# **AXACTOR**

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### Presenting:



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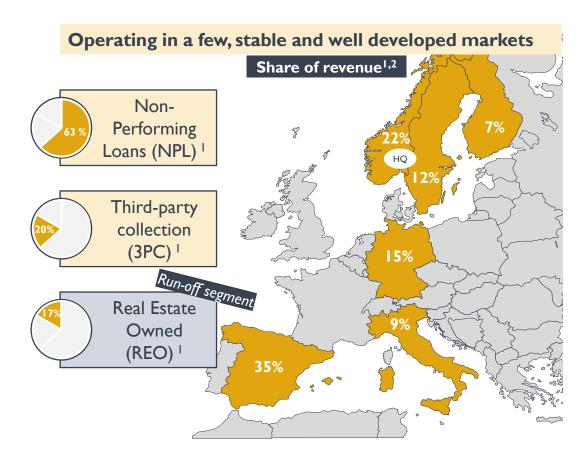
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# Axactor is an established European debt collection company that has grown rapidly in targeted markets

#### A leading European debt collector

- Established in Q4 2015 with headquarters in Oslo, Norway, and is one of Europe's top-ten debt collectors
- Main focus on collection and acquisition of unsecured nonperforming loans ("NPL") from financial institutions and third-party collection ("3PC")
- Operations in six countries; Finland, Germany, Italy, Norway,
   Spain and Sweden, with 1,095 FTEs
- Portfolio acquisitions north of EUR 600m for 2019 and 2020 combined
- Geveran owns 44% of Oslo-listed Axactor SE



## Our core business areas simply explained

#### **Non-Performing Loans (NPL)**

- Buy defaulted debt at discount to face value
  - Price variations between markets, age and type of debt
- Example: Credit card, personal loans
- Use own highly trained personnel and systems to collect
- Profit on collecting more efficient than banks
- Gross money multiple typically between 1.7-2.5x
- Valuation based on a 15-year collection curve

Combined deals

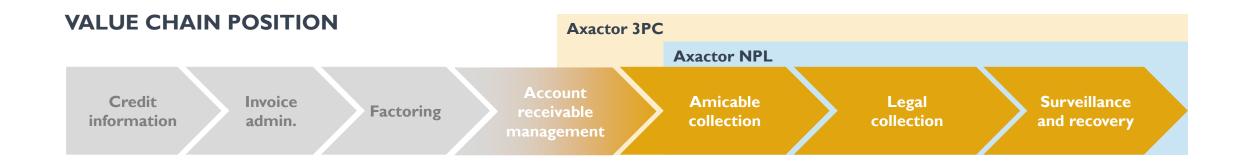
Operational synergies (systems, personnel)

Diversification

### **Third-party collection (3PC)**

- Traditional debt collection on behalf of external customers
  - Typically a fixed fee or a commission to Axactor on the collected amount
- Low capital requirements
- Creates strong customer relationships and recurring business
- Provides pricing support for NPL acquisition
- Focus on combined forward flow and 3PC deals

## Axactor follows a clear and simple niche strategy



#### **NICHE STRATEGY**

- Six carefully selected geographies
- Business-to-consumer unsecured NPLs with claim size 500 50,000 EUR
- Only acquiring debt originated within bank/finance segment
- Focus on first-hand portfolios of fresh debt from well-known vendors

## From start-up to established player

- After five years in business, Axactor enters a new phase with increased focus on earnings

Start-up (2016-2020)

#### Grow revenue & scale

- Aggressive growth
- Market entries
- Establish IT and operations

Established player (2021-2024)

#### **Grow return on equity**

- Grow size in existing markets
- Operational excellence
- Initiate dividend payments
- Take part in consolidation of the NPL industry

Steady state  $(2025 \rightarrow)$ 

#### **Grow presence**

- Steady state
- Competitive cash return to shareholders
- Use superior operations to enter new markets and segments

# Key Financial Highlights Q1 2021

#### All numbers in EUR





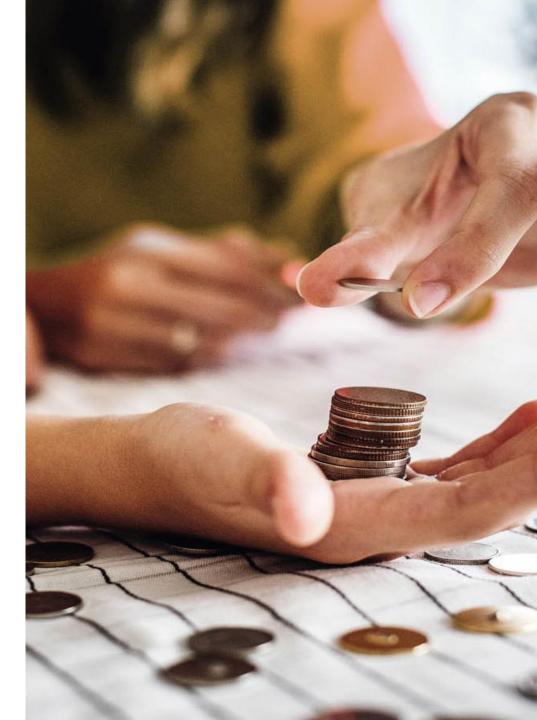








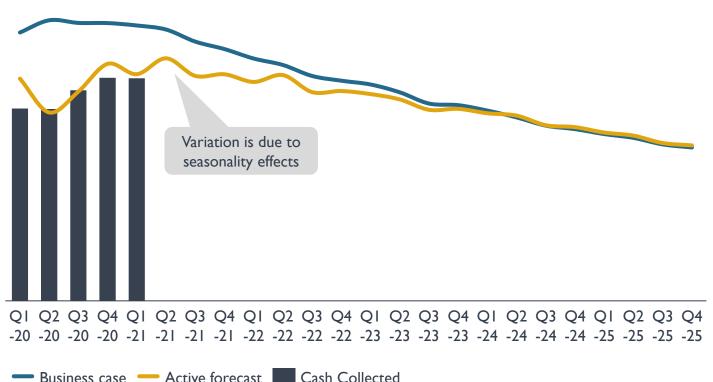




# NPL active forecast aligned with current performance

## - Supporting correct portfolio valuations going forward

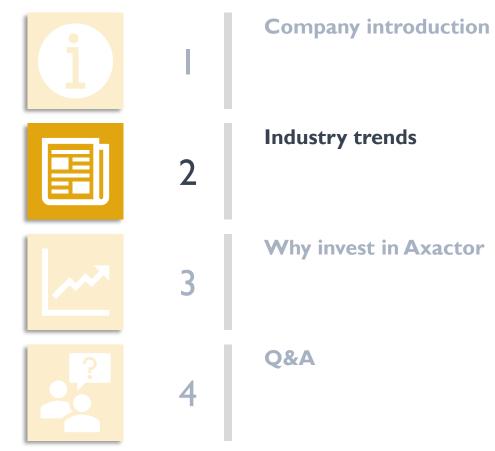
Business case and active forecast versus cash collected



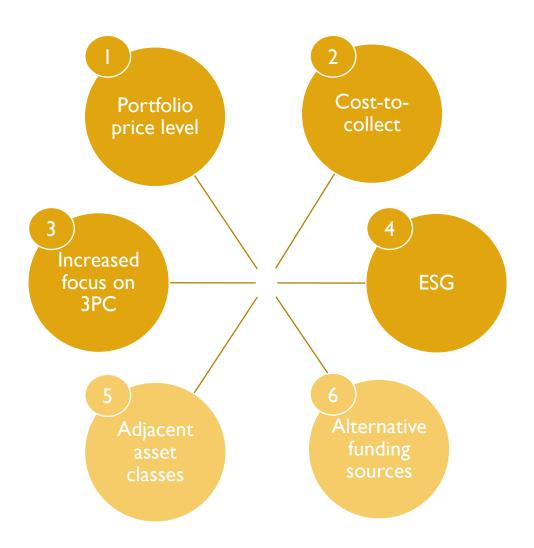
- Cash collected in 2020 did not meet the original business case primarily due to Covid-19
- Active forecast is aligned with current performance
- Historic underperformance assumed lost – prudent approach
- Axactor with one of the tightest performance criteria for revaluation in the industry



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# **Key industry trends 2021**

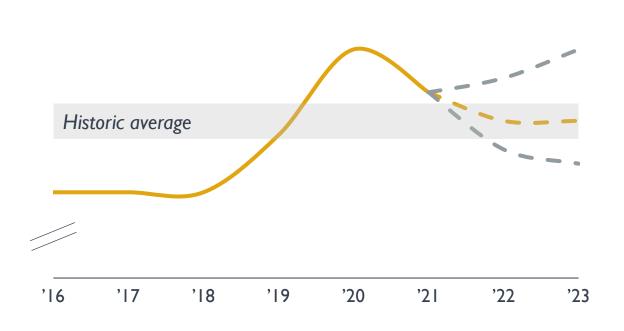




## Expect IRR to converge towards historic average

- Significantly above historic IRR for Axactor

#### Estimated IRR development 2016 - 2023



#### **Factors affecting future IRR**

#### **Upwards** pressure

- Overhang of unsold NPLs after the pandemic
- Increased regulatory pressure on banks
  - Prudential backstop
- Stronger industry discipline than in '16-'18

#### **Downwards pressure**

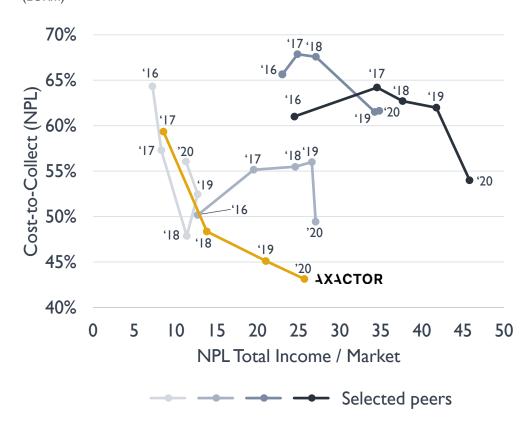
- Most industry players with high investment capacity
  - New volumes needed to avoid declining revenues
- Lower loan volumes and default rates reduces size of 2021 NPL vintage



# Increasing focus on cost level in the industry

- Axactor with industry leading cost-to-collect and aiming for further improvements

#### NPL Cost-to-Collect & total income per market 2016-2020<sup>1</sup> (EURm)

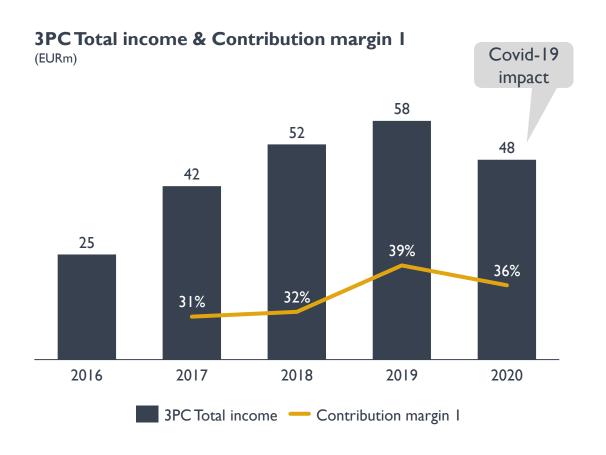


- Axactor incepted to disrupt the industry on cost-to-collect
- Continued innovation and growing economies of scale to fuel further improvements
- Strict niche strategy supporting long-term competitiveness



## Trend of improving utilization of collection platform

- Different strategies to reach optimal utilization



- Capital light, recurring revenue with good margin and diversification benefits
- Synergies with NPL on operation, customer partnerships and portfolio insight
- Volumes expected to recover to pre-covid levels as societies reopen



# **ESG** with increasing importance

79 out of 733

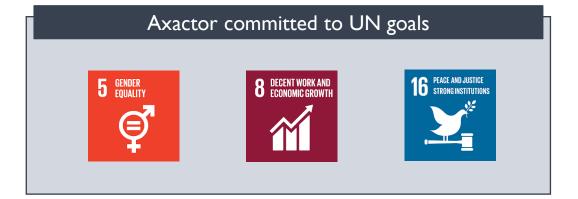
- Axactor ranked #2 in consumer finance sector by Sustainalytics<sup>1</sup>

# Axactor ESG rating Relative performance Rank<sup>1</sup> Consumer finance subindustry 2 out of 145

Global universe 1,840 out of 13,564

Diversified financials industry

- ESG an important part of Axactor's DNA
- Increasing attention from all stakeholders



- Carefully selected goals where Axactor can make a difference
- UN sustainable development goals integrated in Axactor's strategy



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## Why invest in the debt collection INDUSTRY?

**Driver Comments Volume** sent to debt collection expected to **increase** as societies reopen and moratoriums end Revenue growth Large NPL-volumes expected for sale - Overhang from the pandemic and Prudential backstop rules Margin expansion Expect **IRR** to be significantly above 2016-2018 levels **Resilient** through the pandemic, and trading with relatively **low** P/B compared to 10-year average **Valuation** Expect **industry consolidation** over the next 2-3 years

## Why invest in AXACTOR?

**Driver Comments** NPL - Expect material **revenue growth** next 12 months **EUR ~550m**<sup>1</sup> in est. investment capacity **limit** Revenue growth EUR ~130m in est. replacement CAPEX 3PC - revenues reverting to pre-covid levels and beyond Replacing low IRR portfolios with new acquisitions Relative **improvement** expected to be **larger** for Axactor than competitors - coming from a lower starting point Margin expansion Effects of cost reduction program and economies of scale Phasing out REO Material post-covid repricing potential **Valuation Attractive target** for private equity & industrial players Industry leading cost-to-collect platform

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### Terms and abbreviations

#### APM / KPI definition

ERC

EBITDA adjusted for change in forward flow derivatives, calculated cost of share option program, portfolio Cash EBITDA amortizations and revaluations, REO cost of sales and REO impairments

CM1 Margin Total operating expenses (excluding SG&A, IT and corporate cost) as a percentage of total income

Debt-to-equity ratio Total interest bearing debt as a percentage of total equity The rate of discount of original debt balance used to negotiate repayment of debt Discount

EBITDA margin EBITDA as a percentage of total income

GDP (Gross Domestic Product) growth Economic growth

Governmental bailiff exchanging information electronically Efficient Legal system Total equity as a percentage of total equity and liabilities Equity ratio

Estimated Remaining Collection express the expected future cash collection on own portfolios (NPLs) in nominal

values, over the next 180 months.

Gross margin Cash EBITDA as a percentage of gross revenue

3PC revenue, REO sale, cash collected on own portfolios and other revenue, excluding change in forward flow

Gross revenue

House price index, development of real estate values House pricing Interest changes The interest charged to debtors on active claims

Interest level Lending rate in the market

Net Interest Bearing Debt means the aggregated amount of interest bearing debt, less aggregated amount of

NIBD unrestricted cash and bank deposits, on a consolidated basis

Opex ex SG&A, IT and corp.cost Total expenses excluding overhead functions

Agreement with the debtors to repay their debt Payment agreement

Recovery rate Portion of the original debt repaid

Net profit/(loss) to equity holders as a percentage of total average equity in period excluding Non-controlling Return on Equity, excluding minorities,

annualized interests, annualized based on number of days in period

Return on Equity, including minorities, Net profit/(loss) after tax as a percentage of total average equity in period, annualized based on number of days in

annualized period

One payment of full debt

SG&A, IT and corporate cost Total operating expenses for overhead functions

Accumulated paid principal amount for the period divided by accumulated collectable principal amount for the

Solution rate period. Usually expressed on a monthly basis

Total estimated capital commitments for

The total estimated capital commitments for the forward flow agreements are calculated based on the volume received over the last months and limited by the total capex commitment in the contract. forward flow agreements

Total income Gross revenue minus portfolio amortizations and revaluations

Tracing activity Finding and updating debtor contact information

#### Terms and abbreviations

PCI

PPA

REO

SEK

VIII

Third-party collection

APM Alternative Performance Measures ARM Accounts Receivable Management

B2B **Business to Business** B2C Business to Consumer BoD Board of Directors CGU Cash Generating Unit CM1 Contribution Margin Dopex Direct Operating expenses

EBIT Operating profit, Earning before Interest and Tax

EBITDA Earnings Before Interest, Tax, Depreciation and Amortization

ECL Expected Credit Loss EPS Earnings Per Share

EUR

FTE Full Time Equivalent

IFRS International Financial Reporting Standards NCI

Non-controlling interests NOK Norwegian Krone NPL Non-performing loan

OB Outstanding Balance, the total amount Axactor can collect on claims under management, including outstanding

principal, interest and fees Purchased Credit Impaired Purchase Price Allocations Real Estate Owned Swedish Krone

SG&A Selling, General & Administrative

SPV Special Purpose Vehicle

Value in Use

WACC Weighted Average Cost of Capital WAEP Weighted Average Exercise Price

