

H12020 Results u-blox Holding AG

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## Agenda



Financial results H1 2020	
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## Half year 2020: Summary financial results



	H1 2	020	H1 2019	Change 2020
	IFRS	adjusted <sup>1</sup>	adjusted <sup>1</sup>	to 2019
(CHF millions, except EPS and margins)	reported			
Revenue	174.0m	174.0m	190.6m	-8.7%
(at constant exchange rates)	17-4.0111	17-4.0111	130.0111	( -5.6% )
Gross Profit	79.0m	79.4m	86.1m	-7.8%
Gross margin (%)	45.4%	45.6%	45.2%	
EBITDA	19.9m	24.1m	32.7m	-26.3%
EBITDA margin (%)	11.4%	13.9%	17.2%	
Operating Profit (EBIT )	-65.8m	13.2m	19.7m	-32.7%
EBIT margin (%)	-37.8%	7.6%	10.3%	
Net Profit	-60.0m	4.7m	13.6m	-65.7%
Cash Flow from operating activities	13.9m	13.9m	33.1m	-58.2%
Free Cash Flow	-21.9m	-21.9m	0.5m	n/a
EPS in CHF, fully diluted	(8.64)	0.67	1.96	

Excl. Share-based payments, impacts based on IAS-19, amortization of intangible assets acquired, impairments and non-recurring expenses

## **Business and product highlights**



- Acquired IoT Communication-as-a-Service Provider Thingstream
  - Aligns with strategy to expand services portfolio and accelerates path to achieving silicon-tocloud differentiation
  - Provides comprehensive, end-to-end solution for global IoT connectivity services using the industry standard MQTT protocol
- Launched important new products across platform
  - R5 chipset certified by AT&T for LTE-M
  - Mesh technology for Bluetooth deployed in modules
  - VERA-P3 V2X module for traffic safety applications
  - Global LPWA cellular module SARA-R422 with increased security and positioning features.
- Continued investing in R&D capacity maintained
- OPEX cost saving initiated resulting in CHF 15m annual savings

## Financial highlights



- Financial results reflect impact of COVID-19
  - Total revenues of CHF 174.0m, a decline of -8.7% (-5.6% at constant exchange rates)
  - APAC revenues declined by -2% to CHF 70.1m
  - EMEA revenues declined by -16% to CHF 51.7m as the automotive markets shrunk
  - AMEC revenues decreased by -14% to CHF 48.9m as consumer and fleet management applications softened
- Gross profit margins increased slightly driven by favorable product mix
- EBITDA (adjusted) was CHF 24.1m, compared to CHF 32.7m last year
- Cash flow from operating activities of CHF 13.9m in H1 2020, compared to CHF 33.1m last year
- Free cash flow of CHF -21.9m (before acquisitions CHF -8.4m, H1 2019: CHF 3.9m)
- Impairment charge of CHF 74.1m due to refocusing of R&D programs and market delays in automotive. Actual product offering unaffected.

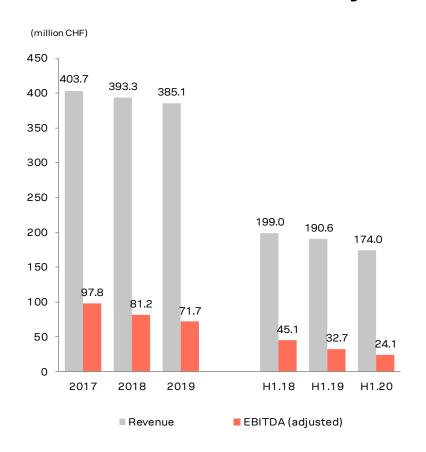
### Revenue and EBITDA



### **Comments**

- H1 2020 revenue below previous year (-8.7% compared to H1 2019)
- Negative currency impact on revenues at H1 2019 rates: -3.1%
- EBITDA (adjusted) margin of 13.9%

### Revenue and EBITDA (adjusted)

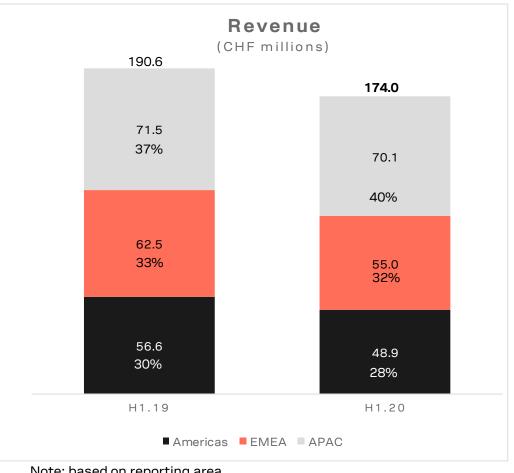


## Revenues by geography



### Comments

- APAC revenue slightly decreased by -2%
  - Strong continued business in China and Korea
  - Negative impact by COVID-19 on automotive and telematics applications
- EMEA revenue decreased by -16%
  - Increased demand for smart city, driver assistance and point-of-sale applications
  - Decline in automotive and micro mobility
- Americas revenue decreased by -14%
  - Growth with industrial automation and fitness
  - Reduced demand for fleet management and consumer applications



Note: based on reporting area

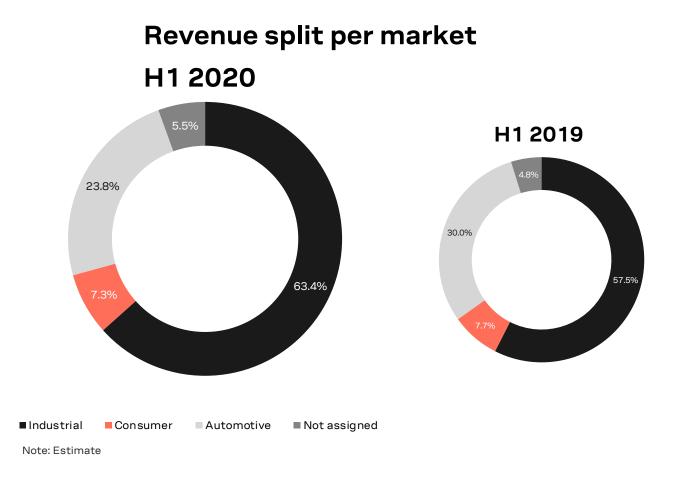
### Market trends



### **Comments**

### In absolute terms:

- Industrial markets stable
  - Infrastructure
  - Automation
- Automotive market declined
  - In-car navigation
  - In-car connectivity
- Consumer markets declined
  - Most applications with exception of fitness



## Shipments and ASP development

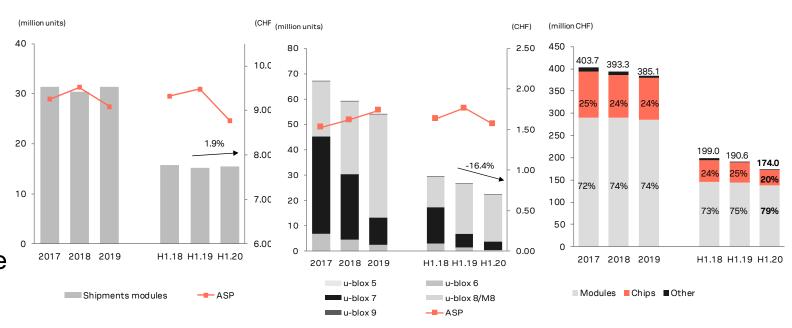


Revenue

### **Comments**

- Module business slight increase with decline in ASP due to product mix
- Major volume of chipset sales with u-blox 8/M8
- Decline in overall chipset volume due to decline in consumer and automotive markets, and lower ASP

### Modules GNSS chips



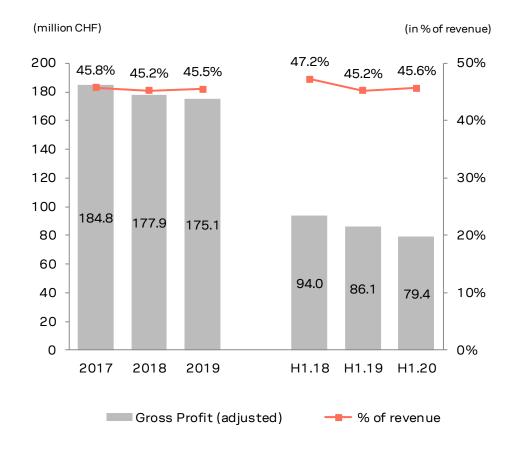
### **Gross profit**



### Comments

- Gross profit (adjusted) of CHF 79.4m
- Gross profit margin (adjusted) slightly higher than H1 2019
  - H1 2020 margin reflects positive impacts from product mix

## Gross profit (adjusted) Gross profit margin (adjusted)



## Distribution & Marketing / Research & Development

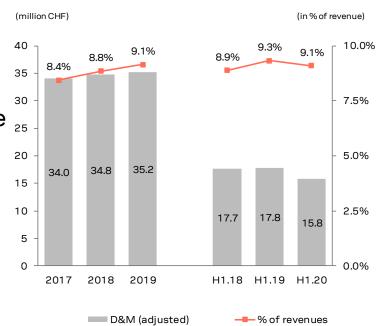


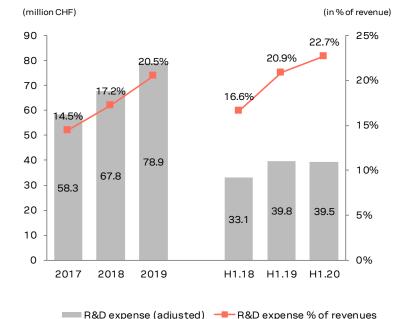
### **Comments**

- D&M expenses (adjusted) profit from cost savings in H1 2020
- R&D expenses (adjusted)
   remain stable and R&D pipeline
   fully maintained
- Reduced cash-out for R&D compared to H1 2019

### D&M expenses (adjusted)

### R&D expenses (adjusted)





### Income statement

### Adjusted and IFRS numbers



### **Comments**

- Adjustments are share-based payments of CHF 3.3m, pension impact of IAS-19 of CHF 1.0m, amortization of intangible assets acquired of CHF 0.6m and impairments of CHF 74.1m<sup>3</sup>
- Financial costs consists primarily of foreign exchange losses, the interest for the two bonds, and the result of Sapcorda GmbH
- For group adjustments corporate tax rate of 18.1% applied (H1 2019: 16.3%)

Jan-Jun 2020 Jan-Jun 2020 Jan-Jun 2019 Adjustments<sup>2)</sup> (in CHF 000s) (IFRS) % revenue (adjusted) % revenue (adjusted) % revenue Revenue 173'957 100.0% 173'957 100.0% 190'554 Cost of sales -94'927 362 -94'565 -104'466 -54.6% -54.4% -54.8% 79'030 45.4% 362 **Gross Profit** 79'392 45.6% 86'088 45.2% -16'907 -9 7% 1'102 -15'805 -17'758 Distribution and marketing expenses -9.1% -9.3% Research and development expenses -115'483 -66.4% 76'001 -39'482 -22.7% -39'777 -20.9% General and administrative expenses -12'935 -7.4% 1'562 -11'373 -6.5% -10'255 -5.4% Other income 505 505 1'368 0.7% Operating Profit (EBIT) -65'790 -37.8% 79'027 13'237 7.6% 19'666 10.3% Finance income 87 0.1% 87 0.1% 1'762 0.9% Finance costs -3'533 -2.0% -3'533 -2.0% -3'157 -1.7% Share of profit of equity-accounted investees, net of taxes -1'907 -1'907 -1'989 -1.0% Profit before income tax (EBT) -71'143 -40.9% 79'027 7'884 4.5% 16'282 8.5% -14'328 -1.8% Income tax expense 11'121 6.4% -3'207 -2'645 -1.4% -60'022 Net Profit -34.5% 64'699 4'677 2.7% 13'637 7.2% Minority interests -69 0.0% -69 0.0% Net Profit, attributable to equity holders of the parent -59'953 -34.5% 4'746 2.7% 13'637 7.2% Earnings per share in CHF (8.64)0.67 1.96 Diluted earnings per share in CHF (8.64)0.67 1.96 Operating Profit (EBIT) -65'790 -37.8% 79'027 13'237 19'666 10.3% Depreciation and amortization 85'651 49.2% -74'746 10'905 6.3% 13'072 6.9% EBITDA 1) 19'861 11.4% 4'281 24'142 13.9% 32'738 17.2%

Management calculates EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization) by adding back depreciation and amortization to operating profit (EBIT), in each case determined in accordance with IFRS.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> Adjustments are impacts of share based payments, Pension calculation according to IAS-19, Non-recurring expenses, impairments and amortization of intangible assets acquired

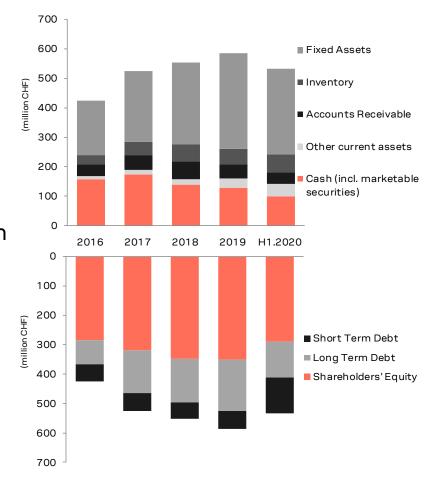
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3)</sup> Impairment was caused by current market conditions mainly in automotive, changes in business plan expectations and refocusing of various programs. The company's existing lines of product offerings remain unaffected.

## Statement of financial position



### Comments

- Strong financial position with a liquidity (incl. marketable securities) of CHF 100.6m (Dec. 2019: CHF 128.3m)
- Inventory CHF 60.5m (Dec. 2019: CHF 51.6m) affected by sudden low demand due to COVID-19 situation
- Trade receivables CHF 39.1m (Dec. 2019: CHF 48.5m)
- Capitalized R&D now CHF 140.2m (2019: CHF 199.9m).
   Amortization and Impairment of capitalized R&D: CHF 78.4m
- Current liabilities contain trade payables of CHF 26.2m (Dec. 2019: CHF 25.4m) and bond repayable April 2021 of CHF 59.9m
- Non-current liabilities contain bond of CHF 60.7m, deferred tax liabilities CHF 9.0 m, employee benefits (IAS-19)
   CHF 25.1m, provisions CHF 10.7m



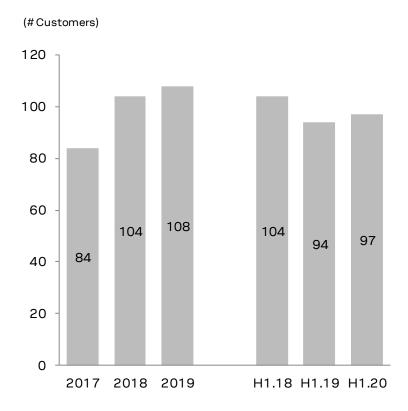
### Global customer base



### Comments

- Wide spread across different applications and geographical regions
- Strong and growing customer base, serving 7'600 customers worldwide in 2020 (2019: 7'200 customers)
- Low customer dependency
  - 97 customers total 80% of revenue
  - Largest customer accounts for 8.7% of total revenue in H1 2020
- 10 biggest customers account for 27.8% of total revenue in H1 2020

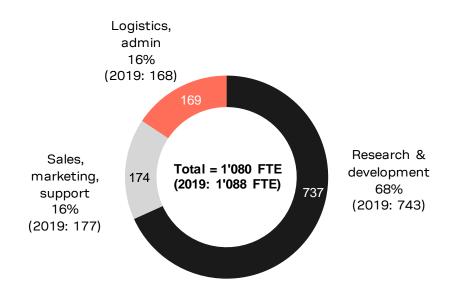
## Number of customers totaling 80% of revenue



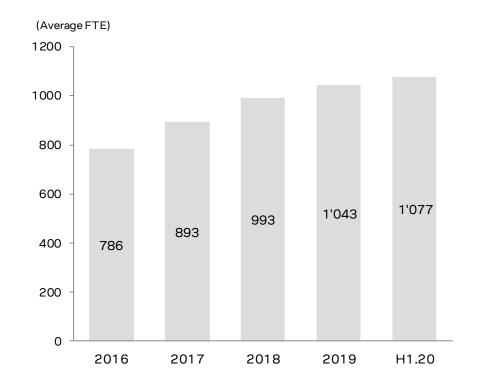
## **Employment**



## Employee breakdown (end of June 2020, FTE based)



### Average number of employees (FTE based)



Note: FTE = full time equivalent

Note: 75% of employees based outside Switzerland (spread across 18 countries)

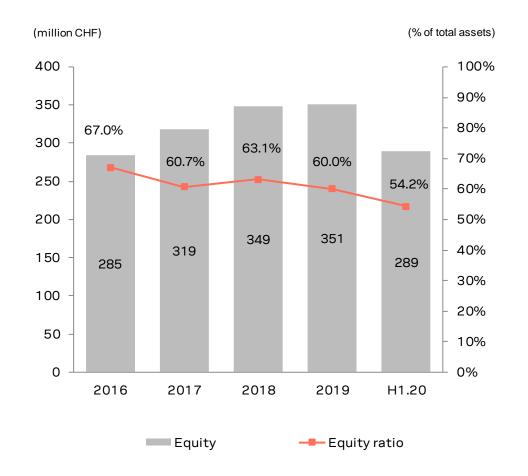
## Statement of financial position



### Comments

- Strong equity base maintained
- Equity ratio of 54.2% (2019: 60.0%)
- Treasury shares for option program CHF 32.0m (Dec. 2019: CHF 32.0m)
- Equity ratio without treasury shares: 56.8% (2019: 62.1%)
- Equity ratio without IFRS 16: 56.4% (2019: 62.3%)
- Minority interests of CHF 0.2m (2019: CHF 0.1m)

### Total equity and equity ratio



## **Segment information**



### **IFRS** numbers

	Position wireless	•	Wireless	services	Total seg	ments	Non-allo elimina	•	Grou	p
	January	- June	January	/ - June	January	- June	January	/ - June	January -	- June
(in CHF 000s)	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019
Revenue third parties	173'795	190'433	162	121	173'957	190'554			173'957	190'554
Revenue intragroup			16'519	15'871	16'519	15'871	-16'519	-15'871	0	0
Total revenue	173'795	190'433	16'681	15'992	190'476	206'425	-16'519	-15'871	173'957	190'554
EBITDA*)	18'336	25'933	1'525	3'137	19'861	29'070			19'861	29'070
Depreciation	-4'636	-4'945	-1'385	-1'570	-6'021	-6'515			-6'021	-6'515
Amortization	-5'144	-7'638	-382	-11	-5'526	-7'649			-5'526	-7'649
Impairment	-74'104	0			-74'104	0			-74'104	0
Operating profit (EBIT)	-65'548	13'350	-242	1'556	-65'790	14'906	0	0	-65'790	14'906
Finance income									87	1'762
Finance costs					-3'533	-3'157				
Share of profit of equity-accounted investees, net of taxes					-1'907	-1'989				
EBT					-71'143	11'522				

### Consolidated statement of cash flows



### **Comments**

- Cash flow from operating activities negatively impacted by net working capital of CHF -5.8m (H1 2019: CHF 7.9m)
- Maintained investment activities
- Free Cash Flow (before acquisitions & participations in capital increase)
   CHF -8.4m (H1 2019: CHF 3.9m)
- Acquisition of Thingstream of CHF 9.3m and further investment into JV Sapcorda and Tashang of CHF 4.2m (H1 2019: CHF 3.4m)

	For the period ended	For the period ended
(in CHF 000s)	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019
Net Profit	-60'022	9'650
Depreciation & Amortization	85'651	14'164
Other non-cash transactions	3'312	2'547
Financial income & financial expense	5'353	3'384
Income tax expense	-11'121	1'872
Change in net working capital and provision	-5'825	7'900
Income tax paid	-3'493	-6'406
Net cash generated from operating activities	13'855	33'111
Net investment into property, plant and equipment	-2'855	-3'409
Net investment into intangibles	-19'855	-26'408
Net investments into financial assets	467	612
Acquisition of subsidiairies, net of cash acquired & participations	-13'518	-3'386
Net cash used in investing activities	-35'761	-32'591
Free Cash Flow (before Acquisition & participations		
in capital increase)	-8'388	3'906
Free Cash Flow	-21'906	520
Proceeeds from issuance of ordinary shares	0	91
Dividends paid to owners of the parent	0	-11'077
Net proceeds from borrowings	1'076	0
Payment of lease liabilities	-2'313	-2'192
Purchase of treasury shares	0	0
Non-controlling interests	125	0
Interest paid	-2'566	-2'182
Net cash used in financing activities	-3'678	-15'360
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	-25'584	-14'840
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	127'424	136'296
Exchange gains/(losses) on cash and cash equivalents	-1'735	-481
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	100'105	120'975



### **Product launches H1 2020**



Meeting our customers' needs for secure and simple cloud connectivity







### **Positioning**



### **UBX-R5**

UBX-R5 LTE-M/NB-IoT chipset offers unprecedented wireless technology integration with built-in end-to-end security, making it ideal for mission-critical or long lifecycle IoT applications.



#### VERA-P3

Brings easy access to V2X, an essential enabler of increased safety, convenience, and efficiency on the road.



#### JODY-W3

Designed for the increasing number of wireless high speed connections that will be required in vehicles.



#### **M9**

M9 platform expanded with additional features. The ultra-robust M9 technology platform will serve demanding automotive and high-end telematics applications.



### Thingstream acquisition

Enables u-blox to expand ist services portfolio with the addition of a complete and comprehensive IoT connectivity solution for customers and accelerates path toward achieving unique siliconto-cloud differentiation.



## **Customer relationships: greenTEG**



Leverages u-blox connectivity to protect health and safety amid COVID-19 pandemic

- CORE is a wearable for continuous and accurate core body temperature monitoring.
- CORE communicates wirelessly using the u-blox NINA-B306 stand-alone Bluetooth 5 low energy module
- Can be used to track users' wellness status as they return to the workplace from their homes, and alerts them when their core body temperature rises unexpectedly.



 u-blox Bluetooth products dovetail to create pioneering monitoring capabilities

## **Customer relationships: WaterLink**

**Oblox** 

Enable wireless mesh networking technology to cut water metering costs

- u-blox's NINA-B3 stand-alone Bluetooth low energy modules and SARA-R410M-02B LTE-M / NB-IoT and EGPRS cellular module for LPWA (low power wide area) applications are being used in a data logger for a smart water metering solution.
- "The combination of scalable mesh IoT network software and robust hardware from u-blox enable us to simplify the installation of water meters and therefore cut the total cost of ownership for customers."

George P Prencipe, Director of WaterSynergy



 The robustness of the u-blox NINA-B3 module design and software support makes integration simpler.



## **Expanding content in automotive market**



Improved functionality require more u-blox technology

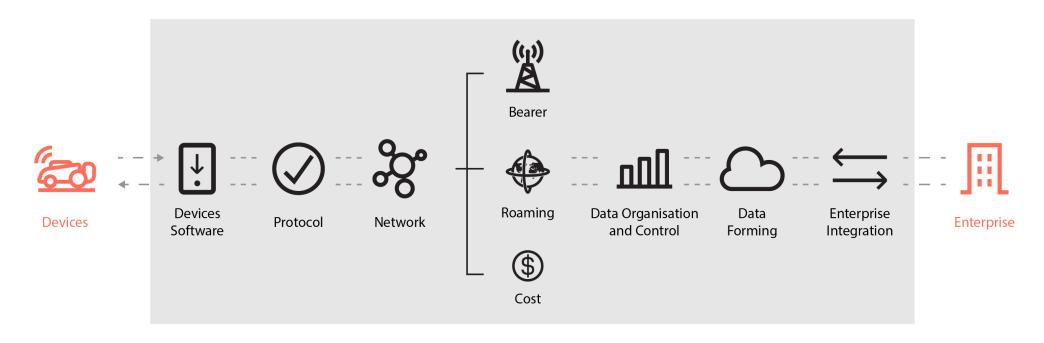
- Driver assistance system for a more comfortable drive
  - Hands-off single-lane driving capabilities
  - Assist the driver with passing, lane diversions and lane exiting on multi-lane highways
  - Enables hands-off driving while cruising in a given lane



### IoT Communication-as-a-Service



We solve the problems of complexity, cost and availability.



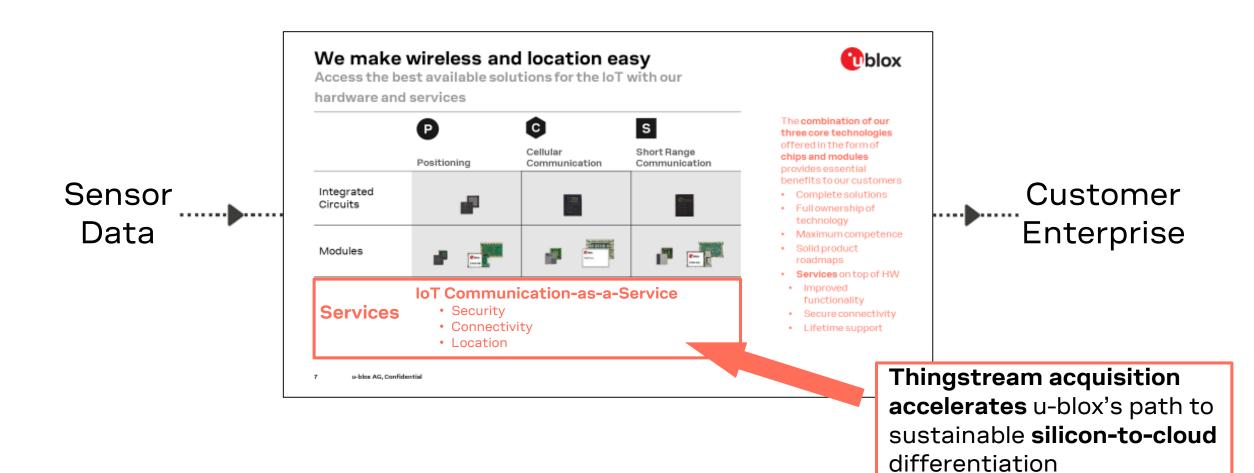
The **complexity of IoT Connectivity solved** by a comprehensive end-to-end solution based on the industry standard MQTT.

**Simplifying cost of ownership** by offering a product "as-a-Service" at **predictable cost with on-demand scalability**.

### u-blox strategic goal (with Thingstream)







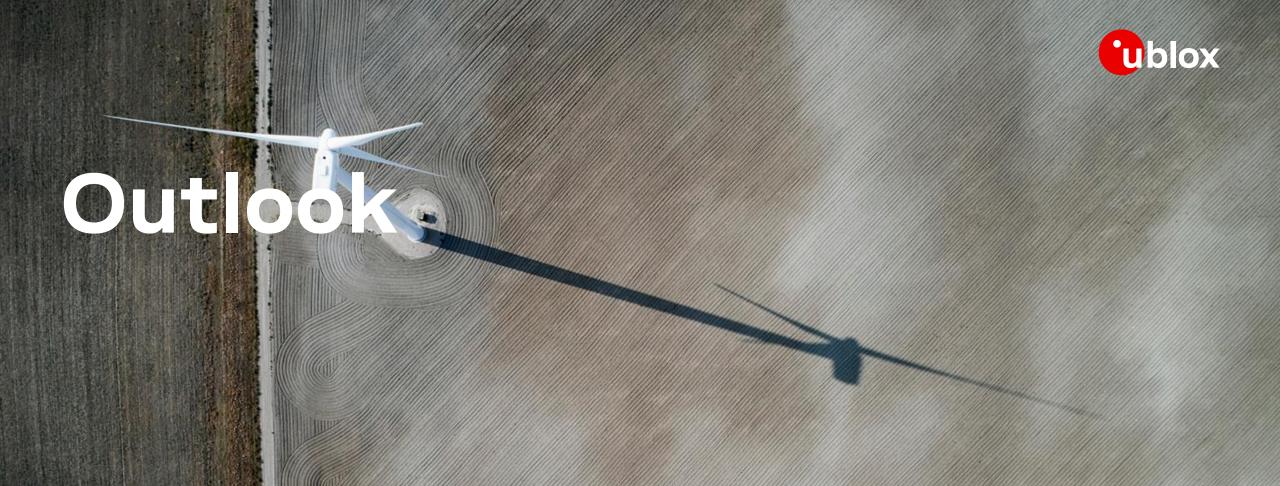
# u-blox joined the GSMA IoT Ecosystem security



 To enable a secure market, companies must take responsibility to embed security from the beginning and at every stage of the IoT value chain.



- u-blox joined the GSMA IoT Ecosystem in February 2020
- u-blox will help strengthen the security in IoT ecosystems using the company's LTE-M and NB-IoT chipsets with the implementation of a set of security features endorsed by the GSMA.
- GSMA IoT ecoystem enables IoT device manufacturers and service providers to use a SIM as a robust and scalable hardware RoT to protect IoT data communications.



### Outlook 2020



Vast uncertainties - 2020 and mid-term guidance retracted

- Continued COVID-19 impact in all regions
- Business prediction difficult with respect to how quickly and strongly economies will recover
- Strong underlying growth drivers remain
  - Content extension in automotive
  - Expansion of industrial IoT
  - Healthy ramp-up with new products

## **Upcoming events**



Analyst day

25 November, 2020

2020 full year results

12 March, 2021

Annual general meeting

22 April, 2021

