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# Low-cost, long-haul works

#### Q3: Best in class CASK and ancillary revenues

Load factor 83%

Net profit USD 16 mill excl. non-cash lease\*

CASK USD 3.63 in Q3

#### Revenue management and profitable growth

From 10 aircraft to 12 in 2024 to 15 in 2025

Strong performance on new routes

Considering capital raise supported by largest shareholders



<sup>\*</sup> Net profit USD 1.6 million reported would be USD 16 million excluding non-cash lease accounting costs. Total equity would have been USD 50 mill at 30 September

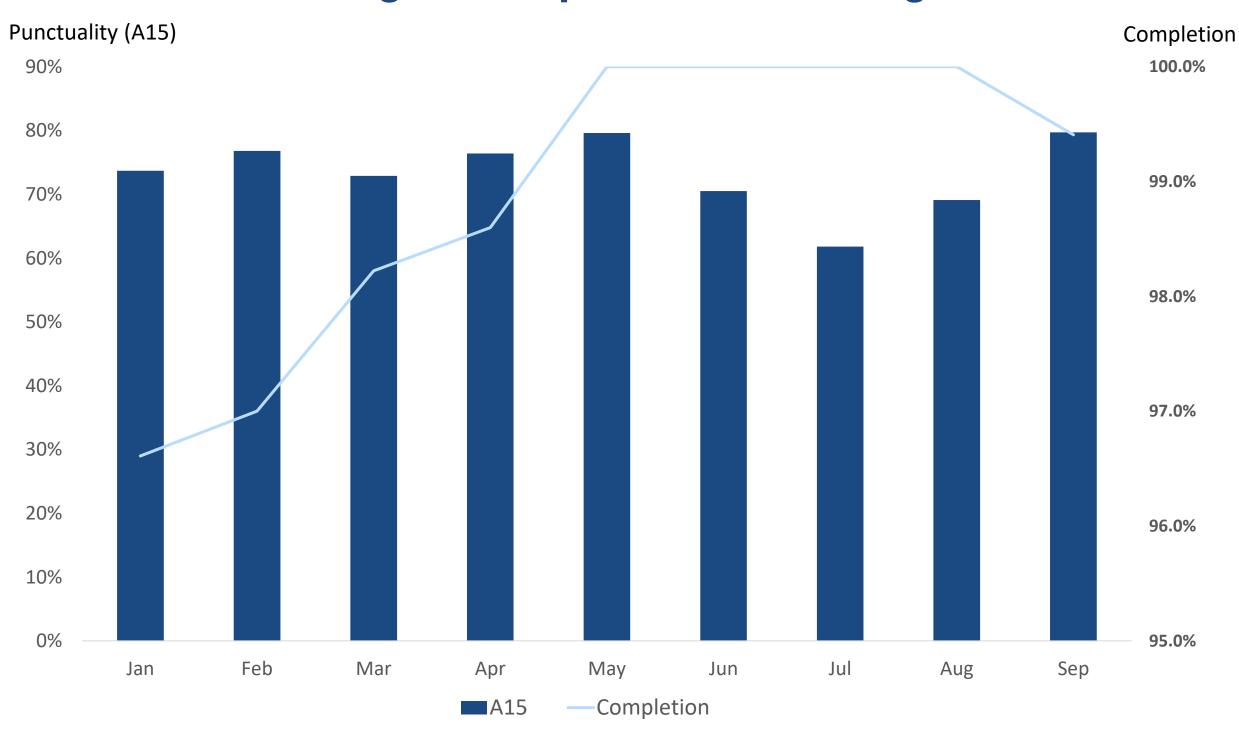
# Highlights from summer and Q3 2023

- All 15 aircraft revenue generating from 1 July
  - 2 Strong summer season, softening towards quarter-end
  - 3 High regularity 99.8%
  - Overall good profitability on routes, but some lessons learnt
- Some headwinds from fuel costs and cargo market
- More potential on the fare side



# Strong operational performance

#### % of flights completed and arriving on time

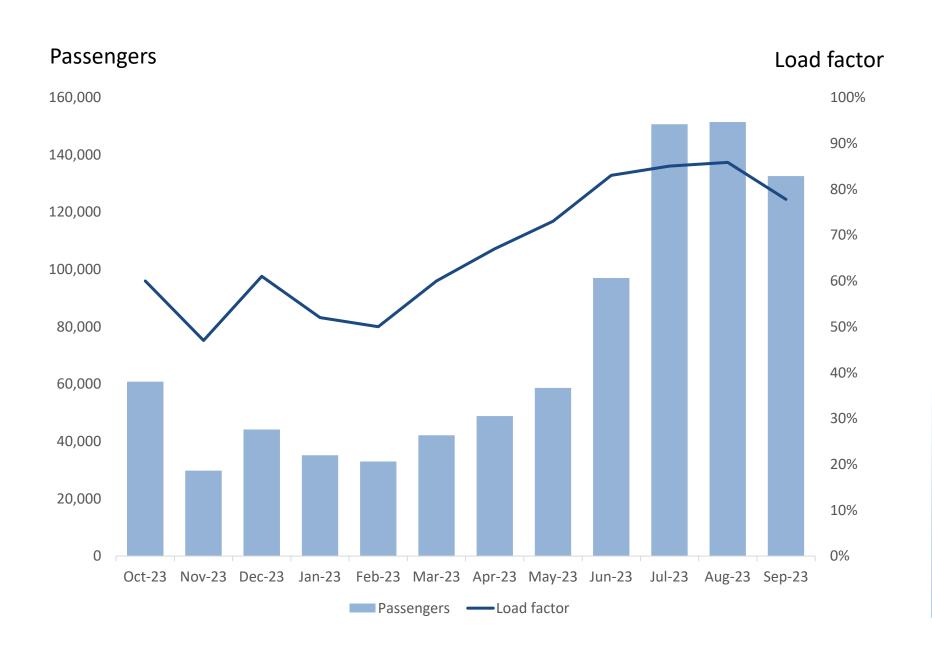


- 100% completion from late April through to early September
- In September99.4% completed
- More than 70% of flights arrived ontime

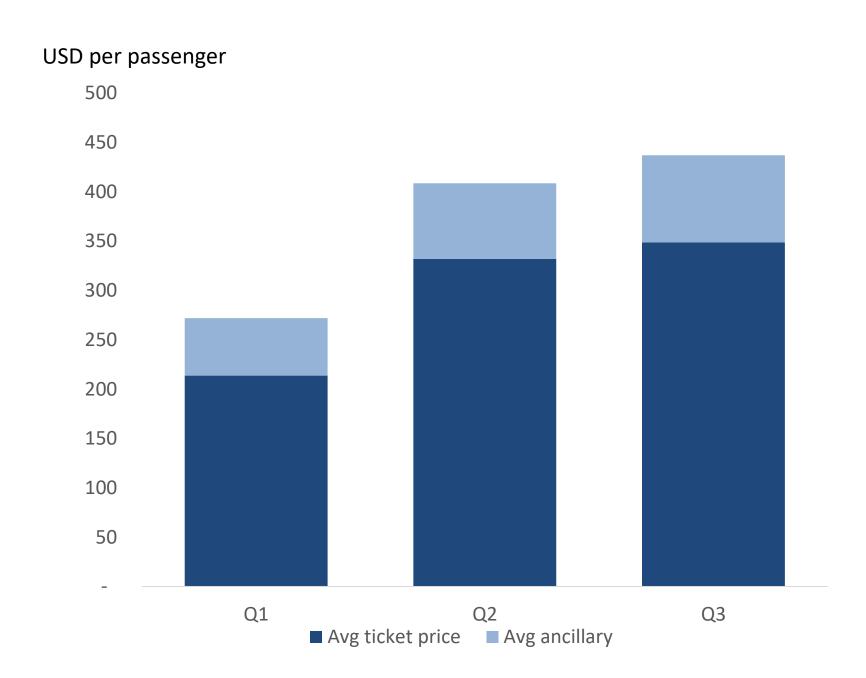


# Larger scale and improved pricing

#### Record number of passengers and load factor

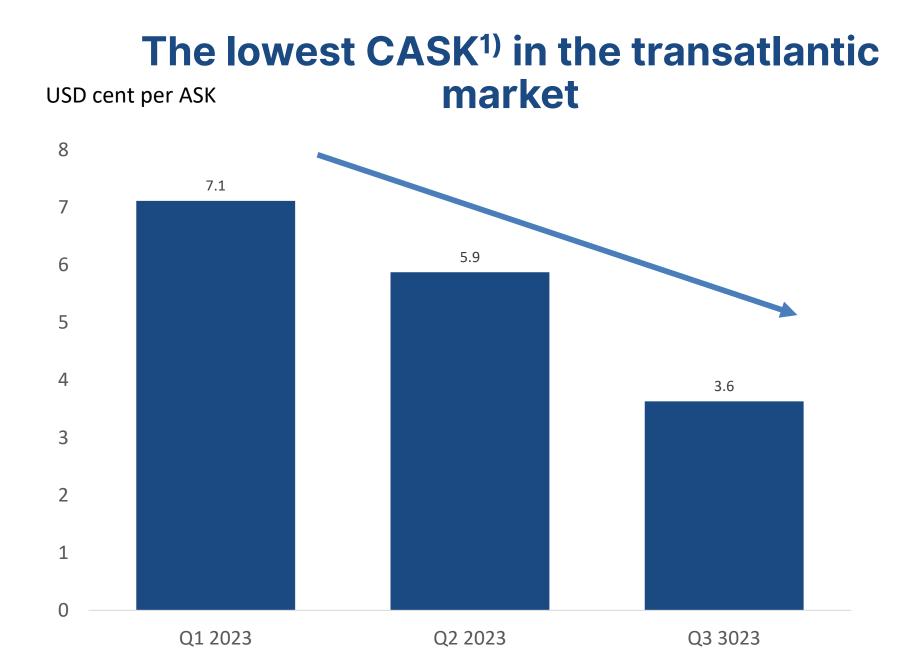


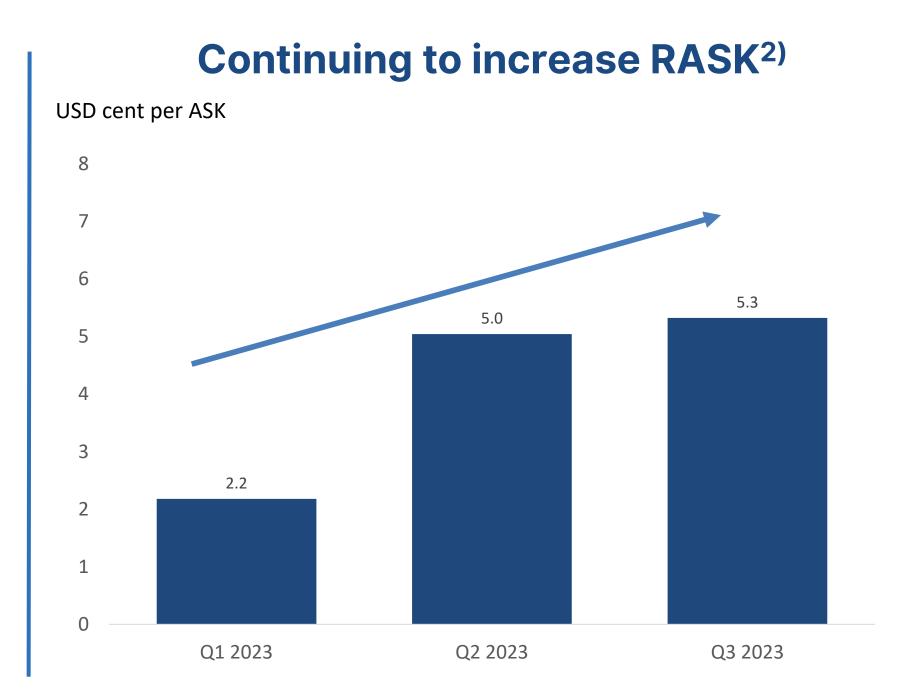
#### Increasing ticket prices and ancillary sales





# Higher revenues and lower costs





1) CASK defined as CASK ex. fuel 2) RASK defined as PRASK: Passenger revenue (airfare and ancillary) per available seat kilometer

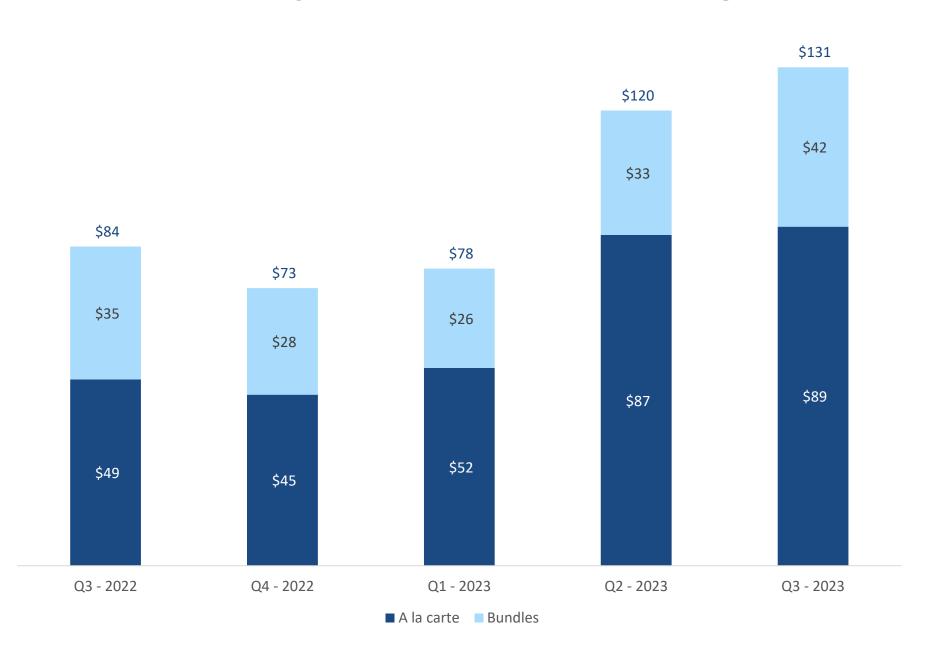


# Ancillary sales are increasing

- Norse's fare model provides pricing flexibility to passengers
- Ancillary revenue consists of:
  - Upgrades to Premium cabin
  - Extra baggage
  - Seat selection
  - Food and beverages
  - o 3<sup>rd</sup> party sales commissions
- Continuously adding services (travel insurance added Q3)

#### The #1 airline for ancillary revenue

#### Ancillary revenue per passenger \$

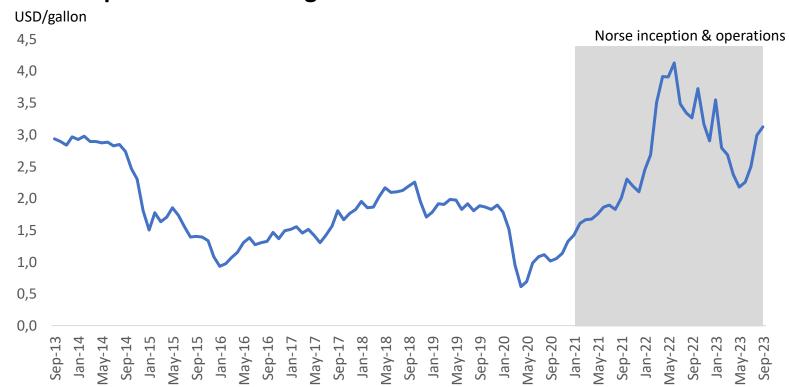


Bundles are ancillary items included in the original ticket price of Classic and Flextra fares and are showed as ticket revenue in our financials



# The importance of fuel-efficient aircraft

#### Jet fuel price at record heights<sup>1)</sup>



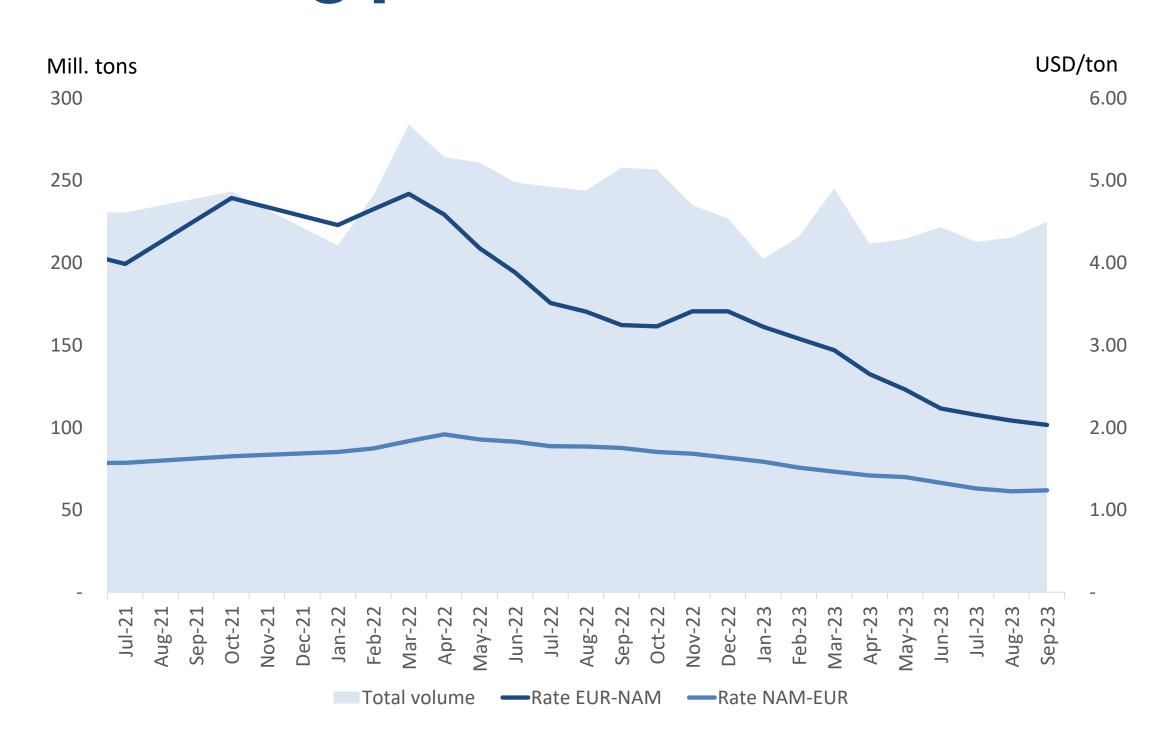
- Norse aircraft estimated to save fuel cost of USD 0.57 per ASK compared to the median widebody aircraft<sup>7)</sup>
- Fuel cost saving equivalent to 10% of total cost
- Fuel saving for Q3 alone corresponds to USD 15m, 24m liters, or 53 million tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>

#### Fuel consumption vs. best-in class long-haul competitors

Aircraft	First flight	Sector	Fuel per seat	
Norse Boeing 787-9	2019	338	9,208 km	2.08 L/100km <sup>3</sup>
Boeing 787-10	2017	337	10,240 km	2.27 L/100km <sup>2</sup>
Boeing 787-9 (standard)	2013	304	9,208 km	2.31 L/100km <sup>3</sup>
Airbus A350-900	2013	315	9,208 km	2.39 L/100km <sup>3</sup>
Boeing 777-9X	2020	395	13,300 km	2.42 L/100km <sup>4</sup>
Airbus A330-900	2017	300	8,610 km	2.48 L/100km <sup>3</sup>
Airbus A350-1000	2016	367	10,243 km	2.58 L/100km <sup>2</sup>
Airbus A330-800	2017	248	8,610 km	2.75 L/100km <sup>3</sup>
Boeing 787-8	2011	243	8,610 km	2.77 L/100km <sup>3</sup>
Boeing 747-8	2011	467	11,000 km	2.82 L/100km <sup>5</sup>
Boeing 777-300ER	2003	382	10,199 km	2.90 L/100km <sup>2</sup>
Boeing 777-200ER	1996	301	11,000 km	3.08 L/100km <sup>6</sup>
Airbus A330-300	1992	274	10,275 km	3.11 L/100km <sup>2</sup>
Boeing 747-400	1988	487	10,147 km	3.16 L/100km <sup>2</sup>
Airbus A380	2005	544	11,000 km	3.16 L/100km <sup>4</sup>



# Transatlantic cargo market – high volumes, declining prices



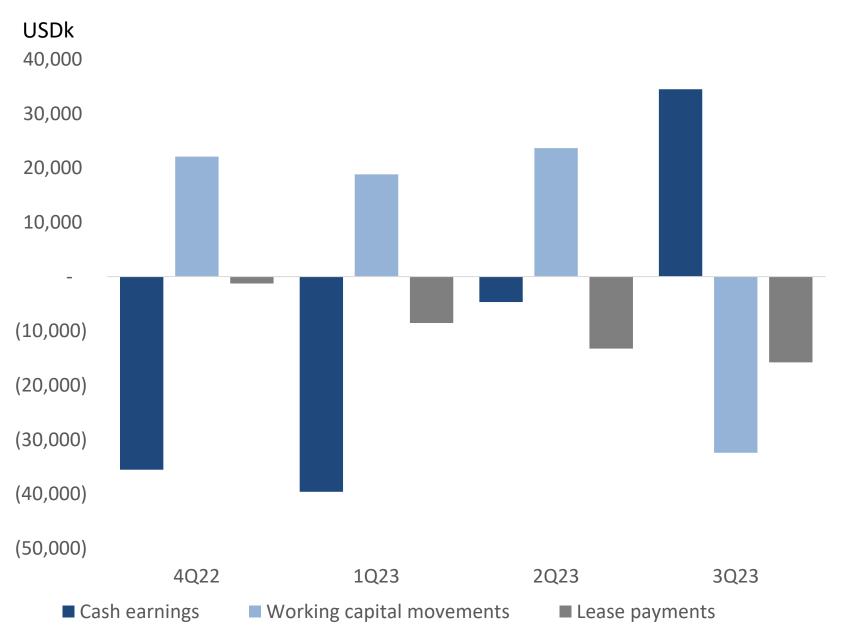
- Since July 2021, cargo volumes are down 2%
- Prices Europe to North America are down 49% and 21% return
- USD 16 million lower cargo revenue in 2023 YTD compared to expectations
- Signs of improving cargo market in Q4 and for the winter



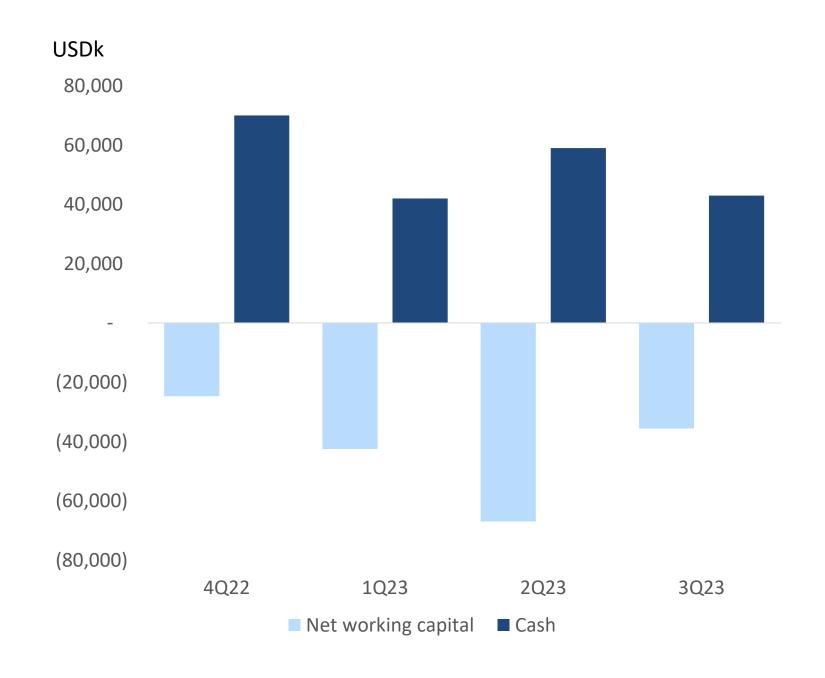
# Increased working capital

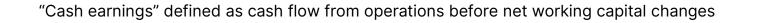
The challenge of being a new airline

Strong earnings balanced by adverse working capital movements in Q3...



#### ...leads to reduced available liquidity







## Financing and strategy update

- Following adverse working capital movements and an accelerated payment plan with a key supplier, Norse will explore additional fundraising of up to USD 45 million
- Pareto Securities and SpareBank 1 Markets are engaged as advisers
- B T Larsen & Co and Scorpio Holding Limited, the two largest shareholders, have both expressed strong interest in supporting a fundraising for at least their pro rata shareholding
- Scorpio Holdings Limited has accepted an invitation to be represented on the company's board of directors, and is expected to assume one board seat; additionally, it is expected that there would be one additional independent board seat such that the board will comprise a total of five directors
- Management has been approached by several airlines seeking to invest in Norse
- The company will be appointing a corporate advisor with expertise in the airline sector to support it in the development and assessment of strategic alternatives



# Q3 highlights

#### Activity and revenue doubled

- Q3 revenue more than doubled from Q2 to USD 205 million
- Number of passengers, ASK and RPK also more than doubled compared to Q2
- 1,547 of 1,550 planned flights were completed (99.8%)

#### Low-cost confirmed, challenged by fuel prices

- Ramping up activity while keeping costs under control
- CASK gradually decreasing Norse showing the lowest CASK in the Transatlantic market
- Fuel prices however going to higher levels and adding pressure on profitability



- Record-high load factors (83%) and fares during summer peak season
- Seasonal softening from September

#### Ancillary revenue continue to increase

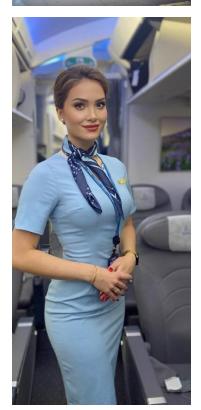
- Successful focus on ancillary revenues (USD 131 per passenger)
- Business model confirmed as passengers add on services based on own preferences



- Q3 was the first profitable quarter in the Company's history
- EBITDAR from USD 2 million in Q2 to USD 41 million in Q3
- High working capital build-up of USD 32 million









#### **Income Statement**

USD thousands	3 months Q3 2023	3 months Q2 2023	3 months Q1 2023	12 months FY 2022	
Revenue	204,796	100,101	39,757	104,269	
Personnel expenses	27,508	23,590	19,353	44,462	
Fuel, oil & emissions	64,561	25,945	21,896	61,793	
Other OPEX	61,206	38,119	24,121	42,706	
SG&A	10,469	10,230	7,314	15,630	
EBITDAR	41,052	2,218	(32,926)	(60,323)	
Variable aircraft rentals	9,290	7,755	8,725	27,263	
Depreciation & amortization	21,453	20,655	20,813	58,517	
EBIT	10,309	(26,202)	(62,464)	(146,104)	
Net finance cost	(8,714)	(8,784)	(8,408)	(28,871)	
<b>EBT</b> 14	1,595	(35,130)	(70,873)	(174,974)	

- Q3 2023 revenue up 105% versus prior quarter due to;
  - 109% increased capacity (ASK)

  - 4% increased revenue per passenger
    Load factor up to average of 83% over quarter, compared to 75% the previous quarter
- Fuel expenses up 149%, above the 109% ASK increase due to higher fuel prices
- Variable aircraft rentals represents cash paid under Power By the Hour (PBH) aircraft lease terms
- USD 14 million non-cash aircraft lease accounting cost under depreciations and net finance cost for Q3 (USD 50 million year-to-date)



#### **Cash Flow Statement**

USD thousands	3 months Q3 2023			12 months FY 2022		
Operating cash flows before WC¹) movements	34,479	(4,672)	(39,590)	(90,862)		
WC <sup>1)</sup> movements	(32,409)	23,667	18,819	22,223		
Operating cash flows	2,070	18,996	(20,771)	(68,639)		
Investing cash flows	(2,924)	(1,357)	1,256	(24,956)		
Financing cash flows	(15,767)	(9,724)	(8,530)	22,589		
Currency effects	177	(932)	366	1,463		
Net change in free cash	(16,444)	6,983	(27,679)	(69,543)		
Free cash at period end	27,570	44,013	37,030	64,709		
Restricted cash held	15,000	15,056	5,000	5,000		
Total cash	42,570	59,070	42,030	69,709		

- Q3 2023 total cash decrease of \$16 million mainly driven by outflow from financing activities as operations and investing cash flows were neutral
- Cash balances declined due to working capital seasonality. Cash inflow was strong during Q2's peak in forward sales cash collection for summer season, but lower in Q3 as transitioning to fall shoulder season
- \$43 million total cash held at end Q3 2023



#### **Balance Sheet**

#### Statement of financial position

USD thousands	30 SEP 23	30 JUN 23	31 DEC 22
Non-current assets	930,589	949,004	973,037
Total current assets	176,838	197,514	117,202
Total assets	1,107,428	1,146,518	1,090,239
Total equity	(80,385)	(82,157)	10,535
Non-current liabilities	954,391	967,693	971,284
Current liabilities	233,421	260,981	108,421
Total equity & liabilities	1,107,428	1,146,518	1,090,240

Excluding non-cash lease accounting costs, Q3 net profit would have been USD 16 mill and Total equity USD 50 mill

- \$890 million aircraft right-of-use asset
  - 15 Boeing 787 Dreamliners on leases with average remaining life 10.5 years
  - Corresponding lease liability of \$962 million
- \$20 million refundable aircraft lease deposits carried at \$16 million
- \$100 million receivables from credit card companies for booked tickets
- \$60 million liabilities to passengers for fares booked, not yet flown
- Book equity reflects \$130 million accumulated non-cash aircraft lease accounting cost since inception
- Value adjusted equity position in excess of \$300 million, including NPV value of the aircraft leases



#### **Adjusted Financials**

#### Book Financials adjusted with effects of leases

USD millions	30 SEP 23
Total Book Equity	(80)
Accumulated non-cash lease expenses	131
NPV of favorable leases	>300
Adjusted Equity	>351

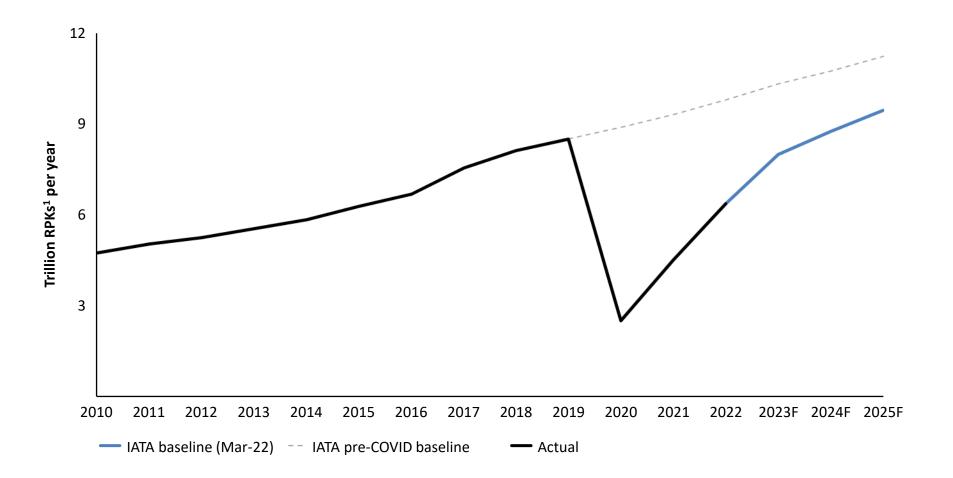
USD millions	3 months Q3 2023	9 months YTD Q3 2023
Book EBT	1.6	(104.4)
Non-cash aircraft lease accounting cost	13.8	49.8
Adjusted EBT	15.4	(54.6)

- Lease accounting generally implies a "front-loading" of expenses above cash expenditures in the early phase of a lease
- Paying flexible Power By the Hour (PBH) leases first two years of leases gives rise to "double" expenses; both fixed and variable lease expenses being recognized
- As at end Q3 2023, the Company has recorded \$131 million of non-cash lease expenses
- The Company estimates the net present value of its favorable aircraft leases to be at least \$300 million
- Norse has additional assets that are not recognized or estimated, including airport slots, permits such as Aircraft Operating Certificates, brand and other items



#### Market recovery post-COVID continues

#### Global air passengers, RPKs, bn per month



#### **Comments**

- The market has rebounded to 2019 levels
- Lagging recovery in Asia has led to temporary capacity reallocation to Transatlantic market
- Economic uncertainty indicates softer demand winter 23/24. We expect customers to focus on low-cost airlines
- Longer-term recovery expected to continue



# Sharpening the strategy

1 Flexible market strategy – dynamic pricing

2 Increased brand awareness

Premium cabin rolls out in Q4

4 Growing ancillary revenue



43 inches in Premium Economy
Eurowings: 38 / Singapore Airlines: 38 / Air New Zealand: 41 / Cathay Pacific:40)



Well positioned for ACMI (wet-lease) / charter opportunities



# More in place to generate higher revenues

8-Sep 19-Sep 1-Jul 18-Apr **Various Q4** Travel insurance Expedia Virtual Interline In-seat ordering Paxport Upgrade bidding system More airlines added In-seat ordering Generated extra to our virtual system expected to Norse inventory for Allows UK travel Increasing load ancillary sales launch in Q4-23; interline partnership sale via Expedia agents to sell Norse factor in Premium with Dohop will generate higher flights combined in cabin Available point of sale food & beverage holiday packages USA from 19-Sep and sales onboard expected for European POS in Q4 paxport Expedia



# Launch of upgraded premium product in Q4

Launch of upgraded service concept to fully deliver yield potential of our leading Premium product

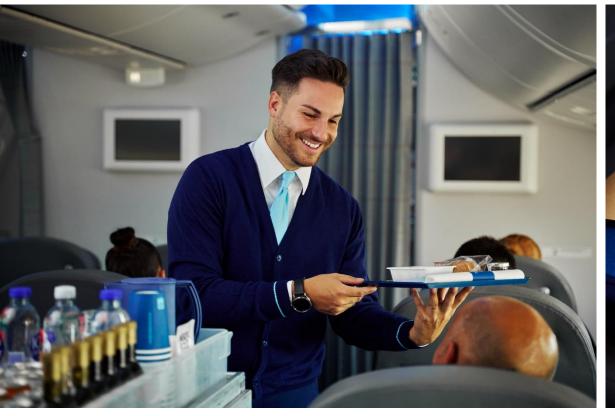


"Norse is making enough room to stretch on a long-haul European low-cost carrier possible yet again. The ample legroom and generous recline also come coupled with two meal services, premium boarding, priority check-in services, seat selection, and two checked-in baggage, up to 23 kilograms each. A carry-on of 10 kilograms is also allowed."

- Simple Flying: The 5 Best Premium Economy Cabins in The World 23 October 2023; simpleflying.com





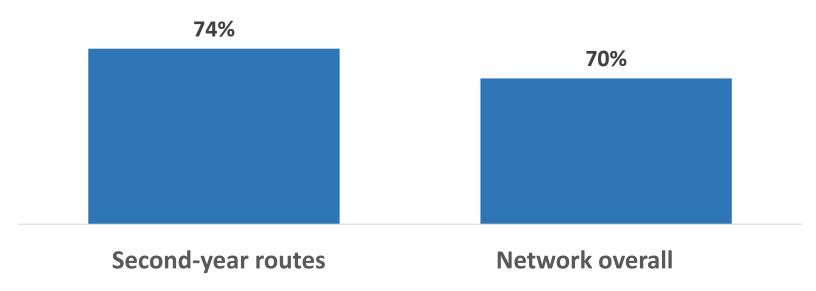




#### Higher yields as routes mature

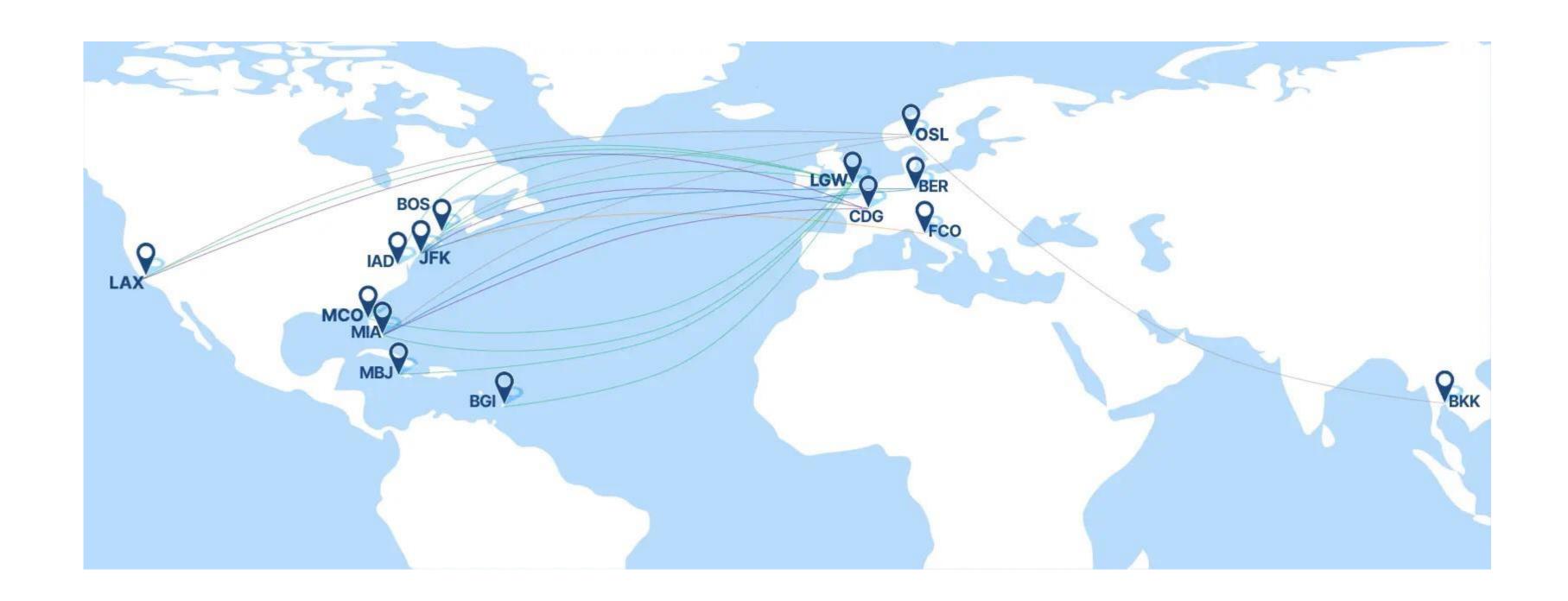
- Routes show high growth in their second year of operations – several second-year routes give higher unit revenue growth opportunities in 2024
- Markets launched in our first year of flying, 2022, show above average unit revenue growth this year
- 77% of Q3 2023 Norse capacity were new markets, providing opportunity for above average unit revenue growth next year
- Increased brand recognition and market penetration provide higher revenue opportunities







# Connecting key long-haul destinations

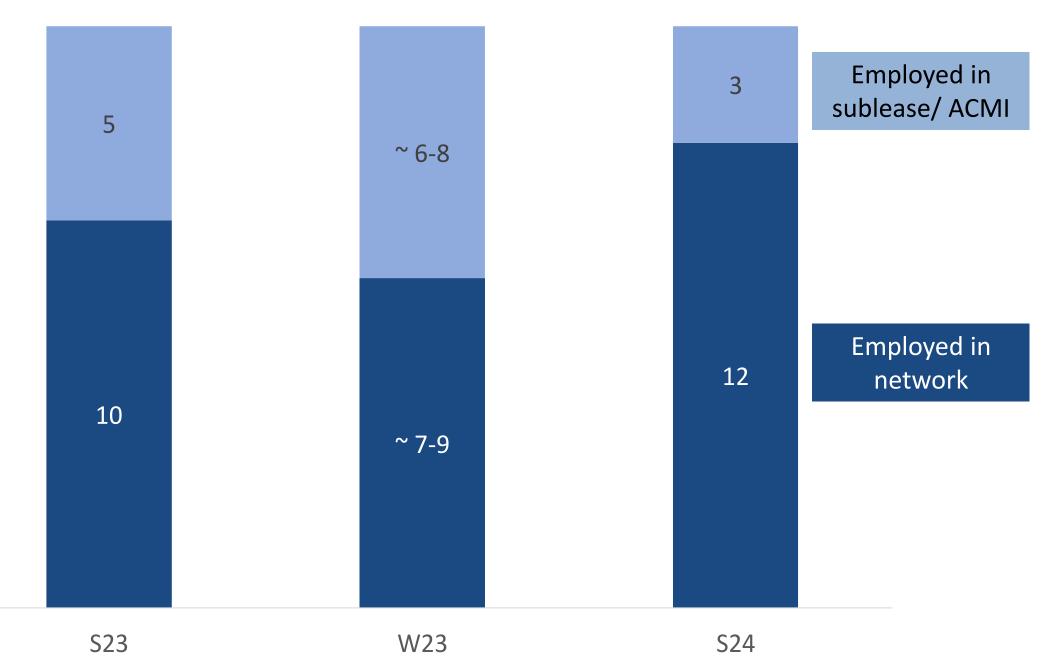




#### Dreamliners are in demand

- 15 Boeing 787 Dreamliners leased<sup>1)</sup>
- 10.5 years average remaining lease term at fixed low cost with no inflationary or other adjustments
- We estimate our lease rates to have an NPV of more than USD 300 million
- Available aircraft used for sublease and ACMI<sup>2)</sup>/charter (wet-leases and charter) to manage seasonality
- 5 aircraft currently on profitable subleases
- Strong growth in ACMI inquiries for the 2023/2024 winter season

#### Aircraft employment strategy S23-S24





## **Summary and Outlook**

Building a profitable long-haul low-cost transatlantic airline

Strategy and business case validated

- Low and decreasing unit costs (CASK)
- High load factors with increasing fare levels through summer season

**Increased activity** 

- Production doubled in Q3 compared to Q2
- All 15 aircraft in the fleet operative and generating revenue

**Revenue growing** 

- Revenue levels in Q3 more than doubled compared to Q2
- Successful focus on ancillary revenues is key to profitability

**Flexibility** 

- Focus on winter 2023/2024 route selection, turning focus to flying «from cold to hot»
- Excess fleet capacity allows for attractive ACMI and charters

Financing & Strategy

- Consider raising new capital, supported by the two largest shareholders
- Industrial interest necessitates a review of strategic options to maximize values



#### Norse will be...



The first truly low-cost sustainable transatlantic airline

The lowest unit cost airline amongst peers

The highest ancillary revenue per passenger in the industry

The lowest emissions per passenger versus long-haul peers

The most affordable and best value transatlantic product





# Appendix

# **Key Operational Numbers**

#### Monthly break-down over last five quarters

	Jul22	Aug22	Sep22	Oct22	Nov22	Dec22	Jan23	Feb23	Mar23	Apr23	May23	Jun23	Jul23	Aug23	Sep23
Number of aircraft in fleet	13	13	13	14	14	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
Number of aircraft subleased out	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
ASK (millions)	248	505	663	567	293	384	397	344	390	449	511	750	1,215	1,207	1,152
RPK (millions)	212	349	373	338	145	233	206	172	234	300	371	619	1,034	1,036	896
Load factor	86%	69%	56%	60%	50%	61%	52%	50%	60%	67%	73%	83%	85%	86%	78%
Number of passengers (thousand)	32	59	63	61	30	44	35	33	42	49	57	97	151	151	133
Number of flights	110	254	338	307	190	228	229	203	223	218	243	351	524	520	503





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