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# Sustainable market leader in an attractive industry



#### Attractive market

- Attractive secular growth drivers
- Significant penetration potential in mild and moderate hearing loss population and high growth developing markets
- Continued potential to innovate "Better Hearing"
- Opportunity to elevate hearing aid adoption and value capture through focus on known comorbidities



### Leading market position

- Leading position in the Hearing Industry
- Advanced vertically integrated business model
- Broadest and most advanced product offering
- Global and differentiated distribution network, with scaled direct consumer access

#### Focus on sustainability

- Strong purpose and positive impact on society by providing advanced hearing health care
- IntACT ESG strategy executed Group-wide
- Ambitious climate actions linked to science-based targets
- Industry leading ESG performance, recognized by major rating agencies

## Strong financials

- Attractive profit margins
- Strong balance sheet and cash generation
- Moderate leverage and long-term debt structure at low interest rates
- Significant capacity for organic and inorganic growth investments
- Low tax rate
- ► The fundamentals of Sonova's business remain strong and offer attractive value creation opportunities



Broadest and most advanced offering of hearing care solutions

### Audiological Care •

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- Individual diagnostics and analysis
- Hearing assessments and counseling, personalized fitting of hearing aids
- After care and hearing aid maintenance services









• Hearing Instruments РНЭМАК unitron.



Receiver-In-Canal (RIC) hearing instruments



In-The-Ear (ITE) hearing instruments



Behind-The-Ear (BTE) hearing instruments



Roger wireless systems





Premium & True Wireless headphones



Audiophile



Enhanced hearing



Self-fitting hearing aids (OTC)

#### • Cochlear Implants ADVANCED BIONICS





Cochlear implant systems with electrodes



Sound processors

## Our strategy

Strategic pillars



**Lead innovation** in audiological performance & consumer experience

Leverage **M&A** to accelerate growth strategically

Continuous **process improvement** through Sonova X **& structural optimization** 



Invest in high growth developing markets

► Consistent implementation of our proven strategy continuing

Expand consumer access through omni-channel audiological care network and consumer device business

Extend reach through multi-channel, value-adding partnerships & commercial excellence

# Our growth ambition



Ambition to gain market share through customer-focused growth strategy and strong execution capability

#### Mid-term targets

Sales CAGR 6-9% p.a. in LC organic: +5-7% M&A: ~+1-2%

adj. EBITA CAGR 7-11% p.a. in LC

### Market growth (in value)

Mid-term CAGR 4-6% p.a.

### Sonova growth strategy

Executing on our strategic pillars to drive above-market growth



#### Key focus areas

Targeted growth initiatives in 5 focus areas enabled by continued growth investments



Broaden consumer access

Deliver commercial excellence

Accelerate high growth markets

► Mid-term targets and strategy unchanged – Continuing to drive above-market growth and margin expansion

# Key growth drivers



Customer centricity and growth initiatives driving sustainable, above-market growth

Lead innovation		Broaden consumer access	Deliver commercial excellence	Accelerate high growth markets	
Advance audiological performance	Expand consumer value	consumer access		Ingil growth markets	
Pioneer technology & deliver best-in-class audiological performance	Deliver consumer- centric value-add through differentiated solutions	Provide broad consumer access to pinnacle audiological services & solutions	Be the partner of choice through state-of the art & customer- oriented service	Expand presence in markets with high growth potential	
Key growth drivers					
<ul> <li>Elevate core hearing performance by expanding processing power and algorithms (incl. Al technologies)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Enhance consumer value though technology-enabled medical services and expand category with early-entry hearing devices</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Expand network through M&amp;A and greenfield openings</li> <li>Elevate consumer journey through digitization and omni- channel interaction</li> </ul>	- Elevate relationships with B2B customers through value-added services, feet on the street investments and commercial excellence	- Scale up Audiological Care business network and further build on consumer audio branc in <b>China</b>	

► Key growth drivers, each with more than CHF 100 million sales upside

# Advance audiological performance & expand consumer value



Building on core strength in hearing aids and driving market expansion

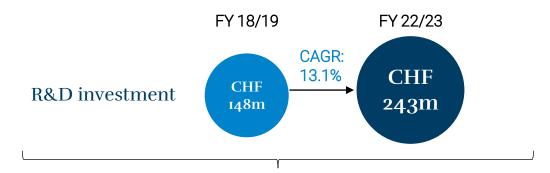
#### **Innovation framework**

- Effortless communication in daily life
- Natural and authentic sound quality
- · Seamless adaptation to environment
- Multi-media streaming

Other clinical comorbidities



- Wearing comfort
- Size, aesthetics, handling
- Rechargeability
- Reliability
- Waterproof
- ..
- Fitting tool innovation
- Personalization / user empowerment
- Audiology Service Innovation
- ...



#### Broad and comprehensive solution portfolio including:

- MFA: industry-leading universal connectivity
- Audéo Life: world's first waterproof rechargeable hearing aid
- Pediatric & Power: leading solutions for most difficult hearing challenges
- All-Day Clear: early-entry hearing solutions

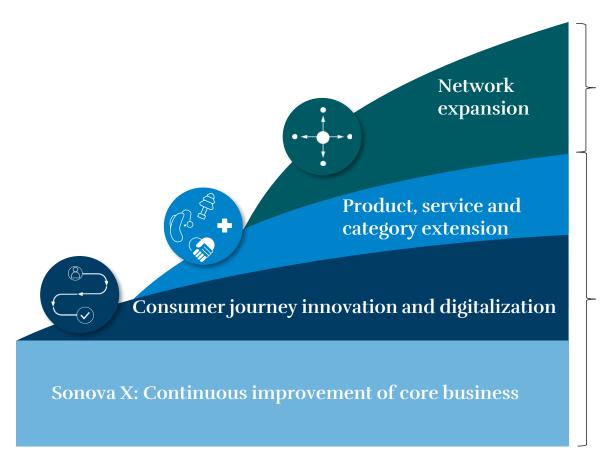


- → Expansion of processing power by advancing chip technology and algorithms with AI technologies to significantly enhance hearing performance
- → Enriching functionality towards additional medical benefits
- Advancing innovation to elevate audiological performance and consumer experience

# Broaden consumer access and enhance consumer journey



Key drivers of above market growth in Audiological Care



Expansion

Expanding store network: # of POS up by  $> 600 \ (\sim 20\%)$  in past two years, continuing to increase our clinic density through:

- Accelerated M&A activity through bolt-ons and larger acquisitions, incl. Alpaca in the US and HYSOUND in China
- Greenfield openings

Extending our consumer offering by adding:

- Product portfolio expansion, e.g. Sennheiser
- Medicalization services, e.g. tinnitus treatment

Same Store

Accelerating our digitalization journey:

- Innovating our omnichannel proposition
- Expanding our proven Digital Lead Generation Hub and leveraging consumer apps

Continuously improving our processes by:

- Optimizing in-store execution, e.g. capacity management
- Driving brand and store homogenization
- Elevating lead generation

Driving profitable growth by expanding reach and offering

# Accelerate high growth markets

China – elevating hearing care and gaining direct consumer access

#### China structural growth drivers:

- Aging population: 280 million people >age 60 in 2022, growing to >400 million by 2035
- Growing household disposable income: 59 million households (26%) with
   >30K USD disposable income in 2022; tripled in past 10 years
- Governmental support: Increasing awareness of hearing care
- Low penetration rates for hearing aids: estimated at only 3%

#### Achievements so far:

- More than 200 clinics in China, per store sales well above market
- Strong digital marketing capabilities established
- Strong sales growth in 1H 2023/24, well above market

#### Our path forward:

- Integrate and further elevate HYSOUND business
- Start POS expansion (greenfield & bolt-ons)
- Elevate in-store and online consumer experience
- ➤ Sonova's strategy: Market entry – expansion – elevate consumer value



# **ESG** ratings



Overview of Sonova's rating results for environmental, social, and governance (ESG) factors



► Leading the way with top ESG ratings from prominent agencies

# Gaining momentum in 2H 2023/24

- Solid hearing care market supporting growth strong fundamentals in North America, Canada and Europe ex. Germany and France
- HI business started to regain positive momentum leveraging new products improving net promoter score and gaining back share sequentially in key markets
- Strong execution in AC business, continuing to expand our footprint through M&A and greenfield investments
- Higher investments to sustain the positive trajectory in HI and AC to accelerate sales in the second half while expecting continued margin expansion
- Continued focus on executing our proven strategy sustained growth investments into innovation, our digital ecosystem and AC network expansion
- Continued high focus on innovation expansion of processing power and augmentation of algorithms to significantly enhance speech understanding and hearing performance
- Negative FX impact expected: FY 2023/24 sales growth in CHF expected to be reduced by 6-7%-pts and adj. EBITA growth in CHF by 12-14%-pts\*

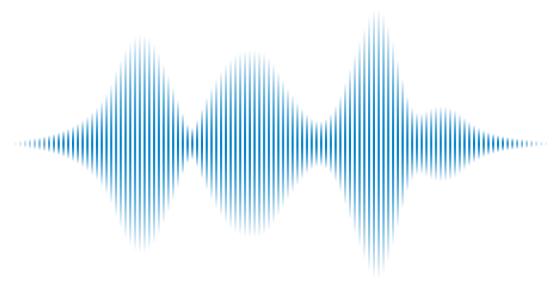
in local currencies (LC)	Guidance FY 2023/24	Mid-term Target
Sales growth (incl. M&A)	+3% to +7%	+6% to +9% p.a.
adj. EBITA growth	+4% to +8%	+7% to +11% p.a.

Note: \* Reflecting average exchange rates YTD and exchange rates as of end-December for the remainder of FY 2023/24





# Q&A





# Thank you!