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# HUGO BOSS First Quarter Results 2015

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# HUGO BOSS grows top line whereas operating profit remains stable



#### All three regions contribute to Group sales growth



- UK and Germany strongest growing major markets in **Europe**
- US market up 4% currency-adjusted, exceeding overall growth in the Americas
- Australia and Japan drive growth in **Asia/Pacific**, sales in China decline 3% currency-adjusted

\*Incl. Middle East and Africa

#### Like-for-like growth acceleration drives solid retail sales development



Improved comp store sales growth of 3% contributes to retail sales increase
 Cautious ordering and takeover effects impact wholesale performance

Eyewear and watches support strong development of **license business** 

#### Gross profit margin improves moderately



#### Tough comparison base

- Positive distribution channel mix partly offset by negative inventory valuation effects
- Neutral impact from rebate management

### Group EBITDA remains stable compared to the prior year

in EUR million				
	Q1 2015	Q1 2014	Change in %	
Sales	667.5	612.6	9	
Gross profit	436.9	400.6	9	
In % of sales	65.5	65.4	10 bp	
Selling and distribution expenses	(264.3)	(232.5)	(14)	
Administration expenses	(68.4)	(60.9)	(12)	
Other operating income and expenses	(1.4)	1.5	>(100)	
Operating result (EBIT)	102.8	108.7	(5)	
In % of sales	15.4	17.7	(230) bp	
Financial result	(4.6)	(2.7)	(70)	
Earnings before taxes	98.2	106.0	(7)	
Income taxes	(22.6)	(24.4)	7	
Net income	75.6	81.6	(7)	
Attributable to:				
Equity holders of the parent company	75.6	80.7	(6)	
Earnings per share (EUR)*	1.10	1.17	(6)	
EBITDA before special items	131.5	131.3	0	
In % of sales	19.7	21.4	(170) bp	

- Currency translation effects impact operating expense development
- Retail and marketing expenses grow at double-digit rates
- Special items and higher depreciation charges weigh on EBIT
- Net financial result impacted by negative currency effects

\*Basic and diluted earnings per share

## Currency translation effects distort regional profitability development

Segment profit					
in EUR million	Q1 2015	in % of sales	Q1 2014	in % of sales	Change in %
Europe*	131.3	32.0	136.6	34.6	(4)
Americas	32.1	22.4	25.0	21.0	28
Asia/Pacific	31.2	31.0	26.5	30.7	18
Licenses	10.7	78.0	10.7	82.8	0
Segment profit operating segments	205.3	30.8	198.8	32.5	3
Corporate units/consolidation	(73.8)		(67.5)		(9)
EBITDA before special items	131.5	19.7	131.3	21.4	0

- Margin decline in Europe due to adverse currency effects and higher selling and distribution expenses
- Margin improvement in the **Americas** due to positive currency translation effects
- Positive currency effects in Asia/Pacific partly offset by higher retail expenses

## Increase of trade net working capital mainly due to higher inventories



Trade net working capital up 23% to EUR 566 million, up 9% on a currency-adjusted basis

#### Higher investments affect free cash flow development



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#### Growth strategy 2020 defines 2015 priorities



Further build the Group's operational strength to enable key strategy implementation

# New HUGO and BOSS Green offerings receive strong feedback



#### Category migration one important lever to narrow global price gaps

- Euro devaluation has widened global price gaps most recently
- BOSS brand elevation in Europe and the Americas as well as collection upgrades in China will narrow global price gaps
- Further gradual refinements of global pricing architecture to be implemented in the medium- and long-term



BOSS Store Hong Kong, Canton Road

# **BOSS Womenswear maintains strong momentum**



BOSS Womenswear sales up 11% currency-adjusted

#### Continuous expansion and upgrade of retail store portfolio



\*Incl. Middle East and Africa

#### Takeovers remain important part of retail expansion

South Korea	China
<ul> <li>Key fashion and trend-setting market in Southeast Asia</li> <li>Takeover effective March 1, 2015</li> <li>17 freestanding stores</li> <li>Direct management of 6 duty free stores to tap full potential of travel retail business</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Takeover of last remaining franchise partner allows full brand control and simplifies distribution structure</li> <li>Takeover effective April 1, 2015</li> <li>21 freestanding stores</li> </ul>

Stronger brand presentation in Asia/Pacific to drive brand perception and sales

#### Momentum in online business accelerates



Online sales up 14% currency-adjusted in the first quarter

Americas

### Mixed regional outlook

Europe\*



- Challenging market environment persists
- Group outperforms overall market



- Promotional retail environment continues
- Improving retail execution
- Upgrade of logistical infrastructure

Asia/Pacific



- Good momentum in Australia and Japan
- Chinese market remains challenging

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#### 2015 financial outlook reconfirmed

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Outlook 2015				
Sales growth (currency-adjusted)	Mid-single-digit rate			
Growth of EBITDA before special items	5% - 7%			
Capex	EUR 200 million – EUR 220 million			
Own retail network	Around 50 openings (excl. takeovers)			

#### HUGO BOSS to be one of the winning brands in a tough environment

- Apparel industry in tough competition for share of consumer's wallet
- Maximization of emotional brand appeal a key focus
- Retail excellence and omnichannel to increasingly differentiate HUGO BOSS from competitors



BOSS Store Tokyo, Omotesando

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