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# **Continued strong operating and risk performance**

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# **Operating and risk performance drive net profit**



QoQ net profit development

#### Strong operating performance continues in Q3 23

NII and fees set new quarterly records

#### Parameter updates contribute to increase in risk costs

- Quarterly risk costs primarily booked in Austrian entities

Slightly weaker net result due to risk releases in Q2 23



YTD net profit development

#### NII remained key revenue driver in 1-9 23, up 23.7%

 Net fee income also made a strong positive contribution as did trading and FV result supported by improved valuations

#### Cost inflation in line with expectations

#### Continued strong credit risk performance



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in EUR m

# On track to deliver upgraded 2023 guidance



# Encouraging loan trends, stable core customer deposits



YTD equity & total liability development in EUR bn 337.2 2.4 0.4 5.2 323.9 □0.8 11.8 5.6 31/12/22 Trading Bank Customer Debt Miscellaneous Equity 30/09/23 liabilities deposits deposits securities liabilities

#### Underlying loan growth accelerates in Q3 23

- Driven by EBOe (corporate), Slovakia and Croatia (retail & corporate) \_
- Czech performance understated due to gog currency depreciation \_

Rise in interbank lending due to higher deposit inflows

#### Stable retail and SME deposits

- Quarterly volatility driven exclusively by large corporates and \_ financial institutions business
- Core deposits (Retail, SME, Savings Banks) broadly stable ytd \_ despite continued inflation pressures

#### Senior unsecured and covered bonds issuance drive increase in debt securities



# **Balance sheet metrics strong across the board**



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# Slower growth in 2023, moderate recovery in 2024





Lower household consumption to impact economic growth in 2023; rebound expected in 2024

Declining inflation expected toward year-end 2023, supported by lower energy prices



12.7

RS

8.1

HR

4.2

Labour markets expected to remain strong across CEE & AT

Fiscal and current account balances set to improve on the back of lower energy prices

\* Source: Erste Group Research.



#### MACROECONOMIC AND BUSINESS UPDATE: RETAIL BUSINESS

# **Retail loans up year-to-date**

#### Slightly growing loan book amid economic slowdown

- Housing loan demand stabilisation continued at low levels; increasing demand in certain countries (CZ, RO) and for renovation loans to improve energy efficiency
- New business volumes for consumer loans remain at high levels
- Risk profile of the retail loan portfolio remains excellent

#### Broadly stable retail deposit base

- NII growth mostly liability-driven on the back of euro zone interest rate hikes

#### Stock of securities savings plans increased further in Q3 23

- New sales of savings plans strengthened
- Continued shift from investment funds to bonds due to higher yield environment

#### Retail digital platform George continues to grow

- 9.5 million users onboarded to George across 6 markets
- Continued focus on driving digital adoption among our retail customers
- Digital sales reach 48%, supported by assisted digital sales initiatives in CZ, HR, RO and SK

#### Fee income supported by insurance brokerage and payment fees



Securities savings plans

in thds, eop





# **Corporates and Markets division maintains earnings momentum**

#### Loans moderately up

- Loan growth moderated somewhat across all sub-segments; customer deposits down qoq on large opportunistic placements in Q2 23; SME and public sector deposits stable to positive, benefiting from strong brand and Erste Group rating
- CRE loan stock up on drawing of existing lines, hardly any new projects; focus on green investments
- Key revenue growth driver is NII, mainly benefitting from deposit inflows in Large Corporates

#### Group Markets already ahead of strong 2022

- Financial Institutions business and corporate sales doing well; Retail securities sales +7.5% yoy, Corporate treasury sales +15.9% yoy
- Capital markets origination thrives with 204 issuance mandates by Q3 2024 (+7% over Q3 2022), generating 47% more fees

#### Discretional portfolio management drives Asset Management

- Strong Retail net sales in CZ and HU (EUR 2bn ytd)
- Operating result ahead of expectations

#### George Business

- In Austria over 12,000 business customers with over 47k users onboarded in George Business
  - Rollout in RO in progress, public launch expected in Q1 24



#### +25.6% in EUR m 508 499 450 438 Public sector 404 Commercial Real Estate 89 87 Large Corporates 86 Small and Medium Enterprises 176 149 154 157 142 149 140 Q4 22 Q1 23 Q2 23 Q3 23 Q3 22

**Operating result of Corporate segment** 



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# **Up-tick in underlying loan growth**



### Improving underlying loan growth Q3 23

- Retail loans grew by 4.6% year-on-year (+EUR 3.2bn), primarily in SK and HR, still sluggish in Austrian segments
- Corporate loans up 6.4% year-on-year (+EUR 4.6bn), with healthy demand in SME, CRE and volatile public sector business
- FX impact of EUR -1.3bn qoq (CZ, HU)

#### 2023 loan growth guidance confirmed at ~ +5%

#### Q3 23 loan growth drivers

- CZ: qoq decline exclusively attributable to currency depreciation, currency-adjusted up by 1.9%
- AT/EBOe: solid qoq growth primarily driven by Corporate segment, Retail continues to be sluggish
- HR and SK: healthy qoq and yoy growth trends across all segments

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# **Customer deposit volumes remain stable**



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# Erste Group's favourable deposit mix is a key competitive advantage – overweight retail, sight, EUR deposits

#### Key Q3 23 deposit drivers

- Core deposits (Retail, SME & Savings Banks) broadly stable qoq, yoy
- Share of retail current account deposits (of total Retail) slipped to 56.1% (Q2 23: 57.6%, Q3 22: 61.5%), as customers gradually diversify into term and savings deposits
- CZ: qoq decline attributable to volatility in large corporate, currency depreciation
- AT/OA: qoq decline due to usual business volatility



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# NII momentum remains healthy, guidance upgraded to > +20%



#### NII grows 20.2% yoy, up 3.9% qoq, driven by:

- Higher short and long term interest rates
- Moderately rising deposit pass-through rates, supported by remarkably stable retail deposit structure – slower than expected drift towards term and savings deposits
- Continued retail asset-side repricing
- Moderate volume growth, primarily in corporate business

#### Key NII drivers in Q3 23

- AT/EBOe and AT/SB: variable loan repricing offsets moderately rising deposit pass-through rates
- CZ: NII development reflects deposit repricing and shift from current accounts to term deposits, only partially offset by higher NII from lending
- HU: despite falling interest rates strong recovery following P&L neutral shift in the amount of EUR -108.4m from net trading result to NII in Q2 23
- HR: higher loan volumes and yoy higher interest rates



# Robust fee performance continues, reaching new quarterly high



### Key fee drivers in Q3 23

- Payment fees up on transaction volumes and repricing; together with securities fees strongest growth contributor
- Continued positive contribution from insurance brokerage fees

Overall fee performance very satisfactory in light of economic slowdown

FY23 guidance increased to >5% (previously: ~5%)

Fee income remains a key long-term structural growth opportunity







# **Costs develop in line with expectations**



# Operating expenses by type

#### 1,242 1,230 1,202 82 99 Residual other admin 94 88 Deposit insurance contribution 141 Office expenses 138 124 IT expenses Depreciation and amortisation Personnel expenses 762 736 698 Q4 22 Q1 23 Q2 23 Q3 23

-2.3%

#### Key cost drivers in Q3 23

- Qoq lower personnel expenses attributable to higher expenses for employee share programme in Q2 23 and lower long-term employee provisions
- Yoy personnel expenses reflecting higher wage settlements in all geographies

### FY23 guidance for ~9% cost inflation confirmed



in EUR m

# **Cost/income ratio guidance confirmed at <50% for 2023**



#### in % 60.5 59.0 59.0 55.6 53.4 51.9 51.6 0 49.7 46.2 G23: <50% 44.7 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 Q3 22 Q4 22 Q1 23 Q2 23 Q3 23

Cost/income ratio

#### Key operating result drivers in Q3 23

- Operating result hits new quarterly high as net interest income and fee income post quarterly records
- ... supported by solid trading & FV result on valuation effects

# Q3 23 saw continuing revenue momentum paired with improved cost development



## Parameter updates contribute to higher risk costs in Q3 23



#### **Risk cost ratio \*** in bps 78 G23: <10 bps 37 30 28 15 -3 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 Q3 22 Q4 22 Q1 23 Q2 23 Q3 23

\*) A positive (absolute) figure denotes a net allocation, a negative figure denotes a net release. The risk cost ratio is calculated as annualised quarterly impairment result of financial instruments over average gross customer loans.

#### Underlying credit risk performance remains strong

Broadly unchanged EUR ~900m of portfolio overlays and FLI provisions available for portfolio/macro deterioration

2023 guidance confirmed at <10 bps

#### Key risk costs drivers in Q3 23

- FLI review reflecting latest macro forecast and parameter updates contributed to higher risk cost allocation
- Continued low level of new defaults and good recoveries

# Asset quality parameters remain stable at excellent levels



#### NPL ratio stable at historic low of 2%

- No significant increase in hard defaults due to geopolitical crises and economic slowdown
- NPL/stage 3 coverage remains strong

# FLI and parameters update in Q3 23, no material change in management overlays

- Stage 2 loans slightly up on regular parameter and macroeconomic scenarios update
- Majority of stage 2 loans results from portfolio overlays and FLI updates



# Other result continues to perform well



#### Key other result drivers in Q3 23

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- Regular quarterly banking levy in AT in the amount of EUR 9.1m, financial transaction tax in HU of EUR 17.1m
- Other: increased fair value of Hungarian operation led to negative valuation effects as a result of minority shareholder put option

Other result by accounting categories

in EUR m



# **2023 ROTE guidance confirmed at >15%**





#### Key net profit drivers in Q3 23

- Strong operating result driven by top line growth
- Temporary increase in risk costs following parameter updates

Erste Group continues track record of earning premium on cost of capital

Erste Group targets ROTE of >15% in 2023



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# MREL drives wholesale funding, core customer deposits stable

Liabilities and equity		Debt securities	Interbank deposits	Comments				
323.9 25.3	in EUR bn 337.2 27.7 41.1	in EUR bn	in EUR b	<ul> <li>Higher customer deposit volumes mainly driven by increased corporate and non-core institutional deposits</li> </ul>				
35.9	41.1	41.1 35.9 11.5	28.8 1.8 23.2 4.1	MREL compliance and long- term liquidity needs drive the increase in issued debt securities volumes				
224.0	235.8	$ \begin{array}{c}                                     $	25.1 17.2	Decline in interbank deposits driven by TLTRO				
28.8	23.2 30/09/23		<b>2.0 2.0 31/12/22 30/09/23</b>					
Equity Miscellar Debt sec	neous liabilities urities er deposits posits	<ul> <li>31/12/22 30/09/23</li> <li>Public sector CBs</li> <li>Mortgage CBs</li> <li>Other CDs, name cert's</li> <li>Certificates of deposit</li> <li>Senior unsec. bonds</li> <li>Senior non-preferred bonds</li> <li>Sub debt</li> </ul>	Repurchase agreements Term deposits Overnight deposits					

# 2023 funding plan successfully executed



#### 2023 funding plan successfully executed, pre-funding depending on market conditions

- In September, Erste Group issued a EUR 500m perpNC April 2029 AT1. In order to pro-actively manage its capital stack the new issue was combined with an any-and-all tender offer targeting XS1597324950/perpNC April 2024 AT1 (participation rate 66%, EUR 331.2m).
- 2 senior preferred issuances this year; EUR 750m green senior preferred bond and a EUR 500m senior preferred bond
- Syndicated mortgage bond funding amounted to EUR 2bn (two notes, EUR 1bn each)
- Private placements played a significant role in this year's funding exercises

TLTRO III: Outstanding amount of EUR 6.8bn as of Q3 23



# MREL issuance progresses to plan

**MPE resolution groups** 



#### Multiple point of entry (MPE) resolution strategy

- 6 MPE resolution groups
- 3 (AT, SK, HR) covered by the Single Resolution Board
- 3 (CZ, RO, HU) covered by the respective National Resolution Authority

#### Features of the Austrian resolution group

- Covers parent company (holding), EBOe and savings banks
- Not considered a legal entity or reporting unit, hence there is neither a statutory reporting nor a capital requirement

3-year MREL issuance plan



# More than EUR 4.5bn MREL-related CEE issuances placed in domestic and euro markets in 2022 & 2023

- Holding: ~EUR 5bn PS (thereof latest EUR 500m PS benchmark in Q2 23)
- CZ: ~EUR 2bn, thereof CZK 6bn NPS (domestic) and three EUR 500m NPS (international in Q4 22, Q2 23 and Q3 23)
- SK: ~EUR 1bn PS (several domestic & int issues, latest EUR 300m in Oct 23)
- RO: ~EUR 1bn, thereof three RON 1,387.5m NPS (domestic) and one EUR 700m NPS benchmark (Q2 23)
- HU: ~EUR 550m PS, thereof EUR 350m PS (international issue)
- HR: ~EUR 90m PS (domestic issue, Q2 23)



## **RWAs mainly up on increased exposure**



#### CET 1 capital up by 4.8% ytd

- Q3 23 interim profit not included
- AT1 issuance and tender offer in Sep 23: +EUR 158m
- OCI impact and prudential filters: +EUR 32m

#### RWAs up on exposure growth

- Key ytd credit RWA drivers: +EUR 6.7bn on business effects (mainly corporate business growth, including +EUR 0.7bn for Sberbank CZ acquisition); +EUR 1.3bn from regulatory effects; partially offset by -EUR 1.6bn from improved portfolio
- Market risk RWA down ytd by EUR 1.4bn on internal model effects



# Strong profitability drives capital build



#### CET1 ratio (pro forma, fully loaded) hits new high at close to 15%

- Current share buyback of EUR 300m is progressing well and approaching its final third in full size already deducted from capital
- Confirmation of EUR 2.7 dividend per share for 2023 business year, equating to yield of >8%

#### Target CET1 ratio (fully loaded) upped to 14% on account of higher regulatory capital requirements



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# Another upgrade of 2023 guidance, targeting ROTE of ~15% for 2024

Variable	Previous '23 guidance	New '23 guidance	Key assumptions/additional comments			
Real GDP	> 0%	> 0%	Unchanged economic outlook			
Loans	~ +5%	~ +5%	Guidance confirmed on slightly improving growth patterns			
NII	~ +20%	>+20%	Significant euro zone rates are main driver			
Fees	~ +5%	> +5%	Fee outlook upgrade confirms growth momentum			
Costs	~ +9%	~ +9%	Inflationary pressures partially mitigated by efficiency measures			
CIR	< 50%	< 50%	Maintenance of strong operating performance			
Risk costs	costs< 10 bps< 10 bpsExcellent risk outlook confirmed		Excellent risk outlook confirmed			
ROTE	> 15%	> 15%	Strong profitability outlook driven by operating and risk performance			
Dividend	dend €2.7		Planned dividend for FY2023; unchanged dividend policy with <b>pay-out ratio targeted at</b> <b>40-50%</b>			
CET1 ratio	> 13.5%	> 14.0%	Reflecting higher regulatory capital requirements			
Risk factors to guidance <ul> <li>Political, regulatory, geopolitical, economic, health and competition risks, also non-financial and legal risks</li> <li>Indirect effects from international (military) conflicts, such as the Russia/Ukraine war or in the mid-east region, prolonged supply chain disruptions, additional shock on energy prices and/or supply, deterioration of investment and consumption appetite</li> <li>Economic downturn may put goodwill at risk</li> </ul>						



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# **Banking leadership in Central and Eastern Europe (1)**





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16.1m

45,886

1,974

## **Banking leadership in Central and Eastern Europe (2)**

Easter	n part of EU	Focus of	Focus on CEE, limited exposure to other Europe						
Retail banking	Corporate banking	Capital markets	Public sector	Interbank business					
Acting as Financial Health Advisor for the people in our region Support customers to build up and secure wealth Active management of customer journeys to increase profitability and customer satisfaction	SME and large corporate banking Advisory services, with focus on providing access to capital markets and corporate finance Transaction banking services (trade finance, factoring, leasing) Commercial real estate business	Focus on customer business, incl. customer-based trading activities In addition to core markets, presences in Poland, Germany, New York and Hong Kong with institutional client focus and selected product mix Building debt and equity capital markets in CEE	Financing sovereigns and municipalities with focus on infrastructure development in core markets Any sovereign holdings are held for market-making, liquidity or balance sheet management reasons	Focus on banks that operate in the core markets Any bank exposure is only held for liquidity or balance sheet management reasons or to support client business					

#### FINANCIAL HEALTH – Bringing advice to all customers to improve their financial health

#### **Priorities in digitalisation**

- Invest in data analytics to scale deep client understanding across all client segments and beyond pure banking

- Innovate George for our client franchise and enrich with 3<sup>rd</sup> party products and services



### **Commanding market shares across the CEE region**





# Strong track record of profitability

	Year-to-date view			Quarterly view					
in EUR million	1-9 22	1-9 23	ΥΟΥ-Δ	Q3 22	Q2 23	Q3 23	ΥΟΥ-Δ	QOQ-A	
Net interest income	4,385.2	5,422.3	23.7%	1,548.2	1,792.2	1,861.2	20.2%	3.9%	
Interest income	5,820.9	11,125.4	91.1%	2,312.8	3,765.1	3,972.1	71.7%	5.5%	
Other similar income	1,711.6	3,342.3	95.3%	698.1	1,162.1	1,111.9	59.3%	-4.3%	
Interest expenses	-1,381.9	-4,979.0	>100.0%	-728.1	-1,712.1	-1,854.7	>100.0%	8.3%	
Other similar expenses	-1,765.4	-4,066.4	>100.0%	-734.7	-1,423.0	-1,368.1	86.2%	-3.9%	
Net fee and commission income	1,829.9	1,937.6	5.9%	615.1	631.9	662.9	7.8%	4.9%	
Fee and commission income	2,161.0	2,290.4	6.0%	728.2	753.7	790.1	8.5%	4.8%	
Fee and commission expenses	-331.1	-352.8	6.6%	-113.2	-121.7	-127.2	12.4%	4.5%	
Dividend income	22.9	29.1	27.3%	2.8	17.1	5.8	>100.0%	-66.2%	
Net trading result	-848.5	337.4	n/a	-316.0	153.7	67.0	n/a	-56.4%	
Gains/losses from financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss	743.3	-17.7	n/a	226.5	17.6	46.1	-79.6%	>100.0%	
Net result from equity method investments	14.3	17.6	23.1%	6.2	8.5	4.4	-28.1%	-48.0%	
Rental income from investment properties & other operating leases	123.6	126.4	2.2%	41.3	41.4	44.1	6.7%	6.6%	
Personnel expenses	-1,967.2	-2,195.4	11.6%	-672.5	-761.6	-736.3	9.5%	-3.3%	
Other administrative expenses	-1,003.4	-1,062.0	5.8%	-285.7	-329.6	-323.8	13.3%	-1.8%	
Depreciation and amortisation	-410.7	-417.3	1.6%	-137.7	-139.0	-142.3	3.4%	2.4%	
Gains/losses from derecognition of financial assets measured at amortised cost	-47.3	-3.0	-93.6%	-16.5	-0.1	-2.0	-87.9%	>100.0%	
Other gains/losses from derecognition of financial instruments not measured at fair value through profit or loss	-23.2	-0.6	-97.4%	-25.2	1.7	-3.4	-86.4%	n/a	
Impairment result from financial instruments	-158.3	-127.5	-19.4%	-184.3	8.3	-156.5	-15.1%	n/a	
Other operating result	-246.5	-326.9	32.6%	-47.3	-8.8	-43.8	-7.2%	>100.0%	
Levies on banking activities	-133.2	-147.8	11.0%	-22.3	-22.0	-26.7	19.7%	21.7%	
Pre-tax result from continuing operations	2,414.1	3,720.0	54.1%	754.9	1,433.4	1,283.5	70.0%	-10.5%	
Taxes on income	-434.5	-669.6	54.1%	-119.3	-253.0	-231.0	93.6%	-8.7%	
Net result for the period	1,979.6	3,050.4	54.1%	635.6	1,180.4	1,052.5	65.6%	-10.8%	
Net result attributable to non-controlling interests	332.6	740.9	>100.0%	125.6	284.1	232.8	85.4%	-18.1%	
Net result attributable to owners of the parent	1,647.0	2,309.6	40.2%	510.0	896.3	819.7	60.7%	-8.5%	
Operating income	6,270.7	7,852.8	25.2%	2,124.0	2,662.4	2,691.6	26.7%	1.1%	
Operating expenses	-3,381.3	-3,674.6	8.7%	-1,096.0	-1,230.2	-1,202.4	9.7%	-2.3%	
Operating result	2,889.4	4,178.1	44.6%	1,028.1	1,432.3	1,489.2	44.9%	4.0%	



# Strong balance sheet dominated by customer loans

	Quarterly data				Change			
in EUR million	Sep 22	Dec 22	Mar 23	Jun 23	Sep 23	ΥΟΥ-Δ	YTD-Δ	QOQ-A
Cash and cash balances	44,552	35,685	43,305	32,810	31,922	-28.3%	-10.5%	-2.7%
Financial assets held for trading	5,375	7,766	6,472	8,076	6,971	29.7%	-10.2%	-13.7%
Derivatives	1,982	1,719	1,668	1,306	1,357	-31.5%	-21.1%	3.9%
Other financial assets held for trading	3,394	6,047	4,803	6,770	5,615	65.5%	-7.1%	-17.1%
Non-trading financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	2,791	2,735	2,870	2,902	2,889	3.5%	5.6%	-0.5%
Equity instruments	367	347	366	381	384	4.6%	10.8%	0.9%
Debt securities	1,660	1,549	1,633	1,584	1,555	-6.3%	0.4%	-1.8%
Loans and advances to banks	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Loans and advances to customers	764	839	870	938	949	24.3%	13.1%	1.2%
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	9,247	9,560	9,811	10,087	10,227	10.6%	7.0%	1.4%
Equity instruments	121	99	99	96	98	-18.4%	-0.7%	2.6%
Debt securities	9,126	9,460	9,712	9,991	10,129	11.0%	7.1%	1.4%
Financial assets at amortised cost	259,311	253,360	265,455	274,936	270,286	4.2%	6.7%	-1.7%
Debt securities	41,253	40,612	43,401	44,819	44,367	7.5%	9.2%	-1.0%
Loans and advances to banks	26,721	18,435	27,299	33,454	28,094	5.1%	52.4%	-16.0%
Loans and advances to customers	191,337	194,313	194,755	196,663	197,825	3.4%	1.8%	0.6%
Finance lease receivables	4,345	4,553	4,640	4,790	4,869	12.1%	6.9%	1.6%
Hedge accounting derivatives	99	159	218	226	204	>100.0%	28.8%	-9.5%
Fair value changes of hedged items in portfolio hedge of interest rate risk	-38	-38	-35	-35	-35	-6.7%	-7.0%	0.4%
Property and equipment	2,542	2,618	2,671	2,665	2,593	2.0%	-1.0%	-2.7%
Investment properties	1,377	1,372	1,391	1,408	1,457	5.8%	6.2%	3.5%
Intangible assets	1,300	1,347	1,335	1,328	1,313	1.0%	-2.5%	-1.2%
Investments in associates and joint ventures	223	209	217	225	225	1.0%	8.0%	0.1%
Current tax assets	114	109	105	115	113	-1.2%	3.9%	-1.6%
Deferred tax assets	582	629	582	516	450	-22.6%	-28.4%	-12.8%
Assets held for sale	59	167	175	163	173	>100.0%	3.6%	6.2%
Trade and other receivables	2,349	2,404	2,402	2,489	2,510	6.9%	4.4%	0.8%
Other assets	1,069	1,232	1,308	1,290	994	-7.0%	-19.3%	-22.9%
Total assets	335,297	323,865	342,921	343,993	337,161	0.6%	4.1%	-2.0%


## Liabilities dominated by retail deposits

		Q	uarterly data	a			Change	
in EUR million	Sep 22	Dec 22	Mar 23	Jun 23	Sep 23	ΥΟΥ-Δ	YTD-∆	QOQ-A
Financial liabilities held for trading	3,175	3,264	3,139	2,788	2,428	-23.5%	-25.6%	-12.9%
Derivatives	2,540	2,626	2,505	2,070	1,918	-24.5%	-27.0%	-7.3%
Other financial liabilities held for trading	634	637	635	718	510	-19.6%	-20.0%	-29.0%
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	10,031	10,814	11,227	11,223	10,931	9.0%	1.1%	-2.6%
Deposits from customers	1,323	1,353	1,384	1,201	1,016	-23.2%	-24.9%	-15.5%
Debt securities issued	8,547	9,310	9,708	9,890	9,781	14.4%	5.1%	-1.1%
Other financial liabilities	162	151	135	132	134	-17.5%	-11.5%	1.7%
Financial liabilities at amortised cost	291,880	278,932	295,892	297,334	290,402	-0.5%	4.1%	-2.3%
Deposits from banks	36,158	28,821	29,876	25,669	23,223	-35.8%	-19.4%	-9.5%
Deposits from customers	231,128	222,620	236,690	239,881	234,758	1.6%	5.5%	-2.1%
Debt securities issued	23,785	26,593	28,538	30,756	31,307	31.6%	17.7%	1.8%
Other financial liabilities	810	899	787	1,027	1,114	37.6%	24.0%	8.4%
Lease liabilities	653	662	699	703	684	4.8%	3.3%	-2.7%
Hedge accounting derivatives	380	372	365	322	300	-21.1%	-19.6%	-7.0%
Fair value changes of hedged items in portfolio hedge of interest rate risk	0	0	0	0	0	-14.3%	-14.3%	-14.3%
Provisions	1,696	1,676	1,857	1,702	1,636	-3.5%	-2.4%	-3.9%
Current tax liabilities	114	127	163	171	174	52.9%	36.9%	2.0%
Deferred tax liabilities	24	16	19	3	3	-85.7%	-78.0%	28.7%
Liabilities associated with assets held for sale	0	115	112	104	119	n/a	3.9%	14.8%
Other liabilities	2,760	2,581	2,966	2,909	2,796	1.3%	8.3%	-3.9%
Total equity	24,584	25,305	26,483	26,735	27,687	12.6%	9.4%	3.6%
Equity attributable to non-controlling interests	5,827	5,957	6,188	6,424	6,672	14.5%	12.0%	3.9%
Additional equity instruments	2,236	2,236	2,236	2,236	2,394	7.1%	7.1%	7.1%
Equity attributable to owners of the parent	16,521	17,111	18,059	18,074	18,621	12.7%	8.8%	3.0%
Subscribed capital	860	860	860	860	851	-0.9%	-0.9%	-0.9%
Additional paid-in capital	1,478	1,478	1,478	1,478	1,486	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%
Retained earnings and other reserves	14,183	14,774	15,721	15,737	16,284	14.8%	10.2%	3.5%
Total liabilities and equity	335,297	323,865	342,921	343,993	337,161	0.6%	4.1%	-2.0%

## Capital requirements for 2023 slightly up on higher buffers

	I	Erste Group Consolidated				Erste Group Unconsolidated				
		Fully loaded			Fully loaded					
		2021	2022	Q3 2023	YE 2023	2021	2022	Q3 2023	YE 2023	
Pillar 1 CET1 r	equirement	4.50%	4.50%	4.50%	4.50%	4.50%	4.50%	4.50%	4.50%	
Combined buff	er requirement	4.68%	4.91%	5.44%	5.45%	4.62%	4.78%	5.22%	5.31%	
Capital conse	ervation buffer (CCB)	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	
Countercyclic	cal capital buffer (CCyB) 1)	0.18%	0.41%	0.69%	0.70%	0.12%	0.28%	0.47%	0.56%	
OSII buffer		1.00%	1.00%	1.25%	1.25%	1.00%	1.00%	1.75%	1.75%	
Systemic risk	buffer (SRB)	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	0.50%	0.50%	
Pillar 2 CET1 r	equirement (P2R) 2)	0.98%	0.98%	0.98%	0.98%	0.98%	0.98%	0.98%	0.98%	
Pillar 2 CET1 g	uidance (P2G)	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Regulatory min	imum ratios excluding P2G									
	CET1 requirement	10.16%	10.40%	10.92%	10.94%	10.10%	10.27%	10.70%	10.79%	
1.50% AT1	Tier 1 requirement	11.99%	12.23%	12.75%	12.77%	11.93%	12.10%	12.53%	12.62%	
2.00% T2	Own funds requirement	14.43%	14.66%	15.19%	15.20%	14.37%	14.53%	14.97%	15.06%	
Regulatory min	imum ratios including P2G									
	CET1 requirement	11.16%	11.40%	11.92%	11.94%	10.10%	10.27%	10.70%	10.79%	
1.50% AT1	Tier 1 requirement	12.99%	13.23%	13.75%	13.77%	11.93%	12.10%	12.53%	12.62%	
2.00% T2	Own funds requirement	15.43%	15.66%	16.19%	16.20%	14.37%	14.53%	14.97%	15.06%	
Reported CET	ratio as of September 2023			14.56%				24,84% 3)		

#### Buffer to MDA restriction as of 30 Sep 2023: 344bps

Available distributable items (ADI) as of 30 Sep 2023: EUR 4.9bn (post expected dividend); based on CRR II, which allows additional own funds components to be included, ADIs are at EUR 7.5bn

1. Planned values based on Q3 23 exposure.

2. As of end of May 2021 Art. 70b (7) ABA applies using P2R according to the capital stack: 56.25% for CET1 capital and 75% for Tier 1 capital. The overall P2R remained at 1.75% for Erste Group.

3. Consolidated capital ratios pursuant to IFRS on phased-in basis. Unconsolidated capital ratios pursuant to IFRS as of Q2 2023. ADIs pursuant to Austrian Commercial Code (UGB).



## **MREL** compliance at point of entry level (bail-in)



Erste Group follows an MPE resolution strategy with each resolution group issuing its external MREL debt

\* Erste Bank Hungary: 30% held by Corvinus/Hungarian State and EBRD (15% each) with option agreement to sell stakes to Erste Group Bank AG \*\*Erste Bank Croatia: direct stake of 59%; indirect stake through Steiermärkische Sparkasse



## Austrian resolution group: MREL requirement based on RWA fulfilled



\* TREA... total risk exposure amount

\*\* Target including the Combined Buffer Requirement (CBR)

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Key take-aways

## Erste Group adopted multiple point of entry (MPE) resolution approach

- In Q2 23, Erste Group Bank AG received its MREL requirement calibrated on 31 Dec 2021 balance sheet data
- From 1.1.2024, Erste Group Bank AG, as the resolution entity of the Austrian resolution group, must comply with a MREL requirement of 28.69% of TREA (excl. CBR) and 9.49% of Leverage Ratio Exposure (LRE). In addition, the subordination requirement is set at 16.88% (excl. CBR) of TREA and 8.81% of LRE respectively.
- As of Q3 2023 the Combined Buffer Requirement (CBR) of the Austrian Resolution Group was 4.99% of TREA.
- Based on the Austrian resolution group's RWAs as of Sep 2023 of approx. EUR 92.5bn, the current MREL ratio stands at 37.64%, thereof 25.94% being subordinated eligible liabilities.

#### As of Q3 23 the AT resolution group is compliant with both the interim and final MREL and subordination requirements (TREA and LRE-based) to be fulfilled from 1 Jan 2022 and 1 Jan 2024, respectively.

 Potential changes in the MREL requirement will be reflected in Erste Group Bank AG's funding plan as to ensure compliance with MREL & subordination targets

## **Erste Group benefits from a highly diversified loan book**



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## Financial asset portfolio creates strong net interest income tailwinds



# Financial assets are geographically well-diversified

- Main rationale is maintenance of strong levels of highly liquid assets
- Focus on Erste Group core markets
- Largest exposure is to Czech sovereign

#### Amortised cost portfolio as at Q3 23

- Amounts to EUR 44.4bn or 79% of total financial assets, +9.2% ytd
- Portfolio duration: 4.4 years
- Portfolio yield: 2.5%

- Rolling maturities are re-invested at higher yields
- Focus on euro driven by investments in core markets (AT, SK) as well as other euro zone exposures
- Focus on strong ratings: ~76% A or higher, ~23% BBB



## Erste Group supports the well-being in the CEE region

#### **Priority objectives**

## W Leading Green Transition

Erste Group strives to be a role model and leading institution to mobilise funds for tackling climate change, clean water preservation and improvement in material efficiency as it is a great chance for the citizens of CEE.

We believe in a just transition for all, and therefore Erste Group helps all its clients to progress.

### 🛞 Nurturing Social Inclusion

Since its foundation, Erste Group has taken an active role in building inclusive societies in the CEE region.

Our efforts in financial inclusion, social banking, financial literacy, affordable housing and gender equality are relevant today, as they were 200 years ago.



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#### **Our promise**

#### Customers

Providing prosperity to our clients in an inclusive, secure and sustainable way through our advisory and sustainable finance products.

#### **Employees**

shall benefit from our services, disseminating prosperity to all and contributing to the company success through servicing our clients in a sustainable and efficient way.

#### Shareholders

Ensuring adequate and long-term sustainable compensation by an inclusive growth strategy and resilient company values.

#### Society

Increasing well-being of our societies and local communities built on social cohesion and good environmental status.



## Sustainability is embedded into the DNA of Erste Group



**mobilise financial resources** and **customer advice** for **social-ecological goals** and support customers on their way to a **sustainable business model** 



actively participate in public initiatives and thus make a positive contribution in our region



Good corporate citizenship

demonstrate strong **social commitment** by adhering to rules and standards that we also expect from our business partners



**Employee engagement** and social contribution

support employee awareness and commitment through training and volunteering opportunities



## Erste Group has set itself ambitious ESG targets

25%



green investments by 2026 in our corporate book to be reached

**15%** green housing mortgages by 2027

Net-zero portfolio

by 2050

**Coal exit** 

by 2030

90%

low carbon electricity by 2050

## **17 Ecolabel funds**

offered to our clients by 2023 to promote investment opportunities

**Erste Group through its Social Banking** continues to be the **leader in offering financial services** to NGOs, start-ups and individuals in difficult situations.

EUR 1bn



Social Finance loans provided by 2030

200,000



jobs to be created or preserved by 2030 by Social Banking

activities

500,000



**financial education beneficiaries** by 2030

15,000

affordable housing units by 2030



women in B/B-1 positions by 2025

40% \*\*\*

women in B-2/B-3 positions by 2025



## Environment

Net zero operations

#### **Green Investments**



\* First time calculation including operational Scope 3 emissions

Scope 3, financed emissions, covering EUR 183.2bn exposure – low intensity & overall emissions (as of Q3 23)

→ basis for our journey towards net-zero portfolio by 2050





## Net-zero target setting to move towards 1.5 degree climate scenarios



The EU members states' updated National Energy & Climate Plans (NECP) in acc. with the Green Deal will allow us to update our target setting for all sectors to be in line with 1.5° scenarios

## **Erste Group has strong ESG ratings**



\* 2023 update pending



## Erste Group benefits from strong and well-diversified shareholder base



#### Notes to shareholder structure

- Foundations include Erste Employees Private Foundation, Syndicated Savings Banks Foundations, own holdings of Savings Banks
- Identified Trading includes market makers, prime brokerage, proprietary trading, collateral and stock lending positions which are visible through custodian bank lists
- Unidentified include unidentified institutional and retail investors
- The shareholder structure may contain rounding differences

Status as of 26 October 2023



## **Erste Group Bank AG boasts strong issuer ratings**

## Moody's

Weighted Macro Prof	ile			
Strong				
+				
Financial Profile				
Asset Risk	baa1			
Capital	baa1			
Profitability	baa3			
Funding Structure	a2			
Liquid Resources	baa1			
+				
Qualitative Factors				
Business Diversification	0			
Opacity and Complexity	0			
Corporate Behaviour	0			
=				
BCA Baseline Credit Assessment baa1				
+				
Affiliate Support	0			
=				
Adjusted BCA	baa1			
+ LGF Loss Given Failure + 2				
Government Support +1				
 Senior Unsecured				
Long-Term Outlook / Short-Term				
A1 / Stable / P-1				

## S&P Global

Ratings

SACP - Stand-Alone Credit Profile			
а			
▲			
Anchor	bbb+		
Business position	Strong	+1	
Capital and earnings	Adequate	0	
Risk position	Adequate	0	
Funding	Above Average	+1	
Liquidity	Strong	+1	
CRA adjustment		0	

# Support +1 ▲ ▲ ALAC Support +1 GRE Support 0 Group Support 0 Sovereign Support 0

+ Additional Factors 0 = Issuer Credit Rating

Long-Term Outlook / Short-Term

A+ / Stable / A-1

## **Fitch**Ratings



Term Outlook / Short-Term

Status as of 21 July 2023



## **Geographical/operating and business segment view**







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