## **Results presentation**

For the six months ended 30 September 2023

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## **CEO transition**



**Dev Dhiman** CEO Designate

- Dev was announced as GBG's CEO Designate on 8 November 2023, he will assume the role of CEO and join the Board on 30 January 2024
- Joined GBG in 2020 as Managing Director, Asia Pacific, a business that has consistently delivered year-on-year revenue growth
- Dev has demonstrated excellent leadership qualities aligned with GBG's people-focused culture
- Previously, he spent 12 years at Experian, where he held a variety of senior positions, he has considerable knowledge and experience of the sector and the markets in which we operate

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## 1H24 review

Chris Clark - CEO

### 1H24 at a glance

#### **Excellent strategic progress**

Simplification & efficiency

Innovation driving differentiation

Cross-sell / up-sell to existing customers

Geographic and sector expansion

## Revenue and adjusted operating profit as previously announced

- Revenue £132.4m, +3.3% on a constant currency basis ex. crypto
  - Good performance in Fraud and Location
  - Stabilisation in Identity
- Continued strong new logo growth (~4%) and net revenue retention improving
- Annualised run-rate OPEX reduction £10m
- Adjusted operating profit **£23.9m, +7.9%** excluding gains from foreign exchange

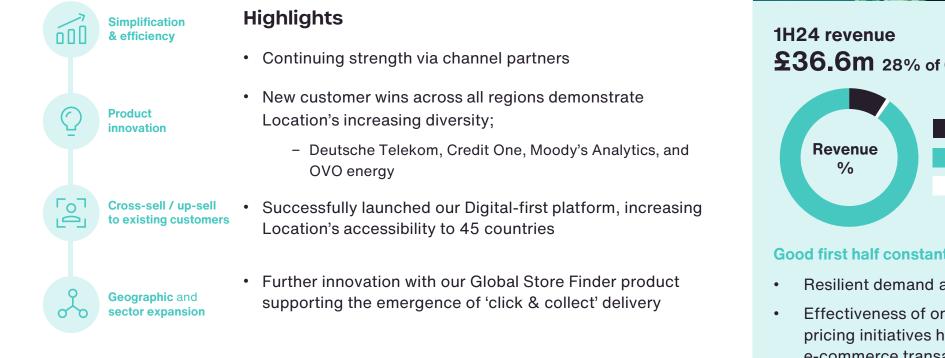
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### Location

Validating accurate and reliable address data to ensure our customers can, with minimum friction, provide their products and services to the right people, in the right place





### £36.6m 28% of Group

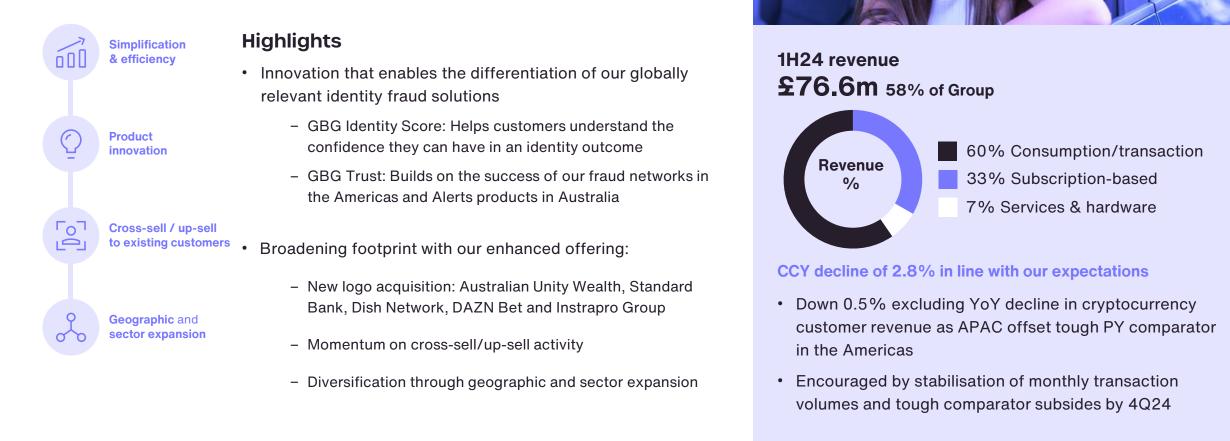


#### Good first half constant currency (CCY) growth of 8.1%

- Resilient demand across sectors and geographies
- Effectiveness of ongoing up-sell, cross-sell and pricing initiatives helped offset continued softness in e-commerce transaction volumes

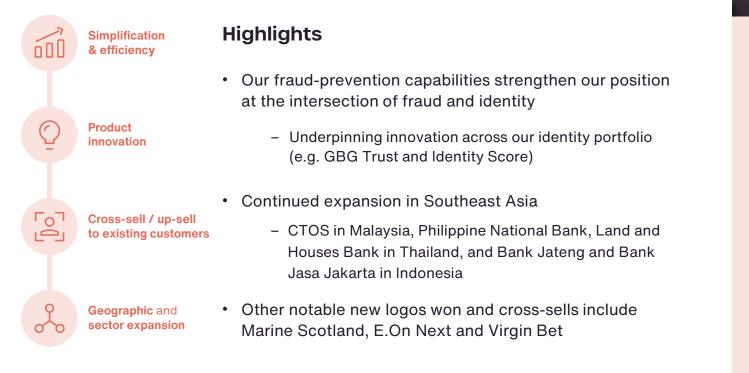
## Identity

Building trusted relationships through document and data identity verification to prove an individual is who they say they are and good to do business with, which can help prevent crimes such as money laundering and identity fraud



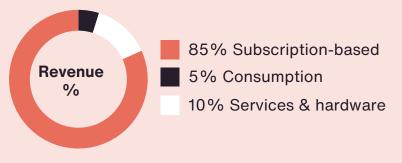
### Fraud

Offering real-time protection and regulatory compliance protection against modern-day financial crimes, identifying and helping to prevent or pursue bad actors to avert crimes such as identity, application and transaction fraud





1H24 revenue **£19.2m** 14% of Group



#### Strong 1H24 CCY growth of 10.5%

- Important contract renewals and new business wins
- Remain focused on established financial services

## Financial review

David Ward - CFO

### **Financial review**

Revenue in-line with expectations; excellent progress on cost-saving initiatives

£132.4m	£10m	£23.9m	(£52.6m)	(£104.8)m
<ul> <li>+1.8%</li> <li>Constant currency revenue growth</li> <li>+3.3%</li> <li>Constant currency revenue growth ex. crypto</li> </ul>	Annualised run-rate savings delivered, despite inflationary pressures	Adjusted operating profit Margin 18.1% Growth (excl. FX gain) +7.9%	<b>Operating loss</b> Impacted by non- cash goodwill impairment charge	Net debt as at 30 Sept 2023 Net debt / EBITDA leverage 1.8x Strong YTD cash conversion of 102% - More reflective of historic levels

### **Group income statement**

	1H24 옾m	1H23 £m	Growth
Reported revenue	132.4	133.8	(1.1)%
Cost of sales_	(40.8)	(38.7)	
Gross profit	91.6	95.1	(3.7)%
Gross profit %	<b>69.2</b> %	71.1%	
Adjusted operating expenses	(67.6)	(73.7)	(8.3)%
Decrease/(Increase) in ECL	(0.4)	0.5	
Adjusted operating profit <sup>1</sup> excl. FX gains	23.6	21.8	+7.9%
Adjusted operating margin % <sup>1</sup> excl. FX gains	17.8%	<i>16.3%</i>	
FX gains	0.3	6.3	
Adjusted operating profit <sup>1</sup>	23.9	28.1	(14.8)%
Adjusted operating margin % <sup>1</sup>	<i>18.1%</i>	21.0%	
Share-based payments	0.1	(2.8)	
Amortisation of acquired intangibles	(20.1)	(21.3)	
Exceptional items	(56.5)	(1.5)	
Operating (loss) / profit	(52.6)	2.5	
Net finance costs	(4.7)	(2.5)	
(Loss) / profit before tax	(57.3)	(0.0)	
Tax credit / (charge)	2.1	(0.7)	
(Loss) / profit after tax	(55.2)	(0.7)	

- 1.8% constant currency revenue growth; 3.3% on a constant currency basis excluding revenues from cryptocurrency customers
- Gross profit margin reflects revenue mix and an increase in cloud costs
- Excellent strategic progress on cost efficiency; adjusted operating expenses were £6.1 million or 8.3% lower than the prior year
- Exceptional cost breakdown:

Impairment of goodwill	£54.7m
Other exceptional items	£1.8m
Total exceptional costs	£56.5m

- Non-cash impairment of goodwill of £54.7m arising from the requirement to use an increased discount rate versus 31 March
- Other exceptional items of £1.8m primarily relates to the enablement of our cost-efficiency initiatives
- Finance costs reflect the impact of higher interest rates on the revolving credit facility
- 31.2% adjusted effective tax rate (1H23: 26.4%)
- Adjusted diluted EPS decreased to 5.1 pence (1H23: 7.3 pence) impacted by the unusual prior year FX gains and higher finance costs

Note: <sup>1</sup>Adjusted operating profit is stated before amortisation of acquired intangibles, share-based payments and exceptional items

### **Cash flow statement**

	1H24 <del>£</del> m	1H23 £m	Variance	FY23 <u>£m</u>
Adjusted EBITDA	25.2	29.7	(4.5)	63.1
Working capital	0.5	(12.4)	12.9	(20.8)
Adjusted operating cash flow	25.7	17.3	8.4	42.3
Exceptional costs paid	(2.8)	(1.8)	(1.0)	(3.9)
Operating cash flow	22.9	15.5	7.4	38.4
Tax paid	(3.4)	(4.1)	0.7	(4.3)
Interest and borrowing costs	(4.4)	(2.2)	(2.2)	(6.3)
Dividend paid	(10.1)	(9.6)	(0.5)	(9.6)
Lease liability payments	(0.8)	(1.1)	0.3	(2.1)
Capex/development	(0.2)	(0.6)	0.4	(0.9)
Net share issue proceeds	-	(2.0)	(2.0)	(1.7)
Acquisitions/investments	(1.2)	-	(1.2)	(5.0)
Total net cash/(debt) movement	2.8	(4.1)	6.9	11.1
Opening net cash/(debt) balance	(105.9)	(107.0)	1.1	(107.0)
Effect of exchange rates	(1.7)	(21.5)	19.8	(10.0)
Closing net cash/(debt) balance	(104.8)	(132.6)	27.8	(105.9)
Net debt / EBITDA leverage	1.8x	2.1x		1.7x

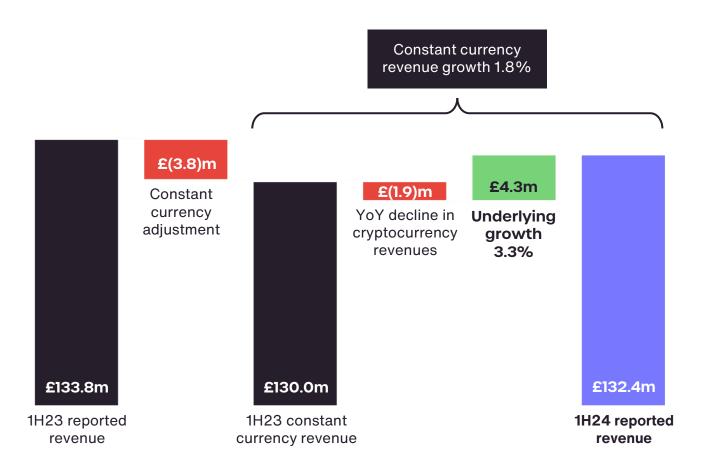
- Strong year-to-date cash conversion of 102.0% (1H23: 57.5%), reflecting historic levels, and we expect leverage to reduce to c. 1.30x by year-end
- At 30 September 2023 we had a net debt position of £104.8m, primarily reflecting £10.1m FY23 final dividend payment and exceptional cash costs of £2.8m
- Continued strong cash generation since 30 Sept 2023; our net debt position today is approximately £95m

### **1H24 revenue bridge**

- Reported revenue decline 1.1%
- Revenue growth on a constant currency basis
   1.8%
- Constant currency growth 3.3% excluding the year-on-year decline in cryptocurrency revenue

#### 12-month rolling revenue

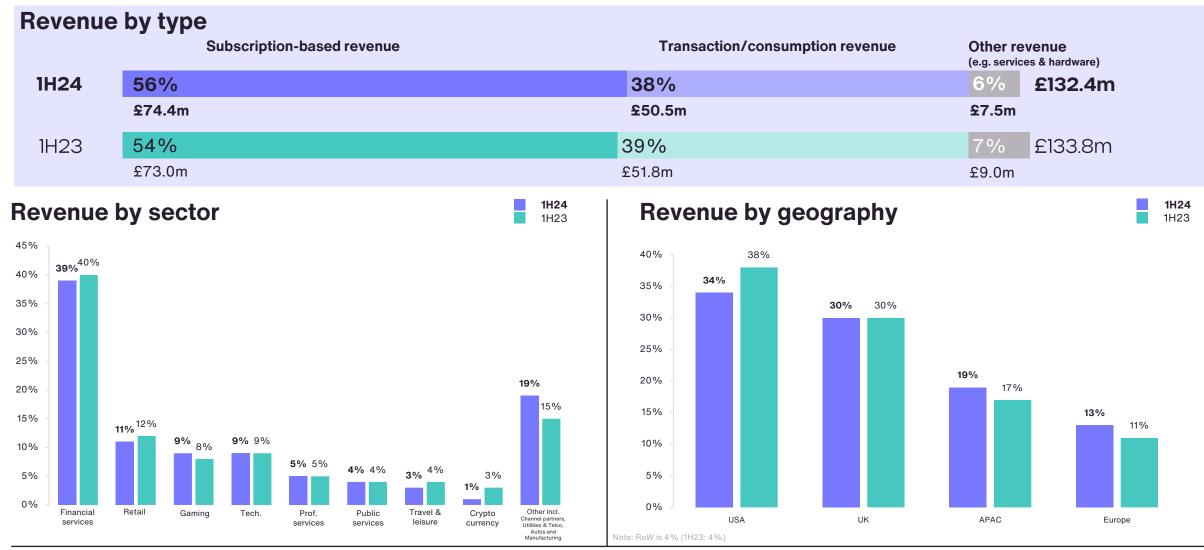
- Revenue growth (ex-crypto) on a rolling 12month basis ~4%
  - Continued good growth from new business wins ~4%
  - Net revenue retention starting to improve 99.7% (FY23: 98.5%)



Note: GBG assesses absolute customer retention as the % of customers that remained a customer 12 months later, while net revenue retention is the comparison of the revenue from those existing customers year on year

### A diversified revenue mix

Delivering our solutions through a mix of commercial models with diversification across sectors and geographies



### **Focusing on efficiency**

On-going initiatives with an annualised run-rate reduction in Opex of £10m already achieved

#### **Reconciliation of operating expenses**

	1H24	2H23	1H23
Reported operating expenses	£144.1m	£214.2m	£99.3m
Amortisation of acquired intangibles	(£20.1m)	(£21.5m)	(£21.3m)
Equity-settled share-based payments	0.1m	£0.4m	(£2.7m)
Impairment of goodwill	(£54.7m)	(£122.2m)	-
Other exceptional items	(£1.8m)	(£3.4m)	(£1.5m)
Adjusted operating expenses	£67.6m	£67.5m	£73.7m

Ongoing initiative areas		40	1H23	2H23	1H24	2H24e
Operational efficiency	Product & technology			Sales & marke	eting	
<ul> <li>Headcount management; reduced by 9% since March'22 <ul> <li>Central functions cost review to avoid duplication</li> <li>Refining management structures</li> <li>Managing underperformance</li> </ul> </li> <li>Implementing a single global customer support framework</li> <li>Reviewing physical office footprint</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ongoing process to simplify rapidly changing market need</li> <li>Accelerating alignment across Disciplined investment to im- increase performance</li> <li>Managing data and cloud comparison</li> </ul>	eds oss our technolog nprove efficiency	y portfolio	<ul> <li>GTM brand con becoming our p</li> </ul>	solidation such primary identity in ytics around sal	es data to reduce cost to

Lower YoY adj. operating expenses £6.1m lower 80 £73.7m £67.6m £67.5m 70 60 50

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### **Summary and Outlook**

Confidence in our FY24 profit expectations

Pleased with our first-half performance against the macroeconomic backdrop; excellent strategic progress driving GBG's differentiation

- While overall revenue growth has remained impacted by the macro; our customer retention is high, there is improving NRR and we continue to achieve good new logo acquisition
- Second-half performance to date has been in line with our expectations and we anticipate that FY24 revenue growth will be broadly in-line with current expectations
- Stabilisation in Identity and an easing comparator from 3Q24 supports our confidence in delivering some year-on-year Identity growth in the latter part of the year
- Pleased our initiatives around simplicity and efficiency have already delivered annualised run-rate savings of £10m, underpinning our FY24 profit expectations



# Appendices

### **Group balance sheet**

	<b>1H24</b> As at 30 Sept <b>£m</b>	FY23 As at 31 March £m	Variance
Tangible assets	5.2	5.2	-
Goodwill & intangible assets	785.6	854.3	(68.7)
Deferred tax assets	0.7	0.8	(0.1)
Non-current receivables	6.0	4.3	1.7
Non-current assets	797.5	864.6	(67.1)
Inventory	2.0	2.6	(0.6)
Current receivables	60.7	65.3	(4.6)
Net Debt/Cash <sup>1</sup>	(103.8)	(104.9)	1.1
Current liabilities	(35.7)	(37.3)	1.6
Tax (payable)/receivable	(0.2)	(0.9)	0.7
Deferred revenue	(55.1)	(56.5)	1.4
Lease liability	(1.9)	(1.8)	(0.1)
Contingent consideration	-	(1.2)	1.2
Non-current liabilities	(30.9)	(35.8)	4.9
Net assets	632.6	694.1	(61.5)
Capital and reserves	632.6	694.1	(61.5)

#### Debt leverage and borrowing

Net cash / debt analysis	30 Sept 23 £m	31 Mar 23 £m	30 Sept 22 <del>£</del> m
Cash	19.2	21.6	15.7
Debt	(124.0)	(127.5)	(148.3)
Net cash/(debt)	(104.8)	(105.9)	(132.6)
Net debt / EBITDA leverage	1.8x	1.7x	2.1x

Note: 1 Loans on the balance sheet are net of £1 million (FY23: £1.1 million) unmortised arrangement fees which are excluded above

### **Revenue breakdown**

#### GBG generates high levels of repeatable revenue

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	£m	% of Rev	£m	% of Rev
Subscriptions:				
- Transactions / consumption-based	22.5	17%	22.4	17%
- Term-based	51.9	39%	50.6	38%
Total subscription-based revenue	74.4	56%	73.0	55%
Transaction / consumption revenue	50.5	38%	51.8	39%
Other	7.5	6%	9.0	6%
	132.4	100%	133.8	100%

Note: \*Excluding the impact of the year-on-year decline in crypto currency revenue, the constant currency change would have been 3.3%

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