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Q1 2019: Accelerated growth in Cloud business

- Cloud revenues grew by 49% to € 10.6 million in Q1 2019 (Q1 2018: +37%)
- Double-digit revenue growth in the Cloud and Consulting segments were offset by decline in the TC and Outsourcing businesses as expected
- Overall, the key figures developed largely as expected:
 - Revenues of € 87.4 million
 - EBITDA of € 15.9 million (incl. IFRS 16 effect)
 - FCF of € -4.7 million
- On 6 May 2019, QSC concluded a contract regarding the sale of Plusnet for € 229 million (equity value)
- Plusnet deal marks the kick-off for faster implementation of QSC's growth strategy
=> Details will be given at the Analyst and Investor Conference on 27 May in Cologne

Q1 2019 is impacted by first-time application of IFRS 16

- IFRS 16 requires disclosure of finance lease/rental agreements in the balance sheet
- As of 1 Jan 2019, QSC capitalised right-of-use assets of € 106.0 million, mainly for:
 - Subscriber lease line contracts (TAL)
 - Other network-related lease contracts (collocation area, dark fibre etc.)
 - Office space lease contracts
- First-time application has led to
 - A significant increase in EBITDA
 - Corresponding higher depreciation
 - Higher interest expenses
 - Balance sheet extension

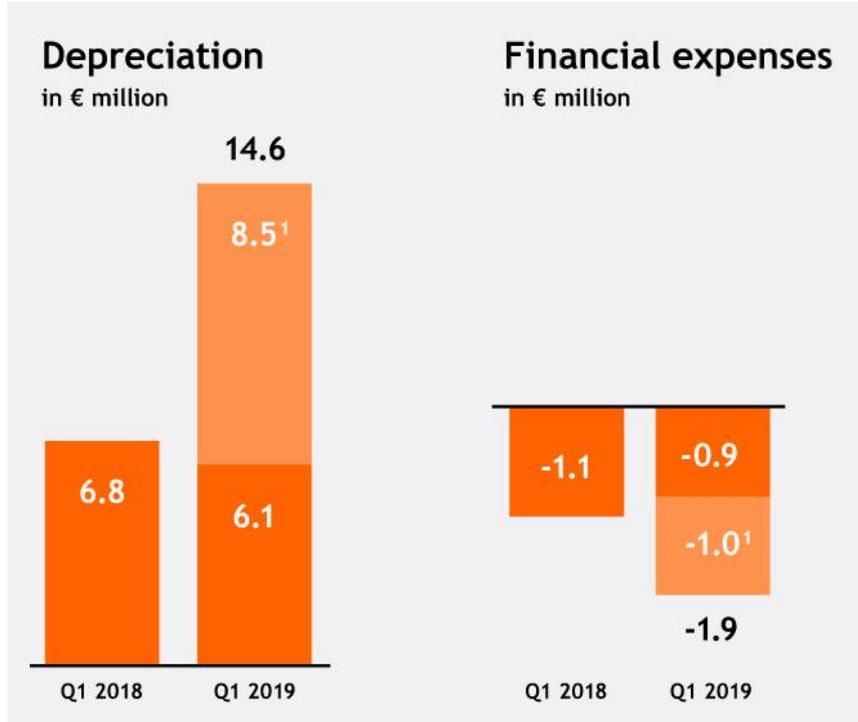
Higher EBITDA and higher depreciation due to IFRS 16

in € million	Q1 2018	Q1 2019	Δ
Revenues	94.1	87.4	-6.7
Cost of revenues	72.7	57.7	+15.0
Gross profit	21.4	29.7	+8.3
Sales and marketing expenses	6.0	7.2	-1.2
General and admin expenses	6.0	6.4	-0.4
Other operating income	(0.2)	(0.2)	-
EBITDA	9.2	15.9	+6.7
Depreciation	6.8	14.6	-7.8
EBIT	2.4	1.3	-1.1
Financial result	(1.0)	(1.8)	-0.8
Income taxes	(0.5)	0.2	+0.7
Net income	0.9	(0.3)	-1.2

Main changes

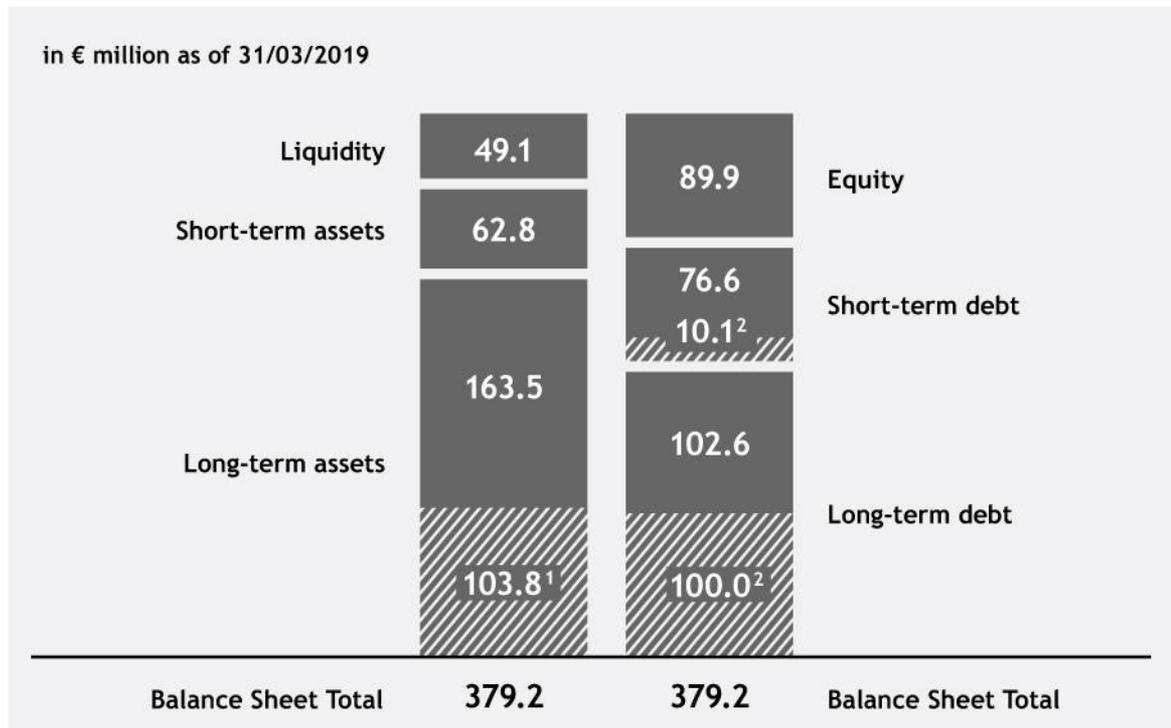
- Lower cost of revenues led to higher EBITDA
- Higher depreciation contributed to lower EBIT
- Changes in financial result led to lower net profit
- Excluding IFRS 16 items, QSC would once again have generated positive net income
- One-off costs for Plusnet deal of € 0.6 million

A closer look at depreciation and the financial expenses



- IFRS 16 depreciation in Q1 2019:
€ 8.5 million - in line with expectations
for FY 2019 of € 30 to 35 million
- IFRS 16 effect on financial expenses in Q1 2019:
€ -1.0 million (in arithmetic terms)

Balance sheet extension

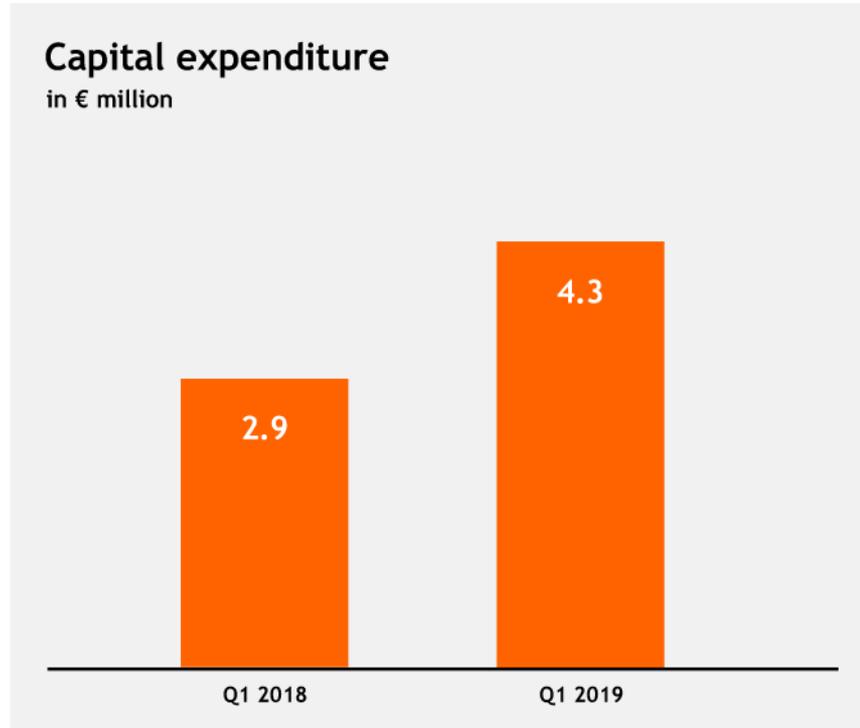


- IFRS 16 has impacted balance sheet relations:
 - Higher percentage of long-term assets and debt
 - Equity ratio now stands at 23.7%

¹ Right-of-use-assets

² Lease liabilities

Higher CAPEX for customers and technology in Q1 2019

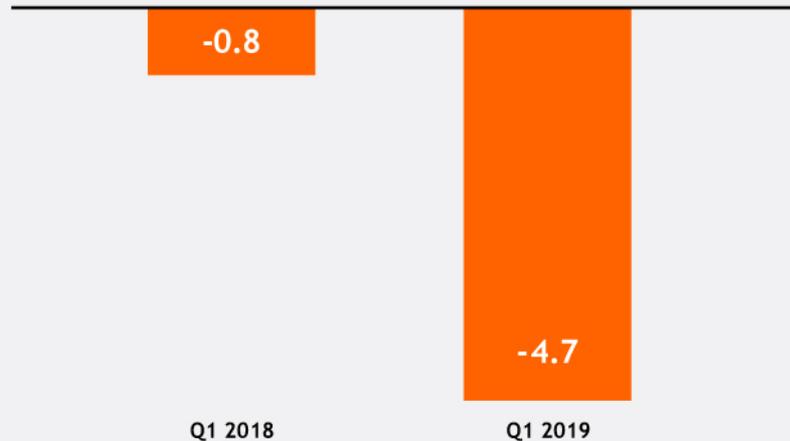


- QSC invested in
 - Customer projects (39%)
 - Technology (48%)
 - Intangible Assets (13%)
- CAPEX is presented excluding investments in finance lease (IFRS 16)

FCF impacted by higher CAPEX

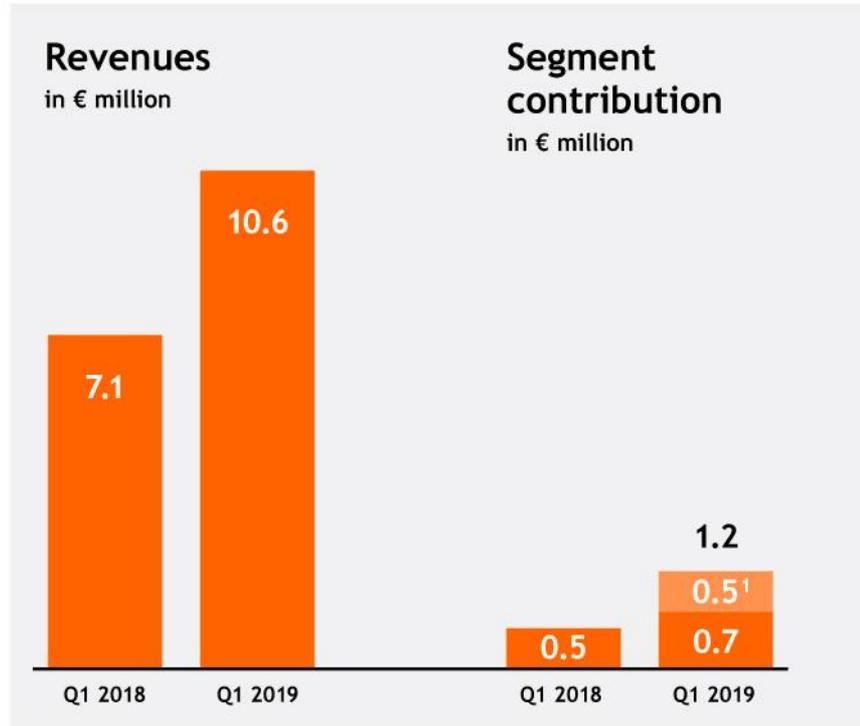
Free cash flow

in € million



- Q1 development of FCF is typically influenced by prepayments for the full year
- In Q1 2019, there were three additional effects:
 - Lower earnings
 - Higher CAPEX
 - Normalisation in working capital

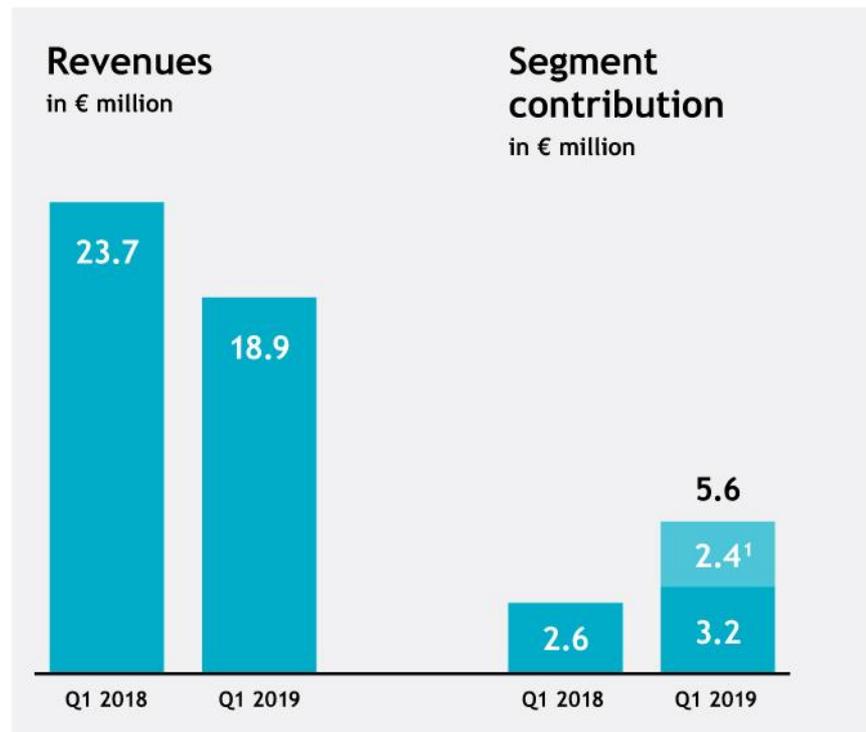
Cloud: Accelerated growth



- Higher recurring revenues with cloud services led to a 49% increase in revenues in Q1 2019
- Cloud business on track to reaching the ambitious target of ~€ 50 million for FY 2019
- High growth necessitates investment in people, technology and sales
- Despite all of this, Cloud managed to improve the segment contribution in Q1 2019

¹ IFRS 16 effect.

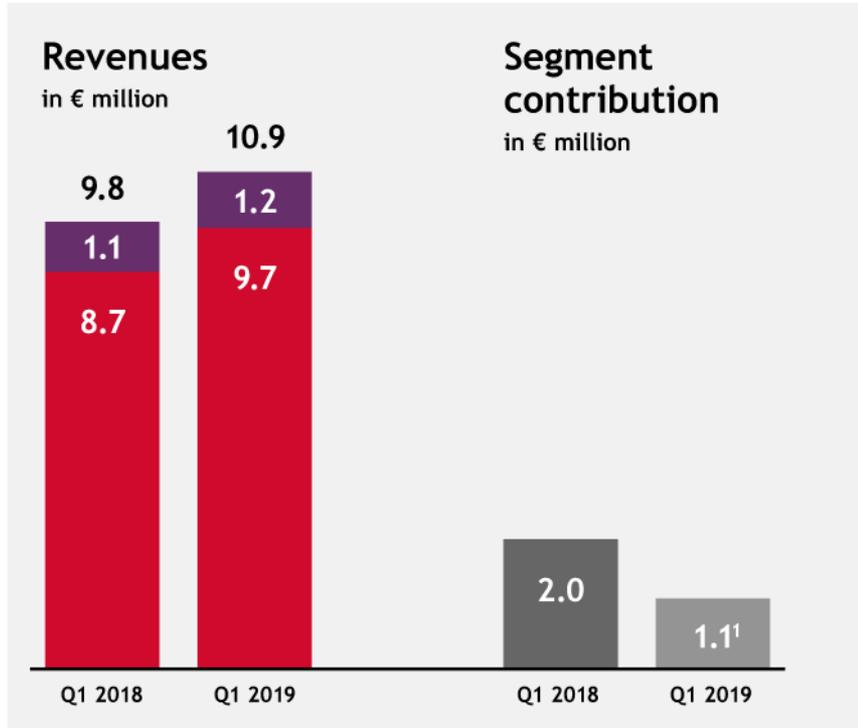
Outsourcing: Restructuring is bearing fruit



- Revenue development mainly influenced by two factors:
 - Step-by-step migration of existing customers to Cloud Services
 - Termination of two large contracts in 2019
- Ongoing organisational restructuring is bearing fruit: Significant rise in segment contribution

¹ IFRS 16 effect.

Consulting: Double-digit growth in Q1 2019

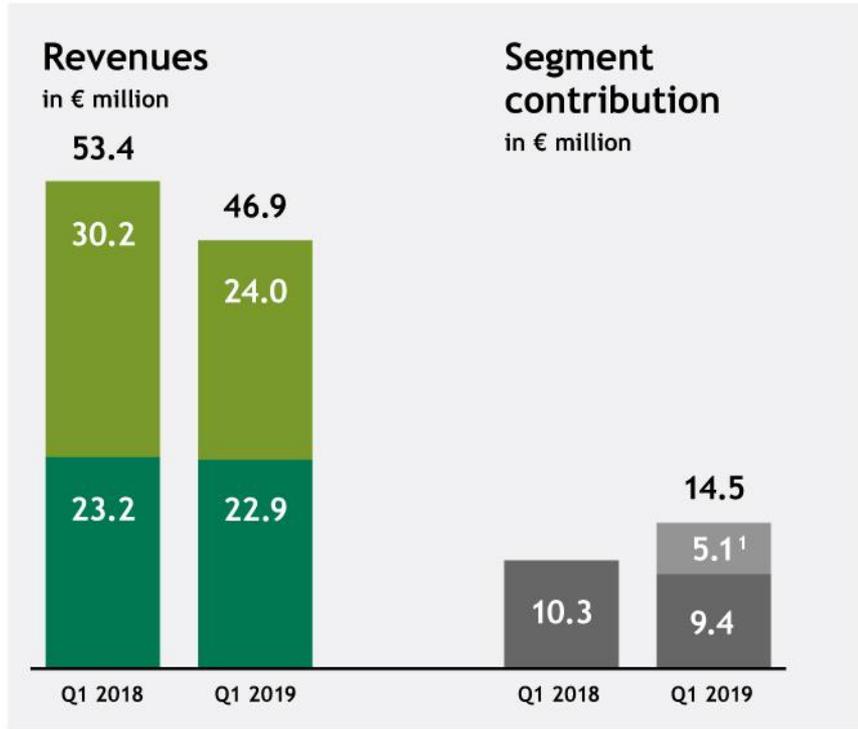


- Consulting showed a strong start: revenues up by 11%
- High demand especially for SAP HANA projects
- Strengthening the workforce as well as drawing on external consultants impacted segment contribution negatively

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- Microsoft
 - SAP
 - Microsoft and SAP

¹ Including/excluding IFRS 16 effect.

Telecommunications: Normalisation in reseller business



- Ongoing normalisation in TC reseller business; in H1 2018, QSC benefited from a favourable market environment
- Stable business with corporate customers
- Revenue decline had a slight impact on the segment contribution

- TC revenues with resellers
- TC revenues with corporate customers
- TC total

¹ IFRS 16 effect

Business performance in line with previous forecast

Without taking the sale of Plusnet into account, QSC expects to generate:

- > Revenues of more than € 350 million
 - > EBITDA of more than € 65 million (including IFRS 16 effect)
 - > Free cash flow in at least a low single-digit million euro amount
- QSC will update this forecast to account for the sale now agreed
 - The new forecast will be published as soon as the transaction-related effects can be assessed with reasonable certainty

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