

# JT Group - Tobacco Business 2023 Results & 2024 Outlook

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# Outstanding volume performance driven by GFB and RRP



- Total volume grew despite industry volume declining at c. 1.4%<sup>1)</sup>
  - Increased volume in 50+ markets
- GFB volume continued to grow to 72% of total volume:
  - Winston and Camel volume increased double-digit in 35+ markets
- RRP volume grew double-digit
  - Ploom X launched in 11 additional markets
  - Continued SoS gains in Japan

Note: 1) Based on cigarettes + fine cut + heated tobacco in 70+ markets representing 90%+ of our volume

## Winston and Camel growth fueled the GFB volume expansion



- Continued volume growth across the footprint
  - Volume increased 8.1% versus 2022
  - SoV up 0.7pp<sup>1)</sup> versus previous year



- Fastest growing brand in combustibles
  - Volume up 17.5% versus previous year
  - SoV increased by 0.7pp<sup>1)</sup> versus 2022

### Market share gains continued across clusters



- Excellence in execution and brand building fueled another year of total share gains
  - Total share reached record high
  - Gains recorded in 50+ markets
- Key drivers by cluster were:
  - Western Europe | France, Germany & Italy
  - Asia | Japan, Philippines & Taiwan
  - EMA | Jordan, Kazakhstan & Romania

# **Robust performance in key markets**



- In Italy, both combustibles and RRP grew share
- In Japan, share gains drove a positive volume variance, notably with continued share increase by Ploom
- The Philippines grew an impressive 3.9ppt in market share, fueled by Camel
- Taiwan exceeded the 50% market share level, thanks to Winston and LD
- In the UK, leadership position was maintained well above 40%

### Another record year for price/mix



- Sustainable combustibles pricing more than compensated inflationary pressure
- Key contributors per cluster included:
  - Asia | Indonesia & Philippines
  - EMA | Canada, Romania, Russia & Turkey
  - Western Europe | Germany, Spain & UK
- Mix contribution to core revenue reflects ongoing downtrading and easing of travel restrictions

# **Underlying RRP volume increased double-digit**



- Strong underlying RRP volume increase, driven by the success of Ploom X in Japan
- Ploom X now available in 13 markets
- Outside of Japan, second half weighted Ploom X market launches contributed to the growth
- HTS share of segment estimated at 6.7%<sup>2)</sup>, on track with ambition to reach mid-teen segment share by 2028



Note: 1) Excluding discontinuation of Ploom S 2) Ploom X share of heated tobacco sticks segment in existing markets with available retail audit (Japan, United Kingdom, Italy, Lithuania, Czech Republic, Portugal, Switzerland, Hungary & Romania)

### **Ploom X continued to gain share in Japan**

- Uninterrupted share gains in an increasingly competitive HTS segment, reaching an exit share of 11.4%
- Diversified portfolio of SKUs around MEVIUS and Camel, with flavors and tastes tailored to consumer needs
- Roll-out of Ploom X ADVANCED in November further strengthened consumer adoption and retention



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# **Encouraging early results from Ploom X outside Japan**



# **Outlook for the Tobacco business**

#### Accelerate RRP investments in HTS

- Drive continuous share gains in Japan and existing footprint to support total volume
- Ploom X geo-expansion in additional markets to reach an HTS industry volume coverage of 80%

#### Continue to focus on growth and returns in combustibles

- Build on share of market momentum and GFB strong equity to offset industry volume contraction
- Fuel core revenue growth and margin improvement through sustainable pricing

#### **Enhanced competitiveness**

• Continued cost containment through efficiency initiatives