

De' Longhi S.p.A.

First half results: strong recovery of margins and free cash flow in a trend of normalization of revenues. Guidance for the year confirmed.

The Board of Directors of De' Longhi SpA approved today the consolidated¹ results for the first six months of 2023:

- **revenues** of € 1,291.2 million, down by -10.6% (-10% at constant exchange rates);
- an **adjusted² Ebitda** of € 160.1 million, equal to 12.4% of revenues (up from 10.3%);
- a **net profit³** of € 82.7 million, equal to 6.4% of revenues (an improvement from 5%);
- a **free cash flow** (before dividends) of € 85 million.

In the **second quarter**, the Group achieved:

- **revenues** of € 688.8 million, down by -2.9% (-0.9% at constant exchange rates), but up by 1.8% net of the effect of the exit from the air conditioning business on the American market ;
- an **adjusted Ebitda** of € 85.8 million, equal to 12.5% of revenues (a marked improvement from 6.9%);
- a **free cash flow** (before dividends) of € 66.5 million.

As at 30 June 2023, the Group's **net financial position** was positive by € 311.7 million, improving from € 298.8 million as at 31.12.2022.

The Board of Directors also approved the Group's Sustainability Report for the 2022 financial year.

Commented the Chief Executive Officer Fabio de' Longhi:

"We are very satisfied with the results achieved in the quarter, which confirm our expectations of a progressive normalization of growth and profitability trends in this post-pandemic phase. In particular, I would like to highlight the recovery of margins, which has resulted from a careful pricing strategy and strict control of investments, as well as a recovery of logistics costs and an easing of pressure on the remaining operating costs.

We are returning to normal business dynamics, despite a macroeconomic scenario characterized in the short term by the potential impacts of inflation and the increase in interest rates on households' wealth and on consumption.

Nonetheless, the Group can count on the intact development potential of the coffee and the Nutribullet-branded nutrition segments, which accounted for almost 65% of total turnover in the half-year and which are destined to represent the main engine in the medium term for the growth and the profitability of the Group.

In this context, therefore, we confirm the guidance for the year, which forecasts a slight decrease in revenues compared to 2022 and an adjusted Ebitda in the range of 370-390 million Euros."

¹ The audit of the half-year report is still in progress.

² "Adjusted" stands for before non recurring income/expenses and the notional cost of the stock option plan.

³ In this press release, reference is always made to the net profit pertaining to the Group.

Results summary and business review

(Eur million unless otherwise specified)		1st Half 2023	1st Half 2022	change	change %	Q2-2023	Q2-2022	change	change %
Revenues		1,291.2	1,444.8	-153.6	-10.6%	688.8	709.3	-20.5	-2.9%
net ind. margin		640.2	696.2	-56.0	-8.0%	335.8	320.6	15.2	4.7%
% of revenues		49.6%	48.2%			48.8%	45.2%		
adjusted Ebitda		160.1	149.1	11.1	7.4%	85.8	49.0	36.8	75.0%
% of revenues		12.4%	10.3%			12.5%	6.9%		
Ebitda		159.0	150.5	8.5	5.7%	83.5	57.1	26.5	46.4%
% of revenues		12.3%	10.4%			12.1%	8.0%		
Ebit		108.1	100.3	7.8	7.8%	58.0	31.2	26.8	85.8%
% of revenues		8.4%	6.9%			8.4%	4.4%		
Net Income*		82.7	71.7	11.0	15.3%	44.0	21.0	22.9	108.8%
% of revenues		6.4%	5.0%			6.4%	3.0%		

* pertaining to the Group

general outlook

The first half of 2023 ended with a decrease in turnover compared to the previous period, mainly due to some extraordinary and temporary factors which had a greater impact on the first months of the year.

As already highlighted in recent months, the challenging comparison with the first quarter of the last two years, the reduction in stock levels held by retailers and the exit from the mobile air conditioning business on the American market affected the sales' trend in this first phase of 2023.

However, despite these factors, the revenues' trend was continuously improving month after month, achieving a growing second quarter, if we exclude the aforementioned discontinuity on the American market. This result was favored by the recovery of growth in the European market, by the expansion of the coffee sector (in marked recovery after the temporary decline in the first quarter) as well as by the marked progression of Nutribullet's personal blenders.

To complete the positive picture, margins appeared to be clearly improving compared to 2022, despite the decline in volumes, thanks to the positive contribution of prices and the product mix, as well as the cost containment.

In general, although the geopolitical and macroeconomic context remains difficult to read, especially as regards the dynamics of consumption, the expectations of organic growth recovery in the second half of the year, together with the improvement in margins compared to the previous year, allow the Group to be confident on the feasibility of the guidance for the year.

revenues

In the first half of 2023 revenues were down by 10.6%, reaching € 1,291.2 million, with a second quarter down by 2.9% to € 688.8 million. The impact of

the discontinuity of mobile air conditioning in America was ca. € 56 million in the 6 months, net of which the turnover in the six months fell by 7.1%, while in the quarter it showed a positive trend of +1.8%.

The **exchange rates** component (including hedging management) contributed negatively by 0.6 percentage points of revenue growth in the half year and by 2 percentage points in the second quarter.

markets

Over the last 12 months, the European region has been heavily affected by both the effects of the Russian-Ukrainian conflict (and the related deterioration in consumer sentiment) and the weakening of consumers' purchasing power. However, over the last few months the region has shown signs of improvement compared to previous dynamics, returning to positive territory.

EUR million	1st half 2023	var. %	var. % at constant FX	Q2 2023	var. %	var. % at constant FX
South West Europe	462.6	-13.4%	-13.9%	246.8	-1.2%	-1.7%
North East Europe	321.6	3.0%	4.7%	164.3	15.5%	19.3%
EUROPE	784.2	-7.3%	-7.1%	411.1	4.9%	6.0%
MEIA (MiddleEast/India/Africa)	85.8	-18.9%	-19.0%	41.6	-10.5%	-7.3%
Americas	225.9	-21.9%	-22.5%	129.9	-16.9%	-15.4%
Asia-Pacific	195.2	-4.1%	0.3%	106.3	-7.4%	-2.0%
TOTAL REVENUES	1,291.2	-10.6%	-10.0%	688.8	-2.9%	-0.9%

In detail, in the second quarter:

- the area of **south-west Europe** showed a turnover almost unchanged compared to the previous year (-1.2%), thanks to a strong recovery in France and Austria, while Italy and Germany still remained in negative territory;
- double-digit growth was achieved in **North-East Europe**, which benefited from an almost homogeneous recovery of the countries of the area, characterized by a significant acceleration of coffee combined with a substantial stabilization of the cooking and food preparation sector;
- the **MEIA** region saw its turnover fall mainly due to the macroeconomic context and the weakness of food preparation;
- in the **Americas** area, revenues were significantly penalized by the discontinuity relating to the exit from mobile air conditioning, with an impact of approximately Euro 33 million in the quarter; net of this effect, the area grew by 5.5% thanks to the expansion of the coffee and nutrition sector, linked to the Nutribullet brand;
- lastly, the **Asia Pacific** region showed a drop of -7.4% (-2% at constant exchange rates), as an effect of the negative performance of Australia and

New Zealand, a marked slowdown compared to a particularly brilliant 2022, but with other major markets of Greater China, Japan and South Korea in strong growth.

product segments

As regards the evolution of the product segments, the second quarter delivered a return to growth in **coffee**, after the temporary decline in the first quarter, and a **food preparation** which, although still suffering, saw some product families (food processors, personal blenders, spin juicers and fryers) return to positive territory.

The **comfort** segment (portable heating and air conditioning) was heavily penalized by the aforementioned discontinuity represented by the exit from the portable air conditioning business on the American market.

Home care (floor-care and ironing) was also down, however accounting for only 2.9% of total turnover in the six months.

Finally, we point out the extraordinary growth of the **Eversys professional coffee** machine sector (+60.7% in the quarter and +58% in 6 months), the weight of which on total revenues for the half-year went from 3% to 5.2 %.

It should be noted that total coffee, both consumer and professional, now represents almost 60% of the Group's turnover, a threshold which is reasonably expected to be exceeded in the next 12-18 months.

operating margins

With regard to the evolution of the Group's profitability, the six-month period saw a substantial improvement in margins despite the declining turnover. The price increase actions implemented last year, the improvement of the mix and a careful cost management made it possible to offset the negative effect of the decline in volumes.

In the quarter:

- the **net industrial margin** amounted to € 335.8 million, equal to 48.8% of revenues (49.6% in the half year) compared to 45.2% in 2022, benefiting from an improvement in the price-mix component, in addition to a substantial stability of the effect relating to production costs. More specifically, the **price-mix** effect contributed positively by approx. € 20 million (€ 40.2 million in the 6 months);
- **adjusted Ebitda** amounted to € 85.8 million, or 12.5% of revenues (12.4% in the half year), a marked improvement compared to 6.9% in the second quarter of 2022, and in line with the margin achieved in the first quarter. Profitability also benefited from the lower exposure in terms of investments in **advertisement and promotions**, which went down by € 8.8 million in the quarter and by € 24.5 million in the 6 months, in line with the management's plans;
- **Ebitda** amounted to € 83.5 million, or 12.1% of revenues (8% in 2022) after € 2.3 million of non-recurring charges (compared to € 8 million of non-recurring income in the second quarter of 2022);

- **Ebit** stood at € 58 million, equal to 8.4% of revenues (4.4% in 2022), after amortization in line with the previous year (equal to € 25.5 millions);
- finally, the **net profit** attributable to the Group amounted to € 44 million, (€ 82.7 million in the half year) or 6.4% of revenues (3% in 2022).

balance sheet

The Group ended the first half of 2023 with an active **Net Financial Position** of € 311.7 million, up by € 12.9 million in the half-year and € 256.3 million in the 12 months. Similarly, the Net Position with banks and other lenders was also positive for € 403.8 million, improving both in the half year (+14.4 million) and in the 12 months (+271.1 million).

Free Cash Flow before dividends and acquisitions was € 66.5 million in the quarter, € 85 million in the half year and € 328.3 million in the 12 months.

Looking at the main determinants of this positive result, we highlight that in the half year the Group was able to generate € 161.2 million of cash flow from current operations and working capital movements (compared to the first half of 2022 in which there had been a absorption of € 165.6 million).

In terms of operating **working capital** (equal to 6.9% of rolling 12-month revenues), in the six months we highlight an important cash generation of the trade receivables-payables aggregate (€ 200.1 million), only partially absorbed by the negative change in inventories (€ 123.2 million), physiologically increasing to € 660.5 million, but € 281 million lower than at the same date of last year.

Lastly, **capital expenditures** absorbed € 58 million of cash in the first half, a clear decrease compared to the 94.1 million of the previous year.

We recall that during the second quarter the Group paid out **dividends** for a total of € 72.1 million.

<i>EUR million</i>	30.6.2023	30.6.2022	<i>change 12 months</i>
operating NWC	206.6	414.6	-208.1
Net Equity	1,639.2	1,591.5	47.7
Net Financial Position	311.7	55.4	256.3
Net Bank Position	403.8	132.7	271.1
operating NWC / Revenues	6.9%	12.8%	-5.9%

<i>EUR million</i>	6 months 2022	6 months 2021	Q2 - 2023
Net Cash Flow	12.9	-369.7	256.3
Dividends paid	-72.1	-124.5	-72.1
Cash Flow from acquisitions	0.0	0.0	0.0
Free Cash Flow before dividends and acquisitions	85.0	-245.2	328.3

Events occurred after the end of the period

There are no significant events following the end of the half year period.

Other resolutions of the Board of Directors

In today's meeting, the Board of Directors also approved, in continuity with the publication of the Non-Financial Disclosure, the Group's Sustainability Report for the 2022 financial year. The Report is accessible on the company's website, at the following address:

<https://www.delonghigroup.com/en/sustainability/documents>

Foreseeable business development and guidance

In the words of Fabio de' Longhi, Chief Executive Officer:

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Regulatory statements

The manager responsible for the preparation of the company's accounts, Stefano Biella, hereby declares, as per article 154 bis, paragraph 2, of the "Testo Unico della Finanza", that all information related to the company's accounts contained in this press release are fairly representing the accounts and the books of the company.

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The De' Longhi Group is one of the leading players in the small domestic appliance business dedicated to the world of coffee, cooking and food preparation, air conditioning, heating and home care.

Listed since 2001 on the Italian Stock Exchange MTA, De' Longhi distributes its products, with the De' Longhi, Kenwood, Braun, Ariete, Nutribullet and Magic Bullet brands, in more than 120 markets around the world and at end 2022 had over 9,000 employees. In 2022 it reported revenues of € 3.16 billion, an adjusted EBITDA of € 362 million and a net profit of € 177 million.

ANNEXES

Consolidated results of De' Longhi S.p.A. as of June 30, 2023

1. Consolidated Income Statement

Euro million	30.06.2023	% of revenues	30.06.2022	% of revenues
Net Revenues	1,291.2	100.0%	1,444.8	100.0%
<i>change</i>	<i>(153.6)</i>	<i>(10.6%)</i>		
Materials consumed and other production costs (services and production payroll costs)	(651.0)	(50.4%)	(748.6)	(51.8%)
Net industrial margin	640.2	49.6%	696.2	48.2%
Costs for services and other operating costs	(351.8)	(27.2%)	(423.1)	(29.3%)
Labour cost (non industrial)	(128.2)	(9.9%)	(124.0)	(8.6%)
Ebitda before non recurring items and stock option plan (adjusted Ebitda)	160.1	12.4%	149.1	10.3%
<i>Change</i>	<i>11.1</i>	<i>7.4%</i>		
Other non recurring items / stock option plan	(1.1)	(0.1%)	1.4	0.1%
EBITDA	159.0	12.3%	150.5	10.4%
Amortization	(50.9)	(3.9%)	(50.2)	(3.5%)
EBIT	108.1	8.4%	100.3	6.9%
<i>Change</i>	<i>7.8</i>	<i>7.8%</i>		
Net Financial Charges	(2.1)	(0.2%)	(2.6)	(0.2%)
Profit before Taxes	106.0	8.2%	97.7	6.8%
Taxes	(23.3)	(1.8%)	(25.0)	(1.7%)
Net Profit	82.7	6.4%	72.7	5.0%
Net Profit pertaining to minorities	-	0.0%	1.0	0.1%
Net profit pertaining to the Group	82.7	6.4%	71.7	5.0%

2. Revenues breakdown by geography

Euro million	2 nd quarter 2023	%	2 nd quarter 2022	%	Change	Change %	Change at constant exch. rates %
Europe	411.1	59.7%	391.9	55.3%	19.2	4.9%	6.0%
America	129.9	18.9%	156.3	22.0%	(26.4)	(16.9%)	(15.4%)
Asia Pacific	106.3	15.4%	114.7	16.2%	(8.5)	(7.4%)	(2.0%)
MEIA	41.6	6.0%	46.4	6.5%	(4.9)	(10.5%)	(7.3%)
Totale Revenues	688.8	100.0%	709.3	100.0%	(20.5)	(2.9%)	(0.9%)

Euro million	1st half 2023	%	1 st half 2022	%	Change	Change %	Change at constant exch. rates %
Europe	784.2	60.7%	846.3	58.6%	(62.1)	(7.3%)	(7.1%)
America	225.9	17.5%	289.2	20.0%	(63.3)	(21.9%)	(22.5%)
Asia Pacific	195.2	15.1%	203.5	14.1%	(8.3)	(4.1%)	0.3%
MEIA	85.8	6.7%	105.8	7.3%	(20.0)	(18.9%)	(19.0%)
Totale Revenues	1,291.2	100.0%	1,444.8	100.0%	(153.6)	(10.6%)	(10.0%)

3. Consolidated Balance Sheet

Euro million	30.06.2023	30.06.2022	31.12.2022
- intangible assets	880.5	906.6	891.2
- tangible assets	453.5	441.9	448.1
- financial assets	11.7	12.8	11.7
- deferred tax assets	71.6	77.3	64.6
Fixed assets	1,417.3	1,438.5	1,415.6
- inventories	660.5	941.5	550.7
- trade receivables	180.6	224.1	278.8
- trade payables	(634.5)	(751.0)	(540.7)
- other net current assets / (liabilities)	(115.9)	(119.7)	(145.8)
Net working capital	90.7	295.0	142.9
Non current liabilities	(180.4)	(197.5)	(194.0)
Net capital employed	1,327.5	1,536.1	1,364.6
Net debt / (cash)	(311.7)	(55.4)	(298.8)
Total shareholders' Equity	1,639.2	1,591.5	1,663.4
Total net debt /(cash) and shareholders' equity	1,327.5	1,536.1	1,364.6

4. Detailed Net Financial Position

Euro million	30.06.2023	30.06.2022	31.12.2022
Cash and cash equivalents	842.7	714.0	770.2
Other financial receivables	244.7	277.1	368.4
Current financial debt	(180.0)	(290.3)	(190.5)
Current net financial assets / (debt)	907.3	700.8	948.1
Non current net financial assets	123.9	72.8	124.6
Non current net financial debt	(719.5)	(718.2)	(774.0)
Non current net financial assets / (debt)	(595.6)	(645.4)	(649.3)
Total Net Financial Position	311.7	55.4	298.8
<i>of which:</i>			
- Net financial position versus banks and other lenders	403.8	132.7	389.5
- lease related debt	(88.4)	(78.7)	(80.5)
- Net assets /(liabilities) other than bank debt (fair value of derivatives, financial liabilities for business combinations and financial payables connected to pension funds)	(3.8)	1.4	(10.2)

5. Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

Euro million	30.06.2023 6 months	30.06.2022 6 months	31.12.2022 12 months
Cash flow from operations	156.8	148.1	340.0
Cash flow from working capital	4.4	(313.7)	(188.0)
Cash flow from operations and working capital	161.2	(165.6)	151.9
Cash flow from investments	(58.0)	(94.1)	(156.2)
Operating cash flow	103.1	(259.7)	(4.3)
Dividends distributed	(72.1)	(124.5)	(124.5)
Cash Flow from stock option exercise	-	-	3.4
Cash flow from other changes in the Net Equity	(18.2)	14.5	(0.9)
Cash flow from changes in the Net Equity	(90.2)	(110.0)	(122.0)
Net Cash Flow	12.9	(369.7)	(126.3)
Opening Net Financial Position	298.8	425.1	425.1
Closing Net Financial Position	311.7	55.4	298.8