

# WAVESTONE

Investor presentation

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Clients who are leaders in their sectors



3,000 employees across 8 countries

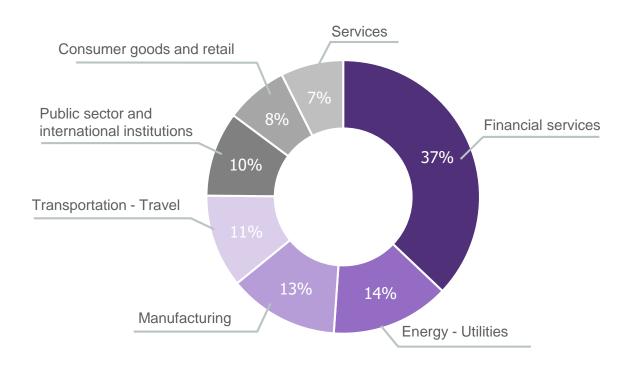


A leading independent player in European consulting

# Top-20 clients 2018/19

SOCIETE GENERALE	9%
BNP PARIBAS	7%
EDF	7%
SNCF	6%
LA POSTE	5%
CREDIT AGRICOLE	4%
TOTAL	4%
UGAP	3%
SANOFI	3%
BPCE	2%
ENGIE	2%
AXA	2%
SAINT GOBAIN	2%
PSA	1%
RENAULT	1%
L'ORÉAL	1%
AMF	1%
ALSTOM	1%
ALLIANZ	1%
CHANEL	1%

# Breakdown of revenue by sector 2018/19



2018/19 revenue	
France	88%
International	12%

# Wavestone at the leading edge of digital transformation and innovation projects

#### **Digital transformation projects...**





Global distributor of electrical
equipment – Transformation of e-commerce
channel at European level

#### ...and projects focused on innovation



**Enedis** - Recharging of electric vehicles and the domestic environment



**BPI France** - Artificial intelligence to improve the environment



**European Commission** - Data strategy for European companies

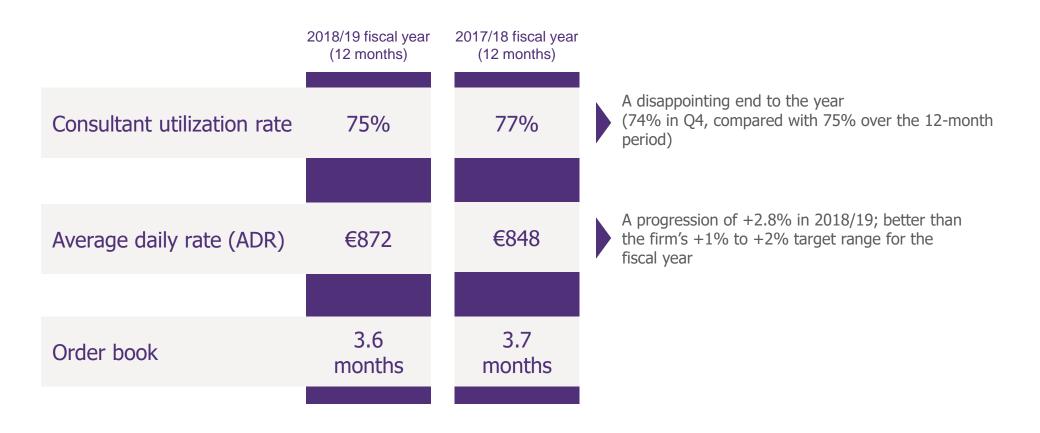
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# Consultant utilization rate under pressure; growth in sales prices



### Slowdown in staff turnover

- / Slowdown in staff turnover in H2 2018/19
  - > 18% over the 12-month period (compared with 21% [on an annual equivalent basis] at the end of September)
  - the company is gradually converging toward its objective of 15%
- / Dynamic picture with regards to recruitment
  - > about 800 gross hires over the year, compared with the target of at least 600 originally set
- / 3,094 employees at March 31, 2019 (including Xceed and Metis Consulting)
  - > compared with 2,793 at March 31, 2018



# A resilient EBIT margin of 14.1%

Consolidated audited data at 03/31 (in €m)	2018/19	2017/18	Change
Revenue	391.5	359.9	+9%
EBIT	55.2	50.6	+9%
EBIT margin	14.1%	14.1%	
Amortization of client relationships	(2.3)	(2.5)	
Other operating income and expenses	(0.5)	(1.3)	
Operating income	52.4	46.8	+12%
Cost of net financial debt	(1.7)	(1.9)	
Other income and expenses	(0.1)	(1.0)	
Income tax expenses	(19.9)	(17.3)	
Group share of net income	30.8	26.6	+16%
Net margin	7.9%	7.4%	

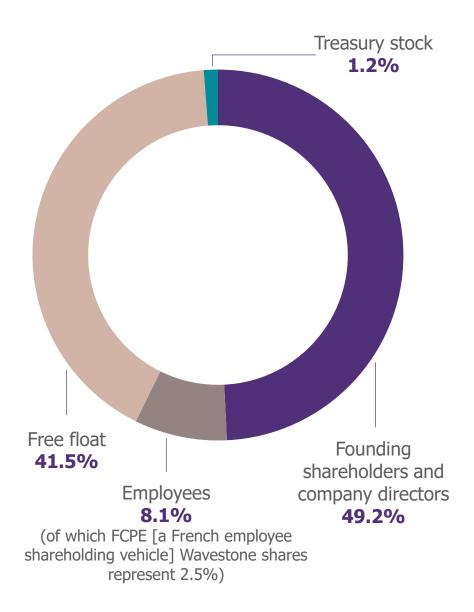
# A solid financial situation

Consolidated audited data at 03/31 (in €m)	2018/19	2017/18	Consolidated audited data at 03/31 (in €m)	2018/19	2017/18
<b>Non-current assets</b> of which goodwill	177.4 140.6	157.1 118.9	<b>Shareholders' equity</b> of which minority interests	150.8 0.0	130.2 0.0
<b>Current assets</b> of which trade receivables	156.1 130.4	152.2 123.9	Non-financial liabilities	144.0	144.4
Cash and cash equivalents	50.7	52.1	<b>Financial liabilities</b> of which less than one year	89.4 23.7	86.7 16.7
TOTAL ASSETS	384.2	361.3	TOTAL LIABILITIES	384.2	361.3

Net debt: €38.7m

compared with €34.6m at March 31, 2018

# Breakdown of share capital at March 31, 2019



Number of shares: 20,196,492

No potential dilution

Dividend to be proposed at the general meeting of July 25, 2019:

€0.23 per share (+14%)

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# A disappointing fiscal year closure for 2018/19 and a shifting business climate

- / Disappointing performance over recent months
  - > a rise in the value of consulting services that has helped boost sales prices...
  - > ...but mirrored by an insufficient rate of order uptake, leading to a sharp erosion in consultant utilization rate
- / Greater economic uncertainty
  - > target clients more cautious and judicious
  - > especially in the banking sector
- / A settling human resources picture



# More intense business development efforts; continued focus on growth



- / An increase in the level and effectiveness of business development activities
- / Maintaining high levels of recruitment
  - > pursuit of growth, even if it means a brake on improvements in consultant utilization rate in the short term.
  - > target of over 600 gross hires
  - > without losing focus on sustained efforts to bring staff turnover under control
- / Continued pursuit of external growth, especially internationally
  - > aim to make one to two acquisitions over the year
  - > with international targets as a priority

# Pursuit of the Wavestone 2021 strategic plan

- / Ambitions to 2021 confirmed...
- / ...but growth objectives under greater pressure
  - > in France, growth has been more lackluster in recent months
  - > internationally, high valuations are hindering M&A activity



# 2019/20 guidance

### / Prudent objectives

- > performance disappointing at the end of the 2018/19 fiscal year
- > and a less buoyant market



## Financial calendar: next events

