



# Together, we build Great Local Brands, bringing Fresh Inspiration Every Day



# **Better Together**

- Better Together strategy
  - Captures benefits of international scale to build great local brands
  - Confirms merger rationale
  - Sets direction to realize full potential
  - Full commitment to Sustainable Retailing
- Combined company
  - In full-execution mode following merger completion on July 23, 2016
  - Integration is on track with clear visibility to generating €500 million in net synergies in 2019

- Operating model
  - Committed to grow leading supermarket brands while remaining rigorously focused on cost discipline
  - New target to double net consumer online sales by 2020 from expected 2016 level of €2.3 billion
  - Continued focus on strong free cash flow with
     €1.6 billion expected for 2017
- Shareholder return
  - Dividend pay-out ratio of 40-50% of pro-forma underlying income from continuing operations
  - Launch €I billion share buyback program in 2017

# Ahold We integrated key trends and key strengths to build our Better Delhaize Together strategy







### Our commitment to succeed

Proven track record in execution and integration

# Delhaize Let's focus on the key trends affecting food retailing



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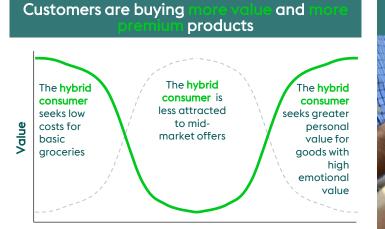


More value

More convenience Aore fresh & healthy More personal

**Key Trends** 

# Shoppers continuously seeking value



Relative price of purchase



### **Combrands** building retailer brand equity













# Key Trends

# Customers looking for convenience across channels





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More fresh  $\delta$  healthy

More personal



Key Trends

# Increased focus on health $\delta$ product origin





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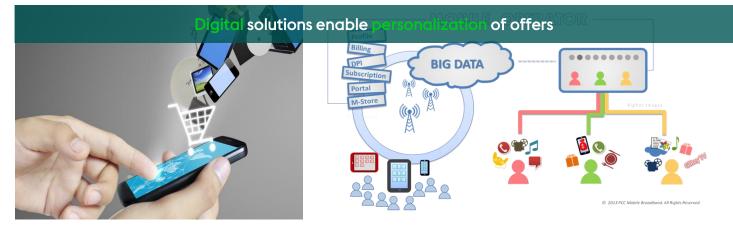
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**Key Trends** 

# Seeking personal relevance and connection





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### Ahold Delhaize We have key strengths to address these trends



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Key Strengths



# Ahold Delhaize is well positioned to continue winning

- Great local brands with presence on both sides of the Atlantic
- Best-in-class Supermarket player
- Superior Omnichannel and Digital offering
- Operating cash flow among the leaders in the industry
- Deep experience Fresh and Own Brands, focus on affordability
- Frontrunner in Sustainable Retailing; and connected to Communities
- Great pools of talent and capabilities
- Leaders with proven track record in execution and integration

| Key figures <sup>(I)</sup> |                             |                                   |                   |                       |                     |                        |  |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|--|
| Net sales                  | Underlying operating income | Underlying<br>operating<br>margin | Free Cash<br>Flow | Market cap            | Stores<br>worldwide | Employees<br>worldwide |  |
| €60.9b                     | €2.2b                       | 3.5%                              | €l.7b             | €23.7b <sup>(2)</sup> | 6,590               | 375,000                |  |

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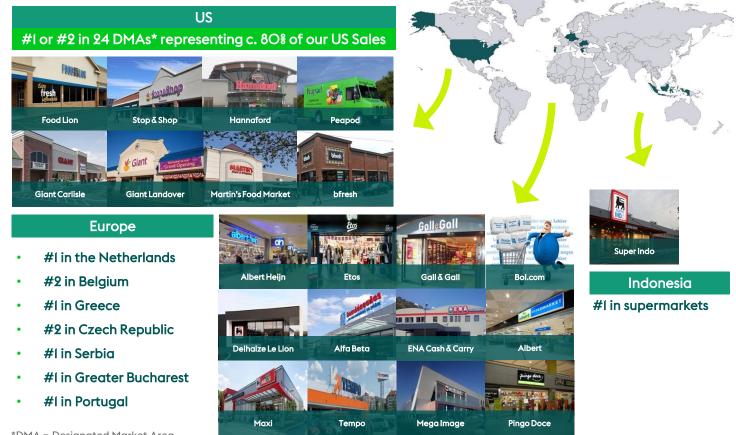
Leadership

Solid foundation



# Key Strengths

# Great local brands on both sides of the Atlantic



Solid foundation

Great local brands

Leadership



# Ahold Delhaize Building our Better Together Strategy







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# Better Together - Ahold Delhaize Strategic Framework

### Our purpose

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### Our sustainable business model

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### Save for our customers:

- Buy better •
- **Operate smarter** •
- Waste less

### **Fund growth** in key channels:

- **Supermarkets** ٠
- eCommerce •
- Smaller formats

### Invest in our customer ...Drive same store sales... proposition: Affordable for all Best own brands • Fresher $\delta$ healthier

- Most local  $\delta$
- personal service



### Our values

### Courage

We drive change, are open-minded, bold, and innovative.

### Integrity

··· And fund growth ···

We do the right thing and earn customers' trust.

### Teamwork

Together, we take ownership, collaborate, and win.

### Care

We care for our customers. our colleagues, and our communities.

### Humor

We are humble, down-toearth, and we don't take ourselves too seriously.



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### Fresh inspiration

**Every Day** 



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# Invest in our customer ...Drive same store sales... proposition: Affordable for all

- Best own brands •
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# Our sustainable business model powers our strategy







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### Fund growth in key channels









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Plan



# Save for our customers

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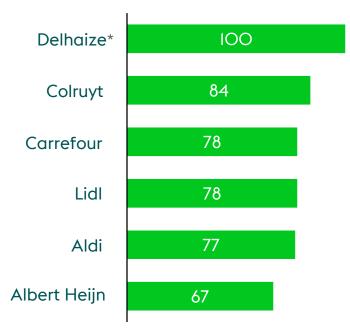
Vaste less

# Delhaize Belgium realized it needed to improve its cost position

2014

- Cost handicap in wage and labour conditions
- Competition leveraging scale and cost benefits
- High operational costs in supply chain / logistics
- Decreasing market share and profitability\*

Delhaize Belgium Transformation Plan Cost per productive hour (2014, Delhaize\* = 100)







# It developed and executed its Transformation Plan; it is on track for €80M in savings

| 2014  | Current status  |              |
|---|---|--------------|
| Cost handicap in wage<br>and labour conditions        | <ul><li>Leaner workforce</li><li>Adapted wage</li></ul>                   | $\checkmark$ |
| Competition leveraging scale and cost benefits        | <ul> <li>measures and benefits</li> <li>New store organization</li> </ul> | 1            |
| High operational costs in<br>supply chain / logistics | Store network     organization  | $\checkmark$ |
| Decreasing market share<br>and profitability*         | Efficiency projects   | - Warr       |

Completed (2,083 vs 1,800 initially) Completed Completed (128 stores\*\*) Completed (close | store  $\delta$  9 affiliate stores) Ongoing



Operate smarter

(\*) Company-operated supermarkets (\*\*) Final NSO wave started in November 2016 (37 stores)

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# Executing the new commercial strategy is the next step

| 2014  | Current status  | Commercial Strategy   |
|---|---|---|
| <ul> <li>Cost handicap in wage<br/>and labour conditions</li> <li>Competition leveraging<br/>scale and cost benefits</li> <li>High operational costs in<br/>supply chain / logistics</li> <li>Decreasing market share<br/>and profitability*</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Leaner workforce</li> <li>Adapted wage<br/>measures and benefits</li> <li>New store organization</li> <li>Store network<br/>organization</li> <li>Efficiency projects</li> </ul> | Revamped<br>commercial plan<br>Improved value<br>proposition<br>New supplier<br>collaboration model |
| Delhaize Belgium<br>Transformation Plan   | On track for<br>€80M savings in 2018  | Revisited<br>assortment   |



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Save for our customers

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(\*) Company-operated supermarkets





# Our sustainable business model powers our strategy





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### Fund growth in key channels





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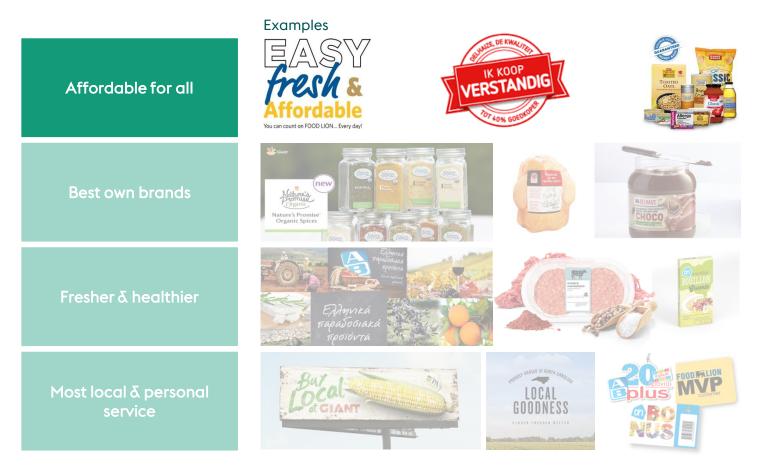
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Our brands are focused on four areas to differentiate our customer proposition





# Affordable for all – Zooming in on Food Lion

Our Sustainable Business Model

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- Conveniently located stores
- Low prices driven by strong promotions
- Inconsistent fresh execution and perception
- Vendor-driven center store assortment
- Task-oriented leadership and associates
- Effective execution of the basics





- Easy to shop stores, part of the neighborhood
- Great everyday prices and good weekly deals
- Consistently fresh
   products
- Customer-driven
   assortment
- Fast and easy checkout experience



 Caring, responsive and available associates





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# Affordable for all is a key pillar in Food Lion's strategy

**Protecting and strengthening a strong price heritage** is the most critical component of delivering Food Lion's strategy of Easy, Fresh & Affordable. You can count on Food Lion Every day!

- Affordability is one of the main pillars of the Easy, Fresh  $\delta$  Affordable strategy
- Continue investments to strengthen Food Lion's actual **price position**:
  - Everyday pricing
  - Timely promotions (MVP savings)
- Further strengthen and accelerate price perception vs price leader





### Invest in our customer proposition

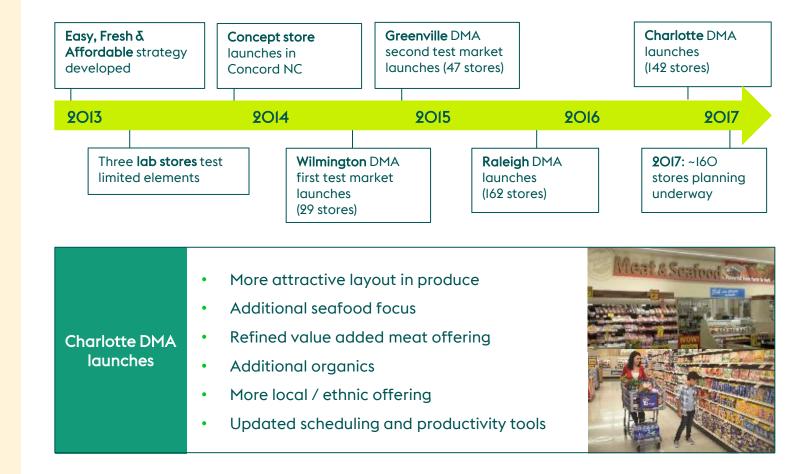
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# Food Lion has been testing, refining and implementing since 2013<sup>29</sup>





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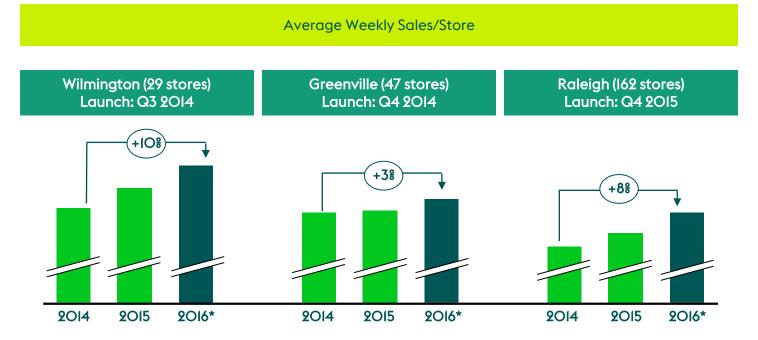
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# Easy, Fresh and Affordable is winning with customers





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# And continues to support the overall positive momentum

**Encouraging results** 

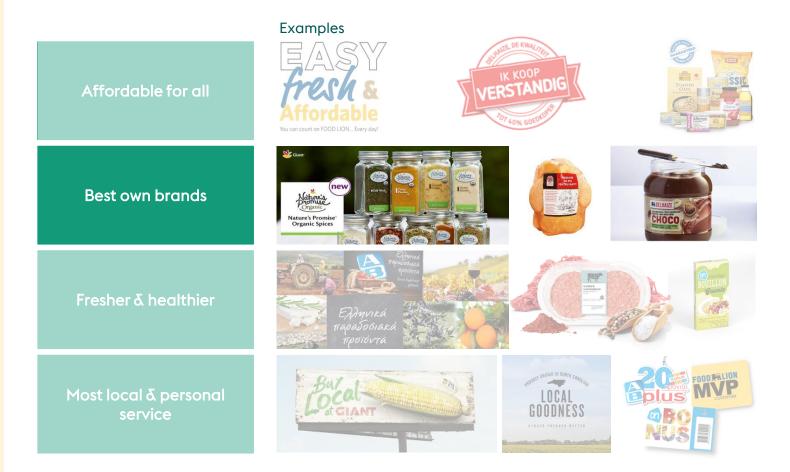
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- Wilmington and Raleigh Strong sales growth
- Greenville Successfully defend against significant competitive openings
- Charlotte early confident results consistent with previous markets
- Deployment to the rest of the network
  - Successful elements rolled out banner-wide
  - Improving customer perception scores across the banner
  - 380 stores completed (37% of total Food Lion sales)
  - Nearly 54O stores (55% of total Food Lion sales) by the end of 2017
- Strong quarterly sales performance
  - I6 consecutive quarters of volume growth at Food Lion
  - +2.9% real growth for Delhaize America in Q3 2016





# Best own brands is the second focus area



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# Our local 'own brands' are known for their quality and value

Award winning own brands promoting innovation and healthy eating

### Europe:

- ~50% own brand penetration
- Strong brand equities for own brands

US:

- ~40% own brand penetration
- Natural/Organic brands progressing towards \$IB

### International own brands:

 365 Delhaize own brand present across Europe



Own Brand defined as every product that is not an international, national or regional brand



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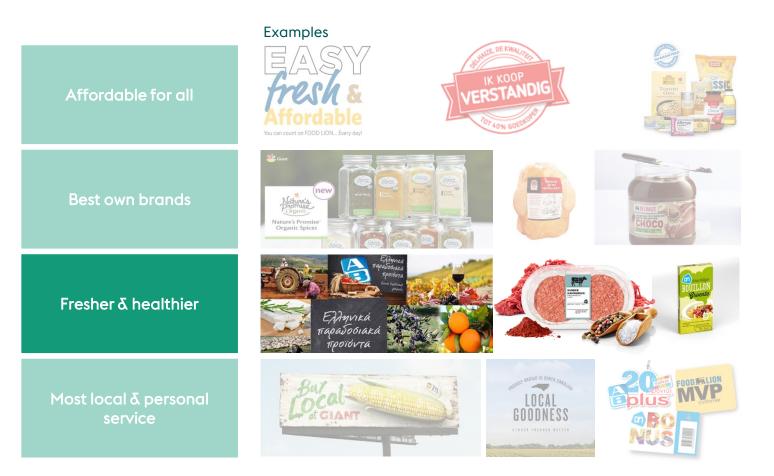
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# Fresher $\delta$ healthier is the third focus area





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Most local  $\delta$  persona

# Alfa Beta is known across Greece for its fresh offering

- 26.4% fresh market share in Greece
  - ~9 out of IO customer satisfaction rating for fresh

"Every day, Alfa Beta offers the best Fresh Products, from every corner of Greece"







### Invest in our customer proposition

Affordable for all

Best own brands

Fresher  $\boldsymbol{\delta}$  healthier

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# Fresher $\boldsymbol{\delta}$ healthier $\,$ - Zooming in on Healthier $\,$



food categories





meals for kids' school lunches











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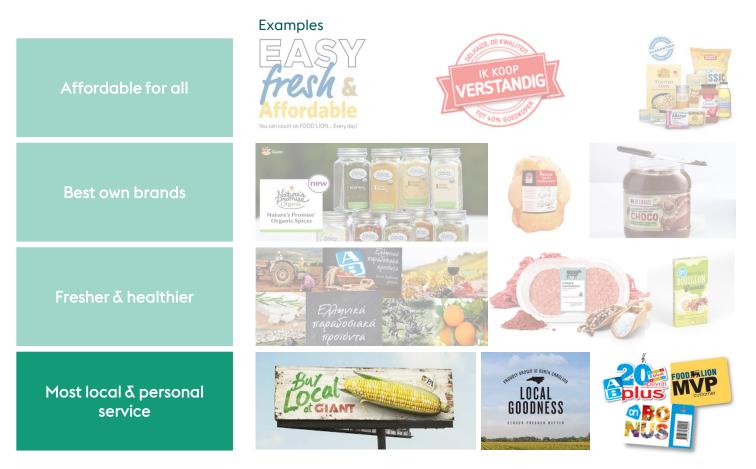
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# Providing the most local and personal service is our fourth area of focus





# Most local $\delta$ personal service

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#### ...and Personal service to drive new growth

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Saving money Saving time Eating healthier



# Our sustainable business model powers our strategy





Fund growth in key channels





## Fund growth in key channels

Supermarkets

eCommerce

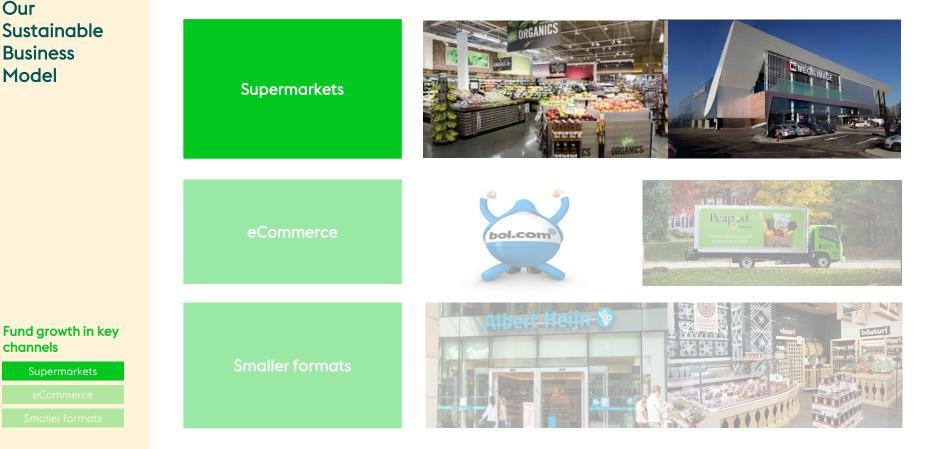
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### Ahold Delhaize is focused on expanding in three channels

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# Supermarket is the key channel in our main markets

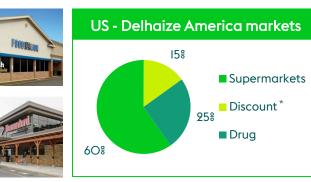
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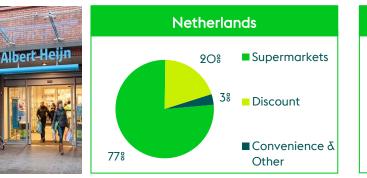
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Source: Nielsen AC View, DA Sales - 2015 DA; DMAs



Source: Nielsen AC View, AUSA Sales – 2015 AUSA; DMAs representing 80% of AUSA sales



Source: Planet Retail and Nielsen food grocery market based on consumer sales - 2015





Source: Nielsen, Planet retail – 2014

\* Supercenters and Dollar stores

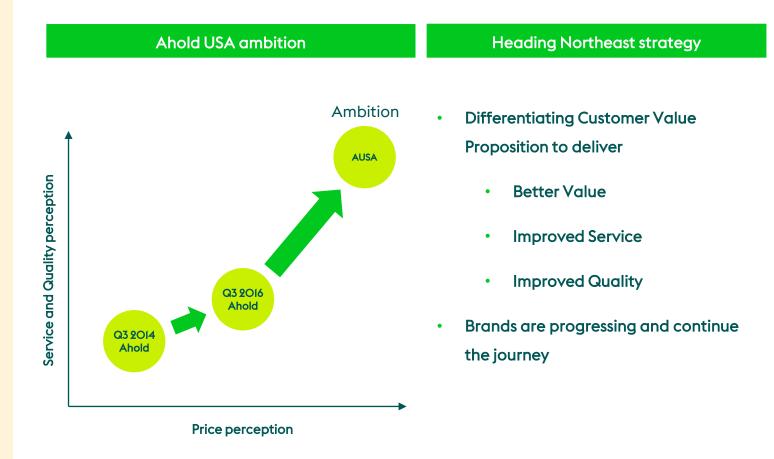


Fund growth in key

**Supermarkets** 

channels

# Ahold USA is heading Northeast





## Fund growth in key channels

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# Ahold USA has strong momentum



#### **Price perception**

#### Heading East – Affordable for All

- Successive waves of price investments – five launched
- Significant marketing and communications support

#### Heading North – Fresher δ Healthier

- Major focus on Fresh
- Service and Quality improvement

#### Heading Northeast – Building Great Local Brands

- "My" Giant / Stop & Shop
- Investing Digital Personalization



# Ahold USA has improved both price positioning and price perception

Improved EDL price positioning across all our brands Initial signs of improved customer price perception across all our brands

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Q3 2016 Price index and change vs. QI 2014

Price Perception QI 2014 - Q3 2016\*



\*Price comparisons against competitors in the market, weighted by volume and by competitive interaction with our stores; representing 60-70% of total sales



eCommerce

Smaller formats



Fund growth in key

**Supermarkets** 

channels

## While also investing in being fresher and healthier

#### New Produce Departments

Delivering ~4% ID sales growth and improved quality perception



#### New Bakery Departments

#### Delivering ~5% ID sales growth



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Starting deployment

#### Nature's Promise

#### Growing double digits vs LY



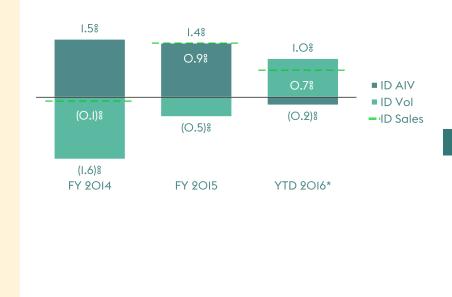






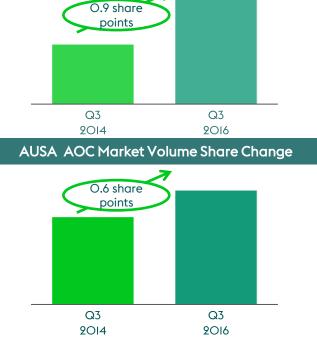
# Ahold USA is seeing encouraging signs of progress

While we have seen signs of improved sales trend - the focus is to continue to enhance our execution and accelerate top line growth



Source: Nielsen Scan Track .

#### AUSA Food Market Volume Share Change



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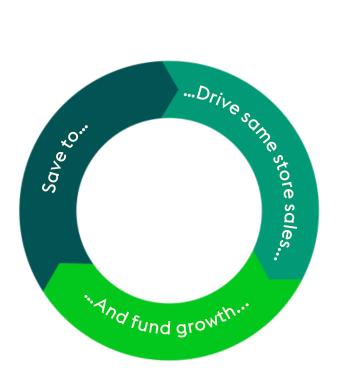


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- Good progress in our market share, price positioning and brand perception
- Real commitment to accelerate our sales growth
- In 2017, we will continue to focus our efforts to better enable our local brands to connect with our customers:
  - Continue to invest in price and effective promotions
  - Launch additional waves focused on:
    - Fresh (Meat, Deli)
    - Center Store Experience
    - Own Brands
- These waved customer value investments will continue to be fully funded through our **cost savings initiatives**, which are incremental to our synergies





## Fund growth in key channels

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## Supermarkets - Zooming in on Hannaford



- 188 stores
- Very high Net Promoter Score (65)
- Loyal customer base
- Fresh, service oriented
- Priced right
- Local image, close to communities
- High profitability
- Positive volume growth over last 3 years

| Quality perception scores (Q2 16) | Hannaford | Key<br>competitors (5) |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|------------------------|
| Produce                           | 56        | <b>22-5</b> O          |
| Meat                              | 52        | 15-50                  |
| Seafood                           | 53        | 12-52                  |
| Deli                              | 58        | 29-58                  |
| Bakery                            | 57        | 32-56                  |



Number of stores and NPS as of 2015



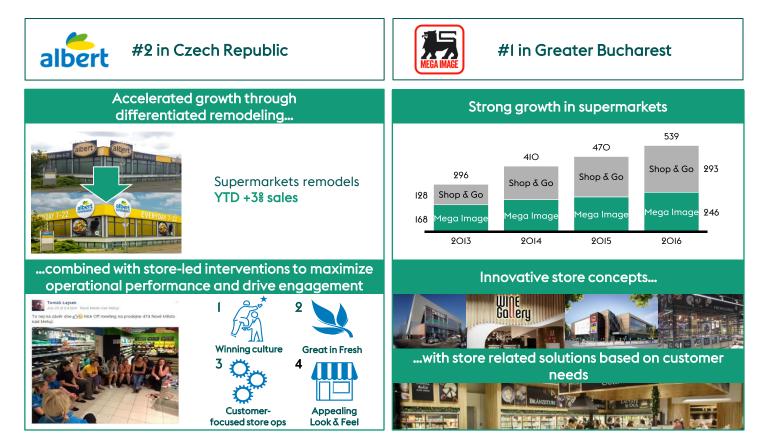
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# Supermarkets - Zooming in on CSE\*

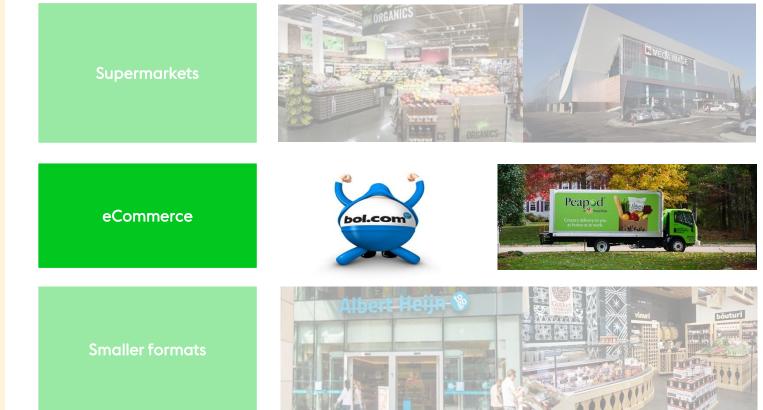


\* Central and Southeastern Europe



# Fund growth in key channels

Examples



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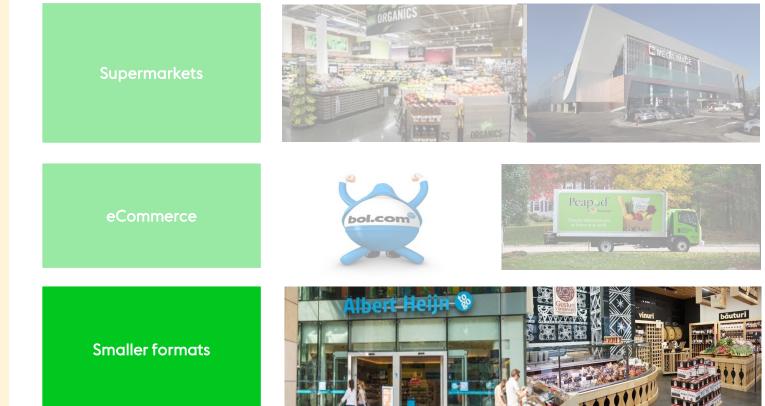
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# Smaller formats present a great opportunity in all our markets<sup>52</sup>

<u>Examples</u>





#### Most of our brands have strong expertise in smaller formats



### Fund growth in key channels

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#### Test concepts in the US







# Better Together - Ahold Delhaize Strategic Framework

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#### Our sustainable business model

Save for our customers: •

- Waste less

#### **Fund growth** in key channels:

# Invest in our customer •

Most local  $\delta$ 



#### Our values



Better place to shop Better place to work Every day, a better place to shop





Count on me

Associate summ camps

Albert Heijn

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Best store in tow

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# Better place to shop - Albert Heijn

Every AH store is right for its specific location and in connection with its neighbourhood



Innovation & improvement in our assortment across all categories



Everbody Appie movement: locally connected and personal







\*Includes Etos, Gall & Gall; Q4 2015 exicudes week 53, no pro forma sales numbers for 2015

Better place to shop

Better place to work



Better place to work

# Every day, a better place to work





Count on me

Associate summer camps

Best store in town







# Associates key to delivering great local brands

Better place to shop

Better place to work





# Every day, a better neighbor







Better place to shop

Better place to work



# Sustainable Retailing is embedded in our Strategy<sup>°°</sup>



Ahold Delhaize ranks among leaders in Dow Jones Sustainability World Index

> Ahold Delhaize received a total score of 79

Food and Staples Retailing industry average score of 44

Better place to shop

Better place to work

# Delhaize Building our Better Together strategy



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#### Leadership

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# Delhaize Clear measures to track strategy execution

Tracking the strategy execution using specific KPIs (e.g., market share, Net Promoter Score)

and management incentives using a well-defined plan



Internal measures

# Ahold Delhaize... Better Together

Stop&Shop

FOOD

#### ... a solid foundation

- Great local brands
- Both sides of the Atlantic
- Best-in-class Supermarkets
- Superior Omni-channel / Digital
- Operating cash flow among industry leaders
- Proven skills in:
  - Fresh
  - Own brands
  - Focus on affordability
- Sustainable retailing and community engagement
- Great talent and leadership track record

#### ... and a strong Better Together Strategy

- Built from powerful combined strengths
- From companies with
  - Complementary cultures
  - Similar values
  - Shared focus on the customer
- Leveraging key industry and consumer trends
- Clear growth drivers and business model



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