# **Analyst Presentation**

First Half 2013





# Highlights H1 2013 ...

#### ... Revenue and Profitability

- Revenue of €247.8m
- Gross profit margin increase of 380 bps points up to 53.9%
- FBITDA of €9.8m
- EPS of €0.01

#### ... Store Management

- New store opening in Hilden and Aalen
- Two stores closed due to profitability reasons
- 4 more store openings already fixed for 2013

#### ... Online Shop Performance Improved

- Revenue in H1 2013 more than doubled
- Conversion rate increased
- Return rate of below 40%

#### ... TV and Print Campaign Launched

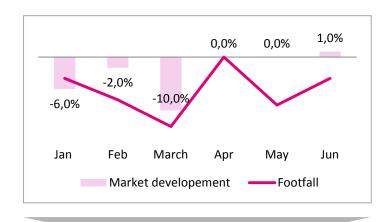
- TV advertisement on RTL and VOX
- Print promotions in yellow press
- Objective to increase frequency and image perception
- Frequency increase since campaign start

#### ... Steilmann Group as New Anchor Shareholder

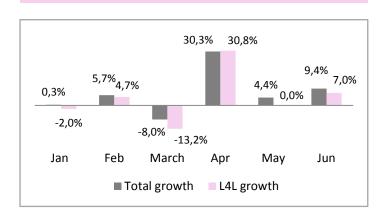
- Steilmann Group and Equinox (S&E Kapital GmbH) currently hold 58.7%
  - 49.96% acquired from bluO
  - > 3.9% tendered for €6.29 per Adler share
  - 4.8% ADLER treasury shares
- Strategic considerations on joint procurement and merging the retail business
- Executive Board of both groups started to investigate cooperation potentials

# Market Development In H1 2013

#### **German Textile Market\***



#### **Adler Revenue Growth**



#### German textile market development Q2 2013

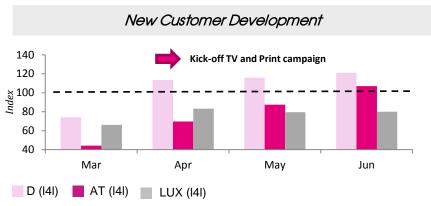
- German Textile Market negatively effected by inconsistent weather conditions
- High inventory level led to increased discount pressure within the market
- Ongoing lack of traffic
- Early start in summer sale supported revenues but burdened profitability

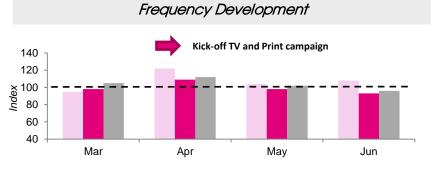
<sup>\*</sup> TW-Testclub

# TV and Print Campaign









#### Market Research Results

- Increase in brand awareness by 300 bps to 89%
- Aided advertising recall up 1,500 bps to 48%
- Increase in brand sympathy and willingness to buy

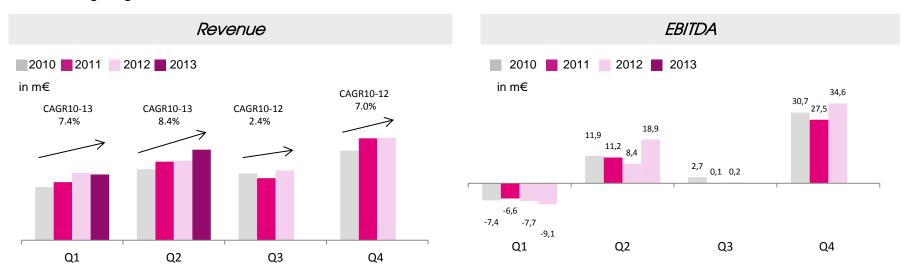
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# **Seasonality of ADLER's Business**

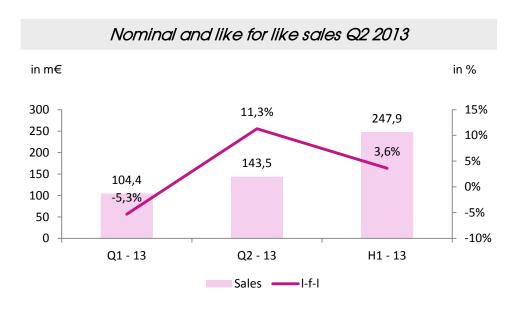
#### Apparel Retailers Act in a Cyclical Business Environment

- Sales, profits and financing requirements of retailers in the apparel sector like ADLER are affected by seasonal fluctuations
- Goods receipt and financing requirements peak in Q1 and Q3
- Seasonal effects regularly cause negative earnings, increased inventories and an increase in trade payables in particular in the first quarter of the year
  - Strong sales and EBITDA in Q2 2013 despite unfavourable weather conditions and discount pressure from competitors
  - > German textile sector revenues declined by 3% in H1 2013, Adler up 3.6% I-f-I
  - > Ongoing lack of traffic in Q2 2013 within the German textile market



## Increase in Nominal and I-f-I Sales in Q2 2013

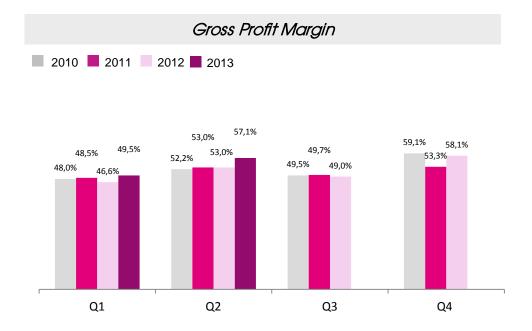
#### Outperforming the German textile market in Q2 2013



- Sales increase of 13.8% to €143.5m
- Like for like sales up 11.3%
- Key sales drivers
  - Increase in customer traffic following targeted marketing initiatives
  - 2. Moderate price adjustments
  - 3. High acceptance of spring/summer collection
  - Nominal effect of ~€5m in Q2 2013 from smaller allowances for customer discounts

# Ongoing Positive Trend in Gross Profit Margin in Q2 2013

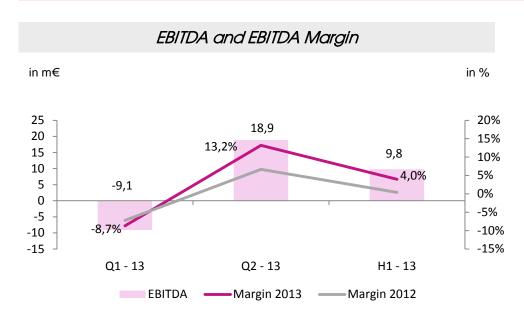
#### Strong increase in gross profit margin despite discount pressure from competitors



- Gross profit margin increase of 410 bps to 57.1% in Q2 2013
- Adjusted gross profit margin of 55.6%
- Key adjusted gross profit margin drivers
  - No excessive disocunts/mid season sale
  - Moderate price adjustments throughout the entire product range
  - 3. Increase in direct sourcing
- Strategic projects to sustainably increase gross margin:
  - Increase the direct sourcing volume
  - Constant analysis of price structures in certain product groups, followed by moderate price adjustments
  - Conservative price discounts and no mid season sales

# Improvement in EBITDA and EBITDA margin in Q2 2013

#### Positive top-line and gross margin trend supported EBITDA



- EBITDA increase of 122% to €18.9m
- EBITDA margin doubled to 13.2%
  - Adjusted EBITDA margin up 340 bps to 10%
- Increase in EBITDA margin despite a) higher wages granted to employees and b) planned expansion of marketing activities
- Key EBITDA drivers
  - 1. Strong like for like sales
  - 2. Increase in gross profit margin

## **Profit and Loss Statement**

k€	01.01 30.06.2013	01.01 30.06.2012
Revenue	247,840	232,638
Other operating income	2,918	3,670
Material expenses	-114,158	-116,084
Gross profit margin	53.9%	50.1%
Personnel expenses	-47,175	-43,739
Personnel expenses in %	-19.0%	-18.8%
Other operating expenses	-79,674	-75,633
Other operating expenses in %	-32.1%	-32.5%
EBITDA	9,751	852
EBITDA margin	3.9%	0.4%
Depreciation and amortisation	-6,926	-7,361
EBIT	2,825	-6,509
Financial result	-2,139	-2,021
EBT	686	-8,530
Income taxes	-518	1,475
EAT	169	-7,055
EPS in €	0.01	-0.39

- Revenue increase of 6.5% in H1
- like-for-like revenue + 3.6% in H1
- Gross profit margin of 53.9%, up by 380 bps
- Gross profit margin impact
  - Accounting
    - Effect from accounting of customer card provisions. Adjusted margin of 52.5% in H1
  - Operative improvement
    - Conservative price discounts in sales season and no mid season sales
    - Targeted price modifications within certain product groups
    - Increased direct sourcing
- Other operating expenses increased due to higher marketing and personnel costs
- EBITDA of €9.8m in H1
- Hidden reserve clause (Stille-Reserven-Klausel)
   preserved tax loss carried-forward
- EPS of €0.01

## **Cash Flow Statement**

k€	01.01 30.06.2013	01.01 30.06.2012
Net profit	686	-8,530
Increase of inventories	9,689	209
Increase of trade payables, other payables and other provisions	-11,077	-6,967
Other non-cash items	14,655	20,472
Net cash flows from operating activities	13,953	5,185
Net cash flows from investing activities	-4,844	-5,280
Free cash flow	9,109	-95
Net cash flows from financing activities	-12,891	-10,589
Thereof dividend payment	-7,048	_
Thereof share buy back	-	-4,315
Thereof finance lease payments	-5,780	-6,144
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	-3,782	-10,685

- Positive operating cash flow of €14.0m
  - Positive net profit
  - Decrease in inventories
- Cash outflows from investing activities amounts €4.9m
- Free cash flow of €9.1m
- Cash flow from financing activities of €-12.9m in H1 2013
  - Dividend payment of €7.0m
  - Finance lease payments of €5.8m

## **Balance Sheet**

k€	Jun. 30, 2013	Dec. 31, 2012	Jun. 30, 2012
Property, plant and equipment	63,998	64,724	59,990
Inventories	68,479	78,168	72,661
Cash and cash equivalents	38,329	42,111	29,340
Total equity	71,335	78,204	63,121
Total liabilities	128,192	132,863	125,565
Total assets	199,527	211,067	188,686
Ratios			
Equity ratio	35.7%	37.1%	33.5%
Debt equity ratio	1.80	1.70	1.99
Working Capital in k€	40,107	44,472	42,345

- Inventories decreased by €9.9m due higher sales and less procurement
- Cash and cash equivalents increased by €9.0m, compared to Jun. 30, 2012
- Dividend payment primarily reduced equity
- Equity ratio solid at 35.7%
- Liabilities decreased due to less trade payables for new merchandise
- Debt equity ratio improvement compared to Jun. 30, 2012
- Continuous working capital optimization
  - Working capital per store of €237k

## Balance Sheet - Liabilities Breakdown

k€	Jun. 30, 2013	Dec. 31, 2012	Jun. 30, 2012
Amounts owed to credit institutions	1	0	0
Provisions	10,621	10,227	7,545
Financial liabilities	19,917	19,686	26,424
Finance lease obligations	47,540	48,701	44,312
Trade payables	28,427	33,771	30,366
Other liabilities	21,574	18,814	16,912
Deferred taxes and income tax liabilities	113	1,664	4
Total liabilities	128,192	132,863	125,564

- ADLER has no bank debt unleveraged
- Strong equity ratio of 35.7% ensures financial strength
- Financial liabilities: thereof €15.9m customer card provisions as of Jun. 30, 2013
  - €15.6m Dec. 31, 2012
  - €22.2m. Jun. 30, 2012
- Finance lease obligations decreased due to contract adjustments



# Outlook 2013 - unchanged

## **Store Expansion**

- Focus on profitability strategy
- Store expansion with up to ten openings
- Consolidation of store network
- Closing of unprofitable stores

#### **Revenue Guidance**

Revenue growth in the lower single-digit percentage range

#### **EBITDA Guidance**

EBITDA improvement in accordance to the revenue growth

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November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013

September 24th, 2013

September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013

November 12th, 2013

# **Appendix**

## **Retail Format of ADLER Stores**

# **Retail Formats**

	Selling Area	Characteristic
Retail park stores	1,600 to 2,800 sqm	<ul> <li>Located next to super and hypermarkets as well as specialist markets</li> <li>Optimal reach of "one-stop-shopping" customers</li> <li>Strong focus in future expansion strategy</li> </ul>
Shopping centre stores	1,600 to 3,500 sqm	<ul> <li>Located within shopping centres</li> <li>Excellent opportunity to acquire new customers</li> </ul>
City stores	1,200 to 3,000 sqm	<ul> <li>Selling area of city stores with focus on medium-sized cities</li> <li>In the short run possibilities to take advantage of current high vacancy rates</li> </ul>
Stand alone stores	> 2,800 sqm	<ul> <li>Often located in suburban areas</li> <li>Highly accessible</li> <li>High advertising efforts necessary</li> </ul>

## **Lean and Vertically Fully Integrated Business Model**

Full information control across the entire value chain

#### **Product development**

#### Sourcing

#### Logistics

#### Distribution

(1)

- Integration of in-house design team within the purchasing department improving efficiency of product development process
- Focus on own brands
- Fashion late follower of market proven styles minimising fashion risk
- Very responsive to customer demand due to up to 10 collections per year

- Completely outsourced manufacturing and procurement process to a well diversified supplier base
- ~42%<sup>1)</sup> direct sourcinglong-standing and trustful sourcing partnership with Metro Group Buying (MGB)
- ~58%<sup>1)</sup> indirect sourcing via importers/intermediaries in Europe

- Centralised logistics operations with efficient push-and-pull warehousing system
- Organised by Motex and MGB, fully outsourced
- Full control of all sales areas through directly operated stores
- Multi-channel distribution concept – successful launch of eshop in March 2010
- ADLER loyalty card offers high visibility and predictability of customer demand

"Real time" information flow based on ADLER Customer Card

- Efficient supply chain management full information control over the entire value chain and high process standardisation
- Focus on core value added processes product development and distribution
- Asset-light model with high scalability due to limited capex requirements

1) Share of purchase volume 2012

## The ADLER Share

## **Share Data**

ISIN DE000A1H8MU2

Stock symbol A1H8MU

First time listing June 22, 2011

Issue price €10.00

Class of shares No-par value bearer shares

Transferred shares 10,812,533

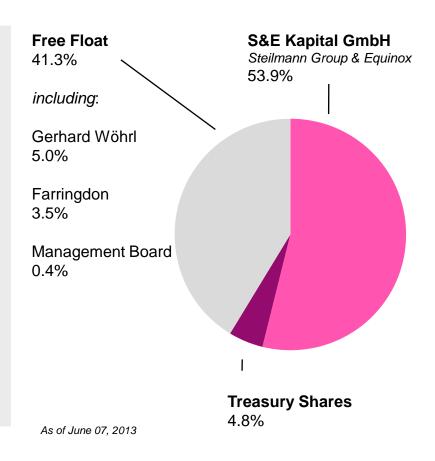
Number of Shares 18,510,000

**Subscribed capital** €18,510,000

**Designated sponsors** Kepler Cheuvreux,

DZ Bank AG, Viscardi AG

## **Shareholder Structure**



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