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REVIEW

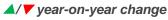


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GP margin	51.3%	51.6%	▼ 0.4%pt	▼ 0.3%pt
Regular OPEX	(8,830)	(8,416)	4 .9%	▼ 3.3%
(LBIT)* of underlying operations	(909)	(186)		
Net exceptional items	(1,344)	84		
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Net interest income/ (expense)	27	(4)		
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Net (loss)/profit	(2,554)	67		

Revenue decline was -11.1% in LCY, mainly due to:

- Reduction in total controlled space of -9.3% yoy, which is in line with our strategic plan to rationalize our distribution footprint; and
- Weaker than expected retail sales performance, mainly as a result of decrease in customers' traffic and increased competition

Decline in HKD terms was less (-3.1%) due to the strengthening of EUR against HKD (average rate up by ≃10% yoy during the year)



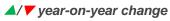
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GP margin similar level to last year

Slight decline mainly due to lower proportion of revenue from Retail stores (excl. eshop)



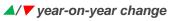
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Reduction in regular OPEX of -3.3% in LCY, driven by:

- Savings from store closures, and
- Overhead cost restructuring measures to optimize OPEX

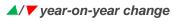


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Savings in regular OPEX was not sufficient to outweigh the negative impact from higher than expected decline in revenue



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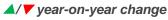


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Significant negative impact from exceptional items

- Primarily related to nonrecurring provisions and impairments
- Majority are purely accounting adjustments, with no impact on our cash and operating performance

Profitability worse than management's expectation with LBIT of HK\$(2,253) million



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Taxation mainly comprised of a write down of deferred taxation assets in association with the German operations, due to continued decline of business



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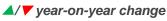


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Bottom line was very much impacted by

- Weaker than expected retail sales
- The Exceptional Items
- The write down of deferred taxation assets

The Board has not recommended the payment of a dividend as a net loss was recorded for the year



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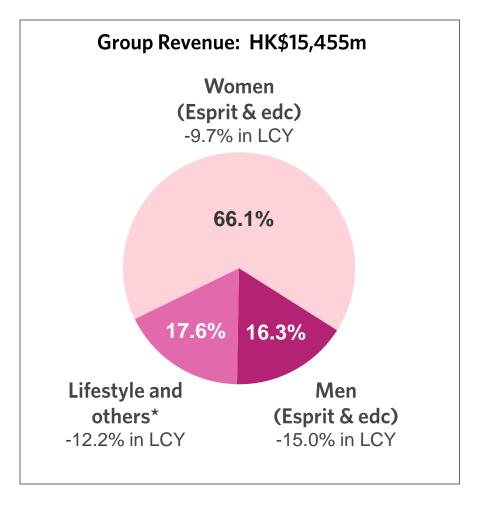


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REVENUE ANALYSIS



REVENUE BY PRODUCT DIVISIONS



Core divisions, Women (Esprit & edc) developed largely in line with controlled space reduction

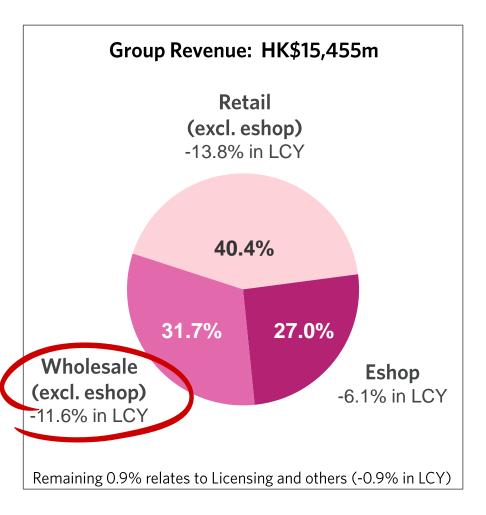
Other divisions, Men (Esprit & edc) and Lifestyle & others, recorded relatively weaker performance

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Lifestyle and others mainly include bodywear, accessories, shoes, and the sales and royalty income from licensed products such as kidswear, timewear, eyewear, jewelry, bed & bath, and houseware

REVENUE BY DISTRIBUTION CHANNELS



Wholesale (excl. eshop) developed largely in line with controlled space

- Selling space ▼10.6%

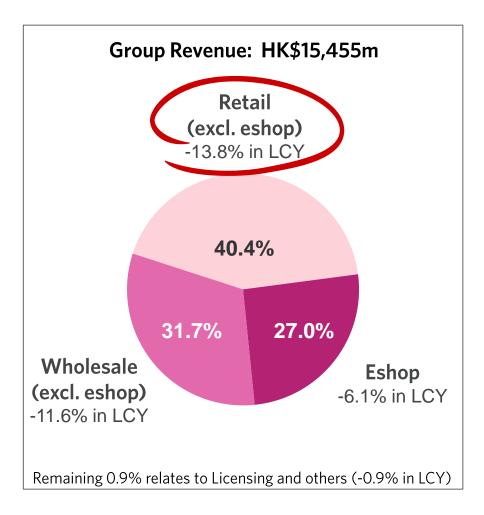
 Closure of non-performing locations by our wholesale partners
- Space productivity dragged by

 Traditional offline partners continue to suffer from structural pressure in the channel

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REVENUE BY DISTRIBUTION CHANNELS



Retail (excl. eshop) adversely impacted by intense competition and strategic store closures

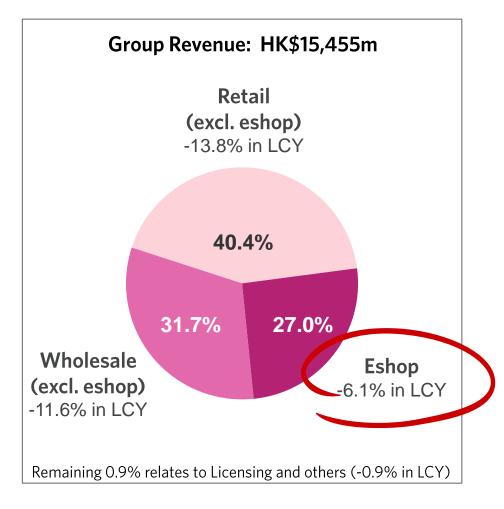
- Comp-Store-Sales **▼**9.6% in LCY
 - Decrease in customers' traffic to our stores
- Selling space **▼7.8%**

Visible reduction in controlled space due to rightsizing of our stores network, including closure of the most unprofitable retail stores

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REVENUE BY DISTRIBUTION CHANNELS



Eshop Europe ▼6.1% in LCY

- Represent 95% of total Eshop revenue
- Dragged by decrease in customers' traffic

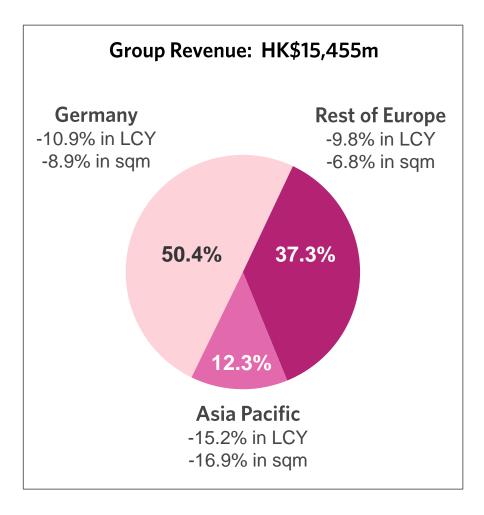
Eshop APAC ▼5.3% in LCY

 Decisive actions to focus on higherprofitability model by reducing the level of promotional activities, price markdown, and discounts to improve gross profit margin

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REVENUE BY MARKETS



Europe

- Germany alone represents half of the Group's business (50.4%)
- Together with the Rest of Europe, generated 87.7% of the Group's total revenue

Asia Pacific

- Efforts and resources being deployed to fuel growth in this region, including a very ambitious plan for China
- A fast-to-market line aims to introduce trendier products for the APAC market, particularly China, will reach stores for the Fall-Winter 2018 season

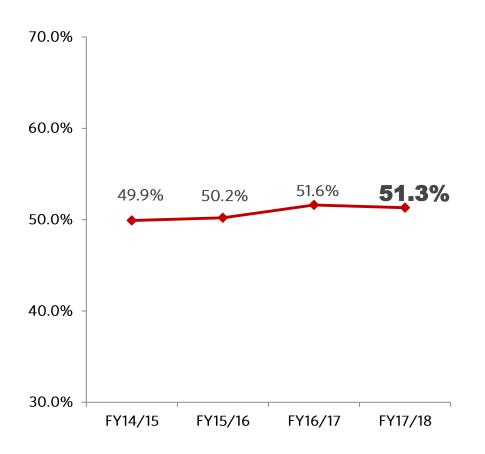


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GROSS PROFIT MARGIN



Gross profit margin similar level to last year

Slight decline (-0.3% point in LCY) mainly due to lower proportion of Retail (excl. eshop) revenue (FY17/18: 40.4% vs

FY16/17: 42.1%)



OPERATING EXPENSES

			Change in %
(in HK\$'m)	FY17/18	FY16/17	LCY
Staff costs	2,968	2,851	▼ 3.7%
Occupancy costs	2,526	2,496	▼ 6.2%
Logistics expenses	1,029	957	▼ 1.9%
Marketing & advertising expenses	900	814	▲ 0.9%
Depreciation	528	518	▼ 6.5%
Other operating costs	879	780	3 .0%
Regular OPEX	8,830	8,416	▼ 3.3%

Savings achieved across all key cost lines, except slight increase in marketing & advertising expenses to strengthen our CRM program

Continue to see reduction in Regular OPEX



NET EXCEPTIONAL EXPENSES

(in HK\$'m)	FY17/18	FY16/17
Exceptional items		
Impairment of China goodwill and customer relationships	(794)	
Store closures and onerous leases	(152)	(12)
Closure of ANZ operations	(129)	_
One-off costs in relation to staff reduction plans	(119)	(45)
Inventory provision	(76)	-
(Impairment of) / write back of fixed assets	(50)	8
Provision for SAP applications	(26)	-
Fixed assets impairment for small loss-making stores	(14)	-
Net gain on disposal of properties	16	133
Total	(1344)	84

Due to the significant decline of our business in China in recent years

Due to the weaker than expected sales performance of directly managed retail stores

Exit of the ANZ markets, allowing us to concentrate our efforts and resources in developing more attractive markets



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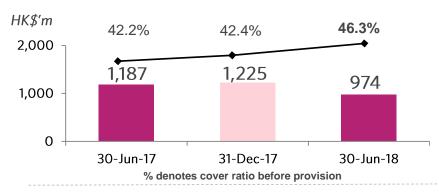
WORKING CAPITAL



Inventories value ▼ 9.6% yoy:

- Despite ▲ 1.7% appreciation in EUR/HKD closing rate yoy
- Inventory turnover days ▲ 5 days mainly due to the weaker than expected sales performance of retail online and offline

Net trade debtors



Net trade debtors ▼18.0% yoy:

 Compared favorably against Group revenue decline of -11.1% in LCY and wholesale (excl. eshop) revenue decline of -11.6% in LCY



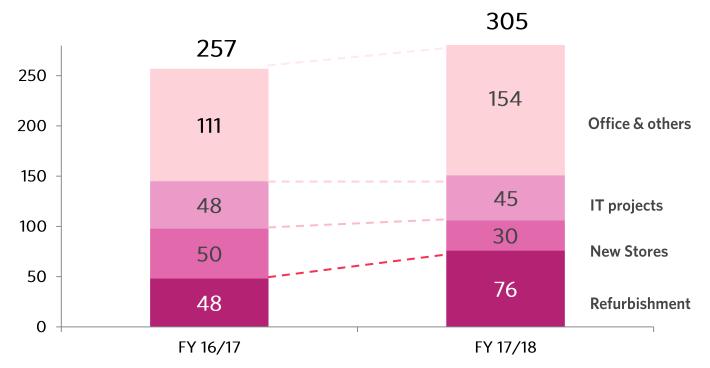
Trade creditors **▼**4.8% yoy:

Similar level to last year



CAPITAL EXPENDITURE





- Increase in CAPEX largely due to investment in the extension of the distribution center in Europe
- In regional currency terms

Europe:

€27.3m

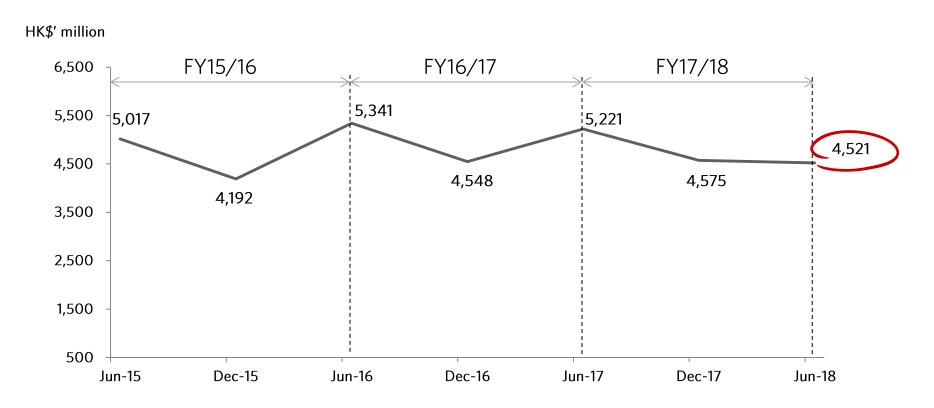
▲ 17.4%

APAC:

HK\$50.5m ▼14.8%



RECENT DEVELOPMENT OF NET CASH POSITION



- The Group remained debt free with net cash of HK\$4,521 million,
- Net cash utilization (excluding share repurchase) of HK\$(463)m was higher than last year (FY16/17: HK\$(120)m) due to the worse than expected decline in revenue



STRATEGY



FIRST IMPRESSIONS

- Started in the company 1 June 2018
- Met with many employees, wholesale partners and customers, and visited stores all over the Esprit world
- Conclusion:

Esprit is a

GREAT BRAND

AND A

GREAT COMPANY



BUT, THE RESULTS OF THE COMPANY ARE FAR FROM SATISFACTORY

Declining
Sales
-11.1%
yoy in LCY

High Cost Structure Costs 57%* of net sales



^{*} Excluding exceptional items for FY17/18



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OUR APPROACH

The Playing Field

We have examined:

- Cultural landscape
- Current consumers
- Competition
- Brand today

A Unique Brand

We will establish:

 A new brand ethos for Esprit

Customer experience

We put the customer at the center:

- Product
- Communication
 - Shopping experience

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WE ARE LISTENING TO OUR AUDIENCE

To understand the emotional motivations of segments, beyond the demographics and rational response

4 Key markets: Germany / China / France / Sweden

ABSORBTION

STAKEHOLDER INTERVIEWS



QUALITATIVE RESEARCH



QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH



Deep dive into existing information and previous research

Review the context in which Esprit operates

Initial insights on where the brand is and what was tried in the past

Interviews of Esprit people and partners Explore the lives, style and preference of the audience

Create initial tribes

Survey with current and prospective customers

Capture further insights on tribes

DEVELOPING A UNIVERSAL AND UNIQUE BRAND



Universal idea that can flex across audiences and markets

Understanding common emotional motivations and needs across existing & new, male and female, (and other)

Brand that supports product but doesn't constrict it

Using our history as a reason to believe in the future, rather than being "a heritage brand"



THE ESPRIT EXPERIENCE

Genuine cultural connection



- Give the thing people love
- Partner to get reach
- Co-Create for visibility

Exciting social storytelling



- Act like a social Feed
- Modernize content
- Nail timing & volume

Omni-channel shopping experience



- Create experimental U/X online
- Become 'best-in-class' wholesale
- 'Live the brand' in our stores

Deep & valuable relationships



- Build an emotional CRM
- Use data for relevance
- Surprise & delight on all touchpoints



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Restructure the cost base



RESTRUCTURE THE COST BASE

Reduce complexity

Reduce complexity and improve accountability in our organization

- Allocate clear roles and responsibilities at all levels
- Facilitate faster and better decision making

Become leaner

Become a leaner organization and review the elimination of lossmaking parts of the business to build a stronger foundation for the future

- Consolidate our headquarters and office structures
- Address loss-making store list and decide on closures
- Assess our wholesale customer needs and how we better and more efficiently serve our partners in the future

Build a stronger foundation for the future



STRATEGY READY LATE FALL

- We are convinced that we have the right ideas to put Esprit back on track
- By the end of Fall we will be ready to share with you the strategy we have for this great company
- Next, we will work on the details which are subject to local laws and regulations (such as involving works councils)





OUTLOOK



FY18/19 OUTLOOK

REVENUE

Low double-digit % yoy decline due to a combination of i) continue rationalization of distribution footprint; and ii) decline in customers' traffic although at a slightly lower rate than last year

GP MARGIN

Stable level as pressure from lower proportion of retail revenue is expected to be offset by benefits arising from measures to reduce markdowns and promotions

REGULAR OPEX Mid single-digit % yoy reduction mainly driven by ongoing rightsizing of retail footprint, including closure of heavily loss making retail stores and the divestment of Australia and New Zealand

EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS

Potential one-off costs to restructure the organization and accelerate the closure of loss making stores, in order to significantly reduce our cost base. Details are yet to be finalized and the benefits are expected to be fully realized over the next 2 to 3 years.

CAPEX

Slightly lower than previous year



