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### Strong growth in Platform advertising revenue driving improved profitability

#### Solid strategy delivery

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# Delivered on advertising clients' campaigns, improved monetisation capabilities and expanded our engaged audience base through publisher partnerships

#### Selected Advertiser Campaigns Q1 2024



#### Selected Publisher Partnerships Q1 2024



- Strongest ever first quarter by advertising platform, driven by increased Direct and Automated auction sales delivering client campaigns across Azerion ad formats and audiences.
- Signed 42 new publishers and connected 5 additional SSPs to expand Azerion's digital audience supply across Europe and the Americas adding new opportunities across different channels and devices
- Strengthened commitment to delivering premium advertising solutions in Italy through partnership with Money.it
- Expanded digital audio advertising platform offering through a strategic partnership with Acast
- **Launched a new app** for the Azerion Women's League collectively with the Royal Dutch Football Association ("KNVB")
- Signed an additional two sporting clubs to Fanzone, Azerion's white label fan engagement app, now totalling 23 clubs and approximately 228,000 downloads as at end Q1 2024
- Added approximately 302 new games and 54 new publisher partners to our casual games distribution platform.
- Introduced two new sale mechanics "Fortunas wheels" and "Offer chain" into our Social Casino portfolio improving user monetisation.
- Habbo takes next innovative step into Web3 through the launch of Collector Cabinets, feature that can convert in-game items into NFTs



## Selected development highlights across our products and technology



## Single media buying interface

End-to-end advertising campaign management solution for brands and agencies

Azerion's integrated omnichannel solution offering digital audio, CTV, DOOH, web and other non-emerging ad formats from previous acquisitions..

Unified digital advertisement booking & delivery

Improved algorithms for Dynamic Creative Optimisation



## Publisher advertising auction platform

Azerion's monetisation platform connecting content creators with premium demand partners worldwide

Machine learning supply path optimisation tool

Azerion Edge, our First-Party data solution for contextual and behavioural embedded seller defined audiences targeting in a cookieless environment

Performance by Azerion audience data enabled across all products



## Full monetisation solution

Localised full monetization solution for publishers, operated by Azerion's expert ad delivery teams

Integrated AI-based yield management for publishers

Unified proprietary advanced header bidding platform

Expanded Programmatic guaranteed support



## Engaging content development

Consolidating fragmented digital audiences through engaging and brand safe content

Create new monetisation opportunities across portfolio of Premium and Casual Games

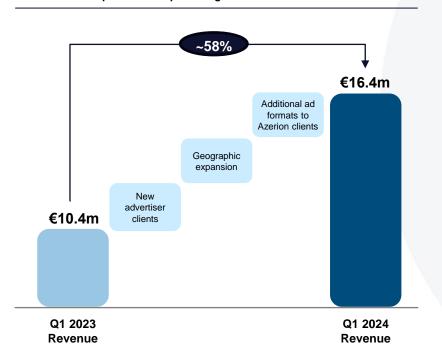
Expand Azerion Fanzone's already consolidated audiences of 23 sporting clubs

Harnessing of Generative AI to create unique content and campaigns within our Metaverse games



## Azerion integrates Hawk DSP resulting in strong revenue growth and profitability

#### Hawk financial performance post integration



#### Revenue and profitability drivers

Revenue	
New Advertiser clients	Onboarding of Azerion brand and agency clients onto Hawk DSP (single media buying interface)
Geographic expansion	Roll out across Azerion locations in which Hawk previously was not present.
Additional ad formats	Integrate Azerion ad formats and data management tools providing brands and advertisers greater campaign management and efficiencies in a one-stop-shop
Profitability	
Margin improvement	Driven by lower execution costs and economies of scale
Operational benefits	Lower overhead and fixed costs, improved campaign management efficiencies
Data management efficiencies	Migration of Hawk's data centre to Azerion's highly scalable cloud-based solution



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# Azerion continues expansion in the Nordics gaining access to over 50,000 SME businesses and 10 million unique visitors through the strategic investment in Eniro

### Eniro overview eniro 2

- An online publisher, search business and provider of digital marketing services (white and yellow pages)
- Provides products and services that help entrepreneurs to be present and visible on the internet, with a client base of approximately 50,000 SME businesses in Sweden, Norway, Denmark, and Finland.
- Eniro has 5 search websites in the Nordics with approximately 10 million unique visitors per month.

#### Rationale, expected benefits and synergies

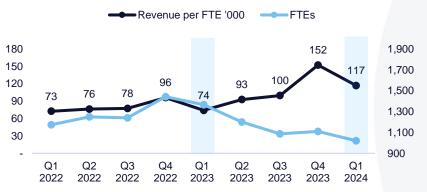
- Market consolidation: Strengthens Azerion's digital advertising market position across Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden.
- Advertiser access: Eniro's client base of approximately 50,000 SME businesses gain access to Azerion's
  extended digital marketing solutions, formats and channels.
- Audience reach: Azerion gains access to approximately 10 million unique visitors per month through Eniro's five search websites.
- Monetisation efficiencies: leveraging Azerion's expertise in digital advertising delivery to help Eniro optimise
  its operations
- Technical integration: closely cooperating across product development and technology, introducing a cloudbased solution to Eniro and realising mutually beneficial economies of scale.





## Continued cost optimisation and operating efficiency, leading to improved performance

#### Revenue per FTE evolution



#### Selected Highlights - Progress in Q1 2024



#### Consolidation and integration

- Continued progress in the integration and consolidation of previous acquisitions, as well as ongoing cost optimisation.
- Continued significant improvement in productivity with approximately ~58% increase in Revenue per FTE in Q1 2023 YoY
- Total operating expenses down 23% from €39.3 million in Q1 2023 to €30.1 million in Q1 2024

#### Operational simplification and cost optimisation

Continued focus on operational simplification and cost optimisation leading to, for example since 1 Jan 2023:

- > Reduction of 39 legal entities across the Group
- > 9 hosting contracts consolidated to AWS
- Reduction of 23 office leases

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## Q1 2024: Strong growth in Platform advertising revenue driving improved profitability

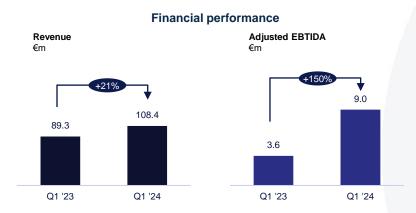


- Revenue up approximately 6% in Q1 2024 YoY
- Revenue increase driven by **Platform segment**, mainly due to:
  - increased Direct and Automated auction sales; and
  - the benefits of integrating and consolidating past acquisitions, including Hawk as Azerion's single media buying platform
- Implied total group organic revenue growth of approximately 7.6% excluding social card game portfolio
- Adjusted EBITDA grew by approximately 13% in Q1 2024 YoY, largely driven by increased Platform advertising revenue from Direct sales and Automated auction sales, cost savings and efficiencies from the integration of previous acquisitions and a gain on acquisition related earn-outs
- Adjusted EBITDA margin improved to 8.2% Q1 2024 as compared to 7.7% in Q1 2023



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## Platform – Scale and integration synergies delivering strong profitable revenue growth



### Operational performance – Digital Ads Sold<sup>1</sup>



- Net revenue of € 108.4 million in Q1 2024, compared to € 89.3 million in Q1 2023, an increase of 21.4%, due to increased Revenue from the Advertising platform, offset by a decrease in Revenue from AAA Game Distribution (formerly referred to as e-commerce)
- Adjusted EBITDA increased to approximately € 9.0 million, compared to
   € 3.6 million Q1 2023, an increase of 150.0% largely due to growth in highermargin Direct sales, improved spend on higher-impact ads, increased
  monetisation of exclusive partnerships, ongoing consolidation and integration
  and cost optimisation efforts and a gain on acquisition related earn-outs of
   €1.6 million
- Implied organic revenue growth in advertising revenue of approximately 15.9%
- Implied organic revenue growth in Platform revenue of approximately 9.7%
- Average Digital Ads Sold per Month decreased to 12.0 billion in Q1 2024 from 12.2 billion in Q1 2023, reflecting an ongoing focus on premium digital advertising formats such as DOOH, digital audio, drive to store, resulting in higher CPMs and fewer digital ads sold.

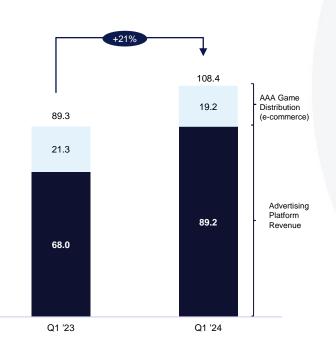


<sup>1.</sup> The reporting of average Gross Revenue per Million Processed Ad Requests from advertising auction platform (€) has been temporarily discontinued due to the ongoing integration of operational reporting data from the acquisition of Hawk completed in Q4 2023 and a review of our selected operational KPIs for this segment more generally.

## Platform – Strong Platform growth driven by advertising revenue



Revenue €m

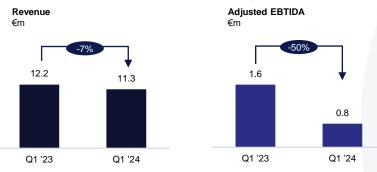


- In Q1 2024, Platform Advertising Revenue was € 89.2 million an increase of approximately +31% compared to Q1 2023 of € 68.0 million
- In Q1 2024, Azerion's Direct sales contributed approximately 70% of Platform advertising revenue, as compared to approximately 65% in Q1 2023, with the balance provided by Automated auction sales
- Successful integration of the recent Hawk acquisition, which contributed € 16.4 million of Revenue in Q1 2024 as compared to preacquisition Revenue of € 10.4 million for the same period last year
- In Q1 2024, our AAA Game Distribution business (formerly referred to as e-commerce) generated Revenue of € 19.2 million as compared to €21.3 million in Q1 2023, a decrease of approximately 9.9% largely due to fewer high-profile AAA game releases in Q1 2024 compared to Q1 2023
- AAA Game Distribution Revenue represented approximately 17.7% of total Platform Revenue, as compared to approximately 23.9% in Q1 2023



## Premium Games – improved features and events driving increased player engagement

#### Financial performance (excluding social cards<sup>1</sup>)



#### Operational performance<sup>1,2</sup>



- Revenue of € 11.3 million in Q1 2024, as compared to € 12.2 million in Q1 2023 (excluding social card games), a decrease of (7.4)%, mainly due to the sale of Woozworld to its management at the start of January 2024 (€ 0.5 million revenue in Q1 2023) and management actions on the remaining portfolio
- Adjusted EBITDA of € 0.8 million in Q1 2024, compared to € 1.6 million in Q1 2023 (excluding social card games), a decrease of (50.0)%, mainly driven by the social casino portfolio and a shift in new-user generation to mobile in Azerion's own environment, as well as through its white label partners, which has higher growth potential over time, but also higher transaction costs as compared to web
- Average time in game per day increased by 14.5% in Q1 2024 to 87 minutes per day as compared to Q1 2023 due to improved in-game sales mechanics, features and events
- Average Daily Active Users decreased by (19.0)% in Q1 2024 compared to Q1 2023, mainly due to lower user acquisition spend and increased focus on greater engagement with higher paying users
- ARPDAU increased by 7.7% in Q1 2024 compared to Q1 2023, due to improved spending in social casino and metaverse titles due to improved ingame sales mechanics, features and events



Woozworld excluded.

Azerion completed the sale of its social card games portfolio to Playtika Holding Corp. on 28 August 2023 and its contribution to the Premium Games segment ceased at that date.

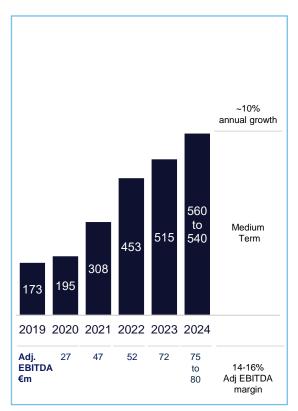
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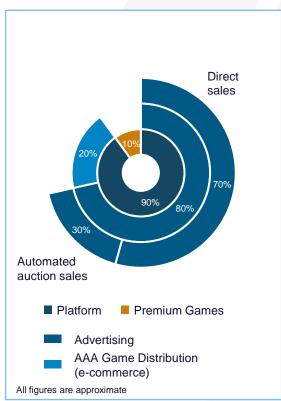


- Strong Revenue and Adjusted EBITDA performance in Q1 2024
- Cashflow from operating activities Q1 2024 of € 1.7 million
- Net interest-bearing debt of € 158.1 million as at 31 March 2024



## Strong historical performance underpinning growth outlook for 2024 and beyond









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