

Q3 2010 Results

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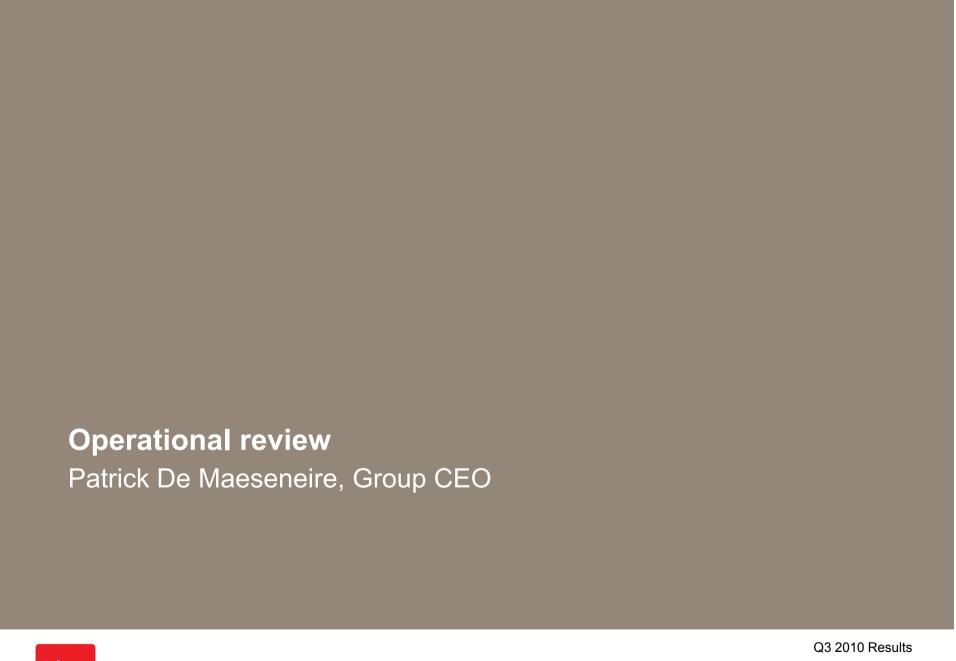
# Today's agenda

**Operational review** 

**Financial review** 

**Strategy & Outlook** 





# **Highlights**

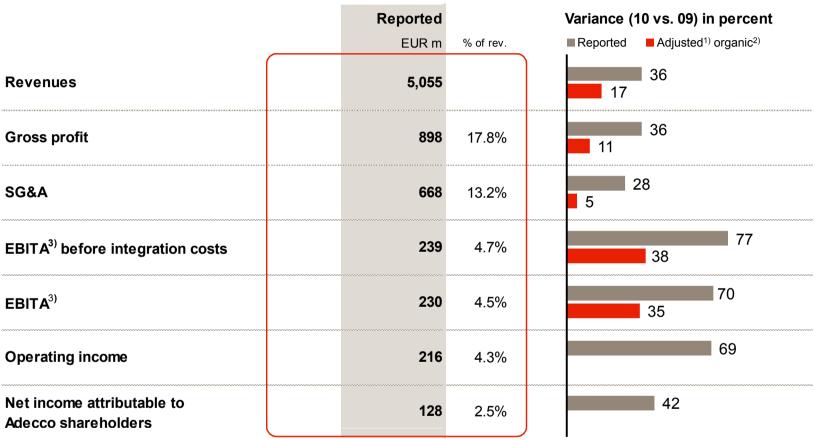
#### Q3 2010 and Outlook

- Revenues up 36% or 17% organically to EUR 5.1 billion
- ► Gross margin of 17.8% up 10 bps vs. Q3 2009 and -70 bps organically and adjusted
- EBITA before integration costs of EUR 239 million, up 38% organically and adjusted
- EBITA margin at 4.7%, up 90 bps on an adjusted basis and before integration costs
- Revenues in September +17%<sup>1)</sup>; October shows similar pattern with no signs of a slowdown

1) Organically and adjusted for trading days.



# Q3 2010 results summary



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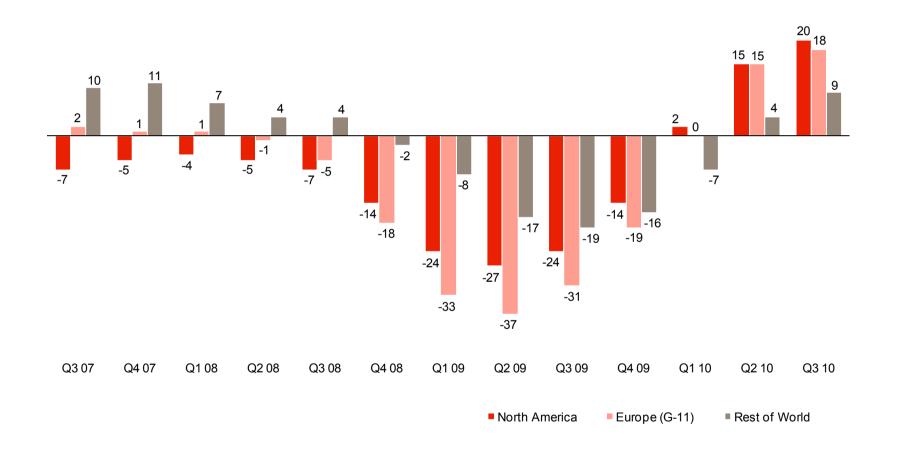
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# Revenue development by region

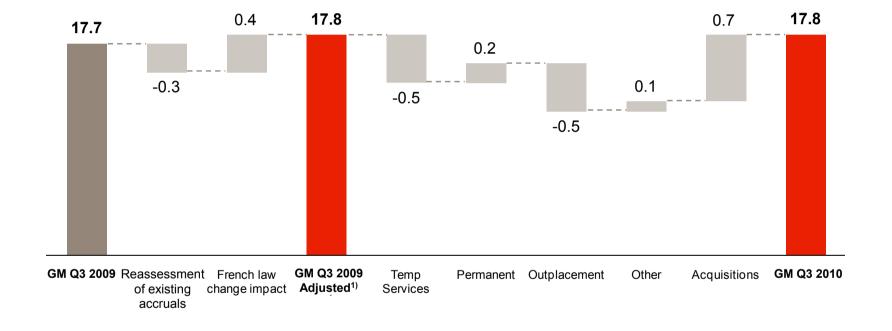
Organic year-on-year change in percent





# Q3 2010 gross margin drivers

### In percent of revenues

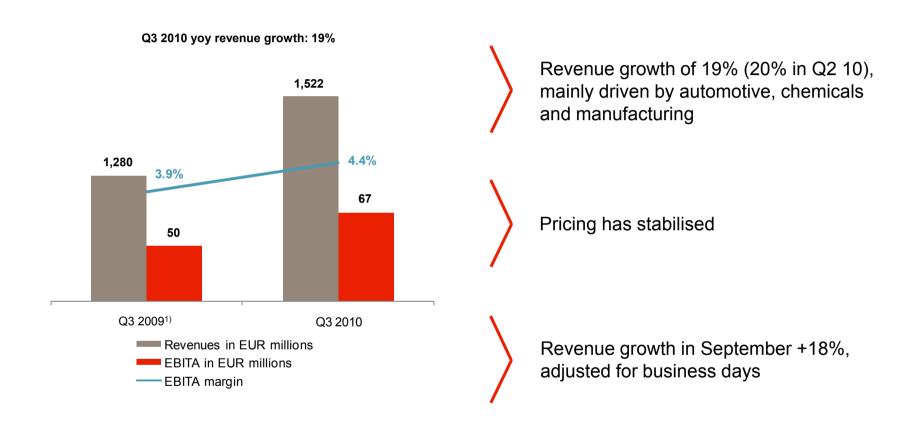


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#### **France**

#### 30% of group revenues in Q3 2010



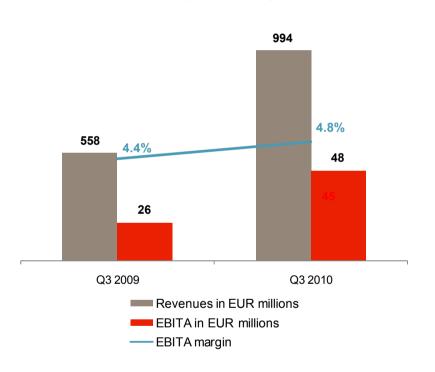
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#### **North America**

#### 20% of group revenues in Q3 2010





Revenues up 58% in constant currency (51% in Q2 10), driven by automotive, consumer goods, industrial and technology sectors and acquisitions

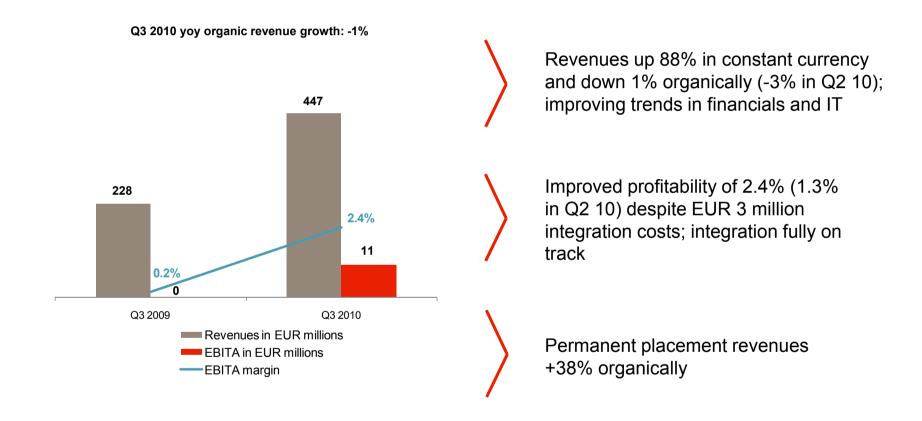
Excluding the declining outplacement business, revenues were up 25% organically in Q3 (21% in Q2 10) and up 25% organically and adjusted for business days in September

Integration costs related to MPS amounted to EUR 6 million in Q3 10



#### **UK & Ireland**

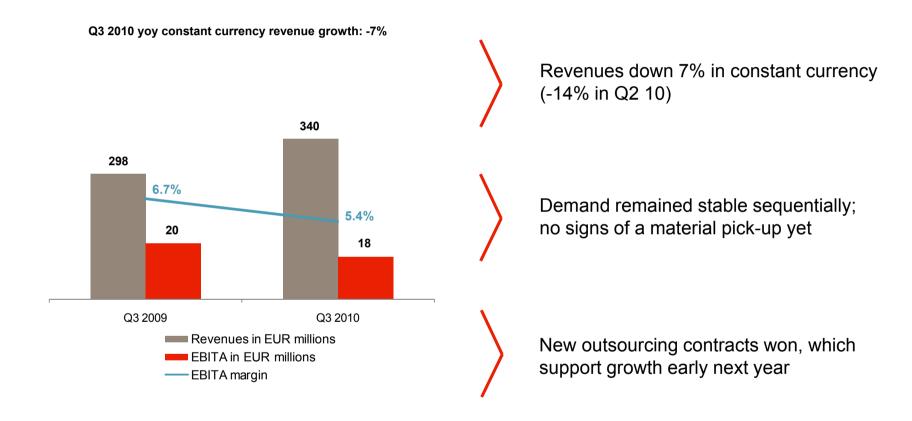
## 9% of group revenues in Q3 2010





# Japan

# 7% of group revenues in Q3 2010

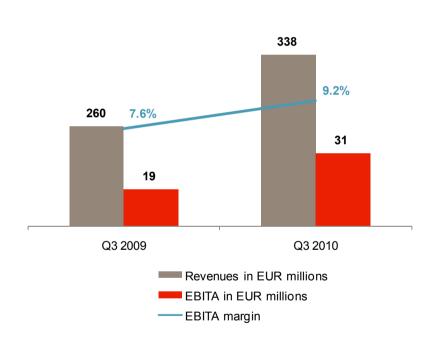




## **Germany & Austria**

## 7% of group revenues in Q3 2010





Revenues organically up 29% (20% in Q2 10), driven by automotive, chemicals and industrials

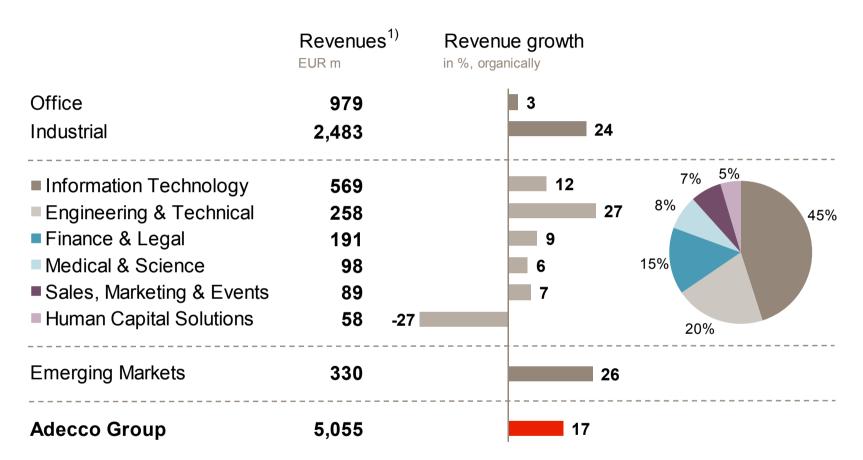
General staffing brands in Germany grew 38% and the later-cyclical professional staffing brand DIS grew 18% in Q3 10

Strong improvement in profitability with a 9.2% EBITA margin for the region in Q3 10



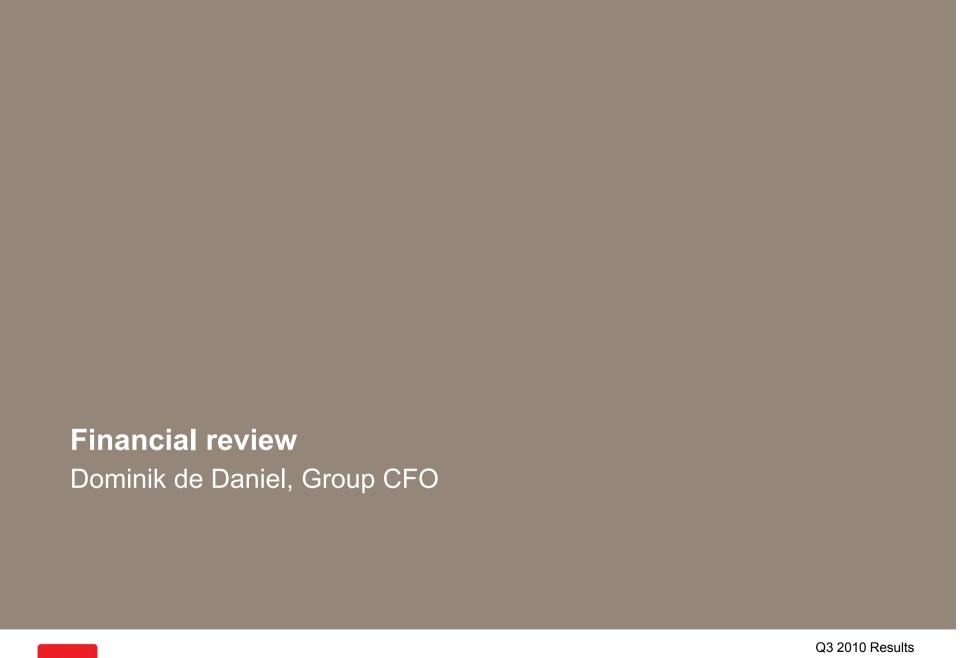
## Revenue development by business lines

Q3 2010 vs. Q3 2009



<sup>1)</sup> Breakdown of revenues is based on dedicated branches. The 2010 information includes certain changes in the allocation of branches to business lines. The 2009 information has been restated to conform to the current year presentation.







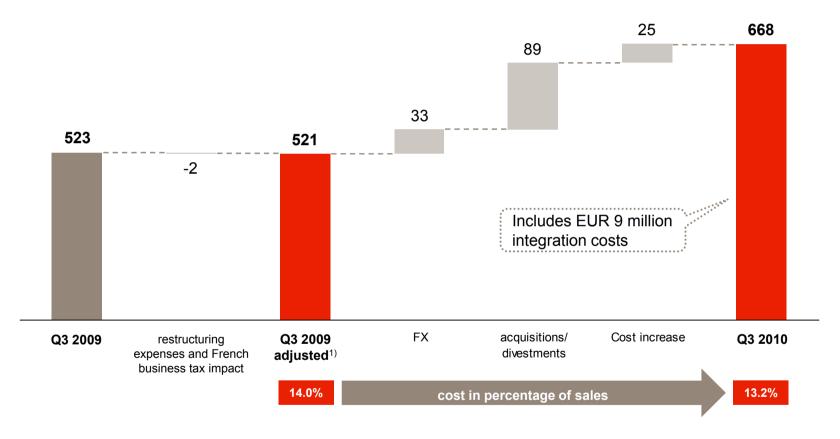
## Q3 2010 Results in detail - P&L

	Q3 2010	Q3 2009 <sub>0</sub>	Variance %		9M 2010	9M 2009	Variance %	
			EUR	Constant Currency		~	EUR	Constant Currency
Revenues	5,055	3,718	36%	29%	13,663	11,012	24%	20%
Direct costs of services	(4,157)	(3,060)			(11,228)	(9,028)		
Gross profit	898	658	36%	29%	2,435	1,984	23%	19%
Gross margin	17.8%	17.7%			17.8%	18.0%		
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(668)	(523)	28%	20%	(1,924)	(1,774)	8%	5%
As a percentage of revenues	13.2%	14.1%			14.1%	16.1%		
EBITA <sup>1)</sup>	230	135	70%	61%	511	210	143%	133%
EBITA <sup>1)</sup> margin	4.5%	3.6%			3.7%	1.9%		
Amortisation of intangible assets	(14)	(8)			(41)	(34)		
Impairment of goodwill and intangible assets						(192)		
Operating income/(loss)	216	127	69%	60%	470	(16)	n.m	n.m.
Operating income/(loss) margin	4.3%	3.4%			3.4%	-0.1%		
Interest expense	(17)	(17)			(48)	(41)		
Other income / (expenses), net	(1)	(1)				3		
Income/(loss) before income taxes	198	109	80%		422	(54)	n.m.	
Provision for income taxes	(69)	(19)			(139)	20		
Net income/(loss)	129	90	42%		283	(34)	n.m.	
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	(1)				(1)			
Net income/(loss) attributable to Adecco shareholders	128	90	42%		282	(34)	n.m.	
Net income/(loss) margin attributable to Adecco shareholders	2.5%	2.4%			2.1%	-0.3%		

<sup>1)</sup> EBITA is a non US GAAP measure and refers to operating income/(loss) before amortisation and impairment of goodwill and intangible assets



#### Q3 2010 SG&A movements



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#### **Balance sheet**

Assets	Sept 30 2010	Dec 31 2009
Cash and cash equivalents	441	1,458
Short-term Investments	2	2
Trade accounts receivable, net	3,476	2,560
Other current assets	389	331
Property, equipment, and leasehold improvements, net	274	245
Other assets	288	276
Goodwill and intangible assets, net	3,821	2,959
Total assets	8,691	7,831
Liabilities and shareholders' equity		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	3,345	2,716
Short- and long-term debt	1,401	1,570
Other liabilities	569	431
Total Adecco shareholders' equity	3,374	3,112
Noncontrolling interests	2	2
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	8,691	7,831
Net Debt*	958	110

<sup>\*</sup> Net debt is a non US GAAP measure and comprises short-term and long-term debt less cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments.

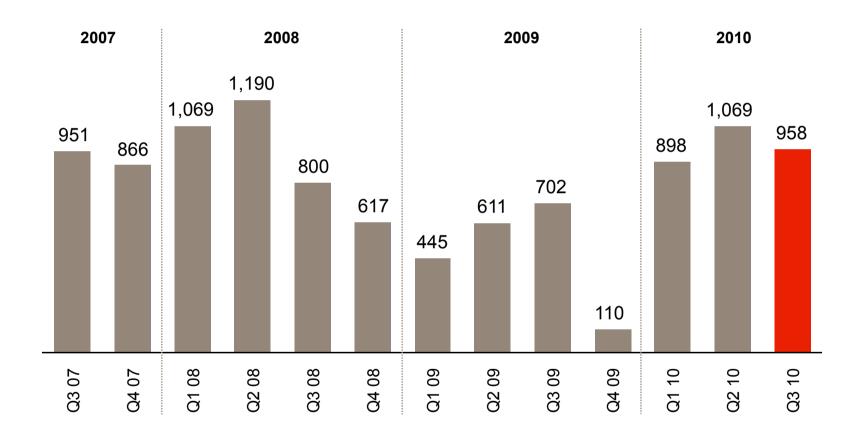


## **Cash-flow statement**

Q:	3	9M		
2010	2009	2010	2009	
129	90	283	(34)	
37	26	105	93	
			192	
30	(4)	53	(31)	
(179)	(76)	(645)	508	
165	39	375	(383)	
(8)	(8)	33	4	
174	67	204	349	
(70)	(152)	(944)	(251)	
(88)	(72)	(310)	86	
(8)	2	33	9	
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# **Net debt\* development since Q3 2007**



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#### **Financial Guidance**

Full year 2010



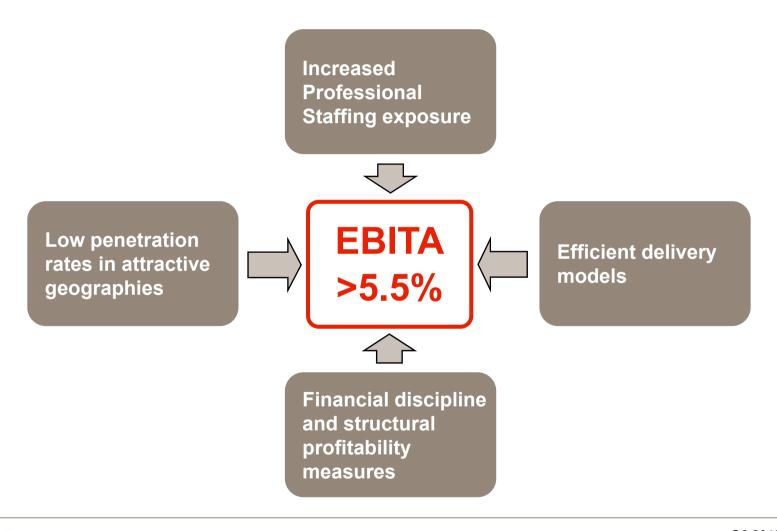




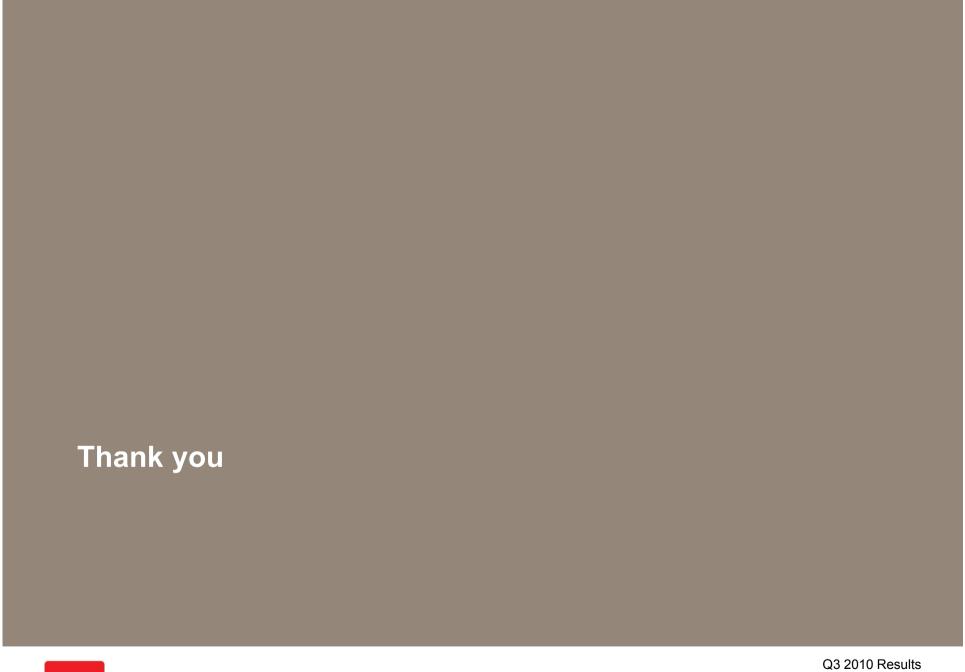


# We strive to reach an EBITA margin above 5.5%

In the mid-term







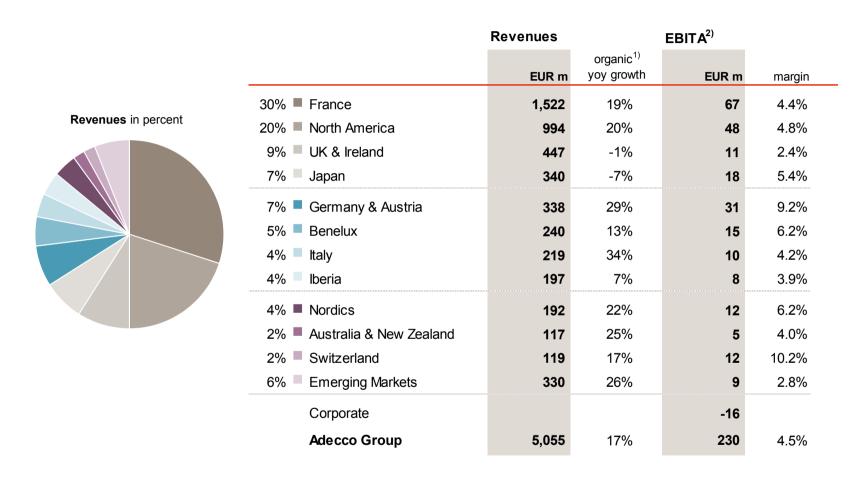






## Revenues and EBITA by geography

Q3 2010 vs. Q3 2009



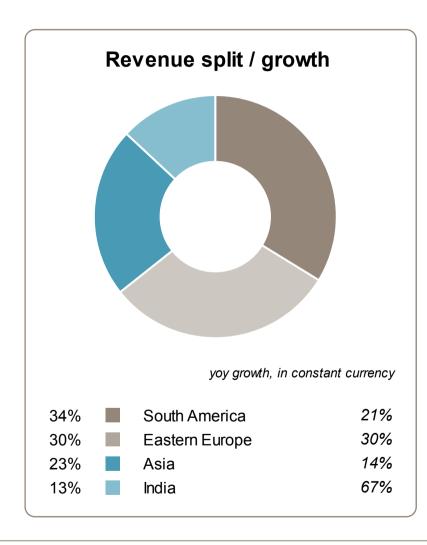
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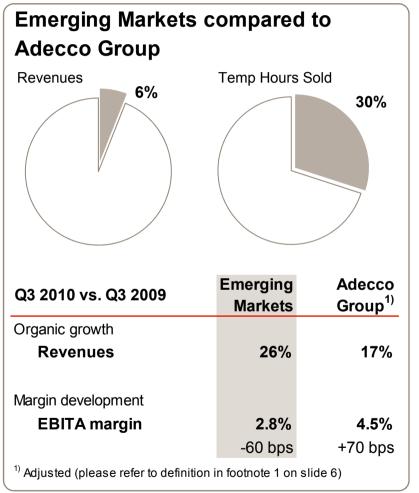
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## **Developments in the Emerging Markets**

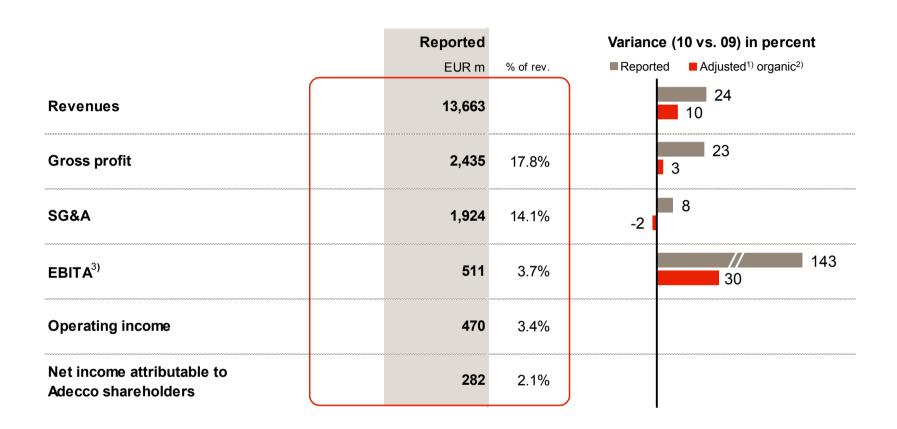
Q3 2010 revenues by geography







## 9M 2010 results summary



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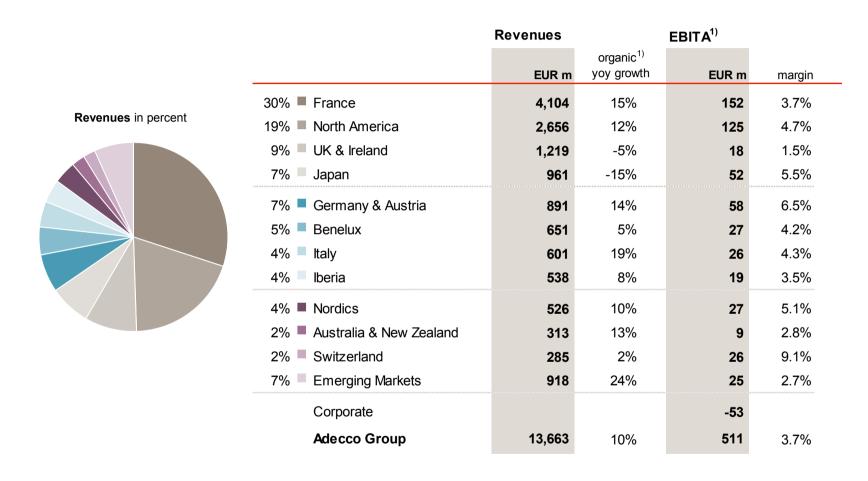
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#### Revenues – Office and Industrial vs. Professional business lines

In percent, based on dedicated branches in Q3 2010

