

EQUITA Group FY'23 Results

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Very Resilient Performance in FY'23 and Significant Growth in 4Q'23

Key Financial Highlights



Divisional Performance

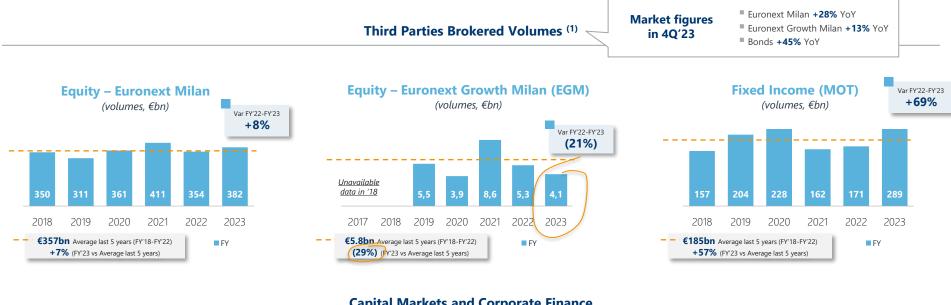




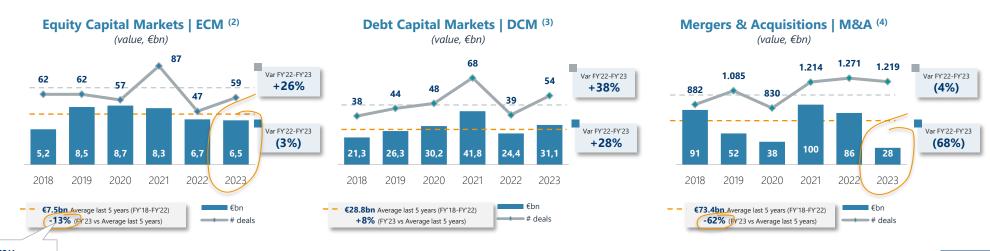




Tough Year for Equities (Brokerage, Capital Markets) and M&A in Italy



Capital Markets and Corporate Finance



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Better Performance compared to Peers, Implied Increase in Market Share

Comparison between Selected International Investment Banks and Advisory Firms vs EQUITA

FY'23 vs FY'22 (1 Jan – 3	1 Dec)	% Var Net Revenues	% Var Net Profits	Margin %
Investment bank	ABG Sundal Collier	0%	(13%)	14%
Investment bank	Baader Bank	7%	(68%)	2%
Investment bank	Goldman Sachs	(2%)	(27%)	17%
Investment bank	Jefferies (1)	(21%)	(66%)	6%
Investment bank	Morgan Stanley	1%	(19%)	16%
Investment bank	Piper Sandler	(7%)	(17%)	13%
nvestment bank	Stifel	(1%)	(20%)	13%
Investment bank	UBS	18%	> 100% (excl.)	Excluded
Advisory firm	Evercore	(12%)	(46%)	10%
Advisory firm	Houlihan Lokey	0%	6%	15%
Advisory firm	Lazard	(12%)	(80%)	3%
Advisory firm	Moelis & Co	(11%)	< 100% (excl.)	Excluded
Advisory firm	Perella Weinberg	3%	< 100% (excl.)	Excluded
Advisory firm	PJT Partners	12%	(10%)	7%
	EQUITA	2%	5%	18%
	Mean - Investment Banks	(1%)	(33%)	11%
	Median - Investment Banks	(0%)	(20%)	13%
	Mean - Financial Advisors	(3%)	(33%)	9%
	Median - Financial Advisors	(6%)	(28%)	9%

Strong Results in All Divisions



Trend in Net Revenues since IPO and Divisional Performance (€m)



Commentary

- Sales & Trading affected by the overall weak levels of investors' activity on equities, especially in Small-Mid Caps trading
- Client-Driven Trading & Market Making benefitted from higher levels of trading on bonds, certificates and derivatives
- Directional Trading recorded its best year since IPO, well-above average (€3.2m average '17-'22)
- Very resilient performance compared to the underlying market, with year-on-year growth impacted by the comparison effect with 2022.
- Capital Markets materially up year-on-year, partially offsetting the decline in M&A (and despite an increase in the number of mandates)
- Excluding one very profitable mandate closed in 2Q'22 by EQUITA K Finance, Revenues grew 19% in FY'23
- Revenue mix moving to AM fees from illiquid, proprietary assets (65% of FY'23 revenues)⁽¹⁾
- Investment Portfolio contributed positively, also thanks to a capital gain arising from the purchase of an additional fund share in EPD at a discount to the NAV

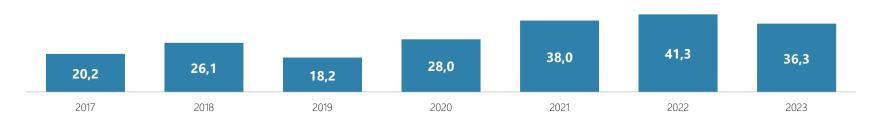




Investment Banking: Plenty of Growth Opportunities



Investment Banking Revenues since IPO (€m)



Investment Banking FTEs since IPO





P&L and Focus on Cost Structure



Reclassified P&L (€m)

	FY'23	FY'22	Var % 23-22	4Q'23	4Q'22	4Q Var % 23-22	
Client-related	76,7	82,3	(7%)	23,3	20,8	12%	Pe
Non-client (Dir. Trading)	7,4	2,7	176%	2,5	1,1	132%	FT
Investment portfolio	3,4	1,2	190%	2,3	0,2	n.m.	Co No
Performance fees	-	-	n.a.	-	-	n.a.	
Net revenues	87,5	86,2	2%	28,1	22,0	27%	
Total Costs (1)	(63,4)	(60,9)	4%	(19,1)	(17,2)	11%	Focus
Cost/Income Adjusted % ⁽²⁾	(71,5%)	(70,7%)		(68%)	(78%)		
Cost/Income %	(72,5%)	(70,7%)		(68%)	(78%)		
Profit before taxes (1)	24,1	25,3	(5%)	9,0	4,8	86%	Op
Taxes ⁽¹⁾	(7,0)	(7,1)	(1%)	(2,5)	(1,3)	99%	
Tax rate	(29%)	(28%)		(28%)	(26%)		
Minorities	(0,7)	(2,0)	(66%)	(0,1)	(0,5)	(77%)	Cos
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Net Profits	16,1	15,2	5%	6,3	2,2	193%	
Adjusted Net Profits (1)(2)	16,9	16,2	5%	6,4	3,1	106%	
ROTE	26%	29%				in line with	vidend per share FY'22 (≈100% payout

Focus on Personnel

	FY'23	FY'22	Var %
Personnel Costs (1)	(41,9)	(42,2)	(1%)
FTEs (End of Period)	195	188	4%
Comps / Revenues	(47,9%)	(48,9%)	(2%)
Normalized Comps / Revenues	(49.5%)		

Focus on Operating Expenses

on Adjusted Net Profit)

		FY'23	FY'22	Var %	
Operating Costs	(21,5)	(18,7)	15%		
Information Techno	ology	(6,3)	(6,2)	1%	
Trading Fees		(3,1)	(2,9)	6%	
Non-Recurring (ani	niversary)	(0,8)	<u> </u>	n.a.	
Other (marketing, o	(11,3)	(9,6)	17%		
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Cost/Income % (1)	(72,4%)	(70,7%)	041	_	
Cost/Income Adjusted % (ex. non-rec.)		(71,5%)	(70,7%)	Other costs up 17%, driven by higher marketing and	/
	Non-recurring items, mainly linked to the 50th anniversary of			inflation on contracts	
	EQUITA (new visual identity, new website, events)			_	

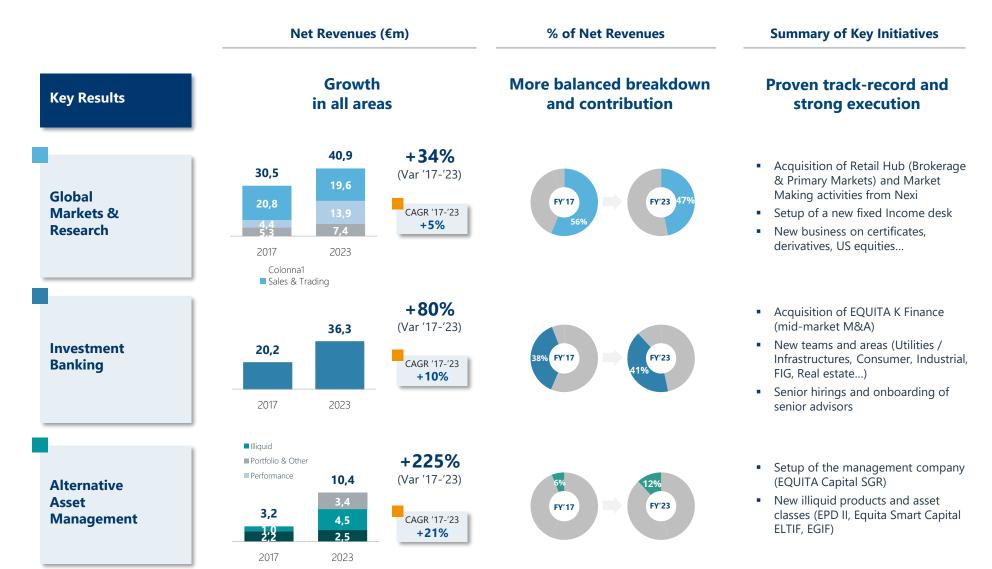


Results since IPO



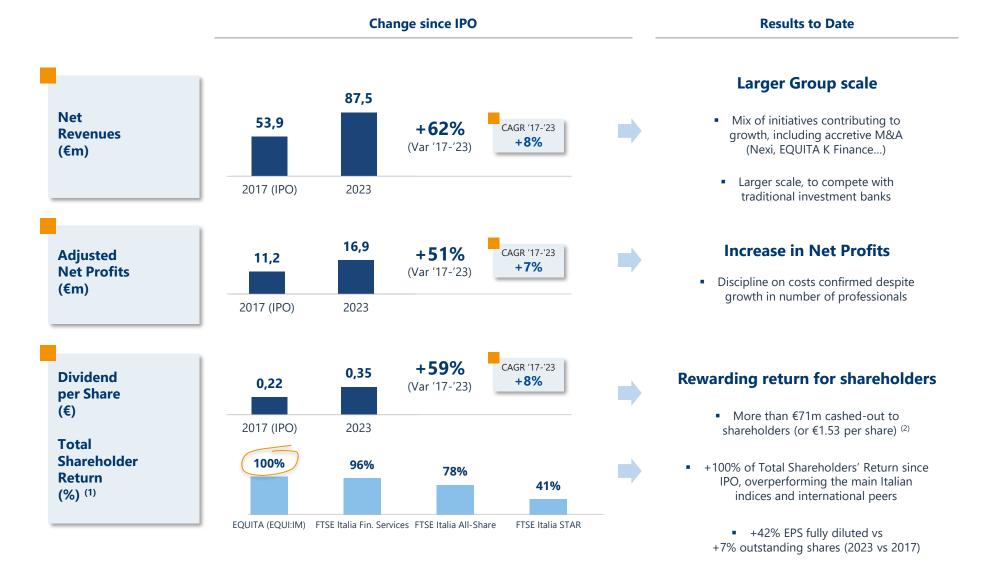
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What's Next



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Market Scenario

- Still difficult **global environment** (war, inflation, recession...)
- Soft start of the year in terms of **trading volumes** on mid-small caps and **ECM** transactions in Italy
- Challenging **fund-raising environment** for alternative, illiquid assets

Mitigants



- Ongoing simplification to ease access to capital markets, potentially increasing liquidity in financial markets
- Large portion of debt to be refinanced in 2024-2025
- €40bn of M&A transactions announced in the Italian market

Global Markets and Research

- Fixed income desk benefitting from increasing positioning and investors' appeal on bonds
- Equity volumes on mid-small caps expected to recover
- Expansion of research coverage on Italian and European listed companies

Revenues **Investment Banking**

- Strong pipeline in **M&A**, both in mid-market, large and public transactions
- Capital Markets activities expected to improve in 2H'24
- Increase in **positioning**, thanks to recent senior hirings, contribution from senior advisors and new areas of expertise (EQUITA Real Estate)
- Consolidation of Group's presence in Rome

Alternative Asset Management

- Growth in illiquid proprietary assets following fundraising of **EPD III** and **EGIF**
- Focus on **capital deployment** investing in private capital opportunities, on the basis of current interesting pipeline
- Positive contribution to Net Revenues from the Investment Portfolio and carried interest from 2025

Group

Costs

- No other material additions of **workforce** or **investments** needed
- Adequate structure to benefit from increase in business volumes, revenues and net profits (operating leverage)
- Further optimisation of rental spaces
- Focus on business-related marketing to boost revenues with clients

M&A& Strategic **Initiatives**

- Scouting of external growth opportunities with bolt-on acquisitions, in Italy and abroad
- Preliminary discussions with **EKF** to acquire minorities and extend the partnership
- Always open to **strategic partnerships** that could accelerate growth of the business





Appendix



Balance Sheet

(€m)	FY'23	9M′23	1H′23	1Q'23	FY'22	1H′22	FY'21	FY'20
Cash & Cash equivalents	130.5	75.1	74.0	106.3	107.9	125.3	136.1	117.2
Financial assets at fair value with impact on P&L	77.4	99.3	95.5	90.4	111.7	79.6	49.2	43.8
Financial assets at amortized cost	101.2	122.5	144.6	128.0	99.6	97.1	91.4	86.1
Equity investments	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Intangible assets	26.6	26.7	26.8	26.8	26.9	27.1	27.2	27.5
Tangible assets	6.0	5.7	5.8	6.0	4.1	4.6	5.2	6.2
Tax assets	3.2	4.9	5.3	8.1	7.5	4.7	4.4	3.1
Other assets	34.1	36.0	34.0	39.4	41.7	42.1	1.9	1.6
Total Assets	379.7	370.3	386.1	405.0	399.5	380.5	315.6	285.8
Debt	213.9	203.0	220.0	222.5	221.3	197.4	175.6	171.3
Tax liabilities	1.3	1.6	1.1	5.3	3.6	3.4	6.0	2.2
Other liabilities	50.8	64.1	66.1	62.7	64.4	87.7	27.9	21.7
Employees' termination liabilities	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.4	2.3
Allowance for risks and charges	3.2	2.4	2.1	3.8	3.8	3.2	4.4	2.7
Total Liabilities	271.1	273.1	291.4	296,5	295.2	284.8	216.3	200.1
Share capital	11.7	11.6	11.6	11.6	11.6	11.6	81.3	76.8
Treasury shares	(3.2)	(3.2)	(3.2)	(3.3)	(3.9)	(4.0)	(4.1)	(4.1)
Reserves	80.0	78.5	78.2	96.3	79.4	76.5	69.9	65.4
Net Profits of the period	16.8	10.3	8.1	3.8	17.3	11.7	22.1	12.9
Third parties' equity	3.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1
Shareholders' Equity	108.6	97.2	94.7	108.5	104.3	95.7	99.3	85.7
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	379.7	370.3	386.1	405.0	399.5	380.5	315.6	285.8
ROTE %	26%	22%	23%	26%	29%	38%	44%	27%
IFR %	499%	579%	538%	550%	489%	648%	587%	N/A

Why Us?

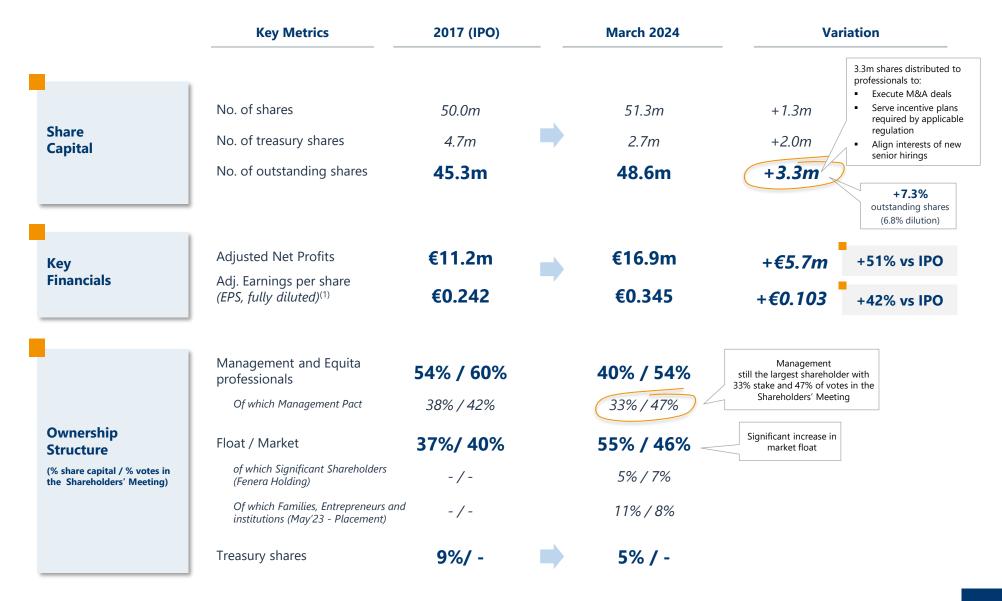


Some Reasons to Invest

Track record	Track record in diversification, growth and remuneration of shareholders
Leadership	Leading positioning in Italy and increasing footprint abroad
Investments	Significant investments made to date, to boost growth in the future
Brand	Strong brand to develop new initiatives in other areas of business
Timing	Interesting time to invest, where the investment banking industry is weak but expected to recover soon
Valuation	Compelling valuation with 9-10% dividend yield

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