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A glossary of non-IFRS performance indicators and abbreviations is provided in the half-year report on pages 51 - 52.

**Image on cover page:** St. Gallen and the entire region embody the qualities that make Switzerland strong and distinctive: successful entrepreneurship and excellent education. Through its presence in this city that lies close to the border of three countries, Vontobel has ties to the St. Gallen-based Bank Wegelin – the oldest in Switzerland – which later became Notenstein La Roche Privatbank AG and was subsequently acquired by Vontobel. With its investment solutions, the globally active investment manager Vontobel serves both individual wealth management clients and institutional investors in St. Gallen and across the region.

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### Good performance in challenging times

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#### Key figures as of June 30, 2020

#### Advised client assets

#### CHF 218.6 bn

of which CHF 193.4 bn assets under management

#### **Net new money**

CHF 7.4 bn (7.5%<sup>1</sup>)

#### **Operating income**

#### CHF 623.0 mn

(flat or +1% adjusted<sup>2</sup>)

#### **Group net profit**

#### CHF 129.2 mn (-1%)

Profit before tax CHF 156.1 mn (+4% or +6% adj.<sup>2</sup>)

#### **Earnings per share**

**CHF 2.18** 

(-2%)

#### Return on equity

13.4%

### **Capital ratios**

CET1 13.8% Tier 1 20.2%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Annualized, in % of AuM at the beginning of the period

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In H1 2019 excluding integration costs for Notenstein La Roche (NLR) of CHF 7.9 million and a special dividend from our participation in SIX Group AG of CHF 6.9 million; in H1 2020 excluding implementation costs of CHF 4.1 million related to Vontobel's realignment as a fully client-centric investment manager

## Investment focus and strong technology infrastructure pay off

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## Fully client-centric investment manager

- Strategic realignment announced in December 2019 implemented
- Performance of business confirms strategic direction

## Resilient while navigating corona crisis

- Continuous support for clients throughout lockdown, weathered extreme market dislocation, demonstrated resilience and robustness
- Reaping the rewards of continuous and consistent investments in technology over the last decade: all workstations globally run on Swiss private cloud, active use of digital client onboarding

## Net new money RoA

- Strong net new money positive flows across all asset classes
- Good Return on Assets (RoA) with a large proportion of stable recurring commission income

#### **Operating income**

- Recurring revenues up slightly due to higher average AuM
- Transaction-based revenues positively impacted by market volatility; business model focus is on recurring asset-linked revenues

#### Risk

- No credit losses / no exposure to corporate lending
- RWA in line with end-December 2019 despite increased regulatory requirements

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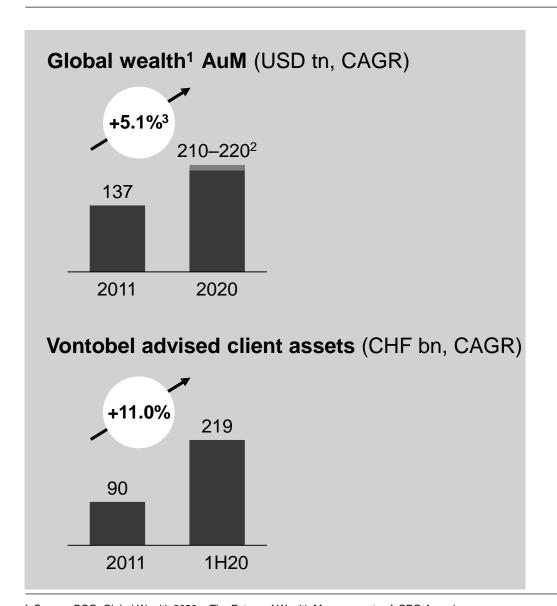
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# Vontobel has delivered consistently high growth over the last 10 years

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# Move to a pure-play investment manager based on 4 strategic levers to drive further value creation

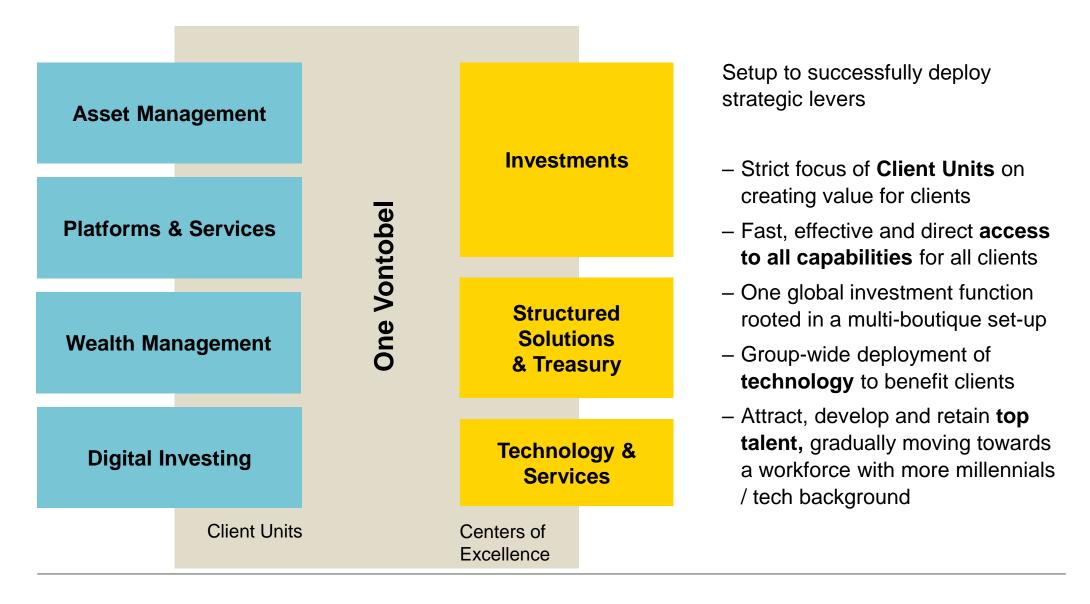


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Source: BCG: Global Wealth 2020 - The Future of Wealth Management - A CEO Agenda

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Range of projected global wealth development between "quick rebound" and "lasting damage" scenarios

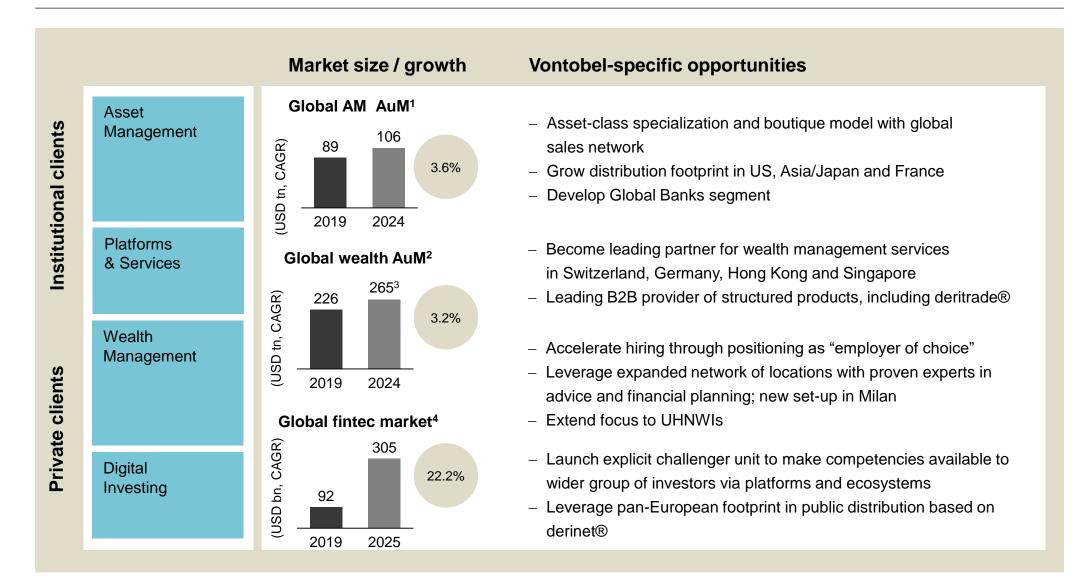
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Growth is calculated on the medium scenario; in CHF, growth corresponds to 5.2% p.a.

# New way of working to realize the full potential of strategic levers and further accelerate growth





# Client Units are focused on seizing attractive growth opportunities in significant asset and fee pools



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Source: BCG: Global Asset Management 2020 - Protect, adapt, and innovate

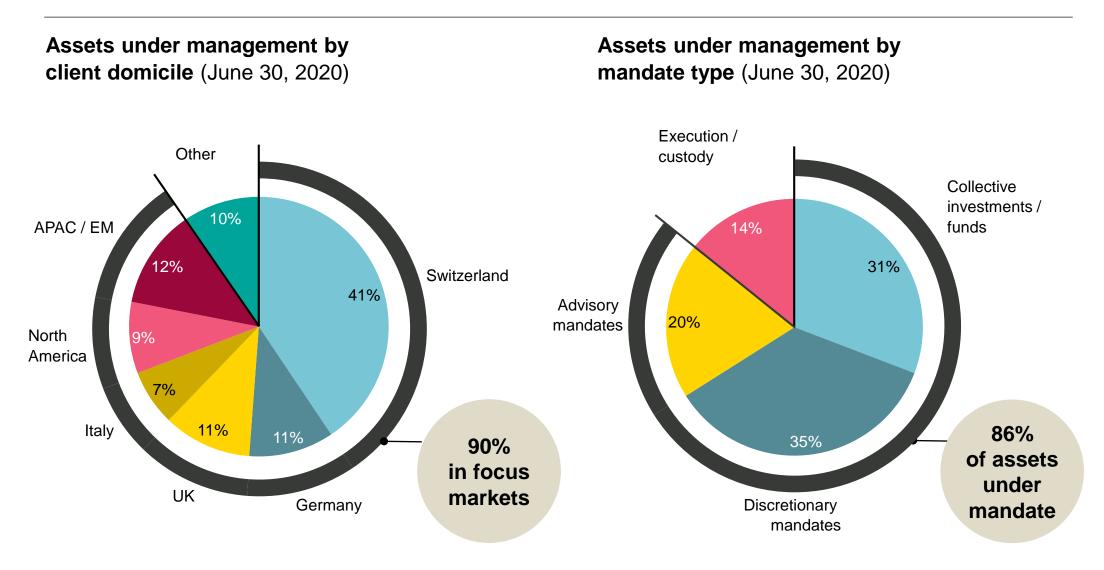
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Source: BCG: Global Wealth 2020 – The Future of Wealth Management – A CEO Agenda

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Based on middle scenario of slow recovery

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Source: Market Data Forecast, market reports: Fintec Market ID:8751



### Current business mix is well diversified and resilient



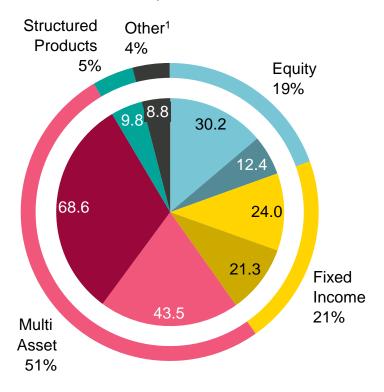


### Vontobel's investment offering with proven processes and conviction

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#### Advised client assets by asset class

(CHF bn; June 30, 2020)



#### Focus and expertise in investments

- Each boutique draws on specialized investment talent, a strong performance culture and robust risk management
- Our convictions are the result of our relentless in-depth analysis and ingenuity
- Around 300 investment managers around the globe in Zurich, New York, London and Asia
- Top 2 in European cross-border fund flows in first half of 2020<sup>2</sup>
- Largest issuer of structured products in Switzerland with growing European and Asian footprint
- Growing market shares in all European and Asian markets<sup>2</sup>

Structured Products

**Quality Growth** TwentyFour AM Sustainable Eq Multi Asset Other Fixed Income WM Investments

<sup>1</sup> Other includes AuM and other advised client assets not managed by Investments and corrects for double counts of CHF 1.3 bn in the boutiques

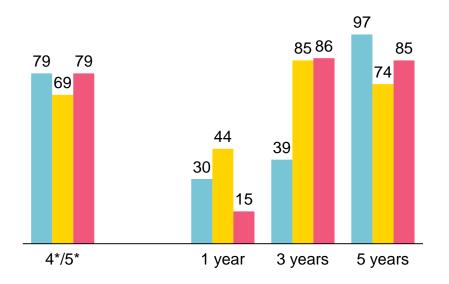
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See page 34 in the appendix

### **Excellence through the cycle**

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#### Track record in funds

(% of 4\* & 5\* rating, % of 1st and 2nd quartiles1)



## Longstanding track record based on a proven investment process

- Strong medium- to long-term performance
- YTD performance of selected high-conviction portfolios lagging as corona-induced liquidity squeeze did not properly recognize quality
- Vontobel has managed several market dislocations in the past and is well positioned for the future with a strong long-term approach
- Client trust in Vontobel's investment approach and capabilities is reflected by significant inflows – positive in both Q1 2020 and Q2 2020

**Fixed Income** 

Equity

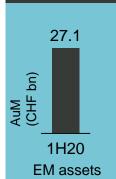
Multi Asset

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Based on Morningstar rated funds; asset weighted

### Continued strong traction in growth areas

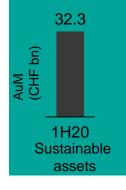
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## **Emerging Markets – a specialist approach**



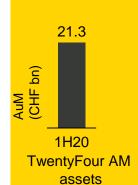
- Driver: 59% of GDP¹ already generated in Emerging Markets and the proportion is growing; avg. allocation to EM assets is far lower
- Good performance, won 40 awards in 2019
- NNM CHF 0.5 bn in H1 2020

### ESG – one of the leaders in Switzerland

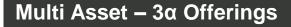


- Driver: Global sustainably managed assets grew by 15% p.a. since 2011, led by European investors; US and Asian institutions starting to accelerate<sup>2</sup>
- Leading Swiss Sustainable Asset
   Manager<sup>3</sup>
- Strong NNM CHF 2.8 bn in H1 2020

#### Fixed Income - now even more than ever!



- Driver: Interest rates are lower forever?!
- Strategic income fund provides an alternative to low / negative interest rates
- Strong NNM CHF 2.6 bn in H1 2020





- Driver: Decreasing expected returns and increasing complexity
- 3α-Managed Solutions Funds achieved good three year track record
- More than 60% of AuM in Wealth Management are invested in proprietary 3α offerings

Assets in the different categories are not mutually exclusive. Certain Vontobel strategies belong to more than one category.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> IMF, based on PPP-adjusted USD

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> BCG, World Economic Forum report

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Awarded "Best Sustainable Asset Manager" by Geneva Forum for Sustainable Investments (GFSI)

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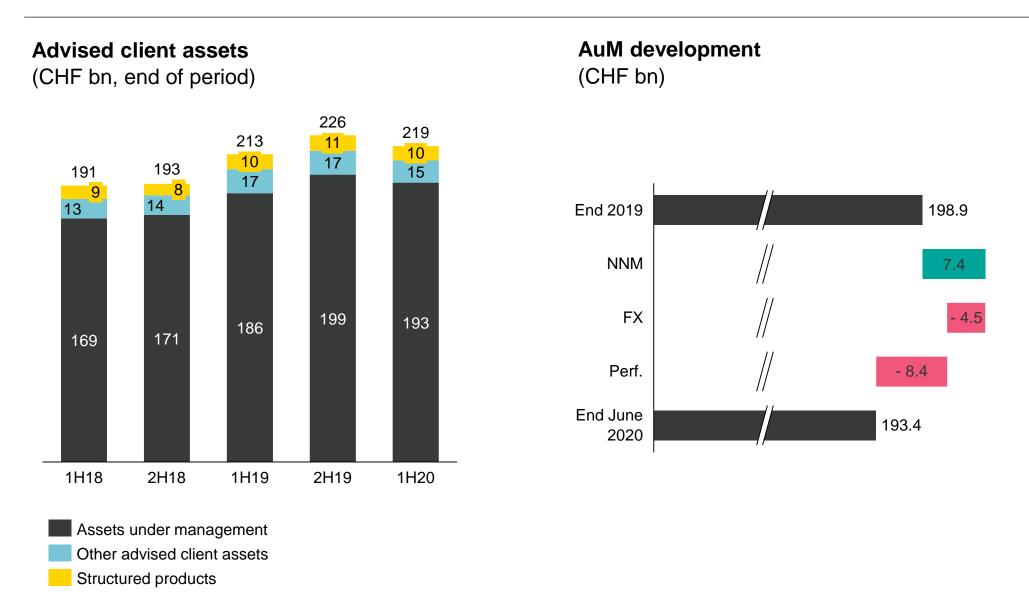
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## Advised client assets at CHF 218.6 billion Corona impact partially offset by strong net new money

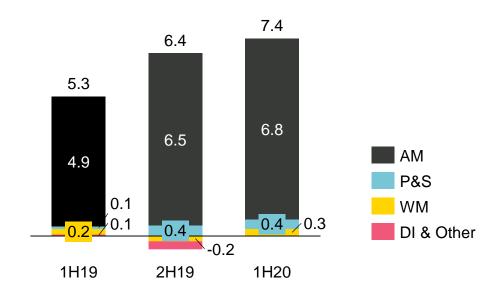




## Relative strength translates into strong net new money flows Vontobel ranks in top 2 in European cross-border fund flows

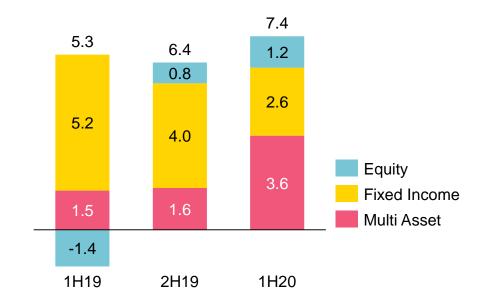
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# **Strong flows of institutional clients** (CHF bn)



- Asset Management with annualized growth of over 11%
- Platforms & Services generated annualized growth in net new money of 4.8%
- Interaction with private clients was more hampered by corona pandemic than with institutional clients

#### All asset classes with good inflows



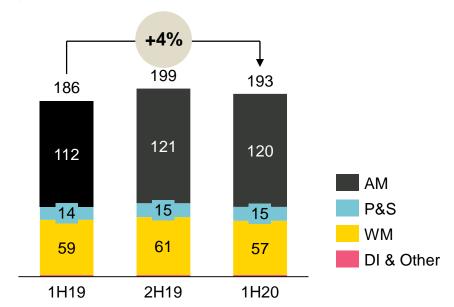
- Net new money was well diversified with all asset classes recording positive flows
- Fixed Income continued to attract very good inflows, despite market flows being hit hard during the corona crisis



# Assets under management recovered after lows in March – average AuM above first-half and close to second-half of 2019

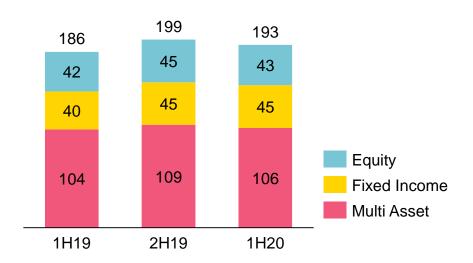
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# Assets under management by Client Unit (CHF bn)



- Strong net new money partially offset negative impact of foreign exchange rates as well as negative market performance
- Average assets under management in H1 2020 at CHF 191 billion, far exceeding H1 2019 (CHF 180 billion), reflected by 7% growth in advisory and management fees
- AuM end-H1 2020 were slightly higher than average in H2 2019 of CHF 192 billion

# Assets under management by asset class (CHF bn)



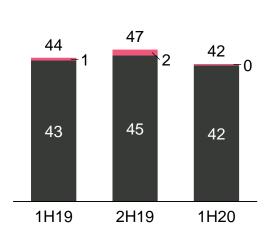
- Negative market impact on all asset classes in March with Emerging Markets hit hardest
- Recovery started in April but AuM were not back to end-2019 levels in all asset classes

# RoA across Client Units reflects quality of our offerings with a large recurring commission-based component

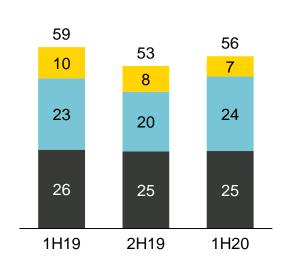


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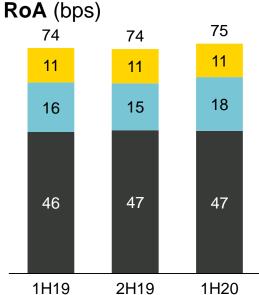


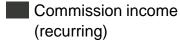
## Platforms & Services – EAM RoA (bps)



- Recurring commission income was very stable in all asset-linked businesses; in Asset Management, the asset mix had a minor impact of 1bp, as it shifted slightly from higher-margin equity to lower-margin fixed income products
- Transaction-based income increased in the business with EAM clients and Wealth Management clients and compensated for lower interest income due to lower USD interest rates
- Good performance fees in 2019 could not be replicated in corona environment in H1 2020







Commission income (transaction based)

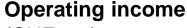
Interest income

Performance fee

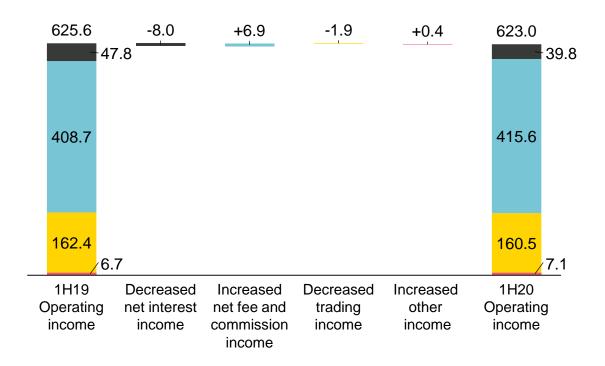
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Gross Margin annualized

# Large proportion of asset-linked revenues confirms focus on stability

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(CHF mn)



- Net interest income
- Net fee and commission income
- Trading income
- Other income

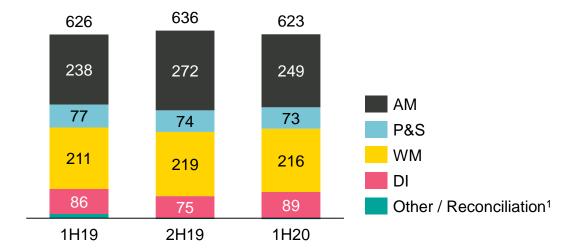
- Operating income was flat. On an adjusted basis, i.e. excluding the one-off SIX dividend in 2019, operating income increased by 1%.
- Revenues of divested businesses were fully compensated; excluding those revenues, operating income increased by 2% on an adjusted basis.
- Commission income, representing the largest income component at 67% of total operating income, was up by 2%.
- 89% of commission income is recurring.
- In H1 2020 interest income represented only 6% of total operating income. Interest income decreased by CHF 8 million, reflecting the one-off SIX dividend of CHF 6.9 million in H1 2019 and the lower USD interest environment.
- Trading income was down 1% as higher volumes could not fully compensate increased hedging costs to maintain cautious risk appetite.



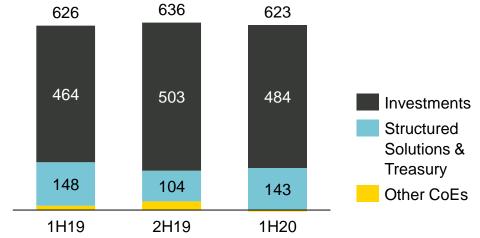
# Operating income generated by institutional and private clients increased

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#### ... by client units (CHF mn)



#### ... by centers of excellence (CHF mn)



- Higher average asset base compared to H1 2019 and good RoA led to higher revenues in Asset Management and Wealth Management.
- Digital Investing benefited from high demand in leverage products<sup>2</sup> while Platforms & Services felt risk awareness of clients related to structured investment products.
- Investments generated higher operating income in H1 2020 compared to the same period last year.
- Operating income in Structured Solutions and Treasury was slightly down despite good trading volumes in leverage products and was negatively impacted by lower demand in structured investment products and increased hedging costs.

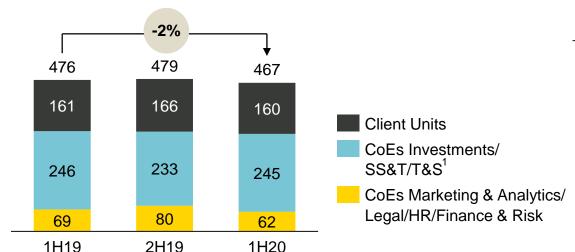
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Other / Reconciliation contains treasury revenues in Structured Solutions and Treasury, transactional costs in Technology and Services not allocated to the client units and revenues of divested businesses. The SIX dividend received in H1 2019 falls also in this category

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Nearly all leverage products of Vontobel are sold through public distribution and are shown in Digital Investing, while structured investment products are to a large degree sold via intermediaries and shown in Platforms and Services

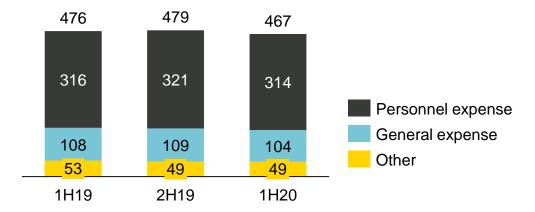
### Operating expense down by 2%

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#### ... by focus (CHF mn)



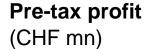
#### ... by cost category (CHF mn)

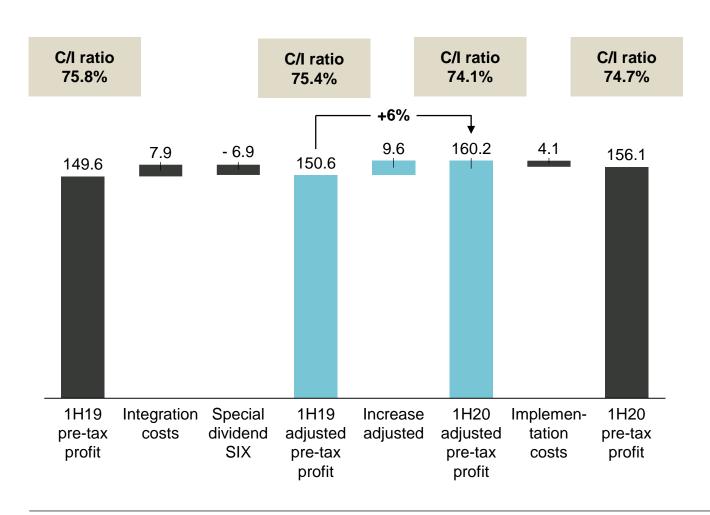


- Operating expense was down 2%, driven by lower direct expenses in Client Units and Centers of Excellence.
- From a cost category perspective, lower operating expense was driven by reduced general expense and depreciation. Marketing and representation as well as travel costs were significantly lower during the corona lockdown while technology costs rose slightly.
- Personnel expense was down 1% in line with average FTE despite implementation costs recognized in H1 2020.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CoE = Center of Excellence; SS&T = CoE Structured Solutions & Treasury; T&S = CoE Technology & Services

### Adjusted pre-tax profit increases 6%





- Cost/income ratio improved slightly driven by lower expenses.
- Trade off between growth ambitions and cost efficiency remains a challenge.
- Implementation of new strategic set-up let to costs in different business areas. Synergies are captured mainly in Marketing & Analytics.
- Currencies had a negative impact of around 6% on pre-tax profit as the Swiss Franc strengthened against all major currencies; on a constant currency basis, pre-tax profit was up 10% or 12% on an adjusted basis.

# Good performance translates into solid net profit despite higher taxes

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#### **Group net profit**

(CHF mn)

	H1 2020	H1 2019	$\Delta$	
Operating income	623.0	625.6	0%	
excl. one-offs <sup>1</sup>	623.0	618.7	+1%	
Operating expense	466.9	476.1	-2%	
excl. one-offs <sup>1</sup>	462.8	468.2	-1%	
Profit before tax	156.1	149.6	+4%	
excl. one-offs <sup>1</sup>	160.2	150.6	+6%	
Taxes	26.9	18.4	+46%	
Group net profit	129.2	131.1	-1%	
Group net profit excluding minority interest	121.6	124.7	-2%	
Basic earnings per share (CHF)	2.18	2.23	-2%	
excl. one-offs	2.24	2.24	0%	
Return on equity (%)	13.4	14.3	-0.9pp	

- Group net profit declined by 1% to CHF 129.2 million.
- Taxes were 46% higher in H1 2020. In H1 2019, Vontobel benefited from deferred tax assets in Germany and a US tax refund. These and other positive effects helped drive the H1 2019 tax rate down to 12.3%. In H1 2020, it remained within the expected range at 17.3%.
- Group net profit excluding minority interest was CHF 121.6 million (-2%); EPS were CHF 2.18 (-2%) or flat on an adjusted basis.
- Return on equity decreased to 13.4% in H1 2020 compared to 14.3% in H1 2019.

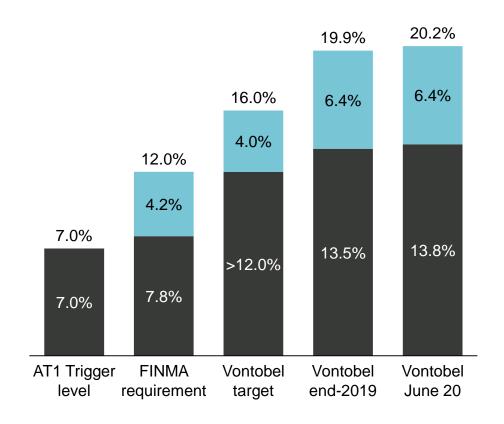
<sup>1</sup> One-off impacts in H1 2019 include integration costs of CHF 7.9 million and a special dividend of SIX Group AG of CHF 6.9 million as well; in H1 2020 it includes implementation costs of CHF 4.1 million

# Further improvement in capital ratios reflects solid financial base

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#### **Capital ratios**

- CET1 ratio increased to a very solid 13.8%
- Total Capital Ratio was 20.2%, compared to 19.9% at end-2019
- In H1 2020, risk-weighted assets were flat compared to end-2019 despite increased regulatory requirements (SA-CCR inflated RWA by 2%)
- Average LCR (Liquidity Coverage Ratio) is 186.3%, far exceeding FINMA requirement of 100%
- Leverage ratio is 4.8%





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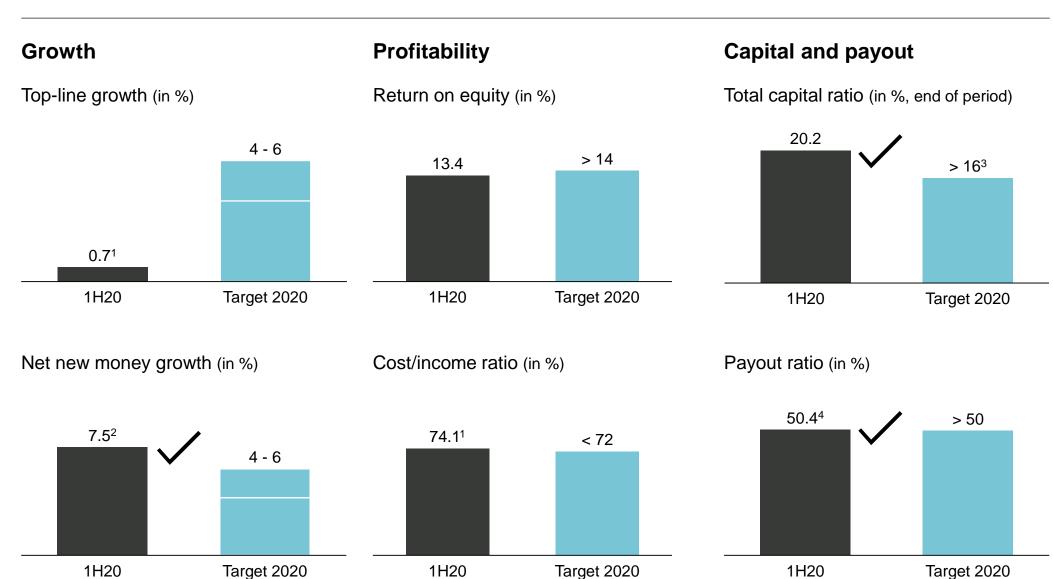
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# We are in line with our 2020 targets for net new money, capital and the payout ratio

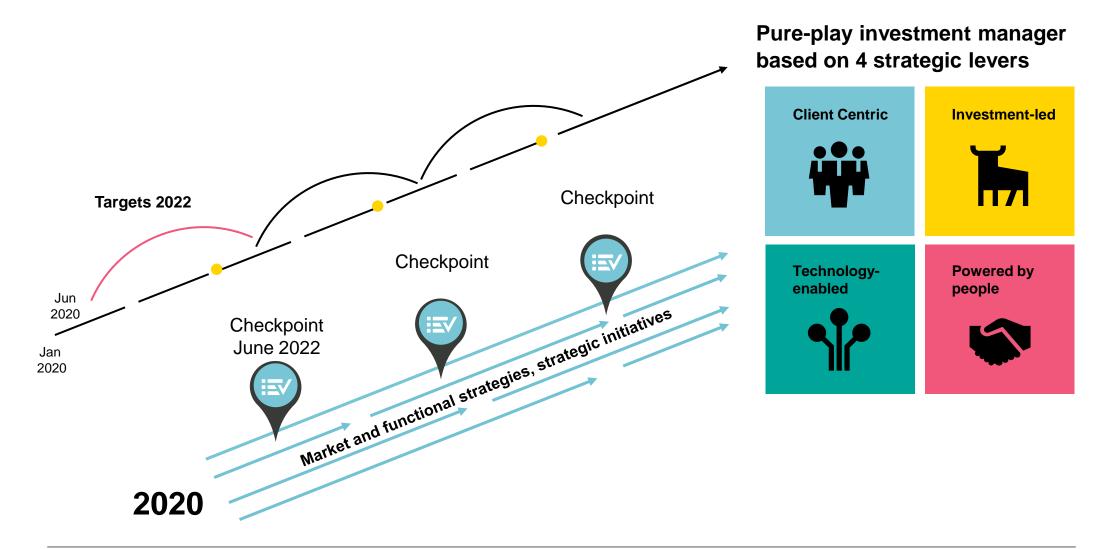


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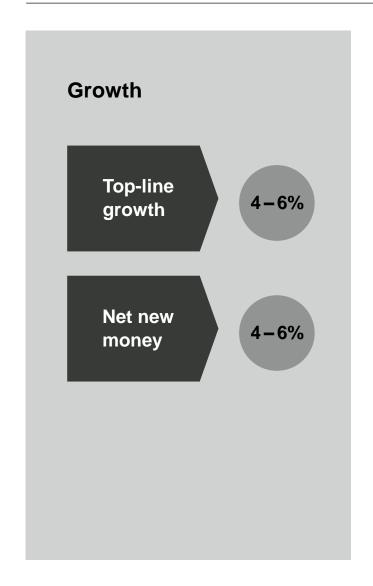
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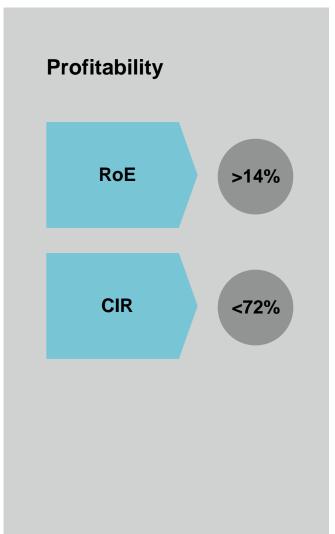
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> CET1 target of >12%

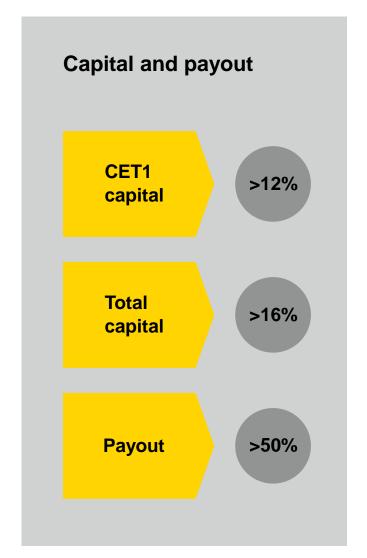
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Based on dividend of CHF 2.25 paid out in 2020



# Ambitious growth targets extended to 2022 despite uncertain and challenging times





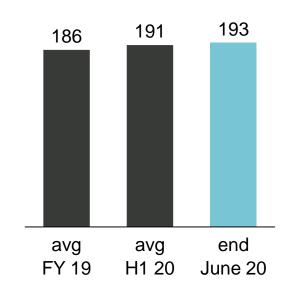


# Committed to building on strong foundations to transform change into opportunities

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# Strong asset base with stable margin outlook

AuM (in CHF billion)



# Investment-led and technology-enabled

- Anticipating growing demand for professional investment solutions and for individually tailored expert investment advice across all Client Units
- Targeted use of technology solutions to profit from significant changes in the way clients select and interact with financial services providers

# Increased client focus will deliver growth

- Complement well-established assetclass specialization with increased regional sales focus and local footprint in Asset Management.
- Serve Global Bank clients worldwide on a coordinated basis.
- Extend focus to new client groups, accelerate hiring and leverage proven experts in Wealth Management.
- Become leading partner for wealth management services in Switzerland, Germany, Hong Kong and Singapore.
- Make competencies available to a wider group of investors via platforms and ecosystems.

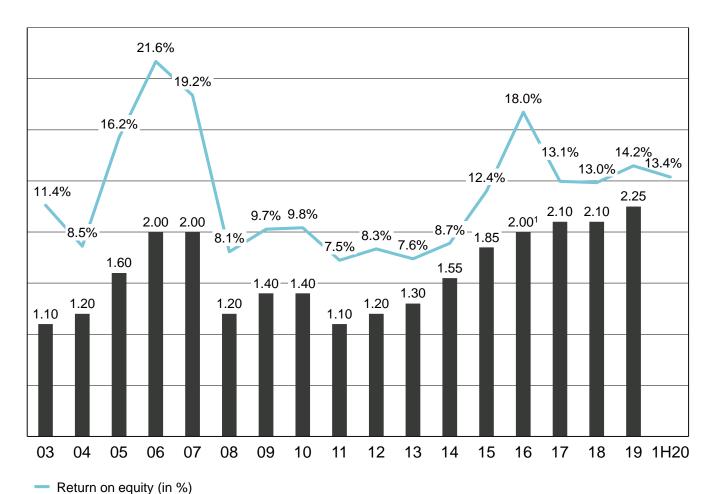


# Appendix

### Successful implementation of Vontobel's strategy has delivered attractive returns to shareholders for more than a decade

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#### Return on equity and dividends



- Attractive business with average return on equity of 12.1% since 2003 - clearly above Vontobel's cost of capital
- Attractive dividend policy with a payout ratio of above 50%
- Increase in shareholders' equity of CHF 800 mn since 2003 without injection of fresh capital

Dividend (in CHF)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Of which special dividend of CHF 0.10

## Technology and data as key success factors going forward

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#### **People**



One speed end-to-end thinking



Client journey and intelligence



**Ecosystems** 



Modern Technologies

- Critical mass and depth to attract tech talent
- Continued investments in full stack, artificial intelligence and cloud skills
- Offer working environment with bridge to tech culture
- Technology area shifts to one-speed-delivery organization, interacting with client groups on a peer-to peer basis, interconnected by one agile way of working
- 93% of employees are already on one global platform
- Clients get faster and better access to new functionalities on an ongoing basis
- The set-up with dedicated Client Units and a shared Marketing and Technology & Services function allows us to learn more about our clients and upgrade our value proposition by delivering a relevant contextual and customized client experience
- Starting with the client's perspective, we think and act in ecosystems; for some clients, we are orchestrators; for others, we act as partners or suppliers/enablers
- Big data, artificial intelligence as well as cloud services are key
- Cloud strategy that fully respects data protection standards
- First-class cyber security

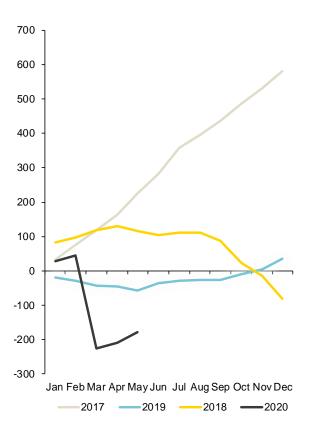


### Relative strength reflected in strong net new money flows and increased market share in structured products

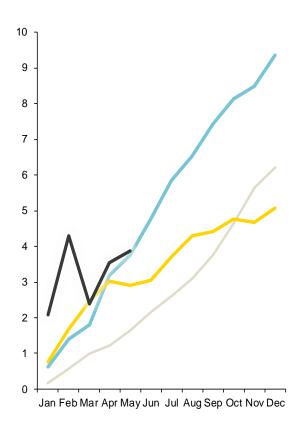
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#### Cumulative flows in active funds<sup>1</sup> (CHF bn)

Market: Flows across European and cross-border funds



Vontobel: Broad-based flows across different focus markets



#### Market share of listed structured products

MARKETS	Rank	1H20	1H19 <sup>6</sup>
Switzerland <sup>2/3</sup>	1	34.7%	28.9%
Germany <sup>2</sup>	6	7.7%	6.3%
Sweden <sup>4/5</sup>	3	10.4%	7.4%
Finland <sup>4/5</sup>	2	8.9%	8.7%
Denmark	3	9.7%	3.5%
Italy <sup>4</sup>	2	17.5%	14.9%
France <sup>4</sup>	3	11.7%	7.0%
Netherlands <sup>4</sup>	4	8.0%	5.1%
Hong Kong	12	1.6%	1.3%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> European and cross-border fund flows of 1489 active managers in Morningstar categories only and excluding Money Market funds and Fund of Funds; Source Market: Broadridge May 2020

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Investment and leverage products

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> On exchange and on book

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Leverage products

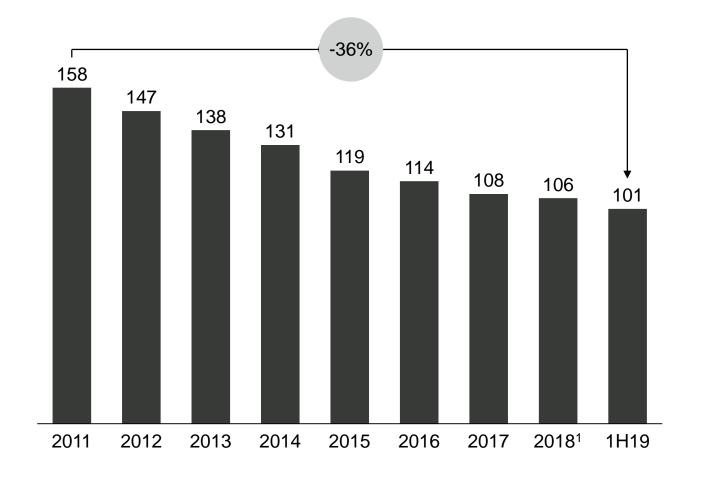
<sup>5</sup> NGM and OMX

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Data sources have changed in some markets leading to different market share in H1 2019 compared to previously published figures

# Swiss market is fragmented and undergoing structural change – creating opportunities for Vontobel to accelerate growth

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#### Private banks in Switzerland



- Number of Swiss private banks has decreased by more than 30% since 2011
- Structural change is expected to continue
- Industry change is allowing Vontobel to attract new clients from banks that are:
  - Focusing their business model
  - Selling their franchise
  - Closing their operations ("silent consolidation")

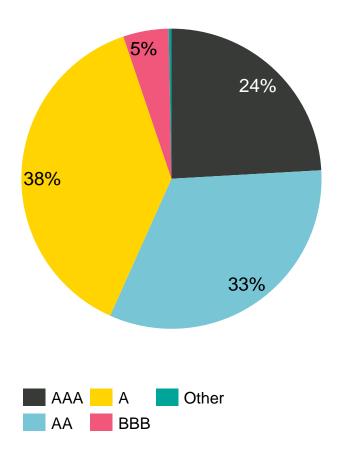
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> One transaction in 2018 was the acquisition of Notenstein La Roche by Vontobel Source: Clarity on Performance of Swiss Private Banks (KPMG, August 2019)



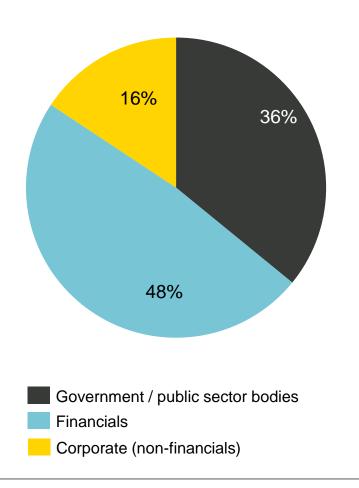
## High quality of bond portfolio maintained

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# Counterparty exposure by rating (end June 2020)



# Counterparty exposure by sector (end June 2020)



Note: Total issuer risk from debt instruments amounts to CHF 8.0 bn

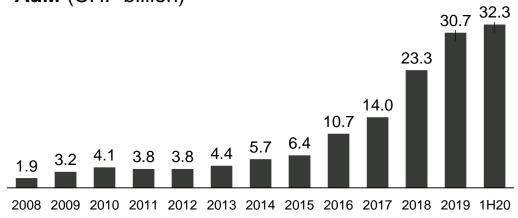
# Strong track record in ESG investing and expertise across the firm

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#### **Pioneer in ESG investing**

- Own ESG research team for more than 20 years; today, more than 40 investment experts focus on ESG investment strategies in research and fund management
- Managed ESG strategies across different asset classes and approaches since 1998
- Signatory of PRI since 2010; in 2019, achieved above-benchmark scores in all 7 modules of the PRI reporting
- In 2019, formalized a Group-wide Sustainable Investing Policy
- 19 awards for Vontobel sustainable funds in 2019, including two Swiss sustainable fund awards for Swiss and Emerging Markets Equities
- Named Best Swiss Asset Management Company by Geneva Forum for Sustainable Investments

## One of the leading ESG managers in Switzerland AuM (CHF billion)



#### **Product range**

26 strategies/funds with sustainability criteria also offering customized solutions

Clean Technology fund with innovative tool to measure impact

Structured products based on underlyings screened according to sustainability criteria

Sustainable investment themes such as impact for good, water, diversity

## Sustainability memberships and ratings

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**UN Global Compact:** Vontobel is committed to aligning its business activities and strategies with ten universally recognized principles on human rights, labor standards, environmental protection, and the fight against corruption in accordance with the UN Global Compact.



**Principles for Responsible Investments (PRI):** Vontobel is a signatory and has committed to implementing six principles for integrating sustainability into investment processes.



**Swiss Sustainable Finance (SSF):** As a founding member, Vontobel contributes to strengthening Switzerland's position in the international market for sustainable financial transactions.



**CDP (formerly the Carbon Disclosure Project):** Vontobel is a signatory to the CDP and its programs on climate change, water and forests.



**Climate Foundation Switzerland:** As an original member of this foundation, Vontobel finances projects for improving the energy efficiency of small to mid-sized businesses.



The sustainability rating agency **ISS ESG** has awarded Vontobel "Prime" status – placing it in the top sixth percentile in the reference universe of 44 asset managers worldwide.



The leading rating agencies **Sustainalytics** and **MSCI** have also assigned Vontobel an above-average sustainability rating.

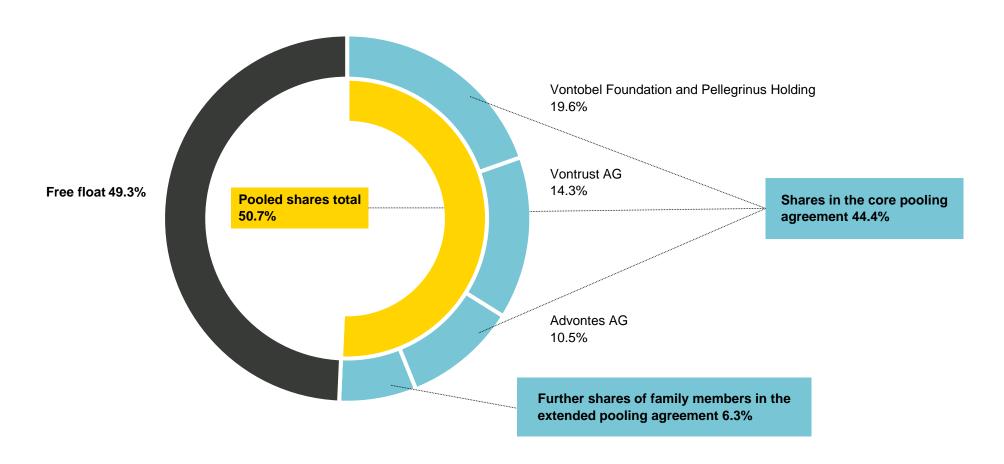


Vontobel is a member of the **Corporate Support Group** formed by the **ICRC** (International Committee of the Red Cross) and a select group of Swiss enterprises.

# Vontobel families hold more than 50% of share capital and are strongly committed to Vontobel

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#### Shareholder structure<sup>1</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Based on nominal share capital of CHF 56.875 mn of Vontobel Holding AG