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## Preliminary year-end & Q4 2023 results

**Investor Presentation** 

Oslo, 1 February 2024





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## Highlights FY & Q4 2023



FY: Combined ratio at 88.5% | Total investment return of 944 | EPS at NOK 18.3

FY	Q4
88.5%	86.4%
Combined Ratio	Combined Ratio
10 423 Gross premiums written	2 060 Gross premiums written
37%	48%
LCY GWP growth	LCY GWP growth
944	504
Total investment return	Total investment return
1 509	676
Profit for the period	Profit for the period
195%	195%
Solvency Capital Ratio	Solvency Capital Ratio
18.3 Earnings per share  Amounts in NOKm, Earnings per share NOK	8.2 Earnings per share

## **FY highlights**

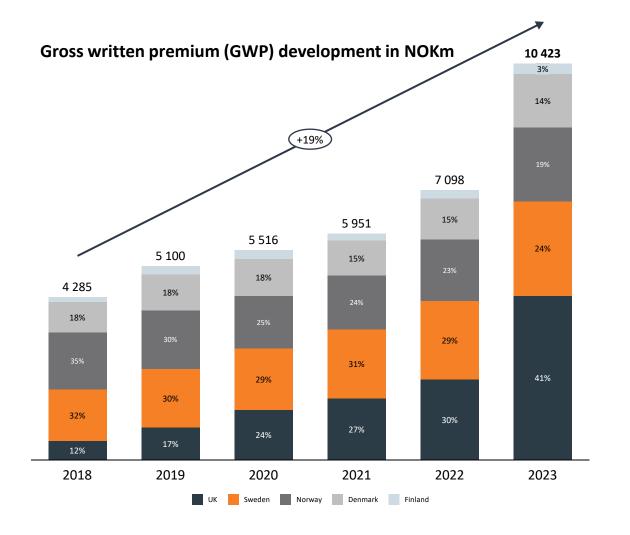
- Full IFRS accounting implemented
- Long-Term Issuer Credit rating of BBB+ affirmed, and outlook revised to positive from stable.
- Work on French market continues.
  - A branch application will be submitted shortly

## Q4 highlights

- Successful placement of a new Solvency II compliant Tier 2 bond issue of NOK 650 million
- January 1st 2024 growth in GWP at 16 % in LCY
- The Board has decided to distribute a special dividend of NOK 412.2 million, corresponding to NOK 5.00 per share.
  - The payment will take place 14 February 2024

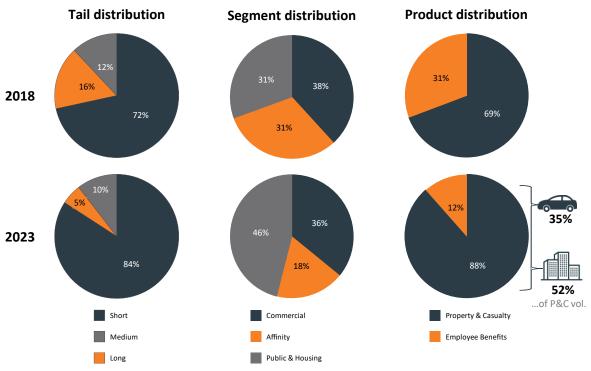
## Premium growth and composition

## **Disciplined Underwriting and risk management**





• 5-year and 10-year CAGR GWP at 19%







## Volume update

FY: GWP growth 47% | 37% in local currencies (LCY)

- FY growth at 47% Renewal rate at 104%
  - Low churn and price increases to counter claims inflation
  - 60% of new sales originating from the UK
  - Increased new sales in the Nordics (20% increase from 22)
- UK growing 84% in 2023
  - Market conditions resulting in high hit ratios
  - Consistent and disciplined underwriting and risk appetite
- Q4 growth at 62% Renewal rate at 105%
  - Low churn and price increases to counter claims inflation
  - Significant new sales in UK and NO
- January 1st 2024 growth in GWP at 16 % in LCY
  - Driven by high renewal rate in all units



#### NOKm, Gross written premiums

Business unit	FY 23	FY 22	Growth	NOK%	LCY%
Norway	1 941	1 610	331	21%	21%
Sweden	2 486	2 073	413	20%	14%
Denmark	1 407	1 077	330	31%	16%
UK	4 321	2 116	2 205	104%	84%
Finland	268	222	46	21%	7%
Protector	10 423	7 098	3 325	47%	37%

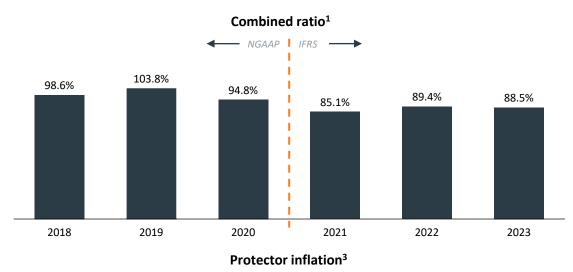
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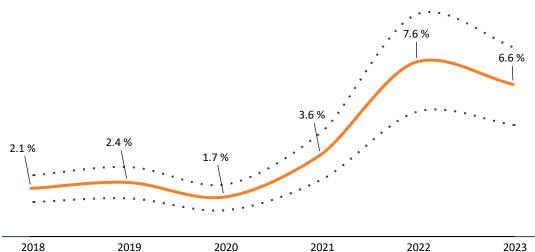
Business unit	Q4 23	Q4 22	Growth	NOK%	LCY%
Norway	213	144	69	48%	48%
Sweden	453	383	69	18%	9%
Denmark	235	143	92	65%	51%
UK	1 132	597	535	90%	68%
Finland	27	8	19	229%	264%
Protector	2 060		785	62%	48%

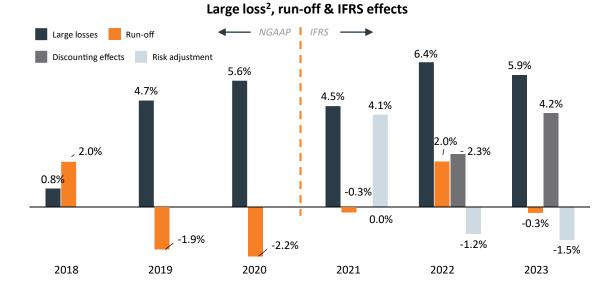
## Profitability development

## Underwriting discipline yields stable underlying profitability









- External factors affects profitability development between quarters and even years
  - · High inflation environment last couple of years
  - Interest rate fluctuations
- Disciplined underwriting enables us to adapt in due time



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Restated combined ratios as defined within IFRS from 2021 onwards. IFRS-figures are not audited.

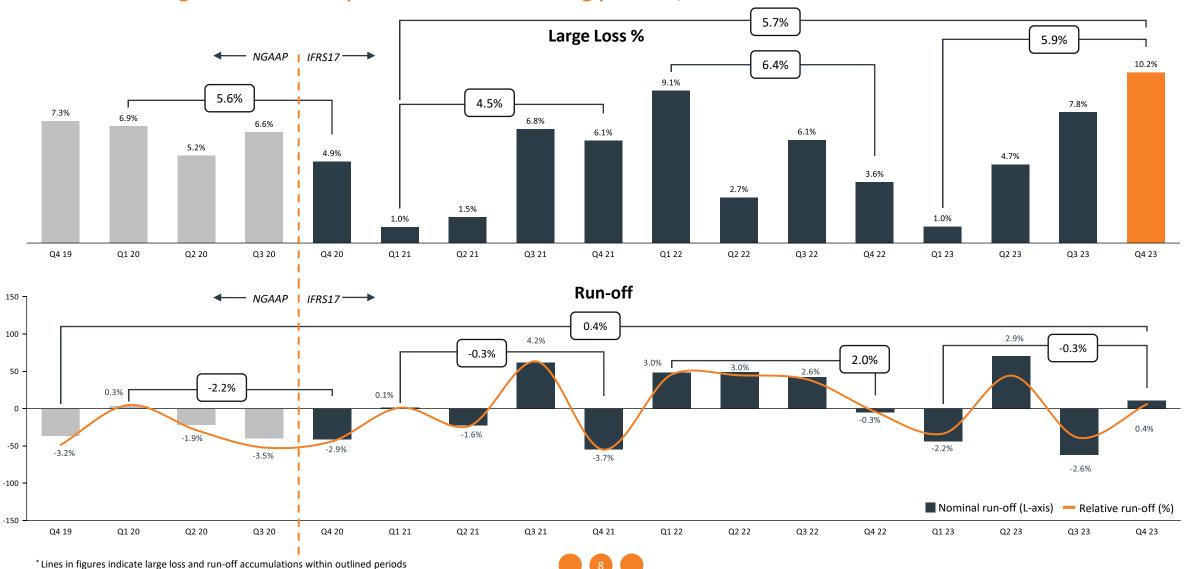
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Large losses defined as absolute net losses > NOK 10m

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Accumulated inflation pr. Country/segment/product in terms of total GWP – currency adjusted

## Large losses and run-off

# PROTECTOR insurance

Normalised large loss level 7% | Best estimate reserving practice, run-off 0% over time



## Claims update

FY: Net loss ratio at 77.7% | Gross loss ratio at 76.5%

- FY Large losses of NOK 550.7m, or 5.9% (425.9, or 6.4%)
  - 20 large loss events across four countries.
    - 60% of large losses from the UK, 20% from Norway (primarily Extreme weather Hans <sup>2</sup>)
- FY run-off losses at 0.3% (gain of 2.0%)
  - Run-off gains in the Nordics, losses in the UK
  - 1.1%-points of losses linked to large losses from previous years
- Q4 large loss of NOK 189.7m, or 10.2% (64.5, or 3.6%)
  - 13 large loss events across four countries.
    - 60% of large losses from Storms (UK) and Extreme weather (NO) events
- Q4 run-off gains at 0.4% (loss of 0.3%)
  - Run-off loss in the NO and FI, gains in SE, DK and the UK
  - 0.6%-points of losses linked to large losses from previous years



#### Loss ratios

Business unit	FY 23	FY 23	FY 22	FY 22
Busilless utilt	Gross	Net	Gross	Net
Norway	89%	90%	82%	82%
Sweden	74%	79%	72%	75%
Denmark	79%	79%	90%	86%
UK	70%	70%	68%	74%
Finland	72%	73%	75%	76%
Protector	76.5%	77.7%	76.2%	78.3%

#### Loss ratios

Business unit	Q4 23	Q4 23	Q4 22	Q4 22
busilless utill	Gross	Net	Gross	Net
Norway	92%	91%	106%	97%
Sweden	69%	73%	71%	78%
Denmark	52%	63%	98%	85%
UK	77%	75%	54%	64%
Finland	76%	77%	55%	57%
Protector		75.7%		78.4%





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Claims relating to extreme weather Hans in Norway covered by the Norwegian Natural Perils pool; Protector covering our share (based on market share within fire insurance (Property)) at 3.7415%

## Cost and quality leadership





## Cost ratio and commissions to brokers and agents (%)

		<b>+</b>	NGAAP	IFRS17	•	
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Nordics	6.3 %	5.7 %	6.2 %	10.1 %	9.9 %	10.1 %
UK	16.9 %	11.7 %	12.9 %	16.8 %	14.7 %	11.9 %
Protector	8.4 %	8.3 %	10.3 %	11.8 %	11.1 %	10.8 %
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- UK growth main driver for cost ratio improvement
- Commissions to brokers and agents an increasingly larger share of cost
  - Growth from the UK and SE
  - Cost excluding commissions from 8.0% in 2021 to 6.4% in 2023
- We invest in competence and quality, efficiency will come

## Broker satisfaction index<sup>(1)</sup>



#### Other merits in 2023

1st place in the Norwegian Insurance Brokers' Association survey

1st place in the Norwegian Söderberg & Partners Quality Price

**1st place** in the Danish Willis Quality Index



## Cost update



## FY: Cost ratio at 10.8%, whereof 4.4% is linked to commissions to brokers and agents

- FY cost ratio at 10.8% (11.1%), 6.4% exclusive of commissions to brokers and agents
  - 4.4% (3.9%) in commissions
- FY operational working FTEs on average 391 (338)
  - Increased by 15.7%

•	Q4 cost ratio at 10.7%	(12.3%), 6.0%	exclusive of	commissions

- 4.7% (4.0%) in commissions
- Q4 operational working FTEs on average 421 (355)
  - Increased by 18.6%
  - Recruitment activity at a high level entering 2024

Business unit	FY 23	FY 23	FY 22	FY 22
busilless utill	Cost %	Comm%*	Cost %	Comm%*
Norway	7%	2%	6%	1%
Sweden	13%	8%	12%	7%
Denmark	7%	0%	8%	0%
UK	12%	5%	15%	6%
Finland	13%	0%	17%	0%
Protector	10.8%	4.4%	11.1%	3.9%

<sup>\*</sup>Commissions to brokers and agents

Ducinoss unit	Q4 23	Q4 23	Q4 22	Q4 22
Business unit	Cost %	Comm%*	Cost %	Comm%*
Norway	9%	4%	6%	1%
Sweden	13%	8%	14%	7%
Denmark	8%	0%	12%	0%
UK	10%	5%	14%	6%
Finland	17%	0%	30%	0%
Protector	10.7%		12.3%	4.0%
*Commissions to broke	ers and agents			



## Country-by-country key metrics

## Quarterly volatility must be expected, especially by country



FY 23

	Norwa	ıy	Swede	en	Denma	ark	UK		Finlan	d	Protect	or
NOKm	FY 23	FY 22	FY 23	FY 22	FY 23	FY 22						
Gross premium written	1 941	1 610	2 486	2 073	1 407	1 077	4 321	2 116	268	222	10 423	7 098
Insurance revenues	1 883	1 583	2 400	1 942	1 336	1 040	3 504	1 814	263	240	9 386	6 619
Insurance service result	55	186	193	237	176	56	618	203	37	17	1 080	701
Loss ratio, gross	89.2%	81.6%	74.4%	72.0%	79.3%	90.1%	70.4%	68.2%	72.3%	75.0%	76.5%	76.2%
Net reinsurance ratio	0.6%	0.3%	4.1%	3.4%	0.0%	-3.9%	0.0%	6.0%	0.6%	0.5%	1.2%	2.1%
Loss ratio, net of reinsurance	89.8%	81.9%	78.5%	75.4%	79.3%	86.2%	70.4%	74.2%	72.9%	75.5%	77.7%	78.3%
Cost ratio	7.3%	6.3%	13.4%	12.4%	7.5%	8.4%	11.9%	14.6%	13.2%	17.2%	10.8%	11.1%
Combined ratio	97.1%	88.2%	91.9%	87.8%	86.8%	94.6%	82.4%	88.8%	86.1%	92.8%	88.5%	89.4%

#### Q4 23

	Norw	ay	Swed	en	Denm	ark	UK		Finlar	nd	Protec	tor
NOKm	Q4 23	Q4 22	Q4 23	Q4 22	Q4 23	Q4 22	Q4 23	Q4 22	Q4 23	Q4 22	Q4 23	Q4 22
Gross premium written	213	144	453	383	235	143	1 132	597	27	8	2 060	1 275
Insurance revenues	505	407	640	515	367	275	1 047	522	88	62	2 646	1 781
Insurance service result	2	(14)	90	46	109	8	155	119	6	8	361	167
Loss ratio, gross	91.8%	106.0%	68.8%	70.9%	51.5%	97.8%	76.8%	54.4%	76.3%	55.0%	74.2%	77.7%
Net reinsurance ratio	-1.1%	-8.9%	3.9%	6.7%	11.3%	-12.7%	-2.0%	9.2%	0.3%	1.6%	1.5%	0.7%
Loss ratio, net of reinsurance	90.6%	97.1%	72.7%	77.6%	62.8%	85.1%	74.8%	63.6%	76.6%	56.6%	75.7%	78.4%
Cost ratio	8.9%	6.3%	13.3%	13.6%	7.6%	12.0%	10.4%	13.6%	16.6%	30.1%	10.7%	12.3%
Combined ratio	99.5%	103.4%	86.0%	91.2%	70.4%	97.2%	85.2%	77.2%	93.2%	86.7%	86.4%	90.6%





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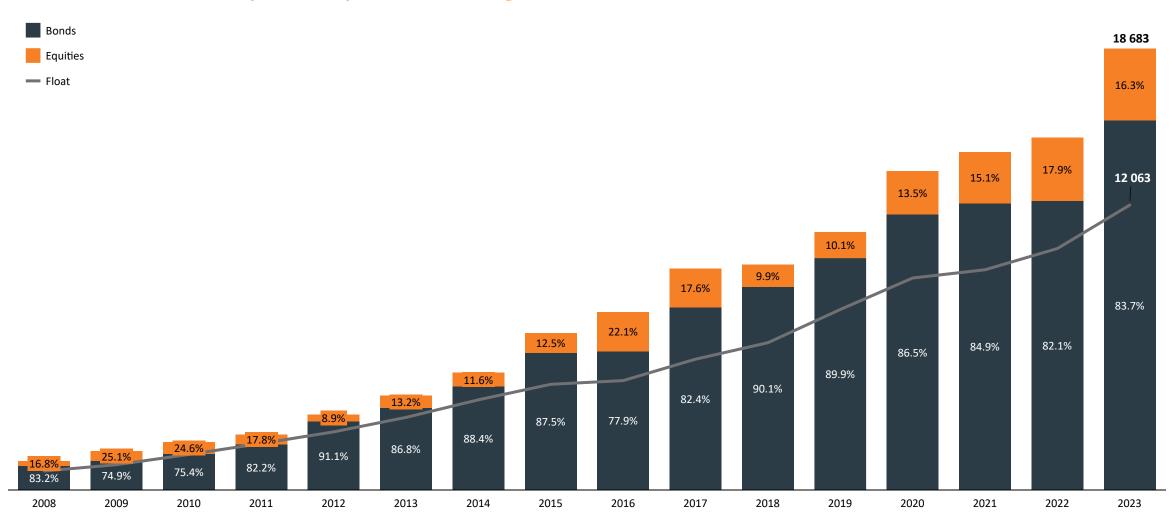
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## **Investments**

PROTECTOR insurance

AUM: NOK 18 683m at year-end | Float increasing

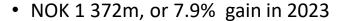






## Investment performance

## 7.9% return in 2023 | 5.1% return in Q4



• Equities: NOK 325m, or 12.1%

• Put options: NOK -60m

• Bonds: NOK 1 107m, or 7.6%

• Interest rate swaps: NOK 87m

- Strong year for Nordic HY bonds
  - DNB Nordic HY index up 11.2% in 2023, and 2.8% in Q4
- NOK 890m, or 5.1% gain in Q4

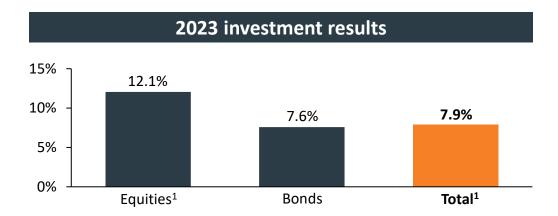
• Equities: NOK 309m, or 11.7%

• Put options: NOK -19m

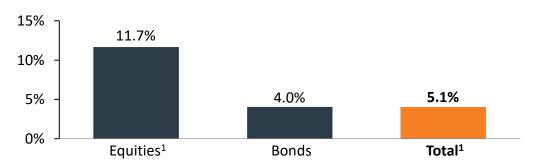
• Bonds: NOK 600m, or 4.0%

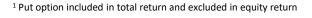
Interest rate swaps: NOK 217m









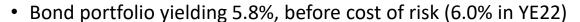






## Investment portfolio statistics

## Bond portfolio yield at 5.8%, before cost of risk



- Underlying ref rate +0.6%-points, spread -87bps from YE22
- Slightly reduced bond risk YE23 compared to YE22
  - HY portfolio totalling BNOK ≈ 4.5 vs. BNOK 4.1 YE22
  - Credit duration decreased to 1.9, from 2.2 YE22
  - A- average rating, same as YE22
- Duration stable at 2.2, down from 2.5 YE22
  - Steering interest rate risk from solvency capital perspective
- Equity share at 16.0%, down from 17.8% YE22
  - Up from 14.6% in Q3



	Investment portfolio statistics <sup>1</sup>	31.12.23	31.12.22	30.09.23
	Size bond & cash eq. (NOKm) <sup>2</sup>	15 650	12 249	14 864
<b>a</b> )	Avg. ref. rate (NIBOR, STIBOR, etc.)	3.9%	3.3%	4.2%
Fixed income	Avg. spread/risk premium (bps)	186	273	179
linc	Yield <sup>3</sup>	5.8%	6.0%	5.9%
ixec	Duration <sup>3</sup>	2.2	2.5	2.4
	Credit duration	1.9	2.2	1.8
	Avg. rating <sup>4</sup>	Α-	A-	Α

Equities	Portfolio size <sup>5</sup>	2 983	2 648	2 544
	Share of total	16.0%	17.8%	14.6%
	Estimated intrinsic value discount	35%	30%	37%
	No. of companies	32	28	32

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Bank deposits included

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Size excludes currency swaps

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Interest rate swap effect included

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Avg. linear rating based on official rating (>50%) and 'Protector rating' (<50%)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Size excludes currency swaps and put options



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## Profit and loss FY 23 (& Q4 23)

Profit of NOK 1 509m (1 379) | EPS at NOK 18.3 (16.7)

NOKm	FY 23	FY 22	Q4 23	Q4 22
Insurance revenue	9 386	6 619	2 646	1 781
Insurance claims expenses	(7 182)	(5 045)	(1 963)	(1 384)
Insurance operating expenses	(1 011)	(734)	(282)	(218)
Insurance service result before reinsurance contracts held	1 193	840	401	179
Reinsurance premium	(584)	(826)	(142)	(228)
Amounts recovered from reinsurance	471	687	102	216
Net result from reinsurance contracts held	(113)	(139)	(40)	(12)
Insurance service result	1 080	701	361	167
Net income from investments	1 328	477	860	631
Net insurance finance income or expenses	(384)	607	(356)	(85)
Other income/costs	(91)	(74)	(26)	(23)
Profit before tax	1 933	1 711	840	690
Tax	(439)	(341)	(182)	(90)
Discontinued operations	15	10	18	13
Profit for the period	1 509	1 379	676	613
Large losses, net of reinsurance	(550.7)	(425.9)	(268.7)	(64.5)
Run-off gains/losses, net of reinsurance	(25.5)	133.7	10.6	(5.2)
Change in risk adjustment, net of reinsurance	(136.9)	(79.6)	(42.7)	(27.5)
Discounting effect, net of reinsurance	390.9	154.5	116.9	76.7
Loss ratio	76.5%	76.2%	74.2%	77.7%
Net reinsurance ratio	1.2%	2.1%	1.5%	0.7%
Loss ratio, net of reinsurance	77.7%	78.3%	75.7%	78.4%
Cost ratio	10.8%	11.1%	10.7%	12.3%
Combined ratio	88.5%	89.4%	86.4%	90.6%
Earnings per share	18.3	16.7	8.2	7.4





## Balance sheet

#### SCR ratio<sup>1</sup> at 195%

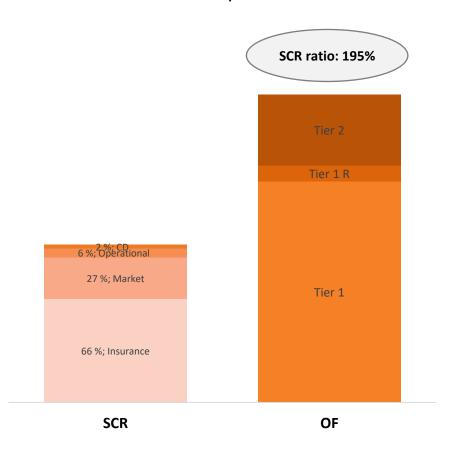
In NOKm	31.12.2023	31.12.2022
Financial assets	18 042	14 195
Derivatives	265	66
Bank deposits	324	198
Other assets	1 589	1 469
Discontinued operations	655	888
Total assets	20 874	16 816
Total equity	4 529	3 761
Subordinated loan capital	1 892	1 245
Insurance contract liabilities	12 559	10 042
Derivatives	241	55
Other liabilities	1 396	1 191
Discontinued operations	258	522
Total equity and liabilities	20 874	16 816

<sup>\*</sup>Numbers may not add up due to rounding

- New NOK 650m Tier 2 subordinated debt issued
- Positive technical and investment result
- Special dividend of NOK 5 per share, NOK 412m in total
- Increase in solvency capital requirement driven by growth



#### SCR ratio composition







 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  Solvency Capital Requirement (SCR) ratio =  $\frac{\text{Eligible own funds (OF)}}{\text{SCR}}$ 

## Solvency II SCR ratio at 195%



#### Composition of SCR:

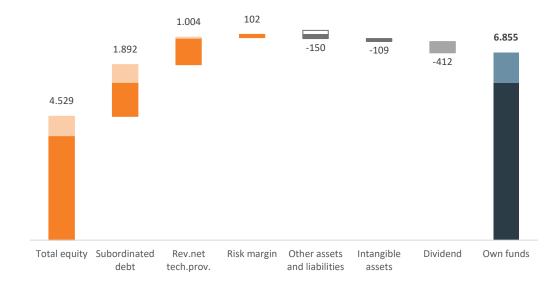
- Net insurance risk 66%
- Net market risk 27%
- Other risks 7%

#### SCR composition and development<sup>1</sup> 137 327 1 572 3 877 -1 489 3 508 -917 Tax Insurance Market Operational Counterparty Diversification Total

### Eligible solvency capital:

Guarantee provision and proposed dividend subtracted from own funds

#### Eligible own funds composition and development<sup>1</sup>









<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Development since last quarter end highlighted in lighter colours per bar



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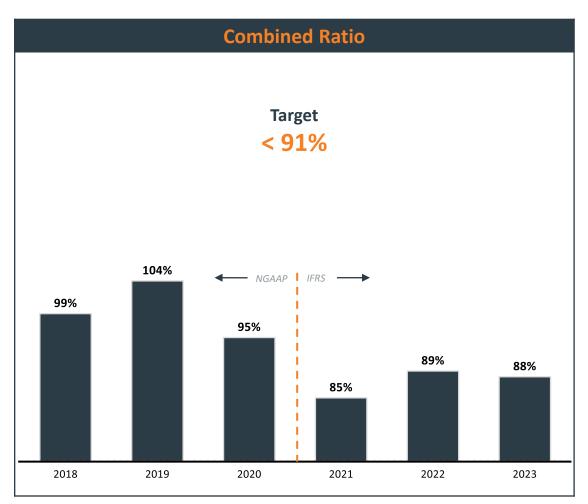
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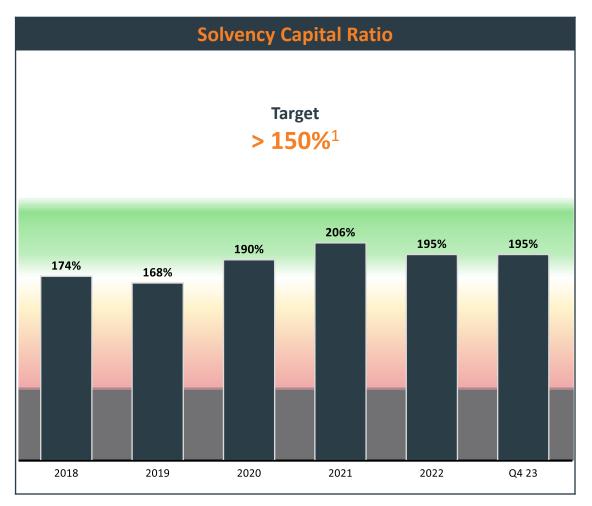
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# Long term (3 years) financial targets Disciplined growth









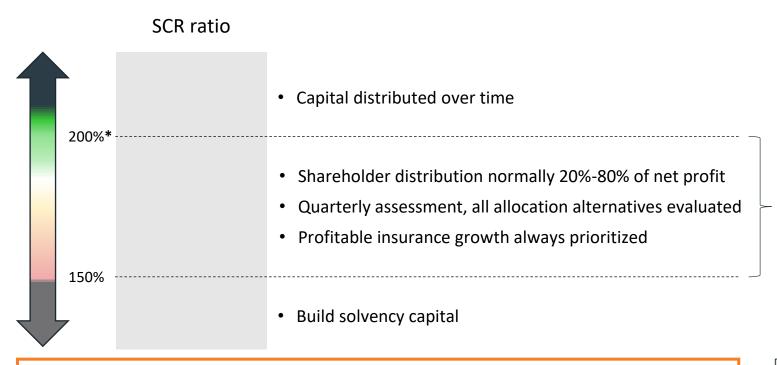


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See next slide

## Flexible shareholder distribution policy

## Quarterly assessment of capital position vs. capital need





#### Solvency ratio zone assessment:

- Move towards 'Green' if we see e.g. profitable insurance growth, risk-taking in investment portfolio, other attractive allocation opportunities and/or market/macro turbulence.
- Move towards 'Pink' if we see e.g. limited growth opportunities, very low risk, no near-term allocation opportunities and have good future visibility

- Following Q4 2023 the Board has decided to distribute a special dividend of NOK 412.2m, corresponding to NOK 5.00 per share.
  - To be paid February 14<sup>th</sup> (ex. date February 7<sup>th</sup>)

#### \* Increase in upper level:

- Prolonged changes in risk profile
- · Solvency-based reinsurance agreement not renewed
- Stricter internal stress testing
- Near-future allocation opportunities/ turbulence





## Summary FY & Q4 2023



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Profit for the period	Profit for the period	
195%	195%	
Solvency Capital Ratio	Solvency Capital Ratio	
18.3 Earnings per share  Amounts in NOKm, Earnings per share NOK	8.2 Earnings per share	

## **FY highlights**

- Full IFRS accounting implemented
- Long-Term Issuer Credit rating of BBB+ affirmed, and outlook revised to positive from stable.
- Work on French market continues.
  - A branch application will be submitted shortly

## Q4 highlights

- Successful placement of a new Solvency II compliant Tier 2 bond issue of NOK 650 million
- January 1st 2024 growth in GWP at 16 % in LCY
- The Board has decided to distribute a special dividend of NOK 412.2 million, corresponding to NOK 5.00 per share.
  - The payment will take place 14 February 2024

