



Online press conference H1 2020 results

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### CEE Covid-19 evolution update



### In terms of virus spread, CEE is still among the least affected regions



- Previous peak active infections
- Current active infections
- → Regionally diverging trends, overall virus spread remains at manageable levels

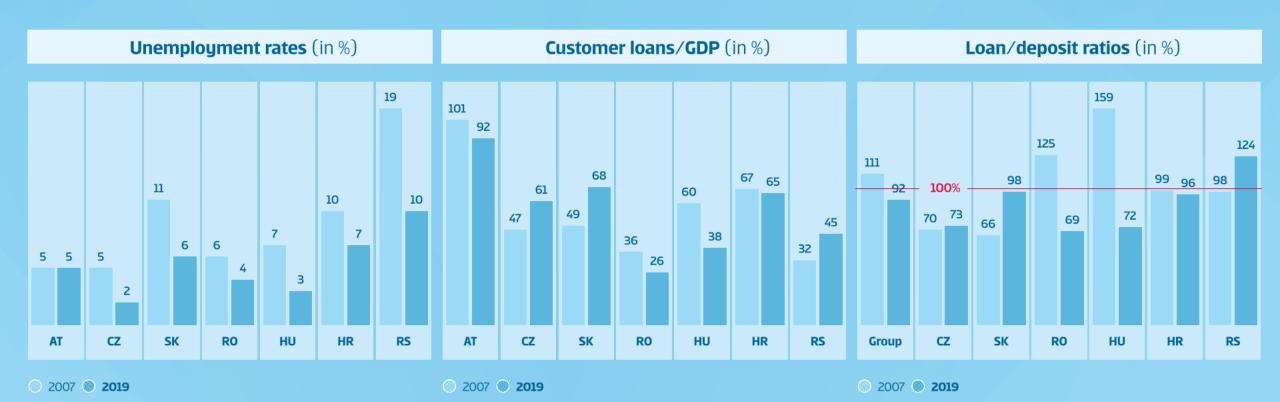
- Source: worldometers.info (26 July 2020)
  - → RO and RS experiencing larger wave of infections than in spring

All other countries see regional flare-ups, but remain well below spring levels

### Macroeconomic update



### CEE tackles Covid-19 challenge from a position of strength



#### **Economy**

- Unemployment rates at historic lows in most countries at the end of 2019
- Reduced external vulnerabilities
- Manageable public debt

### **Banking markets**

- Deposit overhang and excess liquidity on system level
- Sustainable asset growth and growth opportunities

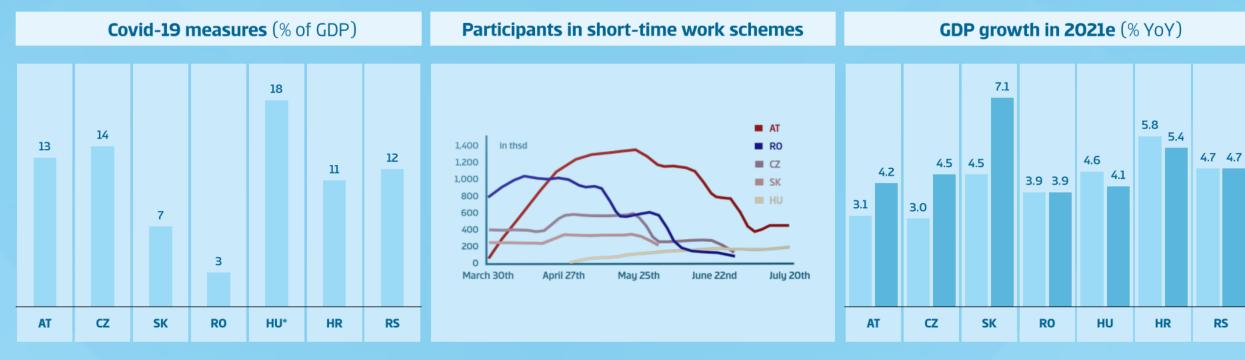
### **Erste Group subsidiary banks**

- Fully self-funded business model
- Focus on local currency lending
- Historically low NPL ratios
- Strong market shares
- High capital ratios

### Macroeconomic update



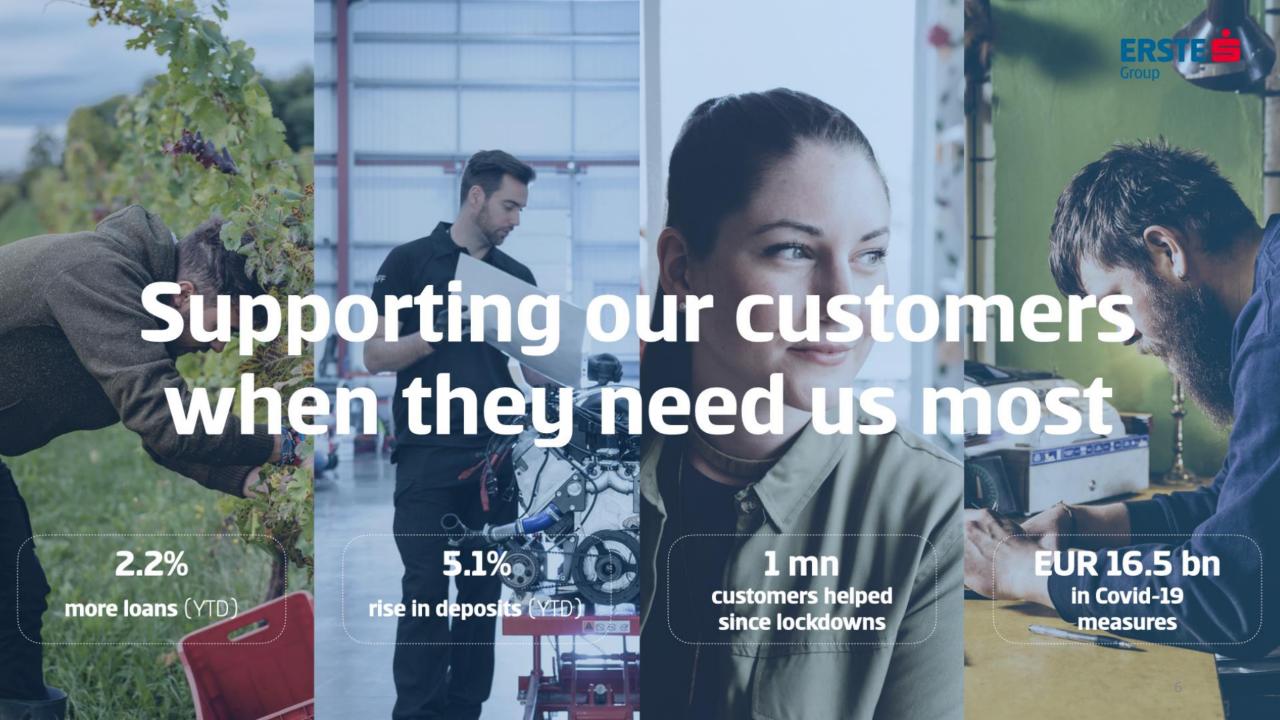
## Solid recovery expected in 2021, supported by improved demand and EU funds



<sup>\*</sup> HU: COVID-19 data as % of GDP includes Central Bank measures

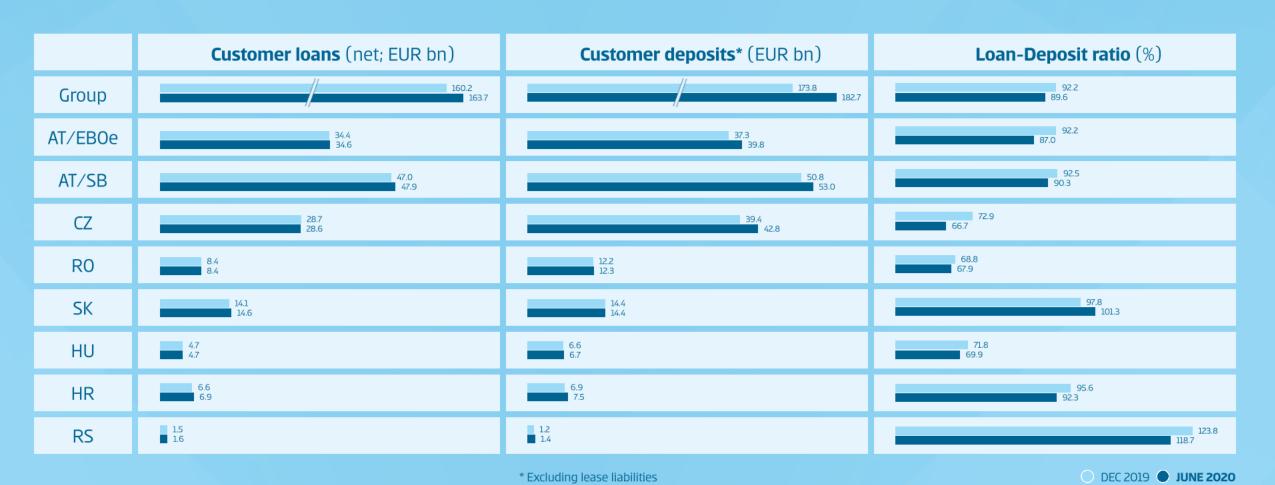
- → Real GDP to decline by 4%-9% in 2020 in Erste core markets following severe lockdowns
- Employment situation improved in recent weeks, as apparent in decline in short-time work schemes.

  Still, unemployment seen up in 2021
- as of 30th April as of 31 July
- → EU Recovery Plan to contribute to economic growth in CEE





### Customers loans up 2.2% YTD, deposits up 5.1% YTD



### Retail Banking

### In times of physical Distancing

### Standing by our customers in challenging times: in branches and with George

- We have proactively contacted over 3.4 mn retail clients during the crisis
- George: always on for almost 6 mn customers

### **Contactless payments revolution**

Contactless payments make up around 80% of all card payments

### Investing during the crisis

- Retail clients in AT, SK and CZ show stable investment appetite
- Clients in RO, HU, HR opt for less volatility
- EUR 60.3 bn in assets under management vs. EUR 56.0 bn at Q1 2020



### Corporates & Markets in times of lockdown

### Supporting a growing customer base

### Gross loan volume up 4.4% YTD

YE 2019 EUR 55.2 bn

Q1 2020 EUR 56.8 bn

### Q2 2020

EUR 57.6 bn

- Adding market share and growing client numbers in core markets:
   Organic growth strategy still delivers, despite slowdown in Q2 2020
- Large Corporates segment shows dynamic loan growth of EUR 1.7 bn
- Strong growth in state guaranteed corporates loans –
   successful transmission of support programmes

### EUR 54 bn in total capital markets issuance

- 94 mandated transactions in equity and debt capital markets in H1 2020
- Clients continue to tap capital markets





## We are helping our clients to master the crisis and create the basis for growth

Securing liquidity & amending agreements

Here's how

Managing working capital & risks

Obtaining state support funds

Building war chests

Tapping capital markets



# Regulatory reliefs support crisis response

RWA-relief to support SME lending

Reduction of CET1 capital minimum requirements

Temporary relief of liquidity coverage ratio



## Vigilant planning ahead for consequences of Covid-19 crisis triggers rise in risk costs



<sup>\*</sup> negative figure reflects a net release of risk provisions

→ Risk cost development driven by update of risk parameters to reflect deteriorated macro outlook following Covid-19 induced crisis Risk provisioning peak for 2020 likely in Q2 20; Outlook for 2020 narrowed to 65-80bps



<sup>\*</sup> Relative risk costs are defined as annualised risk costs over average gross customer loans



## Low NPL ratio and high coverage provide comfortable starting point for times to come



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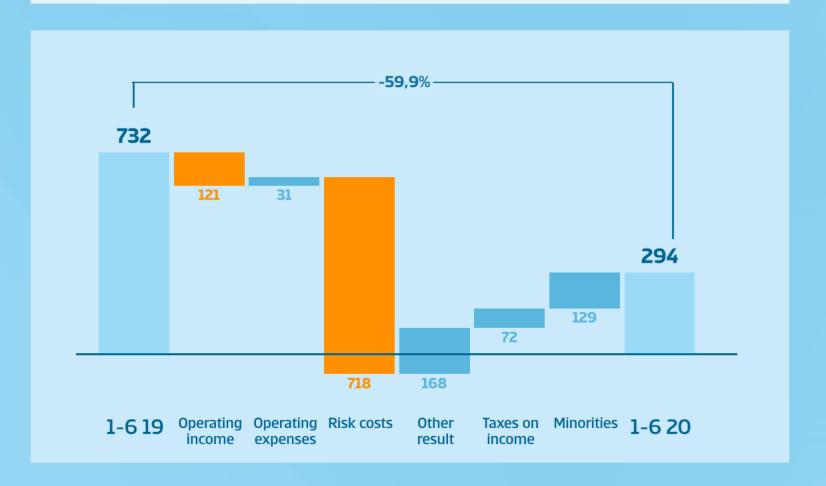


### **Executive Summary**



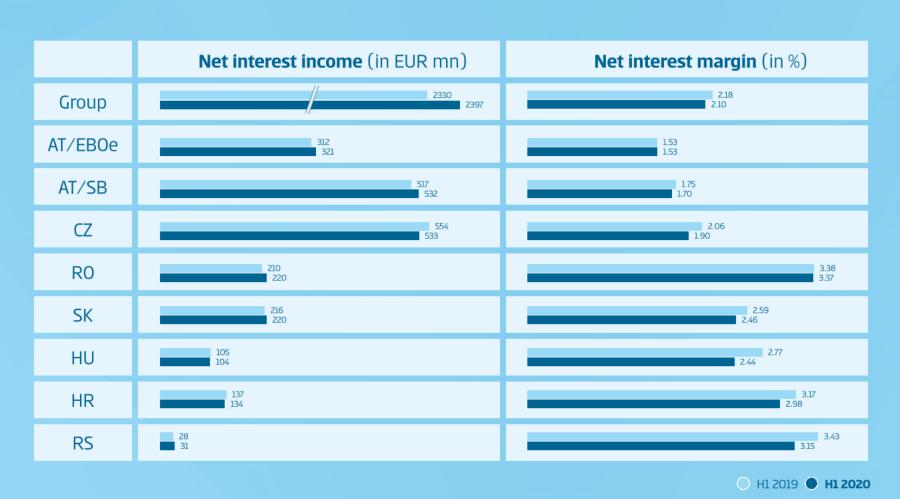
### **Net profit declines on Covid-19 induced rise in risk costs**

### YoY net profit reconciliation (EUR mn)



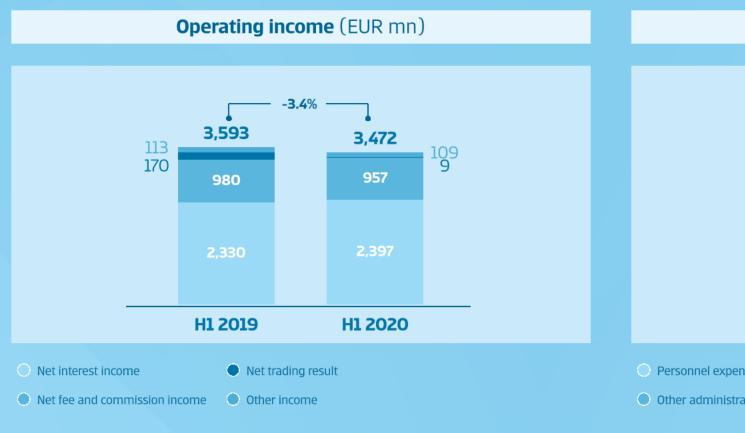


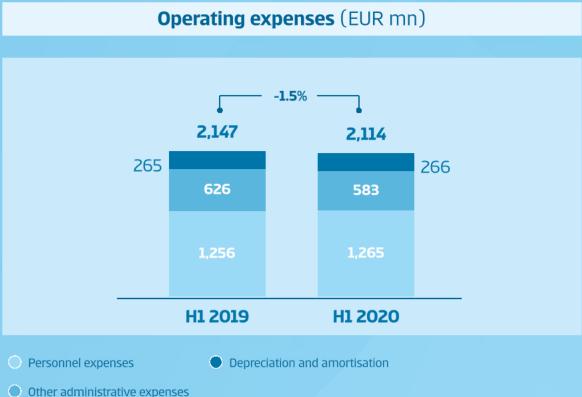
### **Net interest income rises 2.9% YoY despite Covid-19 lockdowns**





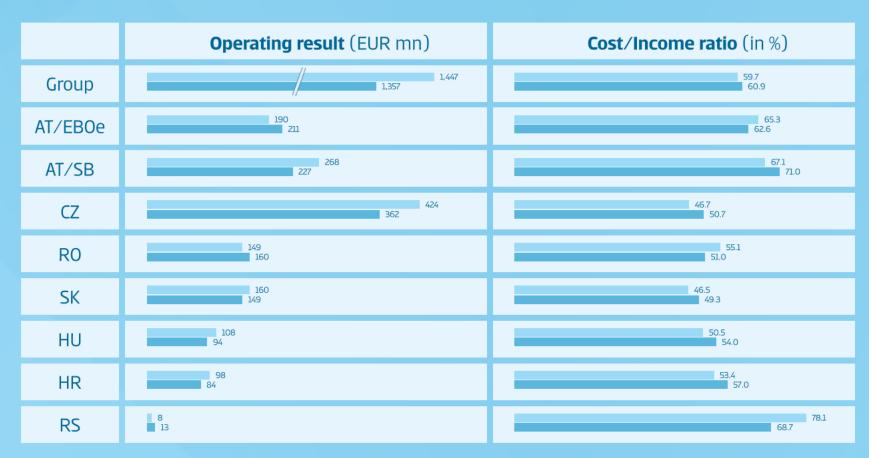
### Operating income impacted by trading result; continued cost discipline







### Operating result down 6.2% YoY; Cost-Income ratio at 60.9%

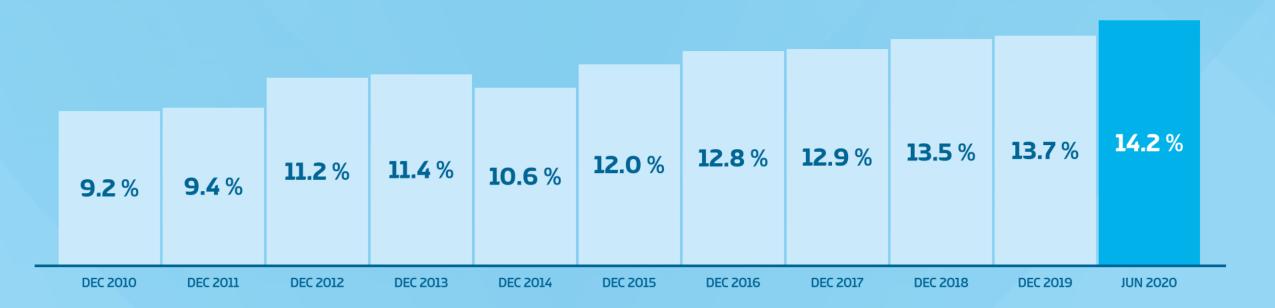


○ H1 2019 ○ **H1 2020** 



## Record capital position with ample buffers, while continued dividend accrual for 2020

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



### 2020 Outlook



Operating environment	<ul> <li>COVID-19 lockdowns redefine macro outlook</li> <li>Real GDP decline of between 4 - 9% expected in 2020, followed by recovery in 2021</li> <li>CEE-wide concerted fiscal mitigation efforts</li> </ul>
Business performance	<ul> <li>Challenged revenue outlook amid economic downturn, rate cuts, expenses to benefit</li> <li>Lower organic growth, protected growth (guarantees) and freezing of good portfolio through moratoria</li> </ul>
Credit risk	<ul> <li>Significant increase in risk costs expected in 2020</li> <li>Aim to frontload as much in 2020 as justifiable</li> <li>Baseline scenario results in risk costs of 65-80 bps, likely at the upper end of range</li> </ul>
Capital position	<ul> <li>CET1 ratio is expected to remain strong with significant cushion in case of worse than expected economic performance</li> <li>Medium-term CET1 target of 13.5% unchanged</li> </ul>
Profitability	<ul> <li>Net result expected meaningfully lower than in 2019</li> <li>Management intends to pay dividends both for 2019 and 2020, subject to business conditions and to regulatory approval</li> </ul>
Risk factors to guidance	<ul> <li>Longer than expected duration of COVID-19 crisis</li> <li>Political or regulatory measures against banks</li> <li>Geopolitical, global economic and global health risks</li> <li>Economic downturn may put goodwill at risk</li> </ul>