

## **Third quarter results 2008**

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# **Continued strong performance in Q3**

#### **Financial highlights**

- Strong order intake and backlog
- Revenue growth of 24%
- Doubled operating profit
- Tripled profit before tax
- Strong operating cash flow





# **Stronger operational efficiency**

**Operational highlights** 

- Positive impact of ongoing manufacturing efficiency programme
- Start up of second line at Uzliedziai
- Capacity adjustments ongoing e.g. Røros
- Transfer of manufacturing to Lithuania ongoing





## **New orders in Q3**

#### • Orders within the Defence/Marine segment - August

- Kitron AS won orders worth 129 million
- Deliveries in Q4 and Q1 2009
- Signals strengthened relationship with customer

#### Kongsberg Defence & Aerospace (KDA) - September

- Kitron AS won orders amounting to NOK 40 million on KDA's weapon control system PROTECTOR
- Delivery Q1 and Q2 2009

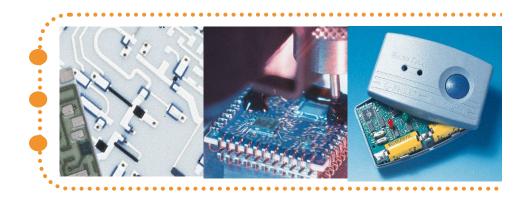
#### Defence/Marine orders of NOK 90 million - October

• UAB Kitron received new orders for delivery in first half 2009





## **Financial statements Q3 2008**

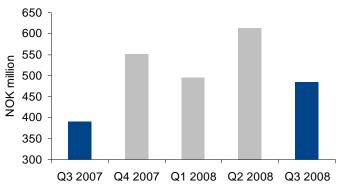


# Solid top line development

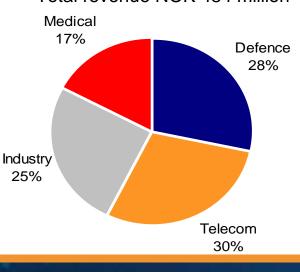
- Revenue reached NOK 484 million which reflects a 24% increase compared to Q3 2007
- Seasonally soft start in the quarter. High activity in August and September
- Marine / Defence show a particularly solid growth trend.
- Also Industry and Telecom shows growth while Medical is down

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#### Revenue Group



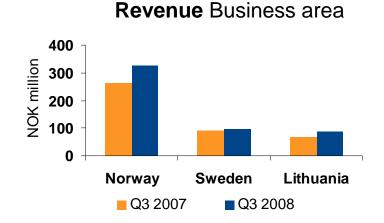
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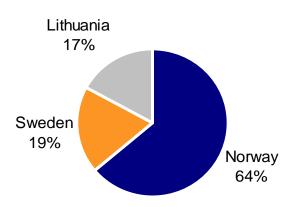


# **Growth in all countries**

- Growth across all countries
- Particularly strong trend in Arendal
- Transfer of manufacturing ongoing



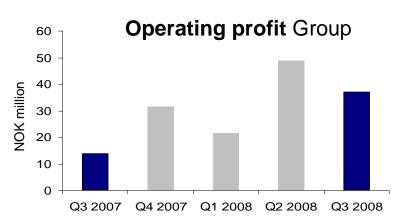
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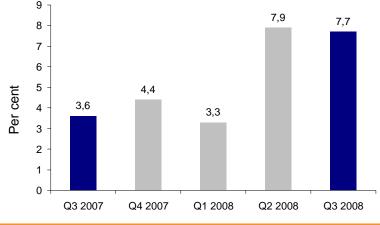


## **Operating result more than doubled**

- Operating result up by 267%.
- Operating margin improved from 3.6% to 7.7%
- Operational efficiency improvements (5S, LEAN etc)
- Relative payroll costs improved to 22.8% (25.3%)
- Other operating costs down to 6.5% of revenue (7.6%)



#### Operating margin Group

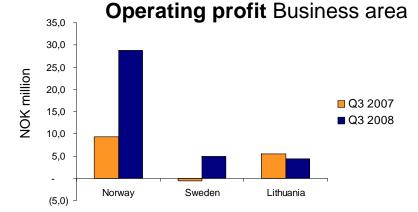


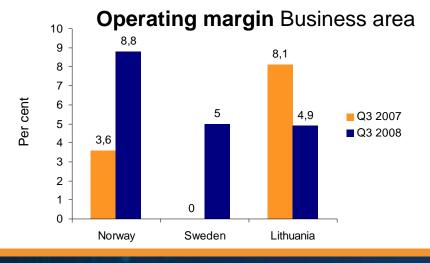
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## All units delivers positive results

- Norway (Arendal) again delivers a solid profit
- Sweden continue a convincing trend and confirm the turnaround.
- Lithuania on track to deliver a record result



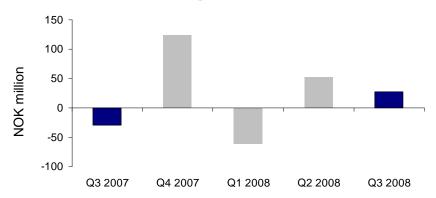


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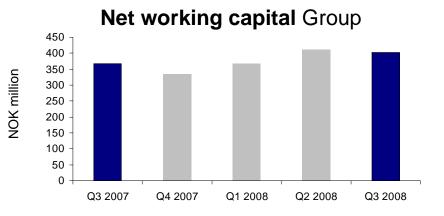


## **Operating cash flow improved**

- Operating cash flow was NOK 28 million vs NOK 29 million negative in Q3 2007
- Adjusting for factoring the operating cash flow year to date was NOK 54 million
- Inventory turnover improved from 4.1 to 4.4
- DSO improved
- Net working capital increased, but improved to 83% (94%) of revenue



#### **Operating cash flow** Group



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## **Deferred tax revaluation boosted equity**

NOK million

- Equity ratio improved to almost 35% (25%)
- Sharp increase in retained earnings as a result of strong performance
- Deferred tax asset reassessed from NOK 25 million 31.12.2007 to NOK 91 million 30.09.2008
  - Equity increase of NOK 65.8 million

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Equity

Q4 2007

Equity ratio

Q1 2008

25,1% 24,7% 26,8% 28,2% 34,9%

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Q3 2007



Q2 2008

Q3 2008

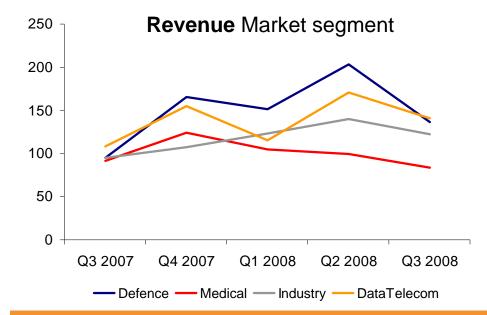


# Market development



## **Strong demand in most segments**

- No indications of weaker demand in Defence / Marine
- A steady number of enquiries received
- Continued capacity expansion

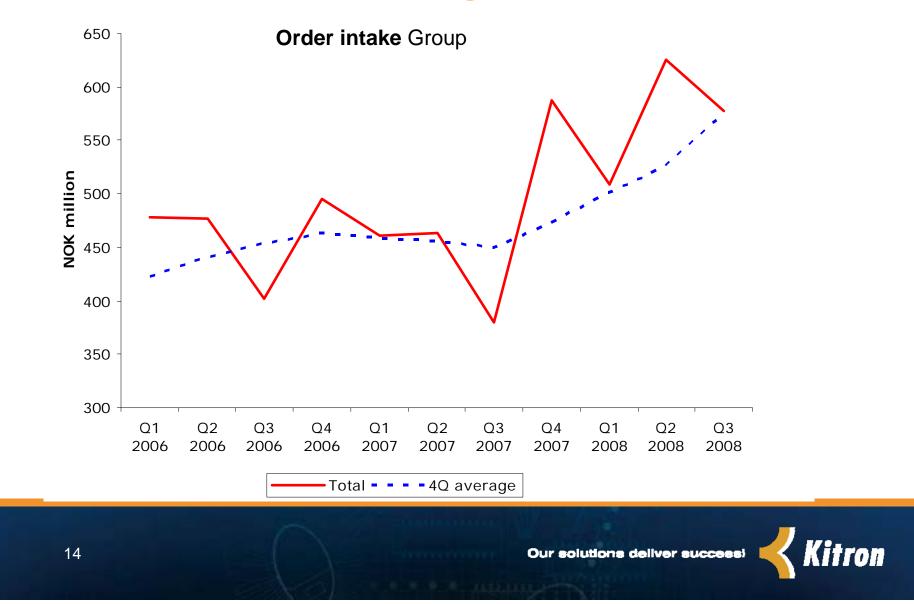


- Highly competitive and price sensitive Data/Telecom segment
- New technology development in the Defence/Marine segment
- Price sensitive Industry segment
- New opportunities within Medical based on quality and competency

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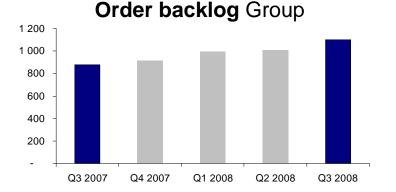


### **Order intake reaches a higher level**

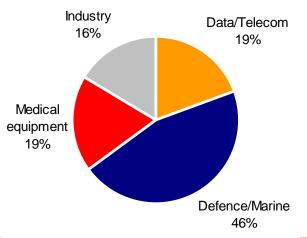


# Order backlog signals high revenue visibility over the next six months

- Order backlog reached NOK 1 100 million (NOK 877 million)
- The backlog in Defence / Marine represents 46% of the total:
  - Technology upgrades and development of new technology gave high demand in the defence industry
  - Strong demand within oilfield services
- Signals high revenue visibility for Q4 and the beginning of 2009
  - Prudent definition of order backlog



#### Order backlog Segment





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# Outlook



# **Safeguarding long-term profitability**

- Accelerating transfer of production to Lithuania (lower costs)
- Adjustment of manning in Karlskoga
  - 50 employees redundant negotiations with unions are ongoing
  - Full effect of the capacity adjustments from September 2009
- Continue program to increase manufacturing efficiency
- Intensify work to identifying further measures to secure long-term profitability







# Healthy profitability expected in Q4

- Growth target of 10% for 2008 will be exceeded
- Stable market conditions expected in Q4
- Healthy profitability and margin level expected for Q4 2008
- EBT expected to more than double compared to Q4 2007
- Management is proactively responding to the possible impact of the financial crisis.





