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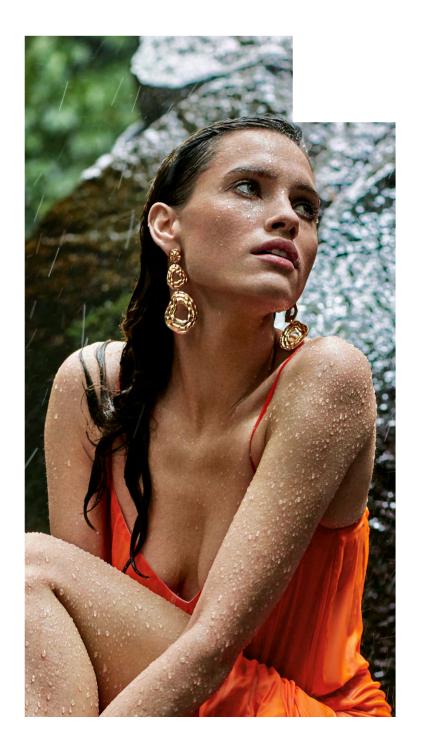
We are an international retail company based in Gdańsk with over 25 years of experience in designing and selling clothes and accessories.

We own five fashion brands.

RESERVED CROPP ( house MIHIII sinsay







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# GROUP OVERVIEW

*Vision, mission* and *values* inspire us in our everyday work and influence the way we function. *Mission* determines the role and the purpose of LPP's existence, while *vision* defines our ambitions and sets the direction in which we are heading.

*Values* describe the manner in which LPP employees behave, regardless of their position. Values are like a DNA code. They not only influence the way we function as an organization but also determine our approach to customers, employees, business partners and all our stakeholders.

# OUR VISION

Passion drives us forward, making our company the top fashion retailer in the world.

# OUR MISSION

We help our customers to realize their dreams through the way they look and feel.





# **FIRE-FUELLED** WE ARE FUELLED BY INTERNAL FIRE.

We are full of energy. We are passionate about our business, our brands and our customers. We are proud to be part of LPP.

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# AMBITION-DRIVEN AMBITION DRIVES US IN ACTION.

We seek new challenges every day and strive for excellence. We dare for more. We expect the unexpected.

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# **SOCIALLY-RESPONSIBLE** WE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT WE DO.

We care for our closer and further surroundings. We support our

We care for our closer and further surroundings. We support our employees and partners. We listen to their needs to act in harmony with nature.

# **TEAM-ORIENTED** AS A TEAM WE ARE THE GREATEST STRENGTH.

The opinion of each team member is just as important. We treat everyone as we would like to be treated ourselves. Fairness, respect, justice and tolerance are our guideposts of action.

A DYNAMIC COMPANY WITH LONG LASTING VALUES

# LPP ON THE WORLD STAGE

# A GLOBAL CLOTHING RETAILER

LPP is successfully developing on the core Polish market and consistently expanding on foreign markets.

At the end of 2018 LPP had 1,765 stores in 23 countries and on 3 continents.

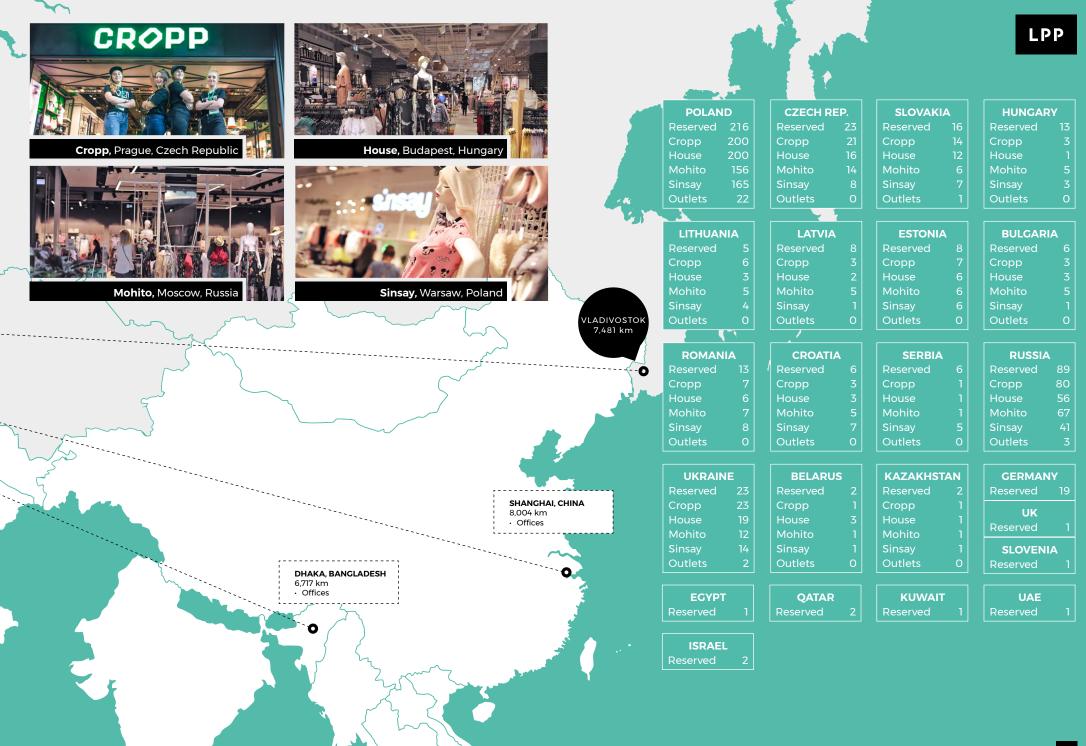


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Reserved, London, UK





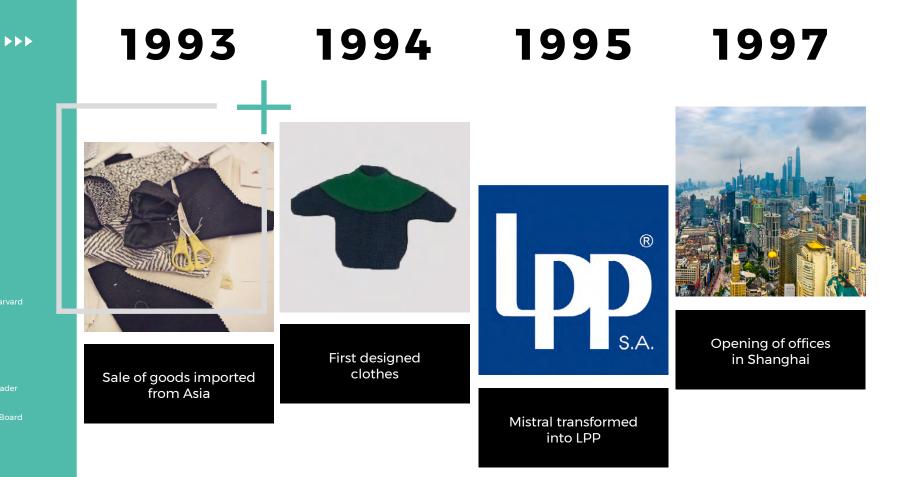
# 1991



The Best-Performing CEO according to Harvard Business Review (2013)

Jerzy Lubianiec CHAIRMAN of the SUPERVISORY BOARD

- (LPP's predecessor)
  1995-2000 CEO of LPP
  Since 2000 Chairman of the Supervisory Board



# **HISTORY**

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Launch of Reserved - first retail store opened



IPO on the Warsaw Stock Exchange (debut at PLN 48.4 share price)

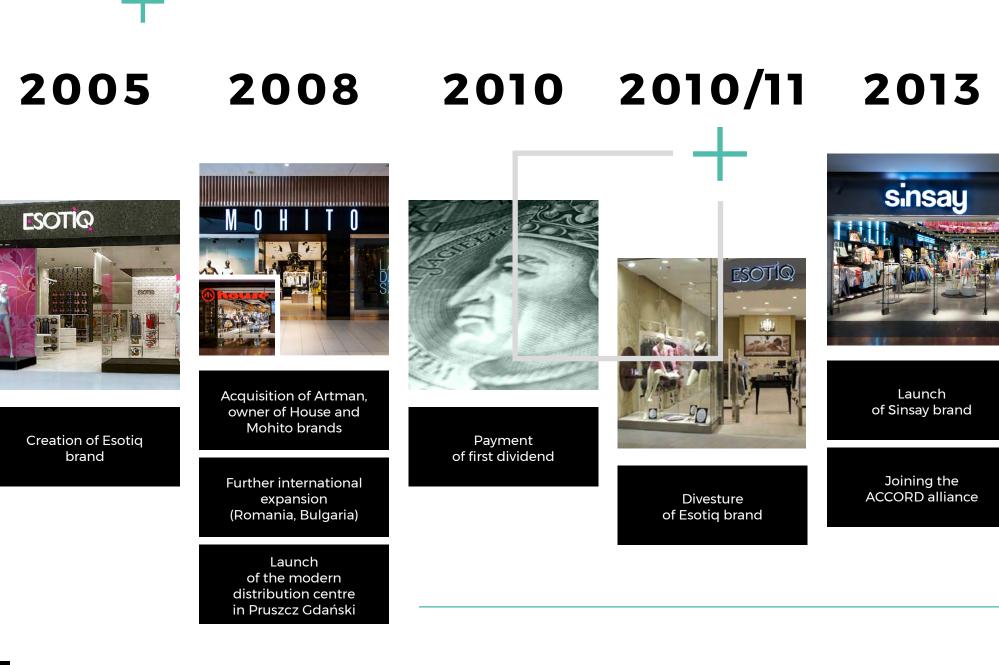


Start of international expansion (Russia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia)

Further international expansion (Lithuania, Ukraine, Slovakia)



Launch of Cropp brand



# 20142015201620172018



Entry into MSCI and WIG20 indices



New countries: Germany, Croatia



Middle East entry (Egypt, Qatar, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia)



Launch of Tallinder brand (closed down in 2017); new country in ME: United Arab Emirates



Signing agreement with SCS company on audits in Asian factories

Opening of Reserved London flagship. Campaign with Kate Moss. Entry to Belraus and Serbia

LPP among family companies - LPP joins Family Business Network Poland

LPP entered Slovenia, Israel and Kazakhstan.

Reserved global campaign with Cindy Crawford.

Reserved global campaign 'I Can Boogie' with actress Joanna Kulig.

LPP a family company after changes in shareholder structure

# 3. BRANDS

Our brands are our value and we put a lot of effort not only in creating but also in developing them. Each of our five brands stands out from the others, offering not only different types of clothes, but different stores and shopping experience.

	RESERVED	CROPP	(1) house	MOHITO	sinsay
KEY BRAND FEATURES	Anchor brand with a broad customer base.	Casual streetwear brand influenced by hip-hop and popculture.	An optimistic fashion brand.	Fashion brand emphasi- zing feminity and elegance.	Clothes for every day inspirations and original party outfits.
TARGET CUSTOMERS	Women, men, children	Teenagers (boys and girls)	Teenagers (boys and girls)	Young women	Teenagers (girls only)
YEAR OF LAUNCH	1998	2004	2001 (at LPP since 4Q08)	2008 (at LPP since 4Q08)	2013
COUNTRIES/ REGIONS PRESENT	CEE, SEE, Baltic, CIS, WE, ME	CEE, SEE, Baltic, CIS	CEE, SEE, Baltic, CIS	CEE, SEE, Baltic, CIS	CEE, SEE, Baltic, CIS
# STORES FLOORSPACE	464 616.7 ths m²	373 134.0 ths m <sup>2</sup>	332 116.2 ths m <sup>2</sup>	296 109.4 ths m²	272 103.0 ths m <sup>2</sup>
AVERAGE STORE SIZE	1,329 m²	359 m²	350 m²	370 m²	379 m²

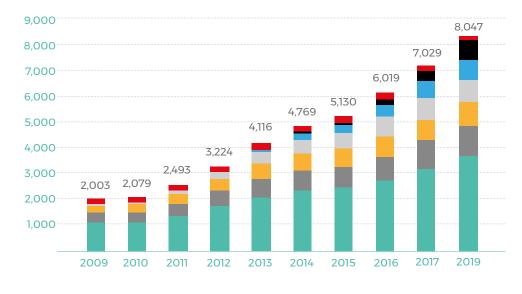
WE CONCENTRATE ON MAINSTREAM PRICES

Note: Sum of brands' store numbers and floorspace does not equal group's numbers due to outlets at the end of 2018

## **REVENUES BY BRANDS**

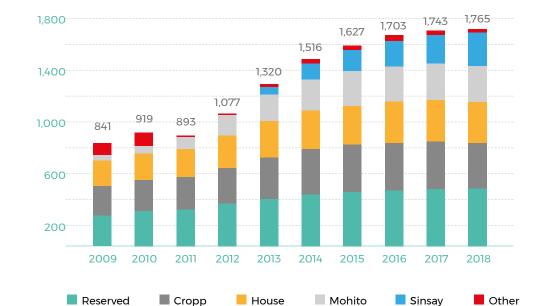
Floorspace (ths m²)	287,818	321,818	343,537	434,050	588,562	722,510	843,473	920,724	1,000,611	1,091,320
Esotiq	34	76	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	
Tallinder	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	1	-
Other	175	162	192	227	252	241	239	261	200	146
E-commerce	-	4	4	6	27	65	79	173	361	712
Sinsay	-	-	-	-	74	225	329	461	610	789
Mohito	40	62	104	259	456	523	586	737	829	782
House	276	294	378	437	546	634	673	767	805	920
Cropp	364	382	447	580	687	771	790	915	1,064	1,120
Reserved	1,114	1,099	1,368	1,714	2,074	2,311	2,434	2,693	3,160	3,578
Revenues	2,003	2,079	2,493	3,224	4,116	4,769	5,130	6,019	7,029	8,047
PLN m	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018

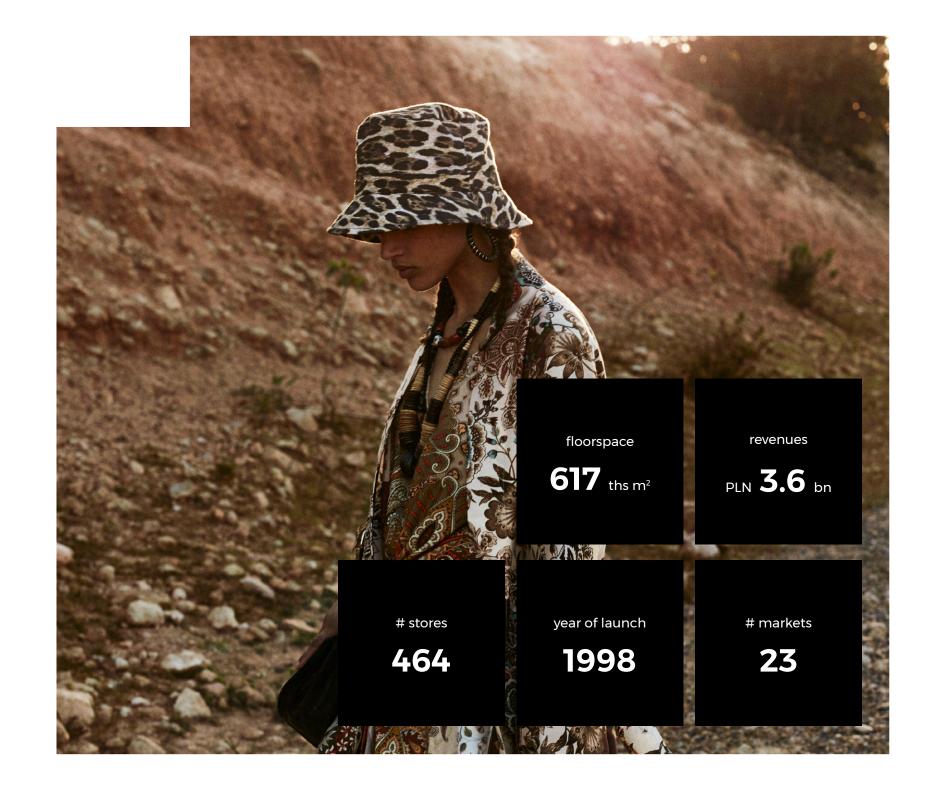
# **REVENUES BY BRANDS (PLN m)**



Reserved Cropp House Mohito Sinsay E-commerce Other

#### **STORES BY BRANDS**





# RESERVED



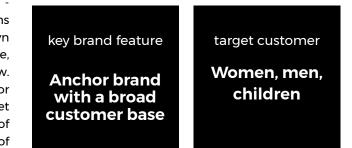
# **3.1. RESERVED BRAND**

Founded in 1998 in Poland, Reserved is the flagship brand of LPP. Following the latest trends, we make high quality, fashion-forward clothing and accessories for men, women and children with the goal of offering the perfect outfit for all occasions - whether its smart casual clothes for work or a glamorous outfit for a night out. Replenishment of our stores takes place twice a week (out of which once per week, new collection arrives). Reserved also releases a number of limited edition. capsule collections each season. Reserved brand is mainstream priced with average price tag at PLN 48. We believe strongly in the quality of our products and the conditions in which they are made. We are also environmentally conscious and are increasing our attention to the sustainable production and design.

While we remain close to our Central Eastern European heritage, we have continued to grow the Reserved brand on an international scale launching a number of international campaigns with big names, like Georgia May Jagger, Brooklyn Beckham, Sasha Pivovarova, Cara Delevigne, Magdalena Frąckowiak, Anja Rubik, to name a few. Since 2016 we have refreshed the Reserved brand for the grand opening of a new store at Oxford Street in London, with top model Kate Moss as the face of that launch and our AW17/18 collection. The idea of a new brand in that market was met with success. Since then, we have continued to work with a number of international celebrities, models and influencers, including: Irina Shayk, Adwoa Aboah, Zuzanna Bijoch starring Xmas campaign. And, for SS18, we collaborated with the one and only, Cindy Crawford.

We have also partnered with British Vogue and have launched the special party collection curated by British Vogue in December 2018 Our latest campaigns have been inspired by pop culture in response to 360 marketing.

The campaign for AW18 starred Polish actress Joanna Kulig and French it girl Jeanne Damas reinterpreting the popular song from 70 ties 'I can Boogie' For SS19, we focused on ReDesign capsule (interpreting the latest fashion trends) collection and Malgosia Bela was the face of this campaign.





www.reserved.com

#### **STORE CONCEPT**

Open concept, brightly-lit, inviting storefront allows for deep view insight of store interior. Freestanding panels create smooth and light background for product exposition. Modern LED lamps and LED screens illuminate the collection in a better way, creating a warm ambience.

Comfortable, large and spacious fitting rooms supported by internal navigation systems. Relax zones equipped with mobile charging stations.

Clear division of women, men and kids departments makes interior of the store more regular and ordered.

Furniture is modern, delicate and streamlined. Natural materials like wooden tables and shelfs make interior more cozy and modern.

#### **BRAND ESSENCE**

**Polished** (core/ 80%, fashion trends, feminine & masculine, refined, commercial) vs

**Unpolished** (niche/ 20%, collaborations, be different, creative, young, designers / debutants)

#### **BRAND PERSONALITY**

trendy, fashionable, urban, chic, dynamic and creative

#### SUB-LINES

Selected lines that can be found within Reserved collections:

- **Young Fashion Lab (YFL),** combination of what is worn on the streets and in the clubs, mixed with international trends; inspired by music and art.
- Modern Line, combination of classic and elegant styles with seasonal trendy touches, offering independent women a variety of options to create a smart and feminine look.
- **Fashion Line**, classic always designed with up-to-date twist and the hottest items for a season, all day look, seven days a week.

# **RESERVED - BASIC FIGURES**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Revenues (PLN m)	1,114	1,099	1,368	1,714	2,074	2,311	2,434	2,693	3,160	3,578
No. of stores	260	288	304	344	386	425	449	461	468	464
Store size (m²)	677	687	697	733	835	917	1,027	1,104	1,202	1,329
Floorspace (eop, ths m²)	176	198	212	252	322	390	461	509	562	617
Sales/m <sup>2</sup> monthly	596	496	566	628	617	547	483	475	514	527
% of floorspace in PL	60%	63%	65%	62%	59%	54%	50%	49%	47%	44%
No. of countries	10	10	10	10	11	13	17	18	20	23

# **RESERVED - REVENUES (PLN m)**



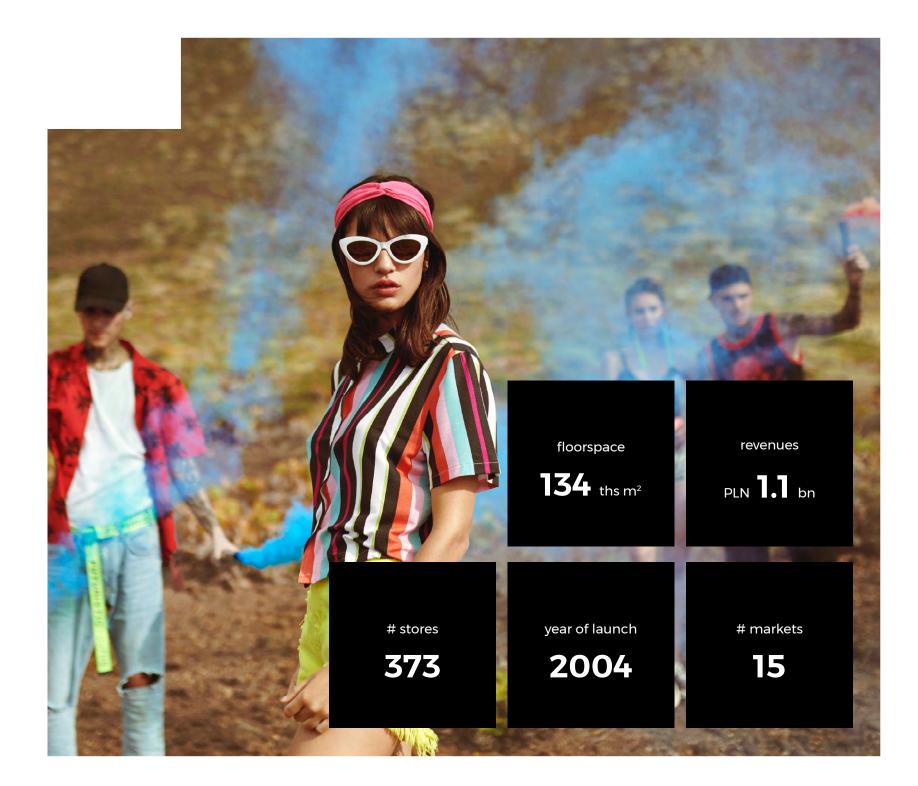
**RESERVED - STORES** 



PL revenues EX revenues

PL stores EX stores







# **3.2. CROPP BRAND**

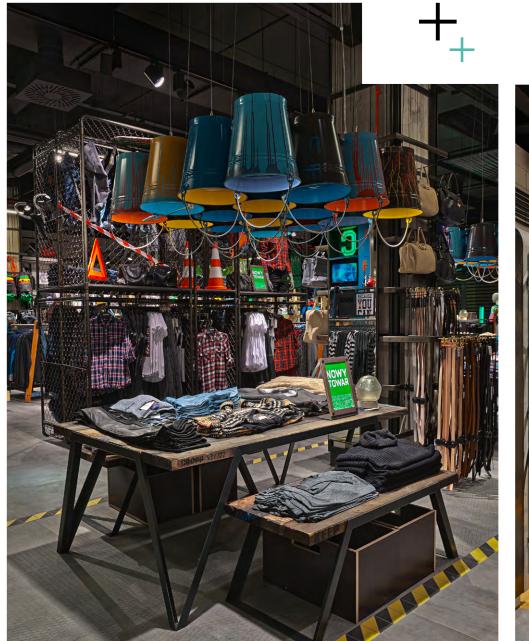
Cropp is the first brand for young-hearted people developed in-house by LPP. The launch took place in 2004. It is a casual streetwear brand which fits well into the urban space and lifestyle. The brand is targeted at young urban rebels, boys and girls, who live by their own rules and like clothes that express their unique personality, while still following the hottest word fashion trends. Cropp is a mainstream priced brand with an average price tag of PLN 51 in 2018.

The brand is developed internationally via companyowned stores mostly. At the end of 2018 there were 373 Cropp stores in 15 countries all over the world. While the first Cropp store was 203 m<sup>2</sup>, now the biggest one is almost 1,000 m<sup>2</sup> large.

Cropp collections are inspired by modern fashion trends, pop culture, and urban lifestyle. While boy's collection is strongly inspired by global streetwear, girls can find some more feminine outfits, that will allow them to incorporate the latest wordwide trends into their everyday style. The clothes are not to define oneself – it's the people that define the clothes and add their unique character.

Cropp works often with illustrators and artists from all over the world to create its original prints and designs.

key brand feature	target customer
Casual streetwear brand influenced by hip-hop and popculture	Teenagers (boys and girls)





#### STORE CONCEPT

The shopping space is designed in the form of squat, garage and industrial halls.

Cropp stores also encompass special entertainment zones with oldshool arcade cabinets.

Shop window displays are equipped with modern multimedia.

#### **BRAND ESSENCE**

#### Who are we?

- We are creators. We are the new ideas of old things.
- In the world of a remix, we are the times like never before.
- We are 110%, trying to be better.
- We are on-line and we are off-line. Somewhere between real and hyperreal.
- We are wrong. We are right.
- We are perfect not.
- We are one. We are united.
  - We are Cropp.

# www.cropp.com

# **CROPP - BASIC FIGURES**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Revenues (PLN m)	364	382	447	580	687	771	790	915	1,064	1,120
No. of stores	229	249	261	295	337	366	372	379	381	373
Stores size (m²)	219	224	228	244	269	288	308	318	334	359
Floorspace (eop, ths m²)	50	56	59	72	91	105	114	120	127	134
Sales/m <sup>2</sup> monthly	698	607	651	756	725	647	591	653	732	729
% of floorspace in PL	68%	69%	67%	62%	60%	55%	55%	54%	52%	50%
No. of countries	10	10	10	10	10	12	12	12	13	15

# **CROPP - REVENUES (PLN m)**



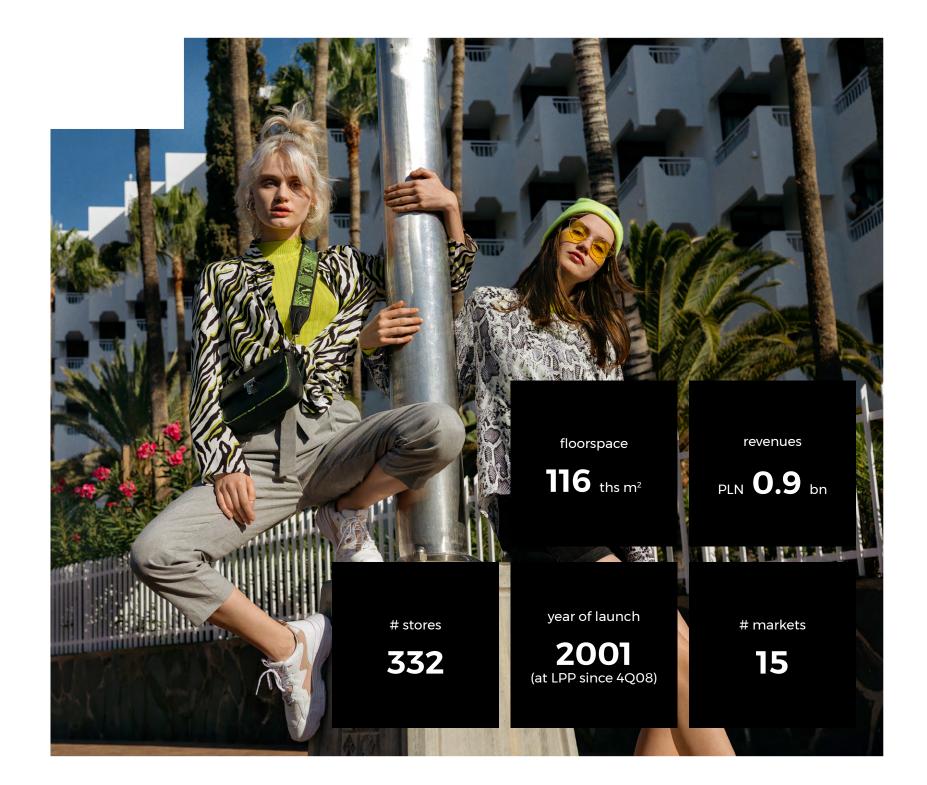
**CROPP - STORES** 



PL revenues EX revenues

PL stores EX stores







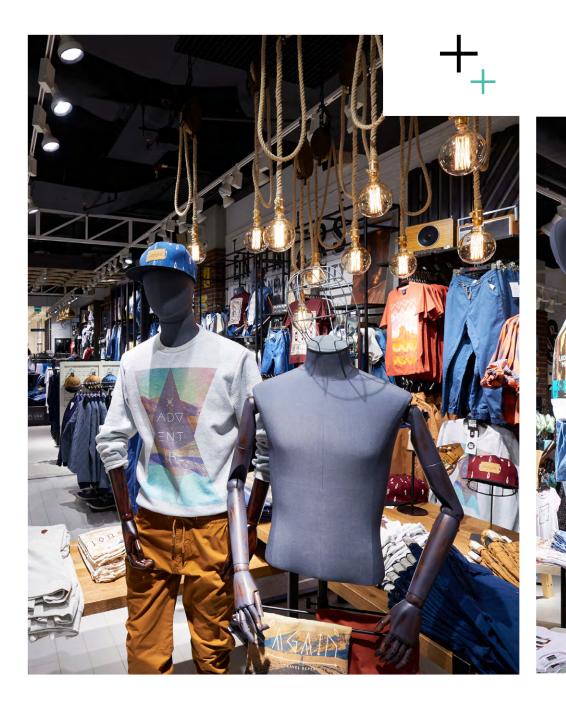
# 3.3. HOUSE BRAND

House is an optimistic fashion brand addressed at both women and men – students and young adults. Even though the brand exists from 2001, it has been acquired along with Artman merger.

House is a mainstream priced brand. 2018 average price tag came in at PLN 48. The brand is a niche one thus its stores are typically of some 330 m<sup>2</sup> of size. The brand is developed internationally. House stores can now be found in 15 countries.

House stores are perfect for everyone who follows the latest trends and wants to look good every day. House brand offers comfortable and casual proposals for each occassion and the latest fashion trends which are spotted by designers in social media, catwalks and streets. The brand focuses on peculiar and interesting combinations. The brand's designers are experienced in spotting trends and translating them into clothes that meet the customers' expectations.

key brand feature	target customer
An optimistic	Teenagers
fashion brand	(boys and girls)



# www.housebrand.com

#### **STORE CONCEPT**

The interior of the store is designed as a transformed post-industrial space with warm, homely touches.

Raw industrial interior is balanced with usage of wooden elements, carpets and decorative elements.

Store decorations have DIY-feeling - hanging doors, wooden boxes, used glass jars.

#### **BRAND ESSENCE**

#### Brand persons:

trendy, spontaneous, dynamic, authentic young adults with sense of humour.

#### Emotions:

joy, energy, self-confidence, fun, humour.

# **HOUSE - BASIC FIGURES**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Revenues (PLN m)	276	294	378	437	546	634	673	767	805	920
No. of stores	201	216	222	259	292	308	319	330	333	332
Stores size (m²)	217	223	230	247	275	291	313	320	332	350
Floorspace (eop, ths m²)	44	48	51	64	80	90	100	106	111	116
Sales/m <sup>2</sup> monthly	648	535	633	654	652	612	579	621	639	689
% of floorspace in PL	79%	82%	80%	73%	69%	64%	62%	61%	59%	58%
No. of countries	9	10	10	9	9	10	12	12	13	15

# HOUSE - REVENUES (PLN m)

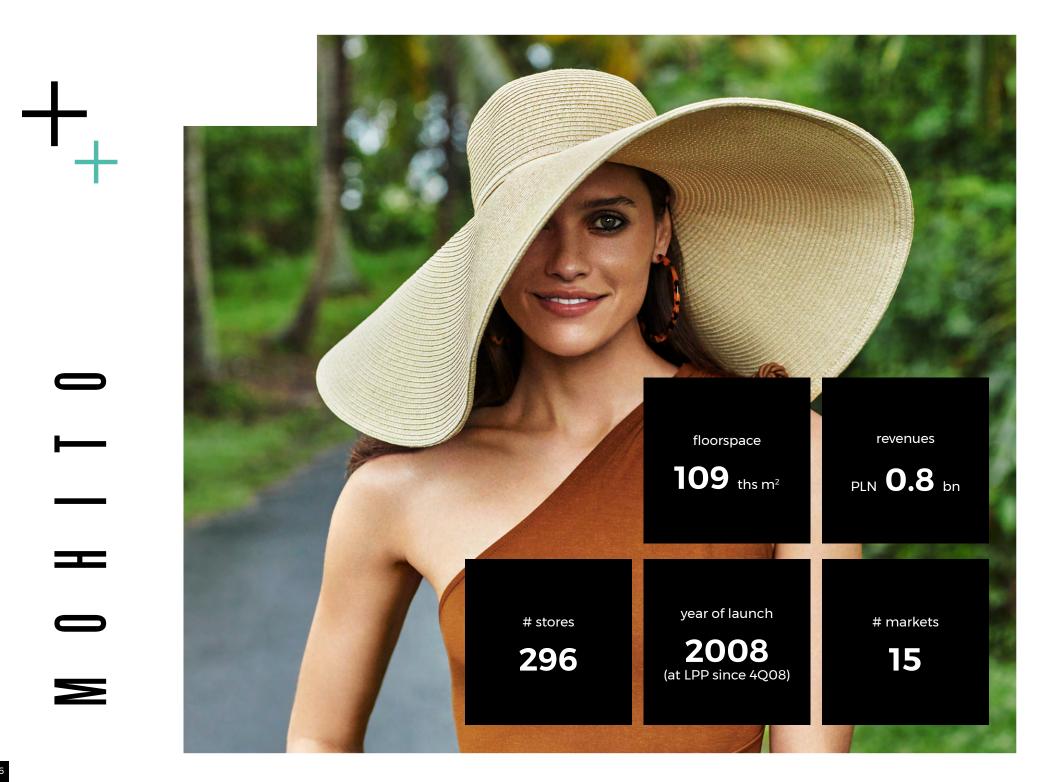


**HOUSE - STORES** 



PL revenues EX revenues

PL stores EX stores





# 3.4. MOHITO BRAND

Mohito is another brand (after House) acquired along the Artman merger. The brand was developed in 2008 and is aimed at women solely. The target customer is every woman who needs smart casual but fashionable and occasional clothes. Mohito is a mainstream priced brand though the average price tag of PLN 66 is the highest among our brands.

The stores are actively developed abroad. At the end of 2018 Mohito stores were present in 15 countries.

Mohito brand is a proposal for customers who love fashion and those who value the unusual urban elegance. Mohito designers create collections for women who want to be feminine and conscious of their advantages, allowing themselves a little freedom and nonchalance in a stylish version. Mohito emphasizes femininity and offers an energetic look, consistent with global trends. Mohito clothes look good not only in business environment but also in casual situations as well as during extra ordinary meetings and after hours evenings. In AW14/15 Anja Rubik created a star collection for Mohito. AW15/16 collection was advertised by top-model Zuzanna Bijoch, while SS16 by Anna Jagodzińska. AW16/17 collection was advertised by top-model Magdalena Frąckowiak. In 2018, Dominika Grosicka was invited to the charity exclusive collection.

key brand feature	target customer
Fashion brand emphasizing feminity and elegance	Young women



# www.mohito.com

#### **STORE CONCEPT**

The store concept relates to elegance and style.

The centre of the store is bright surrounded by a darker environment. The store has a separate display area for exclusive collection.

Strong direct lighting makes the customer feel as part of the catwalk show, before entering the dressing room sectioned.

#### **BRAND ESSENCE**

#### Brand person:

Mohito is a brand developed for every woman who values feminine and urban elegance.

#### Brand idea:

Emphasize feminity at work and after hours.

Mohito is sensual, fashionable and romantic but not infantile and promiscuous.

#### SUB-LINES

**Trend Line**: feminine, more classic styles mixed with the latest fashion trends. The main character of line is very feminine and romantic with a hint of rock vibe in a stylish and chic way.

**Cold Label** – a special premium, exclusive line, designed only for best stores. Dedicated to women aware of latest trends and searching for better quality.

**City Line** is one of main lines in Mohito brand. It is focused on classic style, which is combined with season trends, patterns and colors.

The main character of City Line is elegant and clean look. Clothes are easy to set. It includes more official clothes, chic dresses, suits and simple shirts and blouses. This line is addressed to mature group of women, being opposite to Trend Line.

Fashion shows and trends are important to keep our clothes fresh and eye catching.

# **MOHITO - BASIC FIGURES**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Revenues (PLN m)	40	62	104	259	456	523	586	737	829	782
No. of stores	53	56	93	161	219	256	280	290	294	296
Stores size (m²)	178	180	186	242	301	323	337	342	353	370
Floorspace (eop. ths m²)	9	10	17	39	66	83	94	99	104	109
Sales/m <sup>2</sup> monthly	552	527	733	843	759	583	549	636	696	620
% of floorspace in PL	100%	100%	87%	67%	62%	56%	55%	54%	51%	49%
No. of countries	1	1	7	8	9	12	12	12	13	15

# **MOHITO - REVENUES (PLN m)**



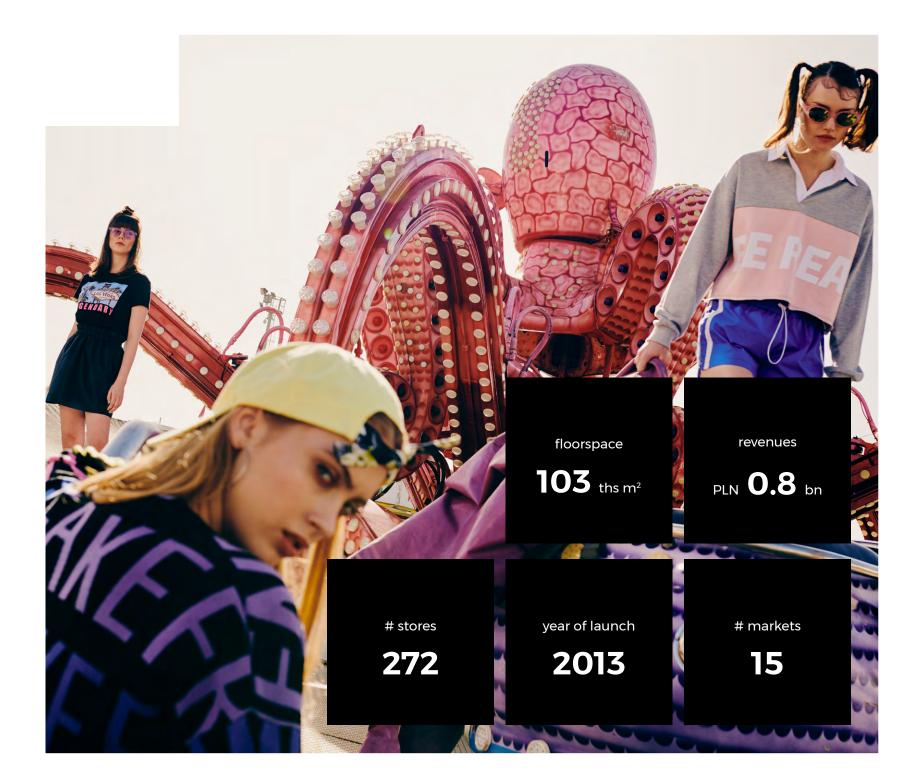
# **MOHITO - STORES**



PL revenues EX revenues

PL stores EX stores







# **3.5. SINSAY BRAND**

Sinsay is the youngest brand in our portfolio. It was launched in 2013. Similarly to Mohito, the brand is targeted at women only, yet the target group is much younger. Sinsay offers everyday clothes and original party outfits for teenagers (age 16-19), mostly in high schools in large or medium-sized towns.

The brand is mainstream priced yet has the lowest average price tag (PLN 26 in 2018), so that it is affordable for the target group. The brand's advantage lies in low prices, which enable teenagers to purchase the desired T-shirts, jeans and fashionable accessories.

Sinsay is a brand for loud, characterful and expressive girls who boldly follow the latest trends. Thanks to our designs, Sinsay girls can play with fashion emphasizing their extraordinary personalities. The stores are of c.380 m<sup>2</sup> size, suited for the taste of teenagers. Sinsay girls take their inspirations from the internet and thus the brand concentrates its advertising on social media. Sinsay co-operates with young influencers and models. In the past the brand was advertised by Karolina Pisarek and Aleksandra Kowalska. Recently Sinsay collaborated with young Polish actresses – Olga Kalicka and Wiktoria Gąsiewska.

9	key brand feature	target customer
9 5 1	Everyday clothes and original party outfits	Teenagers (girls only)



# www.sinsay.com

#### **STORE CONCEPT**

"Limitless" is the keyword of the new store concept. The store is open and welcoming at the entrance. The shopping interior does not divert attention from the displayed product range.

Balanced background for a great amount of colourful goods is created and the freedom of product arrangement is achieved.

Highlighting changes and unlimited freedom of the client, refer to client's own space, residential apartment. Linearity, lightness and flexibility as the background.

Colours are neutral and do not compete with the product collection. Bigger, white surfaces of the walls or floors are brightened with minimalist graphic design.

#### **BRAND ESSENCE**

#### **Brand persons**:

girls who are loud, beautiful, expressive and have their character.

A good bad girl.

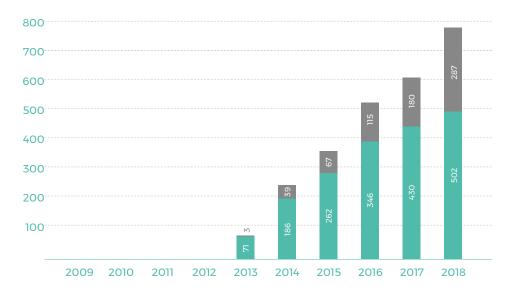
#### Ideas important to brand persons:

look, freedom, friendship, holidays, social media, music and fashion.

#### **SINSAY - BASIC FIGURES**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Revenues (PLN m)	-	-	-	-	74	225	329	461	610	789
No. of stores	-	-	-	-	62	129	170	198	233	272
Stores size (m²)	-	-	-	-	325	338	351	352	363	379
Floorspace (eop, ths m²)	-	-	-	-	20	44	60	70	85	103
Sales/m <sup>2</sup> monthly	-	-	-	-	670	584	531	607	690	719
% of floorspace in PL	-	-	-	-	89%	75%	73%	70%	63%	58%
No. of countries	-	-	-	-	4	10	11	11	13	15

# SINSAY - REVENUES (PLN m)



#### SINSAY - STORES



PL revenues EX revenues

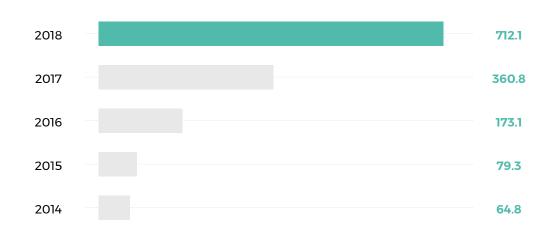
PL stores EX stores

# 4. E-COMMERCE

Even though the majority of our business is brickand-mortar, we accelerate investments in on-line operations, as this is where our customers are going. In 2018 on-line sales constituted 9% of our group revenues. We would like this proportion to increase to 20% in 2021 (in 3 years time).

Our e-commerce strategy is based on single brand e-stores as opposed to multibrand e-stores. All our five brands have high-quality internet stores and mobile websites. The majority of our e-commerce revenues comes from Poland. However, apart from domestic development, we invest in internet stores abroad. At the end of 2018, we operated own e-commerce stores in 11 countries. We had stores of all our 5 brands in 10 countries (Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Romania, Germany, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and Russia). We operated Reserved on-line store in the UK.

# E-COMMERCE REVENUES (PLN m)





Over 40,000 photographed products per year.





# + ON-LINE STORES

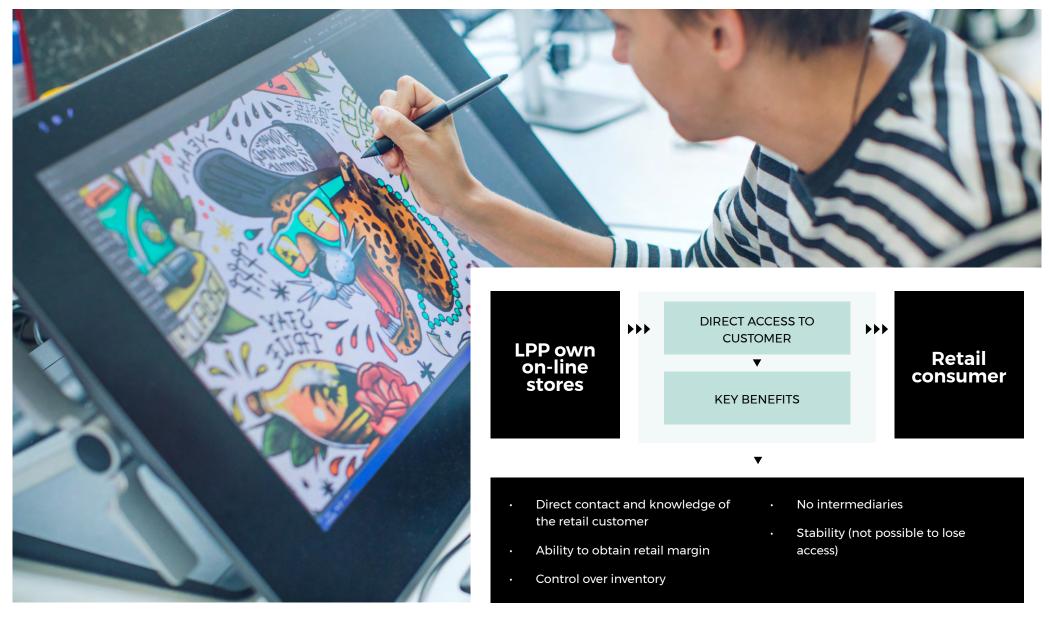
www.reserved.com

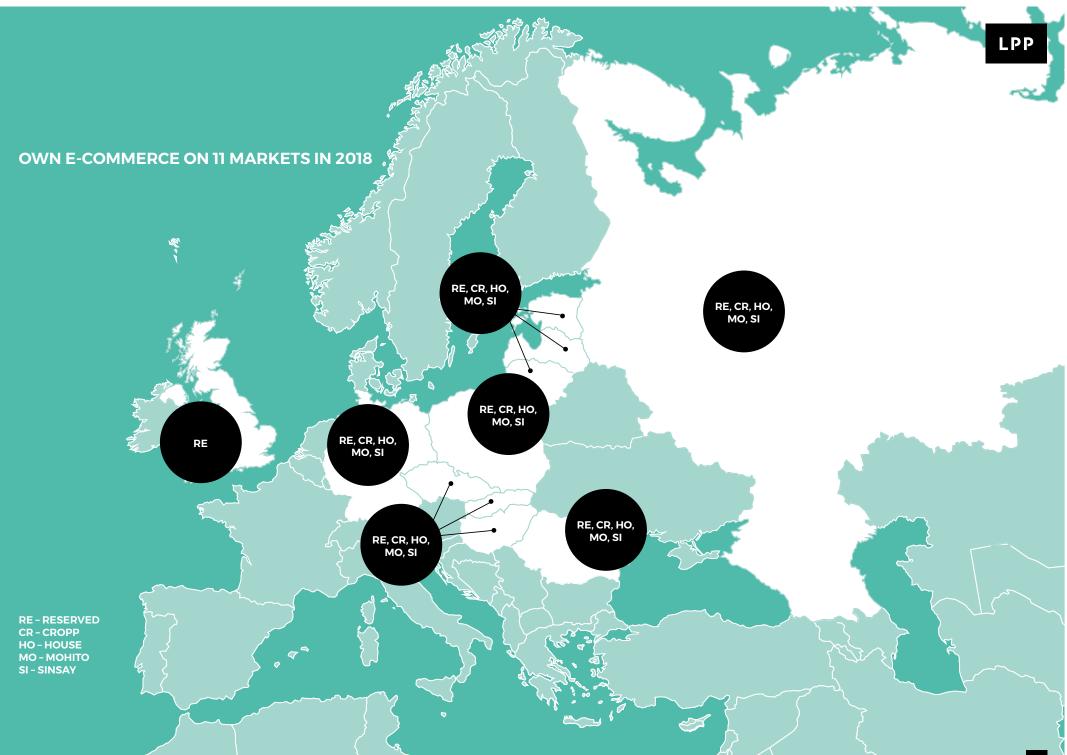
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www.mohito.com

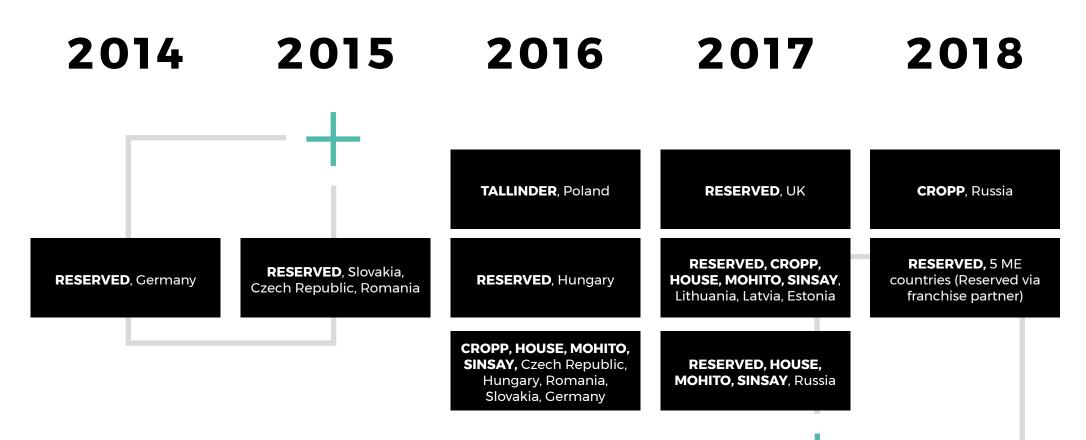
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# + FOCUS ON OWN ON-LINE STORES





**ACCELERATION OF LPP'S E-COMMERCE DEVELOPMENT** 





### 5. REGIONS

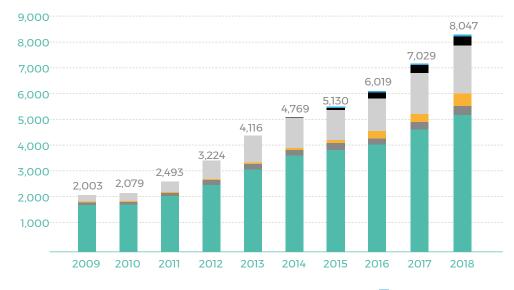
Our five brands are present in six regions, differing from one another with the level of affluence, population, climate and culture. Those regions have been chosen either due to their geographical proximity or abundant growth possibility or customer affluence. We believe we will be successful on the developing and early stage markets as the price-to-quality ratio offering in our stores meets the customers' expectations.

	MATU	RITY	DEVEL	OPING	EARLY STAGE		
DEVELOPMENT STAGE	CEE	BALTIC	CIS	SEE	WE	ME	
COUNTRIES PRESENT	Poland, Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovakia	Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia	Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Kazakhstan	Bulgaria, Romania, Croatia, Serbia, Slovenia	Germany, UK	Egypt, Qatar, Kuwait, United Arab Emirates, Israel	
BRANDS	Reserved, Cropp, House, Mohito, Sinsay	Reserved, Cropp, House, Mohito, Sinsay	Reserved, Cropp, House, Mohito, Sinsay	Reserved, Cropp, House, Mohito, Sinsay	Reserved	Reserved	
# COUNTRIES PRESENT	4	3	4	5	2	5	
# STORES FLOORSPACE	1,122 635.4 ths m²	75 43.5 ths m²	443 275.4 ths m²	98 81.0 ths m²	20 49.0 ths m²	7 7.1 ths m <sup>2</sup>	
TYPE OF STORES	Own (majority), franchise	Own	Own (majority), franchise	Own	Own	Franchise	

### **REVENUES BY REGIONS**

Floorspace (ths m²)	287,818	321,818	343,537	434,050	588,562	722,510	843,473	920,724	1,000,611	1,091,320
ME	-	-	-	-	-	-	23	31	24	22
WE	-	-	-	-	-	15	94	194	279	320
SEE	26	31	40	42	52	65	134	230	317	463
CIS	216	279	359	638	952	1,076	1,025	1,269	1,542	1,770
Baltic	101	91	120	162	186	200	222	256	295	358
CEE	1,660	1,679	1,973	2,382	2,927	3,414	3,634	4,039	4,572	5,115
Revenues	2,003	2,079	2,493	3,224	4,116	4,769	5,130	6,019	7,029	8,047
PLN m	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018

### **REVENUES BY REGIONS (PLN m)**



#### **STORES BY REGIONS**



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# 5.1. CEE REGION

The CEE region comprises of Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia and Hungary. Poland has been our first market and is by far the most important market currently, generating 53% of group revenues. Development in Czech Republic and Hungary was gradual and took place via company-owned stores, while Slovakia had been developed via franchise until April 2014. The CEE region is a mature market for us with the exception of Hungary, where we have the lowest number of stores in the region. We have e-stores of all our brands in each of the countries in the region.



### **CEE REGION - STORES & FLOORSPACE BY COUNTRY**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	<sup>×</sup> 2016	2017	2018
No. of stores	708	770	709	809	976	1,075	1,144	1,177	1,149	1,122
Poland	650	715	659	745	886	943	986	1,017	990	959
Other CEE	58	55	50	64	90	132	158	160	159	163
Floorspace (ths m <sup>2</sup> )	221	246	259	309	409	475	545	581	602	635
Poland	196	222	237	279	366	414	465	497	514	529
Other CEE	26	24	22	30	43	62	80	84	88	106

### **CEE REGION - STORES**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
No. of stores	708	770	709	809	976	1,075	1,144	1,177	1,149	1,122
Reserved	190	213	223	246	266	286	293	293	286	268
Cropp	180	195	198	214	241	256	259	261	253	238
House	190	197	198	216	235	233	239	243	236	229
Mohito	53	56	78	117	154	167	183	186	181	181
Sinsay	-	-	-	-	60	105	136	151	162	183
Tallinder	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-
Outlets	7	9	12	16	20	28	34	34	31	23
Esotiq	88	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

### **CEE REGION - FLOORSPACE**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Floorspace (ths m <sup>2</sup> )	221	246	259	309	409	475	545	581	602	635
Reserved	126	142	153	177	216	248	281	301	322	340
Cropp	37	41	43	48	60	68	75	77	78	79
House	41	43	44	51	62	64	71	74	74	76
Mohito	9	10	15	27	44	51	59	60	61	64
Sinsay	-	-	-	-	19	35	47	52	57	68
Tallinder	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-
Outlets	2	3	4	6	8	10	12	12	11	8
Esotiq	6	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

### 5.2. POLAND

Poland is our anchor market and is going to remain one over the next years. Although dependency has fallen from 79% in 2006 to 53% in 2018, the market remains the center of our interest and profits.

The dominance of the domestic market results from:

- the highest number of stores (959 in 2018);
- · development of each new brand starting on the core market;
- the highest sales per square meter as a consequence of strong brand recognition.

Development of company owned stores started in 1998 with Reserved stores. Currently, stores of all brands are present in Poland in best shopping malls and high streets. Poland is also the market where sales per sqm are the highest due to strong brand recognition, consequence of first entry and the scale of the network.

Looking at the number of stores, maturity (but not saturation) has been reached with Reserved, Cropp and House brands. Further development is going to be oriented on entering new shopping malls and best high street locations. We still see domestic development potential with Mohito and Sinsay brands, which have not yet crossed the 200 store hurdle. Thus, further development of those brands is planned. At the end of 2018, the number of stores was lower YoY while the floorspace expanded. That was because in 2018 we concentrated on network quality not quantity. We resigned from suboptimal locations where rental agreements were expiring and we focused on stores that can properly display our collections.

#### STORES IN POLAND (END OF 2018)



12% SHARE IN THE DOMESTIC POLISH MARKET.

### **POLAND - STORES**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
No. of stores	650	715	659	745	886	943	986	1,017	990	959
Reserved	159	186	199	217	233	235	237	236	232	216
Cropp	169	183	187	201	222	219	217	219	211	200
House	174	181	183	197	211	209	208	212	205	200
Mohito	53	56	78	114	144	153	164	166	160	156
Sinsay	-	-	-	-	56	99	127	142	152	165
Tallinder	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-
Outlets	7	9	12	16	20	28	33	33	30	22
Esotiq	88	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

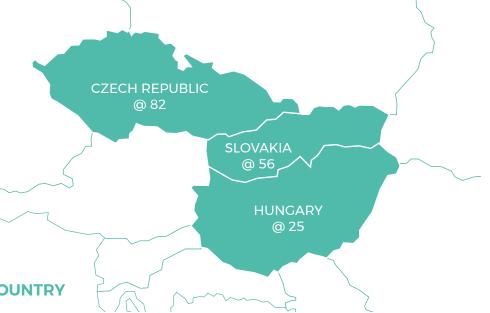
### **POLAND - FLOORSPACE**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Floorspace (ths m <sup>2</sup> )	196	222	237	279	366	414	465	497	514	529
Reserved	106	124	138	156	189	209	233	249	267	273
Cropp	34	38	40	45	55	58	63	65	66	67
House	37	39	41	46	55	57	62	65	65	67
Mohito	9	10	15	26	41	46	52	53	53	54
Sinsay	-	-	-	-	18	33	44	49	53	60
Tallinder	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-
Outlets	2	3	4	6	8	10	12	12	10	8
Esotiq	6	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

### 5.3. OTHER CEE

We have a strong position in other CEE region, by which we understand Czech Republic, Slovakia and Hungary. Combined, those three countries have a smaller population and potential than Poland. All five mainstream brands are present in Czech Republic where maturity has been reached. Further growth could take place via selected new locations, network optimization and emphasis on brand awareness. At the end of 2018, all five mainstream brands were also present in Hungary. This is the country with the lowest number of stores and the highest growth potential. Slovak development took place differently. As the market was the smallest out of those three countries, development took place via franchise stores (Reserved and Cropp stores were operated by a Slovak Koba company). Later, along with Artman acquisition, we took over House Slovak stores. Only in April 2014, we acquired the franchisee Koba along with 35 stores (12 ths m<sup>2</sup> of floorspace) at that time. We still see development potential in Slovakia, even though the number of stores doubled since the acquisition.

### OTHER CEE (EXCL. POLAND) REGION OVERVIEW (END OF 2018)



#### **OTHER CEE REGION (EXCL. POLAND) - STORES & FLOORSPACE BY COUNTRY**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
No. of stores	58	55	50	64	90	132	158	160	159	163
Czech Republic	38	36	32	43	66	73	80	80	83	82
Slovakia	11	11	10	12	13	48	61	62	57	56
Hungary	9	8	8	9	11	11	17	18	19	25
Floorspace (ths m <sup>2</sup> )	26	24	22	30	43	62	80	84	88	106
Czech Republic	19	17	15	21	33	37	43	43	44	48
Slovakia	2	2	2	3	4	18	25	28	27	33
Hungary	5	4	4	5	7	7	12	14	17	25

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
No. of stores	58	55	50	64	90	132	158	160	159	163
Reserved	31	27	24	29	33	51	56	57	54	52
Cropp	11	12	11	13	19	37	42	42	42	38
House	16	16	15	19	24	24	31	31	31	29
Mohito	-	-	-	3	10	14	19	20	21	25
Sinsay	-	-	-	-	4	6	9	9	10	18
Outlets	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1
Esotiq	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

### **OTHER CEE REGION (EXCL. POLAND) – STORES**

### OTHER CEE REGION (EXCL. POLAND) - FLOORSPACE

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Floorspace (ths m²)	26	24	22	30	43	62	80	84	88	106
Reserved	20	17	16	21	27	39	48	53	55	66
Cropp	3	3	3	3	6	10	12	12	12	13
House	3	3	3	4	6	6	9	9	9	9
Mohito	-	-	-	1	3	5	7	7	8	10
Sinsay	-	-	-	-	1	2	3	3	4	8
Outlets	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0
Esotiq	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

# 5.4. BALTIC REGION

The Baltic region by which we understand Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia is the second one after CEE where we have reached maturity. We are in all countries of the region. We can see medium to long-term potential for entry into new shopping malls and upgrades of stores in high streets, yet the targets are now set at efficiency improvements. We are in the process of modernising our floorspace in the region. All Baltic countries are now in Eurozone, however their macroeconomic situation is also linked to their neighbour Russia. We have e-stores of all our brands in each country of the region.

### BALTIC REGION OVERVIEW (END OF 2018)



### **BALTIC REGION - STORES & FLOORSPACE BY COUNTRY**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
No. of stores	43	44	59	59	58	70	71	73	79	75
Lithuania	19	19	26	25	23	25	26	28	28	23
Latvia	10	10	15	14	16	19	19	19	19	19
Estonia	14	15	18	20	19	26	26	26	32	33
Floorspace (ths m <sup>2</sup> )	21	22	24	24	27	36	38	40	43	43
Lithuania	10	10	10	10	11	12	14	15	15	13
Latvia	5	5	6	6	7	11	11	11	11	11
Estonia	7	7	8	8	9	14	14	14	17	20

### **BALTIC REGION - STORES**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
No. of stores	43	44	59	59	58	70	71	73	79	75
Reserved	23	23	24	24	24	24	23	23	23	21
Cropp	13	13	17	16	15	16	16	16	17	16
House	7	8	10	9	8	11	11	11	12	11
Mohito	-	-	8	10	10	14	15	16	17	16
Sinsay	-	-	-	-	1	5	6	7	10	11
Outlets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Esotiq	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

### **BALTIC REGION - FLOORSPACE**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Floorspace (ths m <sup>2</sup> )	21	22	24	24	27	36	38	40	43	43
Reserved	16	16	16	16	18	22	23	23	23	24
Cropp	3	3	4	4	4	5	5	5	6	6
House	2	2	3	2	2	3	3	3	4	4
Mohito	-	-	1	2	3	4	5	5	6	6
Sinsay	-	-	-	-	0	2	2	2	4	4
Outlets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Esotiq	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_

# 5.5. CIS REGION

The CIS is the Commonwealth of Independent States, i.e. the countries of the former Soviet Union. At the end of 2016, we were only present in Russia and Ukraine. Expansion in Russia was originated in 2002, i.e. only four years after the start of the first Reserved store in Poland. Now the region is the second most important one after CEE, contributing 22% of group revenues. The CIS expansion so far took place in three stages: (1) first was development in the European part of Russia and in Ukraine, (2) the second stage was accelerated expansion especially in Eastern or Asian part of Russia and to a smaller extent in Ukraine, along with appearing possibilities of shopping malls openings in towns with more than 1 million inhabitants; and (3) the slowdown in expansion that we have been experiencing since mid-2014 following the geopolitical issues between Russia and Ukraine. We see long-term potential in this region. As a result, we are now in the fourth stage of our CIS expansion. In April 2017 we opened the first franchise stores of Reserved, Cropp and House in Minsk, Belarus. Mohito and Sinsay stores followed during the year. In 2018 we opened our first own stores in Kazakhstan. In 2018 we also launched e-commerce in Russia, while we target Ukraine for 2019.

### CIS REGION OVERVIEW (END OF 2018)



	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
No. of stores	77	85	106	198	272	336	349	368	420	443
Russia	63	65	84	159	219	267	280	296	327	336
Ukraine	14	20	22	39	53	69	69	72	88	93
Belarus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8
Kazakhstan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Floorspace (ths m <sup>2</sup> )	38	43	51	94	142	180	194	207	247	275
Russia	32	34	42	76	117	146	158	170	194	206
Ukraine	6	9	9	17	26	34	36	37	49	56
Belarus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	6
Kazakhstan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8

### **CIS REGION - STORES & FLOORSPACE BY COUNTRY**

### **CIS REGION - STORES**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
No. of stores	77	85	106	198	272	336	349	368	420	443
Reserved	40	43	49	69	89	99	101	103	111	116
Cropp	31	34	40	63	78	88	89	92	101	105
House	3	7	11	33	47	60	63	67	76	79
Mohito	-	-	6	33	53	68	71	74	81	81
Sinsay	-	-	-	-	1	17	22	30	48	57
Outlets	-	-	-	-	4	4	3	2	3	5
Esotiq	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

### **CIS REGION - FLOORSPACE**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Floorspace (ths m <sup>2</sup> )	38	43	51	94	142	180	194	207	247	275
Reserved	28	32	36	55	81	97	103	109	128	145
Cropp	8	9	11	19	25	30	32	34	39	43
House	1	2	3	10	16	21	22	24	29	30
Mohito	-	-	1	10	19	25	26	28	31	32
Sinsay	-	-	-	-	0	7	9	12	19	23
Outlets	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	1	2	4
Esotiq	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

# 5.6. SEE REGION

The second of two developing regions that we are present in is the SEE region which we understand as the Balkan region. We entered Romania in 2008 and Bulgaria in 2009, as CIS region was given priority due to higher growth potential. However, the entry was followed by a prolonged economic crisis. As a result, the financial performance of our stores has been disappointing for many years (some were turned into outlets, some were closed; at the end 2012 there were 11 stores versus 19 at the end of 2011). This changed in 2014, when the economic situation improved and new quality floorspace became available. At the end of 2013 we had 14 stores in Romania and Bulgaria, while 2014 marked the entry to Croatia and the overall store number increased to 31. By the end of 2018 this number trippled and reached 98. We entered Serbia in 2017, Slovenia in 2018 and Bosnia & Herzegovina in 2019. We plan further development in the region, also including e-commerce.

#### SEE REGION OVERVIEW (END OF 2018)





	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
No. of stores	13	20	19	11	14	31	47	63	69	98
Bulgaria	2	8	7	6	9	15	15	12	13	18
Romania	11	12	12	5	5	11	22	34	35	41
Croatia	-	-	-	-	-	5	10	17	18	24
Serbia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	14
Slovenia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Floorspace (ths m <sup>2</sup> )	7	11	10	7	10	23	34	48	53	81
Bulgaria	1	5	4	4	7	11	11	11	11	15
Romania	6	6	6	3	3	7	15	26	26	30
Croatia	-	-	-	-	-	4	7	12	12	19
Serbia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	15
Slovenia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2

#### **SEE REGION - STORES & FLOORSPACE BY COUNTRY**

### **SEE REGION - STORES**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
No. of stores	13	20	19	11	14	31	47	63	69	98
Reserved	7	9	8	5	7	12	16	20	22	32
Cropp	5	7	6	2	3	6	8	10	10	14
House	1	4	3	1	2	4	6	9	9	13
Mohito	-	-	1	1	2	7	11	14	15	18
Sinsay	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	10	13	21
Outlets	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Esotiq	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

### **SEE REGION - FLOORSPACE**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Floorspace (ths m <sup>2</sup> )	7	11	10	7	10	23	34	48	53	81
Reserved	6	8	7	4	8	15	22	31	34	53
Cropp	1	2	2	1	1	2	3	4	4	6
House	0	1	1	0	1	2	3	4	4	6
Mohito	-	-	0	0	1	3	4	6	6	8
Sinsay	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	4	5	8
Outlets	-	-	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Esotiq	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

### 5.7. WE REGION

The Western Europe although geographically close to Poland, was not our priority in the past. Firstly, because we saw more opportunities in the East and we thought that 'war on two fronts' was too difficult. Secondly, we thought that the competitive landscape in the West was unlikely to change dramatically, while in the East we were starting from the same point as our international competition.

Along with geopolitical issues in the CIS and withholding the expansion there, we thought the right time had come to set the foothold on the Western European markets. The most appealing elements of WE markets are high customer affluence, sizeable population and high quality floorspace (both in terms of high streets and shopping malls). On top, it is now our goal to increase the brand recognition of our anchor Reserved brand.

Germany was the first country that we entered. German entry was unique for us, due to several reasons: (1) the country was first entered via internet store (in July 2014) and only later (September 2014) the first brick-and-mortar store followed; (2) the stores are sizeable (twice the size of an average Reserved store) allowing for the display of the full range of our collections; (3) we started by opening flagships on high streets instead of shopping mall floorspace only and (4) the start was marked by co-operation with international star, Georgia May Jagger. We believe this approach is going to be successful in the medium- to long-term. We had 19 stores operating in Germany at the end of 2018, with further development being dependent on their financial performance.

Step-by-step, we pursue further WE expansion. Our first Reserved store in the UK was opened in September 2017. It is situated in London city centre – Oxford Street. The UK launch was combined with the start of our e-store.

Although no new countries were opened in 2018, in 2019 we aim to open stores of all brands in Finland.

### WESTERN EUROPE REGION OVERVIEW



	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
No. of stores	-	-	-	-	-	4	12	16	20	20
Germany	-	-	-	-	-	4	12	16	19	19
UK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Floorspace (ths m <sup>2</sup> )	-	_	-	-	-	8	27	38	48	49
Germany	-	-	-	-	-	8	27	38	45	46
UK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3

### WE REGION - STORES & FLOORSPACE BY COUNTRY

### WE REGION - STORES & FLOORSPACE

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
No. of stores	-	-	-	-	-	4	12	16	20	20
Reserved	-	-	-	-	-	4	12	16	20	20
Floorspace (ths m <sup>2</sup> )	-	-	-	-	-	8	27	38	48	49
Reserved	-	-	-	-	-	8	27	38	48	49

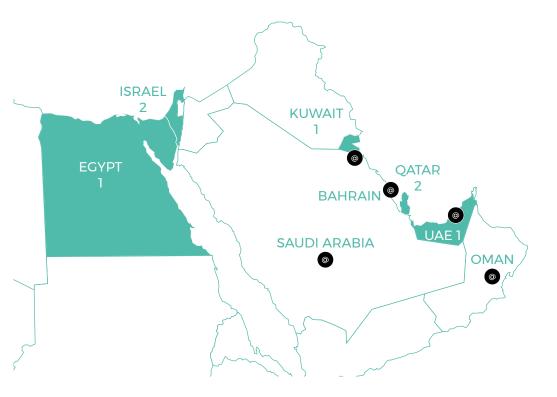
### 5.8. ME REGION

The Middle East is the region we have entered most recently. The expansion was initiated in 1Q15. The development takes place via franchise stores with the openings run mostly by our franchise partner Azadea.

Franchise operations mean that we sell to our franchise partner as to a wholesaler, i.e. without the retail margin. As a result, we obtain a wholesale not a retail margin on these revenues. However, the benefit is that we do not bear capex for store openings. Our offering for the Middle East encompasses almost all the items that are available in other countries, however the mix and proportions are different, taking climate and cultural differences into account. The offer is targeted not only at the Middle East citizens but also at tourists.

The Middle East region is a diverse one. We started our expansion in Egypt, in Cairo. The second market was Qatar and then Kuwait, which have much lower populations than Egypt, yet much higher affluence. Saudi Arabia was the fourth country entered in 2015, while at the beginning of 2016 we launched our first store in United Arab Emirates. However, in 2017 our partner decided to close down the store in Saudi Arabia. Currently, only Reserved brand is being developed. In 2018 first franchise stores were opened in Israel. We have a different franchisee in Israel than in other ME countries.

#### MIDDLE EAST REGION OVERVIEW (END OF 2018)





Third-party e-commerce platform (Namshi.com)

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
No. of stores	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	6	6	7
Egypt	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1
Kuwait	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1
Qatar	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	3	2
Saudi Arabia	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
United Arab Emirates	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Israel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Floorspace (ths m <sup>2</sup> )	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	7	7
Egypt	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	2	2
Kuwait	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1
Qatar	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	2	2
Saudi Arabia	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-
United Arab Emirates	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Israel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2

### **ME REGION - STORES & FLOORSPACE BY COUNTRY**

### **ME REGION - STORES BY BRAND**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
No. of stores	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	6	6	7
Reserved	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	6	6	7
Floorspace (ths m <sup>2</sup> )	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	7	7
Reserved	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	7	7

### 6. VALUE CHAIN

We create value for our customers by offering them interesting designs matching their tastes at attractive prices and in high quality stores. The value chain is managed

by a calendar which points when works on collection should start and when the goods should hit the stores.



### 6.1. DESIGN

Our added value lies in designing the clothes that we sell. We have an approximately 250-strong team of designers while the total number of people creating collections exceeds 750. They originate mostly from various art schools in Poland, among other from Gdańsk, Warsaw, Poznan, Cracow or Łódź. We increasingly often employ foreign designers to bring in new fresh ideas, eg. the head of Reserved women collection

is Sho Kondo. We run three designing centres, one in Cdańsk (in our headquarters, responsible for Reserved, Cropp, Sinsay), one in Cracow (responsible for House and Mohito) and third centre in Warsaw (a back-up design centre for Reserved). We search for the most talented people, co-operate with design schools and run employer branding projects, in order to find most creative and suited individuals.



#### **Fashion fairs**

by participating in numerous fashion fairs and closely watching the catwalks, mostly abroad but also domestically.

#### Market research

conducted on selected groups in order to improve customer understanding, monitoring fashion-devoted internet portals, blogs and highstreets.

#### **Street fashion**

we take inspiration also from the streets of the most fashionable cities, as this is where trends are often born. Our designers not only visit London, Paris and Milan but Tokio and Seul as well.

#### Fashion catalogues and lookbooks

studying publications aiming to predict the main trends in upcoming seasons.

#### **Sales analysis**

the top-quality IT systems enables to capture trends and shows what types of garments customers of all five brands prefer (fabric, texture, colour and style).

#### **Social media**

another place where trends are born and popularised are social media which we follow to know which trends are being accepted by stars and by the general public.

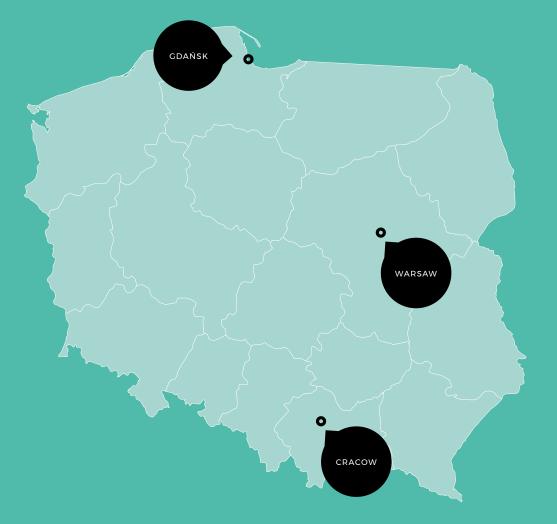
### **DESIGN CENTRES IN 3 LARGEST CITIES IN POLAND**







- LPP's largest design centre.
- The centre is responsible for Reserved, Cropp and Sinsay brands.
- Design centre for House and Mohito brands.
- Co-operation with designing schools.
- Design centre responsible for Reserved.
- Showroom of all brands.



Individual ideas of designers are summed up and collection books are prepared by combined forces of designers, purchase department, product managers and heads of departments. As a result, a detailed documentation of each planned model is created, which not only takes the design but also available fabrics into account.

Once a piece of clothing has been designed, a sample garment has to be created. Once all the samples have been obtained, a so called Mile Stone Meeting (MSM) is organised with all interested parties and the samples are judged. This encompasses checking whether they fit the design, whether the cut is a proper one and assessing the quality of fabrics and the usefulness of the design in real life. The samples are prepared in various sizes and these are also verified. After the MSM, comments are sent to suppliers.

We prepare two main collections for all our brands: Spring/Summer (SS) and Autumn/ Winter (AW) and each season consists of two phases. Phases are then split into intakes, whose number depends on the brand. The collections are structured so as to incorporate: a base (a set of universal clothing), core (a mix of latest trends with types of garment that customers want to wear) and directional (must-haves, most fashionable items). It is the degree of these trends that differs depending on the brand.

Preparation of project models and sending documentation to suppliers	•••	Placing orders for models (price, dates, quality, quantity)	•••	Co-ordination of the production process	•••	Shipping, display and sale of models	•••	Introduction of sell-offs and withdrawal of unsold products
1		2		3		4		5
STAGE 1: Analysis of previous seasons and determination of demand STAGE 2: Inspirational meeting STAGE 3: Preparation of projects STAGE 4: Projects sent to suppliers		STACE 5: Evaluation of designs prepared by suppliers STACE 6: MSM (meeting to decide on orders) STACE 7: Sending comments to suppliers STACE 8: Placing orders and negotiating terms of a contract		<b>STAGE 9:</b> Production monitoring		STACE 10: Allocation, organization of delivery and transportation STACE 11: Visual merchandising STACE 12: Sale and customer service STACE 13: Replenishment		STAGE 14: Competition price survey STAGE 15: Price adjustments in seasonal sell-offs STAGE 16: Changing seasons and withdrawal of the end of line products

### 6.2. PRODUCTION

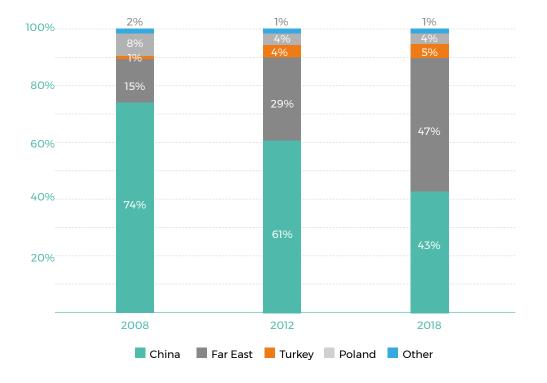
We run a lean business model and thus do not own factories. Production is sourced mostly from the Far East. China constitutes 43% of our supplies while the remaining Far East countries 47%. These are Bangladesh, Pakistan and Myanmar. 5% of our production is sourced from Turkey. We believe that the sourcing structure should remain relatively stable in the upcoming seasons, though we will continue to look for favourable new sourcing countries.

Sourcing in the Far East is supervised by our offices in Shanghai (China, opened in 1997) and in Dhaka (Bangladesh, opened in 2015). Shanghai office is run by natives mostly and employs over 100 people. The office is responsible for quality checks, finding new suppliers, supporting production and negotiating contracts. Our office in Dhaka currently deals with quality checks among Bangladesh suppliers, conducts audits of workers safety and working conditions of the factories, in which LPP's clothes are produced.

The production process is dependent on the outcome of the designing process. Once designs have been approved, an Ordering Application is created in LPP's IT system. It indicates the amount of pieces to be produced for each model, in which stores the clothing is to be sold as well as the required delivery dates. These are sent to the purchasing department which is responsible: 1) for negotiating the best prices for these parameters and 2) for confirmation of delivery dates. After this, orders are sent to suppliers which need to confirm their receipt and terms via a sales confirmation document. Only then, can the production process begin.

Before producing the garments, the supplier needs to obtain the fabrics, from which the clothes are to be produced. At this stage final product documentation is confirmed. Once the production has been completed, the supplier files for a quality control. Production lead time is much shorter if European countries are the sourcing partners. In such situations the cycle takes even as little as 30 days. It usually refers to must-have collections. Information about responsible production processes can be found in Corporate Social Responsibility chapter later in this document.

#### **CHANGES IN PRODUCTION SPLIT**





### 6.3. LOGISTICS

Once the goods are produced, they need to be delivered to our distribution centres and later to stores. The suppliers ship them in containers (majority of goods; journey takes between 30 to 40 days) or use road or air transport.

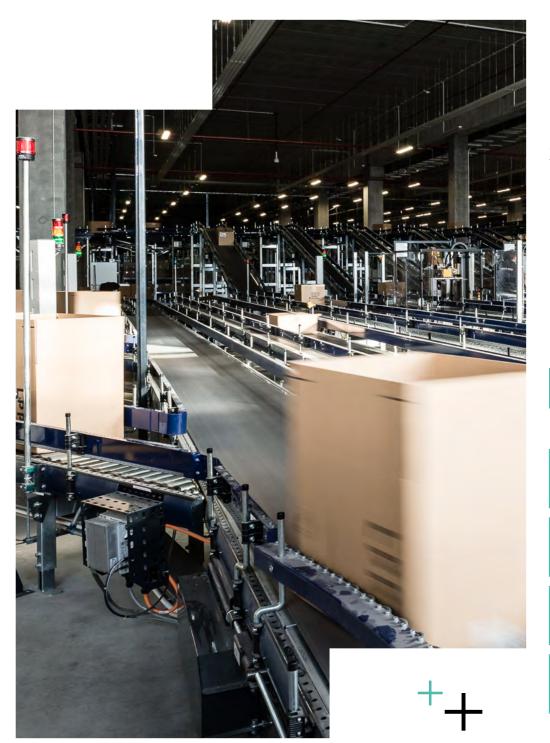
The goods are sent directly to one of our distribution centres. The first one (larger and more important) is located in Pruszcz Gdański (near Gdańsk, Poland, where headquarters are located) while the second one is near Moscow (Russia). On average the goods spent some two weeks in a distribution centre where they are repacked and sent to stores. Depending on the suppliers, the goods are either sent packed by type (eg. trousers in

all sizes) or as pre-packs (specific number of items in specific sizes and colours) or crossdocs (allowing for fast delivery to stores). Once the goods are in the distribution centre, they are repacked for each of the stores possessed.

In 2H17 we expanded the number of distribution centres supporting our e-commerce operations. We outsourced e-commerce operations of selected brands to Arvato and we launched a centre dedicated to e-commerce in Russia. We also have a facility centre responsible for e-commerce near Gdańsk. Further expansions of our logistics base are planned.







Deliveries to stores take place every day, yet a store obtains new goods on average every 2 to 3 days. We do not own transportation vehicles. The logistics process is outsourced to couriers. The Moscow centre supplies Russian stores, while to all other countries goods are delivered from Pruszcz Gdański. The two possessed distribution centres responsible for the traditional stores differ from one another. The Pruszcz Gdański centre is owned and is located on a plot of land owned by LPP. The location in Gdańsk proximity is highly convenient for the marine transportation used. The centre's size was expanded in 2015. When built in 2007, the centre had 30.5 ths m<sup>2</sup>, while its expansion added 35.5 ths m<sup>2</sup>. The Moscow centre, on the contrary, is rented only and the number of  $m^2$  rented depends on the season (typically it is 9.5 ths  $m^2$ ). 60% of goods that are delivered to Russia are sourced from this centre. Stores in Kazkhstan are also sourced from this centre. Due to the growing importance of the e-commerce business, we now have three distribution centres operating the e-commerce solely. Each of these is rented, two are located in Poland, while one is located in Russia.

### PRUSZCZ GDAŃSKI DISTRIBUTION CENTRE LOGISTICAL PARAMETERS MINILOAD PARAMETERS 8 m pieces sent weekly (up to 1.5m per day) 200 ths cardboard boxes 18 m high storage sent weekly 120 containers accepted per week

**1.000** workers in distribution centre 655 ths storage positions for boxes (target 1,177 ths)

28 alleys / 120 m long

3,750 operations an hour



# NEW DISTRIBUTION CENTRE

BRZEŚĆ KUJAWSKI (CENTER OF POLAND)

### 100,000 m<sup>2</sup>

planned warehouse space

### up to 1,000

new jobs

2022

planned launch

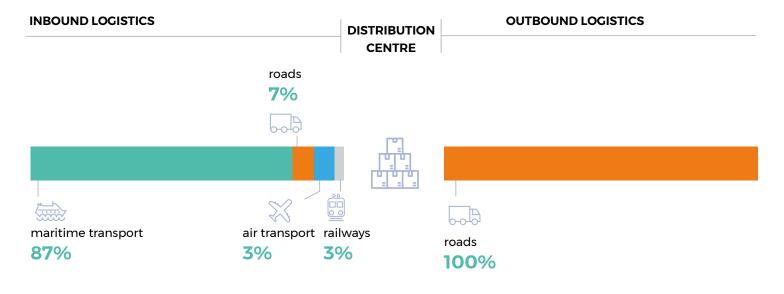
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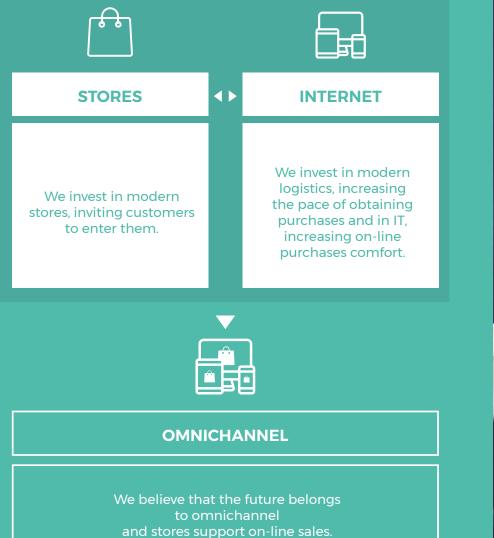


### SHARE OF DIFFERENT MODES OF TRANSPORTATION IN 2018

(by the number of items shipped)



### 6.4. SELLING











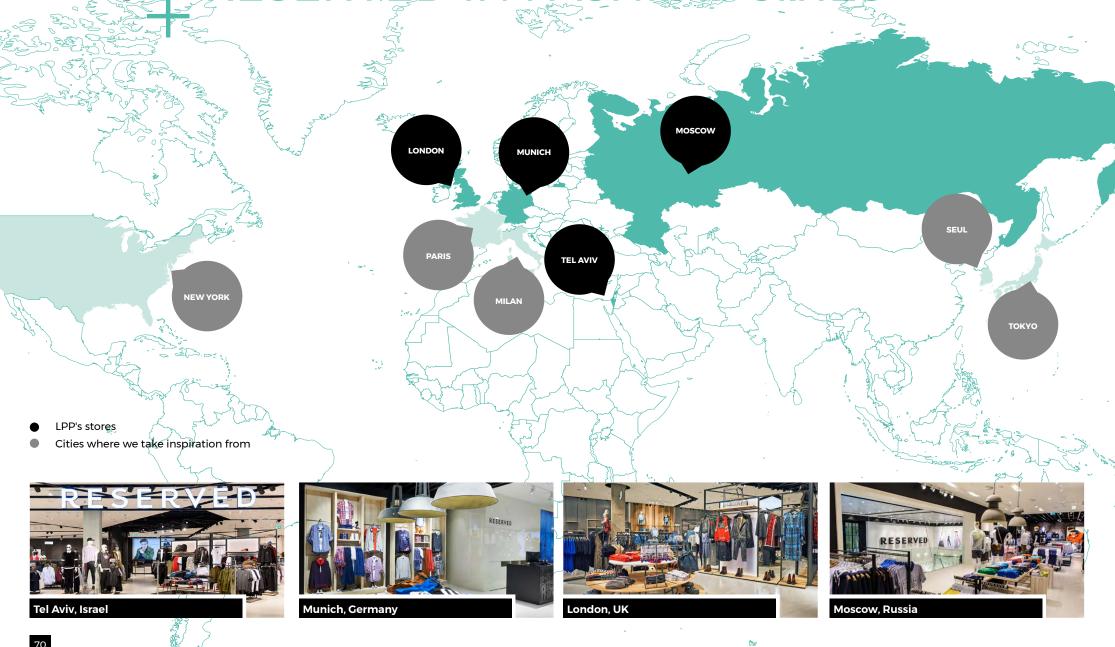
Reserved in Riga, Latvia





**Reserved in Belgrade, Serbia** 

### ERVED IN FASHION CITIES >~)



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### 6.5. ADVERTISING

We aim to attract as many customers as possible, as traffic and brand recognition are the key to our success and growth in value. Growing conversion rates and average ticket sales are what we strive for at all our brands in traditional stores but also in e-commerce.

Due to diversity of our brands, people in all ages and sizes are our customers and target customers. As a result, we use various types of advertising to communicate with our customers:

#### Internet and social media

we want to be present on the most important fashion blogs. All our brands have dedicated profiles on Facebook,YouTube and Instagram.

### **Star collections**

designed by international or local celebrities. In 2018 Reserved collections were advertised by Cindy Crawford and Joanna Kulig (award-winning Polish actress).

### Sponsporship

brands take part in projects that could increase their recognition (eg. fashion fairs, artistic projects, Cropp Baltic Games).

### **Fashion influencers**

we promote our clothes by co-operating with fashion influencers who show our collections on their social media.

We also monitor what the customers purchase in both the traditional and on-line stores. A detailed sales analysis conducted by types of clothes, cities, countries, sizes and colours is a useful tool in determining the shapes of future collections.



# LPP's SELECTED FASHION CAMPAIGNS

### SS11/AW11/12

**SS08** 

Star collection with

AW08/09

Star collection with

Gosia Baczyńska

AW10/11

Anna Jagodzińska

Karmen Pedaru

Paprocki&Brzozowski



Magdalena Frąckowiak

Sasha Pivovarowa

### SS12 / AW12/13

Anna Vialicyna

Julia Stegner

SS13 / AW13/14



Cara Delevingne

Freja Beha Erichsen

SS14	

Frida Gustavsson

AW14/15



Georgia May Jagger

### Anja Rubik



## SS15

Georgia May Jagger star collection

Elizabeth Jagger

Jerry Hall

Brooklyn Beckham

AW15/16

Georgia May Jagger

### Zuzanna Bijoch





Magdalena Frąckowiak

AW17/18



Kate Moss

Irina Shayk







Joanna Kulig

# 7. BUSINESS MODEL

Below we present an in-depth description of our business model and details on how our financial results are generated.

# 7.1. REVENUES

The revenues we generate are made up of two parts: the retail and the wholesale one. The retail portion is generated in our stores and e-stores. The wholesale part is made up of sales to franchisees and sale of promotional clothing. The retail part of our revenues continues to grow strongly not only due to tradional stores but also e-commerce development. Below we present the retail line split into: store revenues and e-commerce.

# 7.1.1. STORE REVENUES

Store revenues encompass revenues of our five brands: Reserved, Cropp, House, Mohito and Sinsay. The scale of store revenues depends on: (1) the scale of the retail network and (2) average sales per m<sup>2</sup> recorded.

**Network size**. The network size is a derivate of number of stores and their average floorspace. For forecasting purposes the scale of the network is better to be looked at from the perspective of square meters of floorspace than number of stores, as the square meters decide on the level of selected costs of stores. The network size is generated by multiplying the number of stores by average store size. We look at our floorspace through the perspective of brands possessed, as these differ in terms of store size. Even though the networks of Reserved, Cropp and House have a similar number of stores, the floorspace of Reserved dominates in terms of square meters. Over the past years, the average store size has been expanding, accommodating for growing number of items within collections. We believe such a situation is going to continue, as we need larger stores to accomodate for more elaborate collections.

The development targets of brands are set at the country level. Such an approach allows to judge further expansion potential. It is our intention to be in the best shopping malls and the most important high streets. Naturally, the lower the number of stores and the higher the affluence of customers, the more abundant the growth

### **GROUP REVENUES**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Revenues (PLN m)	2,003	2,079	2,493	3,224	4,116	4,769	5,130	6,019	7,029	8,047
YoY growth	23%	4%	20%	29%	28%	16%	8%	17%	17%	14%
Revenues/m <sup>2</sup> monthly (PLN)	674	572	610	675	664	589	536	575	628	662
YoY growth	-4%	-15%	7%	11%	-2%	-11%	-9%	7%	9%	5%
Store revenues	1,845	1,933	2,364	3,054	3,921	4,560	4,937	5,703	6,571	7,235
YoY growth	23%	5%	22%	29%	28%	16%	8%	16%	15%	10%
E-commerce	-	4	4	6	27	65	79	173	361	712
YoY growth	-	-	16%	46%	343%	143%	22%	118%	108%	97%
Wholesale revenues	159	143	125	164	169	145	114	143	97	100
YoY growth	32%	-10%	-15%	31%	3%	-14%	-22%	26%	-32%	2%

perspectives are within selected towns, cities and countries. We do not set ourselves saturation targets, however see more expansion opportunities on the new markets entered. We concentrate on store quality not quantity.

**Sales per sqm**. Sales per square meter are best calculated on average floorspace and looked at on an average monthly basis. This indicator shows the average performance of all LPP's stores opened in the reporting period, both the mature and the new ones. Typically, it takes a new store up to 36 months to mature and start generating target turnover levels of a mature store. Due to stronger brand awareness maturity is easier to reach domestically than abroad. In times of fast floorspace expansion, the sales per sqm ratio may be falling. Then, the performance of the network is judged by LFLs (like-for-like, same store sales).

LFLs are the key indicator of our traditional store business' success. We measure these at stores that have been the same as a year before (i.e. have not changed their floorspace, have not undergone upgrades) and have been in operation for the past 12 months (without a break longer than 7 days). Calculations are conducted in local currencies, i.e. without taking into account changes in currencies in countries in which LPP's stores are run. LFLs are dependent on many factors, both internal and external ones. Internal factors include: the quality of collections and the degree to which these suit the customers' tastes, the pricing policy and price to quality ratio but also the proximity of other stores in the neighbourhood (cannibalization) and the amount of customers switching to internet purchases. External factors include traffic to shopping centres and stores, average ticket sales, number of pieces purchased by customers. We actively work on LFLs levels. The actions that we undertake include: (1) increasing the number of types of items within collections, (2) working to have the must-haves in the stores, (3) constantly upgrading the quality of floorspace (new store concepts), (4) investing in advertising and (5) conducting well-thought promotions.

# 7.1.2 E-COMMERCE

The fastest growing part of our operations is the e-commerce business. This is related to: (1) the number of brands in e-commerce, (2) the number of countries where we offer internet purchases, (3) the quality of our e-stores and as well as mobile applications and (4) time of delivery. We are in the process of introducing omnichannel which should support both our store and on-line operations.

# 7.1.3. WHOLESALE

Our revenues not only comprise of retail but also from wholesale. The two most important sources of wholesale revenues are: (1) franchise revenues – sales to our Middle East franchisee, sales of Russian and Ukrainian subsidiaries to wholesale operators; from 2017 this number also encompasses sales to Belarus and from 2018 Israel and (2) Promostars – offer for business customers with promotional clothes (includes T-shirts, sweaters, trousers, jackets, hats etc). The latter has been separated to a different entity, as its operations substantially differed from other our businesses.

### **GROUP LFLs**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
LFLs	-13.0%	-9.5%	15.7%	11.3%	5.6%	-2.5%	0.6%	6.4%	10.1%	7.2%

Successful collection recovery

# 7.2. GROSS PROFIT MARGIN

Gross profit is the amount of money that remains in the company after taking into account the costs of goods sold. These include production costs, customs duties and shipping the goods to our distribution centres. Also, since 2017 the line includes inventory write-offs.

The largest cost is the cost of suppliers. We do not own factories and thus look for the most attractive sources of clothes and accessories among third parties. Such an approach gives us flexibility to react to changing macroeconomic conditions and lowers cash outlflows (no construction capex needed). China has been our most important supplier since the company's inception. However, we have not produced in the same place over the years. Our office in Shanghai, supervising the production, is constantly on the lookout for new suppliers or better offers, taking the growing production quantities into account. Although China is our most important sourcing partner, we also produce in other Far East countries. The key reason is growing prices in China and its orientation on more sophisticated and value added production (e.g. we do not source simple T-shirts from China). Other countries that we produce in are: Bangladesh, Pakistand and Myanmar. Overall, the Far East constituted c.90% of our supplies. The rest is almost entirely split between Turkey and Poland. The production countries are important as some of them bear exports duties on textiles, aimed at protecting the EU markets. The customs duty reaches 12% from China and almost 10% from Vietnam. There are none relating to Bangladesh. Details can be found in the table below. Once manufactured, goods are transported to our distribution centres. Please note that customs duties are also important while selling goods abroad, e.g. to Russia and Ukraine.

The geographical divergence exposes us not only to customs duties but also to FX risks. The purchases from the Far East are denominated in US\$ mostly, while our revenues are linked to zloty and euro in majority. We do not hedge the purchases and try to include any changes in PLN/US\$ in prices for the end customers. Appreciation of zloty to US\$ is thus favourable for us and we can split the benefit with our customers. However, depreciation of zloty versus US\$ increases our costs of purchase and we try to at least partially transfer this additional cost onto the end customer. Due to the lead time from the Far East, the PLN/US\$ exchange rate lagged by two quarters is a good proxy of our gross profit margin trends. That is because prices of goods sourced in the Far East are set up while ordering them based on our FX rates forecasts. Price tags are printed in the Far East. Thus, changing price tags requires manual re-labelling of all the goods affected. That is conducted only in rare cases of strong currency movements in our distribution centre.

### **2018 CUSTOMS DUTIES BY COUNTRIES**

Bangladesh	0%	Myanmar	0%
Cambodia	0%	Pakistan	0%
China	12%	Thailand	12%
India	9.6%	Vietnam	9.6%
Indonesia	9.6%	Turkey	0%

The gross profit margin is affected not only by the US\$/ PLN relationship, but also by competitive pressure (the decisions of competitors), the affluence of customers and their propensity to consume as well as by the collections (whether or not they meet the needs of the customers).

The gross profit margin varies between quarters. We tend to have high margins in the second and the fourth quarter when we sell our collections in full prices. In 2H16 we introduced a new inventory management policy. As a result, we tend to minimise the number and scale of sell-offs after the arrival of new collections, but tend to maximise the amount of goods sold during the sell-off months. Post-season inventory is sold to third parties and does not return to our stores. In December 2016 we sold off obsolete inventory to improve our cash flows and lower inventory levels. Without this transaction, 2016 gross profit margin would come in at 50.8%. In 2017 our gross profit margin increased to 53.0% along with successful Reserved brand restructuring, while in 2018 it reached the level of 54.7%.

Also, it should be noted that since 2017 annual numbers we have changed the way we recognise inventory write-offs in our financial statements. Historically, these were booked in other operating line. However, since 2017 annual numbers we have shifted these into the gross profit margin, alining our reporting with the international retail giants.

For analytical purposes, apart from percentage margin, the gross profit should also be looked at in nominal per square meter level. This ratio is superior to sales per square meter as it takes also the pricing and discount policy into account.

### **GROSS PROFIT MARGIN**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Gross profit (PLN m)	1,058	1,133	1,424	1,827	2,409	2,793	2,743	2,934	3,727	4,401
YoY growth	9.6%	7.1%	25.6%	28.3%	31.9%	15.9%	-1.8%	7.0%	27.0%	18.1%
Gross profit/ m <sup>2</sup> monthly (PLN)	356	312	367	403	405	356	293	280	333	358
YoY growth	-15%	-12%	18%	10%	0%	-12%	-18%	-4%	19%	8%
Gross profit margin	52.8%	54.5%	57.1%	56.7%	58.5%	58.6%	53.5%	48.7%	53.0%	54.7%
USD/PLN average rate	3.12	3.02	3.23	3.26	3.16	3.15	3.77	3.94	3.78	3.61

Successful recovery of gross profit margin

# 7.3. SG&A COSTS

Apart from COGS our costs also comprise of SG&A costs (selling and general administration costs). However, we believe that our business model is easier to understand if we split the operating costs into costs of stores and costs of headquarters. For managerial purposes we look at costs at the per sqm basis and suggest a similar approach while analysing and forecasting our results. We are constantly working on improving the SG&A/m<sup>2</sup> ratio on a monthly basis. These have reached PLN 300 in 2012 while PLN 291 in 2018, despite inflation and growing salaries. Costs of stores dominate over costs of headquarters. Costs of stores took up 72% in 2018 SG&A costs, leaving 28% for HQ.

One of the characteristics of our business is a high operating leverage. 29% of our SG&A costs are variable while as much as 71% are fixed, i.e. this portion of operating costs does not change along with changes in revenues. The high operating leverage is favourable for us in moments of positive LFLs and growing sales, as the positive effect on EBIT is more than proportional. However, in times of slowdown and falling LFLs the operating leverage is working against us, requiring cost reductions to maintain EBIT levels.

**Costs of stores** comprise of two elements: costs of own stores and costs of franchise stores. Costs of franchise stores are constituted by the proportion of turnover that is paid by us to franchisees to cover for their costs. Costs of own stores are best looked at per sqm per month basis. The costs of own stores can be divided into three parts: rental costs, HR costs and other costs of own stores.

**Rental costs** (45% of 2018 costs of own stores) are typically denominated in EUR (77%), however other currencies also appear (US\$ 10%, mostly in CIS) as well as RUB, PLN and CZK (13%). The rental formulas tend to be complex and include a fixed and a floating element. The contracts we sign tend to have a fixed floor value which is paid until a certain level of store revenue is reached. Once the stipulated threshold is crossed, a certain percentage of turnover is paid to the landlord. As a result, we share to a larger extent with our landlord in times of economic prosperity, yet we have to cope with fixed cost in times of slowdown. We continuously work on more favourable rental levels, both domestically and abroad.

### **SG&A COSTS**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
SG&A costs (PLN m)	863	928	1,070	1,361	1,759	2,148	2,192	2,609	3,100	3,532
YoY growth	18%	8%	15%	27%	29%	22%	2%	19%	19%	14%
SG&A/m <sup>2</sup> monthly (PLN)	290	255	276	300	296	274	234	237	280	291
YoY growth	-8%	-12%	8%	9%	-1%	-8%	-14%	1%	11%	4%
% of sales	43%	45%	43%	42%	43%	45%	43%	43%	44%	44%
Costs of stores (PLN m)	648	745	833	1,075	1,423	1,731	1,780	2,080	2,377	2,555
YoY growth	30%	15%	12%	29%	32%	22%	2%	17%	14%	7%
Costs of headquarters (PLN m)	215	183	237	286	336	417	411	528	723	977
YoY growth	-7%	-13%	27%	21%	17%	24%	2%	28%	37%	35%

**HR costs** (27% in 2018 costs of own stores) are costs of employees working in our stores, both domestically and abroad. We try to optimize the number of employees per store. Although this differs from brand to brand (large Reserved stores versus medium size of other brands) on average there are 12 people per store. Their remuneration consists of a fixed and a variable portion, with the fixed portion being usually the minimum wage while the variable portion depending on the revenues of the store. We often recruit students to our stores for whom this is the first job.

**Other costs of stores** (28% in 2018) include many items like costs of media and electricity, security of the stores, payment card commission, depreciation (the largest part - half of the whole amount). Capex for the stores is depreciated over a 7-year period.

**Costs of headquarters** are all other costs not related directly to costs of stores. These include the costs of the management, accounting department, marketing, designing clothes and supervision over their production as well as e-commerce and logistics, i.e. the cost of shipping the goods from the distribution centres to stores.

Please note that the group's approach to HR has changed over the years. While showing the number of group employees, we take into account: 1) employees of the Gdańsk headquarters, Pruszcz Gdański distribution centre and Cracow and Warsaw offices, 2) employees of our foreign subsidiaries (foreign offices including Shanghai and foreign stores personnel) and 3) the personnel of Polish stores. Until the end of 2016, the personnel of Polish stores was not treated as our employees in financial statements, as these people were not directly employed by us. Within the group's operating cost structure, costs of employees could be found under HR costs line, while costs of personnel in Polish stores constituted part of third party services. This changed in 2017 - from this year, store personnel are our employees and their cost is treated as personnel cost. 2018 has been an exceptional year in terms of number of employees, as this has fallen in nominal terms. There are two key reasons: (1) transfer of part of responsibilities of employees to third party companies in search of efficiency, and (2) partial ban on trade on Sundays in Poland which allowed us to alter the working schedules.

Group's HR costs also include the costs of stock option programs for the management. These are based on shares and aim to align the goals of shareholders (growth in value) with the goals of the management. There have been several of these since LPP's inception.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
No. of group employees	6,739	7,880	9,277	12,014	15,854	19,970	21,563	25,106	25,635	25,174
Employees in Poland	5,281	5,847	6,762	8,198	10,515	12,767	13,894	16,239	14,736	14,294
office & warehouse	1,413	1,353	1,380	1,370	1,651	2,039	2,200	2,708	3,320	3,347
stores	3,868	4,494	5,382	6,828	8,864	10,728	11,694	13,531	11,416	10,947
Employees abroad	1,458	2,034	2,515	3,816	5,339	7,203	7,669	8,867	10,899	10,880
office	208	241	266	331	383	455	454	486	539	501
stores	1,250	1,793	2,249	3,485	4,956	6,748	7,215	8,381	10,360	10,379

### **EMPLOYEES DATA**

# A NEW BREAKDOWN OF SG&A COSTS FROM 2019

Until the end of 2018 we showed selling costs and general & administrative expenses. Since 2019, instead of selling costs, we have decided to show costs of stores, e-commerce and logistics which are the most important SG&A costs.

Overheads consists now of marketing costs, back-office, selling and product divisions.

The sum of SG&A costs has not changed. We have restated 2018 numbers.

Reasons for change: consistency of cost items in financial statements with those in management reports, superior reflection of the business model, an easier way to show the impact of IFRS16.

# 7.4. EBIT

EBIT is generated by the difference between gross profit per sqm and SG&A costs per sqm. Thus, maximization of this amount is our key focus. We do it bothways: 1) aiming to maximize gross profit per sqm and 2) minimizing costs per sqm.

However, the operating profit also needs to be adjusted for the other operating line, which has been and is going to remain a negative contributor. The key reason behind the negative result are the inventory losses (thefts and damages of goods in the stores). Until 2017 annual numbers, the other operating line included write-offs for unsold inventory, yet these have been moved to the gross profit line.

### EBIT

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
EBIT (PLN m)	181	199	343	454	616	609	503	226	578	757
YoY growth	-16%	10%	72%	32%	35%	-1%	-17%	-55%	155%	31%
EBIT margin	9%	10%	14%	14%	15%	13%	10%	4%	8%	9%

# 7.5. NET FINANCIALS LINE

There are two key elements influencing the net financials line, interest paid on debt, interest obtained on cash held and foreign exchange differences.

# 7.5.1. INTEREST PAYMENTS

The interest payments are a consequence of the level of debt and net interest payments depend on the scale of net debt. Over the past years we have used different sources of funding, including bank loans as well as convertible bonds. Currently, only bank loans are used yet to a lower extent. The level of short-term debt, used to finance ongoing operations, is higher than the long-term indebtedness which largely consists of loans taken to finance distribution centre and headquarters expansion. Short-term financing cost is more favourable than the long-term one. Financial costs line also includes provisions and fees for the banks.

# 7.5.2. FX DIFFERENCES

We calculate FX differences at each balance sheet date, i.e. their level changes every quarter.

There are two areas of FX differences in our net financial line: (1) FX differences resulting from balance sheet items (mostly liabilities which constitute payments for goods ordered) and (2) receivables from subsidiaries to be paid to the parent company (a way of financing foreign subsidiaries). Historically, we did not hedge, yet we changed our approach from 2H17.

Over the past years we have taken steps to reduce this exposure. Firstly, in 2Q14 we converted the Russian rubble denominated receivables into the equity of our subsidiary. The aim was to lower the scale of volatility the depreciation of Russian rubble would have on the group's earnings in the following years. The aim has been achieved. However, we point out that historically when we faced negative equity at

selected foreign subsidiaries (e.g. Hungary, Romania, Czech Republic) receivables from them had been converted into equity.

Secondly, we decided to lower the scale of receivables along with our foreign subsidiaries growing in scale and strength. Thirdly, since 2H17 we introduced hedging of invoices from our suppliers. This should also lower the variability of the net financials line. We hedge the invoice value the moment it is sent to us by our supplier. We use delivery forwards. As the transactions do not constitute hedge accounting, the impact is visible in the net financials line only.

### **NET FINANCIALS**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	20]7	<u>2018</u>
Net financials (PLN m)	-42	-18	-12	-30	-92	-149	-88	-32	-15	-33
Financial income	3	11	14	2	2	3	2	1	5	8
Financial costs	45	29	26	32	94	152	90 /	34	20	41

Much lower scale of FX differences due to counteractive measures undertaken.



# **7.6. TAXES**

Taxes in the income statement consist of current and deferred taxation. Current taxation is the amount of income taxes payable for the period. It consists of sum of taxes paid by all the subsidiaries of LPP group. It is important to note that the tax bases are not cumulated and tax is paid in each of the countries present. Thus, a loss in one country does not offset income earned in another country.

Deferred taxation is an accounting adjustment aimed to match the tax effect of transactions to the relevant accounting period. Thus, deferred taxes line estimates future tax consequences of transactions and events recognised in the financial statements of current and previous periods. We have both permanent and temporary differences between the accounting and tax treatment. Permanent differences result from some types of the costs not being allowed by tax office (eg. entertainment, penalties and fines) and temporary ones (different methods of depreciation of assets for the purpose of financial statements and tax accounting). Deferred taxion relates to the latter.

However, it should be noted that there are differences between the tax in financial statements and tax paid (visible in cash flow) is the simplified method of taxes paid, chosen by us in 2005. The normal tax advances method requires calculation of advances based on monthly earnings. The simplified method allows to pay monthly advances based on T-2 audited earnings and an equal monthly instalment is paid each month. The difference is then corrected in March and paid to the tax office.

### **2018 TAX RATES BY COUNTRIES**

Poland	19%	Latvia*	0%	Romania	16%
Czech Republic	19%	Estonia*	0%	Cyprus	2.5%
Slovakia	21%	Russia	20%	Germany	30.5%
Hungary	9%	Serbia	15%	Slovenia	15%
Croatia	18%	Ukraine	18%	Kazakhstan	20%
Lithuania	15%	Bulgaria	10%		

\*20% CIT if profit is distributed.

### TAXES

PLN m	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Taxes	35	43	62	70	91	-22	63	19	123	219
Current taxation	47	40	64	72	97	95	56	27	135	231
Deferred taxation	-13	4	-3	-2	-6	-117	7	-7	-12	-12
Effective tax rate	25%	24%	19%	17%	17%	-5%	15%	10%	22%	30%

# 7.7. NET PROFIT

The level of net profit is a derivative of all the actions described above. On top, historically we recorded a small level of minorities which had to be taken out from the group net income. This resulted from the parent company not having a 100%

stake in some small subsidiaries. Between 2012 and 2014 the level of minorities shown was related to our subsidiary in United Arab Emirates. There were no minorities in 2015 and 2016. A small amount appeared in 2017 yet not in 2018.

### **NET INCOME**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Net income (PLN m)	105	137	269	352	431	480	351	175	441	505
YoY growth	-38%	31%	96%	31%	22%	11%	-27%	-50%	152%	15%
Net margin	5%	7%	11%	11%	10%	10%	7%	3%	6%	6%

# 7.8. CASH CYCLE

The net working capital and the cash conversion cycle are important cash flow elements that show the performance and characteristics of our business model.

Net working capital is defined as trade receivables plus inventories minus trade liabilities. Once these are translated into days, the formula defines a cash conversion cycle. Please note that in calculations we use a 365 day year and average values of inventory, receivables and liabilities.

Due to a long lead time of production in the Far East, the net working capital takes away from our operating cash flows. This is because we sell the inventory slower than we pay our liabilities, though this is in the process of changing. However, overall our business model generates cash, despite this NWC drag, due to high gross profit and operating margins.

Trade receivables include receivables from our clients. As a vast majority of our clients are retail customers, the related receivables turnover is very short, ranging up to 2 days maximum if credit card not cash is used as a payment mode. However, the trade receivables line also includes receivables related to the wholesale business. These are responsible for the receivables days ratio ranging below 10 days. As we do not use pre-payments while ordering goods from the Far East, these do not affect the trade receivables line.

Inventory consists of three elements: (1) goods in transit – from factories to the final port (FOB, i.e. Free on Board, method used), (2) goods in the warehouse, (3) goods in

stores. The nominal level of inventory has been growing and may continue to do so. This results from ongoing network expansion – each new store increases the demand for working capital as more goods need to be ordered. Fast growing internet operations are also blurring the picture. Thus, it is more practical to look at inventory from a per square meter perspective. For analysis we use end-of-period group floorspace with exception of the ME and Belarus franchise stores. This ratio has been relatively stable in the past though appreciating US\$ versus zloty puts a pressure on working capital and increases the value of inventory held and inventory ratios. Over the past years inventory days have oscillated around 150 days.

The level of liabilities depends on Far East purchases. Some 20% of settlements with suppliers is conducted in the form of a letter of credit. We also use other payment modes like documentary collection and bank transfers. Goods are ordered 3-4 months in advance of their shipment and the latter takes up to 30-40 days to Poland. Our liabilities cycle grew from below 100 days to over 140 days.

Please also note that the cash cycle ratio underwent changes between 2016-18. At the end of 2016 we disposed off obsolete inventory which improved the inventory days. We have also started implementing the supplier financing programme which expanded in 2017 and continued in 2018. We have expanded our trade liabilities period by using supply chain financing and offering our suppliers the possibility to discount their invoices at the banking platform with the use of LPP's discount rate. We have reached our aim to finance inventory with trade liabilities.

### **CASH CYCLE**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Net working capital (PLN m)	176	207	331	309	421	538	713	448	350	155
Receivables	78	96	114	130	163	177	115	165	200	122
Inventory	323	424	595	656	805	979	1,320	1,164	1,473	1,590
Liabilities	225	313	378	478	548	619	721	881	1,323	1,557
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Cash cycle (days)	74	56	72	66	60	70	84	61	33	16
Receivables (days)	14	15	15	14	13	13	10	9	9	7
Inventory (days)	152	144	174	163	156	165	176	147	145	153
Liabilities (days)	91	104	118	112	110	108	102	95	122	144

Note: In calculations we use a 365 day year and average values of inventory, trade receivables and liabilities.

Reaching the target of financing inventory with trade liabilities.



# **7.9. CAPEX**

### **SPLIT OF CAPEX**

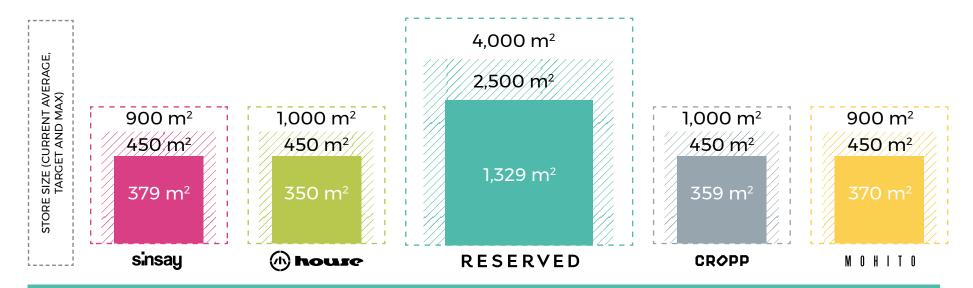
Apart from net working capital, capex is our most important cash outflow. Capital expenditure incurred can be divided into three areas:

**Capex on stores**: Outlays include costs of setting up new stores in shopping malls and high streets as well as costs of refurbishing and upgrades. The majority of outlays is conducted for new stores. Maintenance capex (understood as rebuilts and extentions) constitutes c.10% of all store capex spending. Our capex spending is reduced by fit-outs from shopping mall developers. Our target capex is now close to PLN 3,000/m<sup>2</sup> and may go up in the future along with more openings in Western Europe. It should also be noted that capex per sqm meter is calculated not on net additions (difference in end-of-period values) but on gross floorspace additions (not made public). In 2019-20 we will be incurring higher than historical level of store capex. This is not only related to larger network but also a sizeable portion of our store rental agreements expiring. We have decided to thoroughly renew these stores that are to remain.

**Capex on logistics:** Historically, this capex line was oriented on the Pruszcz Gdański distribution centre. There were two waves of the outlays. The first when the new distribution centre was built. The second one, when the distribution centre was expanded (finished in 2Q15). Construction cost PLN 120m, while expansion PLN 177m. This is now changing. The current distribution centre together with rented warehouses should be sufficient until 2022. We have decided to locate the next distribution centre in Brześć Kujawski. The centre is already being built and should be operational in 2022.

**Other capex:** The latter includes, among others, spending for refurbishing of headquarters and IT. E-commerce outlays are an increasingly important contributor to this line.

# + STORE UPGRADES TO CONTINUE



We plan to continue to gradually enlarge the average size of stores of all our brands so as to accommodate room for more comprehensive collections.



### **FIT-OUTS**

Fits-outs are a form of compensation for investment in stores given to us by shopping mall operators and developers. In general these constitute a reduction of capex and should be looked at combined with the capex levels shown as outflow in the investing cash flow.

We show fit-outs in three places in our financial statements:

- A portion of fit-outs is booked as a cash inflow in the investing cash flow.
- A small proportion of fit-outs comes back to us in cash.
- The remaining portion of fit-outs is booked as a gain on sale of assets. Until the end of 2014 this gain constituted part of other operating income. From 2015 the accounting treatment changed, and the gain is depreciated over the useful life of the store (7 years) and treated as a reduction in rentals. Due to a sizeable scale of rentals, the change has a very limited impact on our profitability. Another change took place in 2018 with the whole value of fit-out reducing the level of rentals, proportionally to the lenght of the agreement.

### **HEADQUARTERS**

Our headquarters have not changed since the company's inception. These are located in Gdańsk at Łąkowa street. On top, we rent some additional floorspace in Gdańsk to accommodate all personnel. In Poland, we also have offices in Pruszcz Gdański, Cracow and Warsaw.

Our Gdańsk headquarters have been expanded and revitalised. The project was initiated mid-2013 while finalised in September 2015. The refurbished space includes a restaurant for employees as well as showers and changing rooms for those commuting by bicycles.

The current floorspace is not enough and works are underway to conduct further expansion of our offices. Nearby land plots have been purchased. Contrary to current modernised offices, the new buildings are to be built from scratch. We have space to build four new buildings. New buildings will be opened from the end of 2019 to 2021.

### CAPEX

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Capex (PLN m)	95	101	129	288	542	551	491	272	442	799
Stores	77	87	109	272	455	386	392	230	376	489
Logistics	2	1	8	4	56	100	31	5	5	181
Other	16	13	12	13	30	65	67	37	61	129
YoY growth	-62%	6%	28%	123%	88%	2%	-11%	-45%	62%	81%
% of sales	5%	5%	5%	9%	13%	12%	10%	5%	6%	10%

### **INFRASTRUCTURE SPENDING PLAN FOR 2018-22**

PLN m	2019	2020	2021	2022	TOTAL
Stores	670	620	500	450	2,240
Stores in Poland and abroad	670	620	500	450	2,240
Offices	110	110	70	0	290
New office Gdańsk Łąkowa - building 1	50	-	-	-	50
New office Gdańsk Łąkowa - building 2	30	40	-	-	70
New office Gdańsk Łąkowa - building 3	-	70	70	-	140
New office Cracow	30	-	-	-	30
Logistics	30	200	200	0	430
Expansion DC Pruszcz Gdański	20	-	-	-	20
New DC in Brześć Kujawski	10	200	200	-	410
IT & others	50	50	50	50	200
TOTAL	860	980	820	500	3,160



# 7.10. NET DEBT VERSUS DIVIDEND

We use debt in financing our growth in order to: 1) speed-up our development, 2) increase ROE and 3) lower WACC (weighted average cost of capital). Short-term debt is used to finance net working capital charges and store openings. Long-term debt is related to longer tenure projects, mostly financing of distribution centre expansion and refurbishing of the headquarters and financing new store openings. Historically, debt was also used to acquire our competitor Artman. Currently, we use bank debt yet to a lower extent and do not have any corporate bonds outstanding. Our banking exposure is split into several large banks in Poland. Debt is no longer taken only on the parent level. We diversify the exposure and debt is taken also locally by subsidiaries, eg. in CIS. Due to cash generation of the business in 2017 we have

moved from net debt to net cash and we have doubled the net cash position in 2018. We believe the net cash levels should continue. Usage of debt and fast floorspace growth have not stopped us from dividend payments. The first dividend was paid from 2009 earnings in 2010. Dividend per share has grown at a 2010-14 CAGR of 17%, picking up from PLN 50 to PLN 93.6. The external turbulences in 2014-16 have led us to the decision to cut the dividend payment in 2015 (DPS of PLN 32 from 2014 earnings) and in 2016 (DPS of PLN 33 from 2015 earnings). Since then dividends have been on the rise, reaching PLN 60 per share and PLN 110.1m from 2018 earnings, paid out in June 2019.

### **NET DEBT**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Net debt (PLN m)	228	272	173	27	209	399	621	144	-316	-753
Cash and equivalents	197	96	117	159	149	184	224	366	515	1,045
Long-term debt	343	278	86	125	184	204	284	195	142	89
Short-term debt	82	91	204	61	174	378	561	315	56	203
Net debt/EBITDA (x)	0.8	0.9	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.5	0.9	0.3	-0.4	-0.7
Dividends (PLN m)	-	86	135	140	154	170	58	60	66	73
YoY growth	-	-	56%	4%	10%	10%	-66%	3%	9%	12%

Note: Dividends are shown under the year paid.

# 7.11. GOODWILL

The goodwill and trademark values recognized on our balance sheet relate to acquisitions of Artman SA (majority) and Slovak franchisee (Koba AS). As purchase of Artman SA in 2008 encompassed taking private a WSE-listed competitor, a controlling premium had to be offered to minority investors to de-list the target. Given the sizeable scale of cost synergies generated from acquisition of two additional brands (House and Mohito), the value allocated to goodwill and trademark has not changed over the years, even though an impairment test had been conducted annually. We do not see risk of write-offs in the foreseeable future. Should we cancel goodwill out, our tangible equity still remains sizably in the black.

### GOODWILL

PLN m	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Intangible assets	13	11	12	18	20	29	37	44	64	90
Goodwill	184	184	184	184	184	210	210	210	210	210
Trademark	78	78	78	78	78	78	78	78	78	78
Equity	686	734	909	1,211	1,496	1,638	1,890	2,135	2,443	2,861
Tangible equity	412	462	637	932	1,215	1,323	1,565	1,804	2,092	2,484
Assets	1,362	1,426	1,614	1,932	2,492	2,934	3,565	3,678	4,207	5,381

Note: Tangible equity is calculated as total consolidated equity minus all intangibles.

# **IFRS 16 APPLICATION FROM 2019**

IFRS16 Leasing had a sizeable impact on our financial statements since 2019. The standard replaces IAS17 and indicates that all leases should be treated as finance leases versus the so-far division of leases into operating and finance ones. As a result, a new right-of-use asset was created on the balance sheet which will be amortised during the course of the lease (equivalent to the weighted average length of rental agreement). Also, a corresponding liability was created, which will be recognised under amortised cost.



# 8. FINANCIALS

### **CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT**

PLN m	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Revenues	2,003	2,079	2,493	3,224	4,116	4,769	5,130	6,019	7,029	8,047
COCS	945	946	1,069	1,397	1,707	1,977	2,388	3,085	3,302	3,645
Gross profit	1,058	1,133	1,424	1,827	2,409	2,793	2,743	2,934	3,727	4,401
SG&A costs	863	928	1,070	1,361	1,759	2,148	2,192	2,609	3,100	3,532
Costs of sales	773	837	968	1,228	1,605	1,943	2,012	2,405	2,752	3,064
G&A costs	90	91	102	132	154	205	179	204	348	468
Other operating line	-14	-6	-10	-12	-34	-35	-48	-99	-42	-113
Other operating income	28	23	21	28	34	46	24	25	36	36
Other operating costs	42	28	31	40	68	81	73	124	77	148
EBIT	181	199	343	454	616	609	503	226	578	757
Net financials	-42	-18	-12	-30	-92	-149	-88	-32	-15	-33
Financial income	3	11	14	2	2	3	2	1	5	8
Financial costs	45	29	26	32	94	152	90	34	20	41
Taxes	35	43	62	70	91	-22	63	19	123	219
Minorities & discontinued operations	0	0	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	0
Net income	105	137	269	352	431	480	351	175	441	505
Depreciation	96	96	95	109	148	194	224	267	293	349
EBITDA	277	295	439	563	764	803	726	494	872	1,106

### PLN m 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 Revenues 23% 4% 20% 29% 28% 16% 8% 17% 17% 14% COGS 44% 0% 13% 31% 22% 21% 29% 7% 10% 16% **Gross profit** 10% **7**% 26% 28% 32% 16% -**2**% 7% **27**% 18% SG&A costs 8% 27% 22% 19% 18% 15% 29% 2% 19% 14% 21% Costs of sales 8% 16% 27% 31% 21% 4% 20% 14% 11% 33% 34% G&A costs -4% 1% 12% 29% 17% -13% 14% 71% Other operating line -28% -59% 78% 15% 189% 2% 38% 103% -58% 131% Other operating income 226% -20% -9% 34% 22% 36% -47% 5% 41% 24% 50% 72% Other operating costs -33% 9% 28% 19% -10% 71% -38% 92% EBIT -16% 10% 72% 32% 35% -1% -17% -55% 155% 31% 123% 151% Net financials 2,613% -57% -34% 203% 63% -41% -63% -54% Financial income -84% 259% 27% -84% 6% 28% -34% -34% 264% 77% **Financial costs** 126% -36% -11% 27% 190% 62% -41% -63% -42% 112% -24% 43% 13% 30% -387% 537% 78% Taxes 26% -124% -69% Minorities & discontinued operations 164% -100% 268% -100% -22% 22% ---Net income -38% 31% 22% -**27**% 31% **96**% 11% -50% 152% 15% 45% 15% 19% Depreciation 0% -1% 14% 36% 31% 20% 10% **EBITDA** -1% 6% **49**% 28% 36% 5% -10% -32% **77**% 27%

### CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT, YOY DYNAMICS

### **CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET**

PLN m	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Non-current assets	740	710	745	910	1,232	1,516	1,797	1,839	1,920	2,418
Tangible fixed assets	442	420	448	599	897	1,039	1,259	1,291	1,348	1,818
Intangible assets	13	11	12	18	20	29	37	44	64	90
Goodwill	184	184	184	184	184	210	210	210	210	210
Trademark	78	78	78	78	78	78	78	78	78	78
Investments in subsidiaries	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other investments	0	0	1	1	10	2	2	0	0	0
Receivables and loans	1	1	5	9	13	6	6	6	5	8
Deferred tax assets	22	16	19	23	30	144	139	144	159	164
Pre-payments	0	0	0	0	0	9	67	67	57	51
Current assets	622	716	869	1,022	1,260	1,417	1,768	1,839	2,287	2,963
Inventory	323	424	595	656	805	979	1,320	1,164	1,473	1,590
Trade receivables	78	96	114	130	163	177	115	165	200	122
Receivables from income tax	0	1	2	5	17	11	47	75	6	0
Other receivables	15	23	31	60	97	46	35	0	0	0
Loans	1	0	0	0	12	0	0	2	2	135
Other financial assets	0	69	0	0	0	0	0	29	48	38
Pre-payments	7	7	10	11	16	20	27	38	44	33
Cash and cash equivalents	197	96	117	159	149	184	224	366	515	1,045
Total assets	1,362	1,426	1,614	1,932	2,492	2,934	3,565	3,678	4,207	5,381

### **CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET**

PLN m	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Equity	686	734	909	1,211	1,496	1,638	1,890	2,135	2,443	2,861
Share capital	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Treasury shares	-49	-49	-49	-49	-49	-43	-43	-43	-43	-43
Additional paid-in capital	108	108	150	235	235	235	235	251	278	279
Other capital	512	548	562	657	860	1,092	1,324	1,608	1,823	2,252
Foreign exchange differences from subsidiaries	1	-1	-5	-3	-4	-184	-229	-115	-208	-232
Retained earnings	110	124	244	365	447	532	599	430	590	601
Profit (loss) from previous years	5	-13	-25	13	16	52	248	255	149	96
Net profit (loss) for the current period	105	137	269	352	431	480	351	175	441	505
Minority interest	0	0	3	3	3	3	0	0	0	0
Long-term liabilities	348	281	89	131	192	211	344	267	233	346
Bank loans	227	156	86	125	184	204	284	195	142	89
Other financial liabilities	116	122	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Provisions for employee benefits	0	1	1	1	3	2	2	3	1	1
Provision for deferred income tax	1	2	2	4	5	5	7	4	7	1
Other long-term liabilities	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Accruals	0	0	0	0	0	0	51	66	83	256
Short-term liabilities	328	411	615	590	803	1,085	1,331	1,276	1,530	2,174
Trade and other liabilities	225	313	378	478	548	619	721	881	1,323	1,557
Income tax liabilities	14	1	12	19	38	38	3	7	53	234
Bank loans	76	87	118	61	174	378	561	315	56	203
Other financial liabilities	6	4	86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Provisions	3	3	15	20	25	20	18	38	54	107
Special funds	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Accruals	3	4	7	12	19	29	28	34	44	72
Total liabilities	1,362	1,426	1,614	1,932	2,492	2,934	3,565	3,678	4,207	5,381

PLN m	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Pre-tax profit (loss)	139	181	331	424	524	460	414	194	564	724
Total adjustments	179	17	-77	57	-15	33	-160	524	330	488
Amortisation and depreciation	96	96	95	109	148	194	224	267	293	349
Income tax paid	-65	-53	-53	-56	-92	-91	-128	-59	-92	-42
Net working capital	128	-43	-145	-22	-96	-127	-223	256	101	125
- Change in inventories	127	-103	-159	-72	-178	-259	-382	212	-354	-133
- Change in receivables	18	-28	-17	-103	-82	52	7	-36	-39	4
- Change in liabilities	-17	88	31	153	165	80	152	80	494	254
Change in provisions	-3	0	13	5	8	0	-1	16	15	61
Other adjustments	22	15	12	21	17	58	-31	44	12	-4
Net operating cash flow	318	197	254	481	509	493	254	718	893	1,212
Investing inflows	25	62	95	31	49	88	75	91	58	635
Сарех	-95	-101	-129	-288	-542	-551	-491	-272	-442	-799
Other investing outflows	-2	-92	-5	-3	-25	-13	0	0	0	-540
Investing cash flow	-71	-131	-40	-261	-518	-476	-416	-181	-384	-704
Financing inflows	164	15	6	4	220	283	365	16	26	369
Interest bearing debt	164	15	3	4	220	283	365	16	26	369
Other	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Financing outflows	-304	-183	-200	-182	-220	-265	-164	-410	-386	-348
Treasury shares	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dividends	0	-86	-135	-140	-154	-170	-58	-60	-66	-73
Interest bearing debt	-280	-75	-46	-23	-52	-79	-87	-329	-309	-261
Other	-24	-22	-19	-20	-14	-17	-19	-22	-17	-14
Financing cash flow	-139	-168	-194	-178	-1	17	201	-394	-360	21

### **CONSOLIDATED RATIOS**

PLN m	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Gross profit margin	52.8%	54.5%	57.1%	56.7%	58.5%	58.6%	53.5%	48.7%	53.0%	54.7%
EBITDA margin	13.8%	14.2%	17.6%	17.5%	18.6%	16.8%	14.2%	8.2%	12.4%	13.7%
EBIT margin	9.0%	9.6%	13.8%	14.1%	15.0%	12.8%	9.8%	3.8%	8.2%	9.4%
Net income margin	5.2%	6.6%	10.8%	10.9%	10.5%	10.1%	6.8%	2.9%	6.3%	6.3%
ROE	15.3%	18.7%	29.6%	29.1%	28.8%	29.3%	30.6%	19.9%	8.7%	19.3%
Cash cycle (days)	74	56	72	66	60	70	84	61	33	16
receivables	14	15	15	14	13	13	10	9	9	7
inventory	152	144	174	163	156	165	176	147	145	153
liabilities	91	104	118	112	110	108	102	95	122	144
Net debt/ EBITDA	0.8	0.9	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.5	0.9	0.3	-0.4	-0.7
Net debt/ equity	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.3

# 9. STRATEGY

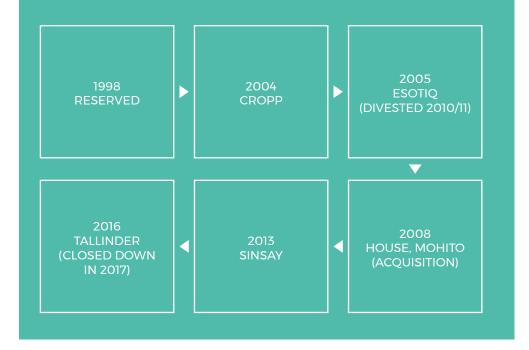
The base of strategy has not altered over the past years. We aim to grow, developing our existing brands as well as expanding the number of countries present. While we grow, we tailor our offer to meet the preferences of our customers in different countries. However, given changes on the retail market, we also invest and develop e-commerce. We aim to become a global company with our brands being recognized all over the world.

# 9.1 EXPANSION BY BRANDS

It is our strategy to continue to develop our existing five brands. The intention is to capture new customers, achieve economies of scale during the design and sourcing process and increase the leverage while negotiating the level of rentals and fit-outs as well as the quality of floorspace with the shopping mall operators. On top, it allows us to develop niches within a selected price range and helps us target customers with different affluence. Furthermore, our brand portfolio diversifies the fashion risk, especially the risk borne by the largest Reserved brand.

Our past performance shows that we have been able to execute our strategy effectively. Even though we only started with Reserved brand in 1998, we have successfully developed Cropp, Esotiq (divested, management buyout) and Sinsay. Two brands have been acquired along with the Artman merger (House and Mohito).

### **EXPANSION BY BRANDS**



Our brands have different customers, starting with children (part of Reserved, RE Kids), through teenagers (Cropp, House, Sinsay) and ending with more mature customers (Mohito and Reserved).

All these brands are in the mainstream part of the retail market. We wanted to diversify away from the mainstream pricing to benefit from growing customer affluence within the majority of regions we are present in. In February 2016 we launched our first up-market brand, Tallinder, which offered classical designs made of high quality materials. However, due to unsatisfactory sales results in September 2016 we decided to close down Tallinder stores as of the end of February 2017. For the time being, we do not have plans for yet another brand launch.

THINKING GLOBALLY, ACTING LOCALLY

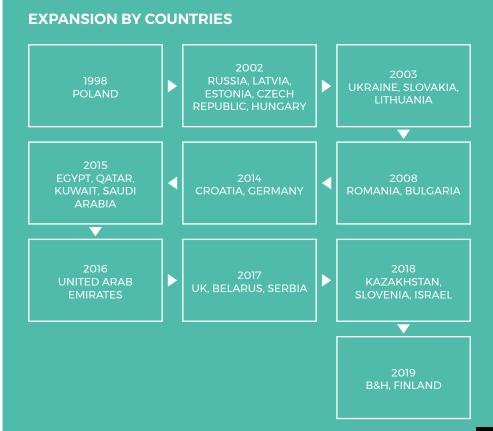
# **9.2 EXPANSION BY COUNTRIES**

Growth by number of brands would not be complete if it had not been for development by countries. The key intention is to diversify the performance of the group from the anchor Polish market and gain exposure to higher-growthpotential or more affluent countries. It is our long-term target to have all the brands in all countries present. The strategy is gradually put into practice. A new market is typically tested with the broad Reserved brand, while in later stages the remaining brands are added. Such a situation currently takes place in the Western Europe and in the Middle East.

We are currently present in six geographical areas on three continents. Each of the markets is at a different stage of development and has different growth prospects. The Central and Eastern Europe (CEE) consisting of Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia and Hungary is a mature market for us, due to early entry. A similar situation takes place in the Baltic region, encompassing Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia. Growth on both these markets could come from selected new openings and work on efficiency of existing operations.

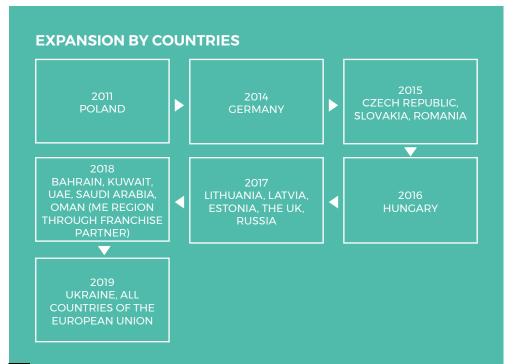
We see higher growth potential in CIS (Commonwealth of Independent States) and SEE (South Eastern Europe). The situation in CIS is different. Due to geopolitical issues development in Russia and Ukraine has been put on hold in 2015. Selective openings took place in 2016, yet from 2017 we accelerated floorspace development, which continued in 2018. We see long-term growth potential in Russia, due to large number of towns with population above 1 million. In 2017-18 we enlarged the number of CIS countries present and launched franchise operations in Belarus and own in Kazakhstan. We are present in five countries of South Eastern Europe (Bulgaria, Romania, Croatia, Serbia and Slovenia) leaving the potential to expand in these and enter new countries. We opened our first store in Serbia in August 2017. We entered Slovenia in 2018 and Bosnia&Herzegovina in 2019.

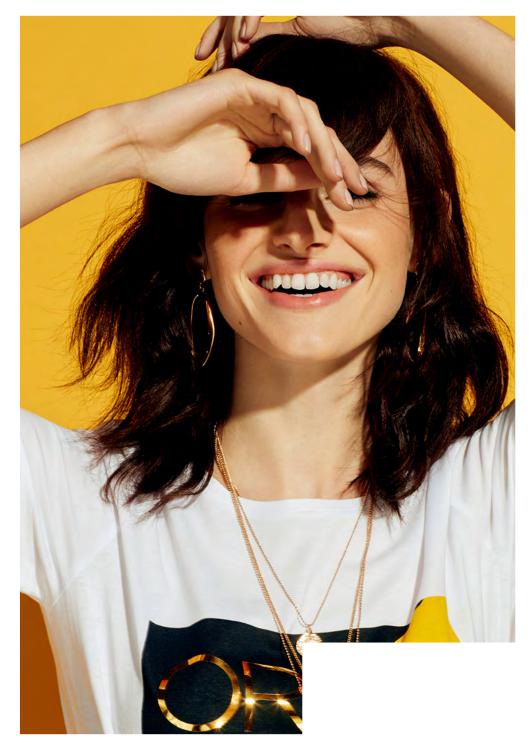
The highest growth potential lies in two markets at early stage of development – Western Europe (WE) and the Middle East (ME). In Western Europe so far we are only present in Germany and in the UK. We are looking at other WE countries, yet we await BEP in Germany before taking decision on further moves in that country. In 2019 we plan to enter the third WE market which is Finland. We are also on the look-out for a venue for flagships. In September 2017 we opened our first flagship in London, at Oxford Street. We take Milan/Italy and Paris/France into account as other possibilities for flagships. At the end of 2018 we were present in five Middle East countries, as we entered Israel in 2018.



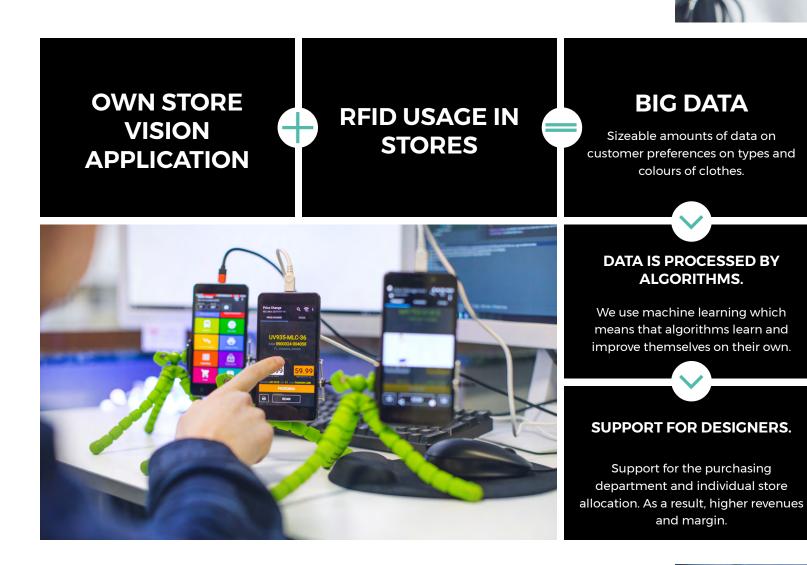
# 9.3 E-COMMERCE

We see that e-commerce and the overall experience in the form of omnichannel are the future. This is why we continue to invest in logistics and technology that allows us to double e-commerce revenues. We plan to gradually have e-stores of all our 5 brands in all the countries that we have our brick-and-mortar operations. Although Poland is more important to e-commerce revenues than it is to traditional stores, this should gradually be changing. At the end of 2018, we had traditional stores in 23 countries, while own e-commerce operations in 11 countries (though all our five brands were present on 10 of these markets). Two most important sources of growth should be: (1) continued switch to internet sales and (2) new countries entered. As a result, in 2019 the number of e-commerce countries should reach 35, exceeding by 10 the number of countries with traditional stores. In 2018 we started having e-commerce operations in five Middle East countries (decision of our franchise partner). In 2019 our e-stores should be operational in the whole European Union and in the Ukraine.





# 9.4 LPP TECH



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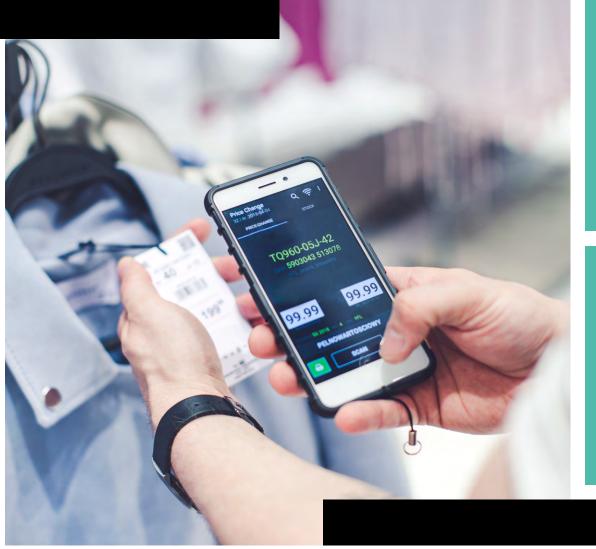
# **RFID TO SUPPORT BUSINESS**

### **HOW STORES BENEFIT?**

60% faster delivery receipt

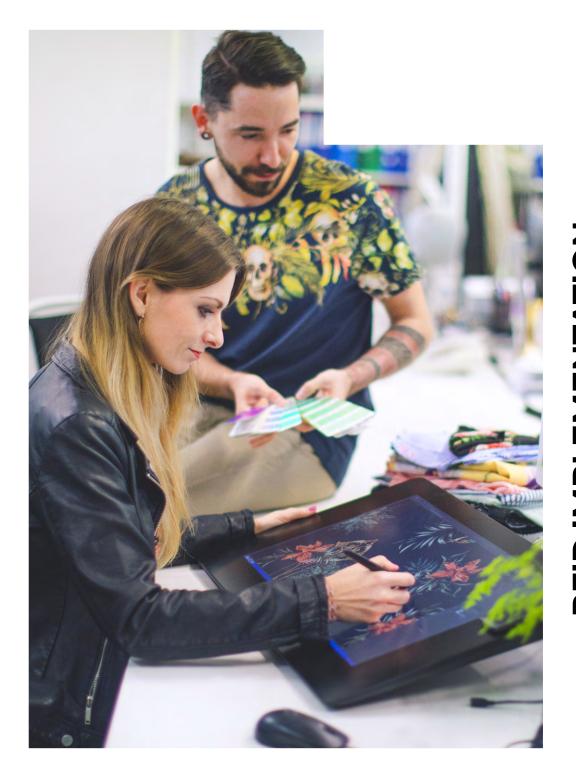
70% shorter time of product registration at the counter

Faster transfer of goods from the storage room to the sales room (availability of 95% of models and sizes)



PLN 60m annually - cost of electronic tags that will be circulating between stores and suppliers.

Additional costs: IT department work time, purchase of new IT tools, investments in stores and distribution centers.



# RFID IMPLEMENTATION

### 2018 2019 Preparation for the process, **RFID** implementation planning of activities, in Reserved brand budgets, employees' engagement. 2020 2021+ **RFID** implementation Achieving full integrity in in Cropp, House, Mohito the supply chain and some and Sinsay. 3% sales increase. Achieving first benefits On-line deliveries from in Reserved. stores.

# **10. OUTLOOK**

We plan to develop two-ways: by opening on-line stores and by adding new traditional floorspace.

We have in-house developed the Reserved brand. In 2004, we launched the teenage oriented Cropp brand. In 2005 we launched the underwear Esotiq brand, divested to its management at the end of 2010. Along with the Artman merger we have obtained the House and Mohito brands. In 2013, we have successfully launched the girls-oriented Sinsay brand. 1Q16 marked the start of our sixth brand, Tallinder, the first one in the upper part of the retail market, with high quality clothes and more traditional cuts. However, due to unsatisfactory sales results, in September 2016 we took the decision to close the brand as of the end of February 2017.

We are present in several regions, each having different growth opportunities. In 2019 we plan to have 1,227.1 ths m2, up 12.5% YoY. The growth in majority is to come from opening of company-owned stores versus franchise stores. Opening of larger stores should also contribute to floorspace expansion.

### **Central Eastern Europe**

In Poland, development of the more mature Reserved, Cropp and House brands is going to depend on new shopping malls openings. We see potential for more dynamic add-ons in other brands. From 2017 we concentrate on quality not quantity of the stores and as a result, we close suboptimal locations whose rental agreements expire. This trend will continue in the next two years. In other countries from the Central Eastern Europe region like Czech Republic and Slovakia we feel we have reached a maturity stage, with more dynamic openings possible in Hungary. On-line stores of all brands are present in each country of the region.

### Baltic

Similarly to the CEE region, we think that the Baltic markets like Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia are relatively mature ones. There, we plan to focus on sales efficiency rather than on new openings. On-line stores of all five brands were opened in three regional countries in April 2017 and this is where we see further growth.

### **Commonwealth of Independent States**

We still see development potential in the CIS markets, i.e. Russia and Ukraine, looking at the population of both countries and the amount of high quality shopping mall floorspace available. From 2H16 we accelerated development in Russia and later on in Ukraine. 2H17 marked the start of our on-line stores in Russia, while Ukraine should be launched in 2019. In 2017 we opened the first franchise stores in Belarus, while 2018 marked the first own stores in Kazakhstan.

### South Eastern Europe

We are optimistic about the South Eastern Europe region. At the end of 2018 were present in five countries: Bulgaria, Romania, Croatia, Serbia and Slovenia, leaving upside in terms of number of countries in the long-term. We see significant improvement in our Romanian operations. Successful management change, new store openings and improved macroeconomic situation, have all led to a new start in this high-growth potential market, which we plan to continue in the medium-term. Romanian openings should dominate over the Bulgarian and Croatian ones. First stores in Serbia were opened in 2017. Entry to Slovenia materialised in 2018, while 2019 marked the start in Bosnia & Herzegovina.



### Western Europe

We are currently only in two countries of Western Europe. The first is Germany, while the second is the UK. Even though the first stores in Germany were opened in 2H14, Germany was our fifth market by revenues in 2018. Currently, all five brands are present on-line, but only Reserved brand has traditional stores on the ground. Once its success is proven, we are likely to deploy other brands for development. In 2018 we have reached our target of 19 stores in Germany. Further growth should take place once these reach a BEP. In the medium-term, we also plan to enter other Western European markets. In September 2017 we opened our first flagship Reserved store in London (UK). It is located at Oxford Street. In 2019 we plan to enter the third WE country by opening stores of all our brands in Finland. We are also looking for flagship space in Italy (Milan) and France (Paris). Also, in 2019 our on-line stores should be operational in all countries of the European Union.

### **Middle East**

We plan to continue our expansion on the Middle East market via franchise stores. In the medium-term, more countries in the region could be entered (such as Bahrain, Jordan, Lebanon and Oman) however, the growth is dependent on the macroeconomic and political situation as well as the number of tourists in the region. We also plan to continue to develop in Israel - first franchise stores were opened in 2018 with more to follow in 2019. Similarly to Germany, so far only Reserved stores have been opened, leaving upside potential for other brands. Our franchise partner took the decision to take the Reserved brand on an external e-commerce platform. From July 2018 Reserved products are available on-line in Saudi Arabia, UAE, Bahrain, Oman and Kuwait.

WE HAVE GLOBAL ASPIRATIONS



	2017	2018	YoY growth	2019	YoY growth
Reserved	562.3	616.7	9.7%	675.1	9.5%
Cropp	127.2	134.0	5.3%	154.7	15.4%
House	110.6	116.2	5.1%	132.7	14.1%
Mohito	103.8	109.4	5.4%	114.6	4.8%
Sinsay	84.6	103.0	21.8%	141.0	36.8%
Outlets	12.1	12.0	-0.8%	9.1	-24.2%
CEE	602.1	635.4	5.5%	669.2	5.3%
Baltic	43.0	43.5	1.1%	53.1	22.1%
CIS	247.3	275.4	11.4%	314.9	14.4%
SEE	53.1	81.0	52.5%	126.1	57.3%
WE	48.5	49.0	1.1%	55.6	13.4%
ME	6.6	7.1	7.2%	8.3	17.2%
TOTAL,FLOORSPACE	1,000.6	1,091.3	9.1%	1,227.1	12.5%

### FLOORSPACE DEVELOPMENT TARGETS



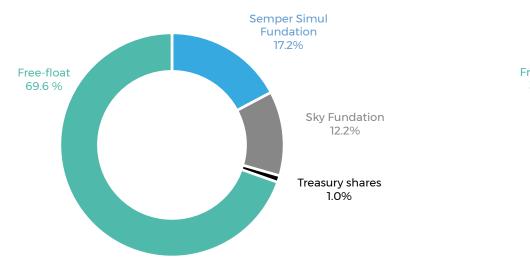
## **11. PRESENCE ON WARSAW STOCK EXCHANGE**

LPP has been listed on the WSE since 2001. Within those years, due to our consistent and well-executed growth strategy, we have advanced from a mid-cap company to a WIG20 blue-chip, attracting not only Polish but also international investors.

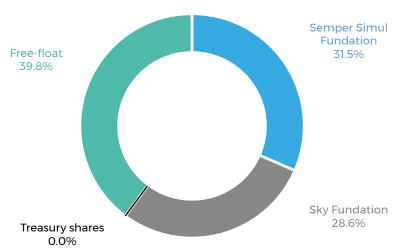
## **11.1. SHAREHOLDER STRUCTURE**

LPP's shareholder structure underwent sizeable changes in the past years. The founders Marek Piechocki and Jerzy Lubianiec have transferred their shares to foundations in order to: protect the company against fragmentation of capital in the future, ensure the family status of the company and maintain the current culture and longevity of the company. The CEO, Marek Piechocki, transferred shares to the Semper Simul Foundation (always together), which currently holds 17.2% of equity and 31.5% of votes. The Chairman of the Supervisory Board, Jerzy Lubianiec, transferred his shares to the Sky Foundation, which currently holds 12.2% of capital and 28.6% of votes. Transfer of shares does not mean an automatic succession - both founders remain in their positions. Both ordinary and privileged shares (1 to 5 in votes) are deposited in the foundations. LPP has a sizeable 69% free-float. The company holds a c.1% of its equity in treasury shares, which are used for the purpose of stock option plans.

#### SHAREHOLDERS BY EQUITY - 31.12.2018



#### SHAREHOLDERS BY VOTES - 31.12.2018



LPP's stock performance shows the success story of the company since its debut on the Warsaw Stock Exchange (WSE).

In 2001 a successful IPO of G series shares took place. New investors subscribed for 300,000 shares, each for PLN 48 issue price. In 2003 the company issued new H series shares. The investors subscribed for 190,000 shares at issuing price of PLN 265. The funds gathered from both issuances were used to develop the network of Reserved stores and investments in IT systems. The highest LPP share price on WSE was PLN 10,170 reached in January 2018.

TICKERS		PERFORMANCE	AS OF 31.12.2018
WSE	LPP	1Y	-12%
BLOOMBERG	LPP PW	3Y	+41%
REUTERS	LPPP.WA	5Y	-13%

#### LPP'S SHARE PRICE: From IPO until end-2018



#### LPP'S SHARE PRICE SUMMARY

PLN	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Share price eop	1,590	2,165	2,016	4,550	9,000	7,235	5,555	5,674	8,910	7,850
Min cob	932	1,640	1,803	1,960	4,406	7,235	5,230	3,820	5,090	7,535
Max cob	1,668	2,255	2,371	4,800	9,477	10,100	8,099	6,210	9,063	10,170
EPS basic	61.28	79.48	154.08	198.77	239.18	264.98	193.87	96.19	241.36	275.53
DPS	0	50.0	76.9	77.4	85.1	93.6	32.0	33.0	35.7	40.0
Dividend yield	0.0%	2.3%	3.8%	1.7%	0.9%	1.3%	0.6%	0.6%	0.4%	0.5%
Payout ratio	0%	83%	98%	52%	44%	39%	12%	17%	37%	22%
Weighted average number of shares	1,726,514	1,728,879	1,746,800	1,780,848	1,809,725	1,809,725	1,812,145	1,816,932	1,826,537	1,833,483

Note: Prices from infostrefa.com. Cob stands for close of business. Dividends shown under the year in which they were paid. DPS of PLN60.0 to be paid out from 2018 earnings in 2019.

## **11.2. INDEX PRESENCE**

LPP's successful business model has been reflected in increased interest of foreign institutional shareholders in the stock. Along with rising earnings and growing share price, the liquidity of the shares has also augmented. Domestically, LPP is a member of WIG20 and WIG30 indices. WIG20 is the most important index on the WSE. LPP has entered the index in March 2014 and currently is the sole clothing retailer in it. At the end of 2018 LPP had a 4.8% weight in WIG20 index. WIG30 is the index of the most liquid companies on the WSE, introduced in September 2013. LPP has been its member since inception and held a 4.6% weight in this index at the end

of 2018. LPP is also a member of the broadest index of the WSE - the WIG Index. At the end of 2018 LPP had a 3.6% weight in the index. Apart from domestic indices, LPP is also a member of important foreign indices. Firstly, since August 2014 LPP has been a member of MSCI Poland index, the key benchmark index for foreign financial institutions investing in Poland. LPP's shares are also present in three FTSE indices: All-World Index, Emerging Index and Global-Style Index. FTSE indices are tracked e.g. by ETFs.

## 11.3. AWARDS

We have always strived to run an open dialogue with our shareholders and stakeholders. We are pleased that our company has been several times awarded by its shareholders and financial media.

#### **SELECTED AWARDS RELATED TO INVESTOR RELATIONS:**

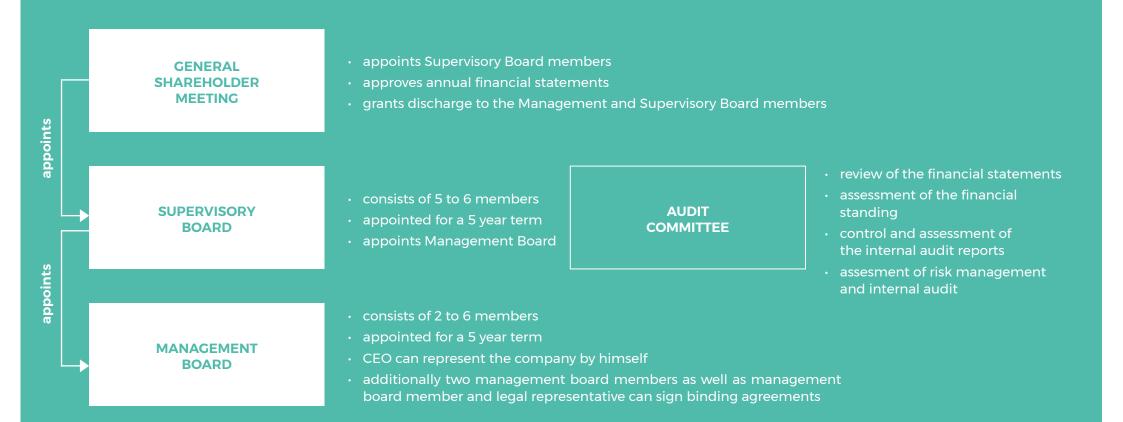
- Top Investor Relations awarded by Parkiet newswire for 2017 and 2018.
- Top Listed Company of the Year by Puls Biznesu (2017, 2018).
- Number 1 in the Investor Relations category in the ranking run by Parkiet (Polish financial newswire) in 2014 and in 2015.
- The Company of the Year title in the ranking Puls Biznesu (Polish financial newswire) in 2014, 2012 and 2011.
- mWIG40 Company of the Year title in the ranking run by Parkiet in 2012.

#### SELECTED AWARDS RELATED TO BUSINESS:

- Digital Excellence Awards for Store Vision (2018).
- Polish company International Champion: distinction in the Exporter category: Polish private company a large enterprise (2017).
- Index of Success awarded by Deloitte and Rzeczpospolita newswire in 2016 for the last 10-year performance.
- Number 31 in the Most Innovative Growth Companies' ranking 2015 awarded by US Forbes Magazine granted to 100 companies worldwide.
- The most dynamically growing company in the Pomeranian region by Forbes in 2014.
- The Brand of the Year in the Trade category granted by Ministry of Economy and Rzeczpospolita daily in 2014.
- The CEE Retail Award, The Fashion Retailer of the Year 2011.
- The Best of European Business in the Growth category in 2008.

Digital Excellence Awards for Store Vision (2018)	
Top Listed Company of the Year by Puls Biznesu (2017, 2018)	Biznesu
Top Investor Relations by Parkiet (2017, 2018)	<b>BARKIET</b>
Polish company - International Champion: distinction in the Exporter category: Poland. Private company - a large enterprise (2017)	Puls Biznesu
Index of Success awarded by Deloitte and Rzeczpospolita newswire in 2016 for the last 10-year performance	<b>WRZECZPOSPOLITA</b>
Most effective CEO (2013)	Harvard Business Review

## 12. CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY



# 12.1. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Corporate governance and transparency are of key importance for us. There are three levels on which corporate governance is exercised, the general shareholders' meeting, the supervisory board and the management board.

The general shareholders' meeting takes place at least once a year. It appoints the supervisory board of the company, approves the consolidated and nonconsolidated financial statements as well as grants discharge to the actions of management and supervisory board members.

According to our bylaws, the supervisory board consists of between 5 to 6 members. It is appointed for a 5-year term. The board appoints and supervises the actions of the management board and serves as an audit committee. The audit committee performs several functions: reviews the financial statements, assesses the financial standing of the company and the group, supervises the internal audit department and evaluates the development strategy of the group.

The bylaws also define the role and responsibilities of the management board. The latter can consist of between 2 to 6 members. The management board members are appointed concurrently for a joint 5-year term. The last joint appointment took place on June 14, 2013. From 2015 an evolutionary change took place at the CFO post. Dariusz Pachla resigned and was replaced by his deputy, Przemyslaw Lutkiewicz. In October 2015 the management board was expanded by Sławomir Łoboda, responsible for new floorspace acquisition and legal issues. In 2016, Piotr Dyka, responsible for the Reserved brand and Hubert Komorowski, responsible for House, Mohito and Sinsay brands, resigned from their posts. Since then, the composition of the management board has been stable.

The CEO can represent the company by himself. Contracts binding for the company can also be signed by two management board members and one management board member and one legal representative.

#### LPP'S SUPERVISORY BOARD

	Function	Independent	Audit Committee Member
Jerzy Lubianiec	Chairman of the Board, Deputy Chairman of the Audit Committee		⋖
Wojciech Olejniczak	Deputy-Chairman of the Supervisory Board	-	-
Piotr Piechocki	Member of the Supervisory Board	-	V
Magdalena Sekuła	Member of the Supervisory Board	✓	V
Antoni Tymiński	Member of the Supervisory Board, Chairman of the Audit Committee	♥	<
Miłosz Wiśniewski	Member of the Supervisory Board	<	V

## 12.2. MANAGEMENT BOARD

#### **MAREK PIECHOCKI**

#### **CEO & Founder**

Marek Piechocki (58), one of LPP's two founders, has been involved with the retail industry since 1989. He is a graduate of the Civil Engineering Faculty at the Gdańsk University of Technology. In 1991 together with Jerzy Lubianiec he founded a Mistral company, activities of which were transferred into LPP in 1995. He has been the CEO of LPP since 2000. As Chief Executive Officer, Marek Piechocki is responsible for all aspects of the company's operations. He manages the domestic and foreign strategic investment projects and participates in rental negotiations with the largest property developers on the market. He is currently responsible for all five brands. In 2013 he was awarded the title of The Best-Performing CEO by Harvard Business Review in 2013.

#### **JACEK KUJAWA**

#### **Management Board Member**

Jacek Kujawa (44) has been employed at LPP since 2004. Initially, he held the position of IT Director, responsible for implementation of Business Intelligence and Point of Sale systems. He was also in charge of IT systems' integration during the LPP and Artman merger. His duties encompassed, among others, coordination of the Pruszcz Gdański distribution centre expansion on the basis of world's best standards of logistic solutions. His key current tasks include implementing LPP's strategic projects, such as the RFID technology, developing the e-commerce segment as well as expanding the company's storage areas as part of developing the distribution network in Europe. Before joining LPP, between 1999 and 2004, Jacek Kujawa has been employed at Wirtualna Polska. He graduated from the IT faculty at the Gdańsk University of Technology.

#### PRZEMYSŁAW LUTKIEWICZ

#### CFO

Przemysław Lutkiewicz (48) started his career at LPP in 2008 as a Financial Controller. He was responsible for creation of a controlling department and implementation of IT management tools at LPP Group. Przemysław Lutkiewicz has been the Chief Financial Officer of LPP Group since 2015. Przemysław Lutkiewicz is not only a graduate of Gdynia Maritime University and Gdańsk University but also accomplished Postgraduate Studies at Gdańsk University of Technology. He started his career in 1994 at Powszechny Bank Kredytowy SA. Between 1995 and 2008, he worked for PolCard SA / First Data Polska SA, where he advanced form the post of a Financial Planning and Reporting Unit Manager to a Financial Planning and a Finance and Controlling Director. In 2006-2007, he was a member of the Management Board and Chief Financial Officer of First Data Polska SA. Between 2007-2008, he was involved with establishing First Data's Shared Services Centre in Gdańsk, serving as Finance and Controlling Director.

#### **SŁAWOMIR ŁOBODA**

#### Management Board Member

Sławomir Łoboda (54) has been co-operating with LPP since 1997. Initially, as a Managing Partner at an external legal company, he provided legal counselling for LPP. Since 2005, in addition to managing LPP legal services, he has been responsible for acquiring new retail space and store development. The latter remained his responsibilities as a management board member. During his co-operation with LPP, he has completed a number of significant projects, including creation of a franchise network, taking the company public, merger with Artman SA, disposal of the Esotiq brand and development of LPP's store network. Sławomir Łoboda is a graduate of the Law Faculty at the University of Gdańsk.

## 12.3. SUPERVISORY BOARD

#### **JERZY LUBIANIEC**

#### **CHAIRMAN & FOUNDER**

Jerzy Lubianiec (59) is the co-founder of LPP and a graduate of Gdańsk University of Technology. Between 1991 and 1997 he has been running Mistral company. Jerzy Lubianiec has been the CEO of LPP (Mistral's successor) between 1995 and 2000. Later on he became the Chairman of the Supervisory Board of LPP, supporting the development of the group. He is also a supervisory board member of Quercus Towarzystwo Funduszy Inwestycyjnych SA, where he indrectly holds a stake. The activity of the above-mentioned company is not competitive to that carried out by LPP SA.

#### **WOJCIECH OLEJNICZAK**

#### MEMBER

Wojciech Olejniczak (63) has been a supervisory board member since 1999. Concurrently, he has held the post of CEO at BBK SA, a company where both Marek Piechocki and Jerzy Lubianiec are shareholders (equal stakes). The company in no aspect competes with LPP. Before joining the supervisory board, Wojciech Olejniczak participated in LPP's operations. Between 1991 and 1996, he was a partner at Mistral company and a management board member of LPP between 1996-1997.



#### **PIOTR PIECHOCKI**

#### MEMBER

Piotr Piechocki (31) a graduate of the Warsaw School of Economics and IE Business School in Madrid. In the years 2010-2011, he carried out his traineeship in, among others, Procter&Gamble and The Boston Consulting Group. In the years 2012-2017, he co-created and managed the e-commerce department in LPP SA. Piotr Piechocki was responsible for the entire sales in this channel and for launching of on-line stores on new markets (Germany, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Romania, Hungary). At present, he acts as President of the Management Board of Family Investment sp. z o.o. with its registered office in Sopot and Family Investment 2 sp. z o.o. with its registered office in Sopot, both of which are operating on the real estate and hotel accommodation market. This activity is not competitive to LPP SA. Piotr Piechocki has family ties with Marek Piechocki, shareholder and CEO of LPP SA.

#### **MAGDALENA SEKUŁA**

#### INDEPENDENT MEMBER

Magdalena Sekuła (44) is a graduate of the Gdańsk University, the Institute of European Sciences in Gdańsk, Université des Sciences Sociales in Toulouse and Université d'Orléans. She started her professional career in the Sopot City Hall at the position of Inspector in the City Strategy and Development Department, in the years 2004-2005. She also acted as Vice-President of the Management Board of Plan 40 Sp. z o.o. oraz Vincole Sp. z o.o., in which she was responsible for contacts with foreign contracting parties and executing new projects in co-operation with French partners. In the years 2007-2010, she was responsible for carrying out promotion and information activities related to the construction of a multi-purpose sports and entertainment arena between Gdańsk and Sopot. Since March 2010, she has continuously held the position of CEO of the company Hala Gdańsk-Sopot.

#### **ANTONI TYMIŃSKI**

#### INDEPENDENT MEMBER

Antoni Tymiński (69) holds a PhD in economics. In the years 1979-1991, he held the position of senior research associate at the Faculty of Accounting of the Gdańsk University. He was awarded a PhD degree in 1988. He is also a graduate of the Mikołaj Kopernik University. Apart from scientific excellence, Mr Antoni Tymiński has more than 16 years of experience as consultant and auditor in leading global advisory companies such as Deloitte&Touche, Coopers&Lybrand and PricewaterhouseCoopers, in which he acted as, among others, Partner (1999-2008) and Member of the Management Board (2001-2008). Since July, he is a retired partner of PricewaterhouseCoopers. Furthermore, he is qualified as Statutory Auditor and he is a member of the Polish Chamber of Statutory Auditors. From July 2008 to June 2009, he was a member of the Supervisory Board of LPP SA.

#### **MIŁOSZ WIŚNIEWSKI**

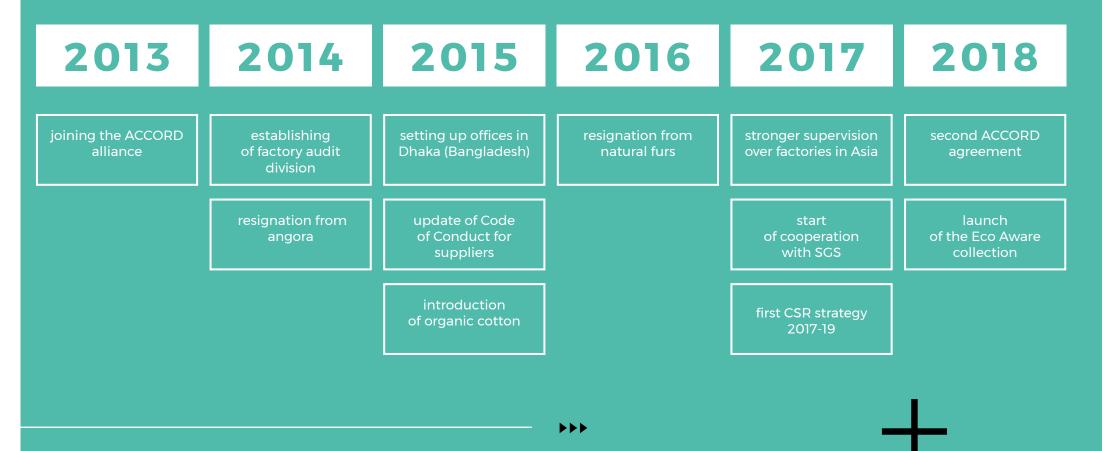
#### INDEPENDENT MEMBER

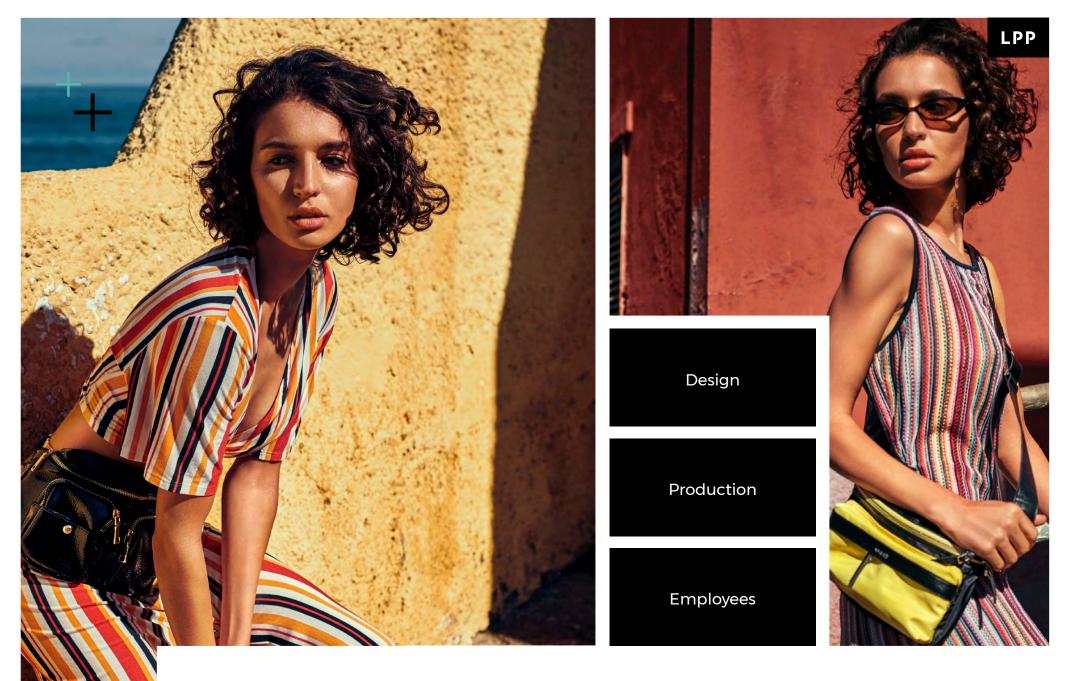
Miłosz Wiśniewski (55) is a graduate of the Mikołaj Kopernik University in Toruń and Executive M.B.A. École Nationale des Ponts et Chaussées in Paris. He gained his experience in finance and management in Cereal Partners Worldwide, working there from September 1992 to May 2012 at the position of, among others, Regional Financial Controller for Western and South Europe, CPW Finance Director in Poland, Regional Director for Greece and the Balkans and Development Director for Central Europe. From May 2012 to January 2015, he acted as Finance Director of Boryszew SA. In March 2016, he became President of the Management Board of Robod SA.



## 12.4. CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

#### SUMMARY OF OUR CSR ACTIONS





# ESG throughout the whole value chain

# DESIGN

We work hard to make sure that our products are safe and meet our quality standards. In 2018 we enlisted the cooperation of the Institute of Leather Industry in Łódź, Poland, which helps us verify our footwear quality standards. We also launched a colorfastness testing scheme for Reserved. In 2019 we will test selected products to eliminate the problem of colour change or staining during laundering.

#### LPP QUALITY STANDARDS

The quality standards for all LPP brands are set out in The LPP Quality Guidebook. It lists such properties as colorfastness, propensity to shrink or the thickness of the wool fibre. The guidebook also defines the Acceptance Quality Limits for all LPP brands and includes a classification of faults. It stipulates that a metal detector must be used in the process of producing children's wear. The requirements apply to all of our suppliers.

In 2018 we expanded The LPP Quality Guidebook to include a list of banned chemicals and permitted concentrations, which were formerly attached to our orders. Now they form an integral part of The LPP Quality Guidebook. The requirements are compatible with the EU REACH regulation. We also added to the guidebook the requirement to use moisture meters to prevent mould growth during transportation.

#### WHAT WE DO TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF OUR PRODUCTS:

- As part of a pilot project, we carried out a series of inspections in factories facing the most serious quality issues and subsequently we held meetings with the management of the factories to present conclusions of the exercise and agree a timeline for corrective measures.
- Our employees visit factories to inspect the manufacturing process and check the quality of finished products.
- We work hand in hand with the Retail Department to address issues reported by the stores.
- We have trained e-commerce inspectors working in Stryków as regards footwear quality testing.
- We have launched regular inspections at our stores which are also meant to identify issues that may affect product quality (e.g. inappropriate hangers).
- We have created a user-friendly app for merchandisers where they can easily find all relevant quality metrics.

We know of no health issues linked to our garments in 2018.



## ECO AWARE

### ECO AWARE, OR ECO FASHION

For a few years now, the collections from Reserved include garments made of organic cotton. The brand's latest Autumn/Winter collection also included a premium line made of 40% eco materials. In 2019 we plan to increase the share of eco products in Reserved collections to a few percent.

In 2018 2 million of our garments were made of organic cotton, 60% of which were T-shirts. Overall, 1.6% of our garments sold in 2018 were made using sustainable materials.

2019 target: 10% of Reserved collections from ecological materials.

# WE CONTROL OUR SUPPLY CHAIN

#### THE EFFECTS OF ACCORD AGREEMENT:

**90%** of factories had their electrical installations modernised or changed,

**84%** of factories ended up with additional anti-fire alarms and installations,

**83%** of factories had their constructions strengthened. In many cases the production was transferred to other venues.



## PLN 20.5m

outlays for audits of working conditions in Bangladesh factories, especially for costs of on-site inspections, audits of working conditions and membership fees for ACCORD and Rana Plaza Trust Fund.

## 110

the number of inspections conducted by SCS in Bangladesh in 2018.

## 22,551

the number of quality inspections carried out by LPP in factories and distribution centres.

## **EMPLOYEES**

#### **DIVERSE AND FAMILIAL: LPP'S ORGANISATIONAL CULTURE**

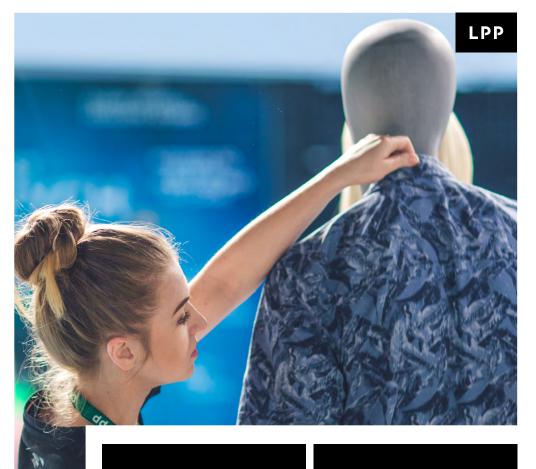
We make sure that the company's culture as well as its management and communication styles are in tune with the multigenerational and multina-tional environment that LPP is and the large number of young people who work for the company. The atmosphere at LPP is familial. The values we go by every day are openness and respect, which includes appreciating diversity and taking responsibility for LPP's future. These are the foundations of our unique organisational culture.

There is no prescribed dress code at LPP. Our managers make sure that their team meetings are as informal as possible without impeding on their effectiveness. Good atmosphere translates into the engagement and innovativeness of employees in the fashion industry. That is one of the reasons why every employee may freely approach the members of the Management Board: they all work side by side in open offices. Employees are the most valuable source of information about LPP and that is why we encourage them to freely express their opinions. To make our workplace management even more effective and to react to any issue that might arise faster, in 2018 we intro-duced an ethical code titled The LPP Principles and a whistleblowing system.

In our organisation there are no labour unions and collective agreements.

#### EMPLOYEE BENEFITS OFFERED BY LPP SA

- private healthcare packages for employees and their families – LPP covers 50% of the cost,
- shopping discounts 25% off the regular price,
- life insurance on preferential terms,
- Multisport card on preferential terms.
- restaurant for employees at the Gdańsk offices.
- daytime camps for children during the summer holidays.
- baby clothes set for newborns,
- 10-year work anniversary party and memorable gift,
- vouchers and gifts for Christmas.



#### 4.3 /5 employees rating of our training and directors at the LPP and development headquarters are women. activities.

## 25,000

60%

of all mangers

employees

new employees

12,712

# **ENVIRONMENT CORPORATE IMPACT**

#### **PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT**

- We offer sustainable design training sessions to Reserved and Cropp designers and merchandisers that cover the environmental impacts of the textile industry, product life cycle, fabrics and textiles, sustainability certification.
- We introduced the ECO AWARE line from Reserved and specially marked products that were made using eco-friendly materials. In 2019 all our brands will be offering such products.
- We abandoned natural fur and angora wool. By the end of 2020 we will abandon mohair unless we find a responsible and humane way of its sourcing.

#### LOGISTICS AND TRANSPORT

- When importing products, we mainly use maritime transport.
- We reuse ca. 30% of cartons.
- Mohito and Reserved products are sent to customers in recycled cartons.
- The new cartons we use are approved by the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC).
- We use a document management system to reduce our page use.
- Our distribution centres use intelligent lights that react to the intensity of sunlight.
- We replaced incandescent light bulbs with LED lights.

#### **RETAIL OUTLETS**

- We try to reuse furniture from closing stores in other outlets.
- In 2018 we recovered 30% of clothes hangers meant for disposal.
- All of our newly opening stores are fitted with energy efficient LED lights and intelligent air-conditioning systems.
- Larger Reserved stores collect handme-down clothes.
- All of our brands use bags made of recycled materials. Mohito uses bags and boxes made exclusively of recycled materials.
- We give up used fluorescent lamps and light bulbs for recycling or donate to specialist companies that make sure they are disposed of properly.

#### OUTSOURCING OF PRODUCTION

- We require our suppliers to accept our Code of Conduct in all the markets where we operate. This includes protecting the environment.
- We monitor suppliers' compliance with the Code.

#### PURCHASED PRODUCTS

As part of the ECO AWARE project, 20 largest Reserved stores in Poland collected clothes regardless of brand for Towarzystwo Pomocy im. św. Brata Alberta (Saint Albert Charity Association), a charity that runs homeless shelters across Poland.

# LPP MORE - OUR SUSTAINABLE STRATEGY



#### **MORE SAFE**

OUR PRODUCTS

covers our practices related to design of clothes and accessories, with the way they are designed and manufactured.



#### **MORE CARE**

#### OUR EMPLOYEES

includes our practices related to relations with employees, both potential and former employees.



## MORE MINDFUL

covers our practices related to consumer education, broad fashion industry and our presence in local communities.



#### **MORE ETHICAL**

#### OUR PRINCIPLES

includes our management approach and the way we conduct business.



#### MORE SAFE

Our practices concerning clothing and accessories design and production.

Our product

status	started	underway	implemented
We champion FAIR and SUSTAINABLE DESIGN: Our designers undergo training on sustainable clothing design.			$\bigcirc$
We expand our ECO AWARE line, which in practice means using more sustainable materials.			$\bigcirc$
We champion safe workplaces: We say NO to endangering workers at plants producing our collections.		<b>O</b>	
Safe production: 100% of our plants in Bangladesh undergo regular ACCORD and SGS inspections.			$\bigcirc$
FEEL SAFE: fabrics free from harmful substances and needles accidentally left in an item of clothing		$\bigcirc$	
YOUR CHOICE: Extended information on the types of fabric, fabric composition and country of origin on the label.	n		$\bigcirc$

## MORE CARE Our employees We give new hires a great start and good atmosphere every day. status started

status	started	underway	implemented
We give newcomers a great start: a smooth on-boarding scheme			$\bigcirc$
We promote DIVERSITY among our employees as value added			
Better together: We support our employees' social action projects			
We make our offices more eco-friendly – we owe it to Mother Nature		$\bigcirc$	
WolontWARIAT, our volunteering scheme, is a real 'do good' revolution			$\bigcirc$

#### MORE ETHICAL

Our principles

We say NO to misconduct, corruption and crime. Ethical and aesthetic is the only way to go. Everything makes sense with transparent principles.

status	started	underway	implemented
ETHICAL CODE trumps DRESS CODE: We are FAIR to one another and others			$\bigcirc$
NO WAY! to corruption: Anti-corruption training for our managers			$\bigcirc$
No such thing as a stupid question: You may always pop out for coffee with the ethics officer			$\bigcirc$
We implement a sustainable development strategy because BALANCE is the most important thing ir business	ו	$\bigcirc$	
DiaLOGue: We build relationships with consumers and stakeholders			$\bigcirc$

<b>MORE</b> <b>MINDFUL</b> Our environment	We act here and now! We promote a conscious and consistent appro to growth. We share knowledge and learn from others. Share and gr	row!		
status		started	underway	implemented
SOCIALISE, our stra where we operate	tegy of supporting local communities, brings about a real change in the place			0
CHEERING IS YOUR WINNING: We have a donation fund and sponsoring budget				
We work with colleges and universities to share our immense professional experience with young velocity of the people who are passionate about fashion				
INFORMATION IS THE KING: We educate consumers on proper garment maintenance and care				

#### THE UN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS FOR 2015-2030

We contribute to the achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals. The following are the SDGs which we consider the most important for our industry and our operations.



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#### QUALITY EDUCATION

We work together with art colleges for the development of the fashion industry and to promote fashion occupations.

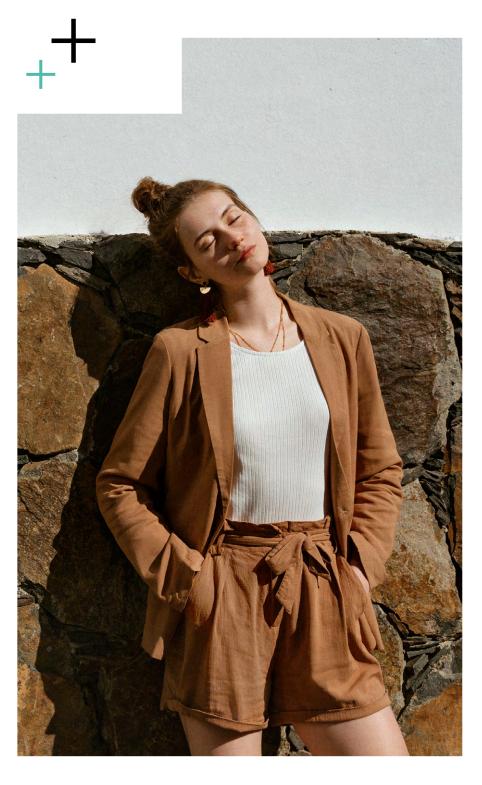
#### 8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

- We are one of the largest taxpayers in Poland and the largest taxpayer among the companies based on the Polish coast of the Baltic.
- We create over 25 thousand jobs, 14 thousand of which are based in Poland.
- We outsource production to Asian manufacturers contributing to the development of the textile and garment industry in the region.
- We have implemented a Vendor Code of Conduct for suppliers which requires them to provide their employees with access to drinking water and clean toilet facilities.
- We have inspected plants in Bangladesh to check their compliance with the Code of Conduct as regards timely payment of wages, overtime and employment of minors.
- We collaborate with 87 garment factories in Poland. Together they employ over 1,700 workers.



#### INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

- We own one of the largest and most technologically advanced garment distribution centres in Central and Eastern Europe.
- We invest in the development of fashion technologies.







#### **REDUCED INEQUALITIES**

- We promote diversity using a dedicated internal campaign. Over half of LPP mangers are women.
- We monitor the working conditions and wages paid at our suppliers.
- We help those in need through the LPP Foundation.
- Our employees take part in an internal volunteering scheme to give back to local communities.



#### SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES

- We support the development of Gdańsk and the Dolne Miasto district because that is where our central offices are.
  - We work with local communities in our immediate environment.



#### **RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION**

- We prioritise product quality and check our garments for hazardous chemicals.
- We run a scheme to teach customers how to maintain and care for their clothes.
- We have inspected factories in Bangladesh to check their compliance with the LPP Code of Conduct.



#### **CLIMATE ACTION**

- We have made our offices ecofriendly and implemented measures to minimise our environmental footprint.
- Our stores and distribution centres use latest technologies to reduce their energy consumption.



#### PARTNERSHIP FOR THE GOALS

- We work together with colleges and universities to improve the quality of education offer.
- We take part in events promoting sustainable development and responsible business.

# 13. RISK MANAGEMENT13.1 INTERNAL RISK FACTORS

#### **BUSINESS MODEL RISK**

**RISK OF UNCUSSEFUL COLLECTION** 

**RISK OF LOSING KEY EMPLOYEES** 

**Risk**: We focus our activity on designing and distribution of clothing as well as building our brands. We have no own manufacturing capacities and do not plan to develop our own manufacturing plants, and we outsource manufacturing activities to professional entities in different parts of the world. Outsourcing enables effective production placement and gives access to modern and constantly changing technologies. We choose suppliers not only based on the price offered but also based on the scope of their offer, advancement of machinery and ethical treatment of workers. Our investments are directed at creating our own distribution network and at e-commerce, logistics, development and technology as well as at attracting loyal consumers.

**Actions:** We are not dependent on any of over 1,100 cooperating suppliers (none of them has exceeded the threshold of 6% of annual purchases). Additionally, on a regular basis, we evaluate our suppliers, who are supervised by the LPP office in Shanghai, China (established in 1997), and in Dhaka, Bangladesh (estab-lished in 2015).

**Risk:** The clothing market is characterised by a wide variety of customer expectations and is closely correlated with changes in fashion trends. A key factor in a clothing company's success is the sense of changes in fashion trends and the adjustment of its product range to current consumer needs.

Actions: We pay significant attention to fashion, constantly increasing our product team which is currently comprised of over 250 designers. In total, over 750 persons work in the product development department. Each brand has a separate design team following fashion trends in the brand's target group. Designers and persons engaged in the process of collection creation not only participate in exhibitions and fairs worldwide but also follow trends in the Internet (including social media) and street fashion in the most popular fashion capitals i.e. Paris, New York, Seoul, Tokyo. Inspirations found and world trends are used in the process of collections is reduced.

**Risk:** We employ over 25,000 employees indispensable to carry out our basic operations in an effective and profitable way. In particular, we face the risk of losing key management officers, persons involved in the designing and preparation of collections and high rotation of employees in retail stores. There is also a risk that we will not be able to attract new talents.

Actions: We take numerous actions aimed at reducing this risk. Key management officers take part in a share-based incentive programme. We put emphasis on friendly working conditions - employees are given numerous training opportunities to ensure constant development of their skills and offered a well-defined career model. We offer work in a contemporary and friendly environment, with market salaries ensured.

#### **RISK OF MISSED STORE LOCATION**

#### **RISK OF INEFFECTIVE LOGISTICS**

**Risk:** Our development strategy provides for the rapid expansion of our sales network. The opening of new stores involves the risk that specific locations may prove to be missed. This may result in a failure to meet a projected revenue level, which, in consequence, may adversely affect our Group's financial performance.

Actions: We reduce the risk of missed locations owing to good market surveillance and a detailed analysis of each potential new location. At present, we optimise the development of our sales network. On one hand, locations with unsatisfactory sales level are closed upon contract termination, and, on the other hand, stores in good locations are expanded to offer customers full collections. We undertake optimisation activities both in Poland and globally, on each market where we have operated for more than 5-7 years.

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**Risk:** The dynamic development of retail space and on-line sales requires investments in logistics improvements. The task of the logistics team is to quickly gather a relevant number of clothing dispatches to stores and, directly, to customers making on-line orders, with simultaneous minimisation of the quantity of goods in distribution centres. Along with the planned increase of our sales, there is an increased risk involving the handling of logistics needs.

Actions: As this issue is of vital importance, we give it a high priority, consistently introducing new solutions required. The largest foreign market, i.e. the Russian market is handled by a separate distribution centre near Moscow. There are dedicated separate distribution centres for on-line sales in Poland and Russia. As regards 3 brands, we decided that, with a view to handling logistics services for the e-commerce channel in Poland, we will cooperate with Arvato Polska, a leader in com-prehensive outsourcing solutions in logistics. As our network has been developing, in 2018, we made a decision to expand our existing logistics facilities by redeveloping the existing distribution centre in Pruszcz Gdański and developing a new centre in Brześć Kujawski. To meet increasing demand in the Balkan countries and to ensure the development of both traditional and on-line sales network in this region, we have decided to lease, starting from 2019, a distribution centre in Romania, which will provide services to on-line customers in the southern part of Europe. At the same time, works are continuously carried out to improve IT systems in logistics. One of the solutions is the implementation of the Warehouse Management System (WMS), an innovative system facilitating the operation of the distribution centre.

RISK OF SALES MIGRATION FROM TRADITIONAL STORES TO INTERNET

**Risk:** The increase in the popularity of on-line purchases results in a global trend reflecting sales migration from traditional stores to on-line stores. This tendency puts pressure on sales in traditional stores, the majority of which generate fixed costs, and, consequently, affects the Group's profitability.

**Actions:** Adjusting to the current tendency involving the increase in the popularity of on-line shopping, we operate up-to-date on-line stores of all of our brands and continuously take actions aimed at further development of this sales channel. We gradually open on-line stores both on the markets where we have launched our traditional stores and in other EU countries, improve mobile sales platforms and supply logistics. At the end of 2018, we operated on-line on 11 markets where we have own on-line stores and on 5 markets by being present on an external platform managed by our franchise partner from the Middle East. At the same time, we take actions aimed at levelling technological diff erences between on-site stores and on-line sales and at integrating these two sales channels into the omnichannel.

## **13.2 EXTERNAL RISK FACTORS**

MACROECONOMIC RISK

#### FOREIGN EXCHANGE RISK

**Risk:** The economic situation in countries where we sell our products and the situation in countries where factories manufacturing goods for us are located are crucial for our standing. Our revenues and margins depend on the economic situation of households and consumption inclinations. An economic growth or decline in countries where our brand stores are located may translate into an increase or decrease in consumers' spending, including clothing expenses. Similarly, an economic growth or decline in countries where the manufacturing of goods is located may translate into an increase, decrease or, relatively, stabilisation of manufacturing costs.

Actions: Each of our fi ve brands is addressed to a wide group of consumers at affordable prices. We focus on offering products with an advantageous price-quality ratio. Although this will not safeguard us against adverse effects of a potential economic slowdown, yet it may minimise such negative impact. The risk is also being reduced by developing the our operations in different countries on different continents (at the end of 2018, our brand stores were located in 23 countries on 3 continents), with further development to be achieved in subsequent years.

**Risk:** An adverse change in currency exchange rates substantial risk for us. In 2018, only 47% of revenue was denominated in foreign currencies, the costs of goods purchases - in as much as 96%, and general sales and administrative costs - in 57%. The highest FX exposure concerns USD and EUR. The USD exposure is related to the location of goods production and purchases (mainly Asian countries), while the EUR exposure is related to rent payments for stores. Due to the fact that Russia and Ukraine vield some 22% of sales, we have also a substantial RUB and UAH exposure. We report financial results in PLN. Consequently, the strong position of PLN against USD and EUR has a positive impact on our margins, while its weak position against key currencies reduces our profitability.

Actions: Due to the relevance of the foreign exchange risk, in June 2017, we decided to start hedging the USD/PLN exchange rate by entering into forward contracts for payments in USD to suppliers. The transactions are aimed at minimising foreign exchange differences in financial operations (that is below operating profit).

#### RISK OF CHANGES IN CUSTOMS AND TAX REGULATIONS

**Risk:** Customs and tax regulations have a significant impact on our activity. Therefore, changes in this area may significantly affect our operations. We are exposed to changes in customs laws due to the scale of imports, specifically from Asian countries. The introduction of potential import quotas and heavy customs duties could result in the reduction of our margins. The introduction of possible legal changes in each of the countries where we are present may result in the requirement to incur additional costs or reduce revenue, thus adversely affecting our profitability. An example of such potential risk is the prospective implementation of turnover tax on large stores in Poland, which could adversely aff ect the operation of LPP and poses a potential risk (law enforcement has been suspended until the end of August 2019; from September 2019 the tax will be calculated, yet not paid. Payment is to take place after the appeal of the EC has been settled). Another example of law amendments is gradual introduction, from March 2018, of a Sunday trading ban in Poland. In the first year, the law permitted trading on the first and last Sunday each month. during the second year - on one Sunday a month, with a total Sunday trading ban to be introduced starting from the third year (before this change, the trading ban applied to statutory days off only).

#### RISK OF CHANGES IN CUSTOMS AND TAX REGULATIONS

Actions: Our HQs and the majority of our brand stores are located in the EU. As assessed by us, policy. Moreover, any changes in the customs policy would affect all entities operating in the retail sector in the EU. A more important risk is the one involving legislative changes, which relates to both domestic and EU laws. If any such risk occurs, we will focus its activities on minimising their impact on our financials performance, as in the case of legislative changes concerning the Sunday closure of stores in Poland. Following the analysis of sales from the time of implementation of trading limitations in Poland, we recorded a decrease in sales in domestic stores, with sales in stores being transferred to other weekdays, and an increase in on-line sales. This is the reason why, among others, we improve the operation of our e-stores and logistics on a day-to-day basis.

#### **RISK OF INTENSIFIED COMPETITION**

**Risk:** With barriers to the clothing market entry being low, the number of competitors increases, thus enhancing competitiveness. Each year, new players appear on, and leave, the markets where we operate. On each market, we compete with both local competitors and international players.

Actions: Our success on each market depends on the quality of collections and their acceptance by customers. Therefore, we focus our activities on the offering of products best reflecting current trends and meeting customers' expectations at affordable prices. As we noted, competitive pressure is highest with reference to Reserved, the flagship brand, the success of which is our priority, while such pressure is lower, for example, with reference to Cropp or House brands. **Risk:** In the business conducted, during one season, there may occur positive or negative eff ects of weather conditions, which may affect an increase/ decrease in sales, and, consequently, an increase/ decrease of our margins.

**RISK OF UNFAVOURABLE WEATHER CONDITIONS** 

Actions: We monitor on a regular basis the level of sales and margins in specific countries, adjusting a time frame and scale of clearance offers. At the same time, following changes implemented in logistics and store replenishment, we are more fl exible and we are able to react quicker to adverse weather changes in a given season.

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# GLOSSARY

Poland	Retail sales in Poland and other sales of LPP SA.
CEE	Region including: Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary and Poland (if not stated otherwise).
Baltic	Region including: Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia.
CIS	Region including: Russia, Ukraine and Belarus (from 2017) and Kazakhstan (from 2018).
SEE	Region including: Bulgaria, Romania, Croatia, Serbia (from 2017), Slovenia (from 2018) and Bosnia & Herzegovina (from 2019).
WE	Region including Germany, the UK (from 2017) and Finland (from 2019).
ME	Region including: Egypt, Qatar, Kuwait, UAE and Isreal (from 2018). Until mid-2017 the region included also Saudi Arabia.
Europe	Region including: CEE, Baltic, SEE and WE.
EBITDA	EBIT + depreciation from cash flow statement.
Average monthly revenues/m <sup>2</sup>	Revenues of segment or brand / average working total floorspace / 12.
Average monthly costs of own stores/m <sup>2</sup>	Costs of own stores / average working floorspace of own stores (ie. excluding all franchise stores which represent c. 5.4% of the working floorspace) / 12.
Average monthly SG&A PLN/m <sup>2</sup>	SG&A costs/ average working total floorspace excluding stores located in ME and Belarus / 12.
Inventory/ m <sup>2</sup>	End of period group inventory/ total floorspace without franchise stores in ME and Belarus.
Inventory days	Average inventory/ group COGS * 365 days.
Receivables days	Average receivables/ group revenues * 365 days.
Liabilities days	Average short-term liabilities/ group COGS * 365 days.
Cash conversion cycle	Inventory days + receivables days - liabilities days.

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