# EMBRACER<sup>+</sup> GROUP

Q4 FY19/20 Full Year Report May 20, 2020



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# **1. Operational and financial performance**

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## **OPERATIONAL AND FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

Financial and operational metrics	Strongest pipeline to date
Y19/20:       Net sales       YoY growth         SEK 5,249m       +3%	118 pipeline projects*~3,000 game developers*SEK 1.5b invested in game dev FY19/20**
Net sales – Games YoY growth SEK 3,197m +31%	FY20/21:FY21/22:Tot. development cost of released games to more than double from SEK 589m in FY19/20 to SEK 1.2–1.4bFirst AAA releases since 
Operational EBIT YoY growth SEK 1,033m +35%	* Saber included   ** Saber excluded Continued organic and acquisitive expansion
Strong sales and earnings growth on a TTM basis. However, negative quarterly growth due to tough comparable vs. ATH quarter Jan–Mar 2019 when Metro Exodus, our strongest release ever, was released	In the quarter After the quarter SEK 1.6b
Digital sales in "Games" ATH at 78% in the quarter	Image: Normal text     Image: Normal
Key sales drivers in Q4 FY19/20:	Successful releases after the quarter
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## **KEY P&L METRICS**

SEK million		Quarter		Trailing twelve months			
	Jan–Mar 2020	Jan–Mar 2019	YoY Change	Apr 2019– Mar 2020	Apr 2018– Mar 2019	YoY Change	
Net sales	1,339	1,631	-18%	5,249	5,121	+3%	
EBITDA	495	619	-20%	1,821	1,367	+33%	
Operational EBIT	286	396	-28%	1,033	766	+35%	
Operational EBIT margin	21%	24%		20%	15%		
Adj. EPS (SEK)	0.97	1.00	-3%	2.81	2.12	+33%	

Quarterly YoY figures show a decrease due to a very tough comparable in Metro Exodus, our most successful release ever, released in Feb 2019. TTM YoY earnings are up significantly due to strong performance in the games business area.

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## **DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION**





## **KEY CASH FLOW METRICS**

				–26% YoY growth in the quarter due to tough comparable in Metro Exodus
SEK m	Jan–Mar 2020	Jan–Mar 2019		Significantly positive contribution from reduced working capital in the quarter
Cash flow from operating activities before	204.6	<b>F</b> 274		due to seasonal differences.
changes in working capital	384.6	527.1		No forfaiting in Q4 FY19/20, SEK
Change in working capital	381.1	250.1	<b>←</b> ──┘	56m decrease in forfaiting in the
Cash flow from operating activities	765.7	777.2		same quarter last year*
Cashflow from investing activities				
Investment in acquired companies	-14.6	-288.3	◀	Growth investments (M&A growth)
Investment in intangible assets	-464.4	-326.0	▲	
Investment in tangible assets	-14.4	-6.6		A significant portion is organic growth
Investment in financial assets	-11.2	0.0		investments.
Cash flow from financing activities	-558.6	4 1,849.2		
Cash flow for the period	-297.5	2,005.5		Decreased utilization of credit facility
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	2,784.7	921.7		in Koch Media
Translation difference in cash and cash equivalents	23.1	1.9		[]
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	2,510.3	2,929.1		Cash taxes in the quarter was SEK 30m and SEK 152m in FY19/20.



## **INVESTMENTS**

## Investments in intangible assets the quarter



## Investments in game development by quarter



## **BALANCE SHEET**

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SEK million	31 Mar 2020	31 Dec 2019
Intangible assets	5,871 •	5,633
Property, plant and equipment	185	169
Financial assets	251	201
Inventories	353	387
Current receivables	1,468	1,570
Cash and bank balance	2,510	2,785
Total assets	10,637	10,745
Share capital	1	1
Other capital reserves	5,301	5,300
Recognized profit incl. the period	1,094	876
Provisions	1,241	1,306
Non-current liabilities	222	209
Current liabilities	2,779	3,053
Total equity and liabilities	10,637	10,745
Interest-bearing receivables	2,510	2,785
Interest-bearing liabilities	1,491	1,947
Net cash	1,019	838

Breakdown of intangible assets 31 Mar 2020								
Finished completed games	439	7%						
Ongoing game development projects	2,118	36%						
Other intangible assets (film etc.)	250	4%						
Operational intangible assets	2,806	48%						
IP-rights	1,480	25%						
Surplus value Partner Publishing/Film	173	3%						
Goodwill	1,412	24%						
Acquisition related intangible assets	3,065	52%						
TOTAL	5,871	100%						

Preliminary surplus value and related amortizations: Work is in progress with respect to the preliminary purchase price analysis related to the acquisition of Saber which will be presented in the quarterly report on 13 August 2020. Initial estimates indicate a surplus value between SEK 6,000m and SEK 6,250m, which will result in quarterly amortizations of surplus values between SEK 300m and SEK 313m starting from 1 April 2020.



## UPDATE ON CREDIT FACILITIES, AVAILABLE LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL STRATEGY

#### Credit facilities and available liquidity

- After the end of the quarter the Group's unutilized credit facilities were extended with EUR 27m.
- The Group's credit facilities are mainly long-term with an interest rate between 0.5% and 1.0% at utilization. The average interest expenses for utilized credit facilities during the fourth quarter was 0.8%. The credit facilities are mainly without pledged collateral.
- At the reporting date, the Group's credit facilities amount to SEK 3.5b, split between ten banks in different countries, predominantly denominated in EUR. As part of the Group's finance strategy, risks are diversified between countries, currencies and counterparts, which is in line with each operative group having a strong local autonomy in its operations.
- At the reporting date the Group's total cash and unutilized available credit facilities amounted to approximately SEK5b.

#### Update on financial strategy

- The Group has prudently, but intentionally, decided not to leverage operations by adding debt and financial risk. As the pipeline of games under development is released over the coming years, a notable improvement of free cash flow is anticipated.
- The first priority for allocation of operational cash flow from released games is still to reinvest as much as possible into value enhancing organic growth opportunities, e.g. new game projects. The second priority is to use free cash flow to finance smaller, bolt-on acquisitions in the underlying businesses.
- This means that in general terms, game development costs will be self-funded from operating cash flow. The Group's leverage capacity will mainly be allocated to larger acquisitions to handle big swings in net working capital. Available credit facilities at favorable terms provide substantial financing for M&A purposes going forward.
- The ambition is still to keep a net cash position in Group to maintain maximum strategic flexibility. However, for the right inorganic growth opportunity financial leverage could temporarily exceed 1,0x operational EBIT to Net debt, where operational EBIT is measured as management expectations for the coming twelve months. In such circumstances, leverage should at least return to <1,0x net debt to operational EBIT over the medium-term, either by retaining cash from operations or by raising equity.

## **2. Business areas**

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## Games business area GAMES – NET SALES BREAKDOWNS





- 31% TTM growth in the quarter YoY
- 13% quarterly decline in the quarter YoY due to tough comparable in Metro Exodus released on Feb 2019

## **Digital** (rest is physical)



## **Owned titles** (rest is publishing titles)

= Quarterly

= Trailing twelve months



## **New releases** (rest is back catalog)



## Games business area



SEK million	FY18 /19	FY19/20					
	Q5	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
Net sales – Quarterly	794	373	442	467	515		
Net sales – TTM	1,571	1,606	1,796	2,076	1,796		

- 35% YoY decline in the quarter due to tough comparable with Metro Exodus released in Feb 2019. 14% growth TTM.
- Expansion of the Metro franchise was the key sales driver
- Re-releases of Saints Row the third and Saints Row IV on Switch also contributed notably
- Strong back catalog led by Kingdom Come: Deliverance

# Notable releases in the quarter Image: Construction of the opposite Image: Construction of the opposite



## Games business area THQ NORDIC



SEK million	FY18 /19	FY19/20					
	Q5	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4					
Net sales – Quarterly	143	185	330	333	307		
Net sales – TTM	764	804	1,009	991	1,154		

- 115% quarterly YoY growth in the quarter
- Key release was Darksiders Genesis for console, which performed according to management expectations.
- Back catalogue:
  - Wreckfest continued to perform well on all platforms
  - Gunfire original IP Remnant continued to perform well, generating high-margin royalty income in the quarter.
- Two new development studios set up:
  - Gothic-remake studio in Barcelona
  - Nine Rock Games in Bratislava, who swiftly have built up an experienced team of 40+ people, working on an unannounced new IP



## Games business area





SEK million	FY18 /19		FY1	9/20		Selected upcor	ning releases
	Q5	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		SONGS
Net sales – Quarterly	98	83	45	36	82	FGRET	CONQUES
Net sales – TTM			239	261	246	3	PC IP: Own
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- One of the strongest quarters ever: Satisfactory and Deep Rock Galactic key revenue generators with Goat Simulator also
  performing well. All these three titles exceeded management's expectations during the quarter.
- Satisfactory update III released on February 11: Well received by its audience with notable influencer attention.
- Deep Rock Galactic showed solid performance with a combination of new content and announcement of the upcoming update.
- After the quarter, both Huntdown and full version of Deep Rock Galactic have been released to great acclaim by critics and fans.

## Games business area **AMPLIFIER GAME INVEST**



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#### Investment strategy

- Establish new studios together with industry veterans and highly experienced splinter groups (e.g. C77, River End)
- 2. Acquisitions of creative and proven indie studios seeking to advance to "the next level" (e.g. Tarsier)
- 3. Majority investments (e.g. Misc Games)



Organically setting up new, wholly owned, development studio in Gothenburg, comprising a hand-picked team of highly experienced game developers to be lead by Anders Hejdenberg and Karl Broström.

Increasing stake in Misc Games from 45% to 55%.



Acquired 100% of innovative Italian studio DESTINYbit with upcoming game Dice Legacy.

## **PARTNER PUBLISHING/FILM**



SEK million	FY18 /19	FY19/20					
	Q5	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4					
Net sales – Quarterly	596	501	444	673	436		
Net sales – TTM	2,674	2,821	2,368	2,213	2,053		

- Negative 27% quarterly YoY growth in the quarter, mainly due to Covid-19 effects
- Final Fantasy VII from Square Enix shipped partly and was the quarter's main revenue driver
- Downturn of revenue from physical retailers partly shifted to e-tailers such as Amazon.
- All our logistics hubs across Europe remained operational
- Film had a solid quarter in line with management expectations, driven by continued performance of Academy award-winning Parasite at cinemas and physical retail.
- No major releases expected for Q1 FY20/21





Notable releases in the quarter





by Atlus

by Bethesda





by Square Enix

by Atlus





## 3. M&A and financing

## **JOINING FORCES WITH SABER INTERACTIVE**

Develops top-quality content at a fraction of the cost, and offers a unique growth platform

#### Saber at a glance

- US based developer
- Founded in 2001 by Matthew Karch (CEO) and Andrey Iones (COO)
- Creates top-quality, multi-million sellers based on new or licensed IP, with highly cost-efficient development
- · Technically one of the strongest game development companies in the world











**20**YRS **EXPERIENCE** 

5 **STUDIOS** 

**c.** 600 DEVELOPERS<sup>1</sup>

30<sub>M</sub>+ GAMES SOLD

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## **Financial performance**



### Acquisition price

- \$150m upfront payment of which \$50m cash and \$50m in Embracer shares
- \$375m earn-out payment over six years, of which \$100m in cash and \$275m in Embracer shares

### Strong and well-rounded pipeline

15 games currently under development including simulation, shooter and sports games







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## Track record of owned or licensed IPs





## **EMPOWERMENT THROUGH DECENTRALIZATION**



A different type of gaming company – founded by entrepreneurs, run by entrepreneurs

We embrace a decentralization philosophy to empowering individuality, creativity and speed...

...while offering benefits of a large structure such as access to growth capital, knowledge sharing and (never forced) synergies

Attractive model for long-term creatives and entrepreneurs, will help bring more publishers and studios onboard



## **M&A OUTLOOK**

- M&A prospects continue to look favorable
- Ongoing scouting and research activity at HQ in Sweden, Saber Interactive, THQ Nordic Vienna, Koch Media Deep Silver, Coffee Stain and Amplifier
- Substantial watchlist of IPs, development studios and publishers
- Currently a number of ongoing discussions with companies to join our Group, including a few sizable businesses that could form a new operating group, however, we do not depend on acquisitions to grow our business
- Strategy of giving autonomy to our local management teams is empowering them to continue succeeding and is attracting more studios and publishers to join our family

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## **DIRECTED NEW SHARE ISSUE**

To continue our buy-to-build M&A journey

#### Comments

- Directed new share issue completed 8 April 2020
- SEK 1.6b raised before transaction costs
- Use of proceeds: Continued M&A following the successful acquisition of Saber Interactive
- More than one hundred Swedish and international institutional investors
- Subscription price: SEK 89 per share
- Dilution: 5% of capital and 2.7% of votes
- Bookrunners: Carnegie and Berenberg

#### Selected new and existing investors



# 4. Sustainability quarterly update

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## **ESG Update:**

- Ambassador program further developed with focus on engaging and supporting all subsidiaries.
- An external Whistleblowing service was adopted to ensure legality in accordance with our Compliance Code, while safeguarding employees and other stakeholders.
- Embracer became a partner to the organization Safe In Our World who provide tools for dealing with mental health issues and raise awareness in the industry.
- Progress is being made in the development of the sustainability report, included in this years Annual Report.



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GameReactor

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Shacknews

9,5/10 PlayGround

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8/10 ScreenRant

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8,3/10 Multiplayer.it

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