# Proximus Group Results presentation Q12021

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## Key achievements Q1



#### Covid-19

- Continued support for Belgium & employees.
- Vaccination centres: ICT solutions, connectivity and temperature monitoring solutions
- Financial impact starting to moderate.



#### **Commercial** momentum

- Main customer bases growing & positive ARPC.
- Traction of **high value** customers continues
  - √ +13K TV
  - √ +21K convergent
  - √ +12K Fiber
- Winning strategic B2B contracts, containing legacy business decline.



#### #inspire2022

- Accelerating Fiber build.
- Fiber monetization progressing as planned.
- Fiberklaar approved by **European Competition** authorities.
- Partnerships & ecosystems













#### Guidance 2021

 Results on track for FY 2021 guidance

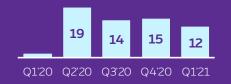
# Continued **solid customer growth**, strong traction for higher-value offers.





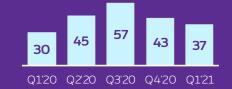


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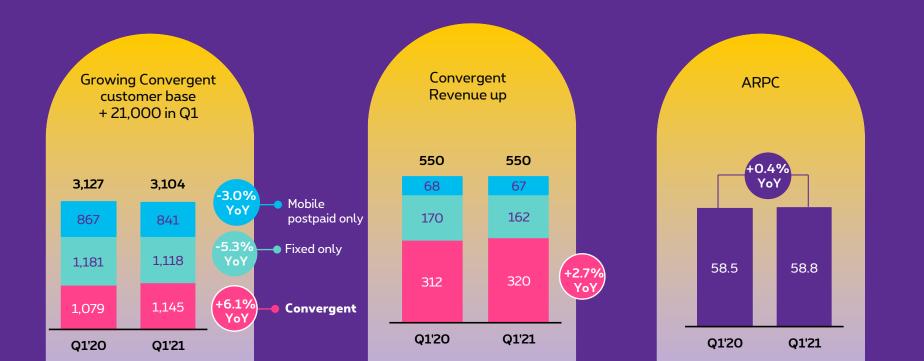
Q1'20 Q2'20 Q3'20 Q4'20 Q1'21



+**2.8**% YoY to 2,148K



## Driving value through convergence...

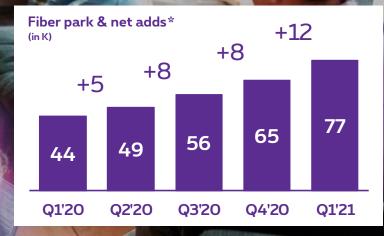






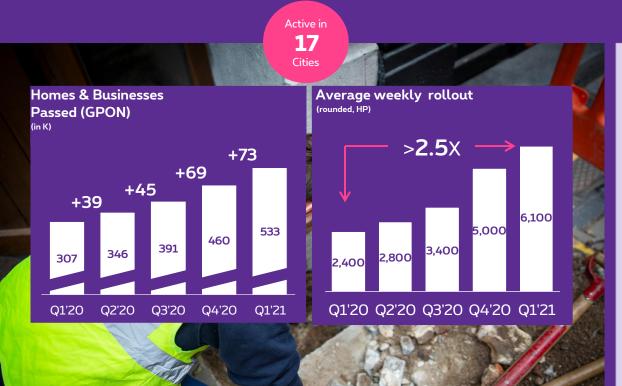
# Commercial drivers on track:

- √ Win-backs
- Migrations
- ✓ Churn rate
- ✓ ARPC



\*Customer X-play level (consumer)

# **533,000** HP with Fiber, nearing 9% of premises.





# Flanders Fiber JV Fiberklaar

- ✓ Cleared by European Competition authorities
- √ Pass at least 1.5M homes in Flanders by 2028
- ✓ Starting in about 10 Flemish cities & municipalities

Gearing up Proximus' ambitious Fiber plan to reach **4.2**M HP by 2028 or ~**70**% of population in Belgium

#### **B2B** transformation plan execution is on track.



#### Past years **Building on strong** Telco position

#### This year & next converged ICT shaping up

- 2023 converged ICT driving profitable growth



Grow profitability

- Telco legacy management
- Ramped up ICT portfolio

- Convergent, industrialized Telco-ICT propositions
- Growing managed & consultative services

- Monetize accelerated Cloud and Security growth
- Increased ICT profitability following industrialisation



**Gigabit** network

- Leveraging Mobile Network superiority
- Monetising managed & secured networks

- 5G innovation platform
- Next generation networks (SD-WAN)

- Monetization on 5G-IoT-Edge Computing
- Monetising fibre



**Digital** native

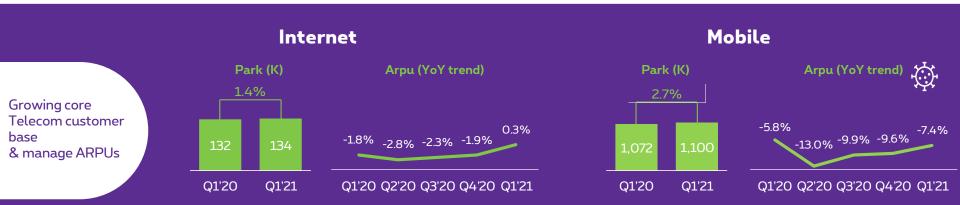
- Mobile fleet management
- My Proximus

- Digitalisation service transactions
- Improving digital portals with growing product scope

- Simple, digital Prospect To Cash journey
- Acceleration of digital sales

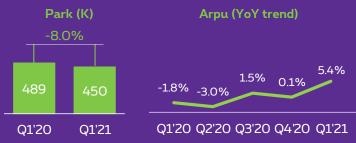
### Mitigated Enterprise revenue decline by

### containing the Telco revenue erosion...





Containing the legacy Voice revenue impact



### ...and focusing on **high-value ICT** services.

ICT revenue down, mainly on low-margin product deals, while growing highvalue services



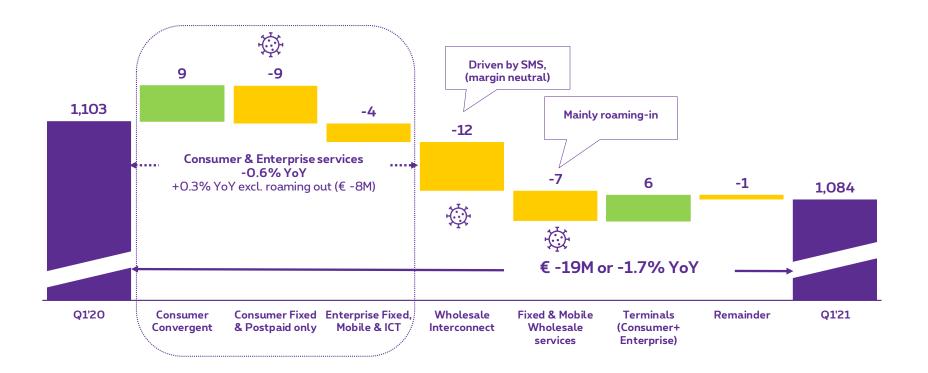
Share of high value ICT services



A good start to the year Selection of signed deals:



# Q1 **Domestic revenue** -1.7% YoY, reflecting headwinds on roaming and interconnect.



### TeleSign revenue +43.5% YoY on constant

currency, while investing in further growth trajectory.



+ 43.5%

on constant currency\*
(+31.6% YoY for Q1)

Continuing revenue growth

- ✓ Programmable Communication
- ✓ Digital Identity

€ 2<sub>M</sub> invested in growth

ambition. Additional skilled headcount recruited.

# bics, underlying business trend resilient in competitive market, Core & Growth revenue up YOY.



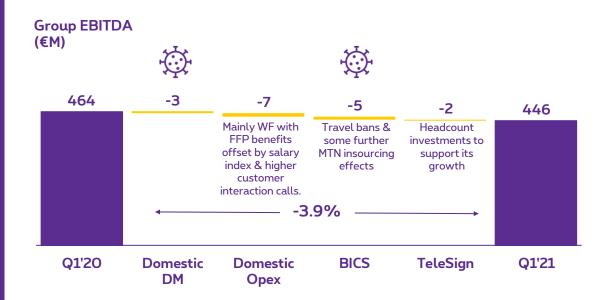


Covid-19 effects and moderating MTN insourcing impact, both temporary of nature\*.

# Q1'21 **Group EBITDA € 446M**, -3.9% YOY

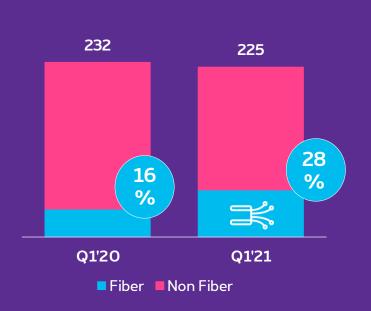
#### Including:

- remaining Covid-19 impact
- additional customers costs
- transformation investments



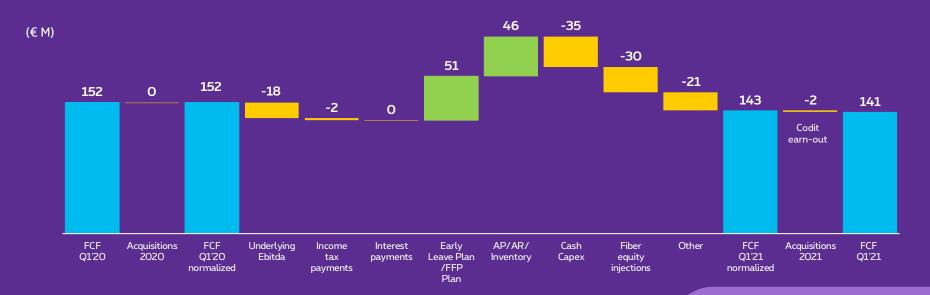
## Group total **capex** for Q1'21 totaled € 225M

(accrued; excl. spectrum & football rights)



- Timing impact content contract renewals.
- Higher Fiber capex following rollout acceleration, now 28% of total.
- Stepping up Digitalization and IT transformation investments.
- Rationalizing less strategic capex.

## Generating a solid normalized FCF of € 143M in Q1



- Early leave plan refers to voluntary early leave before retirement and FFP plan to the Fit for Purpose transformation plan
- FCF includes the lease payments
- Other incl. amongst others timing effect in post-employment benefits, deferrals, ...

Equity transaction obtaining BICS minority shares for € 217M recorded below FCF (Dividends to and transactions with noncontrolling interests)

#### On track for our **2021 outlook**

Guidance metrics	Actuals FY 2020	Guidance FY 2021	Actuals Q1 2021
Underlying Domestic revenue	€ 4,356M	Close to the 2020 level	€ 1,084M
Underlying Group EBITDA	€1,836M	€ 1,750-1,775M	€ 446M
Capex (excl. Spectrum & football rights)	€1Bn	Close to € 1.2Bn	€ 225M
Net debt / EBITDA	1.28X	< 1.6X	nr

2021, a transition year, in which we further execute upon our #inspire2022 strategy.

### Q&A

Join the conference call to ask your questions

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A more detailed view on the results

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#### Notes

- All figures included in this presentation are on <u>'Underlying</u>' basis, allowing for a meaningful YOY comparison.
- Figures are rounded. Variances are calculated from the source data before rounding, implying that some variances may not add up.

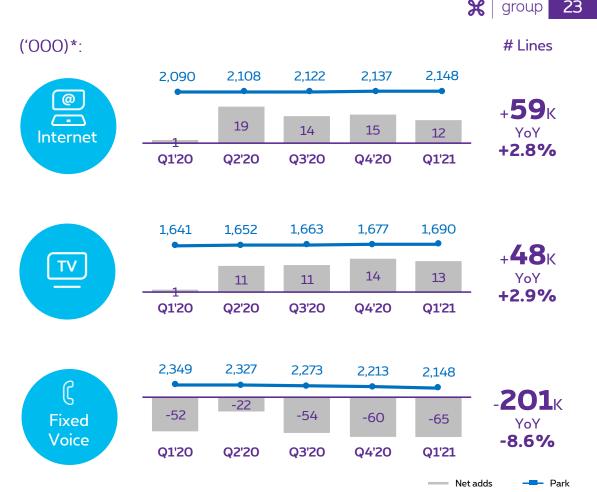


revenue (margin neutral).



# Further increasing Internet and TV base

- Strong traction of Flex offer.
- · Fiber activations increasing.
- Fixed Voice line further eroded, reflecting changing customer needs, accelerated by customer migrations to Flex.



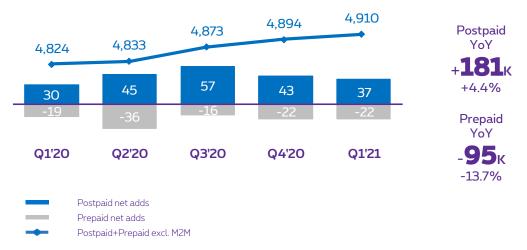
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# Maintaining a solid Postpaid customer growth

Growth supported by continued traction of convergent multi-mobile offer Flex and Enterprise further growing its strong mobile base.



#### # Mobile cards & net adds (in '000)\*:



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# Group underlying Direct Margin -1.3%

#### **Domestic DM**

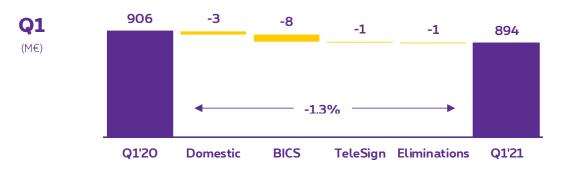
Q1 YoY -0.4%, incl. remaining Covid-19 headwinds

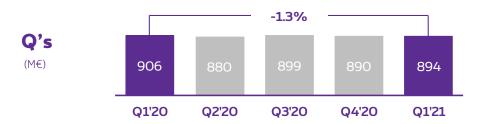
#### **BICS DM**

Q1 YoY -12.3%, incl. Covid-19 headwinds and MTN insourcing impact

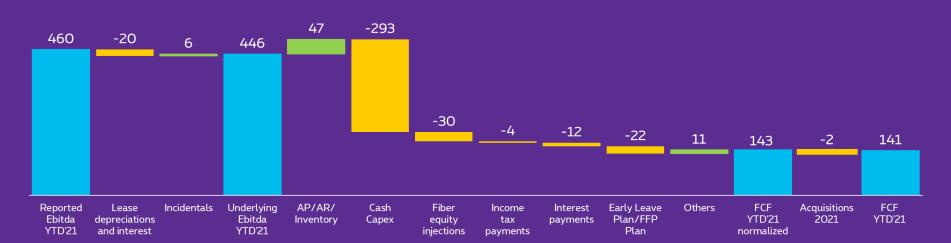
#### TeleSign DM

Q1 YoY -2.7%, incl. USD/EUR effect. At constant currency, +6.3% direct margin.





(€ M)



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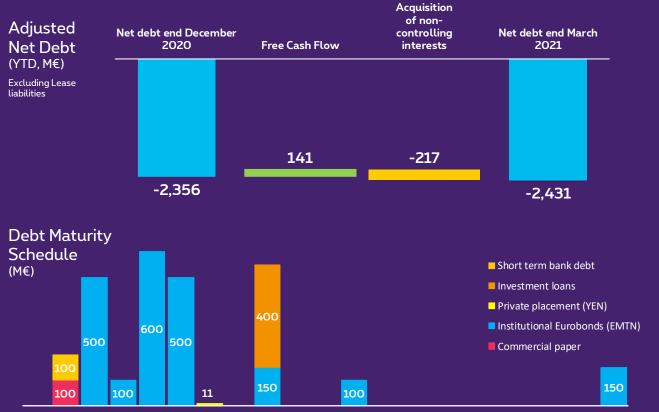
<sup>\*</sup> Excluding Lease depreciations

<sup>\*\*</sup> Excluding Lease interests

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Includes Non-controlling interests and Share of loss from associates

## Keeping a sound financial position

(situation end March 2021)



**BICS** 

**4.7** Yr Average debt duration

**1.76** % Weighted average coupon

#### **Credit ratings:**

Standard & Poor's A (negative outlook)
Moody's A1 (stable outlook)

#### **Liquidity end March 2021:**

- €280M investments, cash & cash equivalents (incl. derivatives)
- EMTN Program €3,500M (€2,100m outstanding).
- CP Program €1,000M (€100M outstanding)
- Committed credit facilities: €750M (€0M outstanding)

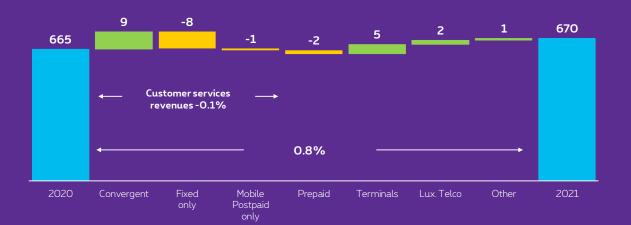
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## Q1 Consumer highlights

- Continued **strong commercial performance** with especially good traction for higher value offers.
- Adding 31,000 Mobile postpaid cards, 10,000 Internet and 12,000 TV subscriptions in Q1'21.
- Success for Flex offers ongoing, reaching 477,000 Flex subscriptions end-March '21.
- Total convergent customer base grew
   +21,000 in Q1'21, convergent revenue up by +2.7% YoY.
- Customers mainly opting for 3-Play convergent offers, driving changing customer product mix.
- Total **Consumer revenue +0.8% YoY**, including a stable Customer services revenue. Overall, the ARPC was up YoY by +0.4% to EUR 58.8.



# Q1 Consumer revenue +0.8%, in spite of Covid-19 roaming headwinds



- Remaining Covid-19 headwind on roaming revenue.
- Ongoing favorable move to convergent offers at higher ARPC.
- Supported by 1 Jan price indexation.
- Attracting more multi-mobile customers, driving an increase in the overall RGU (+1.9% in Q1 YoY) coming from the continued success of convergent Flex offers (477K customers by end-March 2021)

### Fixed Operationals





TV customers ('000)



Fixed voice customers ('000)



Broadband **+54,000 yoy** +2.8%

An additional +12,000 customers subscribed to a Fiber product, being a mix of onboarding new customers and migrating copper customers

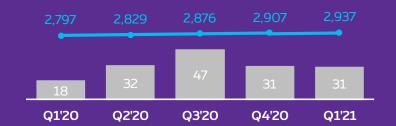
**+48,000** YoY

TV households +2.9%

-9.0<sub>% YoY</sub>
Fixed Voice lines,
reflecting changing customer needs

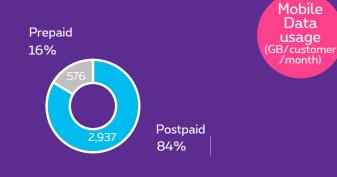
# Continued strong **mobile postpaid** trajectory





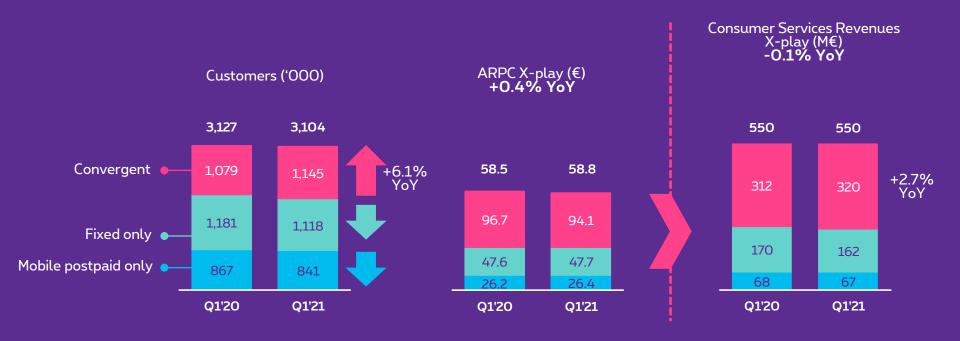
Mobile Postpaid +**140,000** YoY +5.0%





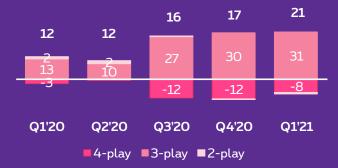


# **ARPC remains positive**. Success convergent offers lowers Fixed and Mobile-only customer basis.



# Convergent revenues +2.7% YoY, driven by growing convergent customer base

1 Growing convergent net adds ('000)...



2 Leading to an increasing convergence rate\*



<sup>\* (</sup>i.e. % of Customer having Mobile + Fixed component)





4 Growing Convergent revenue (€M)



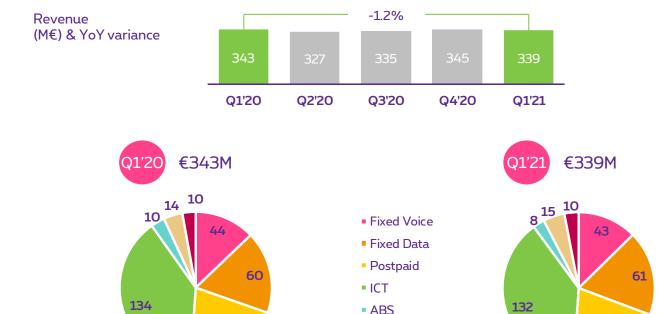
## Q1 Enterprise highlights

- Revenue erosion limited to -1.2%, in challenging operating environment.
- Stable revenue from Fixed services: Fixed Data revenue grew; Fixed Voice revenue was down with higher ARPU partly offsetting the Fixed voice park erosion.
- Mobile services revenue decline further limited. Mobile Postpaid customer base grew further, Mobile Postpaid ARPU mostly down on less roaming traffic and some continued competitive pricing pressure.
- ICT revenue -1.7%, mainly on lowmargin products while Proximus grew highvalue service revenue.



### Revenue erosion limited to -1.2%,

in a challenging operating environment



Terminals

Others (incl Tango)

#### Q1 revenue -1.2% YoY

- Mobile revenue decline further moderated
- Stable Fixed services
- ICT decline on low-margin products
- ABS down with Covid-19 exposure on parking & automotive revenues

39%
ICT
in total
Enterprise revenue

## Mobile revenue decline further moderated,

### solid customer growth partly off-setting ARPU decline





YoY mobile postpaid base +2.7% or +29,000 sim









€ 19.6

Mobile postpaid ARPU,

-7.4% YoY

Remaining significantly impacted by Covid-19 effect on roaming, and to a lesser extent, continued competitive pricing pressure

## Fixed Voice ARPU +5.4% YoY,

supported by price indexation, positive YoY effect from March 2020 free lockdown offers & strong traffic in Covid-19 times



Q1'20

Q2'20

Q3'20

Q4'20

Q1'21

Fixed Voice revenue erosion limited to -2.7% YoY

Ongoing line erosion

450k Fixed voice park, -8.0% YoY

Fixed Voice **ARPU** +5.4%

### Fixed Data revenue +1.9% YoY,

supported by Eleven Sports contract, other new data connectivity contracts & continued growing Fiber park.

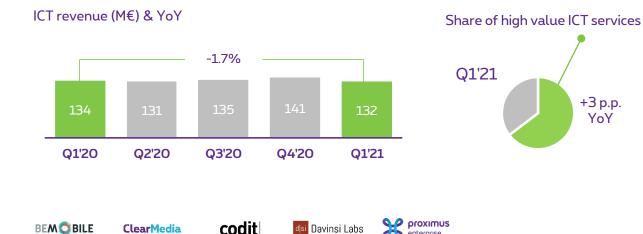


#### Fixed data revenue +1.9% YoY

Internet revenue slightly positive in competitive setting, driven by both ARPU (price index) & Internet park

## ICT revenue -1.7% in Q1 YoY,

on low-margin product deals, while growing high-value services revenue



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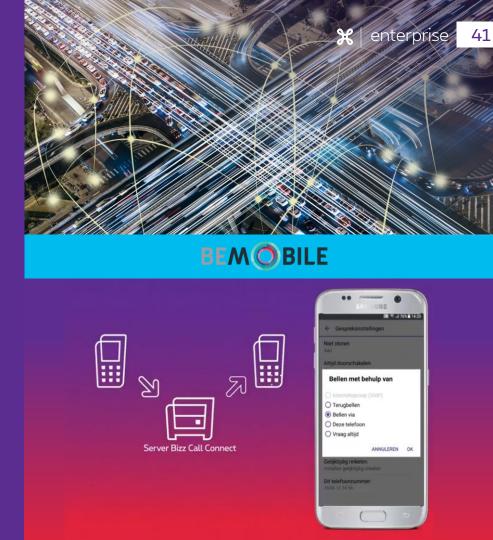
Growth in high-value services revenue (managed, integration & consultative services).

Specialized ICT affiliates continued to provide support by bringing digital transformation solutions for professional customers and as such help to secure core connectivity services.

## Advanced Business Services

ABS includes revenue from Proximus' convergent solutions, and Smart mobility revenue from Be-Mobile, among which automotive & parking revenues with Covid-19 exposure.



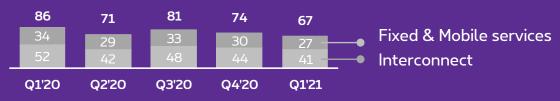


### Wholesale

#### Revenue of € 67M (€ -19M):

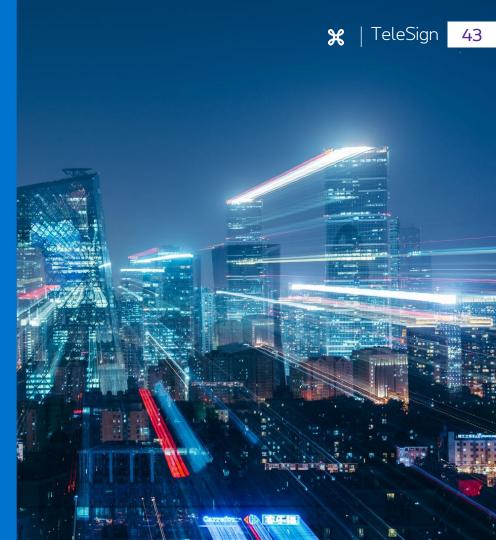
- Largest part of the decline related to margin-neutral revenue from Interconnect (€ -12M): ongoing shift from regular SMS to OTT usage & reduced SMS usage during Covid-19 lockdowns.
- Fixed & Mobile Wholesale services (€ -7M): continued Covid-19 driven travel reluctance and bans, impacting visitor & instant roaming revenues, reinforced by new bilateral price renegotiations (benefitting DM).

#### Revenue (M€) & YoY





- Strong revenue performance sustained, fueled by both Programmable Communication and Digital Identity services.
- Direct margin variance significantly impacted by unfavorable Foreign Exchange effect and customer repricing.
- In view of its growth ambitions, TeleSign invested in additional skilled headcount, impacting EBITDA



## **TeleSign** P&L

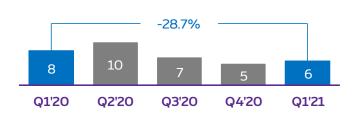
Revenue (M€) & YoY variance



**Direct Margin** (M€)



Ebitda (M€) & YoY variance



Revenue **+31.6%** 

(+43.5% on constant currency)

Fueled by both Programmable Communication & Digital Identity.

Direct Margin -2.7%

(+6.3% on constant currency)

Incl. one-off CN and customer repricing effects.

Ebitda -28.7%

(-21.9% on constant currency)

Following anticipated headcount investments to support its growth development.

## Q1 BICS results

- Revenue -8.7% due to Legacy services, while Core and Growth services revenue progressed.
- Natural Legacy revenue erosion amplified by Covid-19 and MTN insourcing effects, both temporary of nature.
- Strong performance in A2P messaging on a favorable destination mix in the first quarter of 2021.
- Revenue from Growth services Cloud and IOT up by 12.7% YoY.
- Direct margin pressure partly offset by lower Operating Expenses.
- **Ebitda down to EUR 22 million**, with Ebitda margin at 9.6%.

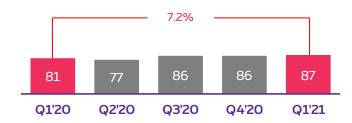


## **BICS** Revenue

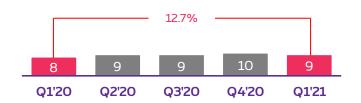
#### Legacy Revenue (M€) & YoY variance



#### Core Revenue (M€) & YoY variance



#### Growth Revenue (M€) & YoY variance



#### **Legacy** Voice revenue -17.6% in Q1 YoY

impacted by Covid-19, MTN insourcing and ongoing decrease in Voice volumes in declining market.

#### Revenue from **Core** services +7.2% in Q1 YoY.

resulting from good performance from messaging (especially higher A2P volumes with favorable destination mix), partly offset by signaling & roaming (limited travel).

#### Revenue from **Growth** services +12.7% in Q1 YoY

with a favorable Covid-19 impact on Cloud services (e.g. setup of vaccination centers increasing the demand for toll-free numbers)

## **BICS** P&L





Legacy Voice revenue decline partly off-set by increase in Core & Growth revenue

### Direct Margin (M€)



Direct margin impacted by Covid-19 and MTN insourcing while growth was noted for numbering business.

22.8% DM/revenue

### Ebitda (M€) & YoY variance



9.6% Ebitda/revenue

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## From reported to underlying figures

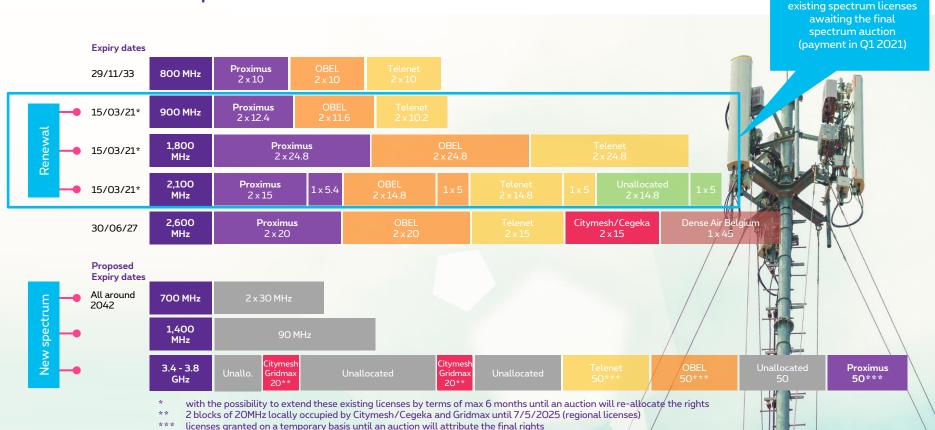
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(EUR million)	Q1 '20	Q1 '21
Reported	1,393	1,367
Lease Depreciations	0	0
Lease Interest	0	Ο
Incidentals	0	Ο
Underlying	1,393	1,367
Incidentals	0	0
Early Leave Plan and Collective Agreement		
Fit For Purpose Transformation Plan		
M&A-related transaction costs		
Pylon Tax provision update (re. past years)		

	GROUP EBITDA		
	Q1 '21		
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464	446		
-11	6		
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6-months extension of

## Spectrum

The multi-band spectrum auction still on hold



## Temporary 5G Spectrum

# Awaiting the multiband auction, temporary licenses have been allocated in the 3600-3800MHz band

#### **Allocation process**

 By a decision dated 14<sup>th</sup> July 2020, the BIPT attributed 40MHz on a temporary basis to each valid candidates (Proximus, Orange Belgium, Telenet, Cegeka and Entropia)

• 13 October 2020, after Entropia exit, BIPT redistributed the released 40MHz among the other actors. Only Proximus, Orange Belgium and Telenet requested an additional part of 10MHz.

As from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021, Cegeka released its 40MHz spectrum rights.

#### License conditions

- Right will be valid until an auction is organized
- Yearly fee of € 105,000 per block of 10 MHz
- No coverage obligations and no unique fee
- Spectrum had to be put in service by 1 March 2021 at the latest

Final attributions (situation as from January 1st, 2021)

3600-3800 MHz Proximus 50 MHz

Telenet 50 MHz OBEL 50 MHz



### Shareholder structure Situation 31/03/2021

Total number of shares

338,025,135

Free-float

Belgian Government 54%

Market Capitalization\*

Dividend yield\*

~**€ 6.0**Bn

~6.5%

Proximus own shares

Free-float

Total

42%

Number of shares

15.171.553

141.966.013

338.025.135

% shares

% Voting rights

% Dividend rights

Number of shares

Number of shares

**Belgian state** 

180.887.569 53.51% 56.03%

55.91%

with voting rights 180.887.569

with dividend rights

693,702

141.966.013

323.547.284

4.49%

42.00%

100.00%

43.97%

100.00%

0.21%

100.00%

180.887.569

141.966.013 43.88% 322.853.582

The voting rights of all treasury shares are suspended by law. Proximus has 14,477,851 treasury shares that are not entitled to dividend rights and 693,702 treasury shares that are entitled to dividend rights.

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