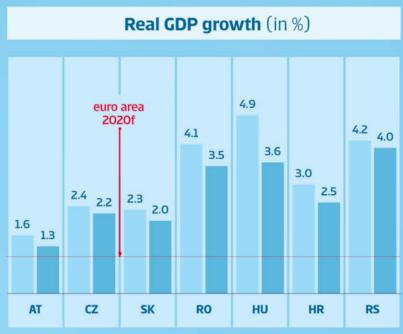


FY 2019 results presentation

#### CEE region remains Europe's growth outperformer

#### Real GDP growth seen up by 2-4% in 2020 vs. 1% in euro area





#### Summary

- → Region's growth path has become more stable and resilient
- → Rebalanced economies, with growth driven by domestic demand; strong retail sales compensate for weaker industry
- Competitiveness is improving beyond low-price factors; increasing share of high-tech exports



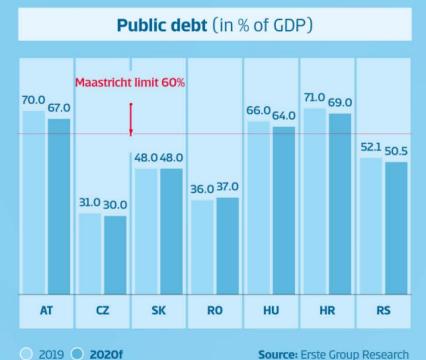
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#### Solid public finances

## Healthy economic fundamentals, supported by competitive economies

Source: Erste Group Research







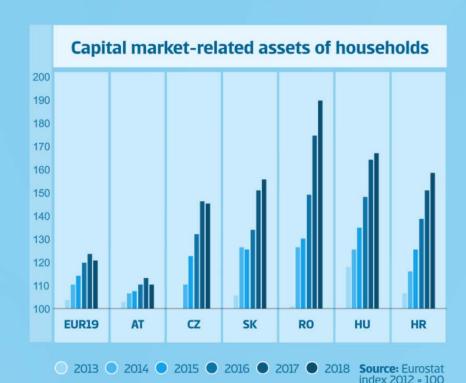
2019 **2020**f

### Rising wages and low unemployment drive domestic demand

#### Capital market investments also benefit from rising disposable income









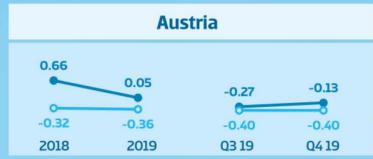
#### **Summary**

- → Consumer confidence proving to be more resilient than in Western Europe thanks to wage increases
- → Capital market investments becoming more important for CEE households
- Drivers for asset growth vary:
   HU: government bonds, HR:
   2nd pillar pensions, CZ:
   investment funds

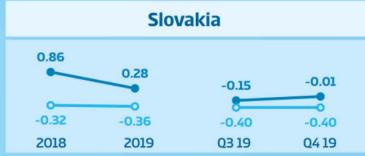


#### Interest rate environment

### Clear headwinds, but at least in CEE interest rates are positive



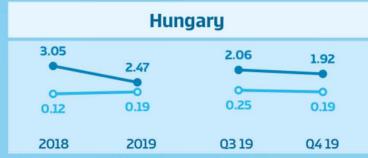
- → ECB cut discount rate to zero in March 2016
- → Maintains expansionary monetary policy stance, despite tapering announcement



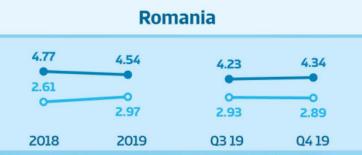
→ As part of euro zone ECB rates are applicable in SK



→ National bank has increased its benchmark rate in nine steps from historic low of 0.05% to 2.25% since August 2017



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



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

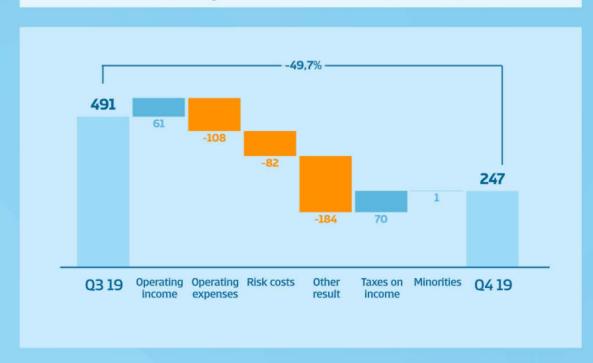


→ Central bank has maintained discount rate at 3.0% since 2015

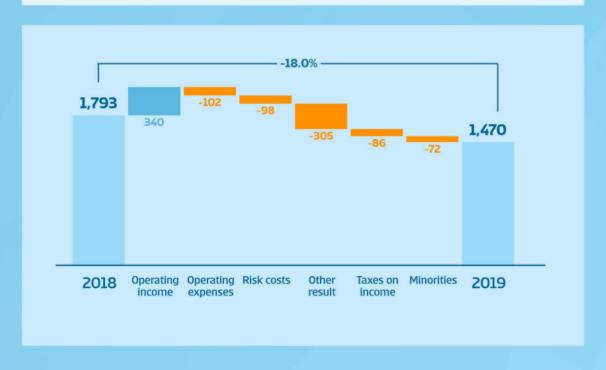


## Underlying operating performance significantly improved, one-offs weigh on net profit

**QoQ net profit reconcilation** (EUR mn)

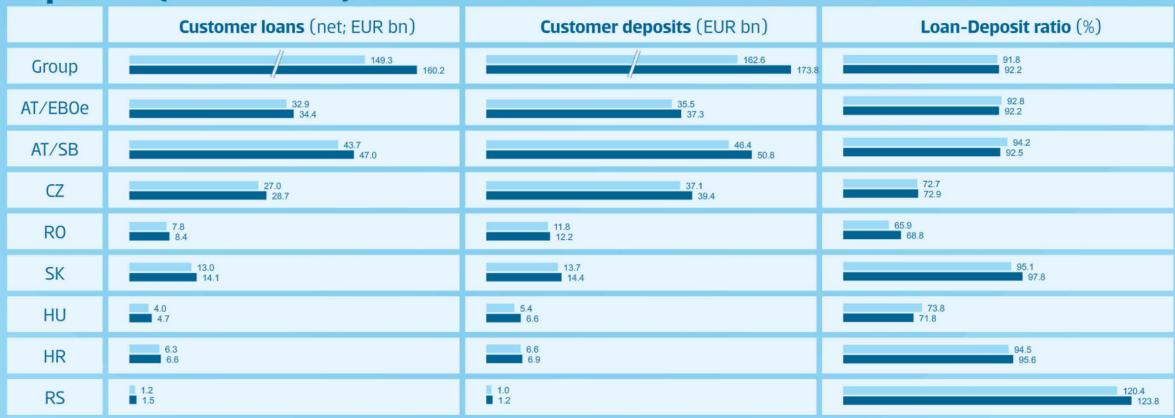


**YoY net profit reconciliation** (EUR mn)





## Continued growth in customer loans (+7.3% YoY) and deposits (+6.9% YoY)





○ DEC 2018 ● DEC 2019

## Growth in operating income outpaces expenses All revenue streams show increases







- Net trading result
- Net fee and commission income
- Other income

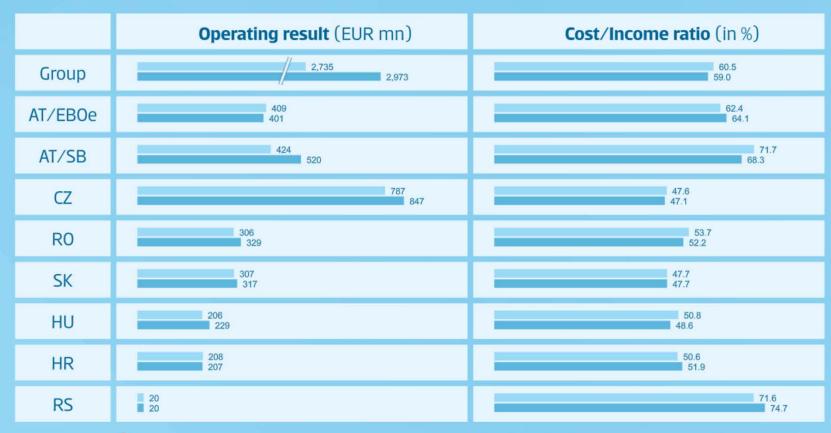
#### Operating expenses (EUR mn)



- Personnel expenses
- Depreciation and amortisation
- Other administrative expenses



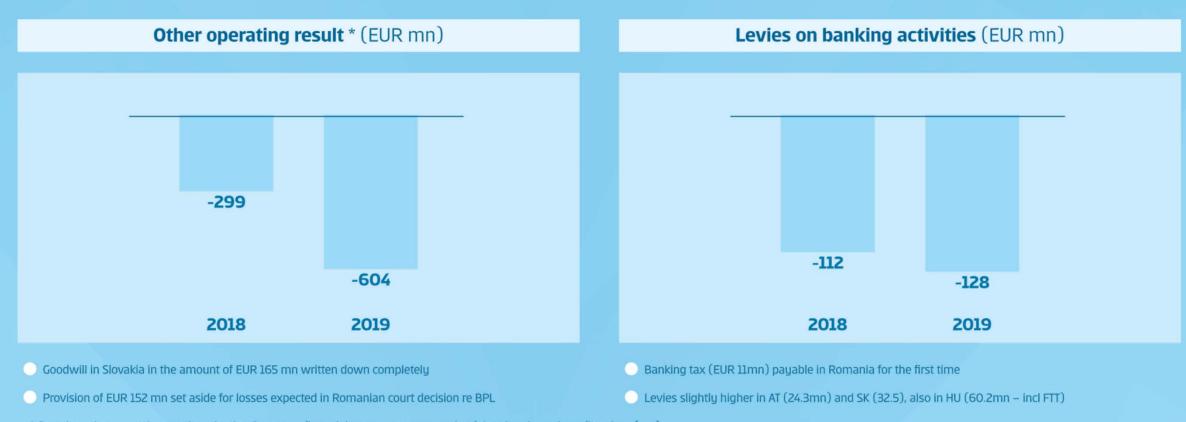
#### Operating result rises by 8.7%; Cost/Income ratio improves to 59.0%







#### Other operating result impacted by one-offs in Romania and Slovakia







### **Capital continues to improve organically**

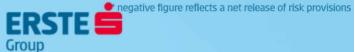
**Common equity tier one capital ratio** (CET1, Basel 3, fully loaded)





#### Healthy asset quality continues, with risk costs still at very low levels





## NPL ratio of 2.5% is lowest since IPO in 1997 NPL coverage improves to 77.1%







# Corporates and Markets Solid 2019 performance

Corporates	Group Markets	Asset Management
Clients benefit from growth in customer loans to more than EUR 55 bn (+9% yoy)  Operating Result exceeds EUR 1 bn for the first time  → SME remains an important growth driver  → Increase in all corporate sectors loan volumes, highest in TMT (+17% yoy)	Operating result increases to EUR 297 mn (+2% yoy)  → Clients awarded us with more capital market business → 194 issuance mandates (debt and equity) with a total volume of around EUR 70 bn	Growth in Assets under Management to EUR 64 bn (+11% yoy)  → Securities, Asset Management and Custody business support our overall fee growth  → More investors in ESG-related products



#### Retail lending volume rises by 3.9% to EUR 73.8 bn

#### **Retail Highlights for 2019**

#### **MORTGAGES**

+ 8.0%





#### **RETAIL DEPOSITS**

+ 6.1%



on continued deposit inflow

#### **BANCASSURANCE**

+ 5.2%



Volume of total gross written premium at EUR 1.3 bn



### Customers love digital innovation

### More than 5.4 mn George users in CEE

→ George is the leading pan-European banking platform, onboarding over 5,000 users a day

→ George is open to partners thanks to APIs and modular architecture

→ Strong client uptake for Apple Pay





## 2020 Outlook

Operating in the <b>growth engine</b> of the European Union	<ul> <li>Slight economic slowdown expected, with growth rates of 2% 4% in CEE, 1.3% in Austria</li> <li>Domestic economies will remain pillars of support</li> </ul>	
Strong operating performance – positive jaws	<ul> <li>Ambition to continue on positive jaws path, ie revenue growth &gt; cost growth, supported primarily by net interest income and fee growth</li> <li>2024 CIR target of 55% confirmed</li> </ul>	
Sound <b>asset quality</b> , low risk costs	<ul> <li>Net loan growth in mid-single digits</li> <li>Risk costs expected to remain low (max 20 bps of avg gross customer loans)</li> </ul>	
Strong <b>capital position</b>	<ul> <li>Continued capital generation should lift CET1 ratio (final) further</li> <li>Following final MREL targets, further NPS issuance activity</li> </ul>	
Above average <b>profitability</b>	<ul> <li>Targeting continued double-digit ROTE (&gt;10%)</li> <li>Incremental increase in DPS</li> </ul>	
Risk factors to guidance	<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> <li>Corona virus</li> </ul>	

