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#### Segmental trading results for the period ended 31 December 2018

	Prior period	Current period	Current period Growth
	6 Mths 30 Dec 2017	6 Mths 30 Dec 2018	6 Mths 30 Dec 2018
	R'millions	R'millions	%
Revenue	1 988.4	2 046.7	2.9%
Hirt & Carter Group	1 006.5	1 122.0	11.5%
Media - Excluding Booksite and STS (2)	746.0	702.1	(5.9%)
Media - Booksite and STS	42.8	39.3	(8.2%)
Broadcast & Content	190.5	182.3	(4.3%)
Other	2.6	1.0	(61.5%)
Operating Expenses	(468.0)	(442.5)	5.5%
EBITDA	207.4	232.1	11.9%
Hirt & Carter Group	164.5	173.5	5.5%
Media - Excluding Booksite and STS (2)	73.3	71.8	(2.0%)
Media - Booksite and STS	3.6	3.5	(2.8%)
Broadcast & Content	17.0	19.2	12.9%
Other	(51.0)	(35.9)	29.6%

2.9%
Revenue
growth in the current year

**5.5%**Ops Cost Saving saving in the current year

11.9% EBITDA

growth in the current year

#### Normalised income statement for the period ended 31 December 2018

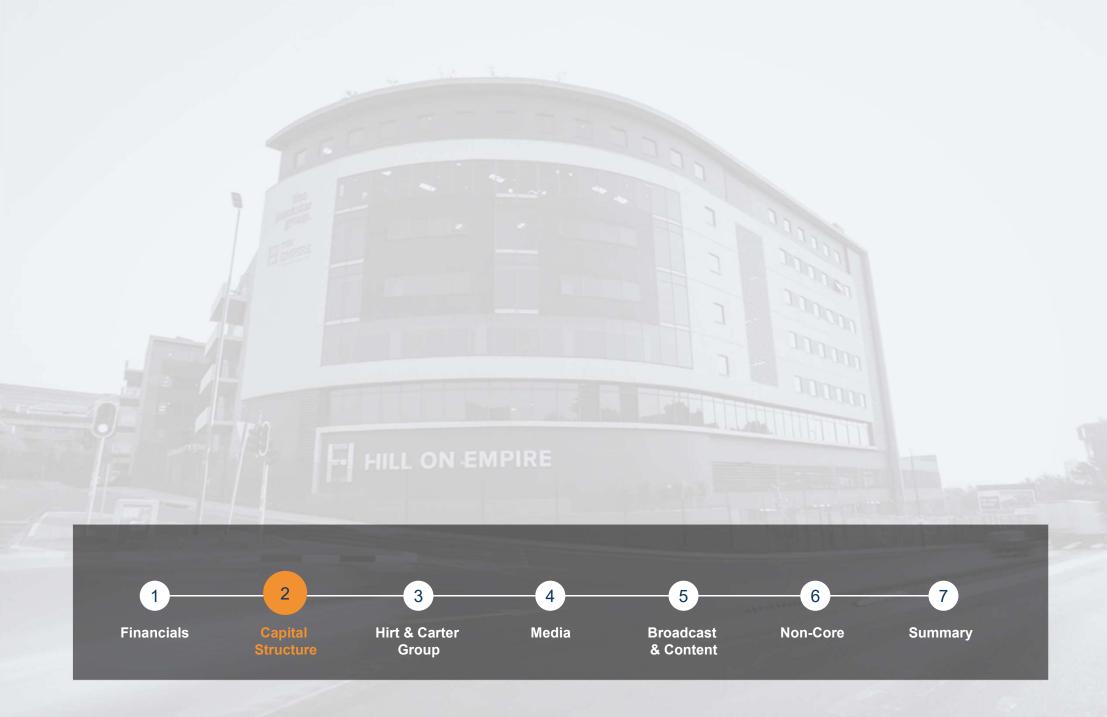
	6 Mth	6 Mths 30 Dec 2017		6 Mths 30 Dec 2018			Normalised	
	R'millions	Adj	R'millions	R'millions	Adj	R'millions	%	
	Reported		Normalised	Reported		Normalised	Change	
Revenue	1 988.4		1 988.4	2 046.7		2 046.7	2.9%	1
Gross profit	643.6		643.6	644.3		644.3	0.1%	1
Operating expenditure	(468.0)		(468.0)	(442.5)		(442.5)	5.5%	1
Depreciation, amortisation, and straight line leases	(85.2)	39.6 <sup>1</sup>	(45.6)	(82.9)	36.6 <sup>1</sup>	(46.3)	1.5%	1
Other income	28.1		28.1	25.2		25.2	(10.3%)	
Other (losses) / gains	18.5	(23.4) 2	(4.9)	(47.5)	47.4 <sup>2</sup>	(0.1)		I
Net profit	137.00		153.2	96.6		180.6	17.9%	1
Net finance costs	(72.6)		(72.6)	(71.4)		(71.4)	1.7%	1
Share of profit/(loss) of associates – equity accounted	(22.4)		(22.4)	27.0		27.0	220.5%	1
(Loss)/Profit from associates (net of impairment)	(58.5)	58.5 <sup>3</sup>	-	(81.1)	81.1 <sup>3</sup>		I	
Net profit/Loss before tax	(16.5)		58.2	(28.9)		136.2	133.8%	1
Taxation	(25.3)		(25.3)	(29.2)		(29.2)		
Profit (Loss) from continuing operations	(41.8)		32.9	(58.1)		107.0	225.2%	1 1
(Loss)/Profit from discontinued operations, net of tax	14.6		14.6	(23.3)		(23.3)	(259.5%)	
(Loss)/Profit for the period	(27.2)		47.5	(81.4)		83.7	76.2%	

#### Commentary

- Strong operational performance from the core business
- Normalised growth in revenue (2,9%), EBITDA (11,9%) and operating profit (17.9%)
- Operation expenses reduction of 5.5%
- Finance cost reduction of 1.7%
- Normalised profit after tax of R83.7 million, up 76.2% on prior year.

#### **Adjustments**

- 1. Reversal of amortisation of intangibles that arose on deemed acquisition and reversal of non-cash straight lining of leases.
- 2. Reversal of non-cash and non-recurring gains & losses in core businesses
- 3. Reversal of Non-Cash impairments of associates.



#### **Debt, cash and capex**

Debt	30 Dec 2017	30 Dec 2018	Change
	R'millions	R'millions	%
Term Debt	(1 061.8)	(919.2)	(13.4%)
Tiso Blackstar Group SE (Acquisition Debt)	(467.0)	(135.4)	(71.0%)
Blackstar Holdings Group Debt (Core Debt)	(594.8)	(783.8)	31.8%
Asset Based Finance	(178.0)	(189.8)	6.6%
Cash/Overdraft	(843.0)	(31.7)	(96.2%)
Cash at bank	81.3	14.2	(82.5%)
Overdrafts	(924.3)	(45.9)	(95.0%)
Total Net Debt	(2001.2)	(1 140.7)	(45.2%)

#### **Debt**

- 13.4% Term Debt reduction
- Short term, net overdraft reduced by 96.2% Risk substantially reduced by CSI disposal
- Total Net Debt reduced by 45.2%

#### Capex, depreciation and acquisitions

	6 Mths 30 Dec 2017	6 Mths 30 Dec 2018	% Change	
	R'millions	R'millions		
Capex (net of disposals)	66.0	71.2	7.9%	
Depreciation	45.5	46.4	2.0%	
Bolt-on acquisitions - FIL (PY BBS)	13.9	_	(100%)	

# Capex, depreciation and acquisitions

- Capex of R71.2 million, up due to relocation to Cornubia
- Depreciation charge of R46.4 million
- Bolt-on acquisition of FIL, strategic for H&C.
   Payment of R95m in March 2019 and maximum of further R95m on 13 March 2020









#### **Hirt & Carter Group**

Key themes	Description
Highlights	<ul> <li>Double digit revenue growth (+11.5%)</li> <li>Relocation to new facility in Cornubia has commenced and is on time and on budget</li> <li>Deal reached on acquisition of First Impression Labels (FIL) – finalised post balance sheet</li> <li>H&amp;C Software Solutions launched new products including content mgt solution for electronic display and apps/dashboards for delivering retail reporting</li> </ul>
	Overall growth in customer base, product range and service offering
	<ul> <li>Integration of Uniprint Labels and FIL to create an efficient label production facility</li> <li>Unlock unutilised capacity at Triumph packaging and target new market segments</li> <li>Continue customer and product offering growth in core business (retail and brand markets)</li> </ul>
Initiatives/	Silo to capitalise on growing requirement for e-commerce solution by retail and brand owners
Focus Areas	> H&C Software Solutions actively pursuing offshore opportunities in Dubai and Ireland
	➤ Hive to refine technical solutions – currently running live trials with customers
	➤ BBS to continue growth through cross-selling across the group – well positioned to provide solutions to brands looking to grow market share in the informal market
	Drive efficiencies in all business units through consolidation at the new Cornubia facility

## **Key Numbers**

11.5%

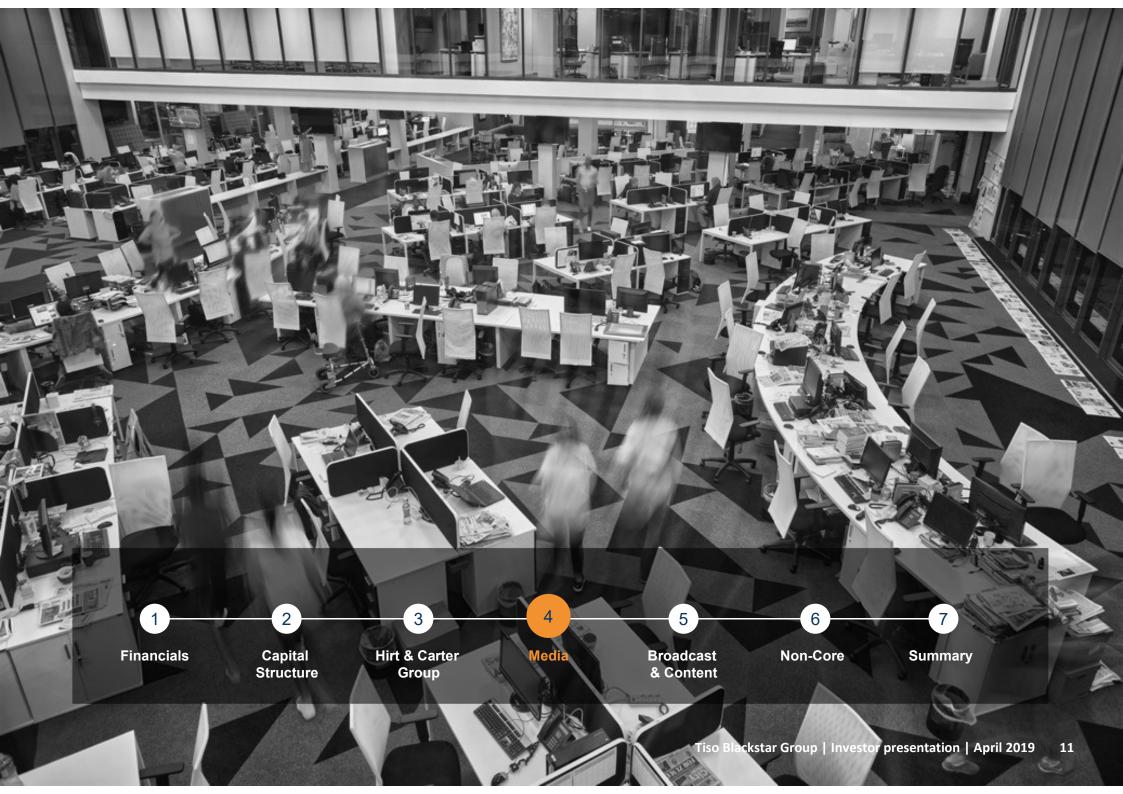
**Turnover increase** 

0.95%

**GP%** decline

5.5%

**EBITDA** increase



#### Media

Key themes	Description
Highlights	<ul> <li>Strong performance relative to peers</li> <li>Quality content remains core differentiator with news and sports teams scooping most of major industry awards</li> <li>Growth initiatives, including digital, native advertising, bespoke magazines and eventing showed significant progress</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Launched TimesLive app and the Despatch paywall went live</li> <li>Strong cost management – salary freezes and focus on distribution costs</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Launch of digital Afrikaans product (Vrye Weekblad) to secure new digital subscription revenues</li> <li>Roll out of paywalls and digital subscription on key products</li> <li>Continued growth of new initiatives (digital, native advertising, bespoke magazines and eventing)</li> </ul>
Initiatives/ Focus Areas	<ul> <li>Major focus on efficiencies including:</li> <li>Full implementation of new editorial workflow</li> <li>Delivering on distribution savings</li> <li>Focus on optimising circulation, subscriber retention and yield improvement</li> <li>Improved systems to improve accountability and avoid some of the failures experienced in 2018</li> </ul>
	Continued focus on overall cost management

## **Key Numbers**

(5.9%)

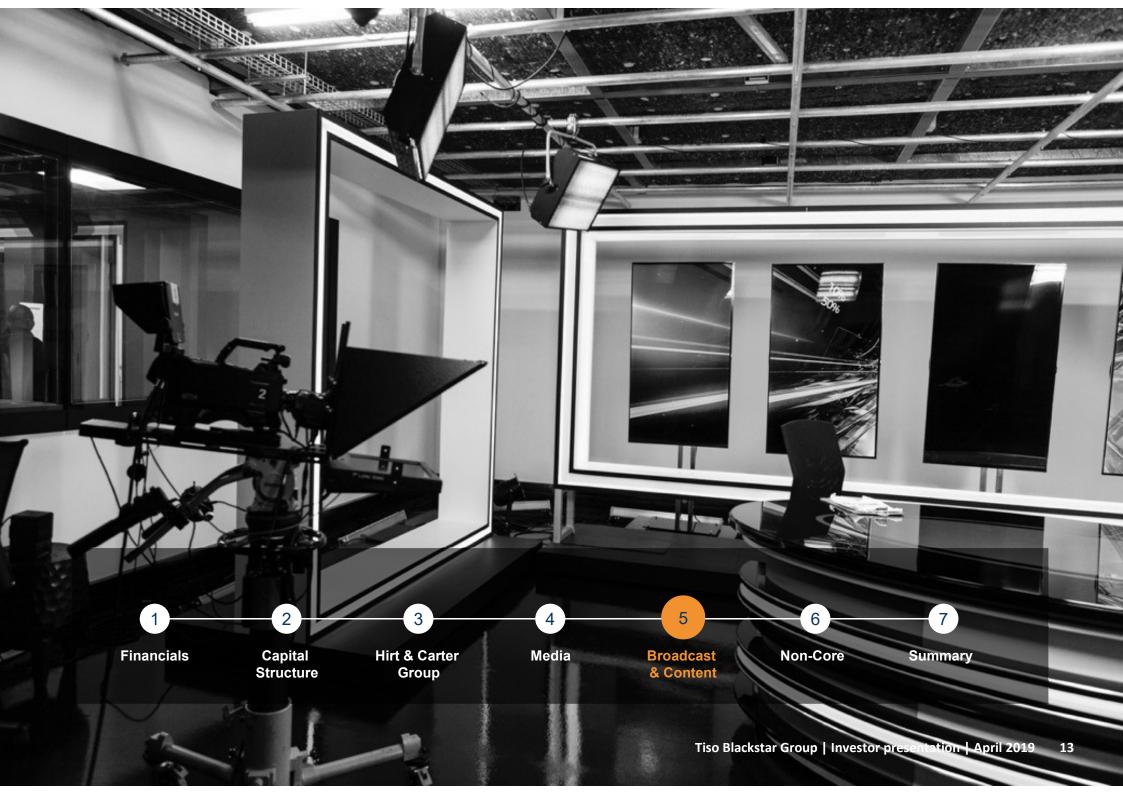
**Turnover decrease** 

35.1%

1.5% GP% increase

(2.0%)

**EBITDA** decrease



#### **Broadcast & Content**

Key themes	Description	
Highlights	<ul> <li>Double digit EBITDA growth (12.9%) despite tough trading conditions</li> <li>Established Blackstar TV and Ochre – grew earnings by 13%</li> <li>Empire Entertainment preforming well up on prior year (grew EBITDA by R4.5m to R14m.</li> <li>Empire maintains its leading position as distributors of independent films – strong future line-up</li> <li>Gallo Music negatively impacted by liquidation of distributor</li> </ul>	
Initiatives/ Focus Areas	<ul> <li>Vuma and Rise – keep growing audience – tight cost control</li> <li>Gallo continues to pursue frontline and catalogue building opportunities</li> <li>Empire to continue building quality independent title pipeline – targeting some operating cost reductions</li> </ul>	

## **Key Numbers**

(4.3%)

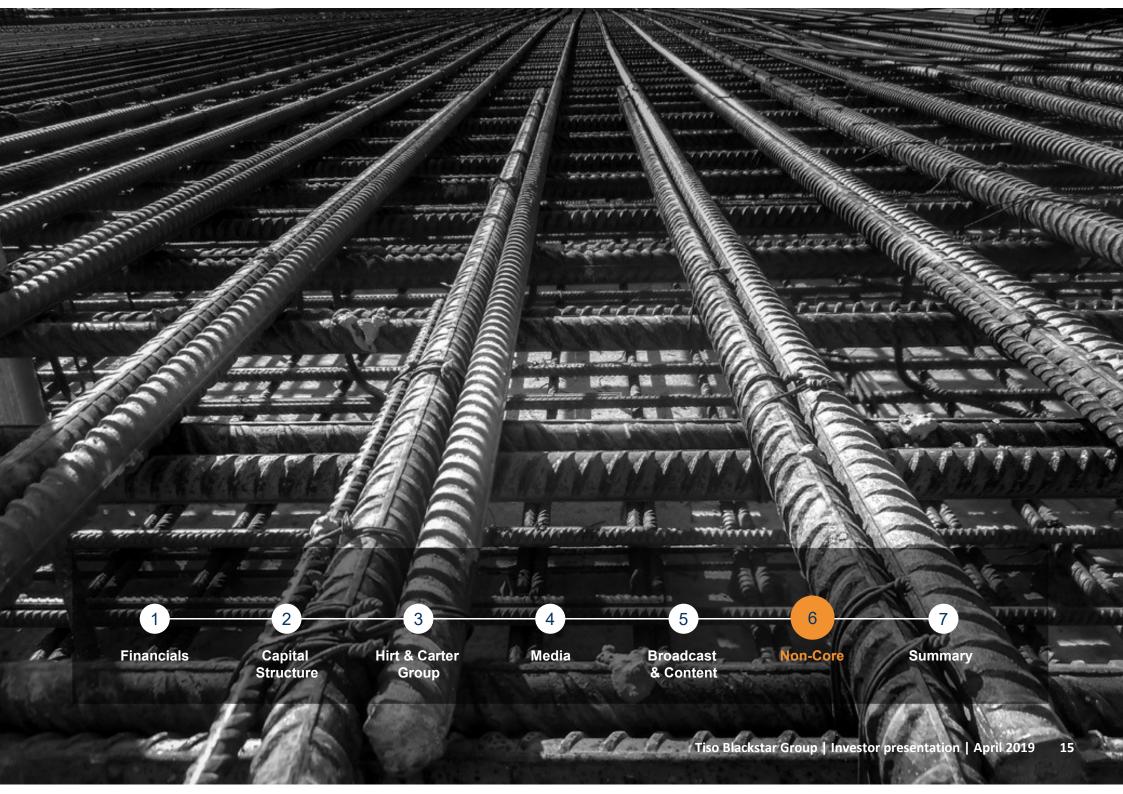
**Turnover decrease** 

36.6%

1.5% GP% increase

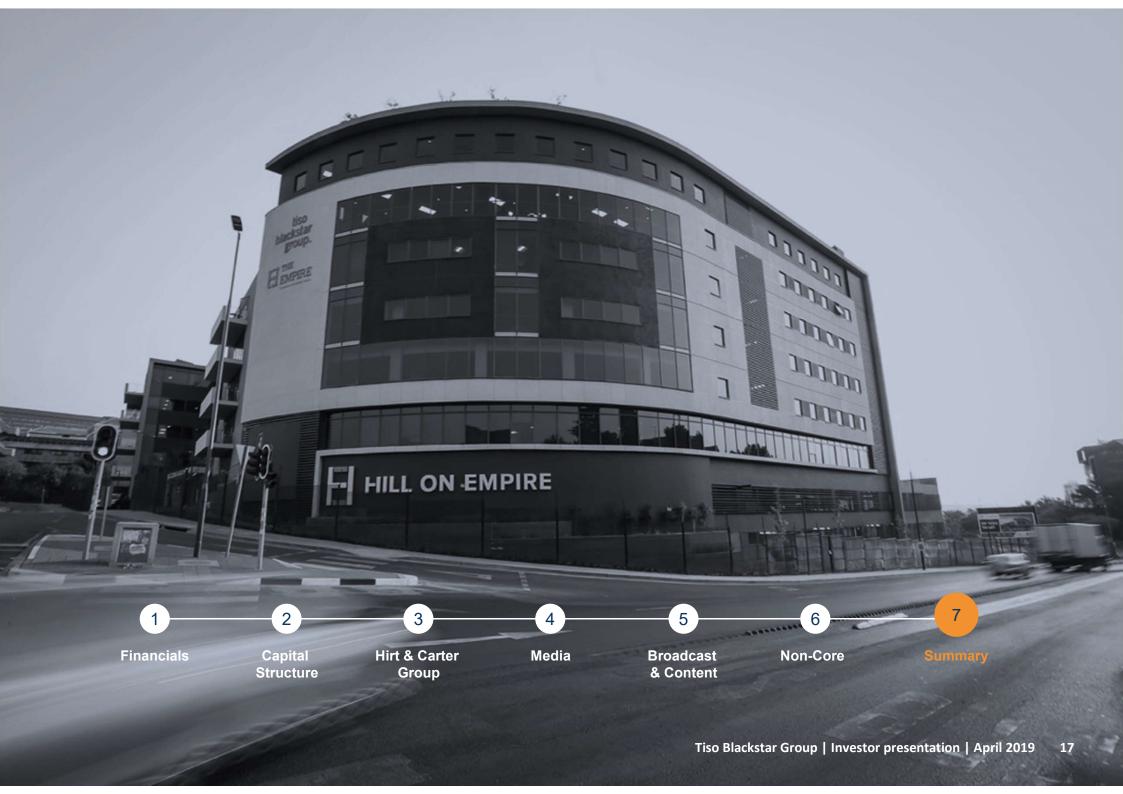
12.9%

**EBITDA** increase



#### **Non-Core**

Key themes	Description
	> TBG unable to come to terms on offer of cash and asset mix at an appropriate value
KTH 20,1%	➤ KTH holds a portfolio of quality assets – 75% of gross assets comprised of Kagiso Media, MMI and Servest
	➤ Total net asset value – R7.05bn after deducting net head office debt of R266m
	➤ TBG closely working with other shareholders to reduce debt, streamline portfolio and return to KTH to paying dividends – target next 12 months
	➤ TBG guarantee reduced to R110m after settling R50m (March 2019)
	Macsteel merger terminated
Robor 43%	Alternative restructuring plans initiated, including selling certain assets to reduce debt
	Probable pick up in trading - competitors have closed steel tube and pipe mills and IPP process has resumed
	➤ Remaining CSI proceeds of R30m expected before financial year end
Other	<ul> <li>Acceleration of other minor non-core assets sales (businesses, property, equipment) to further lower debt</li> </ul>



#### **SUMMARY**

Key themes	Description
Solid Core Trading	<ul> <li>Despite tough conditions core businesses have performed well. EBITDA up 12,9% and normalised PAT for continuing operations was up by 225%</li> <li>Difficult trading conditions expected to persist for 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the year</li> </ul>
Reduced Term Debt	<ul> <li>Term Debt has been reduced by 13.4% to just over R900m</li> <li>Debt restructured to reduce costs and improve efficiency</li> </ul>
Reduced OD/Short term Debt	<ul> <li>The overdraft and short term debt has been significantly reduced, by 96.2%, as a result of CSI disposal and Robor partial disposal</li> <li>Significant reduction in financial risk</li> </ul>
KTH value unlock	<ul> <li>Unable to agree terms on planned disposal of remaining KTH stake.</li> <li>TBG closely working with other shareholders to reduce debt, streamline portfolio and return KTH to paying dividends – target next 12 months</li> </ul>

