# INVESTOR MEETING

Midcap Partners Conference 2020

September 8, 2020



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## Wavestone: independent pure player in consulting



Independent **pure**player

**Clients** who are **leaders** in their sectors

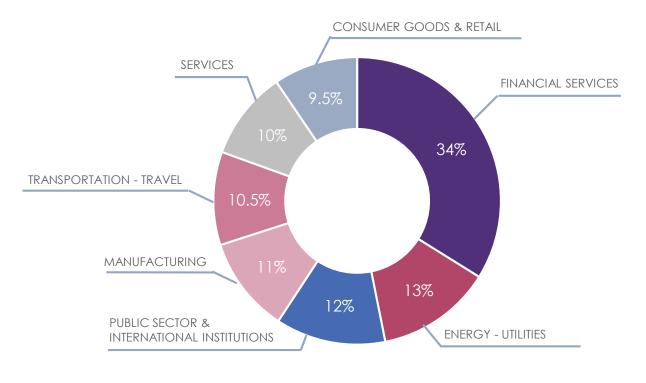


**12 offices** across 8 countries



**+3,000** employees

## Distribution of revenue at March 31, 2020



2019/20 REVENUE				
FRANCE	85%			
INTERNATIONAL	15%			

SNCF	9%
EDF	7%
SOCIETE GENERALE	7%
CREDIT AGRICOLE	4%
BNP PARIBAS	4%
la poste	4%
TOTAL	3%
UGAP	3%
AXA	3%
BPCE	2%
ENGIE	2%
L'OREAL	2%
Sanofi	2%
PSA	1%
Saint Gobain	1%
RENAULT	1%
MINISTRY OF THE ECONOMY	1%
BLUCORA	1%
MINISTRY OF THE ARMED FORCES	1%
BPI FRANCE	1%

#### Wavestone's corporate social responsibility approach



#### **Our key objectives**

- / Reach 30% representation of women on the Executive Committee
- / Have the same proportion of women in positions of responsibility (operational or hierarchical management) as in the workforce
- / Triple the number of employees with disabilities (objective 33)
- / Have trained 100% of employees¹ in business ethics
- / Draw up a responsible consulting charter and train all employees<sup>1</sup> in how to follow it
- / Devote 1% of the firm's time to social structures

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Employees who have been with the Company for at least 1 year

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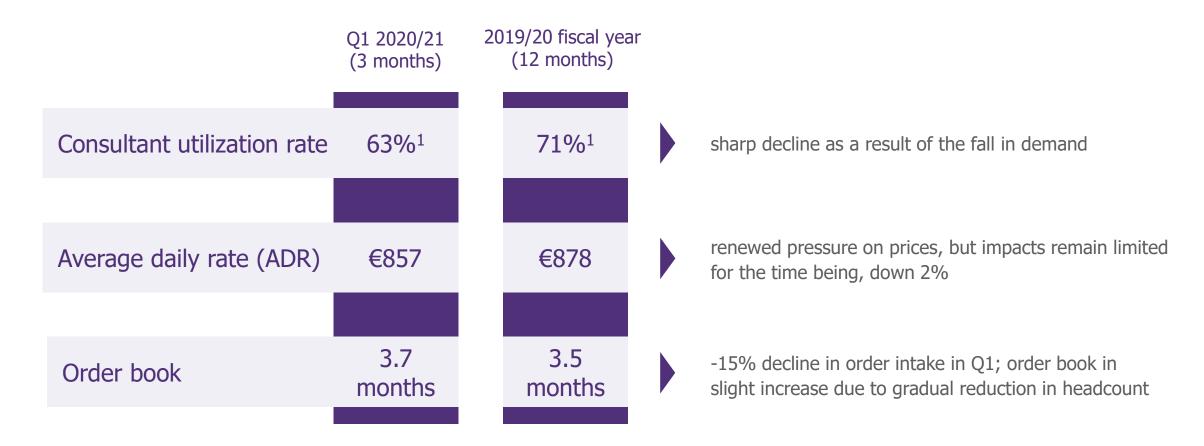
#### Revenue of €94.4m in Q1 2020/21

Revenue  In €m - unaudited consolidated data	2020/21	2019/20	Change	Change at constant scope <sup>1</sup> and on a constant forex basis
Q1	94.4	98.3	-4%	-10%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> WGroup has been consolidated since 08/01/2019.

- / A reduction of -4% in Q1 2020/21
  - > -10% at constant exchange rates and scope (excluding WGroup)
  - > reduction in business activity of about -15%, compared with the pre-Covid-19 situation
- / Furlough mechanisms applied to 11% of fee-earning staff over the period

## Consultant utilization rate down sharply and renewed pressure on prices



<sup>(1)</sup> Utilization rates are directly comparable; the use of furlough mechanisms has no effect on the calculation of the rate.

## 3,434 employees at June 30, 2020

- / Freeze on hiring since mid-March
  - > contracts signed before the recruitment freeze have been honored, which meant there were new starters during Q1
- / Staff turnover rate of 15% at June 30 (on a rolling-12-month basis), compared with 14% in 2019/20
  - > includes the impact on resignations felt in Q4 2019/20
  - decline expected in the coming quarters
- / 3,434 employees at June 30, 2020
  - > compared with 3,498 at March 31, 2020, decrease of -2%



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#### Confirmation of the firm's sectoral choices

- / Gradual recovery in the consulting market
  - fewer projects cancellations and trade-offs in planned investments than expected
  - > European consulting market still expected to contract by about -14% in 2020<sup>1</sup>
- / Confirmation of the resilience of the sectors targeted in renewed business development activity
  - > pharmaceuticals, utilities, public sector and insurance are all confirming their resilience
  - > less severe slowdown than anticipated in the energy and transport sectors



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Source: Source Global Research, August 21st, 2020

#### First results of the commercial intensification measures

- / Activity better than expected in Q2 2020/21
  - > improvement of the consultant utilization rate, > 65% expected in Q2 vs. 63% in Q1
  - > good order intake forecasted in September, order book expected stable at Q2 end
  - > but, as expected, still pressure on sales prices
- / Furlough mechanisms to be stopped by end of September 2020
  - > at least in France
  - > furlough mechanisms applied to ~6% of the fee-earning staff over Q2
- / Gradual recruitment restart within the most resilient practices
  - > mainly in technological practices



## Decline in activity but resilience of the EBIT margin

- / H1 2020/21 revenues expected to decline less than in Q1
- / H1 2020/21 EBIT margin expected to be resilient at ~7%
  - > vs. ~7% in Q1 2020/21<sup>1</sup>
  - > despite less staff on furlough during Q2



#### Financial agenda

**H1 revenue 2020/21** (after stock market closing, followed by videoconference)

Q3 revenue 2020/21 (after stock market closing, followed by videoconference)



H1 results 2020/21 (after stock market closing, followed by an SFAF meeting)



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