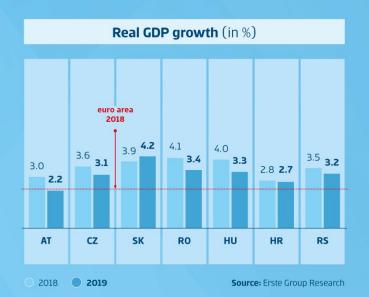


#### H1 2018 results presentation

Strong net profit of EUR 774 mn based on improved operating performance and benign risk environment

#### **Business** environment

# Strong economic outlook for Erste Group's markets





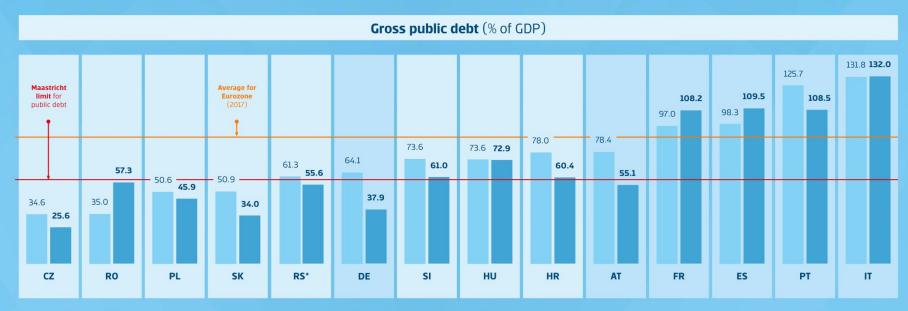


- → CEE macroeconomic growth set to be well above Euroarea in both 2018 and 2019
- Real wage growth driven
   by continued strong economic
   growth and low unemployment



#### **Business** environment

# Sustainable CEE public debt outlook well below Eurozone average



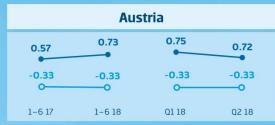


**Source:** European Commission, Erste Group Research \* only 2019 forecast



#### **Business** environment

#### Rising interest rates across CEE



- → ECB cut discount rate to zero in March 16
- → Maintains expansionary monetary policy stance



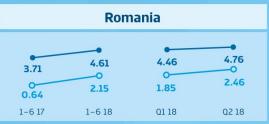
→ As part of euro zone ECB rates are applicable in SK



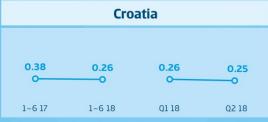
→ National bank decided to lift its benchmark rate from historic low of 0.05% to 1.00% in Aug and Nov 2017 & Feb and June 2018



→ National bank cut the benchmark interest rate to record low of 0.9% in May 2016



→ Central bank increased policy rate from historic low of 1.75% to 2.50% in January, February and May 2018



→ Central bank maintains discount rate at 3.0% since 2015

3M INTERBANK (%)

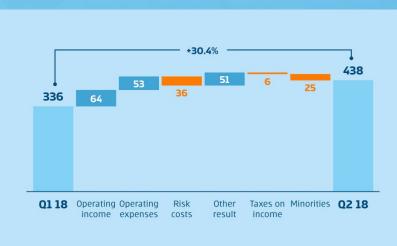
**10YR GOV (%)** 

Source: Bloomberg

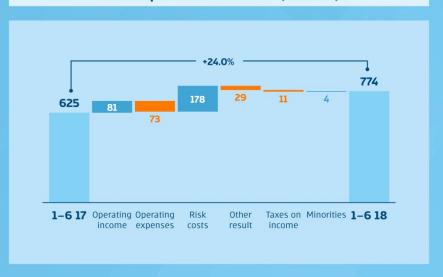


# Net profit of EUR 774mn based on improved operating performance



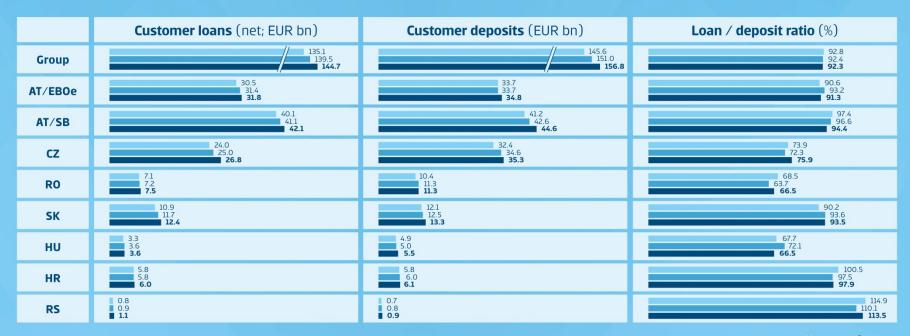


#### YoY net profit reconciliation (EUR mn)





# 7.1% YoY loan growth and continued customer deposits inflow, up 7.7%





# Strong retail loan growth of 6.5% YoY

#### **Retail Highlights for H1 2018**

**NEWLY-GRANTED MORTGAGES +6.1% YoY** 

EUR 3.87bn 🔐



provided to over 51,000 households

CONSUMER LENDING +8.7% YoY

EUR 3.99bn



Average loan size: EUR 6,000

INFLOW OF RETAIL DEPOSITS +8.0% YoY

**EUR 7.92bn €** 



continued inflow in all markets

**BANCASSURANCE VOLUMES** 

**EUR 622mn** 6



total premium written in H1 2018



# Digital sales with growing contribution to overall lending growth



# George is the digital assistant of over 2.6 million customers

- → Two new markets added in H1 2018:
  - → Czech clients use George app 6x more than previous offering
  - → most downloaded bank app in Slovakia
- → Austria's leader in digital banking: 80% YoY more active users of George app





# Corporate loan growth driven by large companies and SMEs

#### **H1 2018 Corporate Highlights**

**TOTAL GROSS LOANS** 

# **EUR 51.2bn €**

up 6.1% YoY

**SME LENDING** 

10.3% YoY loan volume growth 1,300 new SME clients acquired



**TOP PERFORMING SUBSIDIARIES\*** 

Slovakia	Hungary	Czechia
+21.5%	+16.7%	+14.1%

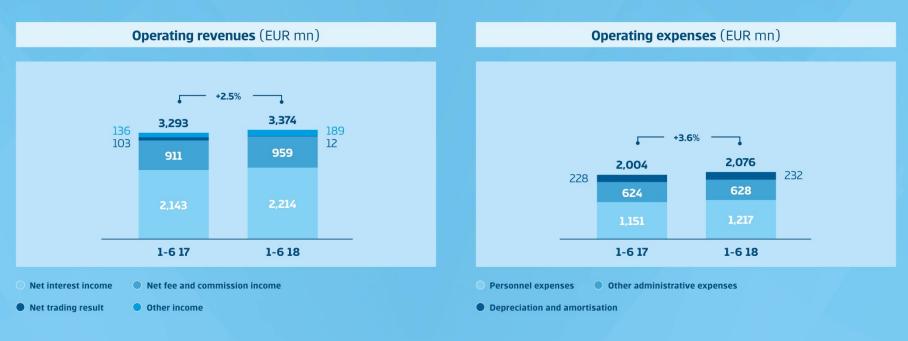
TOP GROWTH SECTORS\* IN OUR PORTFOLIO

Telecom & Media	Automotive	Natural Resources and Agriculture
+ 48%	+ 20%	+ 13%

\*(YOY VOLUME)



# Higher operating revenues due to strong NII and fees



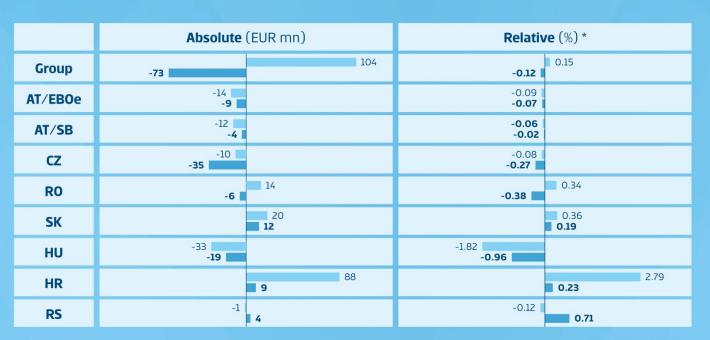


# **Operating result higher in most markets**





# **Continued releases of risk provisions**





#### **Performance summary**

- → YoY improvement due to continued asset quality improvements, particularly in Corporate business (esp. in HR); net releases in most markets
- → Risk costs seen higher in H2 18, but remaining at historically low levels

\* Relative risk costs are defined as annualised risk costs over average gross customer loans



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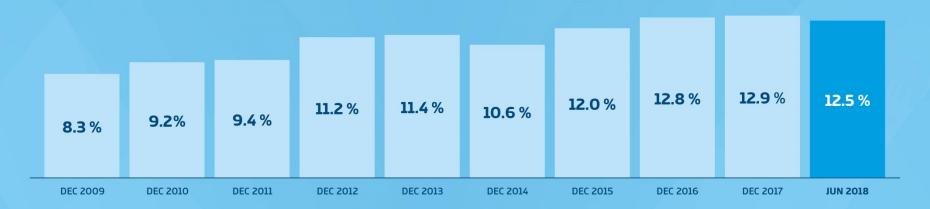
# NPL ratio improves to 3.6%, lowest level in ten years

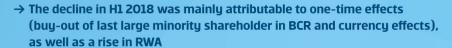




# **Excellent capital generation across the years**

**Common equity tier one capital ratio** (Basel 3, fully loaded)







# Outlook

Macro outlook 2018	Business outlook 2018	Risk factors for guidance
<ul> <li>→ Real GDP growth of approx. 3-4% expected in 2018 in CEE and Austria</li> <li>→ Real GDP growth to be driven by solid domestic demand, as real wage growth and low unemployment support economic activity in CEE</li> <li>→ Solid public finances across CEE</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>→ ROTE for 2018 targeted at 10%+         (based on average tangible equity in 2018)</li> <li>→ Assumptions for 2018: slightly growing revenues (assuming 5%+ net loan growth and interest rate hikes in CZ and RO); slightly falling expenses due to lower project-related costs; risk costs to remain at historically low levels</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>→ Impact from other than expected interest rate development</li> <li>→ Political or regulatory measures against banks</li> <li>→ Geopolitical risks and global economic risks</li> </ul>

