



Q3 2015 Investor Presentation

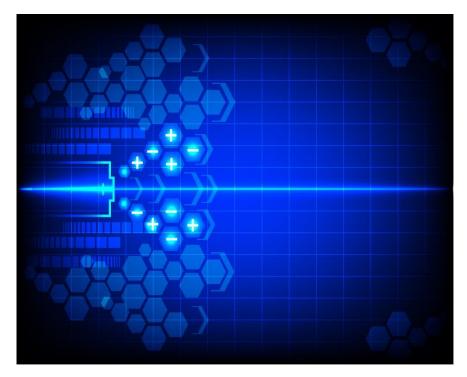
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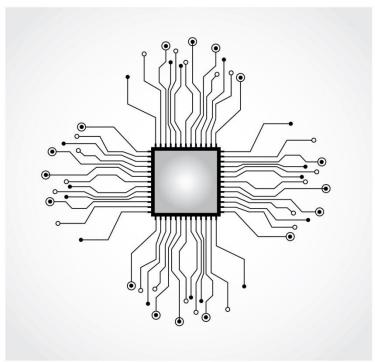


Summary – Q3 2015:

- Record MUSD 53.9 revenue in quarter despite the previously announced guidance
- Strong Bluetooth Smart Sales at MUSD 34.2
- Improvements in manufacturing drives margins above 50%
- nRF 52 progresses as planned with volume shipments expected in Q4
- Strong design wins in Bluetooth Smart continues to drive growth







Financial Highlights

Pål Elstad, CFO



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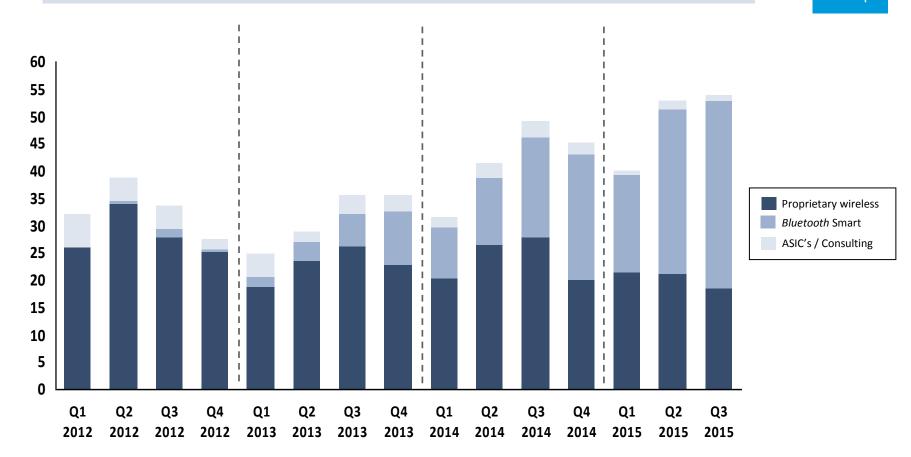
MUSD									
<u>Financial objectives</u>	Q3 2015	Q2 2015	Q3 2014	Comments					
Growth									
Revenue	53,9	52,6	49,0	Record high revenue despite lower proprietary sales					
			·	Seasonal reduction in orders					
Order Inflow	43,1	60,2	43,7	Seasonal reduction in orders					
Profitability									
Gross Margin %	50,2 %	49,5 %	50,8 %	Improved manufacuring improves margins					
Operating Profit (EBIT)	10,9	10,6	9,8	Higher revenue drives EBIT growth					
EBIT Margin %	20,2 %	20,2 %	20,1 %	Capitalization of devl. cost reduces OPEX					
Net Profit after tax	8,8	7,5	7,0						
Cash Flow									
Free Cash Flow	6,3	-9,4	13,9	Improved DSO and profits improve cash flow					
Cash Balance	29,2	25,4	24,4	Improved WC					
Accounts Receivable	52,5	54,4	41,1	Higher revenues offset by improved DSO					
Inventory	51,0	45,6	20,6	Lower proprietary sales increase inventories					



Group Revenues

- Q3 2015 Revenue of MUSD 53.9 (10% increase from prior year)
- BT Smart Revenue of MUSD 34.2 (63.4% of total revenue)

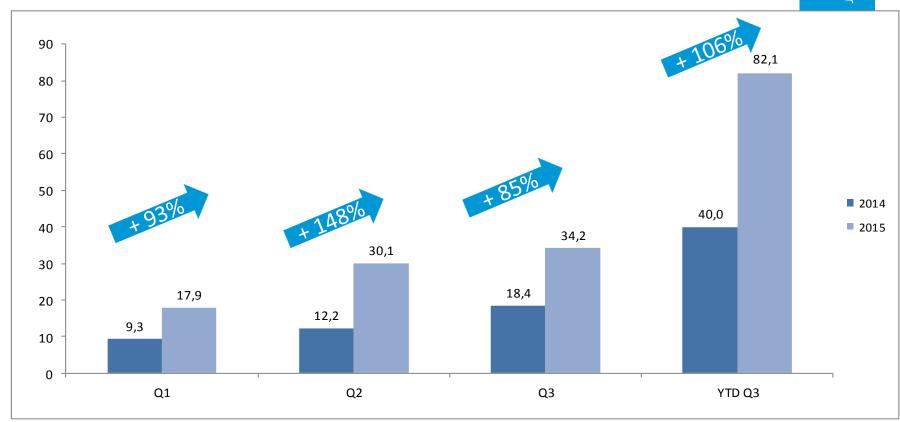
Revenue split by technology, 2012 - Q3 2015 (MUSD)





Bluetooth Smart Revenues – Drives Growth 2014-2015 More than 100% Year over Year

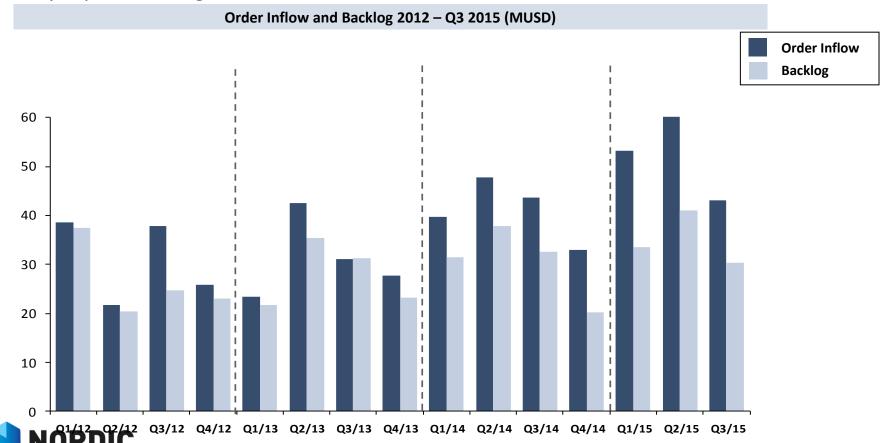
Total Nordic revenue from Bluetooth Smart Quarterly comparison 2014/2015 (MUSD)



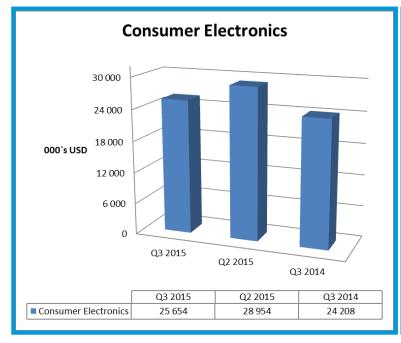


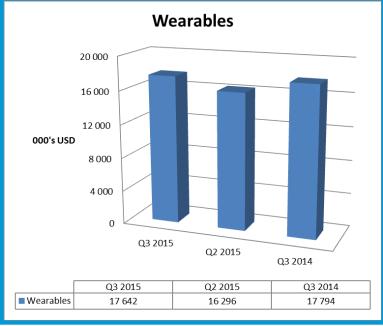
Order inflow / order backlog

- Order inflow of MUSD 43.1 in Q3 2015
- Order backlog of MUSD 30.3 at quarter-end
- Nordic will effective from December 31, 2015 cease to report orders and only report backlog at end of Quarter



Growth Markets



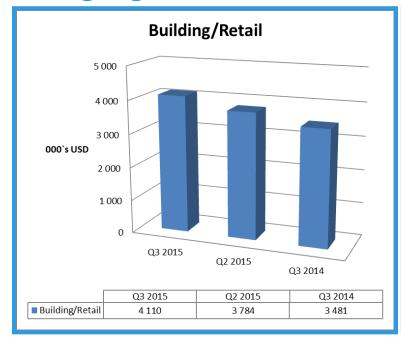


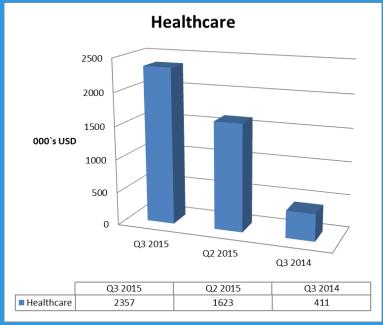
- Growth of 6 % compared to Q3 last year.
- Decline of 11.4% compared to last quarter
- Growth compared to last year driven by design wins Accelerated sales momentum observed after a within Home Entertainment and Mobile offset by decline in PC Peripherals
- Decline from last quarter explained by PC Peripherals and large gaming and toys sales in Q2

- Marginal decline compared to Q3 last year
- Growth of 8.2 % compared to last quarter
- moderate start of 2015



Emerging Markets

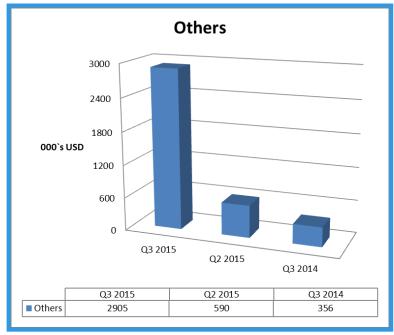


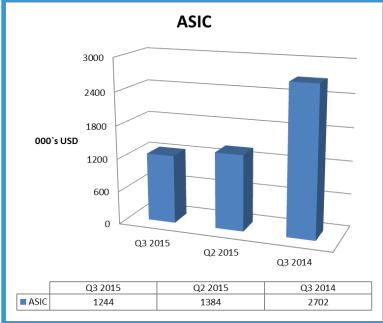


- Growth of 18.1 % revenues compared to Q3 2014.
 Shift from RFID to Beacons and Home Automation
- Growth of 8.6 % compared to last quarter
- The market for beacons and RFID are still in the early stages of adoption. It has been identified by Nordic as a market with large potential
- Strong growth from previous periods (45.2 % compared to last quarter)
- Strong sales compared to Q3 2014 is driven by a handful of existing customers gaining volume, plus a mix of new customer design wins



Other Markets



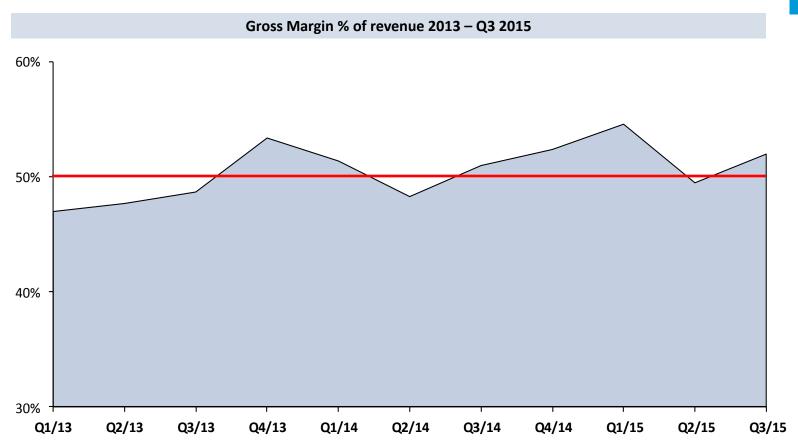


- Others reflects products which do not map into our four main markets, hence revenues generated here will fluctuate on a regular basis. Modules is the largest product group within this market
- Decline of 54 % compared to Q3 last year.
- Decline of 10.1 % compared to last quarter.
- Nordic are not investing in this segment anymore.
 All revenues are from existing projects and will fluctuate from quarter to quarter based on project deliveries



Gross Margin

- Gross margin of 50.2 % in Q3 2015
 - Gross margin improved from last quarter, due to improved manufacturing
 - Expected to stabilize around 50% in 2H-2015





Operating Expenses

- Operating expenses (incl. depreciation) of MUSD 16.2 in Q3 2015
- Total operating expenses excluding depreciation and adjusted for options and capitalized R&D increased from MUSD 15.9 in Q2 2015 to MUSD 17.0 in Q3 2015 – higher number of employees and marketing expenses – offset by favourable FX
- Finland Q3 2015 operating expenses at MUSD 3.4.

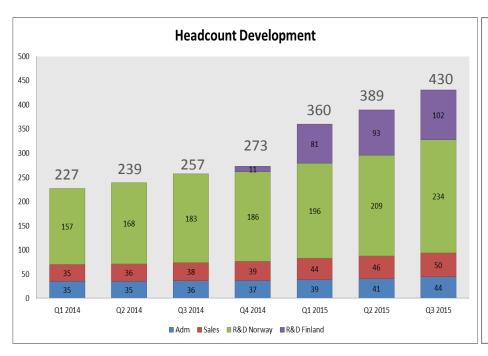
<u>USD '000</u>	Q3 2015	Q2 2015	Q3 2014	Growth Y-o-Y
Total Cash Operating Expenses, excluding Depreciation*	17 010	15 846	12 258	39 %
Add: Options expense**	(763)	197	1 323	
Less: Capitalized R&D***	(2 400)	(2 644)	(300)	
Total Reported Operating Expenses,	13 847	13 399	13 281	4%
excluding Depreciation	13 047	13 333	15 201	4 /0

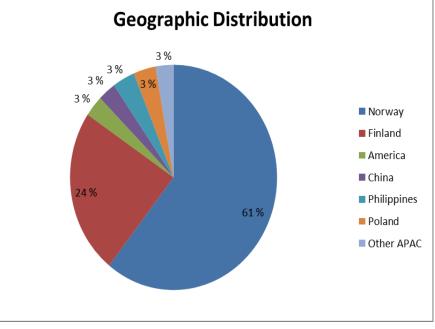


^{*} Cash Operating expenses are adjusted for options and capitalized R&D

^{**} IFRS accounting expense from grant of options, plus related payroll taxes

Group Employees



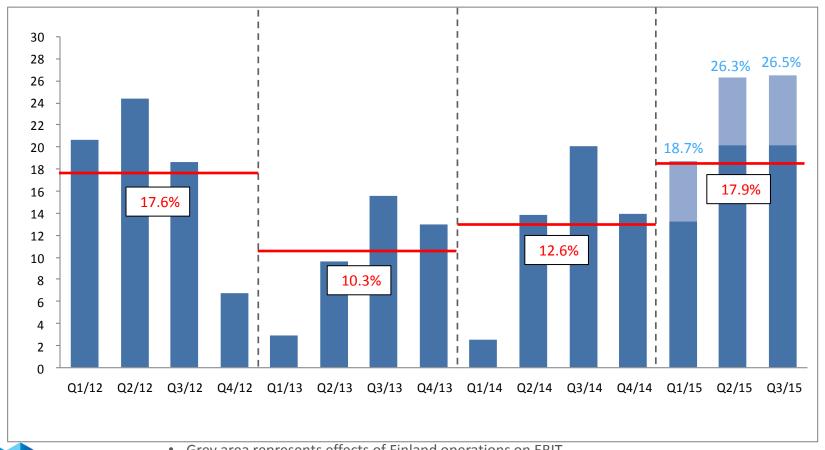




Operating profit (EBIT %)

- Operating profit in Q3 2015 of MUSD 10.9
 - Q3 2015 Margin excluding Finland at 26.5%

Operating Profit Margin (%) by quarter 2012 – Q3 2015 (MUSD)





- Grey area represents effects of Finland operations on EBIT
- Blue % indicate ex-finland EBIT margin
- Red lines and % indicates equal weight average per year. 2015 line and % includes finland.

Q3 2015 Financial Summary

Revenue growth

- Group revenue of MUSD 53.9 (MUSD 49.0)
 - Bluetooth Smart sales grow to MUSD 34.2 , or 63.4%
 - Strong diversification in Bluetooth Smart customers

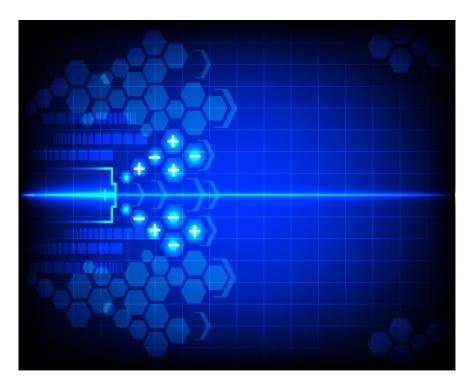
Profitability

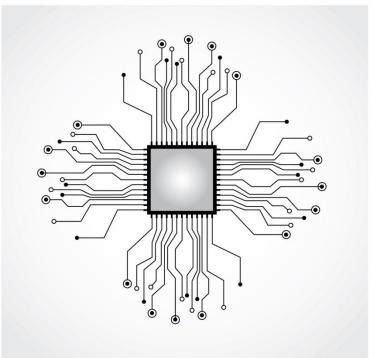
- EBIT of MUSD 10.9 (MUSD 9.8)
 - Higher revenues and gross margin drives
 EBIT growth
 - Capitalized development cost and FX lowering OPEX

Cash Flow

- Free cash flow of MUSD 6.3 (MUSD 13.9)
 - Increased inventory build offset by lower receivables
 - Ending cash balance of MUSD 29.2







Business Outlook

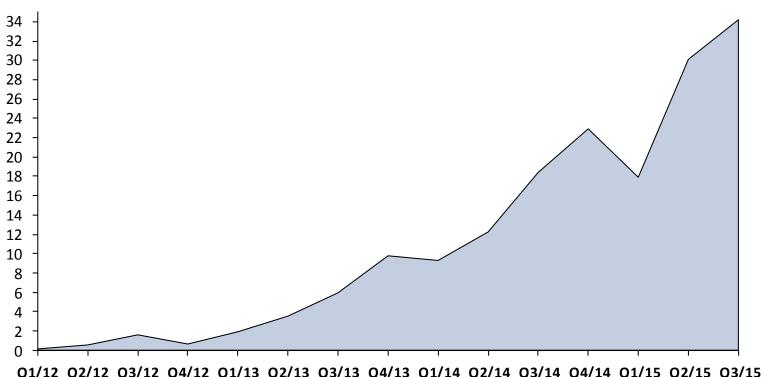
Svenn-Tore Larsen, CEO



High Sales of Bluetooth Smart

Q3 Bluetooth Smart revenues of 34.2 MUSD, taking the total for Q3 YTD to MUSD 82.1

Total Nordic revenue from Bluetooth Smart, 2012 - Q3 2015 (MUSD)



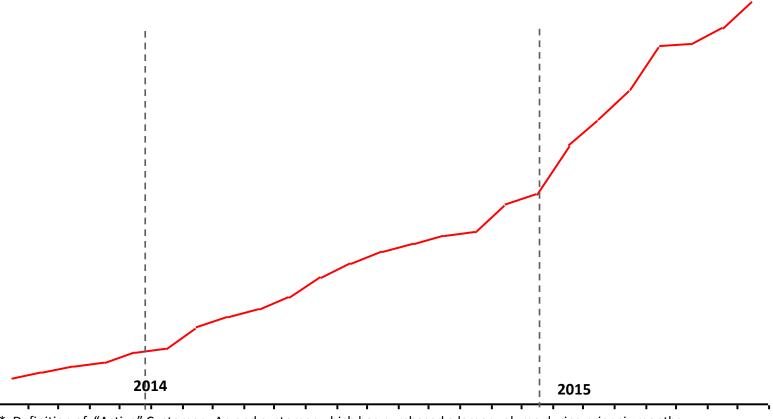
Q1/12 Q2/12 Q3/12 Q4/12 Q1/13 Q2/13 Q3/13 Q4/13 Q1/14 Q2/14 Q3/14 Q4/14 Q1/15 Q2/15 Q3/15



Bluetooth Smart Active Customers

- Number of active BT Smart customers continues to grow
 - More than 100% growth in active customers in 2015

Number of "Active" Bluetooth Smart customers*, 2013 - 2015



^{* &}lt;u>Definition of "Active" Customer</u>: An end customer which has purchased a larger volume during prior six months (i.e., a customer actively selling product to end customers or preparing a high volume prototype)

Addressing a bigger market

More things around us than we wear and carry

Things around us – city and country side

WAN (1km+) Smart Cities

LAN (100m+) Agriculture

Environmental

Things around us - home and at work

- Smart Home and Buildings
- Commercial and Industrial Automation
- Asset tracking and management

Things we wear and carry around

- Wearable
- HID, toys and charging
- Sports, fitness and healthcare

NORDIC SEMICONDUCTOR

PAN

(10m+)

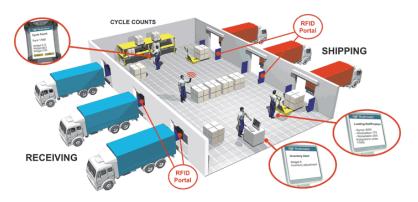
28 billion

things in 2020 (Source: hbr.org)

Emerging Markets

Asset Tracking- Development driven by cheap sensors and low battery consumption

- Hospitals locate equipment/persons
- Inventory Inventory Optimization
- Shipments –BLE combined with GPS/GSM
- Tools/materials where is it when we need it? Construction sites
- Agriculture monitoring livestock





Emerging Markets Wireless Charger – Cutting the last wire

Massive Market Opportunity

- Mobile Devices
- Chargers
- Covers / Battery Packs
- Rechargable Devices

Success factors for Nordic

- Broad adoption of wireless charging
- Success of Rezence
- Maintain and strengthen our lead





Nordic Semiconductor Finland operations progressing great and according to plan

Nine months since Finland office kicked off

Teams fully staffed in Oulu and Turku

Finland teams highly integrated with Norway operations

Also contributed to the nRF52 Tape-Out early this year

Projects are progressing as planned

- Customer and partner discussions ongoing
- Key IP licenses in place
- Lab facilities and lab equipment in place
- Architecture and design well underway

First test chip in production – record fast development





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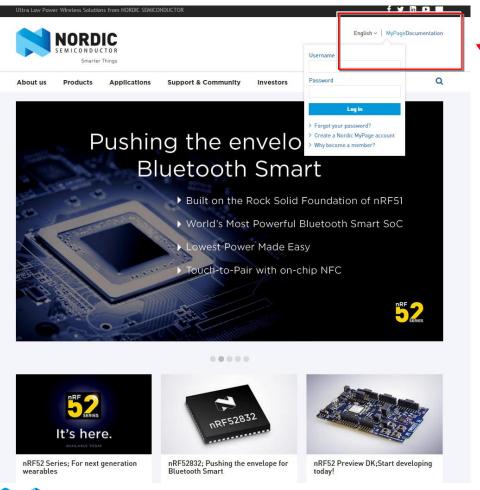
Business Outlook

- Growth in revenues driven by Bluetooth Smart sales
- nRF 52 family will contribute from Q4
- Gross margin of approximately 50%
- We see new products in other segments growing with a broader diversity of customers
- Expanding operations into mainland China by establishing local sales offices



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