

Q2 FY2018 RESULTS

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1. Financial highlights





Q2 FY2018 highlights

Fiscal year-end September

Revenue	 Revenue up by 2.5% to €251.0m (+€6.1m vs. Q2 FY17) Asia / Pacific and RoW up by 17.6% y/y, Europe up by 4.8% y/y, NAFTA 'suffers' from the weak \$: - 4.6% y/y Capital Goods + 11.3% y/y, Vibration & Velocity Control + 6.0% y/y, Automotive Powerise + 3.4% y/y and Commercial Furniture + 1.3% y/y, Automotive Gas Spring - 4.3% y/y
Adj. EBIT	 Adj. EBIT¹ up by 2.3% to €39.3m (vs. €38.4m in Q2 FY17) Adj. EBIT margin at 15.7% (vs. 15.7% in Q2 FY17)
Profit	 Profit at €25.6²m in Q2 FY18 (vs. €14.6²m in Q2 FY17) Profit margin at 10.2% (vs. 6.0% in Q2 FY17)
Net leverage ratio	 Net leverage ratio¹ at 1.4x (vs. 2.0x as of end Q2 FY17 and 1.5x as of end FY17) Net financial debt¹ at €266.5m
Outlook	 > FY2018 revenue guidance increased from c. 7.1% to c. 8.8% y-o-y organic growth at constant \$/€ rate of 1.10 \$/€, i.e. c. 5.5% y-o-y change to €960m @ avg. fx rate of 1.20 \$/€ in FY18 > FY2018 adj. EBIT margin guidance of c. 15.5% confirmed

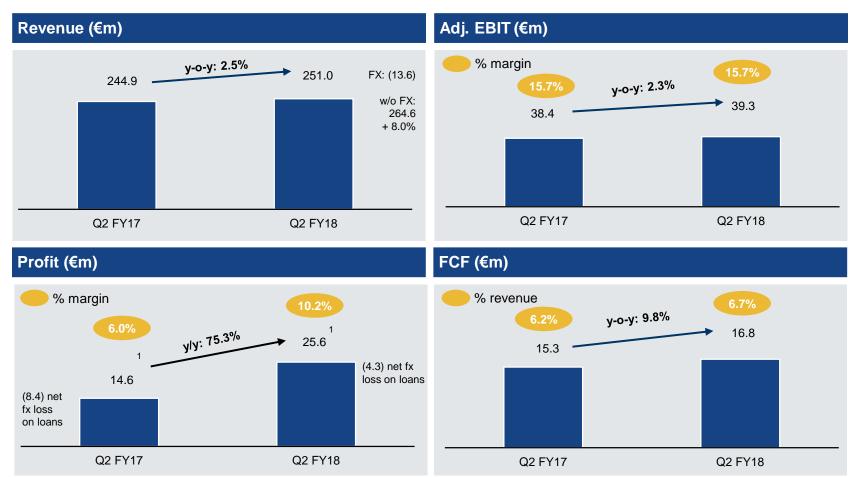
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¹ For definition/calculation of KPIs like adj. EBIT, net leverage ratio etc. refer to appendix and/or our financial reports and quarterly statements under <u>www.ir.stabilus.com</u>.

² The development of profit from Q2 FY17 to Q2 FY18 is impacted by non-cash items in the financial result: €(8.4)m net foreign exchange loss on loans in Q2 FY17 and €(4.3)m net foreign exchange loss on loans in Q2 FY18.

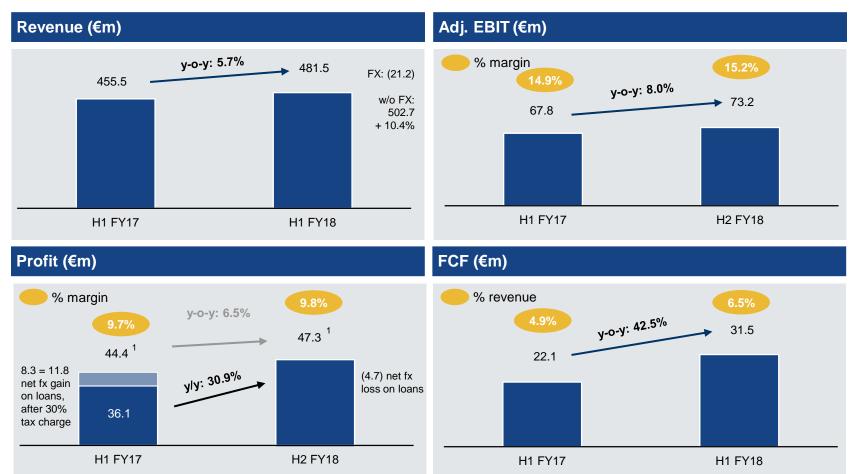
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Stabilus shows strong operating performance in Q2 FY2018 (y-o-y)



Note: **FX** = currency effect resulting from translation of NAFTA revenue from USD to EUR. Avg. fx rate of 1.23% in Q2 FY18 versus 1.07% in Q2 FY17. ¹ The development of profit from Q2 FY17 to Q2 FY18 is impacted by non-cash items in the financial result: \in (8.4)m net foreign exchange loss on loans in Q2 FY17 and \in (4.3)m net foreign exchange loss on loans in Q2 FY18.

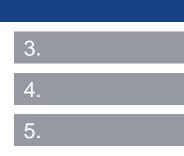
Stabilus shows strong operating performance in H1 FY2018 (y-o-y)



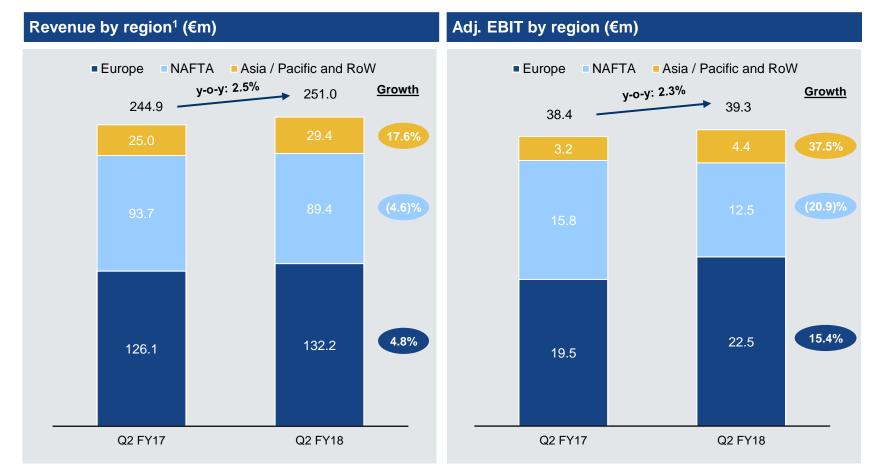
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2. Results by region

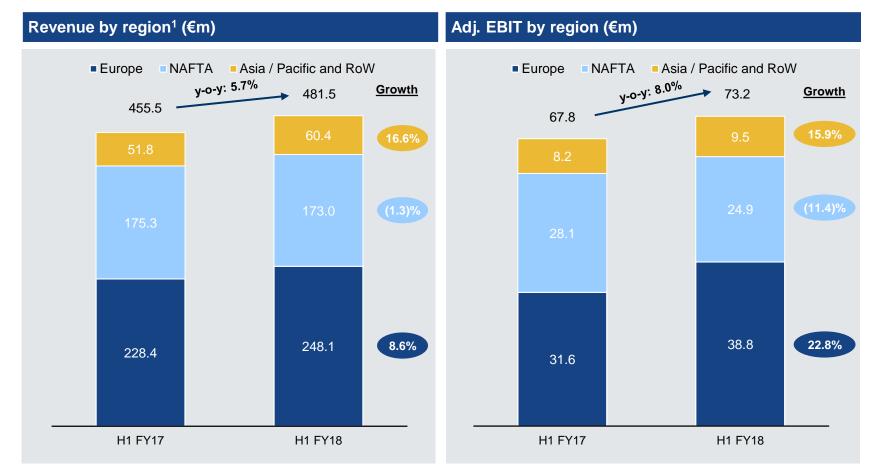


Q2 FY2018 revenue and adj. EBIT growth – by region (y-o-y)



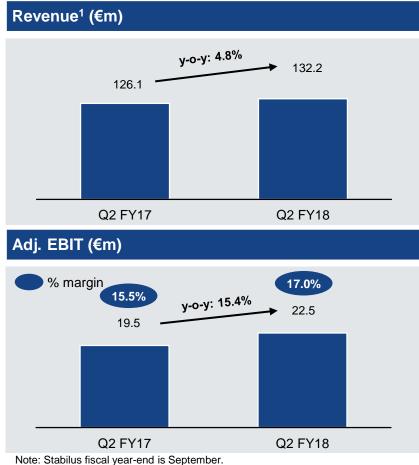
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H1 FY2018 revenue and adj. EBIT growth – by region (y-o-y)



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Europe



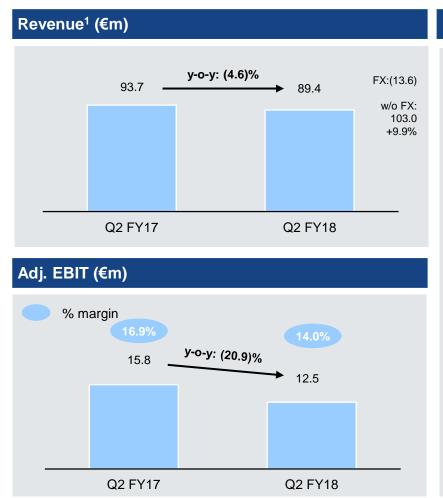
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¹ External revenue only.

Key highlights

- Europe car production in Q2 FY18 at 5.9m units, i.e.
 + 0.9% vs. Q2 FY17
- > Europe's revenue increased by 4.8% y/y
- The increase was primarily driven by our Capital Goods revenue which grew by 12.8% to €41.5m (Q2 FY17: €36.8m)
- Adj. EBIT margin improved from 15.5% in Q2 FY17 to 17.0% in Q2 FY18 reflecting a strong drop-through rate at ACE (Vibration & Velocity Control Europe) and Stabilus Romania; due to partial sourcing from the US, ACE also benefits from weaker US dollar

NAFTA



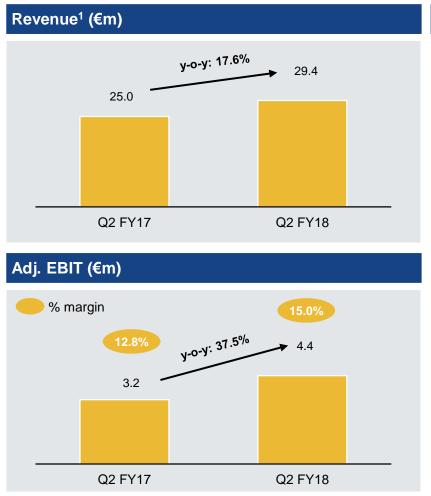
Key highlights

- NAFTA car production in Q2 FY18 at 4.4m units, i.e.
 2.6% vs. Q2 FY17
- NAFTA's revenue 4.6% y/y due to weaker US dollar (+9.9% y/y excluding the \$/€ currency translation effect)
- NAFTA's development in Q2 FY18 was primarily driven by our industrial business, in particular Capital Goods + 7.6% y/y (+ 24.2% y/y excl. currency effect) and Vibration & Velocity Control - 2.1% y/y (+ 13.4% y/y excl. currency effect); automotive revenue - 7.6% y/y (+ 6.3% y/y excl. currency effect)
- Adj. EBIT margin at 14.0% (Q2 FY17: 16.9%), i.e.
 2.9 pp, due to higher expenses in Capital Goods,
 e.g. for subsequent product amendments

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Asia / Pacific and RoW

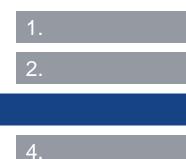


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Key highlights

- Asia/Pacific and RoW car production in Q2 FY18 at 13.9m units, i.e. - 0.8% vs. Q2 FY17 (China: - 3.1%, Japan/Korea: - 1.4%, South America: + 11.5%)
- > Asia/Pacific and RoW's revenue increased by 17.6%
- The increase was primarily driven by our Powerise and Vibration & Velocity Control businesses: Powerise revenue grew from €0.5m in Q2 FY17 to €5.2m in Q2 FY18 and VVC revenue increased from €1.1m in Q2 FY17 to €2.4m in Q2 FY18
- Adj. EBIT margin improved from 12.8% in Q2 FY17 to 15.0% in Q2 FY18 due to higher capacity utilization of the Powerise line in China and growth in Vibration & Velocity Control

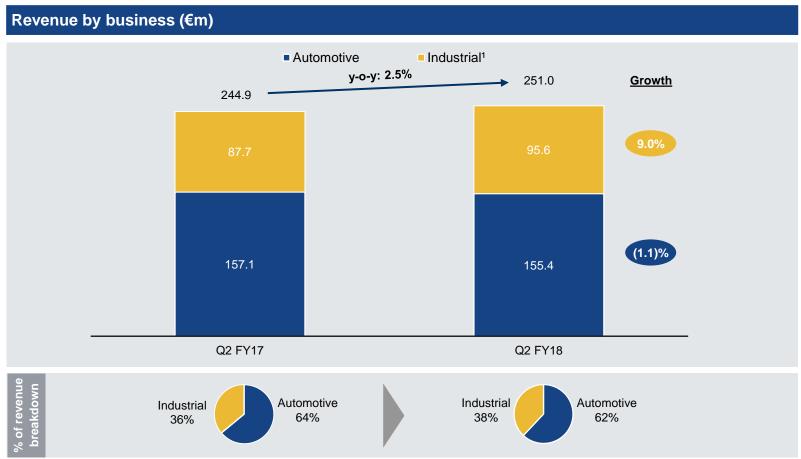




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3. Results by market

Q2 FY2018 revenue growth – by market / business (y-o-y)

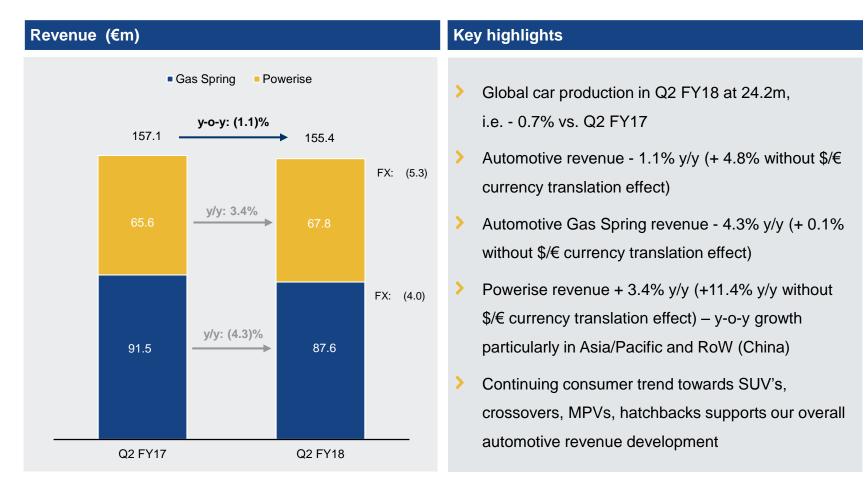


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¹ Industrial including Capital Goods, Vibration & Velocity Control and Commercial Furniture revenue.

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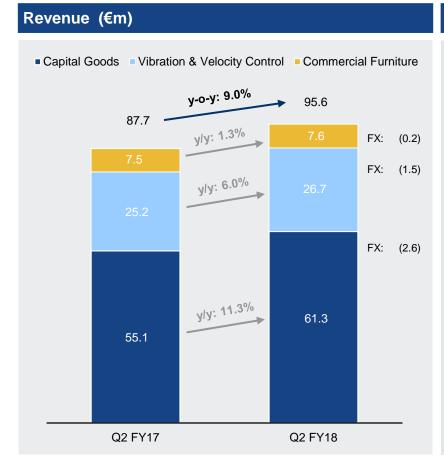
Q2 FY2018 revenue growth – Automotive business (y-o-y)



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Q2 FY2018 revenue growth – Industrial business (y-o-y)



Key highlights

- Industrial revenue increased by 9.0% (13.9% excluding \$/€ currency translation effect)
- ➤ Excluding \$/€ currency translation effect Capital Goods grew by 16.0%, Vibration & Velocity Control by 11.9%, and Commercial Furniture by 4.0%
- Continuing strong growth e.g. in the following segments: agriculture and construction machinery, bus/truck/transportation and independent aftermarket

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4. Outlook

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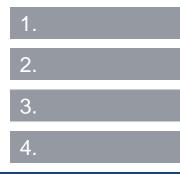
Outlook

	FY2017 Actual	FY2018 Guidance			
		€ million	percent		
Revenue	€910.0m (@ 1.10 \$/€)	~ €990m (@ 1.10 \$/€) ~ €960m (@ 1.20 \$/€)	~ 8.8% growth (organic, at constant \$/€ rate) ~ 5.5% y/y		
% Adj. EBIT margin	15.1%		~ 15.5%		

Comments

- Revenue guidance FY2018 increased from c. 7.1% to c. 8.8% organic revenue growth, i.e.
 - > ~ 8.8% y-o-y growth (organic and at constant avg. \$/€ rate of 1.10 vs. prior year), i.e.
 - > ~ 5.5% y-o-y change to approx. €960m, under assumption of avg. \$/€ rate of 1.20 in FY18
- Decrease of US\$/€ avg. fx rate in FY18 by 0.10 \$/€ leads to a revenue increase by approx. €30m and vice versa, e.g.: 1.10 \$/€ → ~ €990m (~ 8.8% y/y), 1.15 \$/€ → ~ €975m (~ 7.1% y/y), 1.20 \$/€ → ~ €960m (~ 5.5% y/y), 1.25 \$/€ → ~ €945m (~ 3.8% y/y)
- > FY2018 adj. EBIT margin guidance of c. 15.5% confirmed





5. Appendix

Revenue by region and customer market (3M ended March 31, 2018)

	Q2 FY2017 Actual	Q2 FY2018 Actual	Change	% change
Automotive Gas Spring	41.3	41.5	0.2	0.5%
Automotive Powerise	27.4	27.8	0.4	1.5%
Industrial / Capital Goods	36.8	41.5	4.7	12.8%
Vibration & Velocity Control	14.5	14.8	0.3	2.1%
Commercial Furniture	6.2	6.5	0.3	4.8%
Europe	126.1	132.2	6.1	4.8%
Automotive Gas Spring ¹	29.3	27.2	(2.1)	(7.2)%
Automotive Powerise ¹	37.8	34.8	(3.0)	(7.9)%
Industrial / Capital Goods ¹	15.7	16.9	1.2	7.6%
Vibration & Velocity Control ¹	9.7	9.5	(0.2)	(2.1)%
Commercial Furniture ¹	1.3	1.0	(0.3)	(23.1)%
NAFTA ¹	93.7	89.4	(4.3)	(4.6)%
Automotive Gas Spring	20.8	18.9	(1.9)	(9.1)%
Automotive Powerise	0.5	5.2	4.7	>100.0%
Industrial / Capital Goods	2.7	3.0	0.3	11.19
Vibration & Velocity Control	1.1	2.4	1.3	>100.0%
Commercial Furniture	-	-	-	n/
Asia / Pacific and RoW	25.0	29.4	4.4	17.6%
otal Automotive Gas Spring	91.5	87.6	(3.9)	(4.3)%
otal Automotive Powerise	65.6	67.8	2.2	3.49
otal Industrial / Capital Goods	55.1	61.3	6.2	11.3%
otal Vibration & Velocity Control	25.2	26.7	1.5	6.00
otal Commercial Furniture	7.5	7.6	0.1	1.39
al	244.9	251.0	6.1	2.5

Note: ¹ NAFTA Q2 FY18 revenue includes currency effect of €(13.6)m, resulting from translation of NAFTA revenue from USD to EUR. Avg. fx rate of 1.23\$/€ in Q2 FY18 versus 1.07\$/€ in Q2 FY17.

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Revenue by region and customer market (6M ended March 31, 2018)

	H1 FY2017 Actual	H1 FY2018 Actual	Change	% change
Automotive Gas Spring	75.0	78.9	3.9	5.2%
Automotive Powerise	49.0	54.3	5.3	10.8%
Industrial / Capital Goods	66.6	75.0	8.4	12.6%
Vibration & Velocity Control	26.0	27.3	1.3	5.0%
Commercial Furniture	11.8	12.6	0.8	6.8%
Europe	228.4	248.1	19.7	8.6%
Automotive Gas Spring ¹	56.6	51.7	(4.9)	(8.7)%
Automotive Powerise ¹	68.6	68.1	(0.5)	(0.7)%
Industrial / Capital Goods ¹	29.3	31.4	2.1	7.2%
Vibration & Velocity Control ¹	18.4	19.6	1.2	6.5%
Commercial Furniture ¹	2.5	2.2	(0.3)	(12.0)%
NAFTA ¹	175.3	173.0	(2.3)	(1.3)%
Automotive Gas Spring	43.0	40.1	(2.9)	(6.7)%
Automotive Powerise	1.5	9.8	8.3	>100.0%
Industrial / Capital Goods	5.1	5.9	0.8	15.7%
Vibration & Velocity Control	2.3	4.6	2.3	100.0%
Commercial Furniture	-	0.1	0.1	n/a
Asia / Pacific and RoW	51.8	60.4	8.6	16.6%
otal Automotive Gas Spring	174.7	170.7	(4.0)	(2.3)%
otal Automotive Powerise	119.0	132.3	13.3	11.2%
otal Industrial / Capital Goods	100.9	112.2	11.3	11.2%
otal Vibration & Velocity Control	46.6	51.5	4.9	10.5%
otal Commercial Furniture	14.3	14.8	0.5	3.5%
al	455.5	481.5	26.0	5.7%

Note: ¹ NAFTA H1 FY18 revenue includes currency effect of €(21.2)m, resulting from translation of NAFTA revenue from USD to EUR. Avg. fx rate of 1.20\$/€ in H1 FY18 versus 1.07\$/€ in H1 FY17.

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P&L overview (3M ended March 31, 2018)

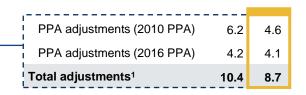
	Q2 FY2017 Actual	Q2 FY2018 Actual	Change	% change
Revenue	244.9	251.0	6.1	2.5%
COGS	(169.7)	(172.8)	(3.1)	1.8%
Gross Profit	75.2	78.2	3.0	4.0%
% margin	30.7%	31.2%		
R&D	(10.7)	(11.6)	(0.9)	8.4%
S&M	(20.6)	(20.3)	0.3	(1.5)%
G&A	(8.8)	(10.4)	(1.6)	18.2%
Other income/expenses	(1.7)	(0.9)	0.8	(47.1)%
EBIT	33.3	35.0	1.7	5.1%
% margin	13.6%	13.9%		
Adjustments ¹	5.1	4.3	(0.8)	(15.7)%
Adj. EBIT ¹	38.4	39.3	0.9	2.3%
% margin	15.7%	15.7%		



Note: ¹ Adjusted EBIT represents profit from operating activities (EBIT), adjusted for exceptional non-recurring items (e.g. restructuring or one-time advisory costs) and depreciation/amortization of fair value adjustments from purchase price allocations (PPA).

P&L overview (6M ended March 31, 2018)

	H1 FY2017 Actual	H1 FY2018 Actual	Change	% change
Revenue	455.5	481.5	26.0	5.7%
COGS	(320.5)	(335.7)	(15.2)	4.7%
Gross Profit	135.1	145.8	10.7	7.9%
% margin	29.7%	30.3%		
R&D	(18.6)	(21.7)	(3.1)	16.7%
S&M	(40.6)	(40.8)	(0.2)	0.5%
G&A	(17.8)	(19.4)	(1.6)	9.0%
Other income/expenses	(0.7)	0.6	1.3	<(100.0)%
EBIT	57.4	64.5	7.1	12.4%
% margin	12.6%	13.4%		
Adjustments ¹	10.4	8.7	(1.7)	(16.3)%
Adj. EBIT ¹	67.8	73.2	5.4	8.0%
% margin	14.9%	15.2%		



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Balance sheet overview

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¹ Net leverage ratio = net financial debt / adj. EBITDA LTM. Net financial debt defined as principal amount of financial debt less cash. Adj. EBITDA LTM = last-twelve-month adjusted earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization. Refer also to our financial reports and quarterly statements at <u>www.ir.stabilus.com</u> for further details. Numbers rounded to one decimal. Due to rounding, numbers presented may not add up precisely to the totals provided.

Cash flow overview and free cash flow (3M ended March 31, 2018)

Cash Flow Statement (€m)						
	Q2 FY2017 Actual	Q2 FY2018 Actual	Change	% change		
Cash flow from operating activities	28.3	25.7	(2.6)	(9.2)%		
Cash flow from investing activities	(13.0)	(8.9)	4.1	(31.5)%		
Cash flow from financing activities	(17.5)	(21.8)	(4.3)	24.6%		
Net increase / (decrease) in cash	(2.1)	(5.0)	(2.9)	>100.0%		
Effect of movements in exchange rates	0.4	0.4	-	0.0%		
Cash as of beginning of the period	69.7	80.3	10.6	15.2%		
Cash as of end of the period	68.0	75.8	7.8	11.5%		

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Cash flow overview and free cash flow (6M ended March 31, 2018)

Cash Flow Statement (€m)						
	H1 FY2017 Actual	H1 FY2018 Actual	Change	% change		
Cash flow from operating activities	44.6	50.3	5.7	12.8%		
Cash flow from investing activities	(22.5)	(18.8)	3.7	(16.4)%		
Cash flow from financing activities	(30.0)	(23.0)	7.0	(23.3)%		
Net increase / (decrease) in cash	(7.8)	8.5	16.3	<(100.0)%		
Effect of movements in exchange rates	0.8	(0.9)	(1.7)	<(100.0)%		
Cash as of beginning of the period	75.0	68.1	(6.9)	(9.2)%		
Cash as of end of the period	68.0	75.8	7.8	11.5%		

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Free cash flow	22.1	31.5	9.4	42.5%

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