBIT</b>	<b>329.5</b>	<b>253.8</b>	<b>-23.0%</b>
Margin (%)	15.6%	12.3%	
<b>Adjusted EBIT</b>	<b>333.2</b>	<b>257.4</b>	<b>-22.8%</b>
Margin (%)	15.8%	12.4%	
<b>Average # FTEs and interims</b>	<b>22,214</b>	<b>22,435</b>	

## Additional KPIs<sup>1</sup>

Underlying Mail volume decline	-7.9%
Transactional	-9.2%
Advertising	-4.7%
Press (incl. Ubiway)	-6.5%

## Key takeaways FY19

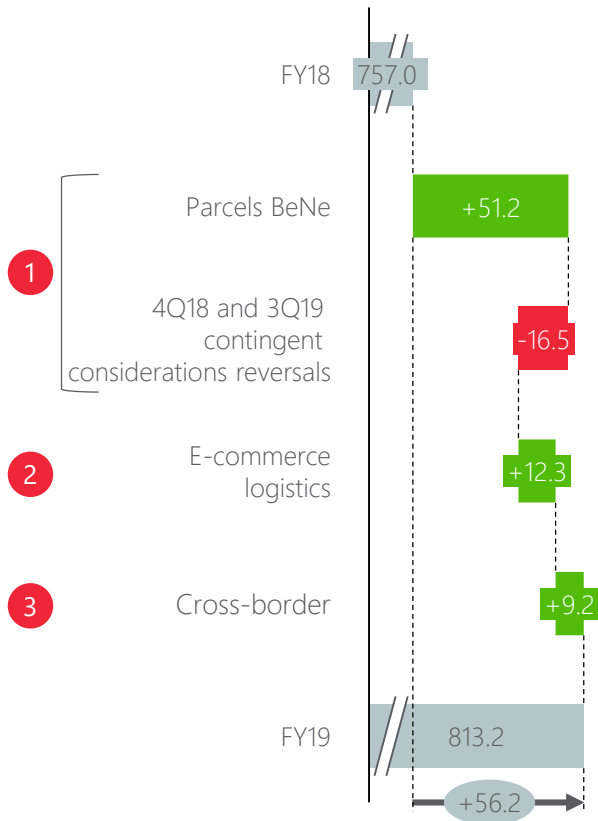
- Total operating income decline of € -39.5m (€ -40.1m adjusted for Alvaldis profit on disposal) primarily driven by domestic mail volume decline.
- IFRS 16 impact of € +41.1m on operating expenses and € -39.4m on D&A.
- Operating expenses excluding IFRS 16 impact increased by € -47.7m mainly driven by higher payroll (2019-20 CLA and salary indexation, higher headcount) despite a favorable evolution of the FTE mix and the deconsolidation of Alvaldis.
- Adjusted D&A excluding IFRS 16 impact decreased by € +10.4m driven by 4Q18 goodwill impairment on Certipost of € 7.9m.
- As a result, adjusted EBIT declined by € -75.8m.

<sup>1</sup> As of 1Q19 Transactional Mail excludes outbound and Press includes Ubiway press distribution: FY18 operating income is restated, but not all comparable KPIs for FY18 are available



# Continued solid organic BeNe parcels volume growth and positive eCommerce development

PaLo Eurasia external operating income, € million



## Parcels BeNe

Reported volume growth of +20.0% (former Domestic Parcels and DynaLogic volumes) driven by e-commerce and good volume development at Dynallogic.

Negative price/mix fully mix-driven.

Total Parcels BeNe revenues increased by € 51.2m excluding contingent considerations reversals positively impacting 4Q18 for € 18.2m and 3Q19 for € 1.7m.

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## E-commerce logistics

Growth driven by the integration of Active Ants over FY18 (10 months in FY18) and MCS Fulfilment as from October 1st 2019, organic growth at Active Ants, new clients wins at Radial Europe and reversal of contingent consideration on Leen Menken (€ 1.5m).

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## Cross-border

Driven by Inbound (i.e. terminal dues settlements: € +2.2m in 2Q19) and higher parcels revenues from the UK and Asia partly offset by lower revenues from Rest of Europe and outbound.

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# Solid EBIT margin improvement thanks to volume growth, terminal dues and run-off of non-performing businesses

FY19 – PaLo Eurasia

€ million

Parcels & Logistics Europe and Asia	FY18	FY19	% ↑
External operating income	757.0	813.2	7.4%
Parcels BeNe	345.9	380.6	10.0%
E-commerce logistics	120.8	133.1	10.2%
Cross-border	290.4	299.5	3.2%
Intersegment operating income	35.3	17.8	-49.7%
<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>792.3</b>	<b>830.9</b>	<b>4.9%</b>
Operating expenses	735.9	747.7	
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>56.4</b>	<b>83.2</b>	
Depreciation & Amortization	31.4	21.7	
<b>Reported EBIT</b>	<b>24.9</b>	<b>61.5</b>	
Margin (%)	3.1%	7.4%	
<b>Adjusted EBIT</b>	<b>38.3</b>	<b>65.8</b>	<b>71.8%</b>
Margin (%)	4.8%	7.9%	
<b>Average # FTEs and interims</b>	<b>3,087</b>	<b>3,248</b>	

## Additional KPIs<sup>1</sup>

Parcels volume growth 20.0%

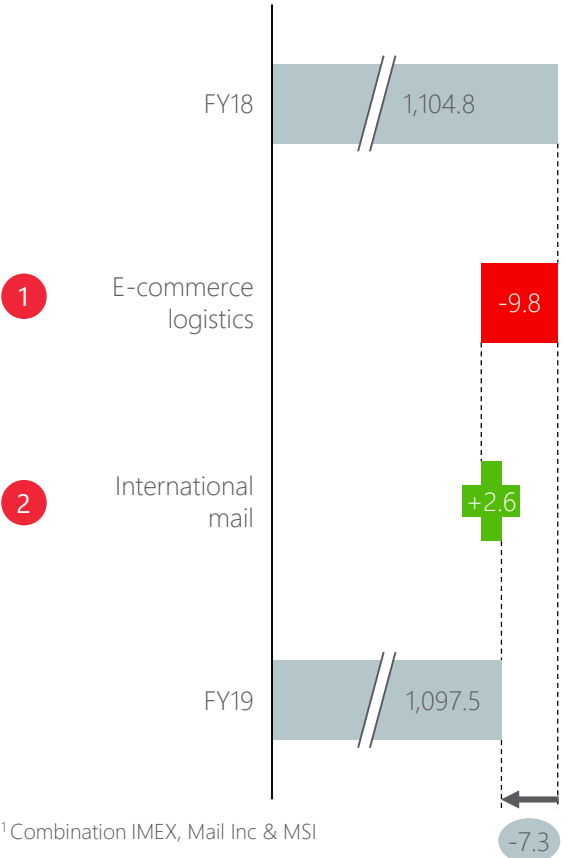
## Key takeaways FY19

- Excluding contingent considerations reversals (€ -15.0m net YoY impact), total operating income increased by € +53.6m (6.9%) driven by Parcels volume development and growth in e-commerce logistics.
- IFRS 16 impact of € +8.9m on operating expenses and € -8.6m on D&A.
- Operating expenses ex-IFRS 16 increased by € -20.7m, or 2.8%, as a result of higher intersegment operating expenses from Mail & Retail driven by higher Parcels BeNe volumes, partly compensated by the run-off of non-performing businesses and lower transport costs (positive settlements on terminal dues in 2Q19 and favorable cross-border mix).
- Adjusted D&A excluding IFRS 16 impact declined by € +9.3m driven by last year's goodwill impairment on Bubble Post and de Buren of € 8.4m.
- As a result, adjusted EBIT increased by € +27.5m. Excluding the net YoY impact of contingent considerations reversals and goodwill impairments, adjusted EBIT increased by € +34.1m (+119%) operationally.

<sup>1</sup> As of 1Q19 Parcels BeNe volumes include DynaLogic & former Domestic Parcel volumes. This does not cover the entire Parcels BeNe operating income line. FY18 operating income is restated, but not all comparable KPIs for FY18 are available

# Parcels & Logistics North America impacted by 2018 customer churn and repricing at Radial as anticipated

PaLo North America external operating income, € million



### E-commerce logistics

YoY decline of -1.0%, -5.6% at constant exchange rate.

Revenues decline within Radial North America mainly driven by the impact of 2018 client churn and repricing. This effect was diminishing through the year but not fully compensated by new business and positive FX development.

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### International mail

Slight increase at The Mail Group<sup>1</sup> due to the timing of the acquisitions of IMEX and Mail Inc in 2018.

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<sup>1</sup>Combination IMEX, Mail Inc & MSI



# As expected, EBIT was impacted by client churn & repricing and set-up costs from newly onboarded clients

FY19 – PaLo N. Am.

€ million

Parcels & Logistics North America	FY18	FY19	% ↑
External operating income	1,104.8	1,097.5	-0.7%
E-commerce logistics	1,017.9	1,008.1	-1.0%
International mail	86.8	89.4	3.0%
Intersegment operating income	9.6	6.8	-29.2%
<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>1,114.4</b>	<b>1,104.2</b>	<b>-0.9%</b>
Operating expenses	1,068.3	1,048.7	
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>46.1</b>	<b>55.5</b>	
Depreciation & Amortization	48.9	71.6	
<b>Reported EBIT</b>	<b>-2.8</b>	<b>-16.1</b>	
Margin (%)	-0.2%	-1.5%	
<b>Adjusted EBIT</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>-3.0</b>	
Margin (%)	1.0%	-0.3%	
<b>Average # FTEs and interims</b>	<b>9,093</b>	<b>8,061</b>	
Additional KPIs, adjusted			
Radial North America revenue, \$m	1,003.9	934.9	-6.9%
Radial North America EBITDA, \$m	31.1	29.2	
Radial North America EBIT, \$m	-7.9	-29.2	

## Key takeaways FY19

- Total operating income decline of € -10.2m or -0.9% (-5.6% at constant exchange rate) mainly driven by customer churn and repricing at Radial, as anticipated.
- TCV at Radial reached \$ 385m, well above the initial FY objective of \$ 300m. TCV primarily signed in fulfilment.
- IFRS 16 impact of € +30.1m on operating expenses and € -29.5m on D&A.
- Excluding IFRS 16, total adjusted opex (incl. D&A) increased by € -4.5m. Excluding FX this was a decrease of € +50.5m driven by lower fixed costs (mainly payroll), better productivity in fulfilment and reduced fraud chargebacks in PT&F, partly offset by set-up costs from newly onboarded clients.
- Adjusted EBIT declined with € -14.1m.

€ million

Corporate	FY18	FY19	% ↑
External operating income	36.8	30.1	-18.3%
Intersegment operating income	356.0	372.0	4.5%
<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>392.8</b>	<b>402.1</b>	<b>2.4%</b>
Operating expenses	307.8	340.7	
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>85.0</b>	<b>61.4</b>	
Depreciation & Amortization	43.3	70.8	
<b>Reported EBIT</b>	<b>41.7</b>	<b>-9.3</b>	
Margin (%)	10.6%	-2.3%	
<b>Adjusted EBIT</b>	<b>41.7</b>	<b>-9.3</b>	
Margin (%)	10.6%	-2.3%	
<b>Average # FTEs and interims</b>	<b>1,715</b>	<b>1,633</b>	

## Key takeaways FY19

- External operating income decreased by € -6.7m driven by lower rental income and lower building sales, as the sale in 2019 of the HQ building (€ +19.9m gain on disposal) was more than offset by building sales in 2018 (amongst others Old Brussels X).
- IFRS 16 impact of € +27.5m on operating expenses and € -27.7m on D&A.
- Net of intersegment opex increase (€ -16.0m) fully re-invoiced to BUs as intersegment operating income, opex (incl. D&A) was up € -44.1m ex-IFRS 16. This is mainly driven by € -14.9m provision reversal in 2Q18, € -10.9m IAS19 non-cash gain related to group insurance in 4Q18, higher payroll and higher project-related costs in procurement and communication.
- As a result, adjusted EBIT decreased by € -51.0m.

# FCF<sup>1</sup> mainly impacted by lower operating results

FY19

Reported - € million

	FY18	FY19 (excl. IFRS 16)	IFRS 16	FY19	Delta
+ Cash flow from operating activities	362.0	311.9	112.3	424.2	62.3
+ Cash flow from investing activities	-120.8	-122.2		-122.2	-1.4
= Free cash flow	241.2	189.7	112.3	302.0	60.8
+ Financing activities	-29.5	-201.9	-112.3	-314.1	-284.6
= Net cash movement	211.7	-12.1	0.0	-12.1	-223.8
Capex	(114.9)	(162.3)		(162.3)	(47.3)

## CF from operating activities

Transfer of operating leases to financing activities due to IFRS 16 (€ +112.3m)

CF from operating activities before changes in working capital: € -102.0m

Improvement in working capital evolution: € +10.7m

More cash payments related to "due to" Radial's clients: € +4.3m

Lower tax prepayments : € +37.0m

## CF from investing activities

Lower cash outflows related to acquisition of subsidiaries (€ +54.1m) with main investments occurring in 1H18

Higher proceeds from sale of buildings (€ +10.4m, out of which € +56.1m for MCM sale in 1H19)

Sale of Alvaldis for € +5.9m

Higher capex: € -47.3m, primarily buildout of new fulfilment centres in PaLo NA (capex increased by € 25.7m to € 47.7m), mail centres infrastructure, vehicles, capitalization of ICT development costs, new distribution model and migration of ICT infrastructure to the cloud

Subordinated loan granted to bpost bank (€ -25.0m)

## CF from financing activities

Payment of lease liabilities from IFRS 16 application (€ -112.3m)

Dividend payment (€ -174.0m)

<sup>1</sup>Free cash flow = cash flow from operating activities + cash flow from investing activities

Additional  
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# IFRS 16: Main impacts 4Q19

IFRS16

€ million

	IFRS 16	Group	M&R	PaLo Eurasia	PaLo N. Am.	Corporate
Operating expenses		+28.1	+9.7	+2.5	+8.6	+7.3
EBITDA		+28.1	+9.7	+2.5	+8.6	+7.3
D&A		-27.6	-9.2	-2.4	-8.5	-7.4
EBIT		+0.5	+0.4	+0.0	+0.1	-0.1
Net financial costs		-2.6	-0.9	-0.1	-1.4	-0.2
CF from operating activities		+25.5				
CF from financing activities		-25.5				
Net debt		+432.3				



# IFRS 16: Main impacts FY19

IFRS16

€ million

	IFRS 16	Group	M&R	PaLo Eurasia	PaLo N. Am.	Corporate
Operating expenses		+107.6	+41.1	+8.9	+30.1	+27.5
EBITDA		+107.6	+41.1	+8.9	+30.1	+27.5
D&A		-105.3	-39.4	-8.6	-29.5	-27.7
EBIT		+2.3	+1.7	+0.3	+0.5	-0.2
Net financial costs		-9.7	-3.4	-0.6	-5.0	-0.6
CF from operating activities		+112.3				
CF from financing activities		-112.3				
Net debt		+432.3				

# bpost Group's long-term relationship with the Belgian State

## State as a long-term shareholder

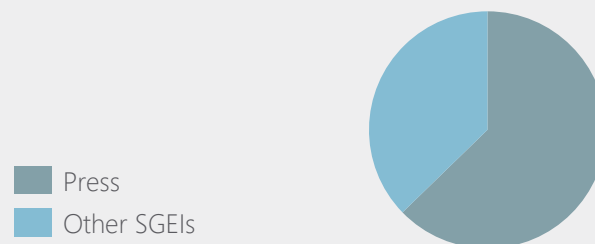
- Belgian State has **51% shares**
- bpost Group's board is composed of **5 board members and CEO** appointed by the Belgian State and 6 independent directors
- Belgian State supports a **regular dividend policy**

Shareholder	# shares
Belgian State	102,075,649
Free float	97,925,295

## bpost Group provides SGEIs<sup>1</sup> on behalf of the State

2016-2020

- **2 press distribution contracts** (newspapers & periodicals) – prolonged for 2 years until the end of 2022
- **Sixth management contract** for other SGEIs
- **Contractual amounts** (excl. inflation<sup>2</sup>, volume impact & sharing of efficiency gains) of € 261.0m in 2016 (actual amount: € 264.9m), € 260.8m in 2017 (actual amount: € 270.0m), € 257.6m in 2018 (actual amount: € 271.4m), € 252.6m in 2019 (actual amount: € 271.0m) and **€ 245.6m in 2020**



## State as important customer

- State is a **key commercial client** to bpost Group
- **Several other agreements** in place with the State, such as **European license plates** (won by bpost Group through tender)

<sup>1</sup> SGEI stands for Services of General Economic Interest cfr. slide 17 and 66

<sup>2</sup> All amounts need to be adjusted for inflation on a cumulated yearly basis

# Sixth management contract and press concessions will be renegotiated before 2022

## Scope



### Universal Service Obligation (USO)

- Collect, sort, transport & distribute letter mail up to 2kg, parcels up to 10kg and parcels up to 20kg from other EU member states
- 1 access point per municipality
- Collect and deliver 5x/week
- Full territory of Belgium
- USO pricing constraints
- Provide adequate information on USO products and services
- Quality control obligation (95% of prior mail/parcels D+1, 97% D+2)

### 6th Management Contract

Services not typically associated with mail operators (SGEI), e.g.,

- Retail network (1,300 postal service points of which at least 650 post offices)
- Cash at Counter
- Election mail (distribution)
- Cash payment of pensions at home

### Press concessions

- Also part of SGEIs
- Newspaper early delivery 6x/week
- Periodical delivery 5x/week
- Quality control obligation of maximum 7 complaints per 10,000 deliveries
- FTEs
  - ~1,700 FTEs for newspaper deliveries which are dedicated rounds
  - Delivery of periodicals is integrated in the regular mail rounds

## Timing



- Complementary management contract granted by the State
- Runs until end of 2023, renewable by consecutive terms of 5 years

State compensation possible in case of USO being financial burden

- Runs until end of 2020
- Notified and validated by European Commission under State Aid rules

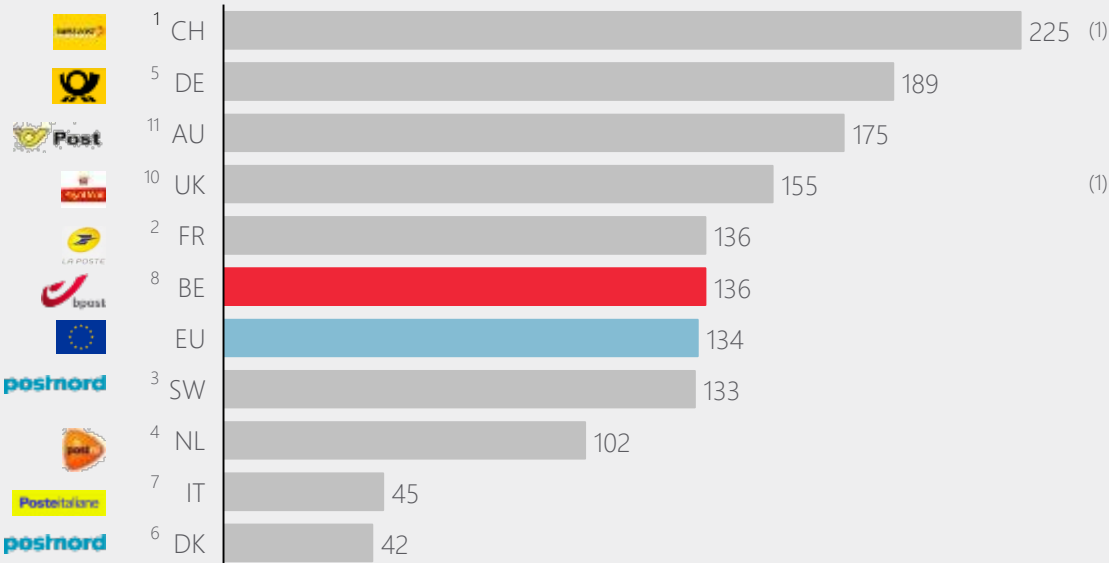
€ 271m state compensation in 2019  
Amount including inflation, volume variance and sharing of efficiency gains

- Runs until end of 2022
- Notified and validated by European Commission under State Aid rules

# A relatively resilient mail market vs. other European operators

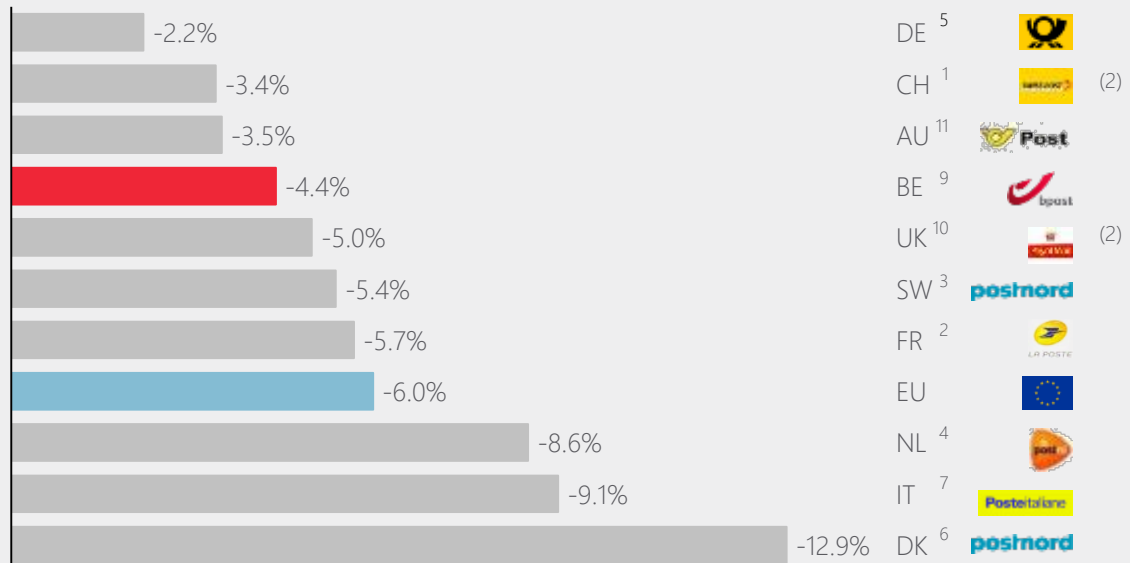
## Addressed mail volume per capita 2019

operator level\*



## 2008-19 CAGR for addressed mail volumes

as reported by major incumbent European postal operators, percent



Note: definition of addressed mail may differ by operator

Source: Company information; Annual reports; Investor presentations; IPC; Eurostat

- <sup>1</sup> Includes addressed mail
- <sup>2</sup> Includes addressed mail
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- <sup>5</sup> Includes mail communication and dialogue marketing
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- <sup>7</sup> Includes addressed mail (publishers services excl.)
- <sup>8</sup> Includes addressed mail excluding press

- <sup>9</sup> Includes all domestic mail
- <sup>10</sup> Includes inland addressed mail
- <sup>11</sup> Includes letter mail and addressed direct mail / media post
- \* Excludes domestic competitors

(1) 2018 data  
(2) 2008-18 data

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# Questions

