

#### PRELIMINARY RESULTS 18 months to 31 December 2014



### A transformational year

- Underlying revenue momentum; H2 +7%
- Strong growth in digital paid-for content and event revenues = 68% of total revenue
- A stronger balance sheet with net debt reduced to £14.7m
  - Perfect Information disposal completed
  - Econsultancy earn-out resolved early
- Restructure completed, cultural evolution begun
  - Stronger portfolios, focused on digital paid-for content, new events
  - Centralised specialist teams enabling efficiencies through common platforms and best practice

Accelerated product development and innovation

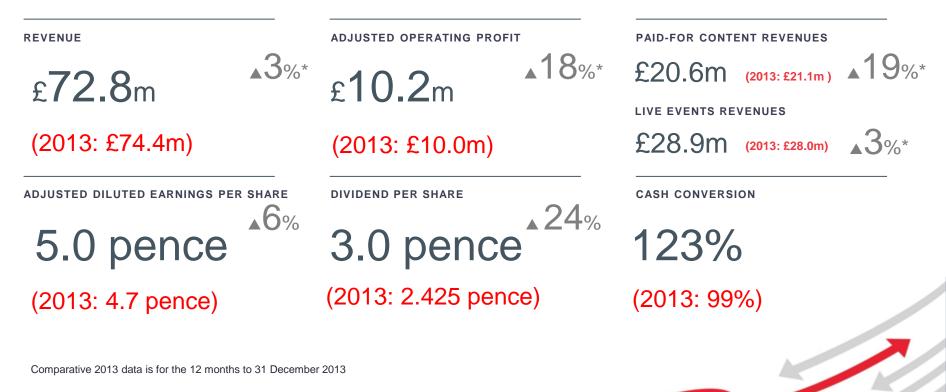


# A united mission

#### To **inspire** and **enable** people to excel at what they do, setting the standard for market insight, interaction and impact



#### Financial highlights – 12 months to 31 December 2014



\*: Underlying growth, adjusted for the disposal of Perfect Information



#### Income statement - adjusted numbers

	2014 £m	2013 £m	Reported Growth (%)	Underlying Growth (%)
Revenue	72.8	74.4	-2%	+3%
Adjusted operating profit	10.2	10.0	+2%	+18%
Adjusted operating profit margin	14%	13%		
Finance costs	(1.0)	(1.2)		
Adjusted profit before taxation	9.2	8.8	+5%	
Adjusted tax charge	(1.9)	(1.9)		
Adjusted net profit	7.3	6.9	+6%	
Adjusted basic EPS (pence)	5.1	4.8	+6%	
Adjusted diluted EPS (pence)	5.0	4.7	+6%	
Dividend per share (pence)	3.0	2.425	+24%	



#### Income statement - reported numbers

	2014 £m	2013 £m
Adjusted net profit	7.3	6.9
Amortisation of acquired intangibles	(2.2)	(2.3)
Net exceptional operating expenses	(5.0)	(41.0)
Profit on sale of subsidiary	14.7	-
Exceptional finance costs	(2.5)	(1.2)
Tax effect of above adjustments	0.9	0.7
Profit / (loss) for the year	13.2	(36.9)



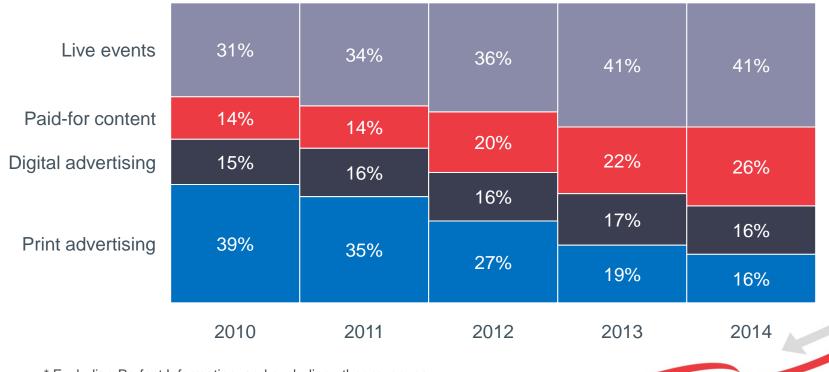
#### Revenue mix

	2014 £m	2013 £m	Reported Growth (%)	Underlying Growth (%)
Advertising	22.4	24.6	-9%	-9%
Paid-for content	20.6	21.1	-2%	19%
Live events	28.9	28.0	3%	3%
Other	0.9	0.7	29%	29%
Total	72.8	74.4	-2%	3%



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#### Revenue mix trends



\* Excluding Perfect Information, and excluding other revenues



#### Operating cash flow

	2014 £m	2013 £m
Adjusted operating profit	10.2	10.0
Depreciation and amortisation	3.2	3.0
Movement in working capital	2.6	2.4
Capital expenditure	(3.5)	(5.5)
Operating cash flow	12.5	9.9
Operating cash conversion	123%	99%



#### Net debt bridge





### **Dividend re-balancing**

Final 2014 dividend of 1.3p (+ 53% VS 2013 dividend of 0.85p) reflects re-balancing of interim and final payments

- Total 2014 dividend of 3p + 24% VS 2013 dividend of 2.425p

Dividend per share	2013A pence	2014A pence	2015* pence	% Gr 2014	owth 2015
H1	1.575	1.70	1.50	8%	-12%
H2	0.850	1.30	1.50	53%	15%
Full year	2.425	3.00	3.00	24%	0%
				% Growth 2014 2015	
Dividend payments	2013A £m	2014A £m	2015* £m		
Dividend payments H1					
	£m	£m	£m	2014	2015



# Divisional financial highlights

	MARKETING					
	2014 Financial highlights					
	Revenues	£26.8m	+ 7%			
	Adjusted operating profit	£3.9m	+ 63%			
	Digital paid-for content revenues	£9.0m	+ 37%			
•	Adjusted operating profit margin	14.6%	(9.6%)			

FINANCIAL SERVICES						
2014 Financial highlights						
Revenues	£12.0m	(£13.6m)				
Adjusted operating profit	£2.0m	(£2.6m)				
Display advertising revenues	£4.8m	(£6.3m)				
Adjusted operating profit margin	16.7%	(19%)				

	PROFESSIONAL					
	2014 Financial highlights					
Re	venues	£22.9m	(£25.0m)			
Adj	justed operating profit	£2.6m	(£3.3m)			
Live	e events revenues	£11.0m	+ 14%			
Adj	justed operating profit margin	11.4%	(13.2%)			

2014 Financial highlights					
Revenues	£11.1m	(£10.8m)			
Adjusted operating profit	£1.7m	(£1.7m)			
Digital revenues	£1.1m	+ 11%			
Adjusted operating profit margin	15.3%	(15.7%)			

**HOME INTEREST** 



### **Financial summary**

- Disciplined approach to change
- Good progress against financial KPI measures
  - Underlying revenue growth
  - Adjusted operating profit margin
  - Cash conversion
  - Adjusted EPS
- Portfolio trends and revenue mix encouraging
  - Digital paid-for content momentum growing
  - Advertising stability
  - Events phasing

Strong balance sheet and cash flow generation



### A multi-format content business

The business no longer thinks of itself as publishing and exhibitions

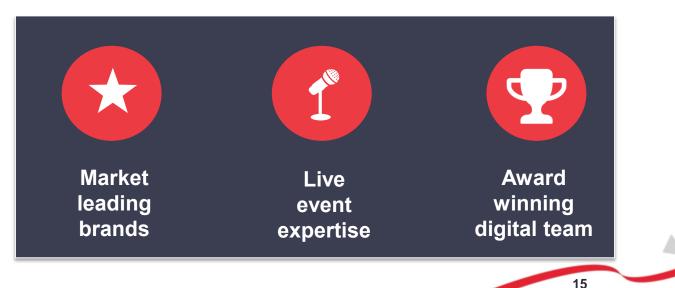




# A powerful and unique combination of assets

Centaur Media has exploited its 3 core assets well

It is now a content business that combines high value information with an optimised user experience to maximise its commercial returns





# Creating a platform for growth

We promised to transform Centaur Media into a more efficient business that is better positioned to drive sustainable growth and value creation across its core markets:

- Exploit the skills, assets and full potential of the existing set of businesses
- Revitalise core brands by accelerating digital functionality and consumer engagement
  - Lessen the reliance on traditional print advertising
  - Enabling long-term sustainable profit growth



#### Strategic priorities

1. 🗋

Be the most knowledgeable, connected and authoritative experts in our markets Create products and services that are innovative and market-leading, backed by strong digital and events expertise

2.

4.

3.

Sustainable growth in profits and cash flows with high quality, recurring revenue streams and an efficient scalable operating model

Be a united team of entrepreneurial multi-skilled professionals



### Accelerated innovation delivering results

#### Successful product innovation

- Fashion Monitor USA

#### Successful product development

- Festival of Marketing
- Money Marketing magazine relaunch

- Marketing Week digital & print
- London Homebuilding Show
- Successful commercial development
  - The Lawyer Research Service

- 5 months Rev = \$250k
- Rev + 10% yoy
- Paid delegate revenue doubled
  - Jan'14 Jan'15
- Market Share 10% 16%
- Ad Revs -20% -1%
- New registrations +50,000
- Homebuilding events revenues +3%

LRS invoice contract value at £650K





#### Strengthened portfolios



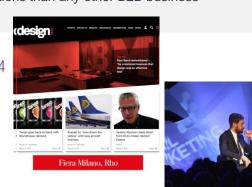
# Marketing highlights

#### 2014 Operational highlights

- Econsultancy settlement has enabled faster integration
- Fashion Monitor launched in USA
- Marketing Week successfully re-launched in November 2014
- Festival of Marketing grew revenues by 9%
- 5 PPA Awards won
- More BMA nominations than any other B2B business







#### 2015 Opportunity

- Design Week digital refresh
- Creative Review print and digital refresh
- Fashion & Beauty Monitor upgrade
- Festival of Marketing

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Celebrity Intelligence upgrade







### Financial Services highlights

#### 2014 Operational highlights

- Refreshed commercial leadership and editorial teams
- Alongside re-launch of Money Marketing in April 2014, portfolio is well positioned to exploit demand for analysis and insight across the financial services industry
- Platforum fully integrated under new management team
- Q4 advertising revenues stable



#### 2015 Opportunity

- Platforum Retirement series launch
- Money Marketing digital refresh
- Money Marketing Awards
- Headline Money Awards
- Fund Strategy print and digital refresh

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Platforum Conference





#### Professional highlights

#### 2014 Operational highlights

- Lawyer.com registration content barrier introduced in November 2014
- Lawyer Management Conference & Awards
- Lawyer Research Service
- Business Travel Show and The Meetings Show
- Responsible Travel Management conference Nov '14
- Single content, management and commercial teams for HR & Engineering





#### 2015 Opportunity

- BTiQ launch
- FEM brand refresh
- The Engineer Design and Innovation Show
- Lawyer Market Intelligence launch
- The Lawyer Business Management Awards









### Home Interest highlights

#### 2014 Operational highlights

- London Homebuilding Show piloted in November 2014
- Commercial account management and content teams established
- Homebuilding & Renovating ABC up 9%

#### 2015 Opportunity

- National Homebuilding Show
- HB&R print and digital refresh in April
- Period Living and Real Homes digital refresh
- Supplement strategy launch
- London Homebuilding Show at Excel





### Reinvigorated and positive

We end 2014 with:

- Results delivered in line with expectations
- A stronger balance sheet
- A structure that will deliver growth

We look forward into 2015 with:

- Strong brands in attractive markets
- A sharp focus on innovation and product development
- A highly cash generative business model
- Grow events and digital paid for content to improve revenue mix

# **CENTAUR** MEDIA

inspires and enables



### Appendix I - Divisional summary

Revenue	2014 £m	2013 £m		Underlying Growth (%)
Marketing	26.8	25.0		7%
Professional	22.9	25.0		6%
Financial Services	12.0	13.6		-12%
Home Interest	11.1	10.8		3%
Total	72.8	74.4		3%
Adjusted operating profit	2014 £m	2013 £m	Margin	Underlying Growth (%)
Marketing	3.9	2.4	15% (10%)	+63%
Professional	2.6	3.3	11% (13%)	+45%
Financial Services	2.0	2.6	17% (19%)	-23%
Home Interest	1.7	1.7	15% (16%)	0%
Total	10.2	10.0	14% (13%)	18%



### Appendix II - Balance sheet

	2014 £m	2013 £m
Goodwill and intangible assets	109.9	122.7
Other non-current assets	2.5	2.3
Total non-current assets	112.4	125.0
Inventories	1.8	2.2
Trade and other receivables	15.7	17.2
Trade and other payables	(11.0)	(9.9)
Deferred income	(15.3)	(17.5)
Working capital	(8.8)	(8.0)
Provisions	(1.1)	(11.9)
Current and deferred taxation	(1.1)	(1.1)
Finance lease	-	(0.2)
Facility arrangement fee	0.1	0.3
Net debt	(14.7)	(27.0)
Net assets	86.8	77.1



### Appendix III – Taxation

12m to 31 December 2014	Profit before tax £m	Current Tax (credit)/expense £m	Deferred Tax (credit)/expense £m	Total Tax (credit)/expense £m
Statutory results	14.2	1.2	(0.2)	1.0
Adjusted for:				
Exceptional operating costs	(4.6)	0.2	-	0.2
Profit on disposal of subsidiary	14.7	-	-	-
Exceptional finance costs	(2.5)	-	-	-
Share-based payments	(0.4)	0.2	-	0.2
Amortisation of acquired intangibles	(2.2)	0.1	0.4	0.5
Adjusted results	9.2	1.7	0.2	1.9
Adjusted effective tax rate				21%