



Third Quarter 2024

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Increased order intake and higher margins despite a more prolonged market recovery

- Increased order intake after five quarters with negative growth
- Higher margins in the order intake for the fifth consecutive quarter
- Positive momentum in value adding services growth
- Successful expansion into Slovakia
- Slower recovery in our main markets

Third quarter 2024 in numbers:

- Order intake: SEK 3,204 M (3,028) / +5.8%
- Net sales: SEK 3,227 M (3,630) / - 11.1%
- Operating profit: SEK 39.3 M (44.8 M, adj. 38,1 M) / - 12,3%, adj. +3,1%
- Operating margin (EBIT): 122 bps (123 bps, adj. 105 bps)



Volatility between industries and varying conditions across markets

- **Volatility between industries**

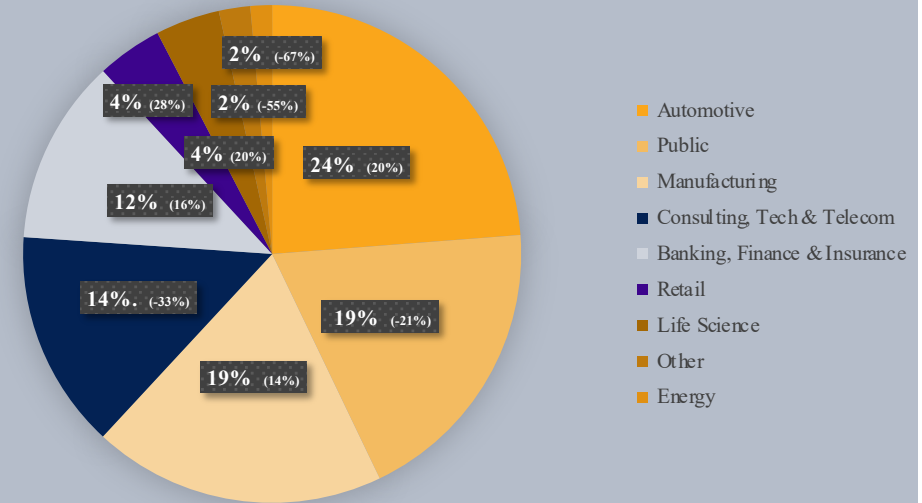
- + Automotive, Retail, Life Science, Banking
- Public, Telecom

- **Varying conditions across markets**

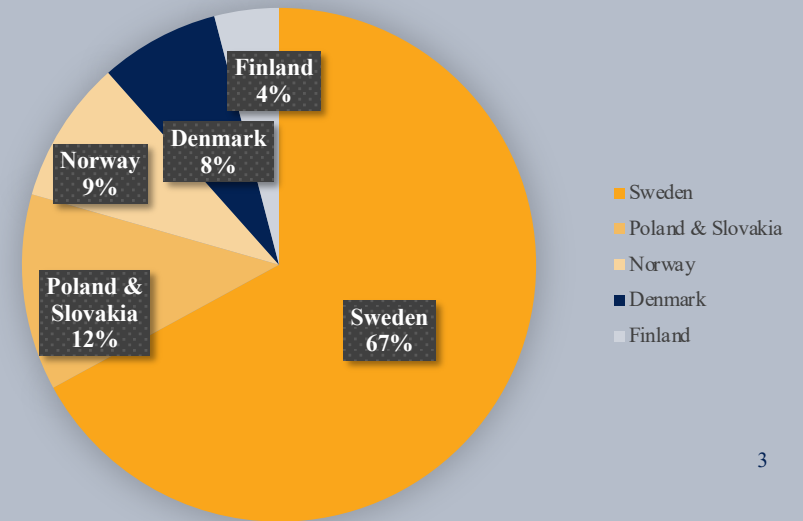
- + Denmark
- Norway, Sweden



Service Revenue by Industry, Q3

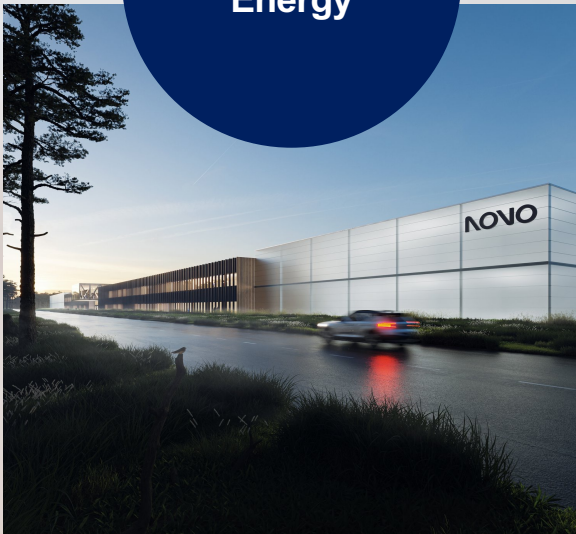


Service Revenue by Market, Q3



Extended trust and important client wins

**NOVO
Energy**



**Deutsche
Telekom
IT Solutions**



- **New PMO Solution**
- **Continued growth of value-adding services**
- **Climbing the value chain with clients**



Expanded offering for increased value creation

- **Continued development of Talent Acquisition and Talent Management offering**
 - New offerings for temporary and permanent placements of talent, on-shore and near-shore, individually or teams working on SoW basis
- **Launch of new Talent Management solution 'Project Management Office' (PMO)**
 - New solution that enhances contingent workforce management and boosts value through a subscription-based model
- **Expanded offering for Talent Advisory**
 - Enhanced advisory services for workforce planning and optimization that elevates our position as a strategic talent partner





Progress in operational excellence

- **Updated operating model**
 - Model is operational and continuously fine-tuned
 - Talent network development and acquisition focusing on skill areas
 - Talent network growing by 10,000 professionals every quarter
 - Reinforced client governance for value and experience
 - Performance assessment showing 50% increase in candidate interview hit rate
- **Upgraded internal digital platform**
 - Project is on track, planned launch in Q4
 - Stable and scalable platform
 - Foundational support for the use of automation and AI

Q3 Financials

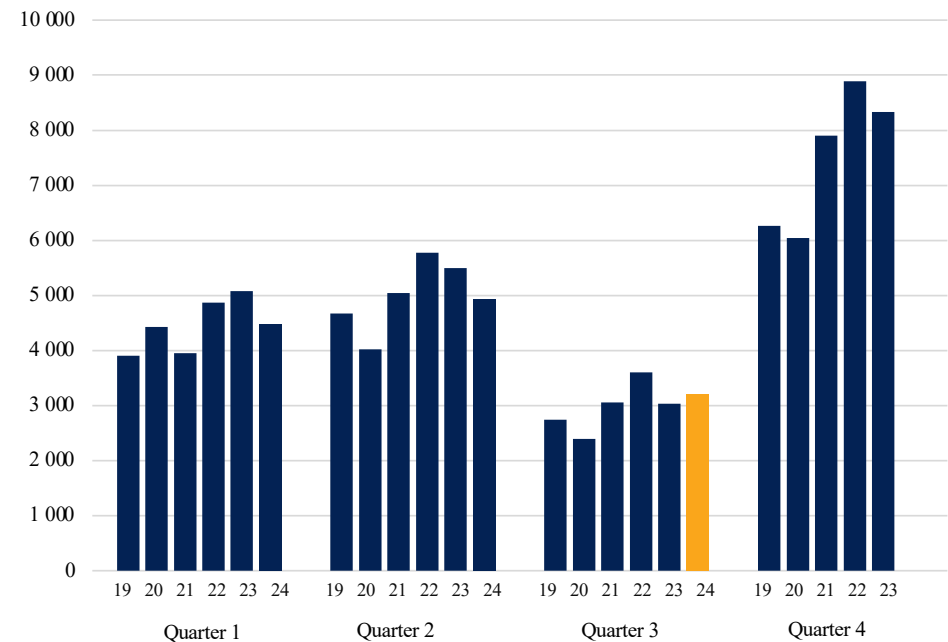
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Return to order growth, sustained trend of margin improvement

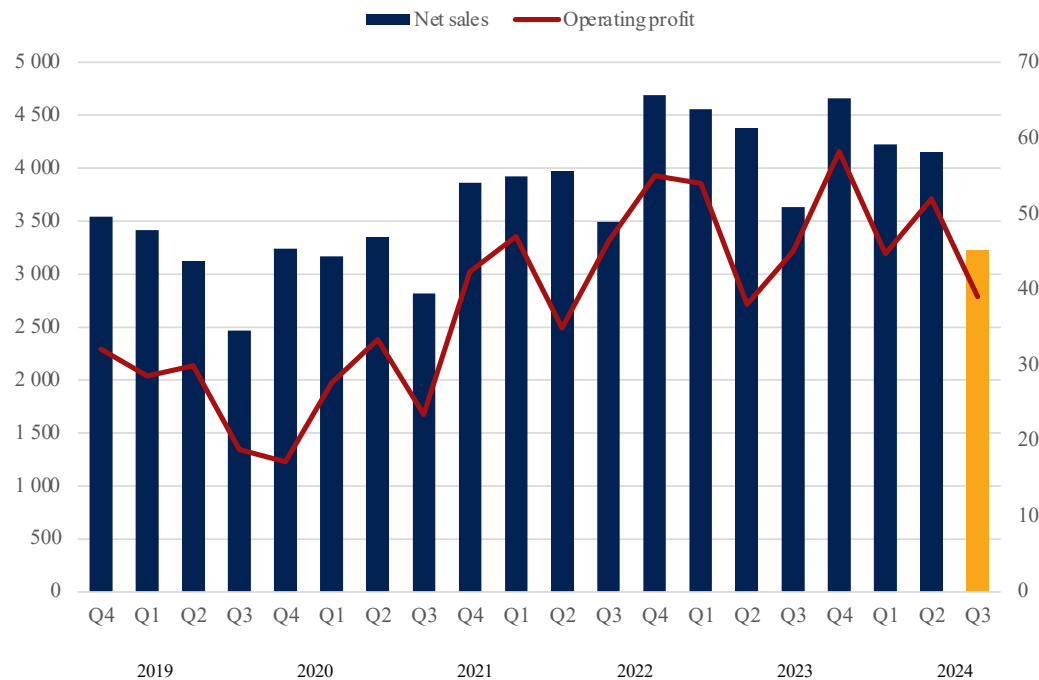
- Order intake +5.8% to SEK 3,204 M (3,028)
 - Trend reversal after five quarters of negative growth
- Increase in demand, but recovery slower than anticipated
 - No uplift in demand from public sector
 - Strong demand from clients in Banking, recovery in Retail but flattish in Manufacturing
- Highest order margin in four years
 - Five consecutive quarters with YoY margin improvement
 - Good prospects for continued scaling, increased operating result and margin
- Professionals on assignment 11 654 at quarter end
 - -9% vs Q3 2023
 - -3% vs Q2 2024

Order intake, quarter (Mkr)



Increasing margins and lower cost improving profitability

Net sales and operating profit (MSEK)



Net sales -11% to SEK 3,227 M

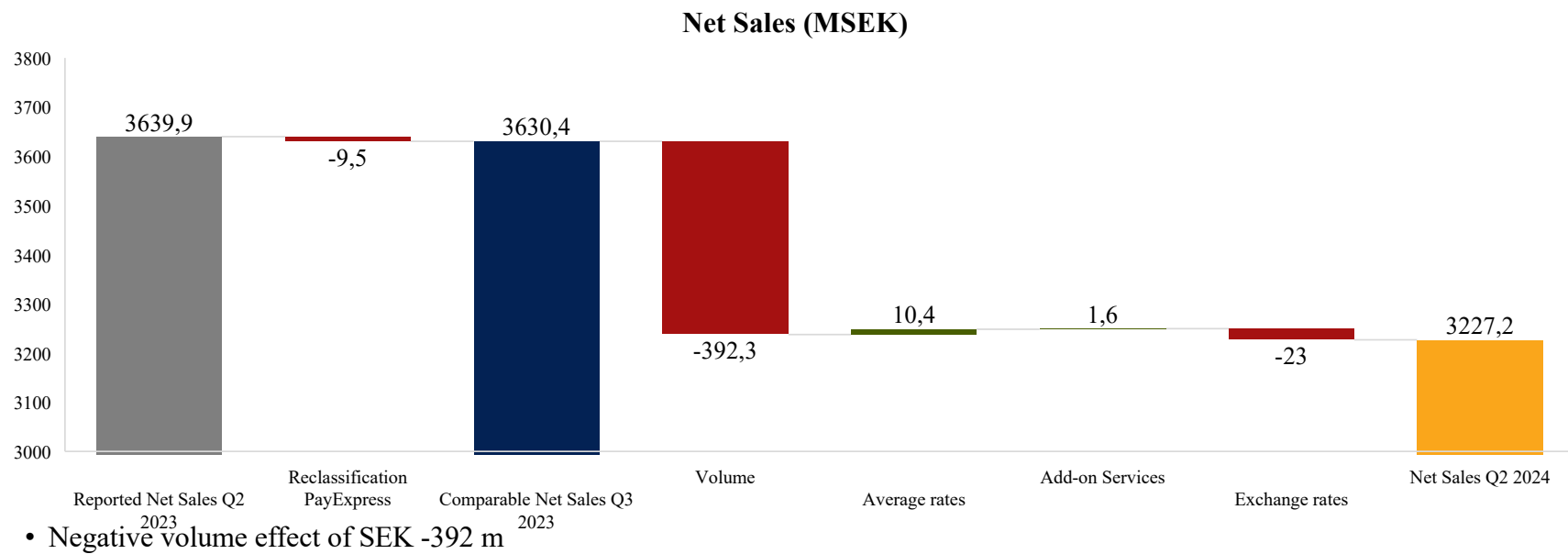
- Reduced volumes of active assignments
- One workday more in Q3 vs. 2023 supporting growth

Operating profit (EBIT) SEK 39.3 M (44.8 / 38,1 adj.)

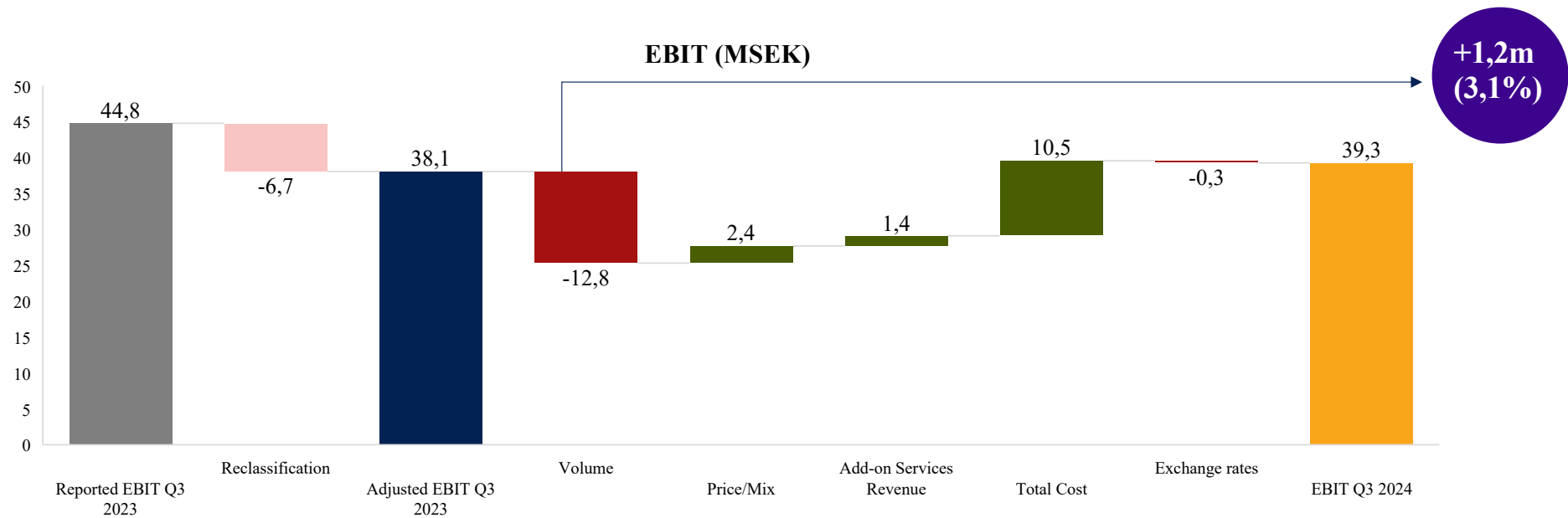
- Increase 3% vs adjusted 2023 result
- EBT increased 16%
- Improved margins
- Lower cost following plan



Reduced volumes hampering growth and scaling



Higher margins and improved cost efficiency increasing profit



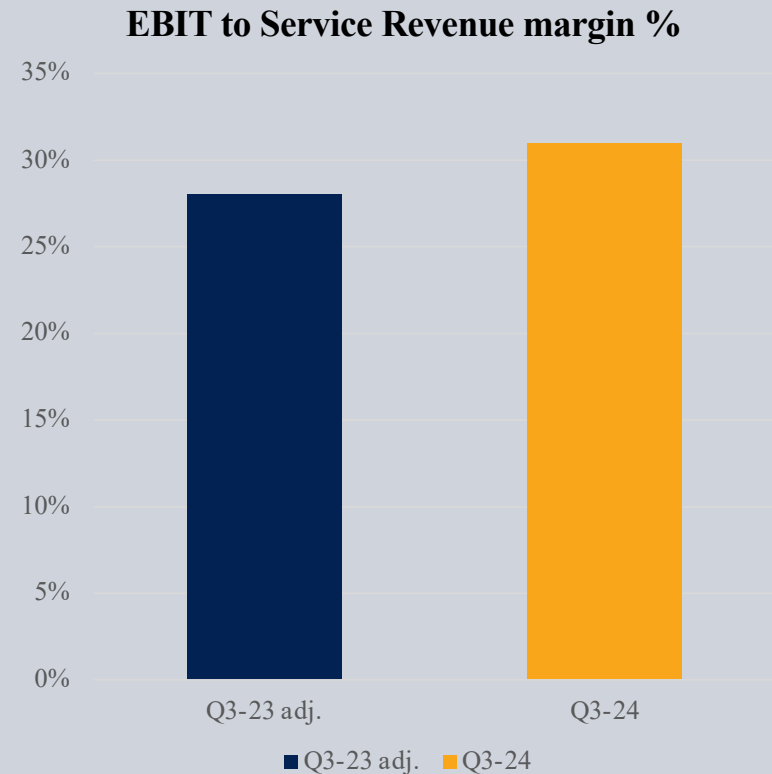
Increasing margins

- Operating margin (EBIT) 122 bps (105 bps adj, 123 bps)
- Substantial improvement in underlying margin
- Price increases on our add-on services
- Milestone with margin increase in active assignments
- Cost efficiency will come at scale with volume growth
- Positive outlook supported by new client wins and increased order margin



Service Revenue (Gross Profit) and Operating Profit (EBIT)

- Complementary margin KPI
- Operating Profit in relation to Ework “Retained income for Services provided”
- Comprehensive service offering and elevated value proposition
- Service revenue driving profitable growth
- EBIT to Service Revenue Margin 31% (33% / 24% adj.)



Summary and outlook

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- Higher margins in the order intake for the fifth consecutive quarter
- Increasing margins and lower cost improving profitability
- Reduced volumes hampering growth and scaling
- Slower recovery in our main markets
- Outlook

