# **EXPECTATIONS UPGRADED**

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#### Q3 2014





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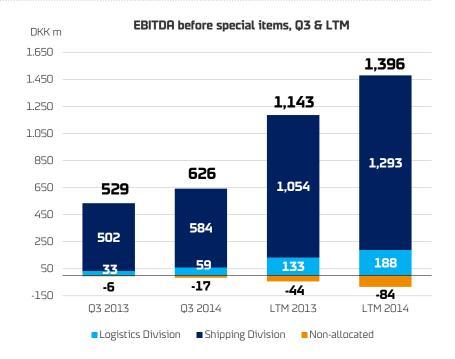
# SATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE CONTINUED IN Q3

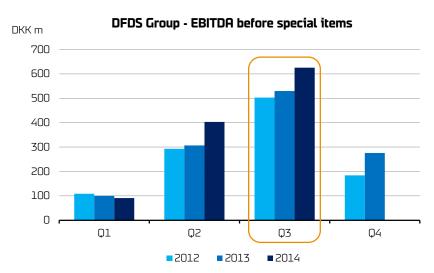
- **7% revenue increase** driven by organic growth and acquisitions
- **EBITDA increase of 18%** to DKK 626m somewhat above expectations
- Considerable improvement of high-season passenger result
- Overall increase of freight volumes
- Earnings supported by actions to streamline & adapt operations
- Mitigation of impact of Russia/Ukraine conflict on Baltic Sea network
- Logistics' Division's result improved by organic & acquisition driven growth
- Upgrade of outlook for 2014: EBITDA of DKK 1,400-1,450m (DKK 1,300-1,450m)



## LTM EBITDA UP BY 22% TO DKK 1.4BN

- Four of five business units increased EBITDA in Q3 in the Shipping Division
- Main Q3 drivers in Shipping Division were higher passenger earnings, growth in overall freight volumes and lower bunker costs
- Logistics Division's EBITDA growth was 28% in Q3 adjusted for acquisitions
- October in line with expectations





# Q3 2014 KEY P/L FIGURES

- Higher depreciation from upgrade of passenger ships, new ships, dockings and acquisitions
- Finance cost increased due to a net currency adjustment variance of DKK -25m, as a result of a DKK 10m gain in 2013 and DKK 15m loss in 2014
- Special items mainly related to One Finance costs
- Increase of invested capital mainly driven by acquisitions and ship investments
- Q3 LTM ROIC of 7.9% up from 4.7% in 2013 and up from Q2 LTM ROIC of 7.2%

DKK m <sup>1</sup>	03 14	Q3 13	ΔLY	LTM
REVENUE		3,339	228	12,715
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EBITDA BEFORE SI	626	530	96	1,396
margin, %	17.5	15.9	1.7	11.0
P/L associates	-2	-5	3	31
Gain/loss asset sales	1	2	-2	4
Depreciations	-201	-175	-26	-747
EBIT BEFORE SI	423	352	72	684
margin, %	11.9	10.5	1.3	5.4
Special Items	-9	-16	7	-29
EBIT	415	336	79	655
Finance	-49	-29	-20	-122
PTP BEFORE SI	375	323	52	562
PTP	366	307	59	533
EMPLOYEES avg., no.	6,310	5,920	390	6,310
INVESTED CAPITAL	8,865	8,618	247	8,865
ROIC ex. SI, % (LTM)	7.9	4.7	3.2	7.9
NIBD	2,466	2,261	205	2,466
NIBD/EBITDA, times	1.77	2.02	-0.2	1.77
SOLVENCY, %	48.8	50.0	-1.2	48.8

SI: Special items. PTP: Pre-tax profit. NIBD: Net interest-bearing debt.

LTM: Last twelve months

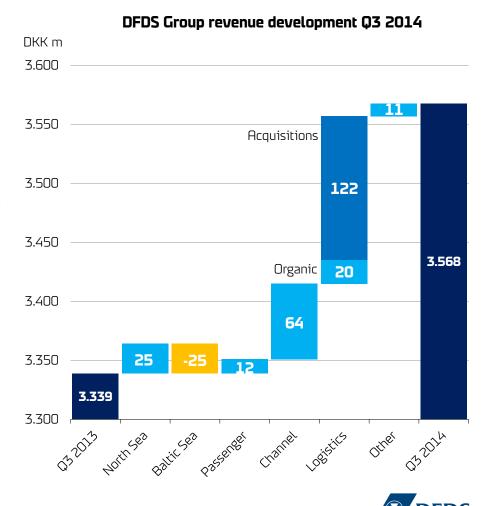
1: Roundings may cause variances in sums

### **REVENUE GROWTH OF 7%**

• DFDS Group revenue growth: 3% organic growth and 4% from acquisitions

#### Main BU revenue drivers:

- North Sea: Volume growth, lower SEK
- Baltic Sea: Reefer volumes replaced by lower paying cargo, route closure in 2013
- Passenger: Volume & yield growth, mainly on UK/Continent markets
- Channel: Pax volume & yield growth, freight volume growth, higher GBP
- Logistics: Acquisitions main growth driver. Organic growth mainly from UK/Continent markets

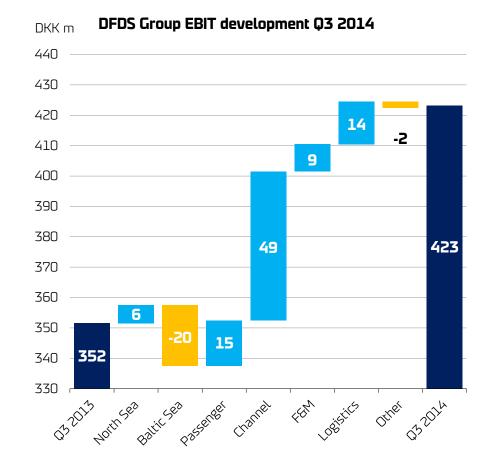


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## **Q3 EBIT BEFORE SPECIAL ITEMS UP BY 20%**

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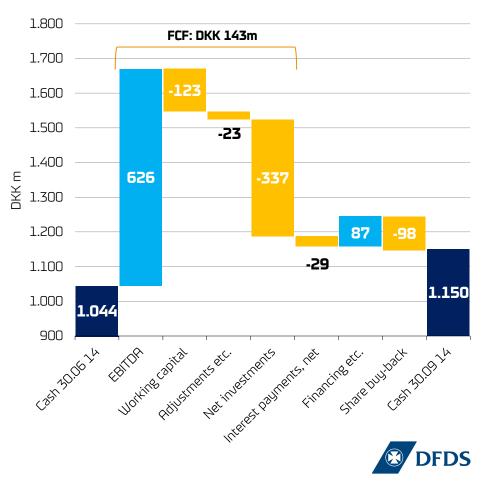
- North Sea: Increase from volume growth & bunker savings, decrease from higher ship operating costs
- Baltic Sea: Impact from meat import ban & sanctions and costs for suspension of route
- Channel: Higher passenger earnings, freight volume growth
- Passenger: Higher earnings on UK/Continent routes
- Logistics: Main impact from three acquisitions (2 in 2014, 1 in 2013)





### Q3 FREE CASH FLOW OF DKK 143M

- Free cash flow (FCF) in Q3 2014 was DKK 143m
- Negative cash flow from working capital due to passenger seasonality in Channel and Passenger
- Investments of DKK 337m include dockings, scrubber installations, trailers, ARK vessels and the acquisition of Quayside
- Distribution to shareholders of DKK 98m in the quarter through the share buy-back programme



#### DFDS Group, Q3 2014 - Cash funds & flows

### **2ND SHARE BUY-BACK PROGRAMME ONGOING**

- The NIBD/EBITDA multiple was 1.8 at the end of Q3
- Current outlook on earnings and investments indicate leverage below
   2.0 target multiple end 2014
- Around 30% of current DKK 200m buyback programme completed



#### NIBD/EBITDA

LTM: Last twelve months

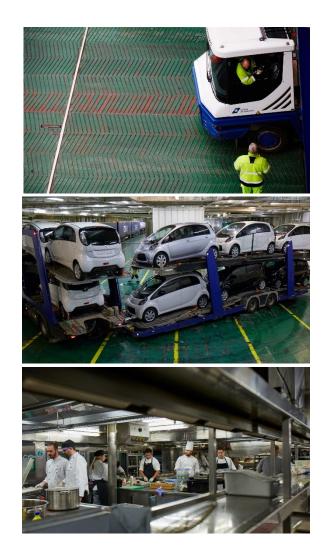
#### DFDS' capital structure & distribution policy

- Capital structure target: NIBD/EBITDA multiple of minimum 2.0 and maximum 3.0
- Excess capital to be returned to shareholders if multiple is below 2.0
- Distribution policy: Annual dividend of DKK 14 per share



# **EU GROWTH STILL SUBDUED**

- Freight volumes continue to grow in North Sea UK region, slow down in Swedish export sector
- Still some overcapacity in shipping, but tight haulage supply, especially in UK, is increasing cost of transport solutions
- Russian sanctions are lowering demand in Baltic Sea region, conflict still volatile
- Result pressure on Channel continues as over capacity on the Dover Strait is maintained
- Some pick up in UK/German travel market, decrease of Russian tourists on Scandinavian routes
- Market situation continues to be very competitive





## **CONTINUOUS STREAMLINING & ADAPTATION**

- Streamlining and adaptation of Baltic Sea activities have mitigated impact of Russian/Ukraine conflict
- Transition to new emission rules on track: Preparations and ongoing customer dialogue progressing
- Scrubber installations running on schedule
- Consolidation of route network:
  - Esbjerg-Harwich closed
  - Gothenburg-Tilbury closed
  - Le Havre-Portsmouth planned to close at yearend
- Continuous assessment of opportunities to optimise network and improve efficiency to remain competitive





#### **UPGRADE OF EBITDA EXPECTATIONS RANGE**

- 7% revenue increase
- EBITDA range of DKK 1.40-1.45bn (DKK 1.30-1.45bn)
- Investments of DKK 1,200m include:
  - Dockings: DKK 250m
  - ARK ships: DKK 300m
  - Scrubbers: DKK 250m
  - Passenger ships: DKK 100m
  - Other & acquisitions: DKK
    300m

DKK m	Outlook 2014, current	Outlook 2014, previous	2013
Revenue	+7%	+7%	12,097
EBITDA before special items	1,400-1,450	1,300-1,450	1,213
<b>Per division:</b> Shipping Division: Logistics Division: Non-allocated:	1,275-1,325 200 -75	1,200-1,325 175-200 -75	1,148 149 -84
Depreciation	10% increase	12% increase	-710
Finance cost, net	-135	-120	-136
Special items	-50	-35	-17
Investments	-1,200	-1,200	-943



### **OUR STRATEGIC PRIORITIES GOING INTO 2015**

- 1. Customer focus initiative
- 2. Continue streamlining of operations & overheads through efficiency & improvement projects
- 3. Resolve exceptional situation on Channel and challenges in Baltic Sea due to current crisis
- 4. Manage transition to new rules limiting sulphur to 0.1% in emissions January 2015
- 5. Participate in consolidation of our industry



# Q3 CONTINUED IMPROVEMENT



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