





**PRESENTATION OF 2017 FINANCIAL RESULTS** 

Warsaw, April 2018



### Strong business growth and excellent financial performance



\* Net profit adjusted for a PLN 69.3m impairment loss on the investment in Kredyt Inkaso \*\* Includes Kredyt Inkaso's cash EBITDA based on its available financial statements

18 years at the Warsaw Stock Exchange – posting steady solid growth based on healthy fundamentals



Rates of Return: 3 Years: +334.29%, YTD: -3.49%

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### **MARKET TRENDS**





### Poland – macroeconomic indicators

#### We are at the peak of the macroeconomic cycle

<b>Macroeconomic indicators</b>	2016	2017	2018F
GDP growth (y/y)	2.7%	4.6%	3.8%
Private consumption (y/y)	3.8%	4.8%	3.1%
Public consumption (y/y)	2.8%	2.8%	2.8%
Inflation [HICP] (y/y)	-0.6%	2%	2.3%
Unemployment rate (%)	8.2%	6.6%	6.4%

Source: In-house analysis based on Central Statistics Office data, the 2018 Budget Act, and projections by the Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Policy



### Poland – macroeconomic indicators



Disposable household income per capita in Poland in 2013–2017 (PLN)

Source: In-house analysis based on Central Statistics Office data

- Recent years have seen a steady increase in disposable incomes, driven by improving conditions in the labour market (with falling unemployment and wage growth in real terms), rising social benefits spending (including under the *Rodzina 500*+ government scheme), as well as an increase in minimum wages (up from PLN 1,850 in 2016 to PLN 2,100 in 2017) and the minimum hourly wage rate.
- These positive trends in the labour market have contributed to the Polish people's growing affluence, which in turn determines consumption levels and households' ability to service and repay debt. High internal consumption is also a factor stimulating further economic growth.





Lending growth in the banking sector

Lending tends to grow in correlation with the nominal GDP growth (assuming a stable loan portfolio quality).

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### Poland – market of banking sector NPLs

#### SUPPLY

- 2017 lower volume of primary market transactions following consolidation processes within the industry (relatively more attractive portfolios acquired in the secondary market)
- 2018 expected supply of banking sector NPLs (retail, excluding mortgage loans) of between PLN 8bn and PLN 10bn
- supply of mortgage and corporate loan portfolios expected to be gradually growing

#### **GROUP'S INVESTMENTS:**

- 2018 expected reduction in portfolio prices (more expensive financing, review of earlier transactions, less competition)
- Strengthening the business presence in Italy



#### **NOMINAL VALUE OF NPL TRANSACTIONS IN 2017**

2015

2016

-O-average prices (% of nominal value)

2017

PLN 8.3bn	banking sector retail NPLs
PLN 1.3bn	banking sector corporate NPLs
PLN 2.1bn	secondary market

#### Banking sector retail NPLs

2014

2012

2013

Nominal value (PLNbn)







*Source: In-house analysis based on the 'Polish Debt Claims Market Volume' report by the Conference of Financial Companies in Poland – Association of Employers (KPF)* 

- The value of non-performing debts under management has been on the rise since 2010 and is now at its all-time high. The number of non-performing debts under management has also been growing.
- On a CAGR basis, the total value of debts under management has grown faster than their number, reflecting a higher unit value.

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\* Getback data for Q3 2017

\*\* Consolidated operating expenses /cash collections on purchased portfolios

\*\*\* Recoveries attributable to the BEST Group. In the case of KI, data based on calendar periods



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### Italy – macroeconomic indicators

<b>Macroeconomic indicators</b>	2015	2016	2017	2018*
GDP growth (y/y)	1.0%	0.9%	1.5%	1.5%
Private consumption (y/y)	2.0%	1.5%	1.4%	1.0%
Public consumption (y/y)	-0.6%	0.6%	0.8%	0.5%
Inflation [HICP] (y/y)	0.1%	-0.1%	1.3%	1.3%
Unemployment rate (%)	11.9%	11.7%	11.6%	11.1%

*Source: Eurostat \* forecast* 





Source: "The Italian NPL Market", PwC

Comparison of markets	Italy	Poland
NPLs on bank balance sheets	EUR 324bn	EUR 16.2bn (PLN 70.9bn)
share of NPLs on bank balance sheets	13%	7%
<ul> <li>NPLs – retail</li> </ul>	EUR 34bn	EUR 9.1bn (PLN 39.8bn)

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### Italy – market growth prospects



Transactions in the NPL market, at nominal value (EURbn)

Absorption of the NPL supply (EURbn)



Unabsorbed supply of NPLs in Italy (EURbn)

Value of NPL sale transations in Italy (EURbn)

Source: "The Italian NPL Market", PwC

Comparison of markets	Italy	Poland
<ul> <li>banking sector NPL transactions in 2016</li> </ul>	EUR 33.8bn	EUR 2.3bn (PLN 10.1bn)
<ul> <li>banking sector NPL transactions in 2017</li> </ul>	EUR 64bn	EUR 1.9bn (PLN 8bn)



### Italy – market growth prospects



#### Key advantages of BEST's presence in the Italian market:

- Europe's largest NPL market, at an early stage of development
- EUR 200bn of unabsorbed supply of NPLs
- BEST's unique know-how that allows us to gain an operational and technological edge
- geographical diversification allowing the Group to maintain the growth of its business
- BEST's presence presence through Kredyt Inkaso other markets where the Group

### Italy will be our second home market

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### Debt trading market cycle



#### Time since introduction of debt sales

Source: In-house analysis and Hoist Finance Annual Report 2016

Competition affects the prices of debt portfolios offered for purchase. According to the Group's estimates, in 2017 the average prices paid by debt purchasers amounted to approximately 12% of the nominal value of the acquired portfolios. The volume of transactions fell also in the primary market, following consolidation processes within the industry (relatively more attractive portfolios acquired in the secondary market).







### Market consolidation across Europe

Recent years have witnessed increased interest in the Polish debt trading market from international financial institutions and debt management companies. Across Europe, the industry has undergone a wave of consolidation. As a result, over 30 entities operating in the European market have been consolidated into seven corporate groups in just a few years.



#### Consolidation of Europe's debt management sector

Given the Group's strategic goal for 2016–2020 to achieve a position among Europe's top ten largest debt management groups in terms of market capitalization, the Group keeps an eye on the development directions of the market leaders.

### **GROWTH PROSPECTS**





### Outlook for the coming quarters

#### **FURTHER INVESTMENTS**

- geographical diversification
- reasonable prices
- market niches
- openness to consolidation within the industry

#### **PROCESS OPTIMISATION**

- efficiency gains, e.g. through the use of technologies
- development of technologies, e.g. based on artificial intelligence and automation

#### **IMPROVING FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE**

- expected KPI improvements:
  - recoveries
  - cash EBITDA

#### **STABLE FINANCING STRUCTURE**

- favourable bond maturity structure
- diversified financing sources
- raising of euro-denominated financing

#### **BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT IN ITALY**

- further investments
- building the Group's own operational structures

#### TRANSPARENCY

- transparent presentation of data
- regular communication with the market
- stable shareholder base

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### Properties for sale

	Kraków	Wrocław
Location	Ś <mark>ródmieście (Prądnik Czerwony)</mark> 4.5 km of straight line distance from the Main Market Square	<b>Old Town</b> 3.5 km of straight line distance from the Main Market Square
Property type	office building (800 sqm), warehouse (2,400 sqm)	land property
Zoning	Area covered by a Local Development Plan (MPZP) Intended use: Services. Application is pending to change its intended use (to residential).	Area covered by a Study of Land Use Conditions and Directions. Residential buildings and services. Work on a Local Development Plan is under way.
Property area	2.2336 ha	4.0138 ha

#### Property area











### **STABLE FINANCING STRUCTURE**



Stable financing structure

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equity (PLNm)

356.2

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- steadily growing equity effect of the profit reinvestment policy
- share capital was increased by PLN 19m through an issue of shares in Q2 2017 to a fund managed by a financial investor



- stable level of the key debt ratio (net debt/equity) its rise driven by investments
- the Group's debt financing as at Dec 31 2017:
  - PLN 644.8m bonds
  - PLN 83m bank borrowings (total facilities available PLN 142m)
  - PLN 31.5m loan from owners

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### Bond issues are a vital part of financing the Group's business



- activity in 2017: PLN 206m of bonds issued in public offerings, EUR 7.6m raised through private placements, PLN 10m of bonds repaid
- first issue of euro-denominated bonds: EUR 7.6m of financing raised, for 3.5 years, through a private placement
- strong demand for public bonds
- issue of T2 bonds, worth PLN 30m, after the reporting date
- favourable bond maturity structure moderate redemptions in 2018 and 2019, with more significant repayments starting from 2020







### **COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES OFFERED BY THE GROUP'S BUSINESS MODEL**



### Our business is focused on debt



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### Key drivers of success







### **Operations** – an effective business model

WIDE PRODUCT	MODERN	CUSTOMER RELATION	CUSTOMER SERVICE
OFFER	CONTACT CHANNELS	MANAGEMENT	QUALITY MANAGEMENT
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ANALYTICAL	PROJECT MANAGEMENT	PROCESS	COOPERATION WITH
CULTURE	OFFICE	AUTOMATION	COURTS AND BAILIFFS
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#### **Operations** – organizational culture



Efficient operations supported by technologies



#### **PROPRIETARY** CENTRAL SYSTEM SUPPORTING THE ENTIRE DEBT MANAGEMENT PROCESS



BI SOLUTION, THE FOUNDATION OF THE GROUP'S **ANALYTICAL CULTURE** 



**BEST ONLINE** – AN ONLINE PLATFORM DEDICATED TO THE GROUP'S CUSTOMERS AND CLIENTS





**SPEECH TO TEXT** 

MACHINE LEARNING, ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

AUTOMATION OF DOCUMENT PROCESSING

MULTI-CHANNEL CONTACT CENTRE



### **SUMMARY OF 2017 PERFORMANCE FIGURES**











### Strongly growing investments in new portfolios



- 2017 the Group purchased 17 debt portfolios with a nominal value exceeding PLN 2.6bn (average purchase price: 11.4% of the nominal value)
- 3 portfolios acquired in the Italian market, with a nominal value of nearly EUR 300m

#### structure of purchased portfolios (nominal value)





 investments in non-banking sector debt have increased significantly

#### NOMINAL VALUE OF PURCHASED NON-BANKING SECTOR DEBT PORTFOLIOS

2017	PLN 1.9bn
2017	
2016	PLN 0.5bn
2015	PLN 0.2bn

### ...translate into growing fair value of the debts



- the debt portfolio value growth is largely attributable to new portfolio investments
- as at the end of 2017, the value of the debt portfolio in the Italian market was equal to 6% of the fair value of the debts
- the nominal value of the debt, including owned and thirdparty accounts, was close to PLN 16bn



- estimated future recoveries from the portfolio attributable to the BEST Group, as at Dec 31 2017 (PLN 966m): PLN 2.1bn
- nearly PLN 1.4bn of expected recoveries from the current portfolio over the next 5 years (64% of total ERC)

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\* in conformity with the calculation presented on slide 18

- recoveries from purchased portfolios will be the key driver of cash EBITDA generation
- growing recoveries in connection with new investments (in the last 12 months, the Group invested PLN 300m in new debt portfolios) will support further strong growth of performance figures





### **Financial performance figures**

(PLNm)	2017	2016	y/y change	Q4′17	Q4′16	y/y change
operating income	198.6	210.3	(6)%	44.5	43.7	2%
income from debt portfolios (BEST I, BEST II, BEST IV, BCI)	150.7	147.4	2%	28.2	30.9	(9)%
recoveries	195.1	131.7	48%	51.8	35.5	46%
portfolio amortisation	(50.2)	(33.4)	50%	(14.4)	(11.6)	24%
change in estimation parameters	5.8	49.0	(88)%	(9.2)	7.0	>(100)%
investments (BEST III, KI)	25.5	42.3	(40)%	6.2	7.8	(22)%
other income	22.4	20.6	9%	10.1	5.0	>100%
operating expenses	107.2	76.7	<b>40</b> %	25.2	24.3	4%
EBIT	91.4	133.6	(32)%	19.3	19.5	(1)%
net finance costs	35.3	24.6	44%	10.1	6.8	48%
impairment loss on the investment in Kl		69.3	-		42.2	-
net profit (loss)	55.1	38.8	<b>42</b> %	8.7	(29.9)	>100%
adjusted cash EBITDA*	147.7	114.4	<b>29</b> %	45.1	25.6	76%

- growth in income from debt portfolios (+2% y/y) based on a growth in recoveries at the Group's own funds (+48% y/y)
- high cash EBITDA (+76% in Q4 2017 and +29% in 2017 y/y) generated as a result of increased investments in recent quarters and a focus on the Group's operating efficiency
- other income associated with BEST III (debt portfolio and fund management) and other services

\* in conformity with the calculation presented on slide 18

#### Summary

#### Key achievements and completed projects

- an investment vehicle set up in Italy and portfolios with a GBV of nearly EUR 300m purchased
- preventive measures taken with respect to debts at risk of becoming prescribed in connection with proposed amendments to the Polish Civil Code

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a prospectus for the Group's third public bond issue programme (up to PLN 350m) approved by the PFSA and a private bond issue programme (up to PLN 250m) established

<ul> <li>record high investments in new de</li> </ul>	bt portfolios	PLN 100.7m (-16% y/y)	PLN 300.8m (+16% y/y)
<ul> <li>rapidly growing recoveries attribut</li> </ul>	able to BEST	PLN 61.9m (+31% y/y)	PLN 238.3m (+32% y/y)
<ul> <li>activity in the debt market:</li> </ul>	bond issues	PLN 56m (T1 – public offering)	PLN 206m (public offering) EUR 7.6m (private placement)
	bond redemptions	-	PLN 10m (BEST II)

Financial performance figures		Q4 2017	2017
<ul> <li>operating income</li> </ul>		PLN 44.5m (+2% y/y)	PLN 198.6m (-6% y/y)
<ul> <li>net profit</li> </ul>		PLN 8.7m (+>100% y/y)	PLN 55.5m (+42% y/y)
<ul> <li>adjusted cash EBITDA*</li> </ul>	(excluding Kl's contribution)	PLN 45.1m (+76% y/y)	PLN 147.7m (+29% y/y)

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# Thank you



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### Appendix – cash EBITDA

(PLNm)	2015	2016	2017
BEST (BEST I, BEST II i BEST IV, BCI)	60.9	79.8	115.5
BEST's interest	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
recoveries	93.1	131.7	195.1
other income	17.4	20.6	22.4
OPEX (excluding D&A)	(49.5)	(72.5)	(102.0)
BEST III	33.8	34.6	32.2
BEST's interest	50.00%	50.00%	50.00%
cash EBITDA	67.6	69.4	64.4
recoveries	91.1	96.5	86.5
other income	0.1	1.5	0.0
OPEX	(23.6)	(28.6)	(22.1)
adjusted cash EBITDA	94.7	114.4	147.7
Kredyt Inkaso*	10.2	33.8	39.2
BEST's interest	32.99%	32.99%	33.04%
cash EBITDA	30.8	102.5	118.7
recoveries	36.2	147.3	173.9
other income	9.0	37.6	30.9
OPEX (excluding D&A)**	(14.4)	(82.4)	(86.1)
full cash EBITDA	104.9	148.2	186.9
	* The differences between the level of cash EBITDA presented in this table and in BEST's consoli- the availability of financial information of Kredyt Inkaso as at the date of publication of the repo		
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### Appendix – consolidated statement of financial position

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(PLNm)	Dec 31 2015	Dec 31 2016	Dec 31 2017
assets, including:	694.1	904.9	1245.9
cash and cash equivalents	43.2	22.0	91.2
purchased debt	337.1	611.1	866.5
investments in jointly controlled entities	97.1	112.0	101.0
investments in associates	175.0	106.7	109.0
investment property	8.2	7.6	14.3
equity and liabilities, including:	694.1	904.9	1245.9
financial liabilities	400.2	503.9	760.0
equity	283.0	356.2	429.8
net debt	357.0	481.9	668.8
net debt/equity	1.3	1.4	1.6





### Appendix – structure of the BEST Group



\* jointly controlled entity \*\* associate

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