



2007 in summary: A successful year

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- Winning in the markets:
  - Strong development and share gains in key markets
  - Organic growth of net sales by 10% to DKK 44.8bn
- Earnings at record high:
  - Superior profit growth with EBIT up 30%
  - Better results in Western Europe, Eastern Europe and BBH
- Carlsberg is currently one of the fastest growing global brewers, a growth profile which will be substantially enhanced after closure of the S&N deal







- Best-in-class organic volume growth of 11%
- International brands Carlsberg and Tuborg had strong performances with growth of 5% and 18% respectively
- Continuing previous trend and should only be reinforced by proposed transaction
- Baltika brand adds 34% to volume driven by new brand extension Baltika Cooler
- Numerous innovations and product extensions launched
- Good pricing in key markets reflecting well-invested brands
- Input cost inflation has been and remains a challenge
  - Prices on barley, aluminum and energy has risen
- Overall margins improved to reach the first of set goals









- Excellence programmes continue to deliver value
  - .. but still more work to be done!!

	Local initiatives	ProdEx	ProcEx	AdmEx	LogEx	CommEx	Continuous Improvement	Standardisation
Western Europe	Brewery (🗸)	✓	<b>(√)</b>	✓	✓	✓	(√)	NEXT
Eastern Europe		✓	<b>(</b> ✓)	$\checkmark$	<b>(</b> ✓)	<b>(</b> ✓)	<b>(√)</b>	*
Asia		*	<b>(√)</b>	*	*	$(\checkmark)$	<b>(</b> ✓)	*
ВВН	Integration of breweries	*	*	*	*	(✓)	(✓)	

✓ = Projects completed/in process

(✓) = Roll-out / implementation phase

\* = To come later

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# Group

#### . . and a lot more to come!

- Much of 2007 spent laying foundation for future success in 2008
  - Positive outlook despite input cost inflation
  - Price increases already announced before year end
  - Focus on efficiency and cost control
  - Monetisation of surplus property assets
- Ready for transformation of Carlsberg through S&N deal
- Fastest growing global brewer
- Forthcoming equity issue will provide a one-time liquidity event, from which shareholders will benefit from the very firm basis for the enlarged group going forward

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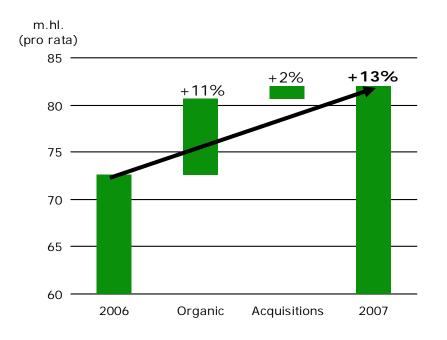
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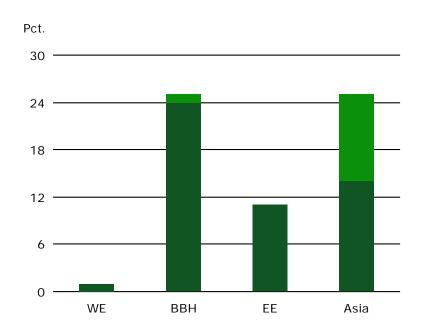
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## Strong volume development in all growth regions



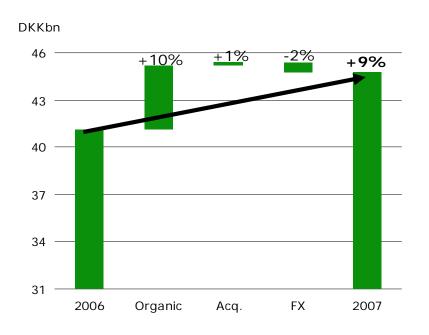


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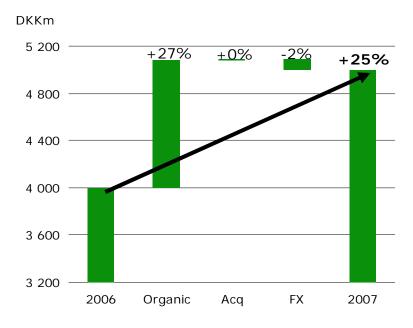
# **Brewing activities**



#### **Net sales**



#### **Operating profit**





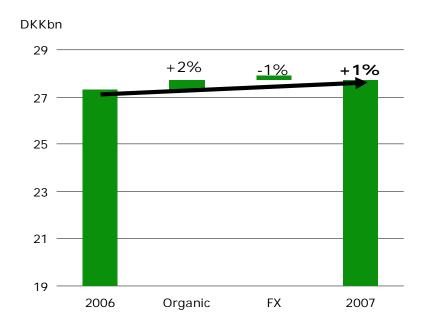


**Western Europe** 

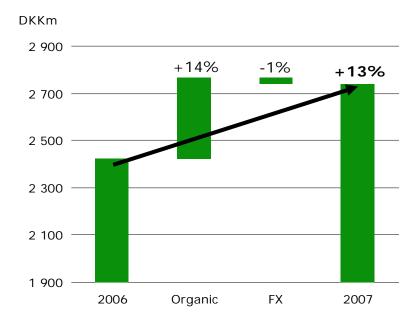
# **Western Europe**



#### **Net sales**



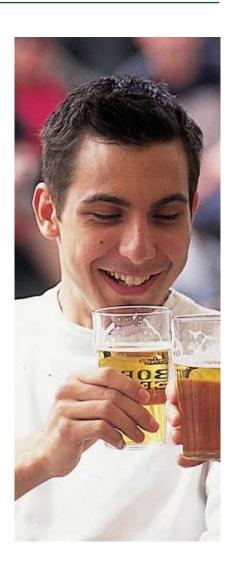
## **Operating profit**



## Share gains in key markets



- Mixed total markets development partly due to adverse summer weather
- Strong brand equity helps Carlsberg outperform general trend with beer volumes up 1%
- Market share gains in all markets except Portugal and Italy supported by innovations and local power brands
- Local prices increased approx. 1%
- Nordic performance very positive reflecting price increases, positive mix and efficiency improvements
- Successful UK off-trade with significant gain of value share, thus off-setting effects from lower on-trade volumes following smoking ban
- Decision taken to transfer Denmark, Sweden and Norway accounting activities to Poland.







- Higher input costs on malt, packaging etc
- Lower gross margin off-set by on-going implementation of excellence programmes
- Material increase in operating profit per hl, with profitability rising by 13%
- Optimization of production network still underway
  - Ceccano (Italy) up for sale and Loulé (Portugal) to close
- EBIT margin now in low end of 10-12% target zone
- New ambitious target to be set following acquisition





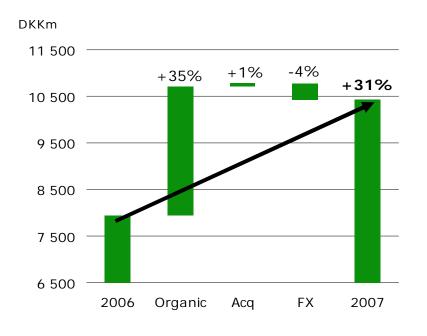


# **BBH**

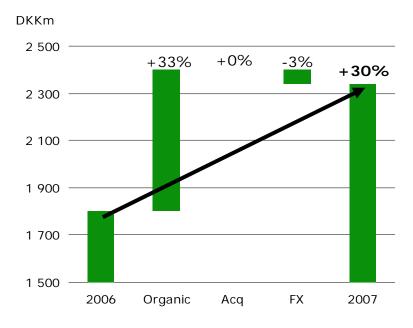
#### **BBH**



#### **Net sales**



## **Operating profit**



## Successful throughout the year



- Beer volumes up 25% (pro rata)
- Net sales up 31% fuelled by strong market growth and innovation programme
- EBIT up 30% reflecting revenue growth and improved mix
- Share growth in all markets
- Russia now largest market for Tuborg beer
- Operating margin flat as operational leverage is offset by rising input costs
- Exceptional year of further significant investments with capex of DKK 1.7bn
- Business well-positioned and well-invested for further development



## Clear market leadership in Russia



#### Russia

- 2007 beer market growth +16%, Q4 growth +10%
  - Development of the category
    - Rising disposable income drives per capita consumption
    - Increasing premiumisation across the sector
  - Continuing shift in consumer consumption from strong alcohol towards beer
  - Mild weather in O1
- Baltika outperforming the market
  - Volumes up 19%
  - Market leader with 37.6% share (+1.2% point)
- Successful completion of Baltika share buy back







#### **Ukraine**

- Successful turn-around with impressive performance of Slavutich brand after relaunch
- Market share 20.4% up 2.6%, with beer volumes up 39%
- Baltika and Tuborg continue to outperform in the premium/ licensed segment

#### **Baltics**

- Strong performance and market shares up 0.3% to 45.2%
- Total beverages model focus on adding value

#### Kazakhstan

- Strong market growth of 15%
- Volumes up 45% driven by growth of local brand Irbis and introduction of Tuborg
- Market share up 5% to 44% (incl. Baltika exports)



#### **BBH Group**



- Integration of BBH's Russian subsidiaries complete
- No significant benefits as yet from applying groupwide best practices across Carlsberg and BBH
- Rising input costs a challenge, however
  - continued strong pricing
  - benefits to come from group-wide procurement opportunities
  - continued mix benefit in individual markets
  - leading brand in local premium segment, Tuborg, growing at 70% in 2007
- Strong local management groups in place, incentivised to continue success of group's development in Russia

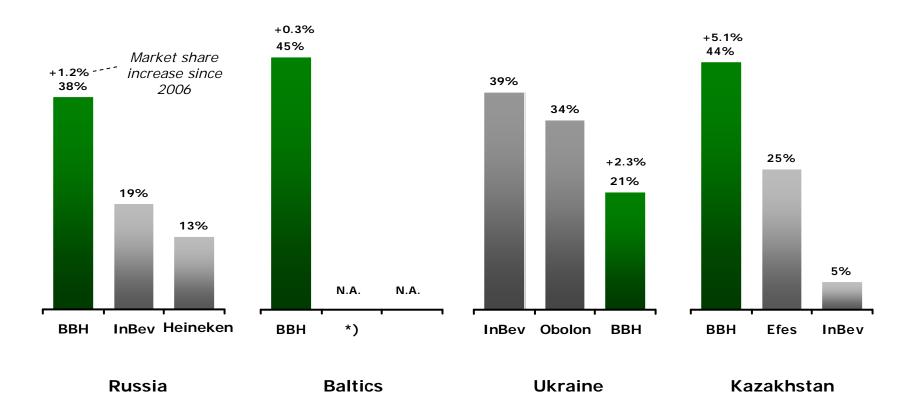


# The largest FMCG business



#### BBH - the largest FMCG business in the high growth former CIS countries

Market shares 2007



<sup>\*</sup> No player across all three markets.



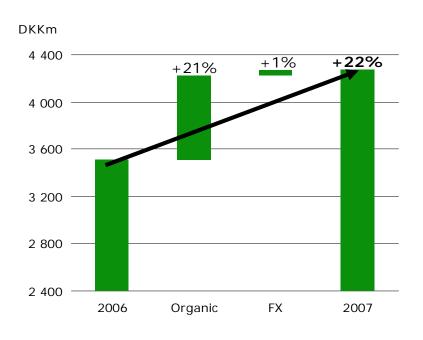


**Eastern Europe** 

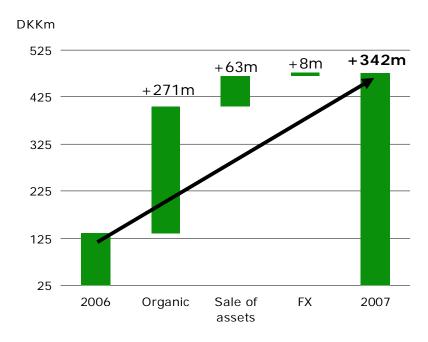
# **Eastern Europe**



#### **Net sales**



#### **Operating profit**





# Fantastic growth and turn-around ...

- Solid business model in Poland after successful turnaround
  - Strong volume development and continued focus on sales on outlet level
- South East Europe demonstrated superior growth supported by Tuborg as well as local brands
- · Significant share gains in Croatia, Serbia and Bulgaria
- Turkey still challenging despite introduction of new local mainstream product
- Commercial Excellence and Logistic Excellence in implementation phase to further strengthen operations





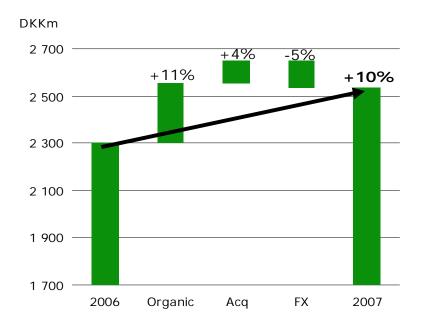


# Asia

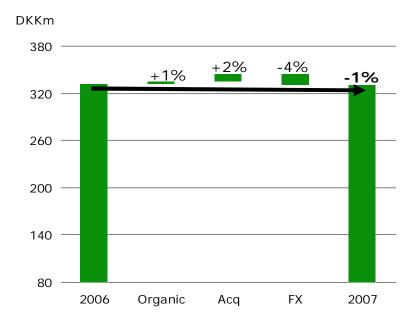
#### Asia



#### **Net sales**



## **Operating profit**



#### Strong organic growth



- Volumes jump 25% driven by strong organic development as well as acquisitions
- Fastest growth in low-price countries curb net sales growth to 10%
- Flat volumes in mature markets in Malaysia, Hong Kong and Singapore
- Malaysia successfully restructured after arrival of new management
  - H1 profitability down 50%; restored in H2
  - Positioned to benefit from change in business model in 2008
- China now generates positive earnings after profitable high growth in Western provinces and strong performance of Carlsberg Chill





#### **Building a platform**



- Organic volume growth of 13% and 19% in China and Indo-China region
- More investments in production capacity to meet demand
- Ideally positioned to integrate "add-on" positions in both countries given
  - strength of brands in neighboring provinces
  - need for capacity increases to fulfill ongoing sales growth
- Entry into India
  - Acquisition of brewery in Himachal Pradesh north of Delhi to kick-start production





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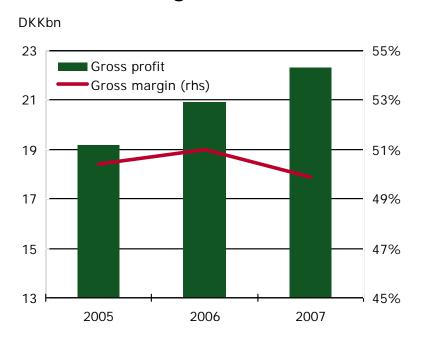
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Net sales	44,750	41,083	+3,667
Gross profit	22,327	20,932	+1,395
Operating expenses incl. brands mkt.	-17,651	-17,238	-413
Other income, net	586	352	+234
Operating profit before special items	5,262	4,046	+1,216
- Brewing	5,001	3,997	+1,004
- Other activities	261	49	+212
Special items, net	-427	-160	-267
Financials, net	-1,201	-857	-344
Tax	-1,038	-858	-180
Profit	2,596	2,171	+425
Minorities	299	287	+12
Carlsberg's share of profit	2,297	1,884	+413

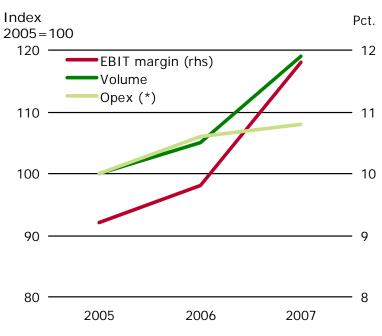




# EBIT margin up despite rising input costs

# Higher gross profit, but lower gross margin – more than offset by efficiency and cost savings





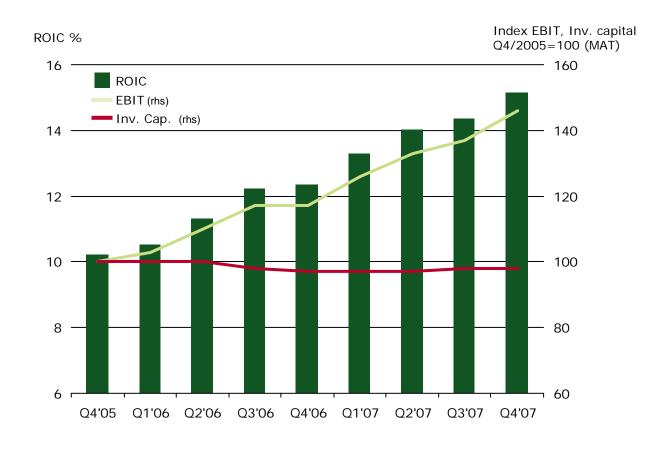
(\*) Sales, logistics and administration expenses

- Price increases introduced late in year, thus not compensating for higher input costs
- Significant EBIT margin expansion of 260 bp for 2007 vs 2005









#### Capex



Western Europe

BBH

Eastern Europe

Asia

Other (incl. real estate)

- Capex at double level of depreciations
- Depreciation policies relatively conservative
- One-off high capex in 2007 primarily due to investments in Denmark, Finland and Italy (brewery optimisation) and Russia (capacity expansion)



#### Cash flow



DKKbn	FY 2007	FY 2006	△DKKm
Cash flow from operating activities	4,837	4,470	+367
Cash flow from investing activities	-4,927	65	-4,992
Free cash flow	-90	4,535	-4,625
Cash flow from financing activities	-184	-4,690	4,506
Net cash flow	-274	-155	-119



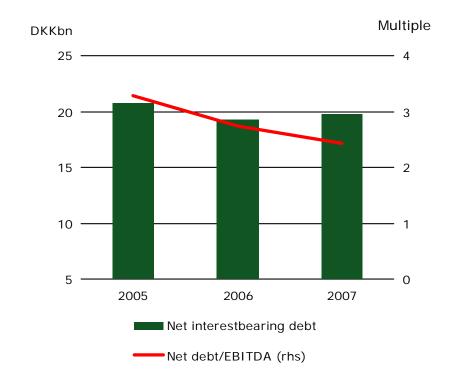
- High investments in growth markets to facilitate future growth
- Restructuring in mature markets to improve efficiency
- 2006 included DKK 3.3bn proceeds from sale of Hite shares



#### Financial ratios



- Net debt of DKK 19.7bn
- Financial ratios support investment grade rating
- Solid improvement in ratio of net debt/EBITDA as earnings have increased
- Commitment to remain investment grade after completion of transaction







- Strong results in real estate development business
  - More than DKK 700m of proceeds and more than DKK 300m of gains in 2007
- Tuborg area expected to generate proceeds of DKK 1bn and gains of DKK 425m in 2008
- Plans for Valby site are on track



#### **BBH outlook 2008**



- Russian market volume forecasted to grow c. 5%
- Total BBH beer volumes expected to grow c. 12%
- EBIT expected to be c. EUR 740m (BBH 100%)
- Capex expected to be c. EUR 460m (BBH 100%)









	2007 Actuals	2008 Guidance
Net sales	DKK 44,75bn	~ +10%
Operating profit, Brewing activities	DKK 5,001m	~ DKK 5.6bn
Operating profit, Other activities	DKK 261m	~ DKK 300m
Carlsberg share of profit	DKK 2,297m	~ +20%

- Guidance for group provided without the benefits of the S&N deal
- Earnings expected to be lower in Q1, but more in Q2 vs 2007
- Update on Outlook and segmentation of business after completion of transaction



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## **Transforming Carlsberg**



#### Critical transaction fully in line with established value drivers

Improve earnings in Western Europe



- Strengthens European footprint through acquisition of #1/#2 positions
- Roll-out of proven excellence programmes
- New engine of growth in mature markets as synergies achieved

Profitable growth in BBH and Eastern Europe



- Unified control of key BBH asset
- Significant benefits from full integration into Carlsberg's global operations
- Strong future cashflow growth

**Build platform in Asia** 



- Chongqing stake and Vinataba JV enhance
   Carlsberg's position in key future growth markets
- Building upon established platforms in 2 of Carlsberg's most dynamic Asian growth centres

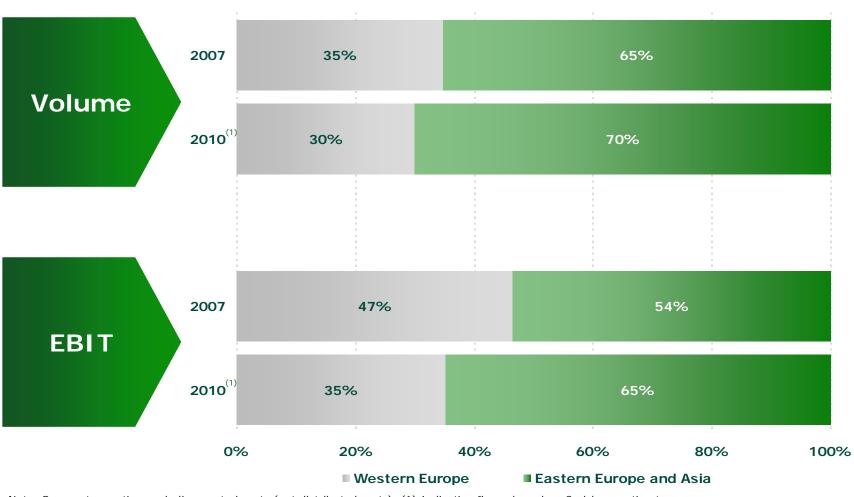
**Develop real estate** 

Monetisation of real estate portfolio remains a key focus



## **Enhancing growth market exposure**

### Increases the long term organic growth profile of Carlsberg



Note: Segment reporting excluding central costs (not distributed costs). (1) Indicative figure based on Carlsberg estimate.

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## Post merger process on track



- Integration teams covering all relevant areas up and running
  - HR, Procurement, Production, Sales/marketing, Finance, Culture
- Integration to be based on a discipline, effectiveness, dialogue and mutual respect
- Integration is an opportunity to welcome people from the acquired S&N companies as well as BBH into a wider Carlsberg organisation
- Strong follow up systems in place
- Estimated synergies will be realized







2007 was a succesful year - and a lot more to come!

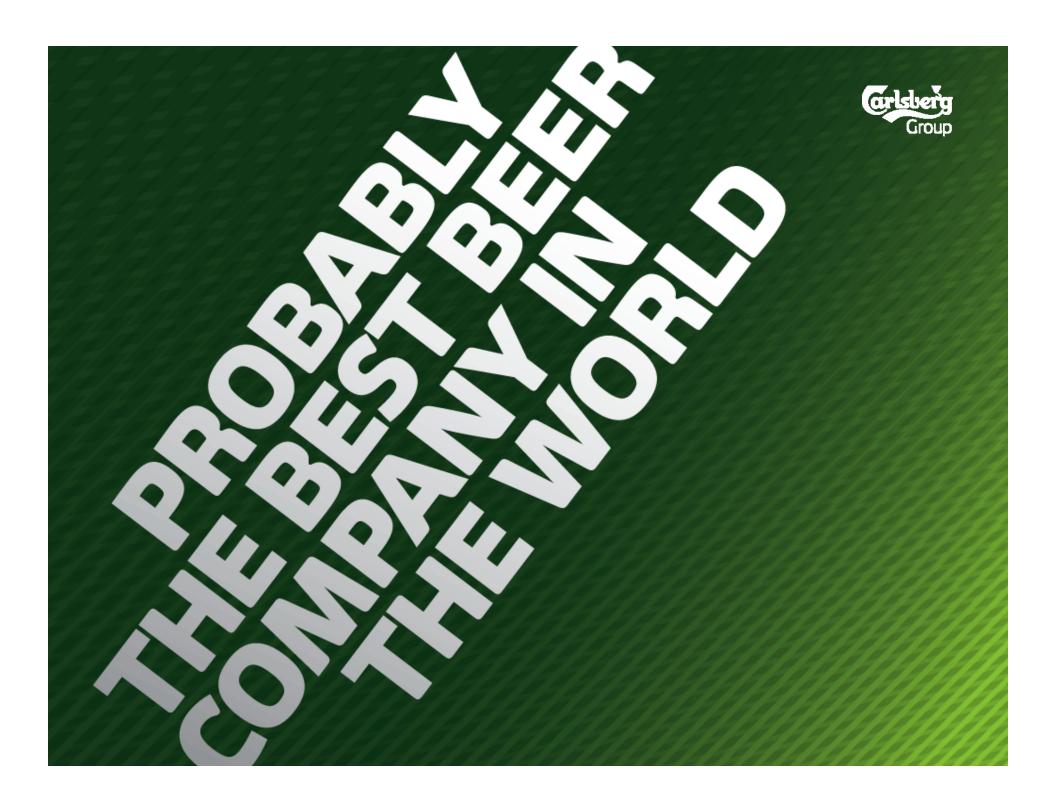
Leading positions in mature and developing markets

Portfolio of leading global brands

Commitment to operational excellence

Focus on value creation









# **Appendix**





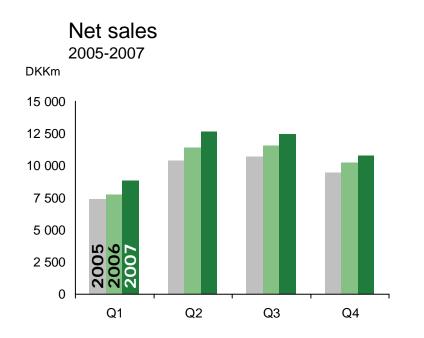
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2008 Q2 Financial Statement	5 August 2008
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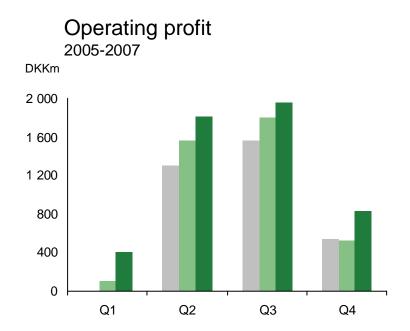














# **BBH: Beer market development**

2007	Market growth	BBH volume growth	Market share	Market share change
Russia	+15.7%	+19.3%	37.6%	+1.2%-pts
Ukraine	+19.4%	+39.0%	20.6%	+2.3%-pts
Baltics	+1.4%	+2.0%	45.2%	+0.3%-pts
Kazakhstan	+14.7%	+45.5%	44.1%	+5.1%-pts

### Baltika Breweries in Russia







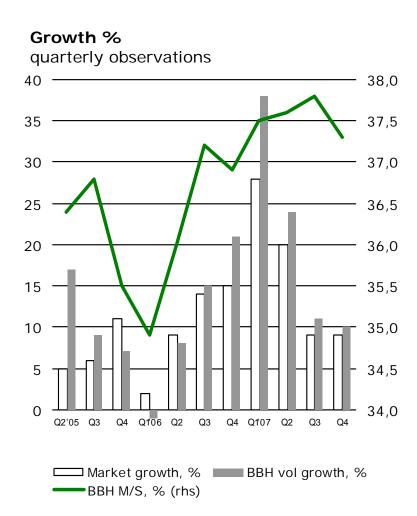


# Company position in the segment









#### Market share %

	2007	2006
ВВН	37.6	36.4
InBev	18.9	18.9
Heineken	13.3	13.3
Efes *	9.4	9.2
SAB **	6.1	5.7
Others	14.7	16.5
	100.0	100.0

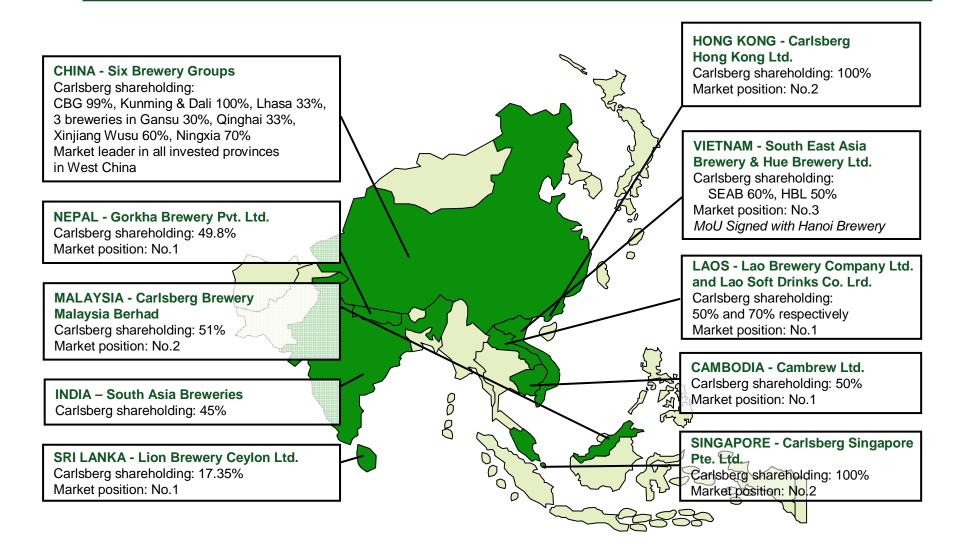
Sources: Internal Baltika data, State Statistics Committee

\*BA retail audit, Y2007 – 11M (Jan-Nov) Note: Baltika domestic sales beer volumes

Heineken, Sun InBev & Efes include all acquisitions

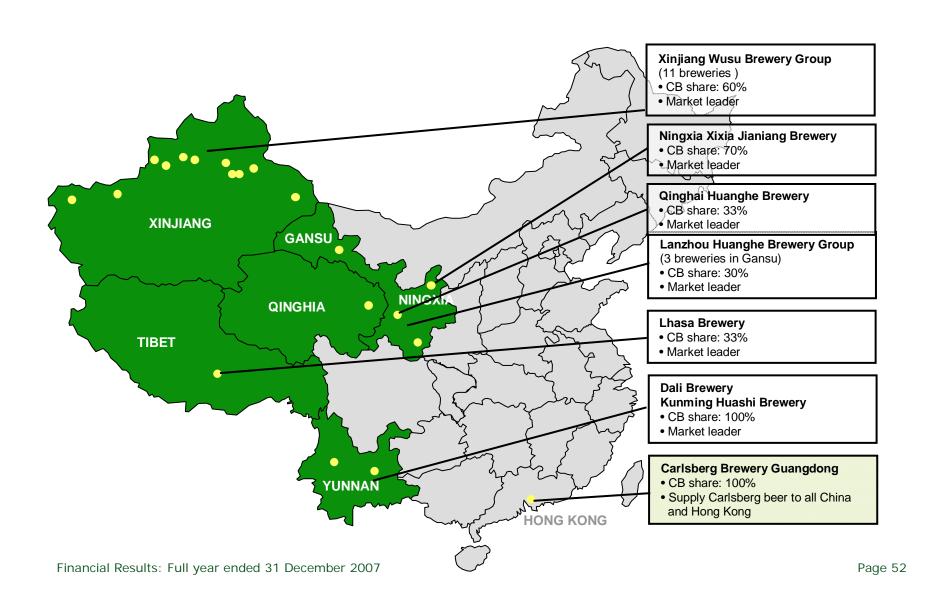
### Carlsberg in Asia





# Carlsberg in China



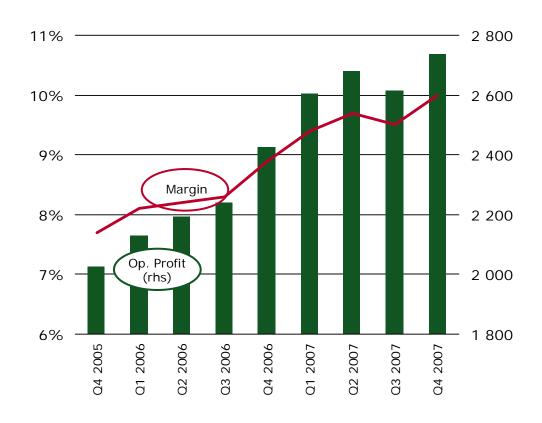


### **Western Europe**



### Profit margin development

(rolling 12 months)



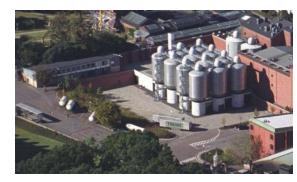
#### Margin improvement initiatives

- Top line growth:
  - Innovations
  - Increased share of premium products
  - Building local power brands
  - Best practice sharing with sales and marketing
  - New beverage categories
- Cost base reduction:
  - On-going Excellence programmes roll-out
  - Standardisation
  - Shared Service Center
  - Brewery structure optimisation





<b>Tuborg</b> DKK m	2008	2009
Investments	-475	-300
Sales proceeds	+1,000	+850
Profit from sale / rental income	+425	+250



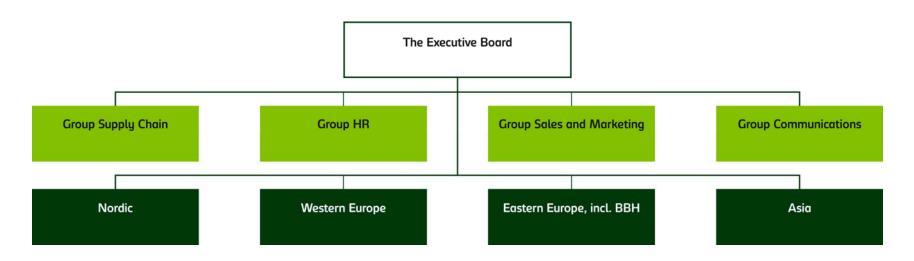
Sqm to be constructed	Tuborg	Valby*
Housing	~ 60,000	
Public	~ 10,000	
Total	~ 70,000	~ 550,000
Hereof Carlsberg need		~ 70,000



<sup>\*</sup> As indicated by winning proposal of the Carlsberg Architecture Competition

### **Carlsberg Executive Committee**

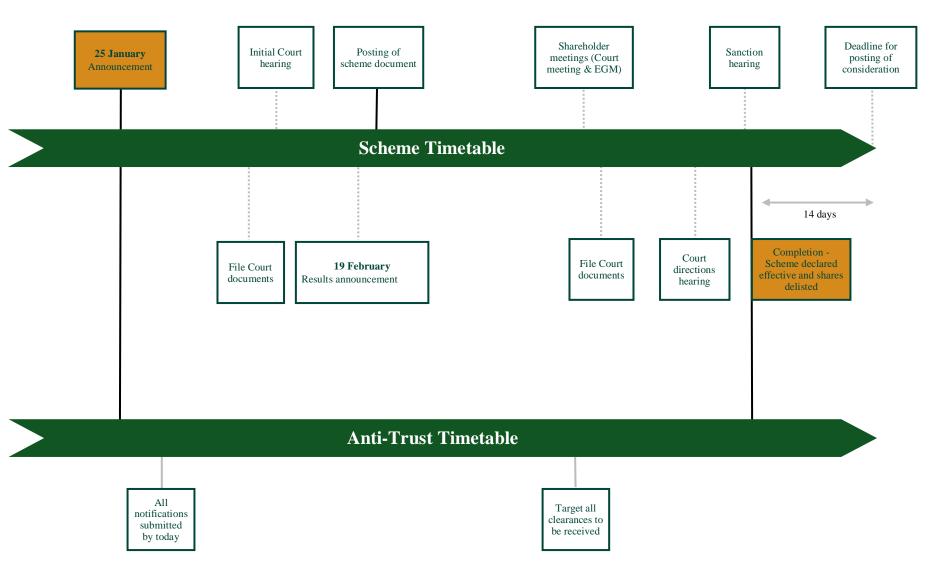




- The Executive Committee consists of:
  - The Executive Board: CEO & President and Deputy CEO & CFO
  - Four regional heads: Nordic, Western Europe, Asia and Eastern Europe, including BBH
  - Four functional heads: Group Supply Chain, Group Sales & Marketing, Group HR and Group Communications
- The role of the Executive Committee is:
  - To define mission, vision, values and strategic goal for the Carlsberg Group
  - To drive the strategic agenda for the Carlsberg Group
  - Organisational and People planning
  - Identify and take action on opportunities and issues versus operating plans



# Timetable to completion of transaction



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