# PLT VII Finance S.à r.l. Q3 2024 Results

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## Reclassifications as of Q3 2024

- Starting Q3'24, the Group is reclassifying content as intangible assets to reflect their long-term strategic value. This adjustment reflects our ongoing commitment to FTA content investment and the steady growth of Go3 throughout the Baltics
- The update aligns our accounting policy with market standards and peer practices, ensuring a more accurate reflection of asset value. It enhances transparency in our financial reporting and ensures consistency across the industry by aligning asset classification with their nature and significance in our portfolio
- Acquired content rights, sport rights and in-house produced content will now be capitalized as intangible assets.
- All the numbers presented later in this presentation reflect the post-reclassification figures

	Before Reclassification			Reclassification		Reclassified amounts		
€m	Q3 2023	Q3 2024	YoY (%)	2023	2024	Q3 2023	Q3 2024	YoY (%)
Adjusted EBITDA	48.1	52.6	9.2%	7.9	8.7	56.1	61.3	9.3%
% margin	34.6%	36.3%				40.3%	42.3%	
Adjusted Capex	(8.0)	(14.7)	83.0%	(8.6)	(10.0)	(16.7)	(24.7)	48.1%
% of total revenue	(5.8%)	(10.2%)				(12.0%)	(17.0%)	
Operating Cash Flow <sup>(1)</sup>	40.1	37.9	(5.6%)	(0.7)	(1.3)	39.4	36.6	(7.1%)
% Cash Conversion <sup>(2)</sup>	83.3%	72.0%				70.3%	59.7%	
Change in NWC <sup>(3)</sup>	2.7	1.1	(60.8%)	0.7	1.3	3.4	2.3	(31.0%)
Cash Flow pre-acquisitions	40.3	35.5	(12.0%)	0.0	0.0	40.3	35.5	(12.0%)
€m	YTD 2023	YTD 2024	YoY (%)	2023	2024	YTD 2023	YTD 2024	YoY (%)
Adjusted EBITDA	142.3	156.0	9.7%	24.5	27.6	166.7	183.6	10.1%
% margin	34.3%	36.4%				40.2%	42.8%	
Adjusted Capex	(51.1)	(40.0)	(21.8%)	(29.0)	(29.9)	(80.1)	(69.8)	(12.8%)
% of total revenue	(12.3%)	(9.3%)				(19.3%)	(16.3%)	
Operating Cash Flow <sup>(1)</sup>	91.2	116.0	27.2%	(4.6)	(2.3)	86.6	113.8	31.3%
% Cash Conversion <sup>(2)</sup>	64.1%	74.4%				52.0%	62.0%	
Change in NWC <sup>(3)</sup>	(13.0)	(4.6)	(64.2%)	4.6	2.3	(8.4)	(2.4)	(78.1%)
Cash Flow pre-acquisitions	68.3	69.5	1.6%	0.0	0.0	68.3	69.5	1.6%





# **Key Highlights**

#### **Comments**

#### Bitė Group

- Service Revenues increased by 5% YoY to €118m in Q3'24, reflecting strong Mobile, Fixed Broadband and PayTV performance
- Adjusted EBITDA increased by 9% YoY to €61m, which was largely driven by a strong topline growth and effective cost management
- Operating Cash Flow decreased by -7% YoY driven by higher Capex levels in Q3'24 due to timing variations in 5G investment
- The total number of RGUs remained stable YoY, totaling 2.9m at the end of Q3'24

#### **Mobile**

 Mobile business grew YoY primarily due to Postpaid base price revisions in Lithuania in Q1'24 and gradual Postpaid base price revisions across the quarters in Latvia

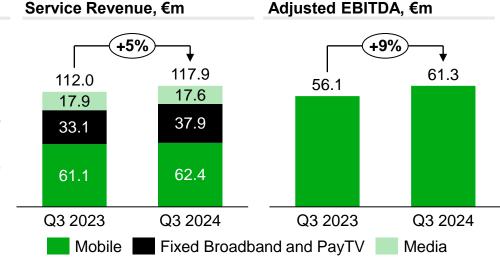
## **Fixed Broadband and PayTV**

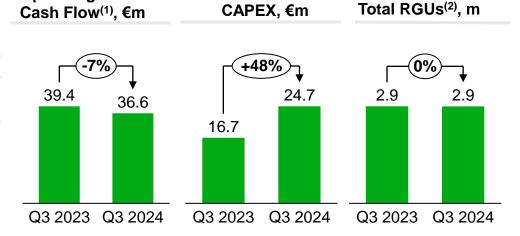
- Fixed Broadband segment grew YoY, driven by 5G Fixed Wireless Access (FWA) RGUs growth, price revision for FWA RGUs in Lithuania in Q1'24, gradual price revisions across the quarters in Latvia, and organic ICT business growth
- PayTV grew YoY on the back of strong OTT RGUs growth and revision of OTT package prices

#### Media

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Operating



Operating cash flow defined as Adjusted EBITDA minus Capex IoT are excluded from total number of RGUs

# **Mobile Segment**

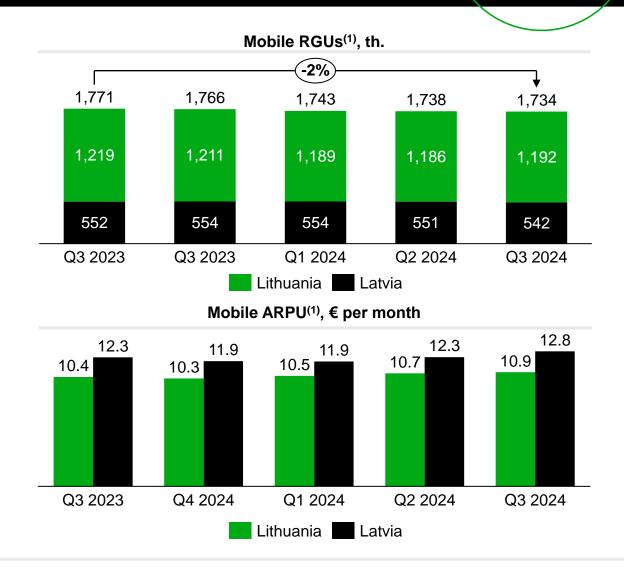
#### **Comments**

#### Lithuania

- Mobile RGUs decreased by -27k YoY in Q3'24, Postpaid added +2k, Prepaid decreased by -28k and Data only decreased by -1k
- The ARPU in Lithuania grew YoY mostly due to Postpaid base price revision in Q1'24 and successful monetization of add-ons fully offsetting another reduction of interconnect rates. Interconnect decline of 50% had no impact to consistently growing AGMPU

#### Latvia

- Mobile RGUs decreased by -10k YoY in Q3'24, Postpaid added +1k, Data only decreased by -12k due to partial migration and higher focus on Fixed Wireless Access RGU acquisition, Prepaid increased by 2k
- The ARPU in Latvia grew YoY mostly due to gradual Postpaid base price revisions across the quarters, offsetting the negative impact of the interconnect rates reduction by 50%







# **Fixed Broadband & PayTV Segment**

#### **Comments**

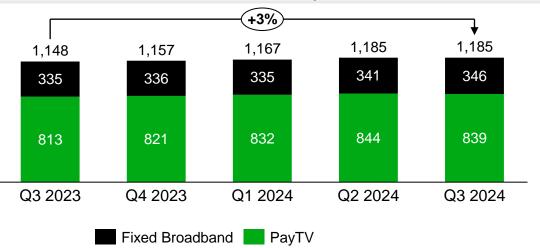
#### **Fixed Broadband**

- Fixed Broadband RGUs increased by 11k YoY, mainly due to growing number of 5G Fixed Wireless Access RGUs
- The ARPU grew, both YoY and QoQ, primarily due to price revision for Fixed Wireless Access and Fixed Broadband RGUs in Lithuania in Q1'24 as well as gradual price revisions across the quarters in Latvia and organic ICT business growth

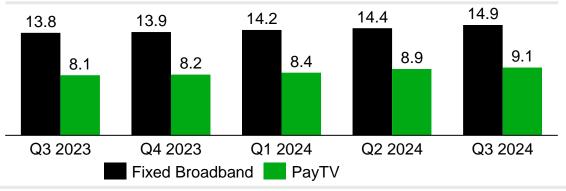
## **PayTV**

- PayTV RGUs grew YoY on the back of strong OTT RGUs growth (+66k), which more than offset the decline in DTH (-14k), VO <sup>(1)</sup> (-16k) and cable Pay TV RGUs (-11k)
- Strong growth of the OTT RGUs was driven by OTT cross-selling to our Mobile, Fixed Broadband and Fixed Wireless Access base as well as strong growth in open market base. Increase in open market base was also driven by the transfer of Viaplay subscribers
- The ARPU increased YoY mainly due to OTT package prices revision in all three countries and the launch of Extra sports package which includes sports rights sublicensed from Viaplay

## Fixed Broadband and PayTV RGUs, th.



## Fixed Broadband and PayTV ARPU € per month







# **Media Segment**

#### **Comments**

#### Media revenue

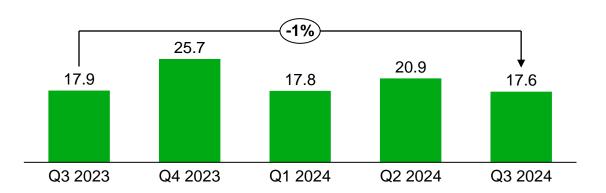
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### **Commercial share of viewing**

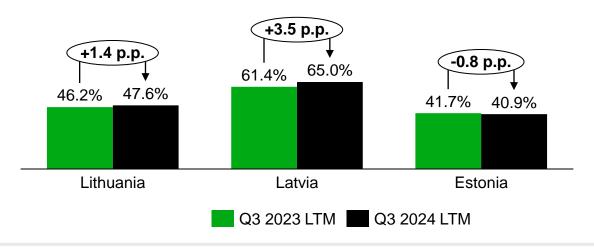
Main TV3 Group channel TV3 has maintained its #1 position in Latvia and Lithuania:

- In Lithuania, the TV3 Group CSOV increased by 1.4 p.p., due to strong performance of main TV3 channel and TV6
- In Latvia, the TV3 Group CSOV increased by 3.5 p.p. compared to last year, mainly driven by strong performance of secondary channels TV6 and 3+
- In Estonia, the combined TV3 Group CSOV decreased by -0.8 p.p. YoY due to continuous increased programming investment by our main competitor

## Media Revenue, development, €m



## Commercial share of viewing (CSOV), TG 15-59







## **Basis of Preparation**

- The financials presented herein have been consolidated at the PLT VII Finance S.à r.l. level and prepared in accordance with the IFRS
- The analysis is based on unaudited information for the Q3 of 2024; and the Q3 of 2023 is provided as a comparable information
- · All financial information is presented in millions of euro, unless it is otherwise stated
- "Adjusted EBITDA" represents the EBITDA, as adjusted for certain items that the Group's management considers to be exceptional, non-cash or non-recurring in nature
- "Adjusted EBITDA pro forma" for the twelve months ending on 30 September 2024 represents the Adjusted EBITDA for the twelve months ending on 30 September 2023, after giving a pro forma effect to the estimated annual impact of certain anticipated synergies and cost savings that we expect to realise as a result of the acquisitions



## Financial Performance

#### **Comments**

- Service revenue grew by 5.3% YoY in Q3'24. 2.2% Mobile growth was driven by Postpaid base price revisions: in Q1'24 in Lithuania and gradual revisions across the quarters in Latvia. FBB and PayTV grew mostly due to strong OTT base development and revised pricing for OTT and FWA. Media deceased by -1.5%, despite sluggish growth in economies in Latvia and Estonia
- Equipment and other revenue decreased by -0.7% YoY in Q3'24 or -6.6% when adjusted for one-offs. The impact to EBITDA was limited as the decrease in revenue was offset by 7.5% lower equipment costs
- Employee compensation increased by 11.5% mainly due to oneoff payout of option bonuses. Adjusted for one-offs 3.8%
- Content and programming costs increased due to the increase in channel variable fees directly related to OTT segment subscriber base growth as well as investment into HBO partnership
- Roaming and interconnect costs declined due to the interconnect rates reduction in Lithuania and Latvia
- Other costs increase was mainly related to increase in dealer commissions in connection with additional external sales teams and employee related cost
- Adjusted EBITDA increased by 9.3% in Q3'24

#### **Financials**

€m	Q3 2023	Q3 2024	YoY (%)	YTD 2023	YTD 2024	YoY (%)
Mobile	61.1	62.4	2.2%	179.9	184.8	2.7%
Fixed Broadband and PayTV	33.1	37.9	14.5%	95.6	109.4	14.4%
Media	17.9	17.6	(1.5%)	56.7	56.3	(0.7%)
Service Revenue	112.0	117.9	5.3%	332.2	350.5	5.5%
Equipment and other	27.2	27.0	(0.7%)	82.9	78.3	(5.5%)
Total Revenue	139.2	144.9	4.1%	415.1	428.7	3.3%
Equipment costs	(25.9)	(23.9)	(7.5%)	(78.7)	(70.2)	(10.8%)
Employee compensation & benefit	(20.3)	(22.7)	11.5%	(62.9)	(65.5)	4.1%
Content and programming costs	(5.8)	(6.5)	11.1%	(16.1)	(18.5)	14.8%
Roaming and interconnect costs	(5.2)	(3.8)	(25.8%)	(15.5)	(11.1)	(28.1%)
Other costs	(26.1)	(27.1)	4.1%	(75.7)	(80.9)	6.9%
One-offs and other adjustments <sup>(1)</sup>	0.2	0.4	174.7%	0.6	1.2	94.0%
Adjusted EBITDA	56.1	61.3	9.3%	166.7	183.6	10.1%
% Margin	40.3%	42.3%		40.2%	42.8%	



<sup>(1)</sup> One-offs and other adjustments mainly included costs related with reorganization and integrations of acquired companies, option bonuses and the divestment of real estate asset in Q3'24

# **Group Capex**

#### Comments

 Capex increased by 48% YoY and decreased by 13% YoY YTD, driven by differences in quarterly timing of the 5G rollout

## Capex<sup>(1)</sup>, €m





## % of revenue





Capex is accounted on a cash basis

## **Cash flow**

#### **Comments**

- Bitė had a strong cash conversion with a cash conversion rate<sup>(2)</sup> of 60% in Q3'24
- Positive NWC change in Q3'24 was mainly driven by decrease of accounts receivable, attributed to the seasonal dynamics of our media business
- Increase in Income tax in Q3'24 results from dividend distribution in All Media Latvia

#### **Cash Flow**

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Adjusted EBITDA	56.1	61.3	9.3%	166.7	183.6	10.1%
% margin	40.3%	42.3%		40.2%	42.8%	
Adjusted Capex	(16.7)	(24.7)	48.1%	(80.1)	(69.8)	(12.8%)
% of total revenue	(12.0%)	(17.0%)		(19.3%)	(16.3%)	
Operating Cash Flow <sup>(1)</sup>	39.4	36.6	(7.1%)	86.8	113.8	31.3%
% Cash Conversion <sup>(2)</sup>	70.3%	59.7%		52.0%	62.0%	
Change in NWC <sup>(3)</sup>	3.4	2.3	(31.0%)	(8.4)	(2.4)	(71.8%)
One-offs and other adj. (4)	(0.2)	(0.4)	174.7%	(0.6)	(1.2)	94.0%
Taxes	(2.3)	(3.0)	29.7%	(9.3)	(9.1)	(2.0%)
Cash Flow pre-acquisitions	40.3	35.5	(12.0%)	68.3	69.5	1.6%
Acquisitions	0.0	0.0		(0.7)	(0.6)	(22.7%)
Cash Flow pre-financing	40.3	35.5	(12.0%)	67.6	100.6	48.7%



<sup>(1)</sup> Operating Cash Flow is defined as the Adjusted EBITDA minus the Total Capex

<sup>2)</sup> Defined as the Operating Cash Flow / Adjusted EBITDA

<sup>3)</sup> Capitalized contract cost reclassified to Change in NWC, the reclassification was made in Q4'23. Previous periods were adjusted accordingly

<sup>4)</sup> One-offs and other adjustments for mainly included costs related with reorganization and integrations of acquired companies, option bonuses and the divestment of real estate asset in Q3'24

# **Capital Structure**

## Capitalisation

30 September 2024	€m	x Adj. EBITDA	Maturity
Cash and cash equivalents	(33.8)		
Senior Secured Notes	420.0		June 2031
Floating Rate Notes	500.0		June 2031
Net senior secured debt	886.2	3.6x	
Lease liabilities	52.3		
Net total debt	938.5	3.8x	
New SSRCF (undrawn) (1)	100.0		December 2030
Adj. EBITDA pro forma (LTM)	247.4		
Total Liquidity	133.8		



**Key Highlights** 

**Trading Update** 

<sup>(1) €1</sup>m of SSRCF limit was reserved for issuing guarantees, which was necessary to enter into IoT smart metering contract



# **Events Occurred after the Reporting Date**

On 1 October 2024 the Group subsidiary Star FM SIA was reorganized by merging with All Media Latvia SIA, which took over all of Star FM SIA rights and obligations, assets and liabilities. Star FM SIA ceased to exist









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