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Strong track record of significant sales and operating profit growth



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HUGO BOSS remains absolutely focused on further improvement of structural profitability

#### Achievements

- Brand portfolio sharpened and streamlined
- Retail transformation faster and more comprehensive than expected
- Growth in established markets exceeds initial expectations
  - Operational setup strengthened and globalized

#### Challenges

- Macroeconomic development worse than initially expected
- Wholesale market deterioration enforcing faster and earlier move to active space management
- Difficult industry situation slows down catch-up in Asia

Target of EUR 3 billion in sales by 2015 confirmed

- Margin improvement progress delayed by current challenges
- Clear commitment to 25% EBITDA margin achievement after 2015



# Brand portfolio sharpened and streamlined



#### Integrated BOSS offering underlines premium and luxury brand appeal



## Luxury share has started growing visibly in Fall 2013 collection already

- Integrated luxury offering received positively by wholesale partners and end consumers
- Growing weight across all categories
- Product innovations to drive further luxury share increases in both clothing and sportswear



# BOSS Menswear Fall 2013 collection sell-in, premium vs. luxury



Womenswear to become an important growth driver going forward



### Jason Wu named Artistic Director of BOSS Womenswear





#### Refined strategic brand communication approach to support momentum

#### Focusing on a new target audience

From a wholesale to a consumer focused approach. From talking to thousands to talking to hundred millions of people. The consumer is BOSS.

#### Making the Brand Purpose consumer relevant and tangible

HUGO BOSS inspires people towards success

#### Focusing on a consistent global message

Integration of communication activities across all consumer touch points with a strong central lead.

#### **Sharpening ROI mentality**

Fewer – Bigger – Better activities that build image and reach more consumers resulting in higher traffic, better conversion and bigger baskets.

#### Integrating all digital activities on one platform

Roll out of myhugoboss.com to link offline, online and mobile driving consumer lifetime value.

# Customer relationship management efforts yield first positive results

Multi-channel consumers purchase twice as much compared to offline/online only consumers
 With myhugoboss.com every consumer gets a personalized service across all channels



Own retail share set to continue growing until 2015 and beyond

## Sales by distribution channel



## Several key measures have made retail the core of the HUGO BOSS business model...



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# HUGO BOSS own retail expansion takes different forms

Flagship stores	Above 400sqm Key high street locations in global metropolises	Organic
Freestanding stores	250sqm to 350sqm on average Located in A-class high street locations in large cities	Mostly organic
Shop-in-shops	80sqm to 120sqm on average Located in department stores	rganic and akeovers
Factory outlets	300sqm to 400sqm on average Located in high traffic areas off-center	Organic
E-commerce M-commerce	Adapted to individual markets	Organic

New openings drive retail space addition Around 50 new stores and shop-in-shops to be opened every year Upgrade and expansion of flagship store network in key locations globally



New York, Columbus Circle





Moscow, Kuznetsky Most



Shanghai, APM Mall Opening of freestanding stores and shop-in-shop takeovers have increased store count

# **Development of own retail network**

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	Europe	Sep. 30, 2013	Dec. 31, 2012	Change
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ويعج	Shop-in-shops	352	276	+76
	Outlets	50	44	+6
	Total	570	469	+101

Group	Sep. 30, 2013	Dec. 31, 2012	Change
Freestanding	360	323	+37
Shop-in-shops	520	413	+107
Outlets	112	104	+8
Total	992	840	+152

Americas	Sep. 30, 2013	Dec. 31, 2012	Change	
Freestanding	80	68	+12	
Shop-in-shops	78	43	+35	
Outlets	38	36	+2	
Total	196	147	+49	

Asia/Pacific	Sep. 30, 2013	Dec. 31, 2012	Change
Freestanding	112	106	+6
Shop-in-shops	90	94	(4)
Outlets	24	24	-
Total	226	224	+2

# Like-for-like growth prerequisite for sales and operating margin expansion



Comp store sales to grow at a mid-single-digit rate on average

Refined showroom timing and delivery cycle optimizes time to market

#### Further enhancement of central D.R.I.V.E. concepts expected to drive performance



## Supply chain integration project adds to strong operational backbone

- Homogenous, Group-wide integrated supply chain based on SAP a strong platform for further growth
- Roll out completed in all production entities
- New flat-packed goods distribution center to be seamlessly integrated in production and transportation processes



HUGO BOSS has made progress in balancing its global footprint

#### Sales by region



Underpenetration of emerging markets points to significant growth potential





\* incl. Greater China.

\*\* Peer group: Swatch, Richemont, Burberry, Gucci, LV, Tod's, Salvatore Ferragamo, Adidas, Puma, Luxottica.

China continues to be the biggest regional opportunity for HUGO BOSS



Late direct market entry

- Successful build up of operational infrastructure has laid the foundation for expected future growth
- Focus on quality upgrade of retail network as well as strengthening of brand perception
- Catch-up to peers impacted by economic and industry headwinds

Russia has the potential to develop into one of the European core markets



- HUGO BOSS enjoys high levels of brand awareness and favorable brand perception
- Comprehensive market presence driven by franchise and department store partners
- Around 30 freestanding franchise stores
- First own store opening in Moscow in August marks direct market entry

Latin America has become an increasingly important growth driver in the Americas



25+ years market presence

- Strong brand recognition driven by menswear clothing
- Reputation for modern designs and perfect fit
- Freestanding store base in Brazil has doubled to 12 since the end of 2011

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Gross margin has progressed beyond pure channel mix effect



# Continued focus on tight operating expense management

Retail	<ul> <li>Productivity improvements key to offset rent increases</li> <li>Further potential in streamlining personnel deployment and planning</li> </ul>
Marketing	<ul> <li>Increased impact through refined marketing strategy</li> <li>Absolute and relative expenditure levels to increase</li> </ul>
Logistics	<ul> <li>Strong track record of efficiency gains</li> <li>State-of-the-art setup through new distribution center in Europe</li> </ul>
G&A	<ul> <li>Lean organizational structure</li> <li>Continued strict cost control</li> </ul>

Operating leverage a continued source of profit growth

Trade net working capital levels to achieve historic lows at year-end



#### HUGO BOSS invests in future growth



Strong free cash flow generation inherent to the HUGO BOSS business model



# Free cash flow strength supports industry-leading dividend payout



## Dividend policy stipulates distribution of 60% to 80% of consolidated net profit

\* Excluding special dividend // \*\* As a percentage of net profit attributable to the shareholders of the parent company


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Solid sales and operating profit increases in the first nine months



## Improving growth dynamics in Europe

- Sales momentum picks up over the course of the quarter
- Key markets recover from more difficult first half year
- Wholesale trading environment continues to be challenging



#### Mixed quarterly performance in the Americas

- Tough prior year comparison base
- Deteriorating wholesale sentiment
- Solid own retail performance



## Trends in Asia broadly unchanged compared to first half year

- Chinese market environment remains challenging
- Robust growth in Hong Kong and Macau
- Japanese business benefits from repatriation of local demand



Retail sales growth accelerates in the third quarter



- **Wholesale** development affected by difficult market situation as well as takeover effects
- Third quarter own retail growth acceleration supported by improving comp store sales (up 4% in Q3, up 2% year-to-date)
- **Royalties** sales increase in the nine months period driven by eyewear and kidswear

#### Gross margin expands strongly

**Third quarter** 

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- Distribution channel mix
- Non-recurrence of prior year inventory devaluation effects

devaluation effects

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## EBITDA margin increases despite own retail driven operating expense growth

in EUR million	9M 2013	9M 2012	Change in %
Net sales	1,783.1	1,738.5	3
Gross profit	1,134.7	1,061.7	7
in % of sales	63.6	61.1	250 bp
Selling and distribution expenses Administration costs and other	(636.8)	(573.3)	(11)
operating income and expenses	(160.5)	(156.8)	(2)
Operating result (EBIT)	337.4	331.6	2
in % of sales	18.9	19.1	(20) bp
Financial result	(15.7)	(15.0)	(5)
Earnings before taxes	321.7	316.6	2
Income taxes	(74.0)	(76.0)	3
<b>Net income</b> Attributable to: Equity holders of the parent	247.7	240.6	3
company	244.7	237.7	3
Earnings per share (EUR)*	3.55	3.44	3
EBITDA before special items	407.4	391.7	4
in % of sales	22.8	22.5	30 bp

- Own retail expansion main driver of higher selling and distribution expenses
- Tight overhead cost management limits increases in **administration costs**
- Adverse exchange rate effects impact financial result

\*basic and diluted earnings per share.

## Broad based trade net working capital improvements



Trade net working capital down 11% to EUR 455 million

Free cash flow increases despite higher investments

Investments (in EUR million) +63% 142 88 9M 2012 9M 2013 Increase due to own retail expansion and infrastructure projects

Free cash flow (in EUR million)



**Net debt** (in EUR million)



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Full year 2013 targets confirmed	
	2013 Outlook
Sales growth (currency-adjusted)	Between 6% and 8%
Growth of EBITDA before special items	Between 6% and 8%
Сарех	Around EUR 150 million on a comparable basis
Own retail network	Around 50 net organic openings + around 110 shop-in-shop takeovers

HUGO BOSS has a clear long-term vision

## HUGO BOSS will...



...further build its leading market position in the global premium and luxury apparel industry, with an expanded womenswear and luxury offering adding to our historical strength in the menswear premium segment.



...continue developing into a world-class retailer, offering inspirational shopping experiences across all consumer touchpoints.



...further balance its global market position, offering one face to the customer across all regions.



...continue defining operational excellence in the industry, with efficient processes enabling sound strategy execution and strong results development.



## BACKUP

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## Five year overview

in EUR million	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
Earnings Position					
Sales	2,345.9	2,058.8	1,729.4	1,561.9	1,686.1
Gross Profit	1,453.2	1,264.8	1,027.2	847.1	891.0
EBITDA	525.1	468.0	340.1	235.8	284.2
EBITDA before special items	529.3	469.5	353.7	269.2	272.2
EBIT	433.2	394.6	267.9	157.4	174.8
Net income attributable to equity holders of the parent company	307.4	284.9	188.9	105.5	112.0
Financial Position and Dividend					
Free cash flow	220.6	194.9	246.3	299.5	48.1
Net debt	130.4	149.1	201.1	379.1	583.2
Capital expenditures	165.8	108.5	55.6	48.3	118.8
Depreciation/amortization	91.9	73.4	72.2	69.1	61.0
Dividend	215.3	199.1	139.7	66.6	94.9
Asset and Liability Structure					
Total assets	1,584.5	1,425.9	1,342.8	1,065.4	1,161.6
Shareholders' equity	637.9	523.2	361.2	205.5	202.9
Trade net working capital	417.6	407.3	322.7	295.6	458.3
Non-current assets	585.9	501.8	454.5	435.0	463.0
Key Ratios					
Gross profit margin in %	61.9	61.4	59.4	54.2	52.8
Adjusted EBITDA margin in %*	22.6	22.8	20.5	17.2	16.2
Total leverage**	0.2	0.3	0.6	1.4	2.1
Equity ratio in %	40.3	36.7	26.9	19.3	17.5

\* EBITDA before special items/Sales

\*\* Net debt/EBITDA before special items and expenses for the "Stock Appreciation Rights Program"

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## **Profit & loss statement**

in EUR million	Q3 2013	Q3 2012	Change in %	9M 2013	9M 2012	Change in %
Net sales	657.9	646.3	2	1,783.1	1,738.5	3
Cost of sales	(227.3)	(244.9)	7	(613.1)	(642.8)	5
Direct selling expenses	(12.7)	(12.6)	(1)	(35.3)	(34.0)	(4)
Gross profit	417.9	388.7	8	1,134.7	1,061.7	7
in % of sales	63.5	60.1	340 bp	63.6	61.1	250 bp
Selling and distribution expenses	(221.2)	(193.2)	(14)	(636.8)	(573.3)	(11)
Administration costs and other operating						
income and expenses	(46.2)	(52.7)	12	(160.5)	(156.8)	(2)
Operating result (EBIT)	150.5	142.8	5	337.4	331.6	2
in % of sales	22.9	22.1	80 bp	18.9	19.1	(20) bp
Net interest income/expense	(1.2)	(4.2)	71	(7.1)	(11.6)	39
Other financial items	(3.2)	(2.6)	(23)	(8.6)	(3.4)	< (100)
Financial result	(4.4)	(6.8)	35	(15.7)	(15.0)	(5)
Earnings before taxes	146.1	136.0	7	321.7	316.6	2
Income taxes	(33.6)	(32.6)	(3)	(74.0)	(76.0)	3
Net income	112.5	103.4	9	247.7	240.6	3
Attributable to:						
Equity holders of the parent company	110.9	103.6	7	244.7	237.7	3
Minority interests	1.6	(0.2)	>100	3.0	2.9	5
Earnings per share (EUR)*	1.61	1.50	7	3.55	3.44	3
EBITDA before special items	173.1	165.4	5	407.4	391.7	4
in % of sales	26.3	25.6	70 bp	22.8	22.5	30 bp

\*basic and diluted earnings per share.

## Retail comp stores sales growth



#### Retail network significantly increased

#### Number of own retail stores:



## Mixed regional profitability developments

#### Segment profit

in EUR million	9M 2013	in % of sales	9M 2012	in % of sales	Change in %
Europe*	401.1	36.7	392.0	37.3	2
Americas	106.3	26.2	106.3	26.6	0
Asia/Pacific	87.1	35.3	87.0	34.8	0
Royalties	32.7	84.2	33.8	88.7	(3)
Segment profit operating segments	627.2	35.2	619.1	35.6	1
Corporate units / consolidation	219.8		227.4		(3)
EBITDA before special items	407.4	22.8	391.7	22.5	4

Retail expansion and takeovers affect operating margin development in **Europe** 

Moderate margin decline in the Americas despite decreased markdowns

Strong gross margin improvement and tight cost management support margin increase in Asia

Shareholder structure\*



\* As of May 31, 2013. Source: Share register.

## Level I ADR program

ADR Details			
Market	OTC		
Symbol	BOSSY		
CUSIP	444560106		
Ratio	5 : 1		
Country	Germany		
Effective Date	Jan 18, 2013		
Underlying SEDOL	B88MHC4		
Underlying ISIN	DE000A1PHFF7		
Depositary	BNY Mellon		

# Benefits of ADRs for U.S. investors

- Clear and settle according to normal U.S. standards
- Offer the convenience of stock quotes and dividend payments in U.S. dollars
- Can be purchased/sold in the same way as other U.S. stocks via a U.S. broker
- Provide a cost-effective means of international portfolio diversification

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## **Financial calendar 2014**

Date	Event
March 13, 2014	Press and Analysts' Conference
May 7, 2014	First Quarter Results
May 13, 2014	Annual Shareholders' Meeting
July 31, 2014	First Half Year Results
November 4, 2014	Nine Months Results

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