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**Investment Highlights & Market Overview** 

### 1 XING: Social networking for professionals multiplying business & career opportunities



#### Profile page



#### Leading professional networking website

- 1.69m profiles from business professionals(b)
- 42 million peer-2-peer connections
- Global presence (16 languages)
- Subscription €5,95 per month<sup>(a)</sup>
- 221,000 paying premium members<sup>(b)</sup>
- (a) Subject to certain discounts(b) As of 31 December 2006

#### Map of connections

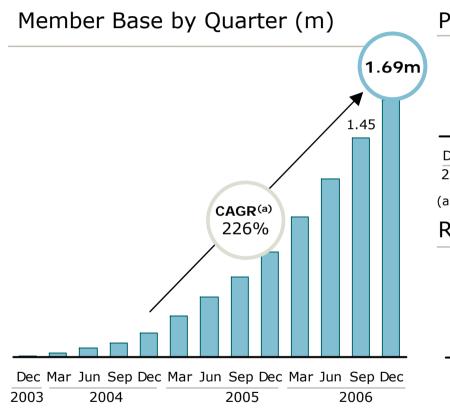


#### What we offer to our members

- Find relevant people faster
- Get more business done
- Next generation of contact management
- Digital reputation management

### Strong member and revenue growth effectively monetizing a fast growing user base

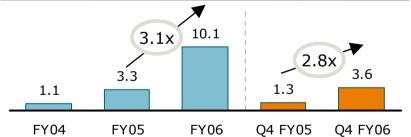






(a) Compound annual growth rate from Dec 04 - Dec 06

#### Revenue growth (€m)

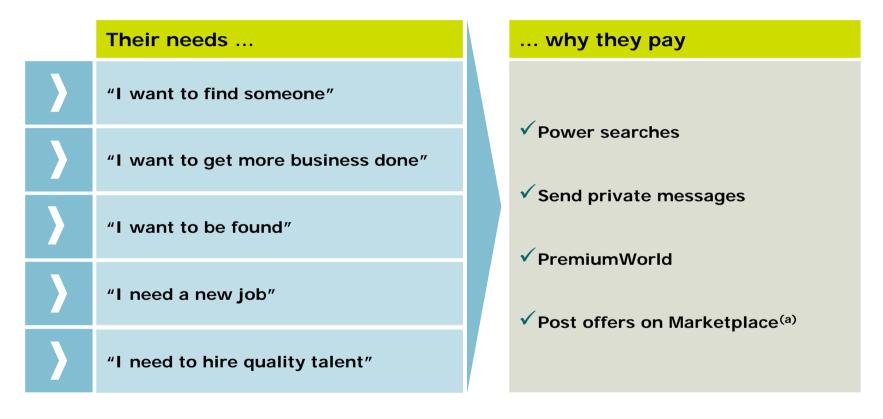


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Note: All dates show pro forma full year figures for the period January to December

### Why people join and why people pay digitizing, expanding & maintaining professionals' networks

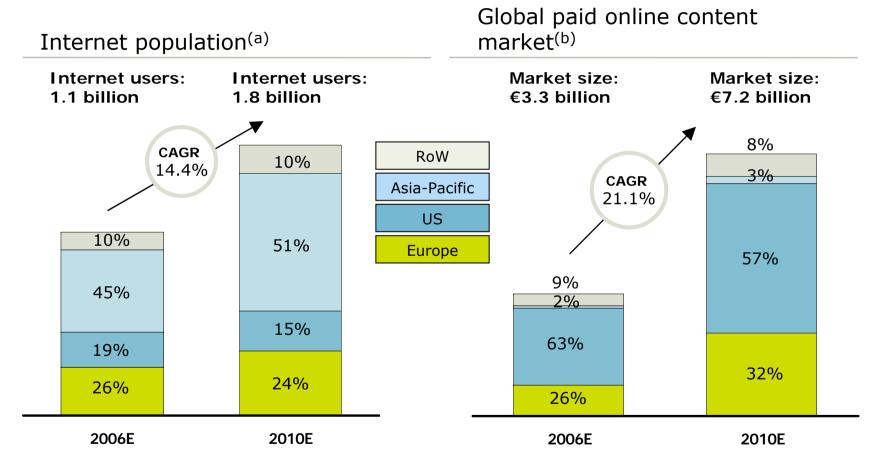




(a) Expected launch in H1 of calendar 2007

### O 1 Global Internet growth growing market segment in a growing internet universe





- (a) Source: Computer Industry Almanac, Internet World Stats, PwC Global Entertainment and Media Outlook, June 2006
- (b) Source: Global Industry Analysts, June 2006

### 01 Investment highlights



1	A market leader in an attractive industry
2	Global growth platform
3	Compelling strategy and business model
4	Strong financial profile
5	International, experienced management team





## **Competitive Positioning & Expansion Strategy**

### The social networking wave is maturing professional sites expected to benefit strongly



Social networking is age specific

Changing needs

Professional networking



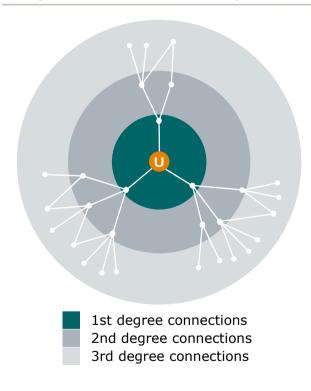
- Serious, high quality content
- High customer lifetime value
- High disposable income

Sustainable value

### Defensible competitive advantage clear 'right' mover in the space



#### High barriers to entry

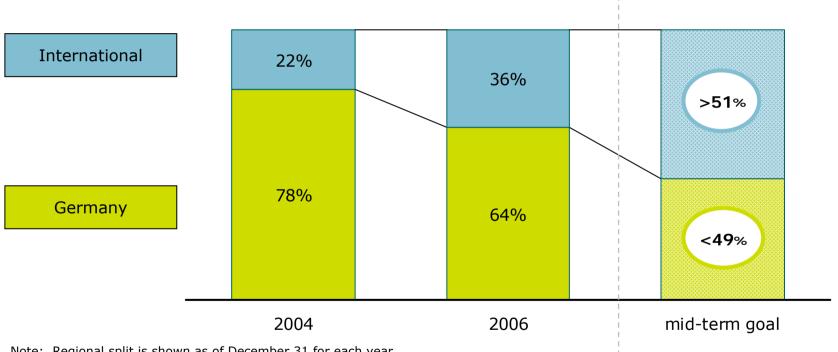


- High number of members and 42m peer-topeer connections
- Second and third degree connections deliver the most value
- High platform switching costs for members
- Clear 'winner takes it all' dynamic
- 3 years of experience

### Significant international potential successfully executing globalization strategy

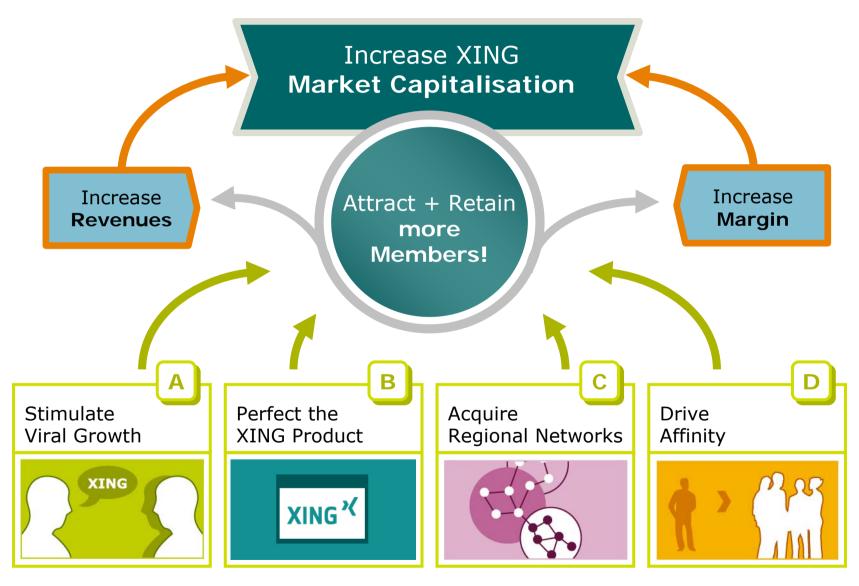


#### Regional split of member base



### Expansion strategy Building blocks to profitable growth



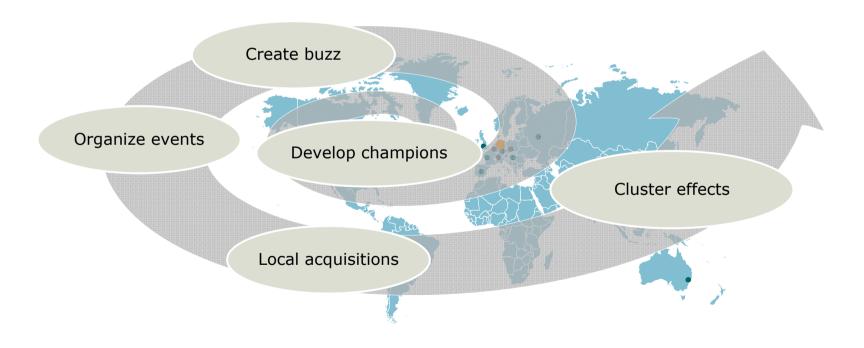


### O2 Stimulating viral growth: city-by-city global reach, modest local infrastructure



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#### Winning key international cities

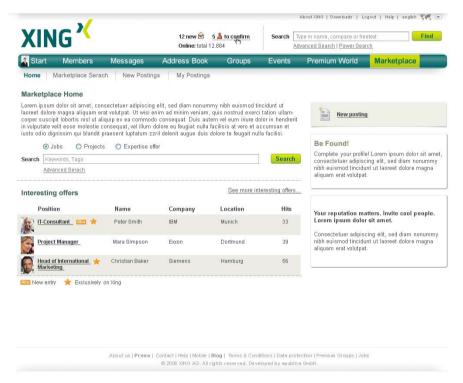


### Perfecting the product case study: marketplace





#### Marketplace: enabling transactions in a trusted universe

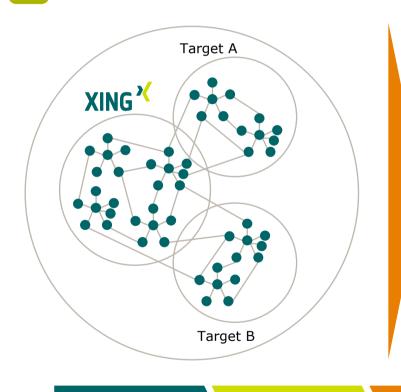


- XING will launch a Marketplace<sup>(a)</sup> to facilitate peer-to-peer transactions (e.g. job classifieds, services, etc.)
- Creates a compelling value proposition for both free and paying member base
- Provides a strong incentive to convert to Premium Membership as potential value outweighs cost
- Facilitate transactions between members supporting loyalty and conversion
- (a) Expected launch in H1 of calendar year 2007

### O 2 Acquire regional networks Positioning XING as *the* industry consolidator



C Xing's approach to acquisitions



#### Acquisition criteria

- Key player in selected markets/clusters
- Potential for monetization

#### Low execution risk

- Efficient acquisition and integration strategy
- High stickiness and limited overlap

Market Entry Selection Valuation Integration Monetization

### Market consolidation has already begun XING transacts first international acquisition



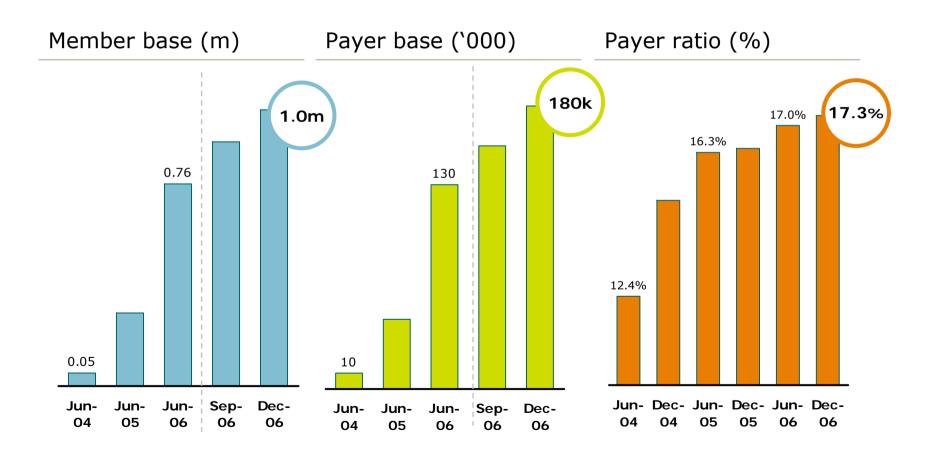
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  - Leading Spanish business social networking platform acquired
  - Total users as of 31 January 2007: 150'000
  - User base very similar to that of Xing
  - Critical mass in in typical viral growth patterns achieved six months ago
  - Founders & Management are on-board to support the integration
  - Thorough and well-planned integration has already started
  - Access to South American market



### O 2 Drive affinity: regional payers continued growth in our home market



German market statistics

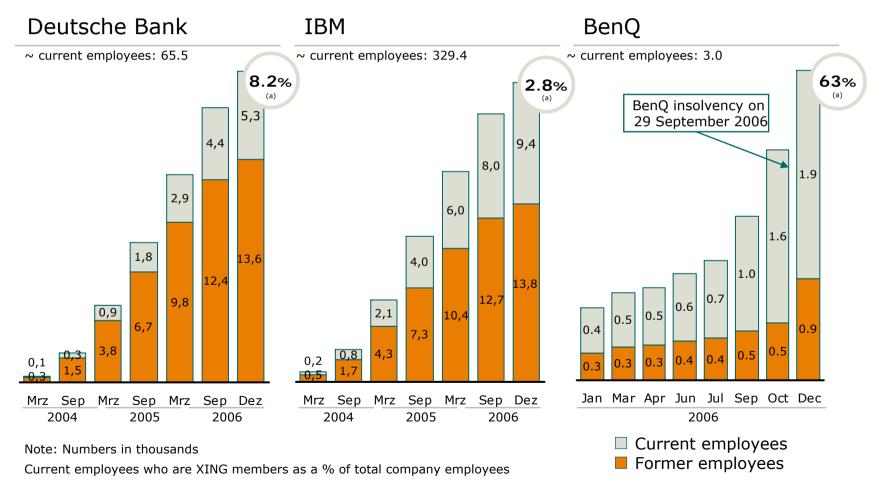


### O 2 Drive affinity: corporate alumni member penetration in leading global organisations





#### Member penetration in leading global organisations







Financial Results & Business Model

### Strong financial profile we deliver results



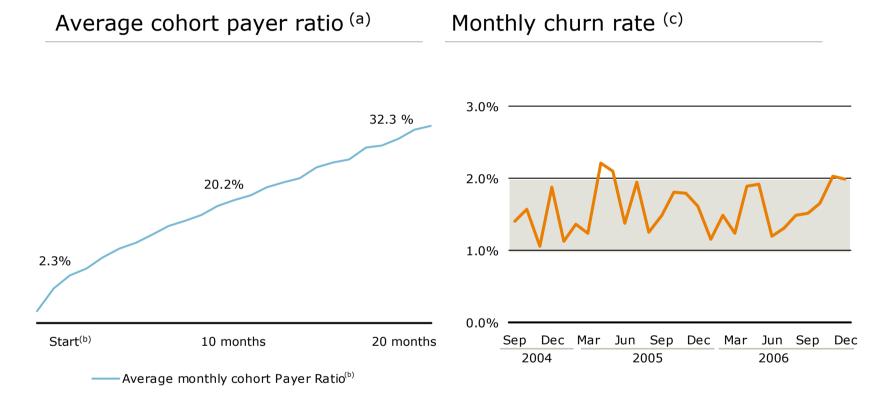
#### Highlights of the Financial Year 2006

Continued Strong growth	<ul> <li>146% member growth and 141% payer growth (a)</li> <li>201% revenue growth (a)</li> </ul>
Increasing profit	<ul> <li>Revenue growth higher than underlying cost growth (b)</li> <li>€1.4m EBITDA pre IPO related costs (b)</li> <li>23% EBITDA margin pre IPO related costs (b)</li> </ul>
Quick cash conversion	<ul> <li>€3.9m operating cash flow (b)</li> <li>61% operating cash flow margin (b)</li> </ul>

- (a) Pro forma Financial Year 2006 (January December), compared to pro forma Financial Year 2005 (January December)
- (b) Abbreviated Financial Year 2006 (July December)

### Sustainable economic model conversion to Premium takes on average 150 days

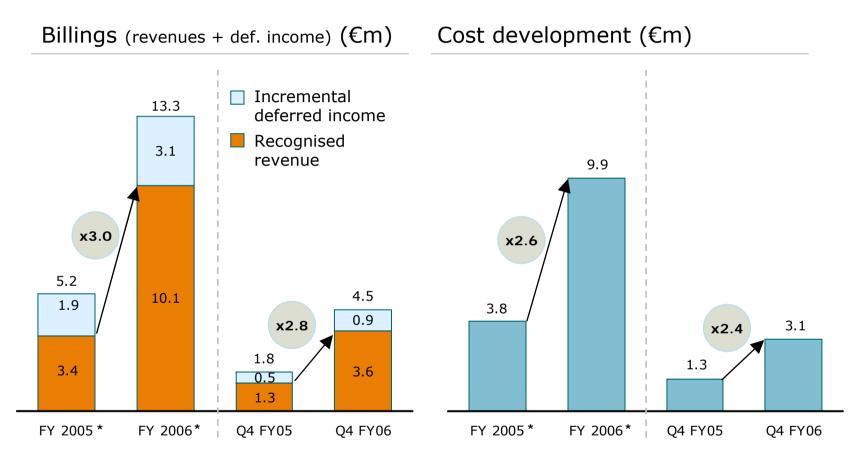




- (a) Among cohorts who have existed for more than 20 months
- (b) Start of subscription
- (c) Churn is defined as the number of Premium Members who (i) become Basic Members or (ii) delete their profile, less the number of Premium Members under (i) or (ii) who renew their Premium Membership

### O 3 Development of revenues and costs high visibility of revenues and a well-managed cost base

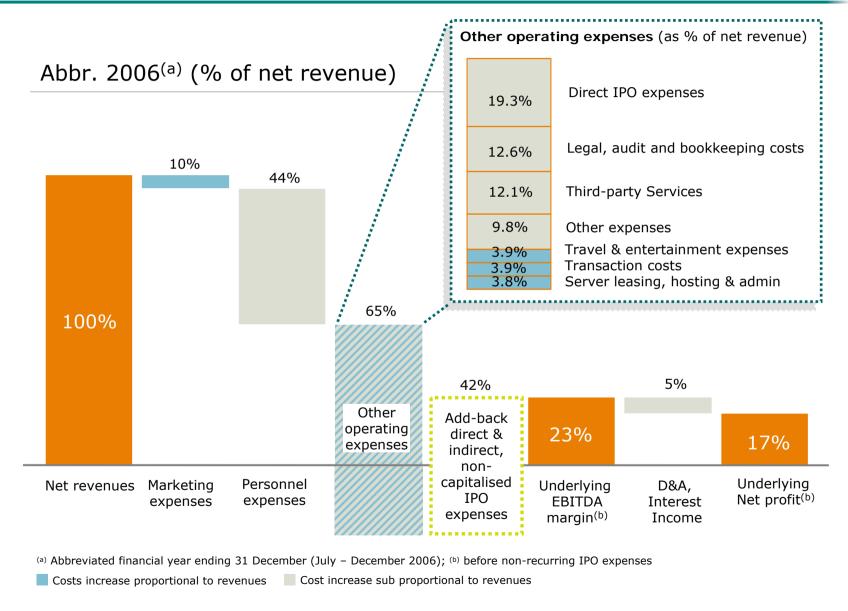




<sup>\*</sup> Pro forma Financial Year 2006 (January – December)

### Scalability driving profitability EBITDA margin<sup>(b)</sup> has increased to 23%





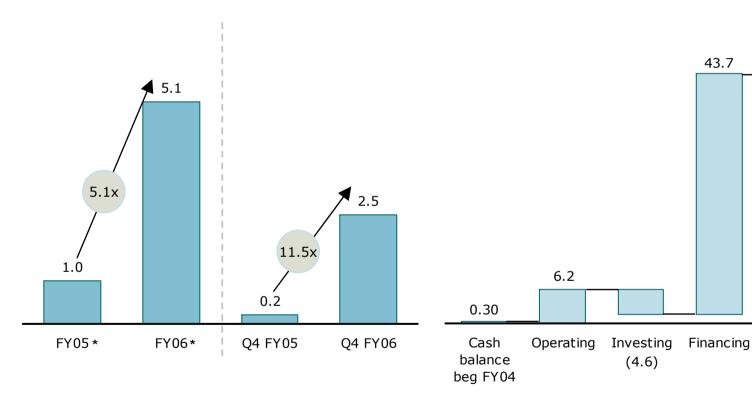
## O3 Strong cash generation enables investment in external growth opportunities



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#### Operating cash flow (€m)

#### Cumulative cash profile (€m)



<sup>\*</sup> Pro forma Financial Year 2006 (January – December)

Cash

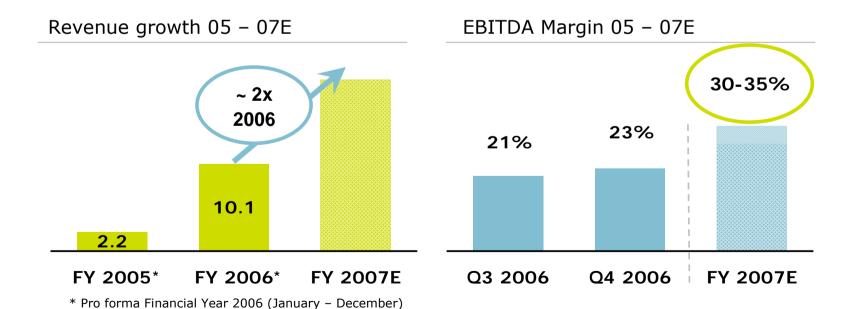
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#### 03 Outlook 2007



- Simplified registration and invitation process
- New functionality (Profile 2.0, Address book 2.0, Search) and new revenue streams (Marketplace - Jobs und relevant content)
- Increased activity and payer ratio
- Accelerate international growth (in 4 key languages)
- Drive upcoming market consolidation



### 03 We deliver results



1	Strong financial profile, high operating leverage
2	Scalable, high-growth and proven business model with high cash conversion
3	The leading Social Business Network as measured by the metrics that matter: activity, number of payers and EBITDA
4	Large and growing global market still in an early stage of development
5	New revenue streams launching in 2007: jobs, relevant content and more

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