

# AO WORLD PLC

**FY19 Final Results** 

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### **Agenda**

Welcome

**Financial Performance** 

**Strategic Progress** 

Q&A

Geoff Cooper, Chairman

Mark Higgins, Chief Financial Officer

John Roberts, Founder and Chief Executive Officer

### **FY19** highlights

- Continued revenue growth and leverage of competencies
- Acquisition of Mobile Phones Direct Ltd further develops the Group's strategic objectives
- Review underway to leverage UK model into our German business
- Renewed energy and mindset





# UK Financial Performance

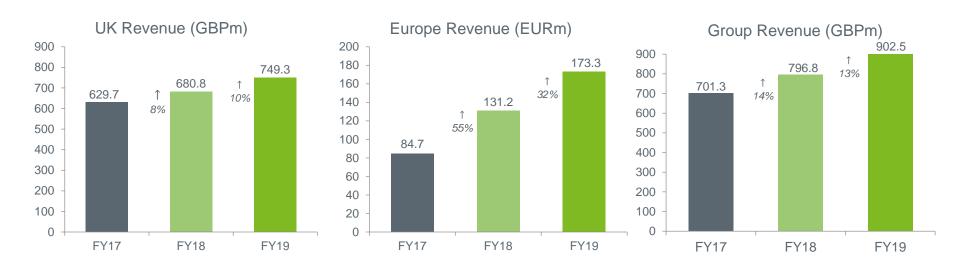
Mark Higgins
Chief Financial Officer

### **FY19 financial highlights**



- UK revenue up 10.1% (5.7% on a like-forlike basis)
- Europe revenue up 32.2% (on a constant currency basis)
- Adjusted EBITDA:
  - UK profit increased to £27.4m
  - Europe losses increased to €31.3m
  - Group losses improved to £0.4m
- Exceptional costs of £7.3m incurred
- MPD generated revenues of £30m and contributed £1.5m to Adjusted EBITDA

# Continued organic revenue growth enhanced by acquisition



- Overall UK growth of 10.1% to £749.3m (FY18: £680.8m) driven by newer categories, service and commission revenues and MPD
- Reduced revenue from ao.com as TV campaign failed to deliver anticipated growth in customers
- European revenue growth of 32.2% to €173.3m (FY18: €131.2m)
- Group revenue increased by 13.3% to £902.5m (FY18: £796.8m)

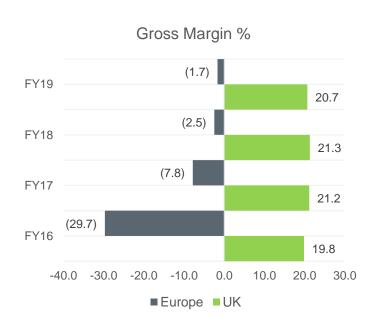
### **Gross margin**

#### UK

- Strong performance from newer categories and B2B business has a dilutive impact on gross margin percentage
- Profit margin increases across all categories
- MPD has dilutive effect on gross margin but with a lower cost to serve

### Europe

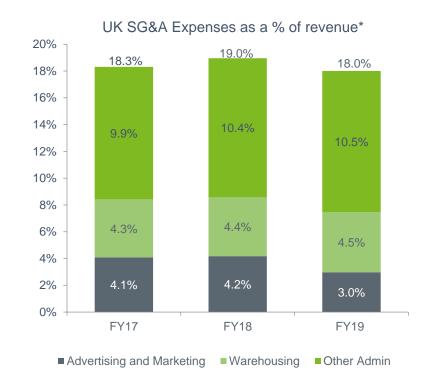
- Delivery capacity impacted by changes to German driver model during Q2 and results in some longer-term inefficiencies
- H1 progress made on product margin offset by lower than anticipated manufacturer support and action undertaken to drive volumes
- Pricing strategy brought in-line with Group and negotiations continue with manufacturers



### **UK SG&A cost analysis**

#### UK

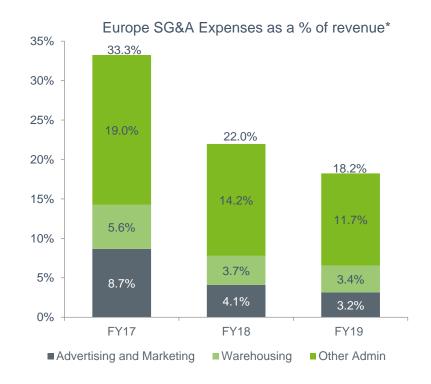
- Significant reduction in advertising expenditure against significant investment made in prior year comparable and reduction in TV advertising spend in H2
- Warehousing costs reflecting revenue leverage in the investments in three new outbases in H1
- Other admin increased to 10.5% of revenue as we invest to support the addition of new categories / also continued investment in Recycling (first full year of operation)



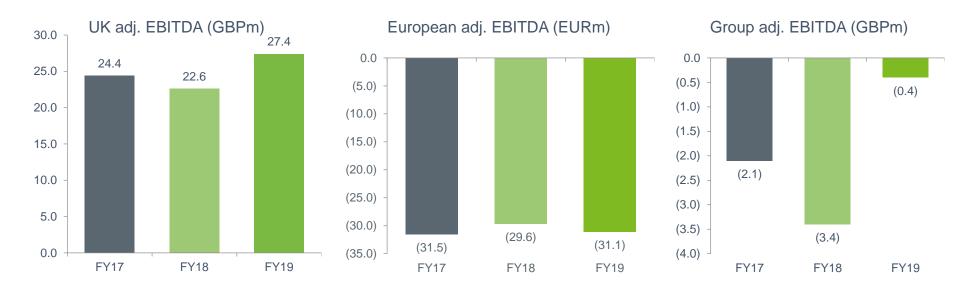
### **Europe SG&A cost analysis**

### Europe

- Advertising and marketing expenses reflective of increases in acquisition costs to drive revenue but reduce as a percentage of sales
- Warehousing costs demonstrate leverage from new outbases
- Reduction in other admin costs as a percentage of sales reflecting increases in efficiencies



### **EBITDA** progression



### **Cash flow**

Year ending 31 March £m	FY19	FY18
Adjusted EBITDA	(0.4)	(3.4)
Exceptional cashflows	(5.0)	(1.4)
Europe Set up costs	0.0	(0.3)
Non cash movements	1.6	1.9
Net change in Working capital		
Inventories	(16.3)	(8.3)
Receivables	(10.2)	(21.4)
Payables and provisions	(5.0)	17.5
Tax received	0.8	0.3
Cash used in operating activities	(34.5)	(15.3)
Capex	(4.9)	(5.2)
Acquisition of subsidiary and non controlling inter	(6.3)	0.0
Financing activities	18.6	(1.0)
Share placing	0.0	48.1
Movement in cash	(27.1)	26.6
Opening cash	56.0	29.4
Closing cash	28.9	56.0
Unutilised facility	56.1	58.6
Total liquidity	85.0	114.6

- Exceptional cashflows in relation to restructuring, onerous contract and transaction fees re MPD in FY19
- Working capital outflow linked to stock planning ahead of original Brexit deadline
- Capex relating to continued investment in Recycling, new premises at Parklands and new outbases fit-out
- £5.9m net outflow re MPD acquisition (cash consideration less cash acquired). £0.4m purchase of first tranche of Recycling options
- Financing activities mainly new £24m loan to fund MPD acquisition less normal finance repayments
- Drawings on facility all in relation to letters of credit (all non-cash)

### **FY20** financial outlook

- UK
- Europe
- Capex





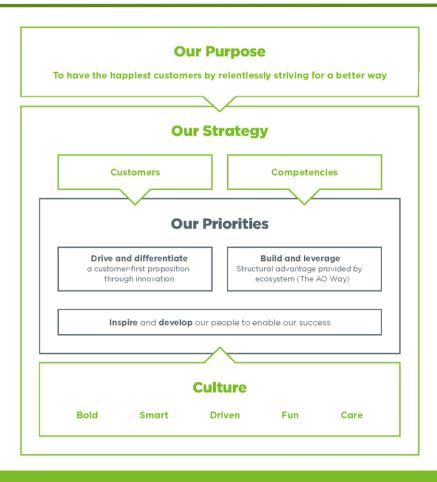
# Strategic Progress

John Roberts
Founder and Chief Executive Officer

### **Journey from IPO**



### The strategy remains the same



### **Four areas of focus**



### **Growth mindset**



### UK



## **Europe**

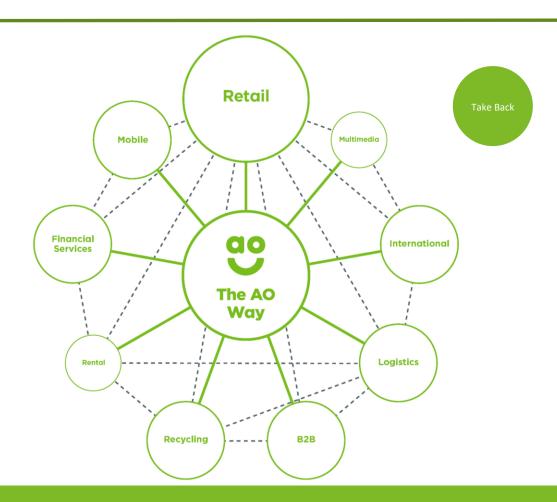














## **Summary**

