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### **STARBREEZE** ENTERTAINMENT

## Building Community by Making Games

Starbreeze Q1 2023



### Today's presenters



#### TOBIAS SJÖGREN, CEO

Background: Former CEO of White Wolf Entertainment, previous positions at Paradox Interactive, Stardoll and international video game agency DDM Agency. Head of DICE Stockholm's studio while the first Battlefield game was released.



#### MATS JUHL, CFO

Background: CFO of Mips AB (publ.), CFO of Tengbomgruppen AB, CFO of Sweden Arena Management KB (Friends Arena), Finance Director at Ticnet AB, Finance Manager at Enea AB (publ.).

### Agenda

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- 2. Quarter in brief
- 3. The PAYDAY<sup>™</sup> franchise
- 4. Group financials
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# **Rights Issue & Transaction 2023**

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### Summary of the Rights Issue and Transaction

#### **Rights Issue**

- SEK 300m to secure long-term growth and value creation
- Game production two projects, one of which started in Q4 2022
- Strengthening Publishing to selfpublish own games
- Broadening Starbreeze' portfolio and adding revenue streams
- Support from larger shareholders and guarantors to SEK 250m (56 percent)

#### Transaction

- SEK 150m to settle refinancing charge owed to Digital Bros (nominal amount SEK 165m)
- Digital Bros undertaken to convert convertible loan of SEK 215m into B shares
- Reducing debt by SEK 380m

#### Strong net cash position and very limited debt on the balance sheet

### A solid foundation to deliver and grow

### Core focus creates capacity for growth...

Secure PD3 development and quality

Continued monetization of PD2 – DLC

Develop and implement Starbreeze Nebula – enhanced, multi-platform community

Expanding IP portfolio

### ...into a broadened IP portfolio...

- Launch of PD3 in 2023 and focus on the foundation for a high customer lifetime value (LTV)
- New IPs in production (developed, acquired and/or licensed)
- Multi-IP community
- Leveraging cross-media partnership(s)

2023-2024

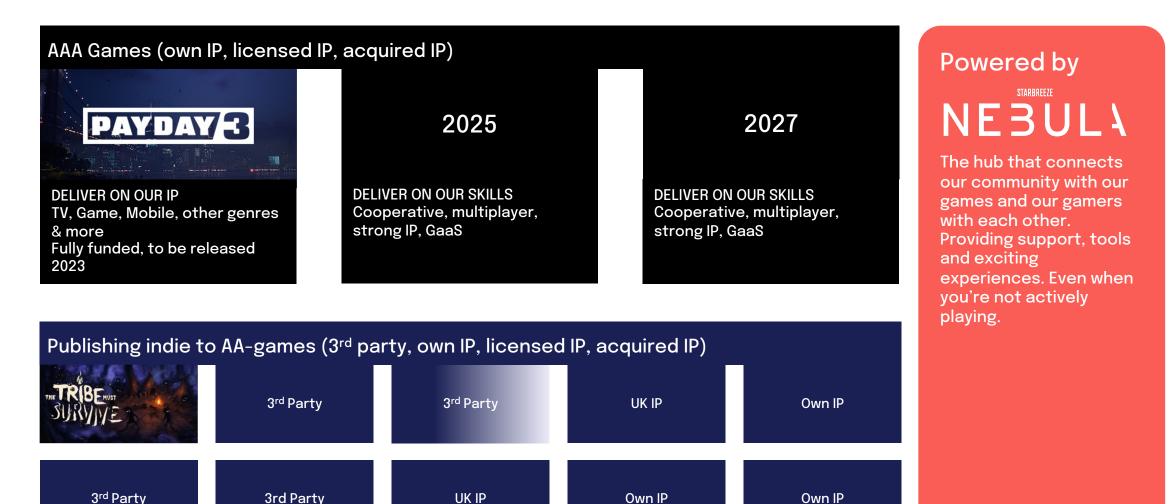
...building games, IP and beyond

- Self-publishing, own the full game value chain
- Operating several games on the market
- PAYDAY 3 continuous monetization
- Leading co-creation and building franchises beyond our games

2025 and beyond

2022

### Focus on growth and generating value



### PAYDAY<sup>™</sup> 3

- Over 1,000,000 additions on Steam Wishlist.
- Gameplay reveal this summer.
- ESRB/PEGI-rating process initiated.
- Verification process to enable simultaneous launch on PC + console initiated.
- Transfer strategy from PAYDAY 2 to PAYDAY 3 initiated in April.
- Close cooperation with our co-publishing partner PLAION (part of Embracer Group) throughout production.
- PLAION Games Lab / "Friday play tests".





# The quarter in brief



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### Summary - Q1 2023

#### Financial

- Q1 2023 revenue, 26.7 MSEK (23.5), an increase of 13.6 percent
- EBITDA, 4.1 MSEK (4.6)
- Depreciation, amortization and impairment totaled SEK 15.6 million (14.5)
- Profit/loss before tax amounted to SEK -24.7 million (-23.8).

#### Operational

- PAYDAY<sup>™</sup> 2, MAU 910k peak in Q1
- As of January, increased revenue share from Steam to 80% up from previously 75%
- PAYDAY<sup>™</sup> 3, development according to plan and the game will be released during 2023

# The PAYDAY<sup>TM</sup> franchise



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### The PAYDAY<sup>™</sup> franchise

Franchise gross sales

>300m USD

Installed base

>38,000,000

DLCs and updates

>240

Years of live operations

Consistent CCU-rank on Steam®

Top-20

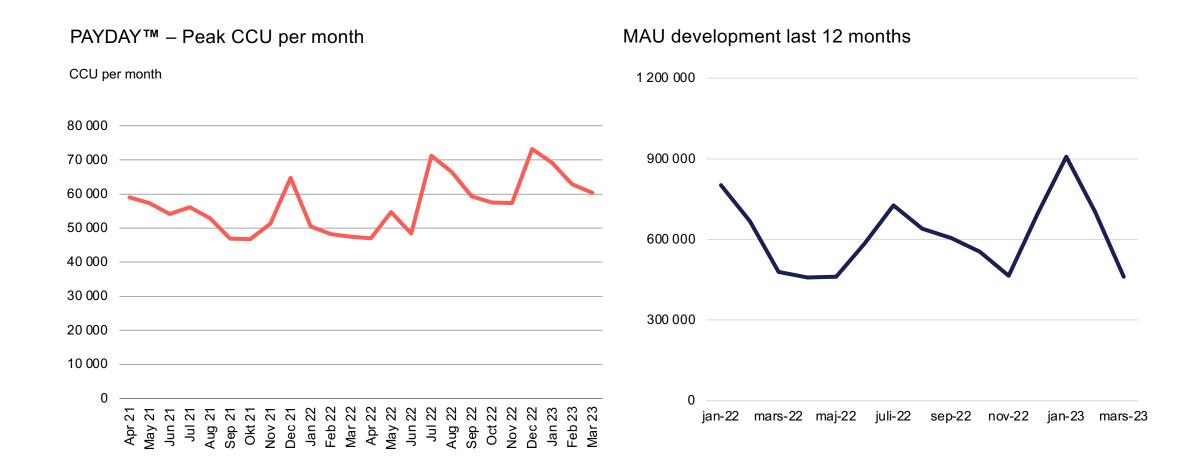
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Steam community size

>8,600,000

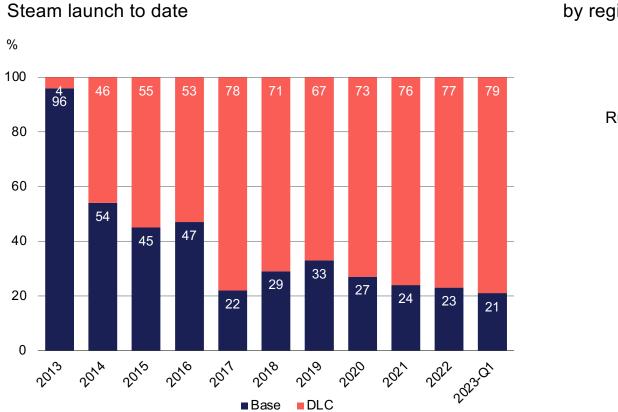


### PAYDAY<sup>™</sup> 2 – KPI development

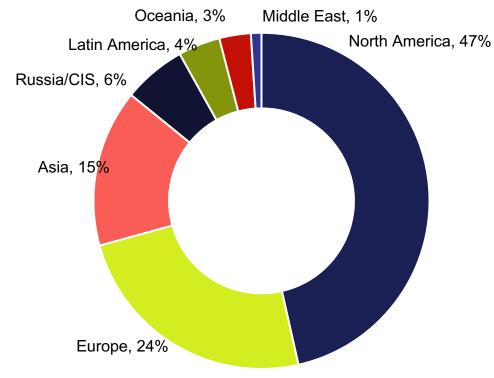


### PAYDAY<sup>™</sup> 2 – KPI development

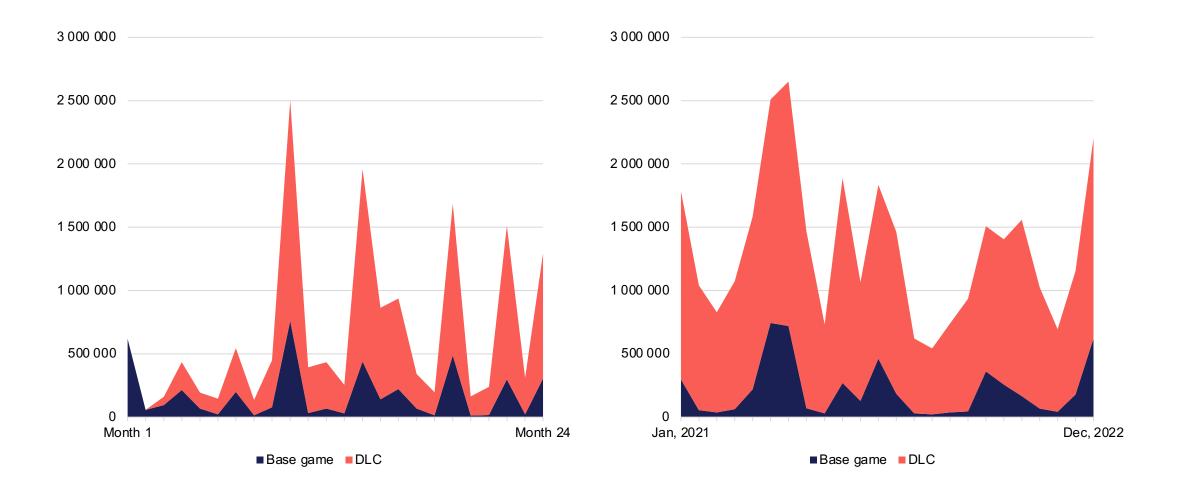
PAYDAY<sup>™</sup> 2 – Base game vs DLC split PD2



Breakdown of Starbreeze's revenues from Steam by region



### PAYDAY<sup>™</sup> 2 – Unit sales, Steam<sup>®</sup>



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### **PAYDAY<sup>™</sup> 2 licenses and collaborations**

#### **Goat simulator**



#### Hotline Miami



The Alesso Heist





#### John Wick



Point Break



### **PAYDAY<sup>™</sup> Crime War**

- License agreement signed with PopReach in 2021
- We will receive tiered royalties on net sales
- We retain all IP rights
- Moving towards global release
  - Soft-launch Philippines in Q4'22
  - Soft-launch Australia in Q1'22
- Planned launch during 2023

PAYDAY<sup>™</sup> Crime War Popreach Corporation

### Strong foundation for a successful launch

1. Franchise built over a decade



2. Driving transition

NEBULA

DAYDA

3. Launch of PAYDAY<sup>™</sup> 3

Strong reviews to this day

Well established community

#### A core component

Feature set designed to transition , engage and communicate directly with players

#### Multiple platforms

First franchise game with sim-launch on PC and console

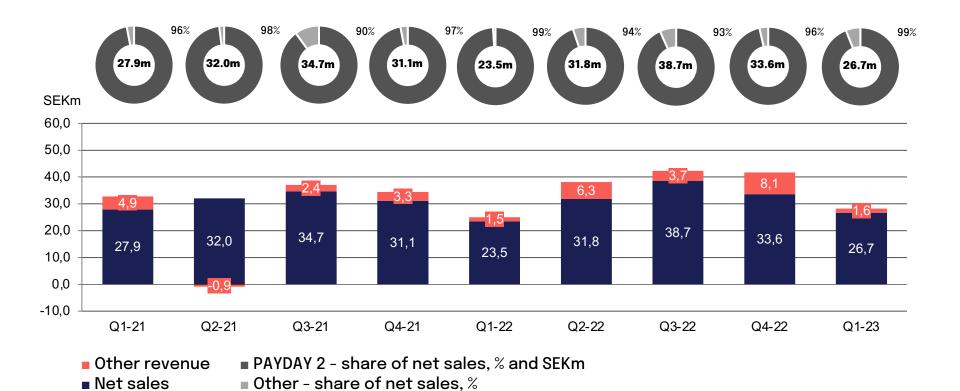
### Games as a service

Designed around content updates, new functionality and community services

#### 90/100 Current Steam rating 94/100 Steam rating the past 30 days >401,000 No. of Steam ratings

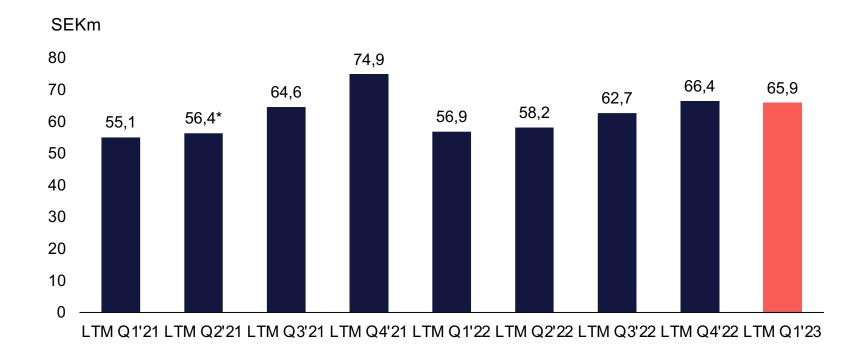
# Group financials

### **Revenue development – growth in PAYDAY**



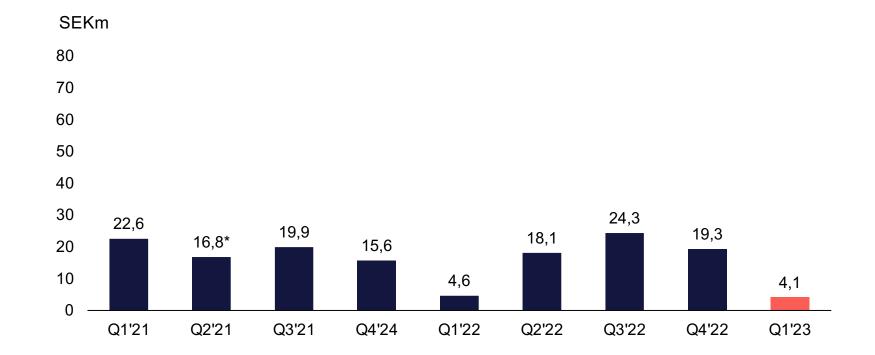
- Net sales for Q1 2023 totaled to SEK 26.7m (23.5m).
- PAYDAY growth of +13% Q1 2023, compared to Q1 2022.
- Other revenue mainly relates to forwarded costs related to PD3, revaluations and currency effects.

### EBITDA development



- EBITDA in LTM Q1 2023 amounted to SEK 65.9m (56.9m)
- More activatable costs and stable net sales leads to a higher level of EBITDA the last quarters of 2022 and beginning of 2023 compared to 2021.

### EBITDA development



- EBITDA in Q1 2023 amounted to SEK 4.1m (4.6m)
- Higher non-activatable personnel cost and increased marketing activities leads to higher costs YoY.
- Net Sale increase on SEK 3.2m in the quarter off-sets the higher costs some and makes EBITDA come in on equal levels as last year.

\* EBITDA adjusted for one time effect related to PopReach licensing agreement in Q2 2021

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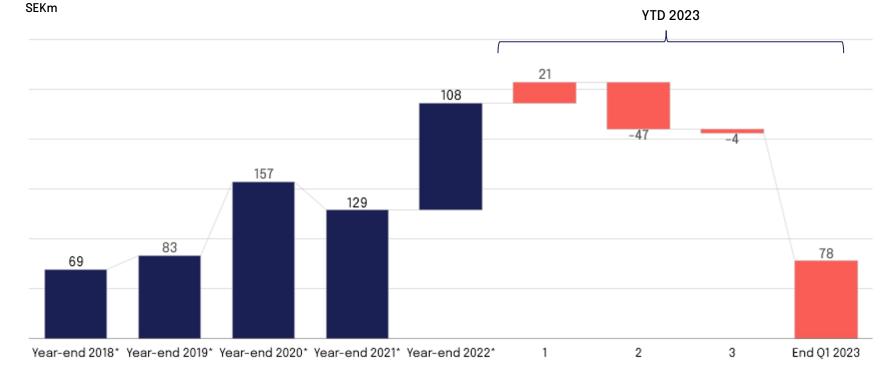
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### **Cashflow development**



- Operating activities after changes in working capital, SEK 20.7m
- Investing activities, SEK -46.8m (game development)

Financing activities, SEK -4.2m (financing for game development 0.0m and financial lease -4.2m)





# Appendix

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### **Operating expenses**

#### Cost base development

SEKm	NOTE	Q1'23	Q1'22	2022
Direct costs	A	15,791	13,965	60,527
% of net sales		59%	<b>59</b> %	<b>47</b> %
Selling and marketing costs	в	5,625	3,319	15,795
% of net sales		21%	14%	<b>12</b> %
Administrative expenses	С	18,472	17,634	64,074
% of net sales		69%	75%	50%
Number of employees at the end of the period		171	150	165
Average number of employees	D	173	147	154
Source: Company information.				



Direct costs for Q1'23 amounted to SEK 15.8m (14.0m) and consists of costs related to game development, depreciations of IP:n, royalty payments and non-activatable personnel expenses. The increase from Q1'22 mainly comes from depreciations of IP of 11.8 million compared to 10.5m in Q1'22.



Selling and marketing costs amounted to SEK 5.6m (3.3m). The increase from Q1'22 mainly relates to increased activity for PAYDAY 3 and the community platform *Nebula*.



Administrative expenses refer to items including office costs and payroll for employees who do not work in game production or marketing. Increase mainly due to more employees and more activities in the company causing higher costs in the supporting functions as well.

We continue to grow the organization and number of employees increased with 27 during 2022 and additional 6 during the first quarter of 2023.

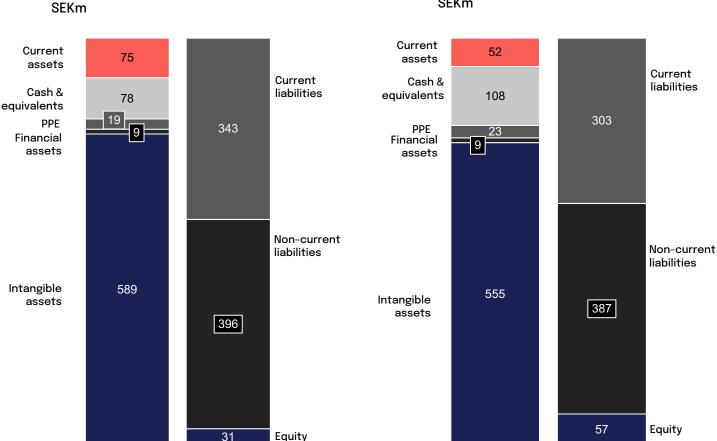
### **Balance sheet**

#### Assets

- Intangible assets amounted to SEK 589m and consist primarily of IP rights SEK 173m, capitalized costs for own game and technology development SEK 368m and Goodwill SEK 48m
- PPE (property, plant and equipment) relates to right of use assets of SEK 16.8m and IT and other equipment of SEK 2.3m
- Financial assets of 8.6m, consists of long-term deposit 7.3m and investments in joint ventures 1.3m
- Current assets consists of
- Cash and equivalents of SEK 78m
- Prepaid expenses and accrued income of SEK 43.5m
- Trades and other receivables of SEK 31.4m

#### Liabilities

- Non-current liabilities amounted to SEK 395.5m, including
- Convertible debt of SEK 393m
- Lease liabilities of SEK 1.6m
- Tax SEK 1.4m
- Current liabilities amounted to SEK 342.6m, including
- Financing liability to PLAION of SEK 204.7m
- Trade and other payables of SEK 69.5m
- Accrued expenses and deferred income SEK 50.2m
- Derivative 1.9
- Lease contracts SEK 16.3m



As per March 31, 2023

#### As per December 31, 2022 SEKm

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