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Oggetto : Record 2017 with net profits and free cash
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Record 2017¹ with net profits and free cash flow³ over one billion Euro

Ordinary dividend increased by 10% to Euro 1.01

Reported figures:

- Luxottica Group's net sales rose to Euro 9,157 million (+2.2% at constant exchange rates² and +0.8% at current exchange rates)
- Operating income was Euro 1,301 million (-1.3% at constant exchange rates² and -3.3% at current exchange rates) and operating margin was 14.2%
- Net income increased to Euro 1,038 million (+24.7%⁶ at constant exchange rates² and +22.4%⁶ at current exchange rates) and net margin was 11.3%

Adjusted^{3,5} figures:

- Luxottica Group's net sales rose to Euro 9,157 million (+2.2% at constant exchange rates² and +0.8% at current exchange rates)
- Adjusted operating income increased to Euro 1,442 million (+2.7% at constant exchange rates² and +0.7% at current exchange rates) and operating margin was 15.8%
- Adjusted net income increased to Euro 970 million (+12.2% at constant exchange rates² and +10.0% at current exchange rates) and net margin was 10.6%

Record free cash flow³ generation to Euro 1,028 million

Ordinary dividend up 10% to Euro 1.01 versus the ordinary dividend paid in 2017

Positive outlook for 2018 with continued growth

Milan (Italy), February 26, 2018 – The Board of Directors of Luxottica Group S.p.A. (MTA: LUX), a leader in the design, manufacture, distribution and sale of fashion, luxury and sports eyewear, met today to review the draft statutory financial statements and consolidated financial results for the fiscal year 2017 in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

Reported results for Full Year 2017¹

<i>(Millions of Euro)</i>	FY 2016	FY 2017	Change at constant exchange rates ²	Change at current exchange rates
Group net sales	9,086	9,157	+2.2%	+0.8%
Wholesale division	3,528	3,505	+0.3%	-0.6%
Retail division	5,558	5,652	+3.4%	+1.7%
Operating income	1,345	1,301	-1.3%	-3.3%
Net income attributable to Luxottica Group stockholders⁶	848	1,038	+24.7%	+22.4%
Earnings per share⁶	1.77	2.17		+22.7%
Earnings per share in US\$⁶	1.96	2.45		+25.3%



Adjusted^{3,5} results for Full Year 2017¹

<i>(Millions of Euro)</i>	FY 2016	FY 2017	Change at constant exchange rates ²	Change at current exchange rates
Group adjusted net sales	9,086	9,157	+2.2%	+0.8%
Wholesale division	3,528	3,505	+0.3%	-0.6%
Retail division	5,558	5,652	+3.4%	+1.7%
Adjusted operating income	1,432	1,442	+2.7%	+0.7%
Adj. net income attributable to Luxottica Group stockholders	882	970	+12.2%	+10.0%
Adj. earnings per share	1.84	2.03		+10.3%
Adj. earnings per share in US\$	2.04	2.29		+12.6%

In 2017, Luxottica's net sales grew to Euro 9,157 million, up 2.2% at constant exchange rates² (+0.8% at current exchange rates). Net profit and free cash flow generation³ exceeded one billion Euro for the first time in the Group's history and the net margin exceeded 10%.

The performance in the past year is the result of the Group's profound transformation and strategic renewal: a more direct relationship with the consumer and an extensive digitization of the entire business were the main drivers of change. Among the most significant initiatives of 2017 were the launch of Ray-Ban ophthalmic lenses, price harmonization across sales channels, greater segmentation and attention to wholesale distribution and the continuous development of proprietary brands' e-commerce platforms.

During 2017, Luxottica's majority shareholder Delfin, the Group and Essilor International continued to work together for the successful conclusion of the combination announced on January 16, 2017. The transaction remains subject to the approval of the antitrust authorities of certain jurisdictions and is expected to close in the first half of 2018.

"We closed a very good 2017 with many positive signals coming every day from the markets and confirming the value of our strategic initiatives from digital innovation and the evolution of e-commerce to the start of big lens laboratories and the establishment of global and standardized commercial policies. After fifteen years, we report the net margin above the 10% threshold, with a record net income of over one billion Euro. The new Luxottica we have created over the last three years with its newfound simplicity, courage and speed, is beginning to remind me of the Group I had left", commented Leonardo Del Vecchio, Executive Chairman of Luxottica.

"We confirm that 2018 will be a year of further growth, in which we will continue to invest to strengthen our business in all markets. We look forward to writing a new chapter of our history together with our French partners at Essilor."



Group performance for the full year 2017¹

In 2017, Group revenues reached Euro 9,157 million, up 2.2% at constant exchange rates² (+0.8% at current exchange rates) with accelerating net sales in the fourth quarter. The last three months were the best of the year for the wholesale business, comparable store sales⁴, Sunglass Hut in the main geographies at constant exchange rates² and e-commerce.

Both divisions including e-commerce activities contributed to the positive performance of the year, despite stricter trade policies in North America and China and the sharp reduction in discounts across all sales channels.

The Group's operating income increased on an adjusted basis^{3,5} by 0.7% to Euro 1,442 million in 2017 (-3.3% to Euro 1,301 million on a reported basis), with an adjusted operating margin^{3,5} at 15.8%. The adjusted operating margin^{3,5} of the Wholesale division was 24.1%, in line with last year's result; the adjusted operating margin^{3,5} of the Retail division grew by 40 basis points and amounted to 14.1%.

Adjusted operating income^{3,5} excludes organizational simplification and restructuring costs for certain business areas as well as non-recurring costs for a total of approximately Euro 142 million.

Net income for fiscal year 2017 grew by 10% to Euro 970 million on an adjusted basis^{3,5} and by 22.4%⁶ to Euro 1,038 million on a reported basis, benefiting from the lower cost of debt and reflecting benefits from Luxottica's Italian Patent Box agreement and from American tax reform. The EPS (earnings per share) on an adjusted basis^{3,5} was Euro 2.03 (US\$ 2.29 at the exchange rate of €/US\$ of 1.1297).

Free cash flow³ generation reached the record level of Euro 1,028 million for the twelve-month period ended December 31, 2017. Net debt³ as of December 31, 2017 was Euro 740 million, down by 37.1% compared to the same period last year, with a net debt/adjusted^{3,5} EBITDA ratio of 0.4x.

Geographic segments: net sales and trends¹

Net sales (millions of Euro)	FY 2016	%	FY 2017	%	Change at constant exchange rates ²	Change at current exchange rates
North America	5,381	59%	5,252	57%	-0.5%	-2.4%
Wholesale	1,036	11%	1,056	11%	+3.7%	+1.9%
Retail	4,345	48%	4,197	46%	-1.5%	-3.4%
Europe	1,761	20%	1,966	21%	+13.4%	+11.7%
Asia-Pacific	1,190	13%	1,156	13%	-1.9%	-2.9%
Latin America	568	6%	616	7%	+6.1%	+8.6%
Rest of the World	186	2%	166	2%	-12.2%	-10.7%
Group total	9,086	100%	9,157	100%	+2.2%	+0.8%

FY 2016 sales breakdown has been revised to reflect a market reclassification for the travel retail business.



Net sales (millions of Euro)	4Q 2016	%	4Q 2017	%	Change at constant exchange rates ²	Change at current exchange rates
North America	1,287	60%	1,225	58%	+3.9%	-4.8%
Wholesale	239	11%	251	12%	+14.0%	+5.0%
Retail	1,048	49%	974	46%	+1.5%	-7.0%
Europe	346	16%	364	17%	+6.1%	+5.3%
Asia-Pacific	293	14%	288	14%	+4.4%	-2.0%
Latin America	175	8%	180	9%	+7.1%	+3.0%
Rest of the World	40	2%	35	2%	-9.0%	-12.0%
Group total	2,142	100%	2,093	100%	+4.3%	-2.3%

4Q 2016 sales breakdown has been revised to reflect a market reclassification for the travel retail business.

North America

In 2017, North America reported net sales almost in line with the previous year (-0.5% at constant exchange rates², -2.4% at current exchange rates) helped by the acceleration of sales in the fourth quarter in both divisions. The Wholesale division grew by 3.7% at constant exchange rates² (+1.9% at current exchange rates) with excellent year-over-year performance driven by the main brands, in particular Ray-Ban, and an increase of 14.0%² in the fourth quarter of 2017. The Retail division recorded net sales which were down by 1.5% year over year at constant exchange rates² (-3.4% at current exchange rates). However, the division saw a trend reversal in the fourth quarter compared to the third quarter of 2017, with retail division net sales up 1.5%², including improved comparable store sales⁴ at Sunglass Hut and negative, but improving, sales for LensCrafters, which is still focused on transforming its business model.

Europe

In 2017, Europe was the engine of the Group's growth for the third consecutive year. Italy, Spain, Germany, Turkey and Eastern European countries drove revenues up by 13.4% at constant exchange rates² (+11.7% at current exchange rates) due to the success of eyewear collections and a growing appreciation for superior service. The Retail division benefited from the consolidation of the Salmoiraghi & Viganò stores in Italy and the strong performance of Sunglass Hut in continental Europe.

Asia-Pacific

Net sales for the year in the Asia-Pacific region, down 1.9% at constant exchange rates² (-2.9% at current exchange rates), saw a reversal of the trend in the fourth quarter where net sales rose by 4.4%². The positive contribution of Australia, Japan, Southeast Asia and travel retail only partially offset during the year the decline in wholesale sales in China due to the restructuring of its distribution network. The optical retail business in the region ended the year with strong growth thanks to the solid performance of OPSM in Australia and Ray-Ban stores in Greater China.



Latin America

Latin America reported sales up 6.1% at constant exchange rates² (+8.6% at current exchange rates). Drivers included the solid growth of Mexico, one of the Group's most vital markets, and Brazil, which benefited in the second half from the completion of the acquisition of Óticas Carol, one of the region's largest optical franchisors. In retail, Sunglass Hut continued its expansion with the opening of its first stores in Colombia, Argentina and the Caribbean, along with the launch of Ray-Ban stores in the region.

Outlook for 2018

2018 is expected to be another year of growth and important investments for the Group. The growth pillars remain unchanged: product quality, strong brands, efficient factories, widespread distribution and an increasingly direct relationship with the end-consumer through retail and e-commerce.

In 2018, the Group expects:

- Sales growth: +2-4% at constant exchange rates²
- Adjusted^{3,5} operating income growth²: 0.8-1.0x sales
- Adjusted^{3,5} net income growth²: 1.0-2.0x sales
- Net debt/EBITDA adjusted^{3,5} ratio: 0.3-0.4x

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The Board of Directors will submit a motion to the General Meeting of Stockholders recommending the distribution of an ordinary cash dividend in the amount of Euro 1.01 per share, equal to 50% of the adjusted^{3,5} net income of the Group. The total dividend amount will be approximately Euro 483 million.

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The Board of Directors will convene the Ordinary and Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders on April 19, 2018 to approve the 2017 Statutory Financial Statements, the distribution of the cash dividend, the appointment of the Board of Directors and the Board of Statutory Auditors, as current terms will expire concurrently with the General Meeting. The Company's Compensation Policy will also be submitted for review.

The Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be called to vote on a proposed amendment to Article 18 of the Group's By-Laws relating to the term of office of the directors, in order to allow them to remain in office up to a maximum of three financial years according to the determinations that will be taken by the Group's shareholders.

The ordinary cash dividend will be payable on April 25, 2018 (the coupon detachment date will be April 23, 2018 pursuant to the Borsa Italiana calendar with a record date of April 24, 2018). Regarding the American Depositary Receipts (ADRs), the record date will be April 24, 2018 and, according to Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas (the depositary bank for the ADR program),



the payment date for the dividend in US dollars is expected to be May 2, 2018. The dividend amount in US dollars will be determined based on the €/US\$ exchange rate as of April 25, 2018.

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The Board of Directors, upon the recommendation of the Human Resources Committee, assigned a total of 446,767 Luxottica Group shares to 478 beneficiaries of the Plan. This assignment was executed according to the Performance Share Plan 2015 first approved on May 4, 2015, and later amended by the Board of Directors on May 16, 2017. Detailed information on this assignment will be provided pursuant to Article 84bis of the CONSOB Issuers' Regulation, within the time limit provided by law for the publication of the remuneration report.

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Results for fiscal year 2017 will be available via audio webcast on Monday, February 26, 2018 at 12:00PM EST (5:00PM GMT, 6:00PM CET). The audio webcast will be available to the financial community and the media from Luxottica Group's corporate website at <http://www.luxottica.com/en/investors/results-and-presentations/webcasts>.

The presentation will be available for download from Luxottica Group's Investor Relations website at <http://www.luxottica.com/en/investors/results-and-presentations> shortly before the start of the audio webcast.

The officer responsible for preparing the Company's financial reports, Stefano Grassi, declares, pursuant to Article 154-bis, Section 2 of the Consolidated Law on Finance, that the accounting information contained in this press release is consistent with the data in the supporting documents, books of accounts and other accounting records.

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Notes to the press release

1 Comparisons, including percentage changes, are between the three and twelve-month periods ended December 31, 2017 and 2016.

2 Figures at constant exchange rates have been calculated using the average exchange rates in effect for the corresponding period in the previous year. For further information, please refer to the attached tables.

3 Adjusted data, EBITDA, EBITDA margin, free cash flow and net debt are not measures in accordance with IFRS. For further information, please refer to the attached tables.



4 “Comps” or “Comparable store sales” reflect the change in sales from one period to another that, for comparison purposes, includes in the calculation only stores open in the more recent period that also were open during the comparable prior period, and applies to both periods the average exchange rate for the prior period and the same geographic area.

5 The adjusted data for the year ended December 31, 2017 excludes: (i) restructuring and reorganization costs of Euro 115.7 million (Euro 87.3 million net of taxes and Euro 0.18 impact on EPS), (ii) non-recurring expenses of Euro 55.6 million (Euro 36.6 million net of taxes and Euro 0.08 impact on EPS) related to (a) the early repayment of financial liabilities for Euro 29.5 million (Euro 18.2 million net of taxes), (b) the pending combination with Essilor for Euro 18.5 million (Euro 13.0 million net of taxes), (c) Euro 7.6 million (Euro 5.3 million net of taxes) mainly related to the departure of Massimo Vian as CEO for Product and Operations; (iii) non-recurring income of Euro 48.7 million (Euro 192.3 million net of taxes and Euro 0.40 impact on EPS) related to (a) a gain on the sale of a building owned by the Group of Euro 48.7 million (Euro 34.9 net of taxes) and (b) the “Patent Box” tax benefit and US fiscal reform impact of Euro 157.4 million. The combined effect of (i), (ii) and (iii) for the year ended December 31, 2017, resulted in a total adjustment of approximately Euro 141.8 million at an operating income level, Euro 122.6 million at an income before provision for income taxes level, and Euro (68.4) million at a net income level.

The adjusted data for the year ended December 31, 2016 excludes: (i) restructuring and reorganization costs of Euro 69.5 million (Euro 55.0 million net of taxes and Euro 0.11 impact on EPS), (ii) non-recurring expenses of Euro 17.4 million (Euro 12.0 million net of taxes and Euro 0.02 impact on EPS) related to the departure of Adil Mehboob-Khan as CEO for Markets and the Oakley integration, (iii) non-recurring income of Euro 33.4 million (Euro 0.07 impact on EPS) related to the acquisition of Salmoiraghi & Viganò. Other income/(expenses) and net income at December 31, 2016 were restated to include Euro 2.4 million from the Salmoiraghi & Viganò acquisition required by IFRS 3 - Business Combinations.

6 Net income attributable to Luxottica Group Stockholders at December 31, 2016 was restated to include Euro 2.4 million from the Salmoiraghi & Viganò’s acquisition required by IFRS 3 - Business Combinations.

Luxottica Group S.p.A.

Luxottica is a leader in the design, manufacture and distribution of fashion, luxury and sports eyewear. Its portfolio includes proprietary brands such as Ray-Ban, Oakley, Vogue Eyewear, Persol, Oliver Peoples and Alain Mikli, as well as licensed brands including Giorgio Armani, Burberry, Bulgari, Chanel, Coach, Dolce&Gabbana, Ferrari, Michael Kors, Prada, Ralph Lauren, Tiffany & Co., Valentino and Versace. The Group’s global wholesale distribution network covers more than 150 countries and is complemented by an extensive retail network of approximately 9,000 stores, with LensCrafters and Pearle Vision in North America, OPSM and LensCrafters in Asia-Pacific, GMO and Óticas Carol in Latin America, Salmoiraghi & Viganò in Italy and Sunglass Hut worldwide. In 2017, with approximately 85,000 employees, Luxottica posted net sales of over Euro 9 billion. Additional information on the Group is available at www.luxottica.com.

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acquire and integrate new businesses, the ability to predict future economic conditions and changes to consumer preferences, the ability to successfully introduce and market new products, the ability to maintain an efficient distribution network, the ability to set and achieve our business objectives and manage growth, the ability to negotiate and maintain favorable license agreements, the availability of correction alternatives to prescription eyeglasses, fluctuations in exchange rates, changes in local conditions, the ability to protect intellectual property, the ability to maintain relationships with those hosting our stores, any failure of information technology, inventory and other asset-related risks, credit risk on our accounts, insurance risks, changes in tax laws as well as other political, economic, legal and technological factors and other risks and uncertainties described in Luxottica Group's regulatory filings. These forward-looking statements are made as of the date hereof, and we do not assume any obligation to update them.

- APPENDIX FOLLOWS -

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CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE THREE-MONTH PERIODS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND DECEMBER 31, 2016

In accordance with IFRS

KEY FIGURES IN THOUSANDS OF EURO	2017	2016	% CHANGE
NET SALES	2.092.680	2.141.516	-2,3%

KEY FIGURES IN THOUSANDS OF U.S. DOLLARS ⁽¹⁾	2017	2016	% CHANGE
NET SALES	2.463.922	2.310.481	6,6%

Notes :

(1) Average exchange rate (in U.S. Dollars per Euro)

2017	2016
1,1774	1,0789

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CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND DECEMBER 31, 2016

In accordance with IFRS

KEY FIGURES IN THOUSANDS OF EURO	2017	2016 ⁽¹⁾	% CHANGE
NET SALES	9.157.291	9.085.707	0,8%
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO LUXOTTICA GROUP STOCKHOLDERS	1.038.445	848.137	22,4%
BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE (ADS) ⁽²⁾	2,17	1,77	22,7%

KEY FIGURES IN THOUSANDS OF U.S. DOLLARS ⁽³⁾	2017	2016 ⁽¹⁾	% CHANGE
NET SALES	10.344.992	10.056.969	2,9%
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO LUXOTTICA GROUP STOCKHOLDERS	1.173.132	938.802	25,0%
BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE (ADS) ⁽²⁾	2,45	1,96	25,3%

Notes :

	2017	2016
(1) Net income attributable to Luxottica Group Stockholders at December 31, 2016 was restated to include Euro 2.4 million from the Salmoiraghi & Viganò acquisition required by IFRS 3 - Business Combinations.		
(2) Weighted average number of outstanding shares	478.068.696	479.225.730
(3) Average exchange rate (in U.S. Dollars per Euro)	1,1297	1,1069

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CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT FOR YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND DECEMBER 31, 2016

In accordance with IFRS

KEY FIGURES IN THOUSANDS OF EURO ⁽¹⁾	2017	% OF SALES	2016 <i>restated</i> ⁽²⁾	% OF SALES	% CHANGE
NET SALES	9.157.291	100,0%	9.085.707	100,0%	0,8%
COST OF SALES	(3.282.098)		(3.153.264)		
GROSS PROFIT	5.875.194	64,2%	5.932.443	65,3%	-1,0%
<i>OPERATING EXPENSES:</i>					
SELLING EXPENSES	(3.025.835)		(2.889.177)		
ROYALTIES	(164.043)		(169.890)		
ADVERTISING EXPENSES	(501.748)		(567.895)		
GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	(882.971)		(960.214)		
TOTAL	(4.574.597)		(4.587.176)		
OPERATING INCOME	1.300.596	14,2%	1.345.267	14,8%	-3,3%
<i>OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE):</i>					
INTEREST INCOME	18.199		15.469		
INTEREST EXPENSES	(107.746)		(81.528)		
OTHER - NET	45.441		37.099		
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSES)-NET	(44.106)		(28.960)		
INCOME BEFORE PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES	1.256.490	13,7%	1.316.307	14,5%	-4,5%
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES	(216.085)		(466.373)		
NET INCOME	1.040.405	11,4%	849.934	9,4%	22,4%
OF WHICH ATTRIBUTABLE TO:					
- LUXOTTICA GROUP STOCKHOLDERS	1.038.445	11,3%	848.137	9,3%	22,4%
- NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS	1.960	0,0%	1.797	0,0%	
NET INCOME	1.040.405	11,4%	849.934	9,4%	22,4%
BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE (ADS):	2,17		1,77		
FULLY DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE (ADS):	2,17		1,77		
WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF OUTSTANDING SHARES	478.068.696		479.225.730		
FULLY DILUTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF SHARES	478.348.377		480.025.531		

Notes:

(1) Except earnings per share (ADS), which are expressed in Euro

(2) Other Income (expenses) - net income as at December 31, 2016 were restated to include Euro 2.4 million from the Salmoiraghi & Viganò acquisition required by IFRS 3 - Business Combinations.

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND DECEMBER 31, 2016

In accordance with IFRS

KEY FIGURES IN THOUSANDS OF EURO	DECEMBER 31, 2017	DECEMBER, 31 2016 restated ⁽¹⁾
<i>CURRENT ASSETS:</i>		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	1.159.320	866.864
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE - NET	943.778	932.340
INVENTORIES - NET	831.549	893.472
OTHER ASSETS	232.821	339.043
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	3.167.467	3.031.719
<i>NON-CURRENT ASSETS:</i>		
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT - NET	1.808.834	1.672.554
GOODWILL	3.622.396	3.864.955
INTANGIBLE ASSETS - NET	1.225.475	1.477.316
INVESTMENTS	14.488	20.186
OTHER ASSETS	73.756	97.300
DEFERRED TAX ASSETS	130.454	133.369
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	6.875.403	7.265.680
TOTAL	10.042.870	10.297.400
<i>CURRENT LIABILITIES:</i>		
BANK OVERDRAFTS	77.486	208.813
CURRENT PORTION OF LONG-TERM DEBT	150.411	154.094
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	906.749	944.402
INCOME TAXES PAYABLE	22.299	17.238
SHORT-TERM PROVISIONS FOR RISKS AND OTHER CHARGES	169.226	145.701
OTHER LIABILITIES	764.394	745.921
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	2.090.564	2.216.168
<i>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES:</i>		
LONG-TERM DEBT	1.671.281	1.680.951
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	121.555	159.364
DEFERRED TAX LIABILITIES	147.843	257.036
LONG-TERM PROVISIONS FOR RISKS AND OTHER CHARGES	130.453	122.107
OTHER LIABILITIES	74.626	79.783
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	2.145.758	2.299.241
<i>STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY:</i>		
LUXOTTICA GROUP STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	5.801.085	5.776.036
NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS	5.463	5.954
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	5.806.548	5.781.990
TOTAL	10.042.870	10.297.400

(1) Goodwill, Equity and Other Receivables as at December 31, 2016 were restated to include Euro 6.5 million, Euro 2.4 million and Euro 4.1 million, respectively, from the Salmoiraghi & Viganò acquisition required by IFRS 3 - Business Combinations.

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CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS FOR YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND DECEMBER 31, 2016 - SEGMENTAL INFORMATION -

In accordance with IFRS

KEY FIGURES IN THOUSANDS OF EURO	MANUFACTURING AND WHOLESALE	RETAIL	INTER-SEGMENT TRANSACTIONS AND CORPORATE ADJ.	CONSOLIDATED
2017				
NET SALES	3.504.852	5.652.439		9.157.291
OPERATING INCOME	781.970	745.706	(227.080)	1.300.596
% OF SALES	22,3%	13,2%		14,2%
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	426.246	236.730		662.976
DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION	178.257	273.331	88.831	540.420
2016				
NET SALES	3.527.662	5.558.045		9.085.707
OPERATING INCOME	806.133	729.569	(190.436)	1.345.267
% OF SALES	22,9%	13,1%		14,8%
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	310.066	341.493		651.559
DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION	167.115	260.019	85.708	512.842

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NON-IFRS MEASURES: ADJUSTED MEASURES

In order to provide a supplemental comparison of current period results of operations to prior periods, we have adjusted for certain transactions or events. We have made such adjustments to the following measures: cost of sales, operating expenses, operating income, EBITDA, other income/(expense), income before provision for income taxes, provision for income taxes, net income and earnings per share.

The adjusted data for the year ended December 31, 2017 excludes: (i) restructuring and reorganization costs of Euro 115.7 million (Euro 87.3 million net of taxes and Euro 0.18 impact on EPS), (ii) non-recurring expenses of Euro 55.6 million (Euro 36.6 million net of taxes and Euro 0.08 impact on EPS) related to (a) the early repayment of financial liabilities for Euro 29.5 million (Euro 18.2 million net of taxes), (b) the pending combination with Essilor for Euro 18.5 million (Euro 13.0 million net of taxes), (c) Euro 7.6 million (Euro 5.3 million net of taxes) mainly related to the departure of Massimo Vian as CEO for Product and Operations, (iii) non-recurring income of Euro 48.7 million (Euro 192.3 million net of taxes and Euro 0.40 impact on EPS) related to (a) a gain on the sale of a building owned by the Group of Euro 48.7 million (Euro 34.9 million net of taxes) and (b) the "Patent Box" tax benefit and US fiscal reform impact of Euro 157.4 million.

The combined effect of (i), (ii) and (iii) for the year ended December 31, 2017, resulted in a total adjustment of approximately Euro 141.8 million at an operating income level, Euro 122.6 million at an income before provision for income taxes level, and Euro (68.4) million at a net income level.

The adjusted data for the year ended December 31, 2016 excludes: (i) restructuring and reorganization costs of Euro 69.5 million (Euro 55.0 million net of taxes and Euro 0.11 impact on EPS), (ii) non-recurring expenses of Euro 17.4 million (Euro 12.0 million net of taxes and Euro 0.02 impact on EPS) related to the departure of Adil Mehboob-Khan as CEO for markets and the Oakley integration, (iii) non-recurring income of Euro 33.4 million (Euro 0.07 impact on EPS) related to the acquisition of Salmoiraghi & Viganò.

Other income/(expenses) and net income at December 31, 2016 were restated to include Euro 2.4 million from the Salmoiraghi & Viganò acquisition required by IFRS 3 - Business Combinations.

The Company believes that these adjusted measures are useful to both management and investors in evaluating the Company's operating performance compared with that of other companies in its industry because they exclude the impact of certain items that are not relevant to the Company's operating performance.

The adjusted measures referenced above are not measures of performance in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS). We include these adjusted measures in this presentation in order to provide a supplemental view of operations.

These adjusted measures are not meant to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for items appearing on our financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS. Rather, these non-IFRS measures should be used as a supplement to IFRS results to assist the reader in better understanding the operational performance of the Company. The Company cautions that these adjusted measures are not defined terms under IFRS and their definitions should be carefully reviewed and understood by investors. Investors should be aware that Luxottica Group's method of calculating these adjusted measures may differ from methods used by other companies.

The Company recognizes that there are limitations in the usefulness of adjusted measures due to the subjective nature of items excluded by management in calculating adjusted comparisons. We compensate for the foregoing limitations by using these adjusted measures as a comparative tool, together with IFRS measures, to assist in the evaluation of our operating performance.

See the tables on the following pages for a reconciliation of the adjusted measures discussed above to their most directly comparable IFRS financial measures or, in the case of adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA margin, to EBITDA and EBITDA margin, respectively, which are also non-IFRS measures. For a discussion of EBITDA and EBITDA margin and a reconciliation of EBITDA and EBITDA margin to their most directly comparable IFRS financial measures, see the tables on the pages immediately following the reconciliation of the adjusted measures.

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NON-IFRS MEASURES: RECONCILIATION BETWEEN REPORTED AND ADJUSTED P&L ITEMS

Millions of Euro

GROUP	12M 2017							12M 2016						
	COST OF SALES	OPERATING EXPENSES	EBITDA	OPERATING INCOME	OTHER INCOME/(EXPENSE)	NET INCOME	EPS	COST OF SALES	OPERATING EXPENSES	EBITDA	OPERATING INCOME	OTHER INCOME/(EXPENSE) ⁽¹⁾	NET INCOME ⁽¹⁾	EPS
REPORTED	(3,282.1)	(4,574.6)	1,841.0	1,300.6	(44.1)	1,038.4	2.17	(3,153.3)	(4,587.2)	1,858.1	1,345.3	(29.0)	848.1	1.77
- RESTRUCTURING AND REORGANIZATION EXPENSES	57.7	58.0	115.7	115.7	-	87.3	0.18	18.6	50.9	69.5	69.5	-	55.0	0.11
- NON-RECURRING EXPENSES	-	26.1	26.1	26.1	29.5	36.6	0.08	0.1	17.3	17.4	17.4	-	12.0	0.02
- NON-RECURRING INCOME	-	-	-	-	(48.7)	(192.3)	(0.40)	-	-	-	-	(33.4)	(33.4)	(0.07)
ADJUSTED	(3,224.4)	(4,490.5)	1,982.8	1,442.4	(63.2)	970.1	2.03	(3,134.6)	(4,519.0)	1,945.0	1,432.1	(62.3)	881.7	1.84

WHOLESALE DIVISION	12M 2017							12M 2016						
	COST OF SALES	OPERATING EXPENSES	EBITDA	OPERATING INCOME	OTHER INCOME/(EXPENSE)	NET INCOME	EPS	COST OF SALES	OPERATING EXPENSES	EBITDA	OPERATING INCOME	OTHER INCOME/(EXPENSE)	NET INCOME	EPS
REPORTED	(1,460.0)	(1,262.9)	960.2	782.0	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	(1,401.2)	(1,320.3)	973.2	806.1	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
- RESTRUCTURING AND REORGANIZATION EXPENSES	18.1	43.1	61.1	61.1	-	-	-	7.4	27.9	35.3	35.3	-	-	-
- NON-RECURRING EXPENSES	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1	8.1	8.2	8.2	-	-	-
ADJUSTED	(1,441.9)	(1,219.9)	1,021.4	843.1	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	(1,393.7)	(1,284.3)	1,016.8	849.6	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

RETAIL DIVISION	12M 2017							12M 2016						
	COST OF SALES	OPERATING EXPENSES	EBITDA	OPERATING INCOME	OTHER INCOME/(EXPENSE)	NET INCOME	EPS	COST OF SALES	OPERATING EXPENSES	EBITDA	OPERATING INCOME	OTHER INCOME/(EXPENSE)	NET INCOME	EPS
REPORTED	(1,822.1)	(3,084.6)	1,019.0	745.7	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	(1,752.0)	(3,076.4)	989.6	729.6	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
- RESTRUCTURING AND REORGANIZATION EXPENSES	39.6	14.0	53.6	53.6	-	-	-	11.2	19.3	30.5	30.5	-	-	-
- NON-RECURRING EXPENSES	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.2	2.2	2.2	-	-	-
ADJUSTED	(1,782.5)	(3,070.6)	1,072.6	799.3	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	(1,740.9)	(3,054.9)	1,022.3	762.2	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

(1) Other income/(expenses) and Net income at December 31, 2016 were restated to include Euro 2.4 million from the Salmoiraghi & Viganò acquisition required by IFRS 3 - Business Combinations.

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NON-IFRS MEASURES: EBITDA AND EBITDA MARGIN

EBITDA represents net income before non-controlling interest, taxes, other income/expense, depreciation and amortization. EBITDA margin means EBITDA divided by net sales. The Company believes that EBITDA is useful to both management and investors in evaluating the Company's operating performance compared with that of other companies in its industry. Our calculation of EBITDA allows us to compare our operating results with those of other companies without giving effect to financing, income taxes and the accounting effects of capital spending, which items may vary for different companies for reasons unrelated to the overall operating performance of a company's business.

EBITDA and EBITDA margin are not measures of performance under International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS).

We include them in this presentation in order to:

- improve transparency for investors;
- assist investors in their assessment of the Company's operating performance and its ability to refinance its debt as it matures and incur additional indebtedness to invest in new business opportunities;
- assist investors in their assessment of the Company's cost of debt;
- ensure that these measures are fully understood in light of how the Company evaluates its operating results and leverage;
- properly define the metrics used and confirm their calculation; and
- share these measures with all investors at the same time.

EBITDA and EBITDA margin are not meant to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for items appearing on our financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS. Rather, these non-IFRS measures should be used as a supplement to IFRS results to assist the reader in better understanding the operational performance of the Company. The Company cautions that these measures are not defined terms under IFRS and their definitions should be carefully reviewed and understood by investors. Investors should be aware that Luxottica Group's method of calculating EBITDA may differ from methods used by other companies.

The Company recognizes that the usefulness of EBITDA has certain limitations, including:

- EBITDA does not include interest expense. Because we have borrowed money in order to finance our operations, interest expense is a necessary element of our costs and ability to generate profits and cash flows. Therefore, any measure that excludes interest expense may have material limitations;
- EBITDA does not include depreciation and amortization expense. Because we use capital assets, depreciation and amortization expense is a necessary element of our costs and ability to generate profits. Therefore, any measure that excludes depreciation and expense may have material limitations;
- EBITDA does not include provision for income taxes. Because the payment of income taxes is a necessary element of our costs, any measure that excludes tax expense may have material limitations;
- EBITDA does not reflect cash expenditures or future requirements for capital expenditures or contractual commitments;
- EBITDA does not allow us to analyze the effect of certain recurring and non-recurring items that materially affect our net income or loss.

We compensate for the foregoing limitations by using EBITDA as a comparative tool, together with IFRS measures, to assist in the evaluation of our operating performance and leverage.

See the table on the following page for a reconciliation of EBITDA to net income, which is the most directly comparable IFRS financial measure, as well as the calculation of EBITDA margin.

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NON-IFRS MEASURES: EBITDA and EBITDA margin

Millions of Euro

	FY 2017	FY 2016 ⁽¹⁾
NET INCOME/(LOSS) (+)	1,038.4	848.1
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO NON CONTROLLING INTEREST (+)	2.0	1.8
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES (+)	216.1	466.4
OTHER (INCOME)/EXPENSES (+)	44.1	29.0
DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION (+)	540.4	512.8
EBITDA (=)	1,841.0	1,858.1
NET SALES (/)	9,157.3	9,085.7
EBITDA MARGIN (=)	20.1%	20.5%

⁽¹⁾ Other income/(expenses) and Net income at December 31, 2016 were restated to include Euro 2.4 million from the Salmoiraghi & Viganò acquisition required by IFRS 3 - Business Combinations.

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NON-IFRS MEASURES: ADJUSTED EBITDA AND ADJUSTED EBITDA MARGIN

Millions of Euro

	FY 2017 ^(1,2,3)	FY 2016 ^(4,5,6)
Adjusted NET INCOME/(LOSS) (+)	970.1	881.7
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO NON CONTROLLING INTEREST (+)	2.0	1.8
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES (+)	407.1	486.3
OTHER (INCOME)/EXPENSES (+)	63.2	62.3
DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION (+)	540.4	512.8
Adjusted EBITDA (=)	1,982.8	1,945.0
NET SALES (/)	9,157.3	9,085.7
Adjusted EBITDA MARGIN (=)	21.7%	21.4%

The adjusted figures :

- ⁽¹⁾ Exclude for 2017 restructuring and reorganization costs of Euro 115.7 million (Euro 87.3 million net of taxes);
- ⁽²⁾ Exclude for 2017 non-recurring expenses of Euro 55.6 million (Euro 36.6 million net of taxes);
- ⁽³⁾ Exclude for 2017 non-recurring income of Euro 48.7 million (Euro 192.3 million net of taxes) related to a gain on the sales of a building owned by the Group of Euro 48.7 million (Euro 34.9 net of taxes and Euro) and the "Patent Box" tax benefit and US fiscal reform impact of Euro 157.4 million;
- ⁽⁴⁾ Exclude for 2016 restructuring and reorganization costs of Euro 69.5 million (Euro 55.0 million net of taxes);
- ⁽⁵⁾ Exclude for 2016 non-recurring expenses of Euro 17.4 million (Euro 12.0 million net of taxes) related to the departure of Adil Mehboob-Khan as CEO for markets and the Oakley integration;
- ⁽⁶⁾ Exclude for 2016 non-recurring income of Euro 33.4 million related to the acquisition of Salmoiraghi & Viganò.

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NON-IFRS MEASURES: NET DEBT TO EBITDA RATIO

Net debt to EBITDA ratio: Net debt means the sum of bank overdrafts, current portion of long-term debt and long-term debt, less cash. EBITDA represents net income before non-controlling interests, taxes, other income/expense, depreciation and amortization. The Company believes that EBITDA is useful to both management and investors in evaluating the Company's operating performance compared with that of other companies in its industry. Our calculation of EBITDA allows us to compare our operating results with those of other companies without giving effect to financing, income taxes and the accounting effects of capital spending, which items may vary for different companies for reasons unrelated to the overall operating performance of a company's business. The ratio of net debt to EBITDA is a measure used by management to assess the Company's level of leverage, which affects our ability to refinance our debt as it matures and incur additional indebtedness to invest in new business opportunities. The ratio also allows management to assess the cost of existing debt since it affects the interest rates charged by the Company's lenders.

EBITDA and ratio of net debt to EBITDA are not measures of performance under International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS). We include them in this presentation in order to:

- improve transparency for investors;
- assist investors in their assessment of the Company's operating performance and its ability to refinance its debt as it matures and incur additional indebtedness to invest in new business opportunities;
- assist investors in their assessment of the Company's cost of debt;
- ensure that these measures are fully understood in light of how the Company evaluates its operating results and leverage;
- properly define the metrics used and confirm their calculation; and
- share these measures with all investors at the same time.

EBITDA and the ratio of net debt to EBITDA are not meant to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for items appearing on our financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS. Rather, these non-IFRS measures should be used as a supplement to IFRS results to assist the reader in better understanding the operational performance of the Company. The Company cautions that these measures are not defined terms under IFRS and their definitions should be carefully reviewed and understood by investors. Investors should be aware that Luxottica Group's method of calculating EBITDA and the ratio of net debt to EBITDA may differ from methods used by other companies. The Company recognizes that the usefulness of EBITDA and the ratio of net debt to EBITDA as evaluative tools may have certain limitations, including:

- EBITDA does not include interest expense. Because we have borrowed money in order to finance our operations, interest expense is a necessary element of our costs and ability to generate profits and cash flows. Therefore, any measure that excludes interest expense may have material limitations;
- EBITDA does not include depreciation and amortization expense. Because we use capital assets, depreciation and amortization expense is a necessary element of our costs and ability to generate profits. Therefore, any measure that excludes depreciation and expense may have material limitations;
- EBITDA does not include provision for income taxes. Because the payment of income taxes is a necessary element of our costs, any measure that excludes tax expense may have material limitations;
- EBITDA does not reflect cash expenditures or future requirements for capital expenditures or contractual commitments;
- EBITDA does not reflect changes in, or cash requirements for, working capital needs;
- EBITDA does not allow us to analyze the effect of certain recurring and non-recurring items that materially affect our net income or loss; and
- The ratio of net debt to EBITDA is net of cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash and short-term investments, thereby reducing our debt position.

Because we may not be able to use our cash to reduce our debt on a dollar-for-dollar basis, this measure may have material limitations. We compensate for the foregoing limitations by using EBITDA and the ratio of net debt to EBITDA as two of several comparative tools, together with IFRS measures, to assist in the evaluation of our operating performance and leverage.

See the table on the following page for a reconciliation of net debt to long-term debt, which is the most directly comparable IFRS financial measure, as well as the calculation of the ratio of net debt to EBITDA. For a reconciliation of EBITDA to net income, which is the most directly comparable IFRS financial measure, see the table on the preceding pages.

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NON-IFRS MEASURES: NET DEBT AND NET DEBT/EBITDA

Millions of Euro

	DECEMBER 31, 2017	DECEMBER 31, 2016
LONG-TERM DEBT (+)	1,671.3	1,681.0
CURRENT PORTION OF LONG TERM DEBT (+)	150.4	154.1
BANK OVERDRAFTS (+)	77.5	208.8
CASH (-)	(1,159.3)	(866.9)
NET DEBT (=)	739.9	1,177.0
EBITDA (LTM)	1,841.0	1,858.1
NET DEBT/EBITDA	0.4x	0.6x
NET DEBT @ AVG. EXCHANGE RATES ⁽¹⁾	718.9	1,172.2
NET DEBT @ AVG. EXCHANGE RATES ⁽¹⁾ /EBITDA	0.4x	0.6x

Notes:

⁽¹⁾ Net debt figures are calculated using the average exchange rates used to calculate the EBITDA figures.

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NON-IFRS MEASURES: NET DEBT AND NET DEBT/ADJUSTED EBITDA

Millions of Euro

	DECEMBER 31, 2017 ^(2,3)	DECEMBER 31, 2016 ^(4,5)
LONG-TERM DEBT (+)	1,671.3	1,681.0
CURRENT PORTION OF LONG TERM DEBT (+)	150.4	154.1
BANK OVERDRAFTS (+)	77.5	208.8
CASH (-)	(1,159.3)	(866.9)
NET DEBT (=)	739.9	1,177.0
ADJUSTED EBITDA	1,982.8	1,945.0
NET DEBT/LTM <i>ADJUSTED</i> EBITDA	0.4x	0.6x
NET DEBT @ AVG. EXCHANGE RATES ⁽¹⁾	718.9	1,172.2
NET DEBT @ AVG. EXCHANGE RATES ⁽¹⁾ /LTM <i>ADJUSTED</i> EBITDA	0.4x	0.6x

Notes:

⁽¹⁾ Net debt figures are calculated using the average exchange rates used to calculate the EBITDA figures.

The adjusted figures:

⁽²⁾ Exclude for 2017 restructuring and reorganization costs of Euro 115.7 million;

⁽³⁾ Exclude for 2017 non-recurring expenses of Euro 26.1 million;

⁽⁴⁾ Exclude for 2016 restructuring and reorganization costs of Euro 69.5 million;

⁽⁵⁾ Exclude for 2016 non-recurring expenses of Euro 17.4 million related to the departure of Adil Mehboob-Khan as CEO for markets and the Oakley integration.

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NON-IFRS MEASURES: FREE CASH FLOW

Free cash flow represents net income before non-controlling interests, taxes, other income/expense, depreciation and amortization (i.e. EBITDA – see table on the earlier page) plus or minus the decrease/(increase) in working capital over the prior period, less capital expenditures, plus or minus interest income/(expense) and extraordinary items, minus taxes paid. The Company believes that free cash flow is useful to both management and investors in evaluating the Company's operating performance compared with other companies in its industry. In particular, our calculation of free cash flow provides a clearer picture of the Company's ability to generate net cash from operations, which is used for mandatory debt service requirements, for funding discretionary investments, for paying dividends or pursuing other strategic opportunities.

Free cash flow is not a measure of performance under International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS).

We include it in this presentation in order to:

- Improve transparency for investors;
- Assist investors in their assessment of the Company's operating performance and its ability to generate cash from operations in excess of its cash expenses;
- Ensure that this measure is fully understood in light of how the Company evaluates its operating results;
- Properly define the metrics used and confirm their calculation; and
- Share this measure with all investors at the same time.

Free cash flow is not meant to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for items appearing on our financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS. Rather, this non-IFRS measure should be used as a supplement to IFRS results to assist the reader in better understanding the operational performance of the Company. The Company cautions that this measure is not a defined term under IFRS and its definition should be carefully reviewed and understood by investors. Investors should be aware that Luxottica Group's method of calculation of free cash flow may differ from methods used by other companies. The Company recognizes that the usefulness of free cash flow as an evaluative tool may have certain limitations, including:

- The manner in which the Company calculates free cash flow may differ from that of other companies, which limits its usefulness as a comparative measure;
- Free cash flow does not represent the total increase or decrease in the net debt balance for the period since it excludes, among other things, cash used for funding discretionary investments and to pursue strategic opportunities during the period and any impact of the exchange rate changes; and
- Free cash flow can be subject to adjustment at the Company's discretion if the Company takes steps or adopts policies that increase or diminish its current liabilities and/or changes to working capital.

Because we may not be able to use our cash to reduce our debt on a dollar-for-dollar basis, this measure may have material limitations. We compensate for the foregoing limitations by using EBITDA and the ratio of net debt to EBITDA as two of several comparative tools, together with IFRS measures, to assist in the evaluation of our operating performance and leverage.

See the table on the following page for a reconciliation of net debt to long-term debt, which is the most directly comparable IFRS financial measure, as well as the calculation of the ratio of net debt to EBITDA. For a reconciliation of EBITDA to net income, which is the most directly comparable IFRS financial measure, see the table on the preceding page.

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NON-IFRS MEASURES: FREE CASH FLOW

Millions of Euro

	DECEMBER 2017
ADJUSTED EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	1,982.8
Δ WORKING CAPITAL	73.3
CAPEX	(663.0)
OPERATING CASH FLOW	1,393.1
FINANCIAL CHARGES ⁽²⁾	(89.5)
TAXES	(319.9)
EXTRAORDINARY CHARGES ⁽³⁾	44.4
Free cash flow	1,028.0

Notes:

⁽¹⁾ *Adjusted* EBITDA is not an IAS/IFRS measure; please see table on the earlier page for a reconciliation of *adjusted* EBITDA to EBITDA and EBITDA to net income;

⁽²⁾ Equals interest income minus interest expense;

⁽³⁾ Equals extraordinary income minus extraordinary expense.

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Major currencies

	Three months ended December 31, 2017	Twelve months ended December 31, 2017	Three months ended December 31, 2016	Twelve months ended December 31, 2016
Average exchange rates per € 1				
US\$	1,17739	1,12968	1,07895	1,10690
AUD	1,53190	1,47317	1,43849	1,48828
GBP	0,88731	0,87667	0,86908	0,81948
CNY	7,78872	7,62900	7,36911	7,35222
JPY	132,89746	126,71118	117,91797	120,19665
MXN	22,30500	21,32861	21,38394	20,66731
BRL	3,81959	3,60543	3,55477	3,85614

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