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Strategic overview

Börje Ekholm
President and CEO



Q1 2023 Highlights



- Executing on our strategic priorities
 - Leveraging our leadership position in Mobile Networks and building a network API platform
 - Networks saw strong growth in India, offset by lower sales in other markets
 - Continuing to deliver on revised strategy in Cloud Software and Services
 - Investing in product and go-to-market and security capabilities in Enterprise Wireless Solutions
 - Closed divestment of IoT platform business – reducing losses in Enterprise
 - Increased cost savings ambition – run rate savings of SEK 11 b. by end of 2023
- Financial performance in line with expectations
- Continuing to drive cultural transformation and embedding integrity
- Expanding our addressable market – positioning us well for future growth

Gross income¹:

SEK 24.9 b.

SEK 1.6 b. YoY change

Cloud Software and
Services organic growth:

5%

Enterprise segment as
share of net sales:

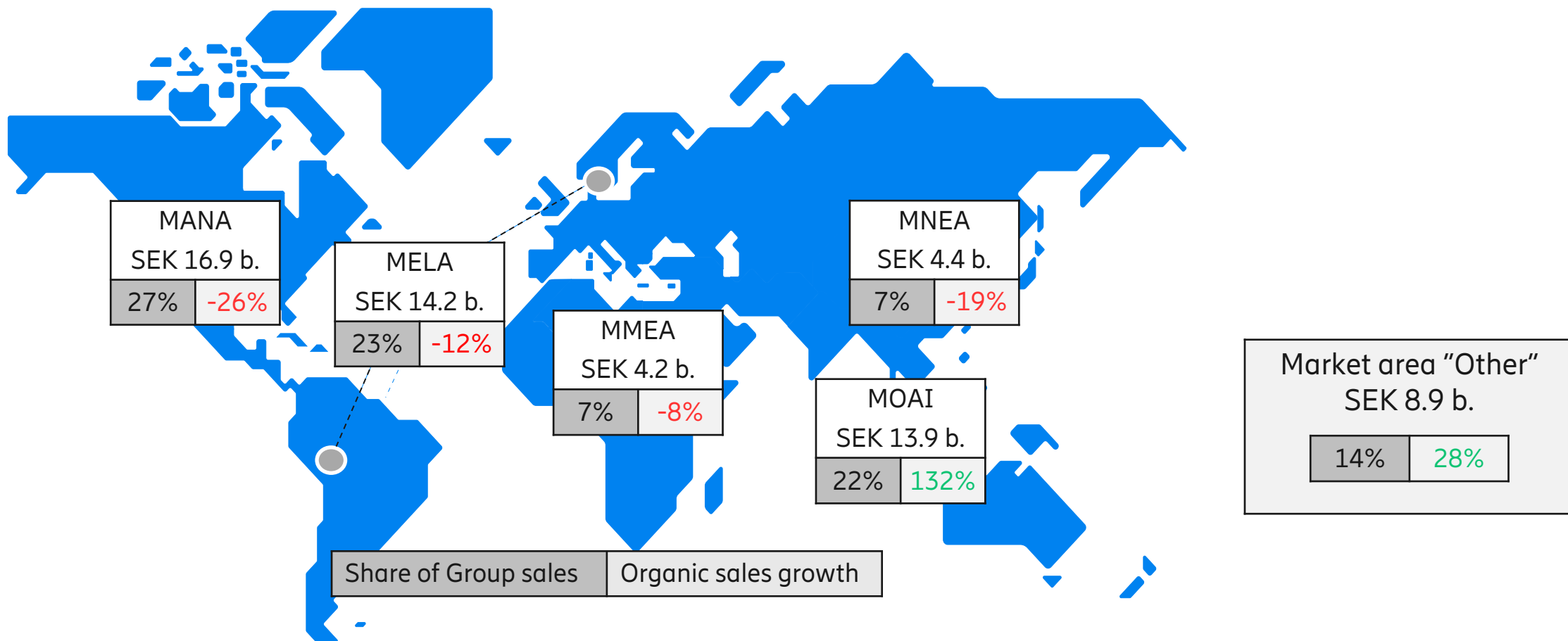
10%

Financial overview

Carl Mellander
Chief Financial Officer



Market update Q1



Q1 2023 in numbers



Financial Performance

Excluding restructuring charges

SEK b.	23Q1	22Q1	YoY	22Q4
Net sales	62.6	55.1	14%	86.0
Organic and FX adj. sales			0%	
Gross Income	24.9	23.3	7%	35.7
<i>Gross margin</i>	<i>39.8%</i>	<i>42.3%</i>		<i>41.5%</i>
R&D expenses	-11.9	-10.7		-13.2
SG&A expenses	-9.0	-6.6		-11.7
Other op. income & expenses	0.0	-1.1		-2.8
EBITA	4.8	5.0	-3%	9.3
<i>EBITA margin</i>	<i>7.7%</i>	<i>9.1%</i>		<i>10.8%</i>
EBIT	4.0	4.8	-16%	8.1
<i>EBIT margin</i>	<i>6.4%</i>	<i>8.7%</i>		<i>9.4%</i>
Net income ¹	1.6	2.9	-46%	6.2
Free cash flow b. M&A	-8.0	-1.7		16.9

- Organic and FX adjusted sales: Flat YoY, as anticipated
 - Networks: North America declined by -30% while South East Asia, Oceania and India grew by 184%
 - Cloud Software and Services: High software in mix
 - Enterprise: 19% – organic growth in Enterprise Wireless Solutions
- Reported sales up 14% – Vonage contributed SEK 3.9 b.
- Gross margin
 - Networks impacted by the business mix shift
 - Higher IPR and share of software in sales mix
- Opex increase driven by investment in Enterprise Wireless Solutions and consolidation of Vonage
- EBITA – In line with the Q1 expectations
- FCF b. M&A: SEK -8.0 (-1.7) b. – impacted by increase in working capital

Free cash flow and financial position



Financial Performance

SEK b.	Q123	Q122
Cash flow from operating activities	-5.8	0.0
Capex net and other investing activities	-1.5	-1.1
Repayment of lease liabilities	-0.7	-0.6
Free cash flow before M&A	-8.0	-1.7
Free cash flow before M&A rolling 4Q	15.8	28.8
<i>Net cash end of period</i>	<i>13.6</i>	<i>65.2</i>
<i>Gross cash end of period</i>	<i>47.3</i>	<i>104.2</i>

- Following very strong Free cash flow in Q4, Q1 weaker as expected
- Working capital grew related to business mix shift
 - Increase in customer financing and reduction in trade payables
- Net cash decreased by SEK -9.7 b. QoQ to SEK 13.6 b.
- Average maturity of long-term borrowings: 3.6 years

Free cash flow before M&A rolling four quarters: SEK 15.8 b. and 5.7% of net sales (long-term target 9-12%)

Outlook



Cost savings

- Restructuring charges may amount to around SEK 7 b. for FY, of which more than half is likely to be booked in Q2.
- Additional cost savings opportunities of SEK 2 b. – plan to reduce cost run rate by SEK 11 b. by 2023.

Sales

- Networks: Sales in Q2 is expected to be in line with Q1 2023.
- Cloud Software & Services: Positive seasonality Q1→Q2 expected to be somewhat less than normal in Q2 2023.
- Enterprise: The slower sales growth rate in Q1 is expected to continue in Q2.

Gross margin

- Networks: Gross margin excluding restructuring charges in Q2 is expected to be in the range of 37-39%.

Operating expenses

- Q1→Q2: Average seasonality last 3 years (2020–2022) excluding Vonage: Increase of SEK 1.5 b.

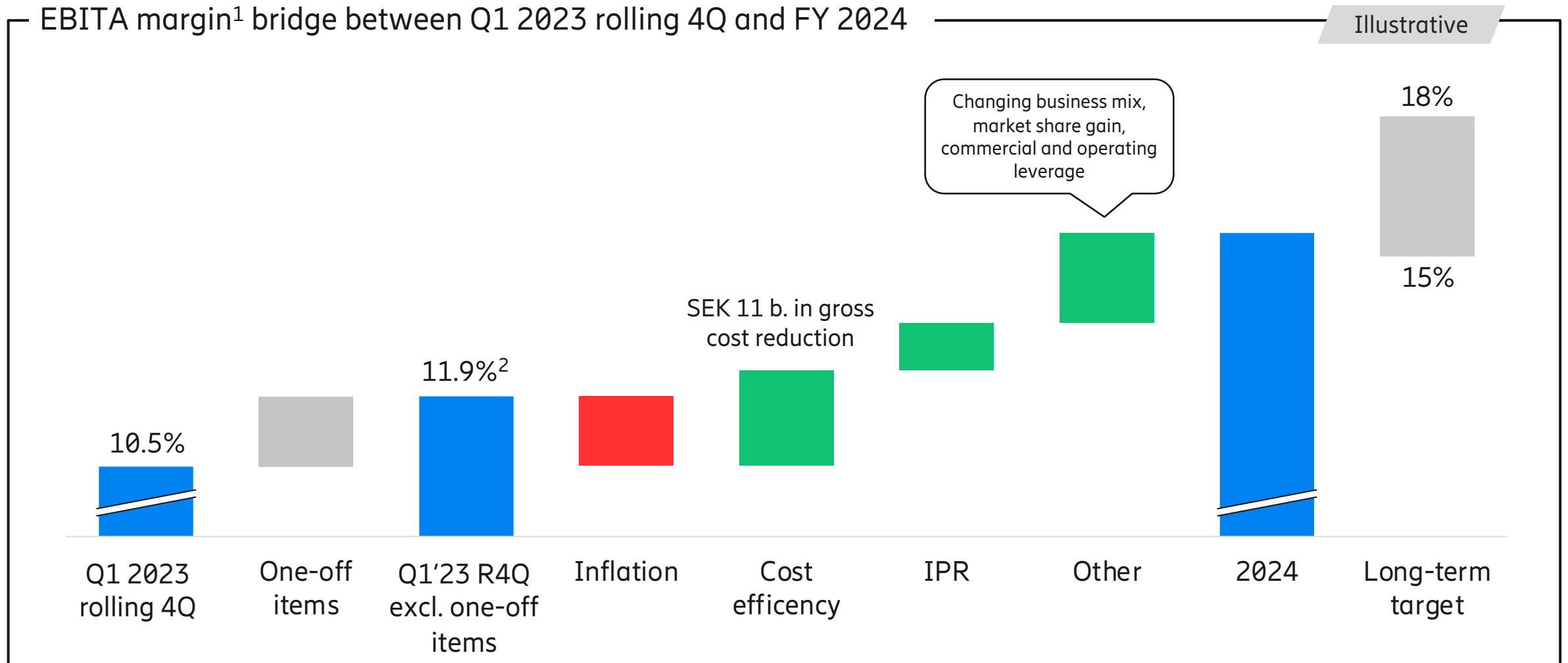
Amortization

- Amortization of intangible assets is expected to continue to be around SEK -0.9 b. per quarter for Ericsson Group in 2023, out of which around SEK -0.8 b. related to segment Enterprise.

EBITA

- Mid-single-digit Group EBITA¹ margin excluding restructuring charges expected in Q2.

Reaching our long-term target range by 2024



Summary



- Well positioned to capitalize on the full value of 5G
 - Expect gradual recovery in H2 2023
 - Turnaround of Cloud Software and Services on track to reaching break-even in 2023
 - Enterprise Wireless Solutions and Global Communications Platform to drive Enterprise expansion
- Reduction in customers' inventory levels and lower capex to impact sales in H1'23
- Taking action to combat near-term uncertainty
 - Accelerated cost savings initiatives – reaching run rate savings of SEK 11 b. by 2023



Ericsson Radio Dot for indoor connectivity

On track to reaching the lower end of our long-term EBITA¹ target of 15-18% by 2024



Q&A

Closing remarks

Börje Ekholm
President and CEO





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