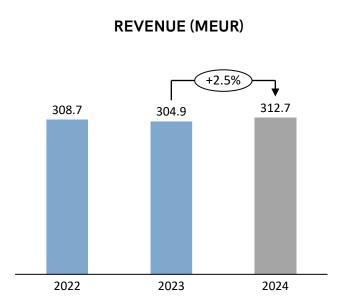


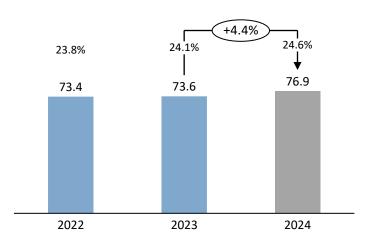
## FY 2024 Highlights



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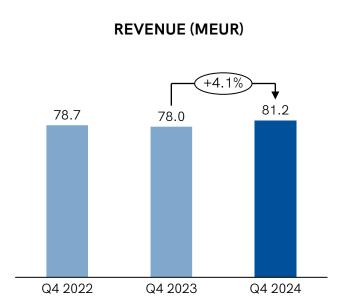


- Solid performance despite headwinds and subdued market environment.
- Revenue grew to MEUR 313, up 2.5%.
- Adjusted operating profit up to MEUR 76.9 with margin of 24.6%.
- The share of digital business up to 84.2% of total revenue.
- Healthy balance sheet: leverage (rolling 12 month) at 1.5.

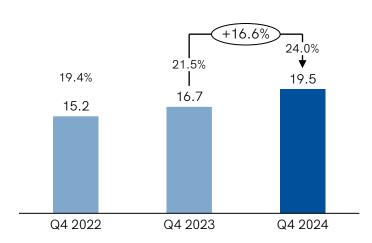
## Q4 2024 Highlights



# Revenue grew by 4.1%, adjusted operating profit up by 16.6%



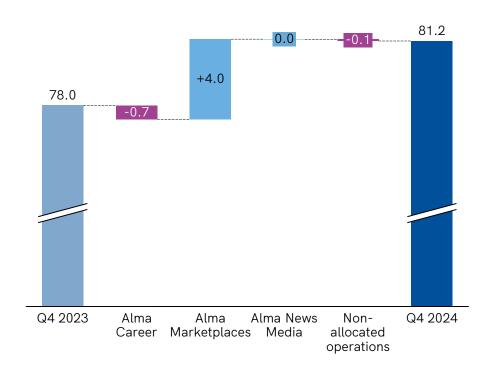
## ADJUSTED OPERATING PROFIT (MEUR) (% OF REVENUE)



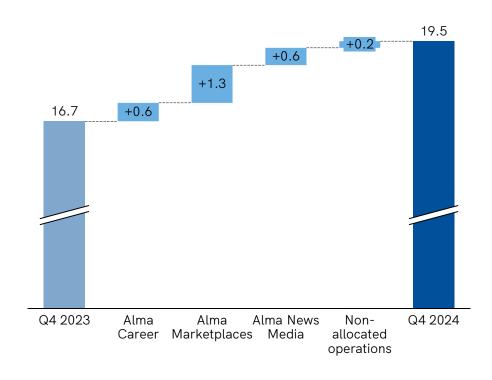
- Solid performance despite headwinds and subdued market environment.
- Revenue grew to MEUR 81.2, acquisitions contributing MEUR 2.7.
- Adjusted operating profit up to MEUR 19.5 with margin of 24.0%.
- The share of digital business up to 83.6% of total revenue.
- Healthy balance sheet: leverage (rolling 12 month) at 1.5 and equity ratio at 48.6%.

# Revenue bolstered by acquisitions. The market conditions curbing the growth

#### **REVENUE Q4 2024 (MEUR)**



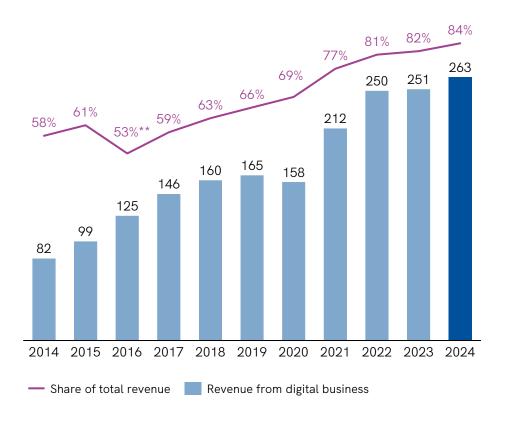
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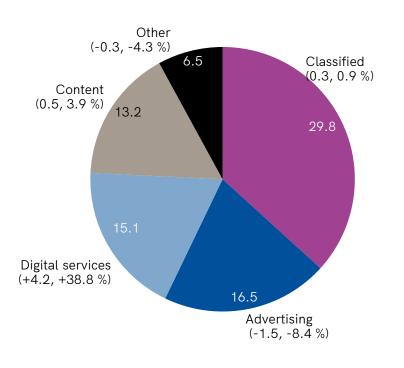


## On annual basis, the share of digital business grew to new records

#### SHARE OF DIGITAL BUSINESS OF GROUP REVENUE\*



## REVENUE BY REVENUE CLASSES Q4 2024 (MEUR) (REVENUE CHANGE IN BRACKETS)



<sup>\*</sup>Continuing operations

<sup>\*\*</sup>Acquisition of Talentum in 2015



## Alma Media's business segments

### ALMA CAREER Vesa-Pekka Kirsi

Leading Job boards in 10 CEE countries. Recruitment advertising, EB, career development and staffing.

Revenue MEUR 26.3	Adj. EBIT <b>MEUR 10.6</b>		
Adj. EBIT margin <b>40.4%</b>	Digital <b>99.2%</b>		

## ALMA MARKETPLACES Santtu Elsinen

Leading marketplaces in real estate, mobility and business premises. Comparison services and B2B services.

Revenue MEUR 25.9	Adj. EBIT <b>MEUR 6.9</b>		
Adj. EBIT margin <b>26.6%</b>	Digital <b>93.0%</b>		

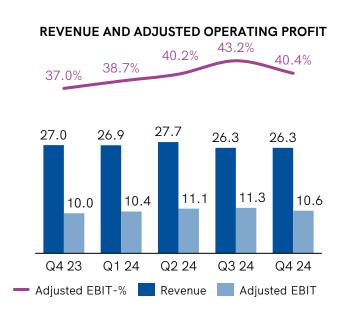
## ALMA NEWS MEDIA Juha-Petri Loimovuori

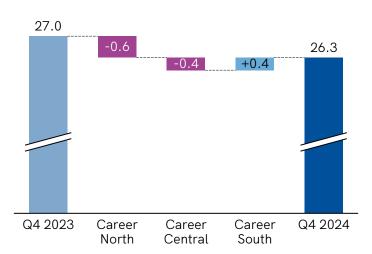
Leading digital news media in the Finnish market.
Pioneer in paid digital content with a Group-wide digital advertising network.

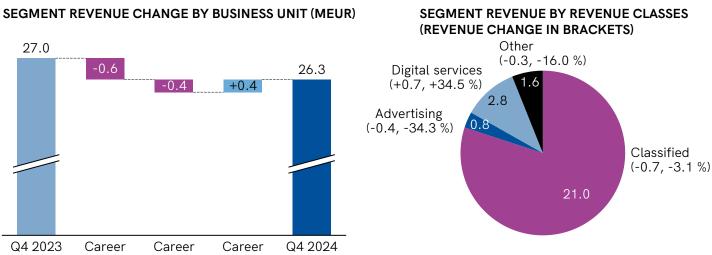
Revenue MEUR 29.1	Adj. EBIT MEUR 5.1		
Adj. EBIT margin <b>17.5%</b>	Digital <b>61.5%</b>		



## Alma Career: Adjusted operating profit up by 6.4% in Q4. The development of common platform continued



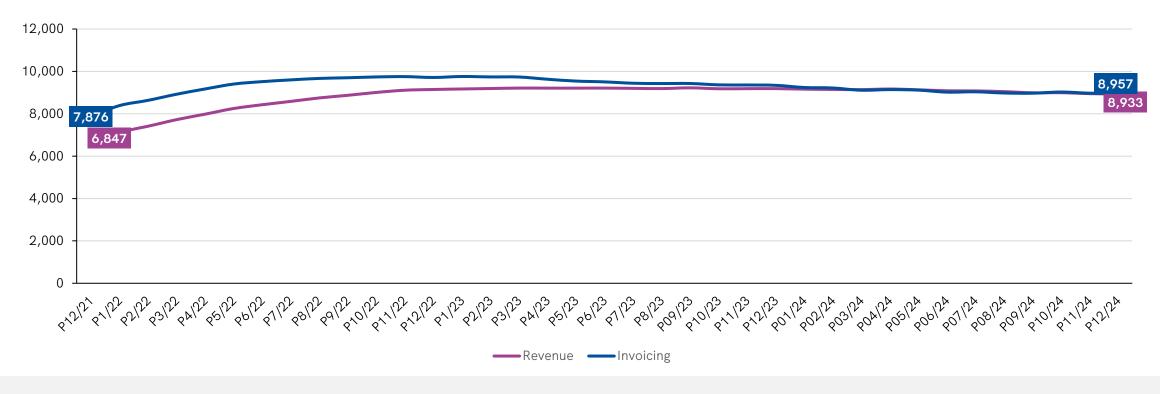




- In Slovakia and Czechia, recruitment market was driven by employee activity, competition for skilled labour and low unemployment rates. In Czechia, the weakened currency continued to affect revenue (MEUR -0.4).
- Finland and Baltics continued to struggle with weak macroeconomic conditions.
- Investments in product development continued and Career United initiative proceeded to deepen internal cooperation and improve productivity.
- The development of invoicing in local currencies turned to growth.
- Business development in Q4:
  - Revenue softened by 2.5% to MEUR 26.3 (in local currencies revenue down by 1.0%).
  - Adjusted operating profit saw a 6.4% increase to MEUR 10.6.



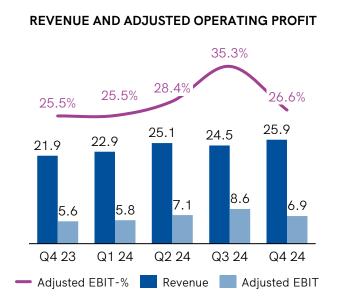
## Invoicing & revenue recognition in Alma Career, rolling 12 months

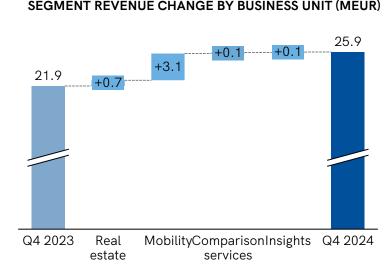


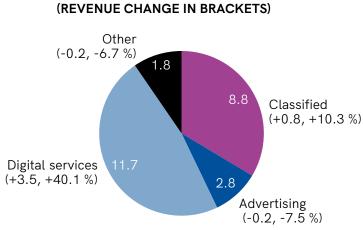
KPIs (monthly averages in thousands)	10-12/ 2024	10-12/ 2023	1-12/ 2024	1-12/ 2023
Unique visitors	5,667	5,663	6,063	6,105
Users with job alerts	2,036	2,089	1,979	2,012
Number of paid job ads	86	87	100	103



# Alma Marketplaces: Revenue and adjusted operating profit increased both organically and due to acquisitions







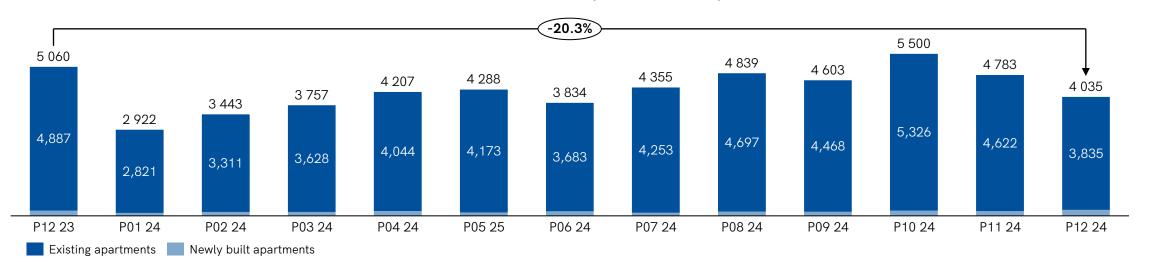
SEGMENT REVENUE BY REVENUE CLASSES

- High profitability despite the decline in advertising sales and increased costs in product development.
- The organic growth was 5.6%.
- Investments focused on service development.
- The housing market still subdued, but increasing signs of recovery.
- Business development in Q4:
  - o Revenue rose 18.1% to MEUR 25.9. Digital services' revenue soared 40.1%.
  - Adjusted operating profit surged by 23.5% to MEUR 6.9.
  - Solid demand in mobility, integration of Netwheels into the segment on track.
  - High growth in business premises marketplaces continued, particularly in Sweden.



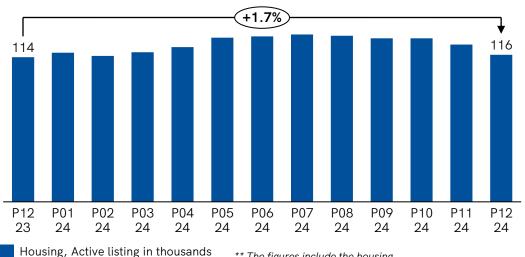
## Housing market & marketplaces update

#### HOUSING MARKET UPDATE (SOLD APARTMENTS)

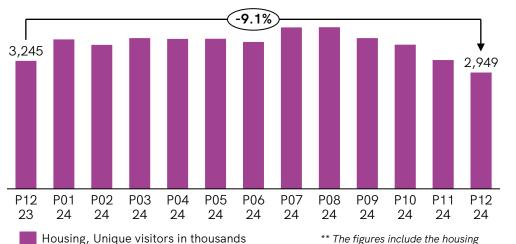


Source: Federation of Real Estate Agency

#### HOUSING MARKETPLACES: ACTIVE LISTINGS & UNIQUE VISITORS

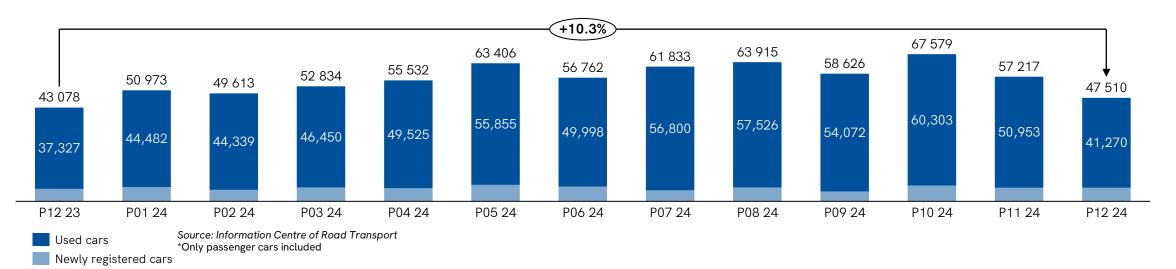


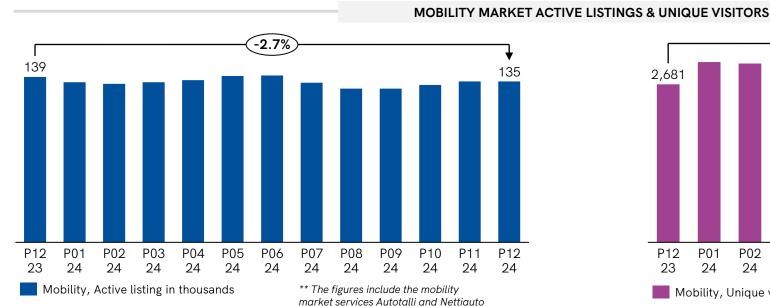
\*\* The figures include the housing market services: Etuovi and Vuokraovi

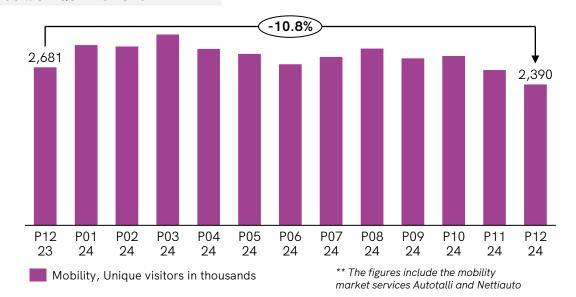


## Mobility market & marketplaces update

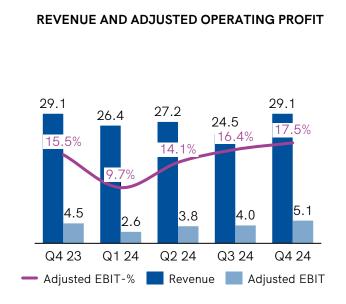
#### **MOBILITY MARKET UPDATE\* (SOLD CARS)**

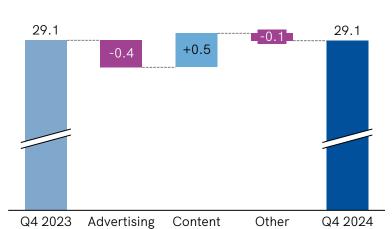




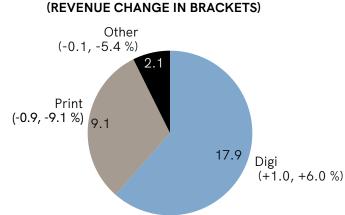


# Alma News Media: Revenue on par, adjusted operating profit hiked due to the rigorous cost management





SEGMENT REVENUE CHANGE BY BUSINESS UNIT (MEUR)



**SEGMENT REVENUE BY DIGITAL/PRINT** 

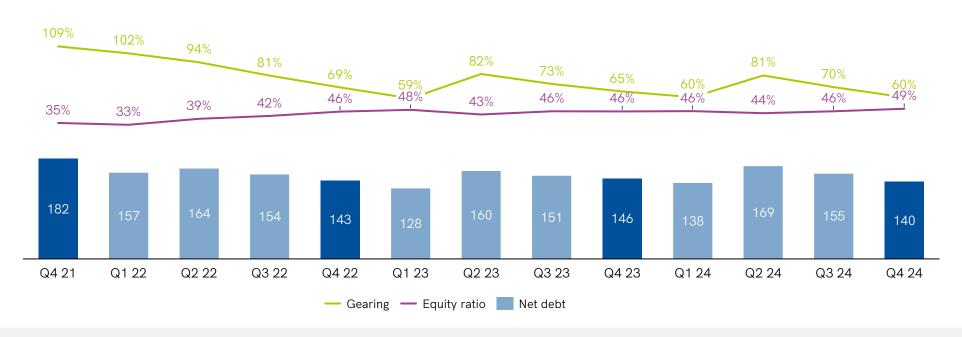
- The Segment's revenue on par at MEUR 29.1.
- Adjusted operating profit advanced by 13.3% to MEUR 5.1.
- Digital business climbed over the 60% threshold.
- High demand for journalism continued: now over 207K digital subscriptions.
- Digital content revenue climbed by 14.1%.
- Cost savings (-2.4%) achieved especially in printing, distribution and content production procurements.





## **Balanced financial position**

#### NET DEBT (MEUR), GEARING (%) & EQUITY RATIO (%) Q3/2021-Q3/2024



- In Q4, no new financing loans were raised.
- In Q4, loan repayments were related to the repayments of finance lease debts and the Term Loan amortisation of MEUR 15.
- Average interest rate was 3.4% (4.8%) in Q4 and 3.8% (3.6%) in FY 2024.

INTEREST-BEARING NET DEBT, MEUR	12/2024	12/2023
IFRS16 leasing liabilities	30.3	31.8
Loans from financial institutions	145.0	160.0
Commercial papers	0.0	0.0
Cash and cash equivalents	42.5	52.4
Interest-bearing net debt	140.0	145.7

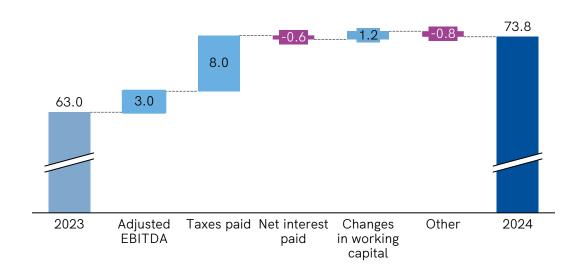


### Solid cash flow

#### **OPERATING CASH FLOW (MEUR)**



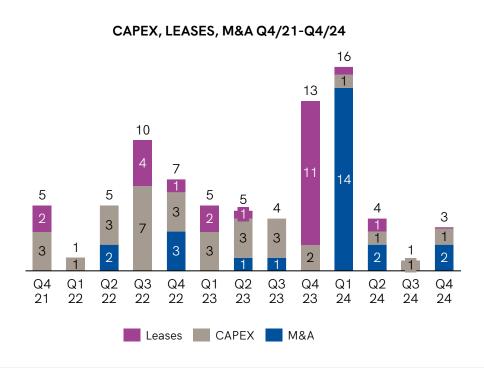
#### **OPERATING CASH FLOW BRIDGE 2023 - 2024**



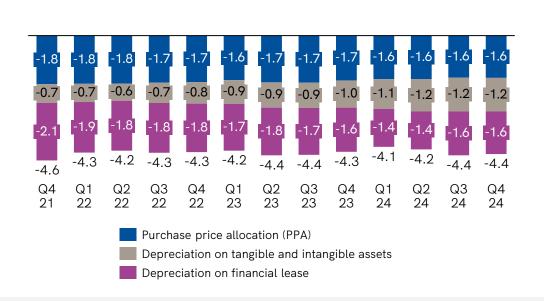
- Cash flow from operating activities was MEUR 21.2 (19.6) in Q4.
- Cash flow from operating activities increased thanks to higher EBITDA and lower paid taxes.
- After investments, cash flow before financing was MEUR 17.9 (17.5) in Q4.



### **Investments**



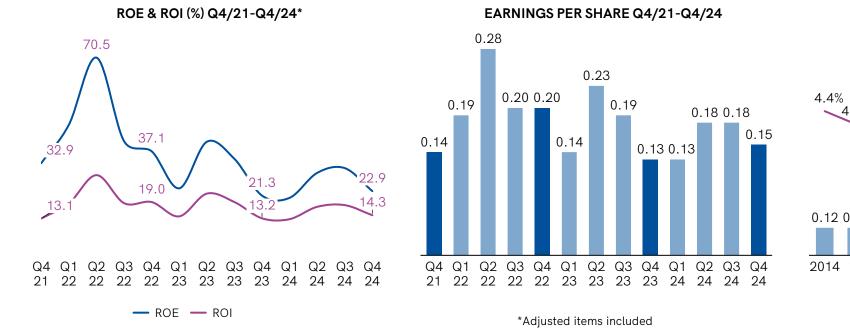
#### **DEPRECIATIONS Q4/21-Q4/24**

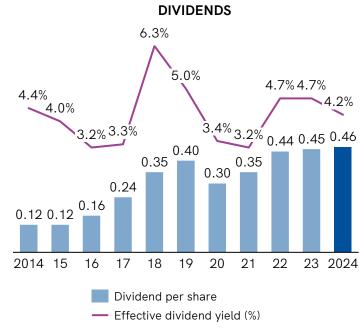


- In January 2024, Alma Media purchased the automotive industry software company Netwheels Oy to strengthen its car and transport services offering to corporate customers. Netwheels Oy provides software as a service (SaaS) to automotive industry.
- In April 2024, Alma Media increased its ownership in Suomen Tunnistetieto Oy to 75% from 51%.
- In December, Alma Media's subsidiary Alma Career Oy acquired 100% ownership of Czech online recruitment services Nelisa s.r.o.
- Capex to support the strategy in developing digital industry solutions and expanding our services in customer's value-chain, focusing on investments to Mobility services.



## Earnings per share and dividends





- Earnings per share: 0.15 (0.13) EUR.
- Adjusted items: MEUR -1.7 (0.3).
- The average interest cost of interest-bearing liabilities was 3.4% (4.8%) in Q4 and 3.8% (3.6%) in FY 2024.
- A positive fair value change of MEUR 0.2 (-1.5) was recognised on an interest rate derivate agreement.

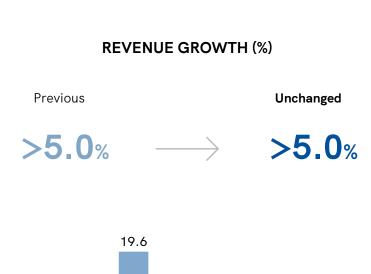
#### Preliminary Board proposal for profit distribution

- The Board's dividend proposal is EUR 0.46 (0.45) per share which represents payout ratio of 72%.
- The dividend paid in Q2 2024 was EUR 0.45 (0.44) per share and MEUR 37.0 in total.



## Alma Media's updated long-term financial targets\*

\* https://www.almamedia.fi/en/newsroom/



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2022

Revenue Growth (%) — Target Level >5%

>5%

2.5

2024

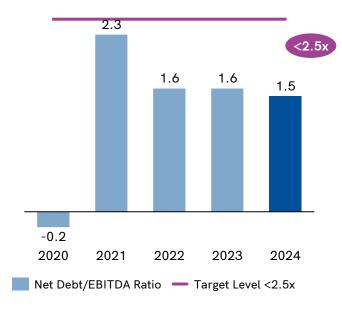
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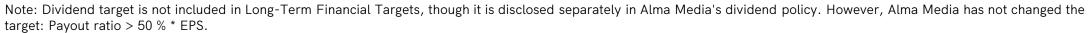
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# NET DEBT/EBITDA RATIO Previous Unchanged $<2.5_{x}$ $<2.5_{x}$







-8.0

2020

2021



# European Commission financial forecast for Alma's operating countries - Latest Alma Media operating countries' updates

	GDP Ch	GDP Change (%) Inflation (%) Unem		Inflation (%)		yment (%)	
	2025	2026	2025	2026	2025	2026	
+	1.5	1.6	2.0	1.8	7.9	7.5	Finland
	2.4	2.7	2.4	2.0	2.7	2.7	Czechia
	2.3	2.5	5.1	3.0	5.3	5.1	Slovakia
3	3.3	2.9	3.4	2.0	4.7	4.6	Croatia
	1.8	2.6	1.5	1.8	8.4	7.8	Sweden
	1.1	2.6	3.6	2.4	7.7	7.2	Estonia
	1.0	2.1	2.2	2.2	6.7	6.5	Latvia
	3.0	3.0	1.7	1.6	7.0	6.9	Lithuania
	2.4	3.0	1.8	2.0	13.0	12.5	Bosnia & Herz
<b>***</b>	2.5	2.6	3.2	2.1	3.6	3.6	Slovenia
	2.6	2.9	2.2	2.1	12.1	11.8	N Makedonia



## Challenging operating environment



## Lagging economic growth

Growth picking up, but changes in geopolitics and trade policy increase uncertainty. Low consumer confidence curbing the growth and long-term structural challenges persist in Finland.



## Changing consumer behaviour

Digitalisation continues to change consumer behaviour. Expectations of ease to use, time-saving and secure digital experience and ecommerce growth continue.



# Increasing regulation

Digital legislation increasing. Growing popularity of digital services. Data privacy and consumer protection key issues for companies.



## Geopolitical turbulence

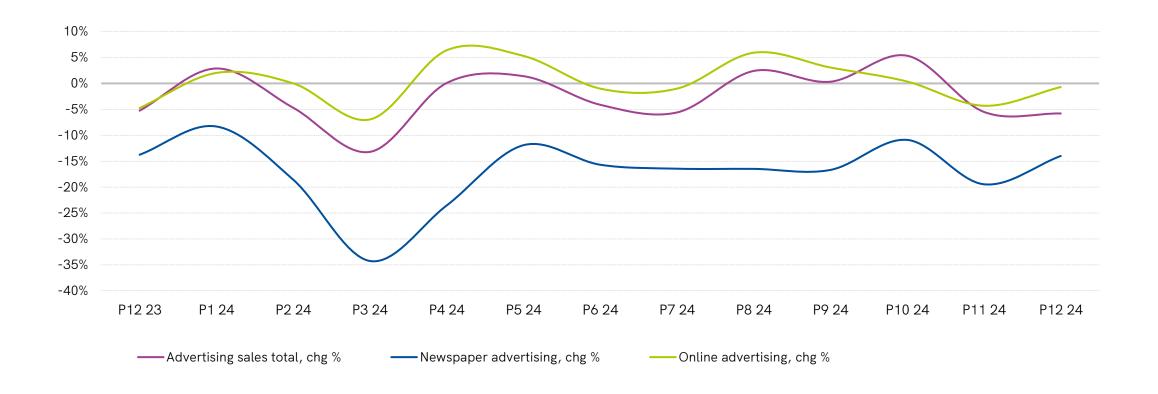
Geopolitical tensions elevated. Uncertainty of political and economic development high and forecasting difficult.



## The Finnish advertising market update

#### MONTHLY CHANGE IN MEDIA ADVERTISING 12/2023-12/2024

Source: Kantar TNS







Strong market positions and leading brands in key areas

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REVENUE SPLIT Q4 2024: **CLASSIFIED 37 %** 

**ADVERTISING 20%** 

**DIGITAL SERVICES 19 %** 

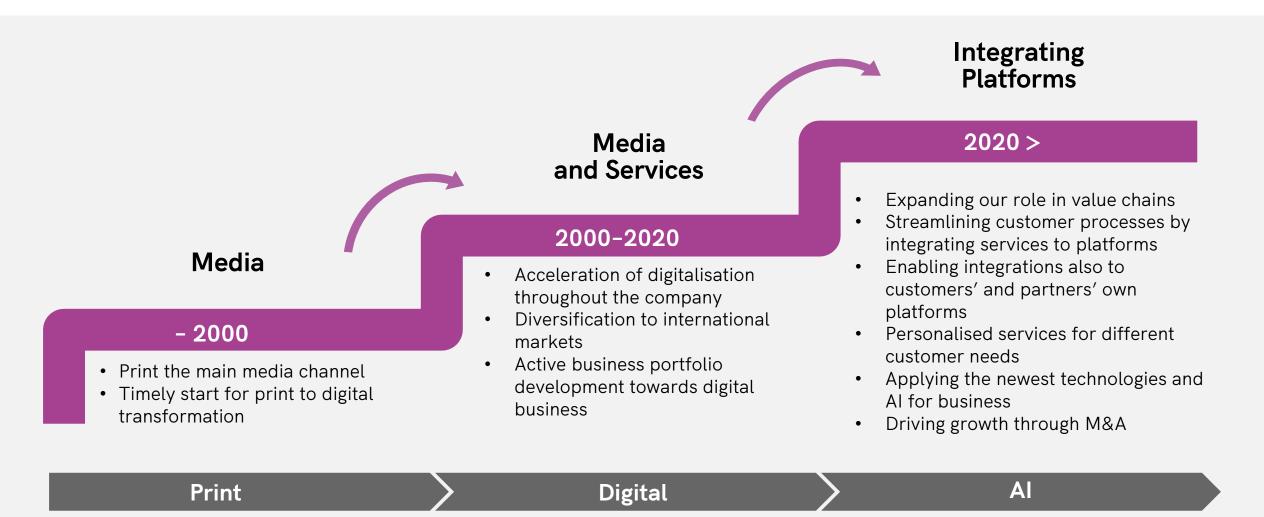
**CONTENT 16%** 

OTHER 8%



## Alma Media's transformational journey

Exploiting paradigm changes in technology and consumer behaviour





## Alma Media strategy summary

1.

#### **TRANSFORM**

- Streamline customer processes by integrating services to platforms
- Systematically improve all products and processes with AI
- Increase operational agility to speed up time-to-market

2.

#### **GROW**

- Diversify and build new products and revenue streams
- Develop the best human and technology capabilities
- Accelerate growth through M&A

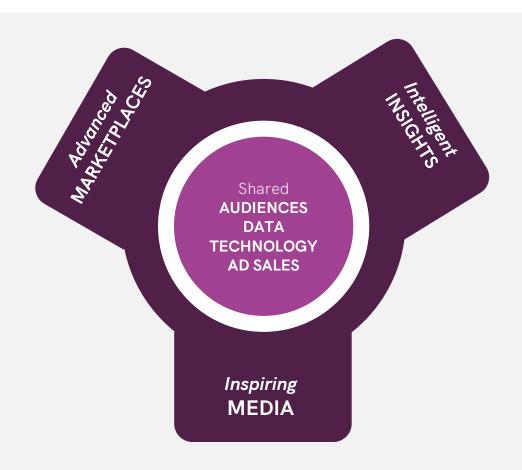
3.

#### SCALE

- Scale existing assets to create new products and services
- Expand businesses to new geographies
- Leverage synergies through efficient co-operation



## Synergy creation within strategic business areas

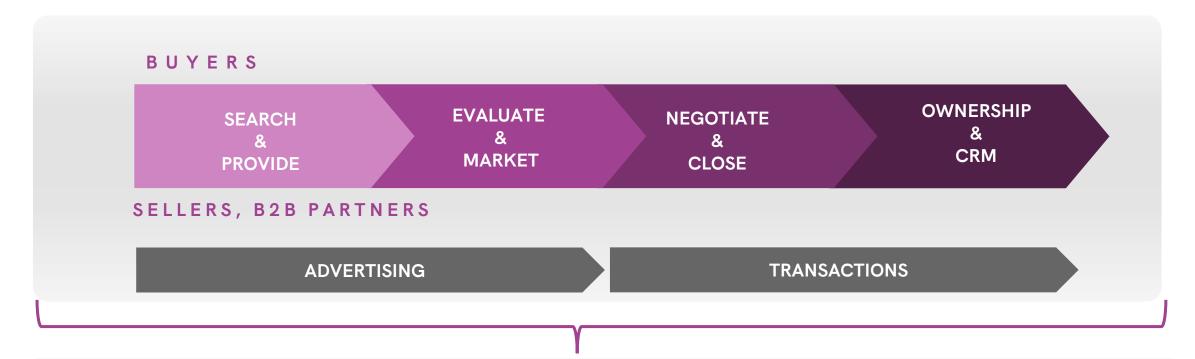


- Alma Media concentrates on recruitment, real estate, mobility, media and insights
- Group synergy is based on co-operation between and within businesses:
  - Growth of average revenue per user (ARPU) through audience reach and direction of visitor traffic across Alma's services
  - Data collection, refinement and commercialisation
  - Shared technology, tools, platforms and competencies
  - Advertising sales and digital marketing
  - Development of seamless user experiences
  - Effective shared group services and global processes



## From classified advertising to transactions

Entering larger potential market and enabling new revenue sources



- We further develop and complement our product portfolio to cover the entire digital buying and selling process.
- We help to streamline our partners' customer management and sales in digital environment.
- We develop new features and new products based on AI supported data, and complement our portfolio through M&A.





## **Events after the review period**

- On February 3, 2025, Alma Media announced it had acquired the share capital of the Edilex Lakitieto Oy.
- The acquired business provides legal information services, including a comprehensive legal database and a legal news service. It also offers various online services, legal training, and a selection of legal literature. Additionally, the business serves as a provider for Finlex, an online database owned by Finland's Ministry of Justice.
- The pro forma net sales of the acquired business amounted to circa EURM 8 in 2024.

### **Outlook For 2025**

### Announced on 5 February 2025

Alma Media expects its full-year revenue and adjusted operating profit of 2025 to remain at the 2024 level.

The full-year revenue for 2024 was MEUR 312.7 and the adjusted operating profit was MEUR 76.9.

#### Background for the outlook



The outlook is based on an assessment of the company's main market areas, where national economies are expected to pick up, but the uncertainty continues. The global economy fluctuations may affect the development of the market.

The period of slow growth in Finland is expected to continue and there is still uncertainty in advertising. Acquisitions will increase the company's revenue and operating profit.

Group business diversification, geographically for several markets and for various business areas, as well as the determined management of costs stabilise the company's outlook even in challenging market conditions.





# Thank You! Questions?

Upcoming events in the investor calendar:

- Interim report for January–March 2025 on Friday, 25 April 2025
- Interim report for January–June 2025 on Thursday 17 July 2025
- Interim report for January-September 2025 on Friday, 31 October 2025



