

# **Roadshow** Presentation

August 2021



# Agenda



## **Investment highlights**

Bringing our growth ambitions to life Building a truly sustainable platform Creating long term value Q2/2021 Results



#### Zalando. The Starting Point for Fashion.

**01** We have a clear vision and strategy and our number one priority is growth

**02** Over the last years we have made tremendous progress and consistently delivered on our targets

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The opportunity for Zalando is immense, making us confident that we can reach >30bn EUR GMV by 2025 and capture >10% of the fashion market long-term

**04** We continue to drive investments that will catalyze long-term growth for our business



At scale, our platform strategy will result in an **attractive financial profile** characterized by a double digit margin and strong cash generation





## Our vision is to be the Starting Point for Fashion

We provide customers a distinct and compelling fashion proposition ...



Most extensive assortment



**Seamless convenience** 



Tailored digital experience

#### ... making Zalando THE app for fashion





The most important building block of the Starting Point vision is to transition towards a true platform business model





# We have a strong and consistent growth track record, growing 4x in 6 years after IPO - clear confirmation of our strategy



1) Gross Merchandise Volume (GMV) incl. VAT

2) Source: Euromonitor International, February 2020. Values based on actuals and estimates; fixed exchange rates. Fashion data incl. apparel and footwear, bags and luggage, jewelry and watches. Data for Europe (excluding Russia) inclusive of sales tax



We are confident that we can capture more than 10% of the total European fashion market long-term by further executing on our vision and strategy

The COVID-19 pandemic has accelerated change in the fashion industry that has long been in progress and blurred the boundaries between offline and online

Our **platform strategy** allows us to **play an even bigger role in fashion** for customers and partners



1) Source: Company estimates and Euromonitor International forecasts, February 2020. Euromonitor forecasts the overall European Fashion Market to grow to roughly 450bn EUR over the next 5-10 years. Values based on actuals and estimates; fixed exchange rates. Fashion data incl. apparel and footwear, bags and luggage, jewelry and watches. Data for Europe (excluding Russia) inclusive of sales tax



## We significantly upgrade our 2025 GMV ambition to more than 30bn EUR



1) Gross Merchandise Volume (GMV) incl. VAT



Our long term profitability ambitions are unchanged, but on a higher level of scale by transitioning to higher margin business and increasing economies of scale

	Target Ma	<b>argin</b> (growth in	n line with / slightly ab	ove online fashion market)		
In % of revenue	Wholesale <sup>1</sup>	Partner Business	Group margin impact vs. 2020	Key Drivers		
Gross margin			1	<ul> <li>Transition to a Platform business model and economies of scale</li> </ul>		
Fulfillment costs			<b></b>	<ul> <li>Reversal of temporary return rate benefit and enhanced, more sustainable convenience experience</li> </ul>		
Marketing costs			➡	<ul> <li>Starting Point Vision unfolds and share of existing customers increases</li> </ul>		
Admin expenses			₽	<ul> <li>Continued focus on overhead-efficiencies and economies of scale</li> </ul>		
Adj. EBIT margin	6-8%	20-25%	10-13%	<ul> <li>Transition to higher margin platform business and increasin economies of scale</li> </ul>		

Wholesale includes Offprice



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## To bring our growth ambition to life, we follow clear strategic priorities

#### Increase penetration in existing markets and expand to new markets in Europe



Innovate the way we engage with our customers



#### Build a platform that is relevant for all our partners **Customer choice** Enabling Connected Partner Wholesale **Direct-to-**Retail Program assortment assortment Consumer **Direct-to-Consumer** Driving internationalisation **ZFS** < 50% of GMV • ZFS > 50% of GMV Connecting to consumers

I) Excl. UK & Ireland



### We have substantial leeway to grow active customers in existing markets and will expand our footprint to reach even more customers



1) Source: Statista, February 2021. Excluding UK & Ireland



We innovate and improve the customer experience along two dimensions

Improving the core (fashion) experience

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Endless choice



**Seamless convenience** 



Tailored digital experience

Elevating distinct customer propositions

Pre-Owned Beauty Zalando Lounge Designer Zalando Plus And more.



We are building a platform that provides a scalable solution for brands, retailers and stores and thereby allows us to serve an increasing number of active customers...





# Over the past the two years, we achieved important milestones in driving the Platform Transition

Progress towards our target model



1) Partner Program share of 40% refers to our business model mix ambition for 2023/24. In our long-term target model, we aim for a 50% Partner Program share

2) Refers to our long-term target model ambition



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## We aim to become a truly sustainable Platform with a net positive impact for People and the Planet



#### Aspiration Reduce Carbon Footprint

2020 Set Science Based Milestones Targets

> Increased renewable electricity to 100% in own operations

Reduced carbon footprint in own operations by 64%

#### Minimize waste + eliminate singleused plastics

Pre-owned 100% plastic free packaging

22% of overall packaging plastic free

87% of all packaging material recycled

#### Apply Principles of Circularity

Launch Pre-owned Fashion category in 6 countries for man + women

1st collection designed for reuse and recycling 25% of GMV with more sustainable fashion

16% GMV in 2020

Tripled assortment to > 80.000 items from 500 brands

Raised target from 20% to 25%

#### Increase Ethical Standards + only partners who align

100% disclosure Tier 1 private label suppliers

Introduction assessment tool Higg BRM partner brands

Updated policies and standards

Support 10,000 people in the workforce

Defined scope of goal + planned measures

Upskilled 1355 people in the workforce



### To maximise impact, Sustainability is well integrated into all business units



#### **Management Board**

Provides guidance on specific sustainability topics

**Receives updates** at least twice a year about the overall progress with relation to our sustainability strategy.



As the **highest decision-making body**, the Sustainability Forum serves as the **overarching steering committee** and keeps the necessary **strategic oversight**.



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### We aim to triple our business to more than 30bn EUR GMV over the next 5 years





~2.5x

~13

CMD 2019

~20

New 2025

Target

CAGR: ~20%

## New mid-term guidance until 2025 reflects continued strong and profitable growth

	2019 Guidance Transition Phase 2019 – 2021	New Guidance 2021 <sup>1</sup>	New Guidance for 2022 – 2025	
GROWTH (GMV)	20-25%	27-32%	20-25%	Continue to grow 2-3x faster than online market growth
PROFITABILITY (ADJ. EBIT <sup>2</sup> )	2-4%	3.5-4.1%	<b>3-6%</b> Starting in lower half in 2022 and approaching high end by 2025	(Re-)invest platform benefits and economies of scale to drive growth
CASH GENERATION	<ul> <li>Cash flow negative</li> <li>NWC neutral</li> <li>Capex of 4-5% of revenue</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>FCF neutral</li> <li>NWC negative</li> <li>Capex of 3.5-3.9% of revenue<sup>3</sup></li> </ul>	<ul> <li>FCF neutral</li> <li>NWC negative</li> <li>Capex of 3.5-4.5% of revenue<sup>3</sup></li> </ul>	Enable growth through investments in technology and infrastructure

1) Guidance as of March 16<sup>th</sup>

2) Excluding equity-settled share-based payment expense ("SBC"), restructuring costs and non-operating one-time effects

3) Excludes M&A transactions



## We have the necessary infrastructure and capabilities to support our 2025 ambition

#### **Payments Platform**

- Powerful inhouse Payments Platform equipped with e-Money license
- Processing payment volume of ~20bn EUR in 2020 for all customers and partners
- Proprietary Buy Now Pay Later solution with >70% Offering Rate across 11 countries driving conversion and customer satisfaction

## Technology & Data Platform

- Highly scalable proprietary cloud based technology platform covering the whole value chain of fashion commerce – for us and our partners
- Unique data infrastructure and state of the art Al expertise that drive data based value creation (e.g. size & fit)





#### Access to Fashion Supply

- Unique ability to access global fashion supply via three sources: own Wholesale inventory, Partner Program brand & retailer inventory, Connected Retail store inventory
- Enabling broad selection and high availability while sharing inventory risk with partners

#### European Logistics Network

- Unique European logistics network with 10 sites across 5 countries
- Adding 2 new fulfillment centers in Madrid, Spain, and Rotterdam, the Netherlands, in 2021
- 12 warehouses can fulfill ~14bn EUR GMV, plan to invest 1bn EUR Capex to build 7 more and enable 23bn EUR Zalando fulfilled GMV.



### Platform model to drive higher long-term profitability at scale

	Partner Program	CR Connected Retail	Zalando Fulfillment Solutions	ZMS Zalando Marketing Services	
Value Proposition	<ul> <li>Curated Marketplace enabling brands' direct-to-consumer business across Europe</li> </ul>	Digital Storefront for Offline Retailers with Nationwide Reach	<ul> <li>Flexible and cost-efficient turnkey solution for European E-Commerce logistics</li> </ul>	Data infused marketing service to elevate branding and drive sales on and off premise	
Long-term Target	~50% of (	GMV <sup>1</sup>	~75% of Partner Program Items Shipped	~3-4% of GMV	
Current Status (Q4 2020)	~24% of	GMV	~51% of Partner Program Items Shipped	~1.5% of GMV	
Revenue Model	5-25% Commissio	n in % of GMV	Cost Plus Model	Auction Model	
Gross Margin Impact (vs. Group 2020)	1	1	ŧ	1	
Partner Program Share in % of Fash	nion Store GMV				

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## Exceptional H1 performance underlines our opportunity to play an even bigger role for customers and partners through our platform strategy

**Growing customer and partner engagement:** Active Customers grew by >30% to 44.5m and Partner Program GMV by >100% in H1 while pandemic induced restrictions have been gradually lifted.

**Elevating our Beauty proposition:** Building a distinct Beauty proposition is a key priority for us and the Sephora partnership presents an attractive opportunity to accelerate our growth trajectory.

**Expanding our footprint in Europe:** Customers in six additional markets can now enjoy Zalando's endless choice, seamless convenience and tailored digital experience.

**Delivering strong financial results in Q2:** Delivered GMV growth of +40% YoY and strong profitability with an adj. EBIT margin of 6.7% against exceptional Q2/2020 comparables.

**Reiterating FY/2021 guidance:** GMV and revenue growth unchanged at +31-36% and +26-31% YoY, respectively, adj. EBIT now expected to reach the upper half of the guided 400-475m EUR range.





## Strongest absolute growth in active customers on record and increasing order frequency demonstrate strong consumer demand





1) Defined as GMV divided by the number of orders

2) Defined as GMV divided by the number of active customers



## Customers acquired during the first lockdown in 2020 continued to remain very active as stores reopened and restrictions eased throughout Q2







COVID-19 induced a step change in online penetration and our partners capitalized strongly on the online growth opportunity by leveraging our Direct-To-Consumer platform offerings





Next to improving our core fashion experience, elevating distinct and marketable propositions such as Beauty is a key priority for us to drive customer engagement and spending



#### Beauty is highly complementary to Fashion:

3 out of 5 of our customer also buy fashion products when shopping Beauty

**Comparatively low online penetration despite COVID-19 step change:** share of online beauty sales jumped from 8% in 2019 to 11% in 2020<sup>2</sup>, still significantly lower than in fashion

## We are distinctly positioned to capitalize on this additional growth opportunity:

We have the necessary customer insights, infrastructure and capabilities to support our growth ambitions

1) TAM: Total Addressable Market

2) Source: Company and Euromonitor International, July 2021. Values based on actuals and estimates; fixed exchange rates. Western and Eastern Europe excluding Russia; Beauty and Personal care



We are excited about our multi-year vision to build an industry-leading Beauty proposition, which is being further accelerated by our Sephora partnership





## Outstanding topline momentum fueled by strong customer and partner engagement even as restrictions eased and stores re-opened



1) H1/21 (H1/20) contains -332.9 €m (-217.4 €m) reconciliation of internal revenues; Q2/21 (Q2/20) contains -184.9 €m (-127.8 €m) reconciliation of internal revenues

## We delivered healthy profitability on the back of strong topline momentum, but increased marketing spend to capture full demand potential drives Q2 profitability lower.

Costs and margins (in % of revenue) <sup>1</sup>		Н	11			C	2		
	2019	2020	2021	YoY Delta	2019	2020	2021	YoY Delta	_
Cost of sales	(57.0%)	(59.5%)	(57.3%)	2.2pp	(54.3%)	(55.6%)	(55.8%)	(0.2pp)	
Gross profit	43.0%	40.5%	42.7%	2.2pp	45.7%	44.4%	44.2%	(0.2pp)	
Fulfillment costs	(28.0%)	(27.3%)	(24.8%)	2.5pp	(27.3%)	(25.4%)	(24.2%)	1.2pp	Continued return benefit and hig network utilizat
Marketing costs	(7.6%)	(6.4%)	(8.9%)	(2.4pp)	(8.2%)	(5.2%)	(9.8%)	(4.6pp)	ROI based marke and lapping of L savings measure
Administrative expenses & Other	(4.9%)	(4.3%)	(3.7%)	(0.6pp)	(4.4%)	(4.0%)	(3.4%)	0.6pp	
EBIT	2.5%	2.4%	5.3%	2.9pp	5.8%	9.8%	6.8%	(2.9pp)	
Adj. EBIT²	3.6%	3.2%	5.6%	2.4pp	6.4%	10.4%	6.7%	(3.7pp)	

1) Rounding differences may occur.

2) Excluding equity-settled share-based payment expense ("SBC"), restructuring costs and non-operating one-time effects



GMV growth of 31 – 36%, and Revenue growth of 26 – 31%

Adj. EBIT<sup>1</sup> in the upper half of the €400 – 475m range

#### Negative net working capital and Capex around €350m (previously: €350-400m range<sup>2</sup>)

1) Excluding equity-settled share-based payment expense ("SBC") of ~60 €m, restructuring costs and non-operating one-time effects for FY/21

2) Excludes M&A transactions



# **Appendix**

**Management Board** 



**The Zalando Share** 

**Zalando Investor Relations Team** 



### Management responsibilities following the Annual General Meeting



Robert Gentz Co-CEO David Schneider Co-CEO

Astrid Arndt Chief People Officer Jim Freeman Chief Business and Product Officer David Schröder Chief Financial Officer



### **The Zalando Share**



#### Share information<sup>1</sup>

Type of Shares	Ordinary bearer shares with no-par value ( <i>Stückaktien</i> )
Stock Exchange	Frankfurt Stock Exchange
Market Segment	Regulated Market (Prime Standard)
Index Listings	MDAX, STOXX600, FTSE4Goods
First day of trading	October 1, 2014
Issue price	EUR 21.50
Total Number of Shares Outstanding	261,903,651
Issued Share capital	EUR 261,903,651

1) Free-Float of 88.61%

2) Aggregated Shareholdings of Founders



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## **Upcoming events**

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Date	Event All events are virtual
Tuesday, August 10th	Fireside Chat with our CFO David Schröder (hosted by RBC)
Thursday, September 2rd	Commerzbank Corporate Conference, Frankfurt
Tue-Wed, September 7th-8th	Asia Roadshow (DAIWA)
Mon-Wed, September 13th-15th	Citi Tech Conference, New York
Mon-Tue, September 20th-21st	Goldman Sachs/Berenberg German Corporate Conference, Munich
Wed-Thu, September 22nd-23rd	Baader Bank Investment, Conference Munich
Wednesday, November 3rd	Publication Q3/2021 Results



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