# Preliminary results for the year ended 31 March 2009

20 May 2009





**Don Robert, Chief Executive Officer** 





# **Agenda**



- Strategic and operational review
- Financial review
- Spotlight on Brazil
- Summary and Q&A



# Strategic and operational review **Contents**



- **2009** review
- Current market conditions
- Winning in the global marketplace
- Investments for longer-term



### 2009: Highlights

# Sustained growth

- Portfolio balance geographically, vertically and by line of business
- Offsets marketplace challenges in US and UK credit

### Adaptation

- Countercyclical products global initiative
- Cost efficiency programme ahead of plan

# Margin progression

■ EBIT margin up 50 basis points to 23.3%

# Portfolio management

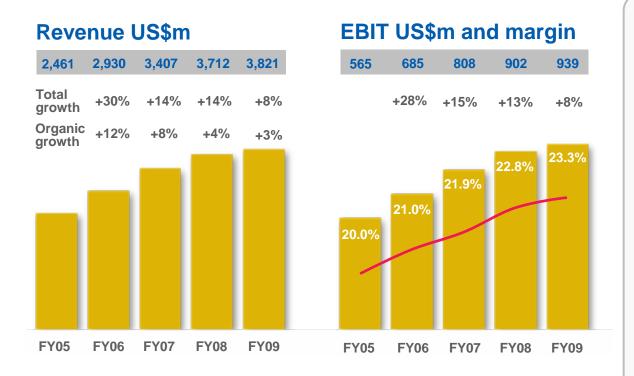
- Successful disposal of transaction processing activities
- Acquisition of KreditInform and Search America

### **Deleveraging**

Strong cash flow leading to significant reduction in net debt



# 2009: Financial highlights



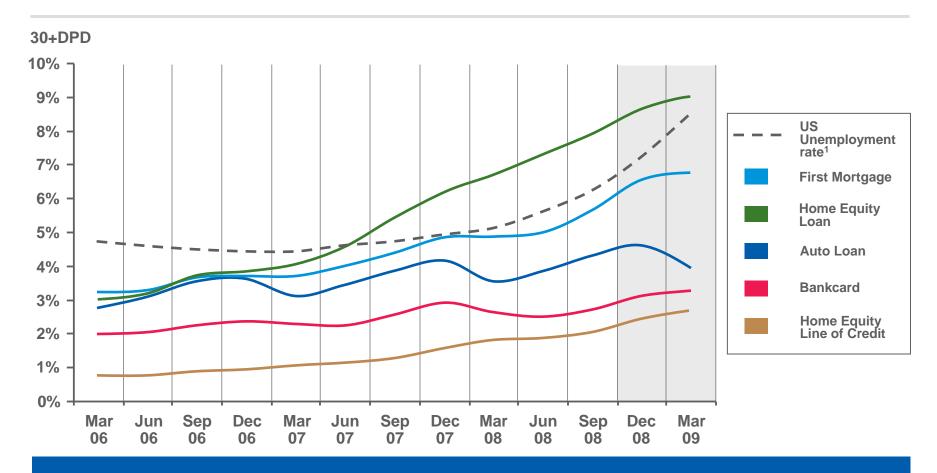
Global continuing sales and EBIT only Growth at constant exchange rates and for continuing activities EBIT margin excluding FARES

EBIT margin excluding FARES FY06, FY07, FY08 and FY09 sales and EBIT adjusted to exclude MetaReward and UK account processing, FY07 and FY08 sales and EBIT adjusted to exclude Loyalty Solutions, FY08 and FY09 sales and EBIT adjusted to exclude French transaction processing activities and other smaller discontinuing activities

- Total revenue growth of 8%
- Organic growth of 3%
- EBIT margin up to 23.3%
- Benchmark EPS growth of 8%
- Cash conversion of 99%
- Full year dividend of 20.00 US cents, up 8%



## **US** market trends: 30 day+ delinquencies



Stabilisation in financial services: not yet moving to growth



### Market conditions: current client trends

#### **Current lender trends**

### **Experian opportunity**

 Focus remains on operational efficiencies and removing expenses

Deliver high value products; sell on value, not price

 Reviewing risk strategies and updating custom scorecards

Scorecard rebuilds

 Mid-tier clients moving to robust account management processes

New sources of growth in account management



### Market conditions: current client trends

#### **Current lender trends**

### **Experian opportunity**

Major banks rationalising platforms

Enterprise software deals

Heavy focus on deposit acquisition

Authentication and BustOut scores

 Some card issuers analysing opportunities to begin marketing later in the year

Consulting on segmentation, analysis and acquisition strategies

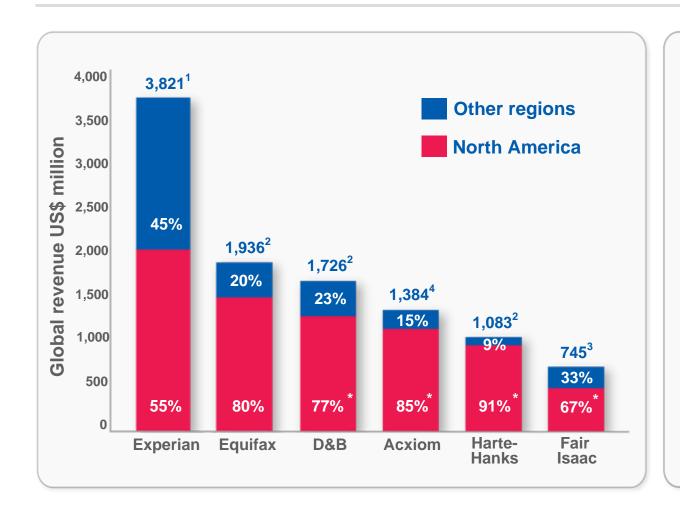


# Strategic progress – winning in the global marketplace





# Winning in the global marketplace: extending our lead



#### Winning in the marketplace due to:

- Customer-centric approach
- Investment in innovation
- Geographic reach



Year ended 30 September 2008

US only Year ended 31 March 2009 Year ended 31 December 2008

# Why we're winning in the marketplace



B<sub>2</sub>B

- Excellence in sales execution
- Enterprise-wide relationships
- High Rol products
- World class delivery

B<sub>2</sub>C

- Scale in consumer marketing
- More value to customers
- New products with enhanced features

New data and analytics initiatives in past 5 years now over 20% of group revenue



# **Prior period investments: harvesting phase**

### **New geographies**

- Expanding business information
- Offices in 41 countries
- Critical mass in Asia and EMEA



### **New products**

- Priority Score<sup>SM</sup>
- Collection Advantage Strategy<sup>SM</sup>
- Delinquency Notification Service
- Collection Recovery Tool<sup>SM</sup>



#### **New verticals**

- Diversifying beyond financial services
- Entering new segments US healthcare payments





## Investing for the next stage of growth

# New data and analytics

- Identity management tools
- Product extensions in Brazil and Asia Pacific
- Collections software in North America

# Bureaux investments

- India provisional licence win
- Spain moving to positive data
- Morocco recent launch

# Significant organic investment to drive future growth



# **Short-term operational imperatives**



- Invest in sales assets and excellence to extend market share gains
- Run the business tightly for profit and cash
- Drive countercyclical initiatives
- Invest for growth as the cycle plays out



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Paul Brooks, Chief Financial Officer





# Financial review **2009 highlights**



- Total revenue growth of 8%, organic revenue growth of 3%
- Direct continuing EBIT growth of 10%
- EBIT margin expansion of 50 basis points to 23.3%
- Benchmark PBT growth of 8%; Benchmark EPS growth of 8%
- Excellent cash flow conversion of 99%; free cash flow of US\$736m up 11%
- Excellent progress on cost efficiencies, delivering US\$80m savings in the year
- Dividend up 8% to 20.00 US cents



# Revenue and EBIT by geography

Revenue	2009	2008	Total growth	Organic growth
North America	2,083	2,061	1%	1%
Latin America	462	324	51%	18%
UK and Ireland	850	959	5%	3%
EMEA/Asia Pacific	426	368	19%	6%
Total revenue	3,821	3,712	8%	3%
EBIT before Central Activities	948	905	10%	
Central Activities	(57)	(57)		
EBIT - direct business	891	848	10%	
FARES	48	54	(11)%	
EBIT – continuing activities	939	902	8%	
EBIT margin	23.3%	22.8%		

- Organic revenue growth across all regions
- Direct EBIT growth of 10%
- FARES: better H2
- Adverse forex translation effect of US\$38m
- EBIT margin up 50 basis points



# Financial review Credit Services

Revenue	2009	2008	Total growth	Organic growth
North America	740	771	(4)%	(5)%
Latin America	437	305	51%	17%
UK and Ireland	265	316	0%	(2)%
EMEA/Asia Pacific	172	154	14%	4%
Total revenue	1,614	1,546	10%	1%
Total EBIT – direct business	506	484	9%	
FARES	48	54	(11)%	
Total EBIT	554	538	7%	
EBIT margin	31.4%	31.3%		

- Challenging conditions in North America and UK and Ireland
- Strong Serasa performance, significantly ahead of EBIT buy-plan
- EBIT margin improvement benefiting from cost actions and scaling of Serasa



# Financial review **Decision Analytics**

Revenue	2009	2008	Total growth	Organic growth
North America	119	118	1%	1%
Latin America	10	8	31%	31%
UK and Ireland	227	247	9%	6%
EMEA/Asia Pacific	131	132	4%	4%
Total revenue	487	505	6%	5%
EBIT	142	160	0%	
EBIT margin	29.2%	31.7%		

- Organic revenue driven by demand for countercyclical products
- Margin dilution reflects product mix effects and emerging market investment



# Financial review Marketing Services

Revenue	2009	2008	growth	growth
North America	358	360	(1)%	(2)%
Latin America	15	10	56%	56%
UK and Ireland	274	328	(2)%	(3)%
EMEA/Asia Pacific	123	83	50%	13%
Total revenue	770	781	5%	0%
EBIT	88	69	34%	
EBIT margin	11.4%	8.8%		

- Good performance in new media reflecting deeper market penetration
- Traditional media impacted by global downturn
- Strong margin performance reflecting cost initiatives and business mix



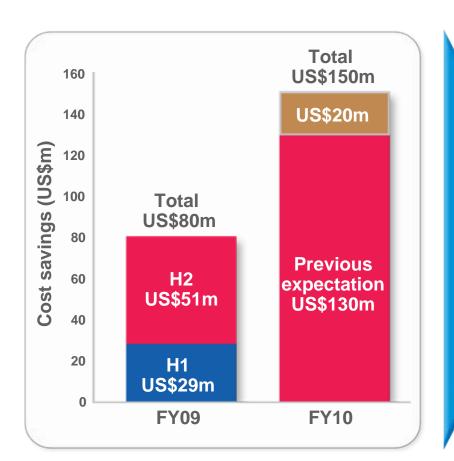
# Financial review Interactive

Revenue	2009	2008	l otal growth	Organic growth
North America	866	812	7%	7%
UK and Ireland	84	68	47%	47%
Total revenue	950	880	10%	10%
EBIT	212	192	11%	
EBIT margin	22.3%	21.8%		

- Strength in Consumer Direct drives growth in North America helped by:
  - One-off data breach contracts
  - Discover migration
- Weak market conditions for mortgage lead generation
- Margin improvement driven by business mix



### **Cost efficiency programme**



- Programme tracking ahead of plan
- Majority of projects complete or near complete
- Exceptional charge¹
  - Total charge c.US\$170m
  - FY08 charge US\$52m
  - FY09 charge US\$92m
  - FY10 residual
- Other efficiency benefits



# **Group benchmark earnings**

Year ended 31 March US\$million	2009	2008	Growth
Total EBIT	939	908	3%
Net Interest	(96)	(125)	
Benchmark PBT <sup>1</sup>	843	783	8%
Benchmark taxation	(184)	(183)	
Benchmark PAT	659	601	
Benchmark minority interest	(28)	(21)	
Benchmark earnings	631	581	9%
Weighted average number of shares	1,013	1,009	
Benchmark EPS, US cents	62.3	57.5	8%
Dividend per share, US cents	20.0	18.5	8%
Benchmark EPS, GBP pence	36.8	28.6	29%
Dividend per share, GBP pence*	13.1	9.4	40%

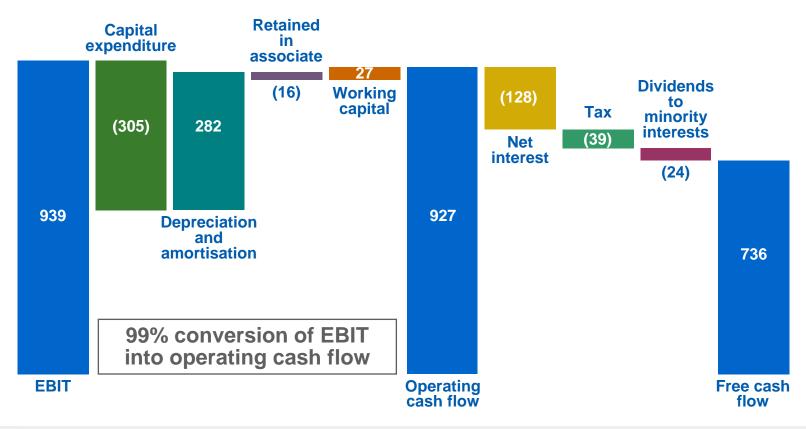
<sup>\*</sup> Second interim dividend for FY09 calculated on US\$/£ rate of US\$1.53/£1 (actual rate will be as at 3 July 2009)



Growth at actual exchange rates

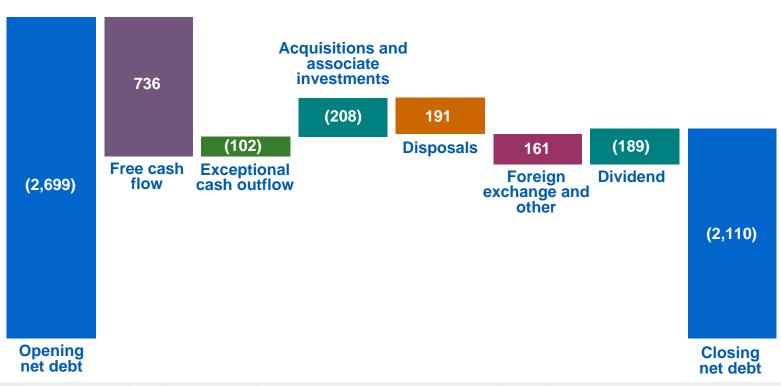
<sup>1</sup> Benchmark PBT is defined as profit before amortisation of acquisition intangibles, goodwill impairments, charges in respect of the demerger-related equity incentive plans, exceptional items, financing fair value remeasurements and tax. It includes the Group's share of associates' pre-tax profit.

# Strong cash flow performance





### **Net debt reconciliation**





### **Funding position**

Focus on data and analytics Drive profitable growth **Optimise** capital efficiency

- Net debt of US\$2.1bn
- Subject to acquisition activity, expect net debt to be broadly unchanged until half-year due to:
  - H1 weaker half for cash flow and pay final dividend
  - Expenditure on shares to offset shares vesting from employee awards
- Committed facilities of US\$2.5bn mature in July 2012;
   US\$1.05bn headroom
- US\$0.3bn bonds to be redeemed July 2009 from existing facilities



### **FY10 Modelling considerations**

# Foreign exchange

 If spot exchange rates prevailing at 31 March 2009 remain for the year ending 31 March 2010, the adverse foreign exchange variance to Benchmark EBIT would be c.US\$50m, relative to average rates in FY09

# Net interest

 Net interest in the region of US\$80m to US\$100m, after a nominal net pension charge

#### Tax

Benchmark tax rate of c.23%, cash tax rate of c.10%

# Capital expenditure

Capital expenditure expected to be between US\$310m and US\$340m



### **Summary and outlook**



 Strong financial performance, despite great challenges

- We have:
  - expanded margins;
  - protected and grown profits; and
  - delivered strong cash generation.
- Our objectives continue to be to:
  - broadly maintain margins;
  - grow constant currency profits; and
  - deliver strong cash performance.



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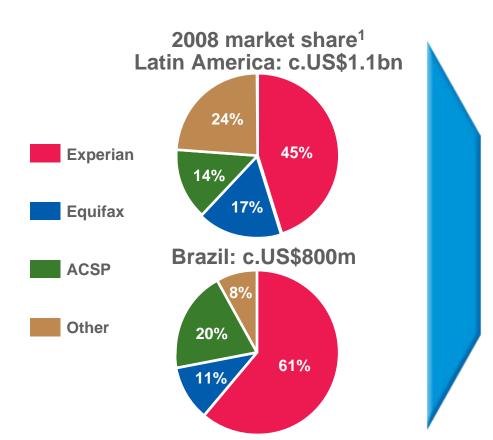


Francisco Valim, President of Experian Latin America region





### Latin America region: introduction



- Market leader in consumer and business credit information
- Over 2,500 employees
- Majority ownership of Serasa Experian (70%)
- Operate as a single company under Experian ownership
- Strong financial performance

Latin America region now 12% of global Experian revenues



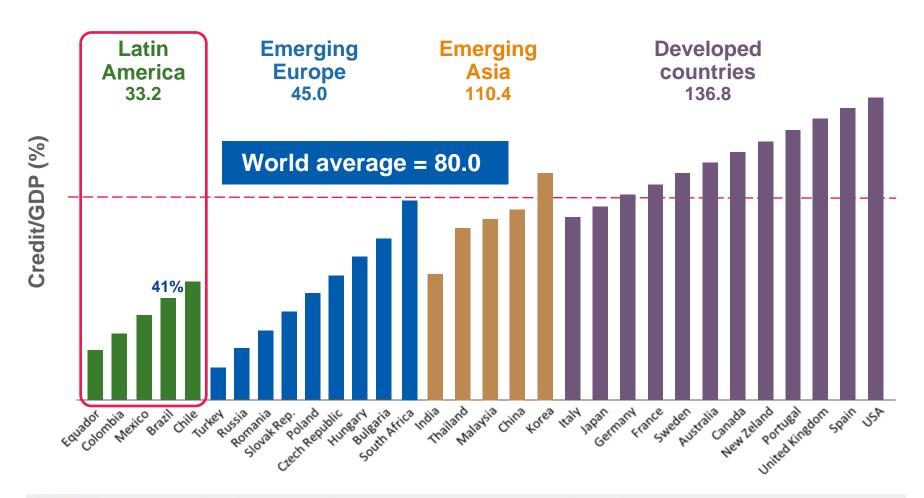
### **Market attractions: Brazil**



- Population nearly 200m; large urban density
- Young demographic c. one third of population is under 20 years old
- Upward social mobility: growing middle class
- Low penetration of credit
- Favourable regulatory environment



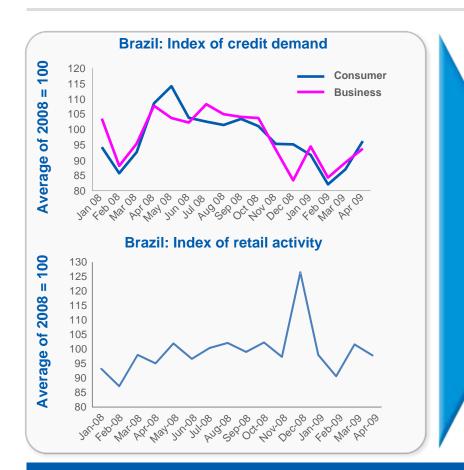
### Mid-term market drivers: low credit penetration





Source: Central Banks - 2008

### **Current market trends: Brazil**



- Sharp slowdown in GDP growth in Brazil
- Demand for credit has also slowed
- However, recent data shows signs of stabilisation

# Serasa Experian continues to grow well



## Serasa Experian: evolution over past two years



- Restructured salesforce
- Organisational changes
- Strengthened management team
- Cost management discipline
- Adoption of Experian products
- Adapted branding and culture



# Spotlight on Brazil Salesforce alignment

**Client channel** 

### **Strategic**

Corporate

SME







No. of clients

% of FY09 Experian Latin America revenue

FY09 revenue growth

25

35%

+10%

8,000

34%

+24%

173,000

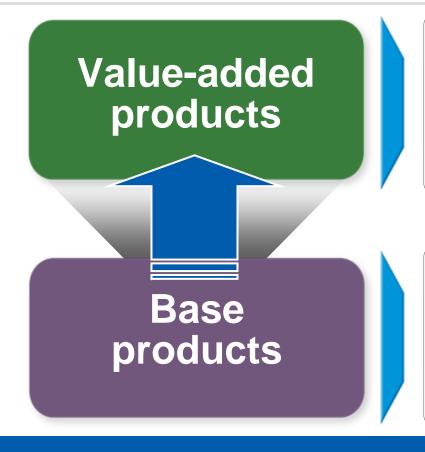
31%

+26%

Channel segmentation provides new growth opportunities



# Trading up to higher value-added products



Revenue growth 2 year CAGR
Relato (BI) +27%
Credit Rating (BI) +24%

+15%

Credit Bureau (CI)

Revenue growth 2 year CAGR

Concentre +4%

Achcei-recheque -8%

Sales focus on migrating clients to higher value products



## Trading up to higher value-added products - Consumer

#### Thin file

#### **Achei-recheque:**

- Reference file
- Address and phone
- Limited positive data
- Cheque data



#### **Full file**

#### **Credit Bureau:**

- Reference file
- Address and phone
- Limited positive data
- Cheque data and fraud alerts
- Negative data
- Protected notes and fraud alerts
- Additional profile data
- Owner of bankrupt companies
- Civil action
- Credit score



## Trading up to higher value-added products - Business

#### Thin file

#### **Achei-recheque:**

- Reference file
- Address and phone
- Positive data
- Cheque data



#### Full file

#### **Credit Rating:**

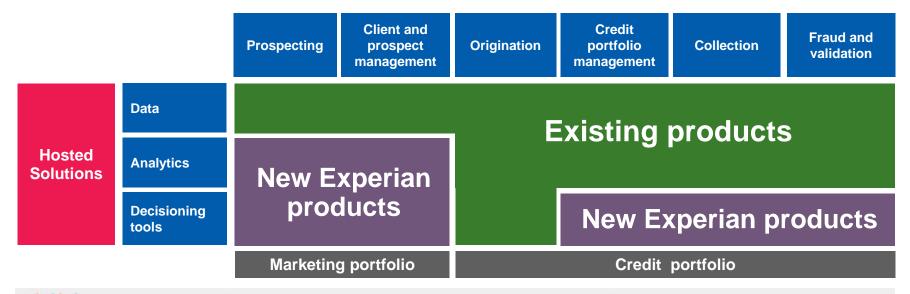
- Reference file
- Advanced profile
- Register of enquiries
- Cheque data
- Protected notes
- Negative data
- Bankruptcies, lawsuits
- Civil action
- Credit score
- Companies' owners
- Segment analysis and indexes
- Contract data
- Balance sheet analysis



#### Spotlight on Brazil

## Establish portfolio across customer lifecycle

- Focus on hosted solutions to penetrate small and medium clients
- Positioned as solution providers
- Infill gaps with Experian products



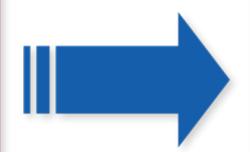


#### Spotlight on Brazil

# **Development of positive data in Brazil**

- Positive data legislation was just voted by House of Representatives
- Ultimatum by President Lula: "Provisional Executive Act"
- Key issues
  - May open up postage cost issues
  - Use of credit information for marketing not permitted

Serasa Experian is ready to operate positive data



- Premium pricing
- Incremental product opportunities
- Will help sustain above-average growth over time



# Spotlight on Brazil **Summary**



#### **Market conditions**

- short-term: some challenges in some segments
- long-term: significant scope for market expansion

#### **Experian is well positioned for growth**

- competitively strong; market leader
- strategy for growth based on:
  - sales channel segmentation
  - migration to fuller file
  - value-added products
  - expand across lifecycle and introduce further Experian products

Strong base for future regional expansion

# A strong business with significant growth prospects



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# **Summary**

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#### Summary

# **Building momentum: strong foundation for future growth**







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