

## **Sunrise Communications Group AG** Q2/H1'15 Financial Results

## **Highlights**

- Accelerated subscriber momentum in mobile postpaid and internet
  - Mobile postpaid customers +21k net adds in Q2'15 (YoY growth of +67k, +5%)
  - Internet +5k net adds in Q2'15 (YoY growth of +3k, +1%)
  - IPTV subscriptions +7k net adds in Q2'15 (YoY growth of +33k, +37%)
- Revenue of CHF 488 million in Q2'15, down 6.9% YoY
  - Decreasing revenue from hardware sales and hubbing due to strengthening CHF
  - Structural declines in prepaid mobile and landline retail voice subscriber bases continued
  - Lower service revenue in mobile postpaid due to the introduction of the Freedom tariff as well as more competitive pricing environment at the value end of the market
  - Revenues softer than expected, now indicating a low to mid-single digit YoY decline for FY'15
- **EBITDA** margin (excl. hubbing) up 160bps resulting in adj. EBITDA of CHF 155 million, down 1.6% YoY
  - Positive impact of efficiency programs, beginning to mitigate the impact of declining revenue
  - FY'15 adj. EBITDA guidance reiterated
- Improved **net profit** of CHF 14 million (Q2'14: CHF 7 million), driven by reduced interest expenses
- Equity free cash flow improved by CHF 132 million YoY to CHF 120 million in Q2'15
  - Lower interest expenses following debt refinancing and use of factoring (CHF 57 million)
  - Net debt / EBITDA stable at 2.7x, despite spectrum payment; final spectrum payment in Q4'16

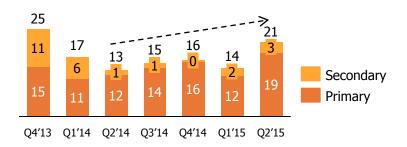
Dividend of at least CHF 135 million for 2015 to be paid in 2016 reiterated

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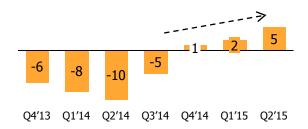
## Strong subscriber momentum ...

#### Postpaid mobile quarterly net adds ('000)



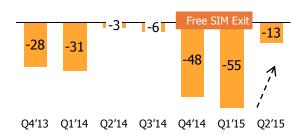
- Postpaid net adds (strongest quarter since Q4'13) accelerated despite competitor moves
- Successful Yallo postpaid introduction
- "Share data" concept has accelerated secondary SIM adoption

#### **Internet quarterly net adds ('000)**



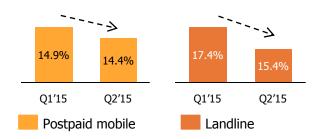
- Internet growth improved
- IPTV net adds on stable run rate

#### Prepaid mobile quarterly net adds ('000)



 Prepaid net adds recovering to normalized run rates following exit of free SIM business

#### Churn LTM (%)



Improved **Churn** supported by NPS and churn initiatives

## ... but value conversion becoming more challenging

- Macroeconomic environment less favorable following removal of currency peg
  - Swiss GDP growth expected to remain positive at +0.4% in 2015, though below +1.9% expected in December 2014 <sup>1)</sup>
  - Consumer goods pricing narrowing with EU, mainly impacting hardware sales
- The competitive environment has been characterized by various initiatives and more intense pricing
  pressure at the value end of the market
  - Orange/Salt.: re-branding implemented end of April; "Das Abo" intensified competition for preto postpaid migrators
  - upc-cablecom: mobile offers now available for non-upc customers, with price-aggressive large bundles
  - Swisscom: "Wingo" launch in fixed business with competitive fibre pricing; business market is defended with individualized low cost offers and aggressive employee programs
- Sunrise customer growth accelerated, particularly in the value end of the postpaid market
  - Good customer intake within the youth segment (MTV brand) and capturing pre- to postpaid migrations (Yallo brand); continued customer growth within the business segment
  - Intake on higher value Sunrise brand lower than expected
- Current revenue headwinds compensated by cost initiatives

<sup>1)</sup> Source: KOF Swiss Economic Institute

## Sunrise initiated a review to become simpler & more digital

# CUSTOMER BEHAVIOR IS INCREASINGLY BECOMING ONLINE CENTRIC...

## ... AND SUNRISE NEEDS TO BECOME SIMPLER AND MORE DIGITAL

"Average minutes spent on phones daily"

90

"Average number of times people check their phone daily"

Mobile data evolution in

**150** 

Simplification of products and processes

- Supporting better customer experience
- Simplification is a prerequisite for digitalization
- Enabling retirement of costly legacy applications
   & infrastructure

Digitalization

- Complying with more and more online centric expectations
- Strengthen customer relations
- Further improve cost to serve

Data traffic growth

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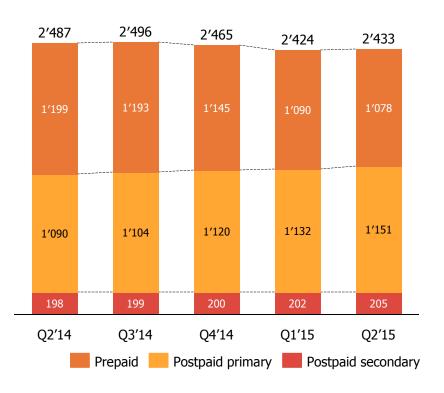
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## **Growth driven by postpaid subscriptions**

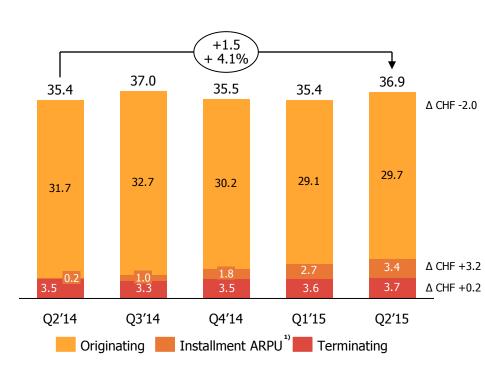
#### **Mobile subscriptions ('000)**



#### Highest net additions in postpaid subscriptions since introduction of Freedom (+ 21k in Q2'15)

605k Freedom subscriptions in Q2'15 vs. 422k in Q4'14

#### **Blended ARPU (CHF)**

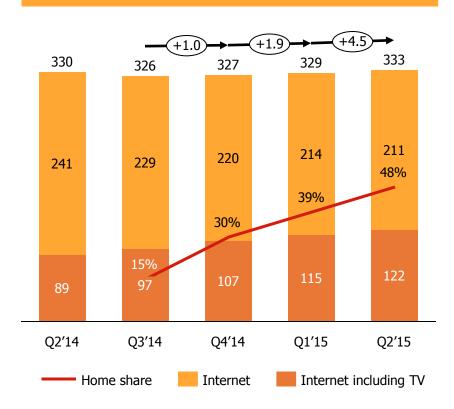


- Blended ARPU increase of 4.1% since Q2'14
  - Underlying ARPU increasing QoQ
  - Increasing mix of higher-value postpaid SIM base compared to prepaid

<sup>1)</sup> To allow for like-for-like comparison: ARPU as of Q2'14 onwards includes the billed hardware installments of the Freedom tariff, which are only partly recognized in the P&L of the respective period. Please see Q1'15 IFRS report for further explanations.

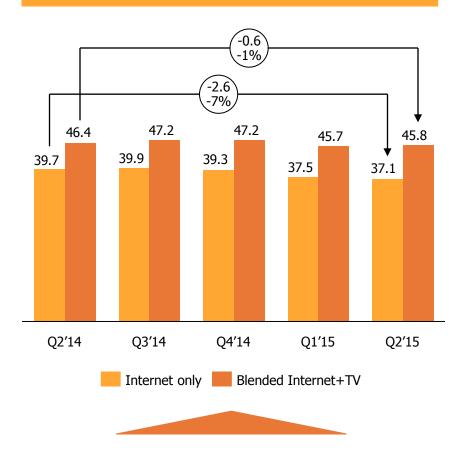
## **Continued Sunrise Home momentum**

#### **Subscriptions ('000)**



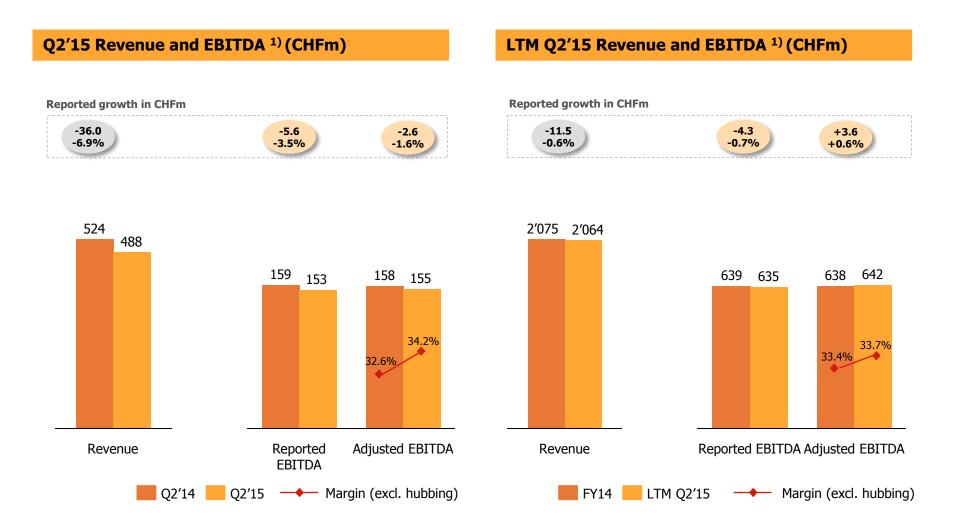
- Q2'15 confirms continued growth in internet subscribers
- 48% of Internet subscribers on Home portfolio
- IPTV penetration of 37% of Internet subscribers

#### **Internet and Sunrise TV ARPUs (CHF)**



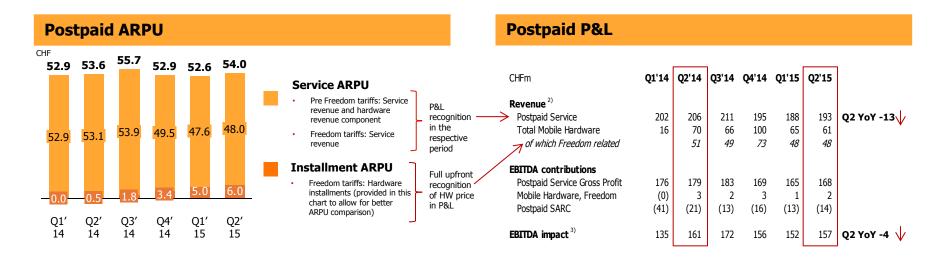
 Development driven by increasing share of Home subscribers reflecting greater customer value with the new portfolio

## Lower revenue partly offset by improving margin

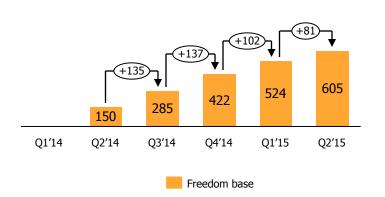


<sup>1)</sup> Total adjustments to reported EBITDA include out-of-period income and expenses, such as prior year related events, non recurring and/or non operating events and cost related to share-based payment.

## Freedom creating value despite short-term P&L volatility



#### Freedom 1) subscriber development ('000)



#### Value creation

- Growing postpaid subscriber base
- Stable ARPU (incl. installment ARPU)
- Total postpaid SIM only share of 29% as of Q2'15

## Cost savings & subscriber growth counteracting negative P&L impact

 Q2'15 postpaid service revenue YoY down due to fading Pre Freedom HW revenue component; trend to remain in short-term, counteracted by subscriber growth

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Cost savings counteracting pressure on Q2'15 EBITDA

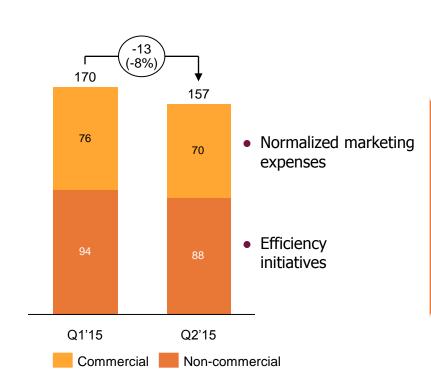
<sup>1)</sup> Freedom are postpaid mobile rate plans launched in April 2014 (see O1'15 results report for more information)

<sup>2)</sup> Mobile HW revenue increased in O2'14 supported by upfront recognition

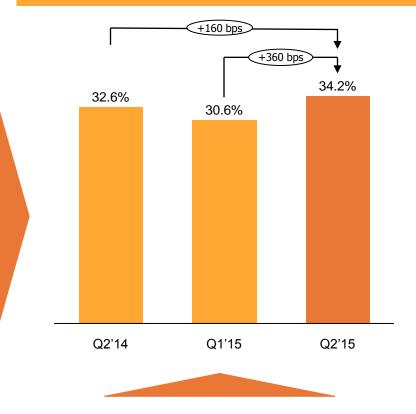
<sup>3)</sup> Shift of HW costs from SARC to COGS as of Q2'14 (both times fully recognized upfront); Q2'14 EBITDA positively impacted by upfront recognition of HW

## Improved margin driven by cost containment

#### Adjusted OPEX<sup>1)</sup> (CHFm)



#### Adjusted EBITDA<sup>1)</sup> margin (excl. hubbing) (%)



 EBITDA margin up to 34.2% driven by cost containment within OPEX

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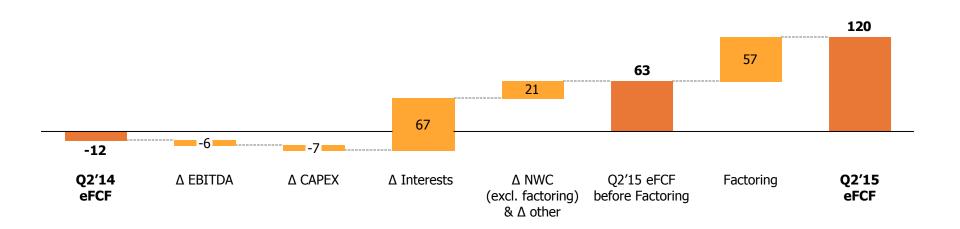
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## **Overview of results – Income Statement**

Financial Results	H1 - 2015	H1 - 2014	Q2'2015	Q2'2014
CHF million				
Mobile	641	630	321	344
Landline Services	237	256	117	128
of which hubbing	<i>72</i>	76	34	39
Landline Internet	99	103	50	51
Total revenues	976	988	488	524
% yoy growth	(1.2%)		(6.9%)	
Revenues (excl. hubbing)	904	912	454	485
% yoy growth	(0.8%)		(6.3%)	
Gross profit	618	652	313	331
% margin	63.3%	66.0%	64.1%	63.3%
% yoy growth	(5.1%)		(5.7%)	
EBITDA	286	291	153	159
% margin	29.3%	29.4%	31.5%	30.4%
% margin (excluding hubbing revenues)	31.7%	31.9%	33.8%	32.8%
% yoy growth	(1.5%)		(3.5%)	
Adjusted EBITDA	293	289	155	158
% margin (excluding hubbing revenues)	32.4%	31.7%	34.2%	32.6%
% yoy growth	1.2%		(1.6%)	
Depreciation and amortization	(229)	(211)	(115)	(107)
% yoy growth	(8.5%)	( )	(7.2%)	( - )
Operating income	58	80	38	52
Net financial items	(204)	(76)	(17)	(40)
Income taxes	(6)	(7)	(7)	(5)
Net (loss) / income	(152)	(3)	14	7

## Strong improvement in equity free cash flow YoY

#### **Equity free cash flow bridge Q2'15 vs. Q2'14 (CHFm)**



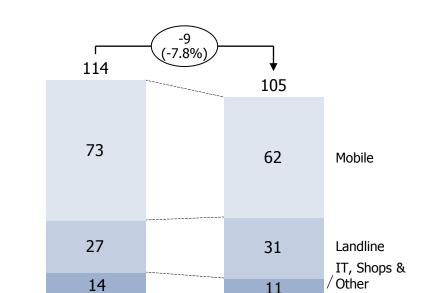
#### **CHF 132 million improved eFCF in Q2'15 YoY**

- Lower interest expenses supported by debt refinancing in February 2015
- Use of receivables factoring facility (CHF 57 million)
- CAPEX spending pattern differing from 2014, i.e. higher spend in Q2'15 vs. lower spend in H2'15

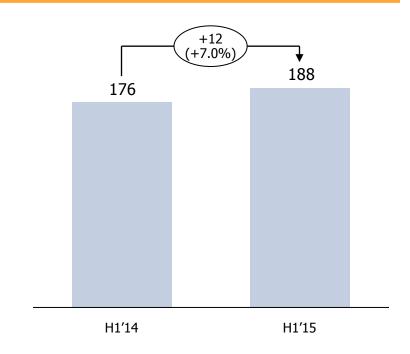
## **FY15 CAPEX guidance remains unchanged**

#### **CAPEX development (CHFm)**

H1'14



#### Adj. EBITDA - CAPEX (CHFm)



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- Focus on LTE coverage expansion and LTE-Advanced introduction, with data growth remaining a key market driver
  - LTE coverage expansion (95% coverage expected by EoY) and LTE device penetration (60% <sup>1)</sup>)
    facilitating substantial data growth (+81% YoY <sup>2)</sup>)
  - Video/streaming becoming the new "killer app" accounting already for 33% of total mobile traffic, with a growing trend
- Guidance for FY15 CAPEX unchanged at CHF 270-280 million

H1'15

<sup>1)</sup> Based on mobile postpaid customer base including all segments as well as rate plans, except for "Takeaway"

<sup>2)</sup> Month of May 2015 YoY

## **Overview of results – Cash Flow Statement**

Cash Flow	H1 - 2015	H1 - 2014	Q2'2015	Q2'2014
CHF million				
EBITDA	286	291	153	159
Change in net working capital	(55)	(133)	55	(34)
thereof handset receivable factoring impact	<i>72</i>	-	<i>57</i>	-
Movement in pension and provisions	2	(1)	1	(0)
Interest (paid) / received, net incl. foreign currency impact	(70)	(110)	(9)	(76)
thereof IPO and refinancing transaction impacts	(29)	-	-	-
Corporate income and withholding tax (paid) / received	(15)	5	(13)	(2)
Cash flow from operating activities	148	53	187	47
Capex	(105)	(114)	(66)	(59)
% Capex-to-revenues (excl. hubbing revenues)	10.7%	11.5%	13.6%	11.2%
Cash flow after investing activities	44	(61)	120	(12)
Repayment other financing items	(0)	-	(0)	-
Equity free cash flow	43	(61)	120	(12)
Adjusted for IPO and refinancing transactions	<i>73</i>	(61)	120	(12)
Proceeds / (repayments) from debts, net	(981)	(37)	(116)	(1)
thereof payment of 2 <sup>nd</sup> installement of mobile license	(105)	-	(105)	-
Settlement of derivatives	(348)	-	0	-
Proceeds from initial public offering, net	1'311	-	(19)	-
Total cash flow	25	(98)	(15)	(13)
Cash and cash equivalents as of BoP	120	150	161	66
Foreign currency impact on cash	1	1	(0)	0
Cash and cash equivalents as of June 30	146	53	146	53

## Stable leverage ratio, despite spectrum payment

Net debt	June 30, 2015	March 31, 2015	Dec 31, 2014
CHF million			
Senior Secured Notes	-	-	746
Senior Secured Notes issued July 2012	-	-	520
Senior PIK Toggle Notes	-	-	631
Floating Rate Notes issued July 2012	-	-	201
Senior Unsecured Notes	-	-	675
Utilized RCF	-	-	73
Senior Secured Notes issued February 2015	500	500	-
Term loan B	1'360	1'360	-
Total cash-pay borrowings <sup>1</sup>	1'860	1'860	2'846
Fair value of cross currency swaps	-	-	149
Financial lease	27	28	30
Total debt	1'887	1'888	3'025
Cash & Cash Equivalents	(146)	(161)	(120)
Net debt	1'741	1'727	2'905
Net debt / EBITDA	2.7x	2.7x	4.6x
Book Equity <sup>2</sup>	1'142	1'120	(21)

<sup>1)</sup> Nominal amounts, i.e. excluding capitalized debt issuance cost

<sup>2)</sup> Equity as of March 31 and June 30, 2015 includes a share premium of CHF 2.6 billion, which includes reserves which are freely available for distribution of dividends

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## **Outlook**

- Revenues softer than expected, now indicating a low-to-mid single digit YoY decline for FY'15:
  - Despite accelerated customer growth, increased headwinds on revenue due to intensified price pressure at the value end of the market
- Adjusted EBITDA guidance reiterated, FY'15 expected to be at a comparable level to FY'14;
   current revenue headwinds mitigated by:
  - Ongoing active review of cost saving opportunities
  - Digitalization and process simplification enabling improvements of cost to serve
- Cash flow acceleration well on track driven by:
  - Capex normalization
  - Lower interest following debt refinancing
  - NWC improvements driven by factoring of handset receivables
- Dividend of at least CHF 135 million for 2015 to be paid in 2016 reiterated
- Net debt to EBITDA leverage target of 2.5x reiterated; current leverage already at 2.7x

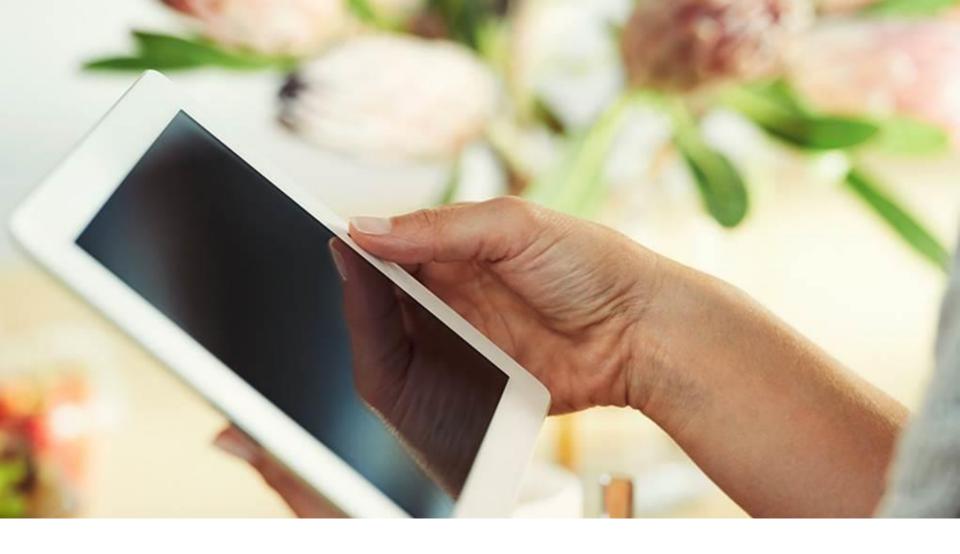
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## **Prepaid customer development**

#### **Market and performance update**

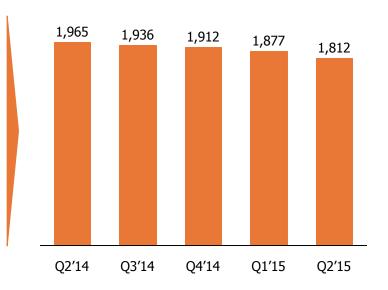
- Prepaid revenues are declining as smartphone penetration increases data consumption. This has in turn driven pre-to postpaid migration in a number of market segments
- Migration strategy focused on maximizing value through attractive postpaid SIM-only offers (Freedom, Yallo postpaid)

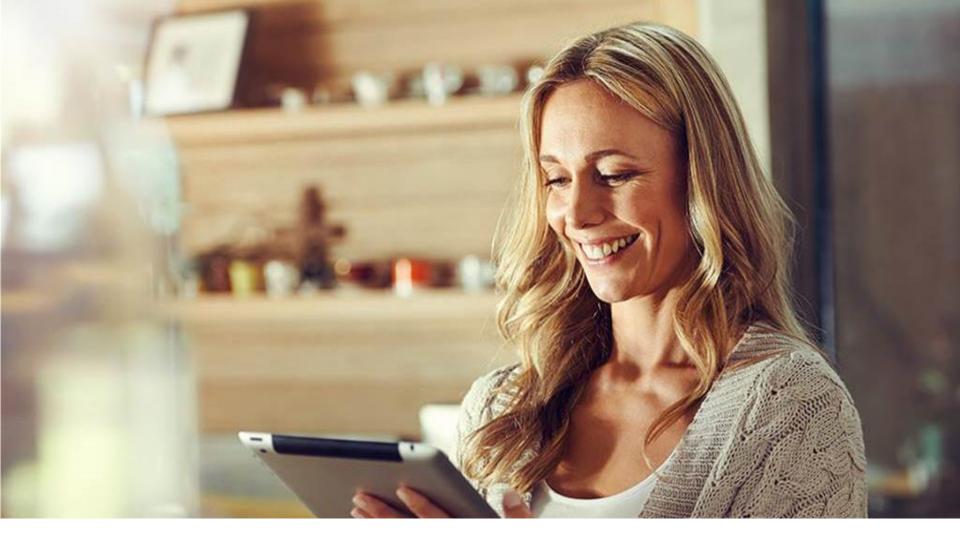
#### **Prepaid customers: 3 month rule**

# 1,199 1,193 1,145 1,090 1,078 Q2'14 Q3'14 Q4'14 Q1'15 Q2'15

- For transparency reasons, prepaid customers based on a 12 month activity rule are provided
- 3 month activity rule is a better representation of the prepaid market

#### **Pro-forma prepaid customers: 12 month rule**





# **Thank you**

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