

# UBS 39<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GLOBAL MEDIA & COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE

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- potential effects of a challenging economy, for example, on the demand for our advertising and marketing services, on our clients' financial condition and on our business or financial condition;
- our ability to attract new clients and retain existing clients;
- our ability to retain and attract key employees;
- risks associated with assumptions we make in connection with our critical accounting estimates, including changes in assumptions associated with any effects of a weakened economy;
- potential adverse effects if we are required to recognize impairment charges or other adverse accountingrelated developments;
- risks associated with the effects of global, national and regional economic and political conditions, including counterparty risks and fluctuations in economic growth rates, interest rates and currency exchange rates; and
- developments from changes in the regulatory and legal environment for advertising and marketing and communications services companies around the world.

Investors should carefully consider these factors and the additional risk factors outlined in more detail in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K under Item 1A. Risk Factors.



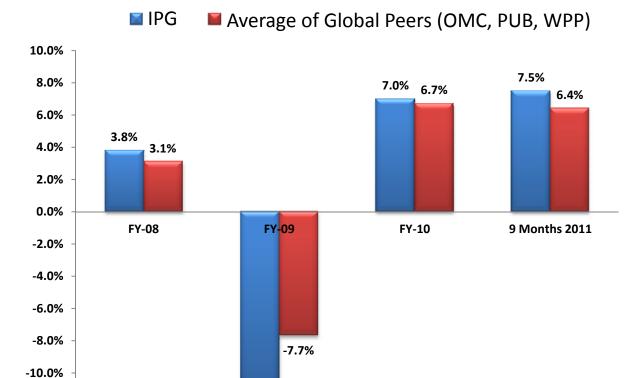
#### **UPDATE**

- Strong 2011 revenue and profit growth through nine months on track to achieve our full year financial objectives
- Continuing our progress to fully competitive operating profitability
- Realizing promise of long-term growth drivers: investment in talent at our agency brands, digital services expansion and high-growth international markets
- Deploying strong cash flow and cash on hand to further enhance shareholder value – deleveraging, initiated common stock dividend and share repurchase program



#### **COMPETITIVE ORGANIC REVENUE GROWTH**

#### Organic Revenue Change



-10.8%



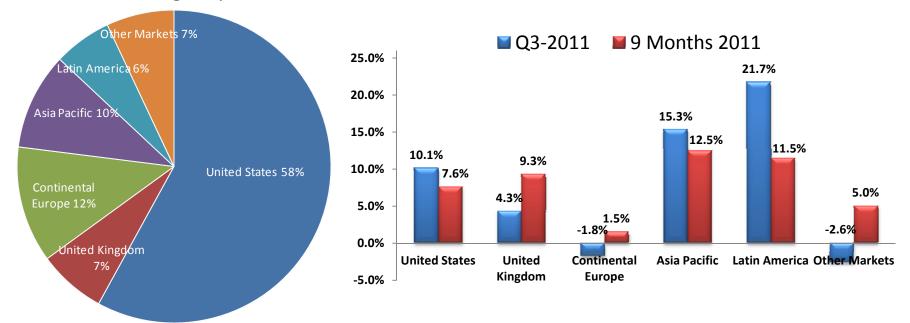
-12.0%

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## REGIONAL ECONOMIC CONDITIONS REMAIN IMPORTANT

Revenue by Region
Nine Months through September 30, 2011

Q3-11 and 9 Months Organic Revenue Change by Region

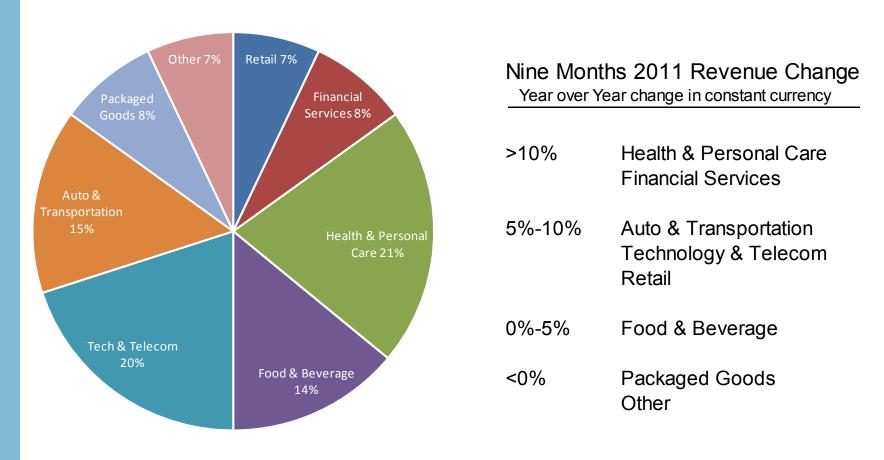


Other Markets: Middle East, Africa, Canada



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## CONTINUE TO BENEFIT FROM DIVERSE CLIENT BASE







## SIGNIFICANT LONG-TERM GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

- Foundation of diverse world-class agencies
- Continued growth in clients' digital spend, with media complexity making agencies more important than ever
- High-growth economies around the world: India, Brazil, China, Russia, etc.



### **WORLD-CLASS AGENCY BRANDS**



Leading global network provides best-in-class integrated marketing solutions

#### **DRAFTFCB**

Modern global agency model combines accountability with creativity under single P&L



Targeted, creative global network delivers reach without compromise



### **WORLD-CLASS AGENCY BRANDS**







Two global media networks and a spectrum of specialist media companies





WEBER SHANDWICK

**GolinHarris** 

octagon

**FutureBrand** 

Industry-leading marketing services providers



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Exceptional group of independent agencies



### DIGITAL STRATEGY SUPPORTS LONG-TERM GROWTH OPPORTUNITY

- The share of client expenditure available to agencies as opposed to media owners is greater in the digital space
- Digital expertise must be at the core of everything we do and embedded within every IPG agency, e.g.,
  - MRM positioning and growth within Worldgroup
  - Draftfcb's native digital capability
  - CMG social media expertise
  - Mediabrands digital leadership
- World-class specialized assets such as R/GA, HUGE, MRM, Cadreon and Reprise work independently & collaborate with our networks, as they grow globally



#### HIGH GROWTH MARKETS

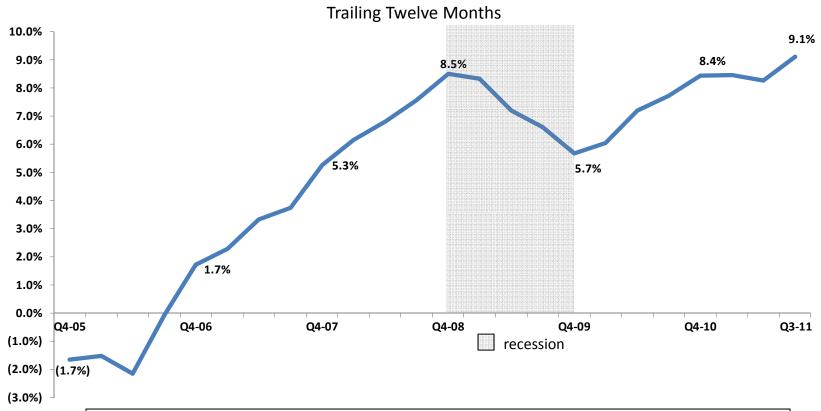
Markets outside of North America and Western Europe have grown to ~20% of our revenue base, an increase of 5%, over last few years

- Strong market position in <u>India</u>
  - > #2 among global advertising & marketing services peers
- Powerful offerings in <u>Brazil</u>
  - All three global networks performing well
  - Leveraging marketing services strength under Olympics, World Cup
- Strengthening agencies in <u>China</u>, building on long-term presence
- Russia: strong partner in ADV
- Middle East/North Africa: MCN is region's largest agency



### **CONSISTENTLY IMPROVED PROFITABILITY**





Our goal is to achieve fully competitive operating margin



### FINANCIAL MODEL

	2010 Actual	2014 Target	Keys
Yearly Organic Revenue Growth	7%	4% to 5% annually	Competitive organic revenue growth of 4% to 5% annually
Salaries and Related Expenses as % of Revenue	63.0%	60%	Leverage on investment in base payroll and incentives
Office & General Expenses as % of Revenue <sup>1</sup>	28.6%	27%	Leverage on occupancy expense
Operating Margin	8.4%	~ 13%	Peer Level Margin



## VALUE CREATION FROM STRONG FINANCIAL FOUNDATION

- Cash from Operations trailing twelve months = \$535 million
- \$1.8 billion cash and short-term investments
- \$1.0 billion long-term credit facility (undrawn)
- Lowered debt by over \$600 million (>25%) over last four years and repurchased \$304 million of our 5.25% convertible preferred
- Repurchased 27 million common shares for \$269 million with \$450 million authorized under new & expanded plan
- Initiated quarterly dividend \$0.06 per common share,
   2.6% annualized yield



#### **SUMMARY**

- Strong 2011 year to date performance top and bottom line
- Revenue growth due to the competitiveness of our brands & high value of our services
- Media complexity and globalization are creating new sustainable growth opportunities
- Seeing significant margin improvement from new efficiencies and ongoing expense discipline
- Disciplined deployment of strong financial resources for value creation





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