

## London Stock Exchange Group plc Interim results FY 2010

25 November 2009



### Agenda

Introduction

**Financial Review** 

**CEO Overview** 

Doug Webb Chief Financial Officer

Xavier Rolet Chief Executive

Q&A



# Doug Webb Chief Financial Officer



### Key financial headlines

- Revenue down 4% on H2 FY 2009, down 9% on H1 FY 2009
- Performance reflects competitive and difficult markets, but encouraging results in Post Trade and Information & Technology
- Adjusted operating profit down 16% on H2 FY 2009, down 26% on H1 FY 2009
- Strong focus on cost control at constant currency down 8% on H1 FY 2009 excluding MillenniumIT
- Strong cash flow from operations free cash flow after dividends £37m
- Adjusted basic EPS 29.0p down 17%
  - Excluding MillenniumIT related non-recurring costs EPS 34.5p
- Dividend per share maintained at 8.4p



#### **Overview of results**

		Six month	ns ended		(	Change at
	30 Sep	31 Mar		30 Sep		constant
	2009	2009	Change	2008	Change	currency
	£m	£m	%	£m	%	%
Revenue	310.9	323.0	(4%)	342.5	(9%)	(13%)
Other income, profit from JV/associates	4.1	3.9		4.1	0%	
Operating costs (before amortisation and exceptionals)	(180.2)	(167.2)	8%	(165.6)	9%	4%
of which Millennium IT non-recurring	(20.4)	-		-		
Operating profit (before amortisation and exceptionals)	134.8	159.7	(16%)	181.0	(26%)	(28%)
Operating margin	43%	49%		53%		
Exceptional items and amortisation	(39.0)	(521.8)		(26.8)		
Operating profit / (loss)	95.8	(362.1)	(126%)	154.2	(38%)	(40%)
Net finance expense	(18.8)	(17.7)		(27.2)		
Basic earnings per share (p)	18.5	(156.5)		30.3	(39%)	
Adjusted earnings per share (p)	29.0	34.9	(17%)	39.3	(26%)	
Underlying effective tax rate	31%	32%		32%		



### Exceptional and non-recurring items

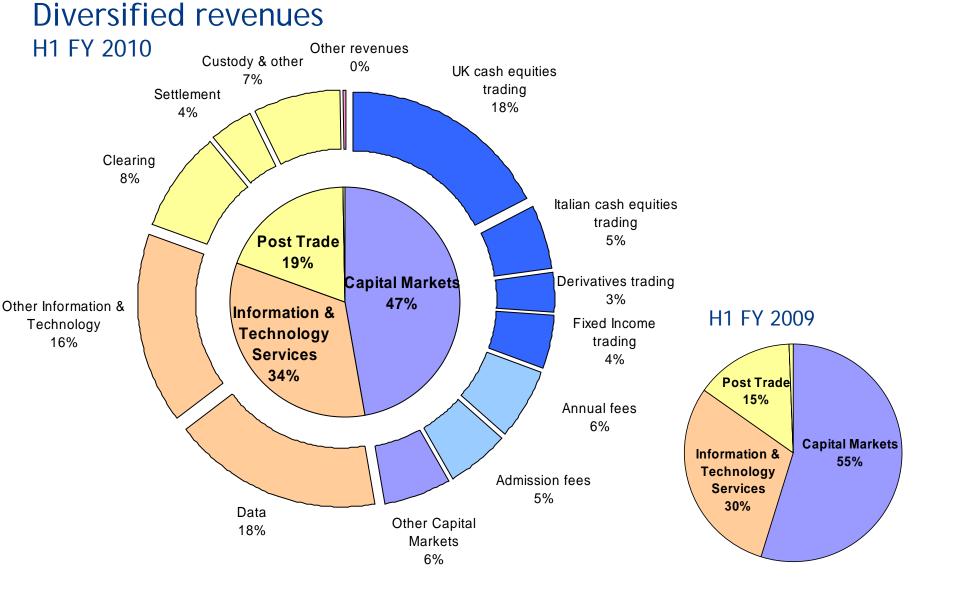
#### Exceptional items:

	<u>H1 Cost</u>	H2 Cost	<u>Annua</u>	al Savings
	£m	£m	£m	From
Staff reductions	12.7		11.0	H2 FY 2010
Integration	0.9		13.0	FY 2010
	13.6			

#### Non-recurring item:

TradElect	20.4	5.0	10.0	FY 2012
(MillenniumIT effect)				
EPS impact H1 (5.5p)				
Additional £6m one-of	f costs in H1	I FY 2011		







## Capital Markets - Primary

Vital capital raising venue for companies

**Revenues** 



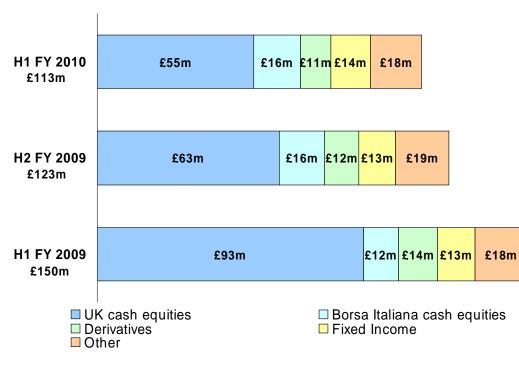
- Improving market for MM new issues
- Secondary issues remain strong
- £43.5bn raised via equity issues

Key metrics	Six m	onths end	ed
<u> </u>	30 Sep	31 Mar	30 Sep
-	2009	2009	2008
New Issues			
UK Main Market, PSM & SFM	22	16	49
UK AIM	13	27	60
Borsa Italiana	3	3	5
Total	38	46	114
Company Numbers (as at period end)			
UK Main Market, PSM & SFM	1,511	1,530	1,575
UK AIM	1,353	1,478	1,609
Borsa Italiana	295	296	305
Total	3,159	3,304	3,489
Market capitalisation (as at period end)			
UK Main Market (£bn)	1,635	1,170	1,445
UK AIM (£bn)	57	38	62
Borsa Italiana (€bn)	465	314	480
Borsa Italiana (£bn)	425	289	383
Total (£bn)	2,117	1,497	1,890
Money raised (£bn)			
UK New	1.2	0.7	6.2
UK Further	30.9	57.3	34.0
Borsa Italiana new and further	11.4	4.1	3.5
Total (£bn)	43.5	62.1	43.7



#### Capital Markets - Secondary Performance reflects difficult UK equity markets

**Revenues** 



<u>Key metrics</u>	Six m	onths end	led
-	30 Sep	31 Mar	30 Sep
-	2009	2009	2008
Equity Average Daily Bargains ('000)			
UK	622	740	739
Borsa Italiana	261	249	262
Total	883	989	1,001
Equity Average Daily Value Traded			
UK (£bn)	4.6	5.5	8.3
Borsa Italiana (€bn)	2.9	2.2	4.4
Borsa Italiana (£bn)	2.6	1.9	3.5
Total (£bn)	7.2	7.4	11.8
Fixed Income			
MTS cash and Bondvision (€bn)	1,030	753	975
MTS money markets (€bn term adjusted)	18,288	14,856	17,777
Borsa Italiana MOT (€bn)	116	119	78
Borsa Italiana MOT number of trades (m)	1.7	2.0	1.4
Derivatives (contracts m)			
EDX	31.3	29.1	32.0
IDEM	22.3	17.6	19.4
Total	53.6	46.7	51.4

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- UK equity value traded fell, reflecting lower market levels and loss of market share
- Derivatives and Fixed Income volumes increased



Six months ended

## Post Trade Resilient performance as volumes increase

#### Revenues

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H1 FY 2010 £59m	£26m	£	11m		£23m	
H2 FY 2009 £61m	£31m		£9ı	n	£21m	
H1 FY 2009 £51m	£22m	£8m		£22	2m	

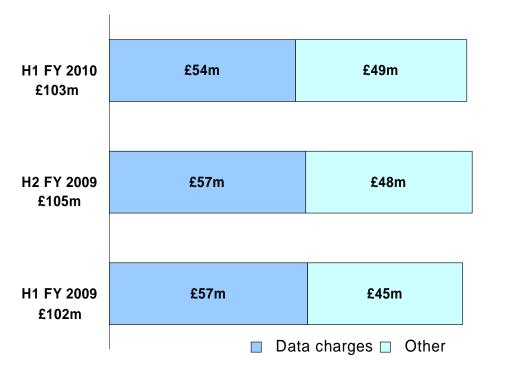
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2.8	2.7	2.7
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□ Clearing □ Settlement □ Custody & other

- Clearing revenues reflect lower interest spread on margins held
- Settlement revenues higher following increased equity volumes

#### Information & Technology Services Strong demand for non-real time data products

#### **Revenues**



# <u>Key metrics</u>

	Six months ended			
	30 Sep	31 Mar	30 Sep	
	2009	2009	2008	
UK Terminals				
Professional - UK	38,000	42,000	45,000	
Professional - International	56,000	62,000	67,000	
Total	94,000	104,000	112,000	
Borsa Italiana Professional Terminals	142,000	151,000	161,000	
Proquote Borsa Italiana Market Connect	5,000 28,000	4,800 26,000	4,500 21,000	

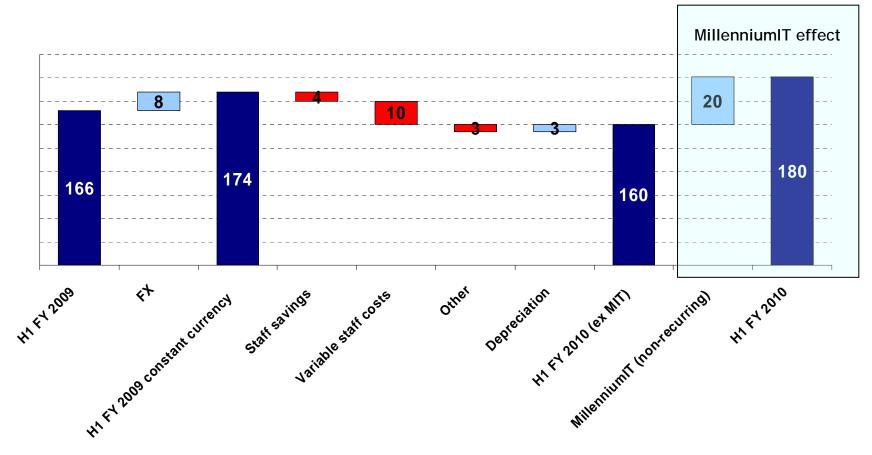
- Demand for real time data reflects expected cut backs by professional users
- Other services, including FTSE, SEDOL and hosting, show good growth





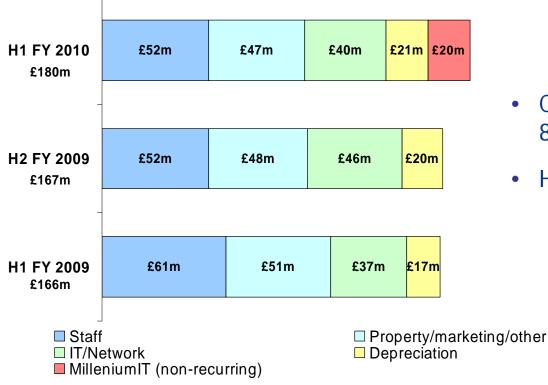
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£ million





### Operating costs



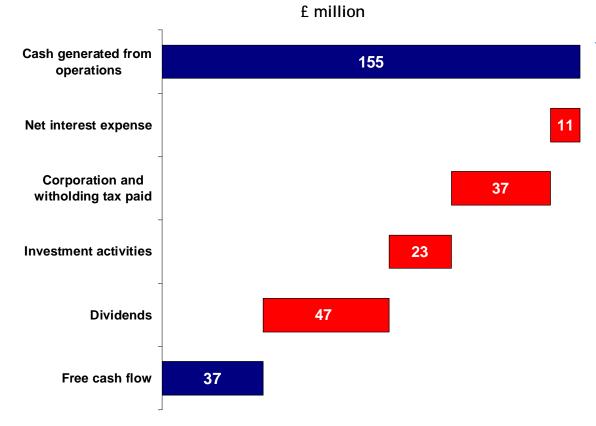
- Costs excluding MIT effects down 8% in constant currency
- Headcount down 11% to 1,006

Cost : Income ratio 51% (excluding MIT) (FY09 50%)

Excluding amortisation of purchased intangibles and exceptional items



## Summarised cash flow Good cash generation



#### Investment activities

- £22m capex includes EDX derivatives platform, secondary data centre and Baikal
- £6m investment in TOKYO AIM joint venture
- £5m receipts from sale of minority interest in EDX and dividends received



### Sound financial position

		30 September 2009	31 March 2009	Change
	•	£m	£m	£m
Non-current assets		1,619	1,680	(61)
Current assets	- Debtors	52,085	35,794	16,291
	of which CCP	51,955	35,675	16,280
	- cash	170	144	26
Total assets		53,874	37,618	16,257
Current liabilities				
	- Other	(52,111)	(35,807)	(16,304)
	of which CCP	(51,955)	(35,679)	(16,276)
Non-current liabilities	- Bond	(500)	(253)	(247)
	- Bank borrowings	(109)	(370)	261
	- Other	(141)	(135)	(7)
Net assets	-	1,014	1,053	(40)
Net debt (including derivativ	es)	456	488	(32)

Financial assets of the CCP clearing business substantially offset its financial liabilities. The significant year on year increase principally reflects the higher number and value of repurchase transactions ("repos") that remained open on 30 September 2009 together with an increase in the volatility of their nominal values compared to prior reporting dates



### Current trading

- Market conditions remain uncertain in near term:
  - SETS average daily value in October up 8% on September; November to date down 12% on October
  - Italian cash equities average daily trades in October up 13% on September; November to date down 18% on October
  - Good primary markets pipeline but timing uncertain, secondary issues remain strong
  - Post Trade Clearing and settlement follow equity and derivative trading volumes;
    October open interest 5.7m contracts (September 4.9m)
  - Demand for non-real time Information & Technology Services products strong; October professional terminal numbers broadly unchanged from end September
- Work continues to ensure the Group grows, diversifies and further strengthens the business



## Xavier Rolet

**Chief Executive Officer** 

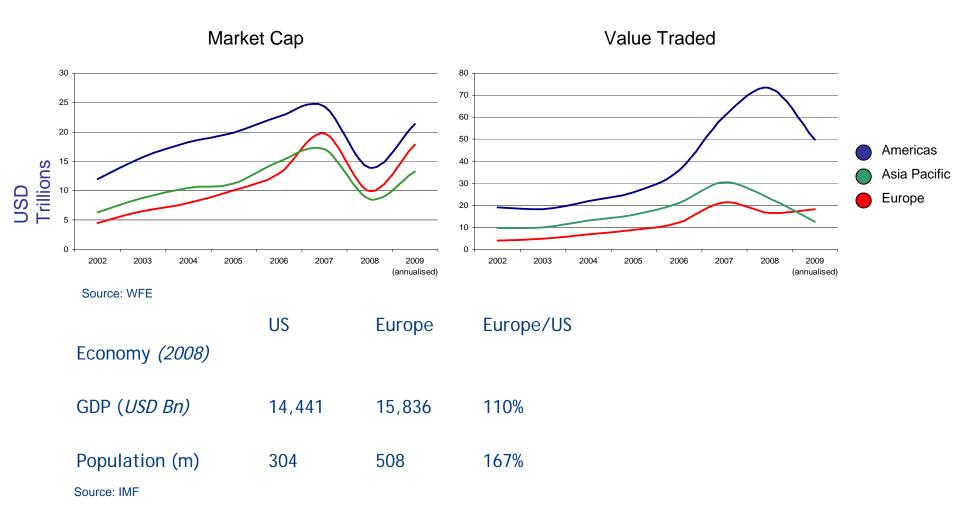


## Strategy

- Cut costs
  - Reducing headcount and technology costs
- Innovate
  - Includes introduction of improved technology and development of retail bond market in UK
- Scale up
  - Leveraging portfolio of assets and attracting more volume



#### Scope for Growth in European equity trading

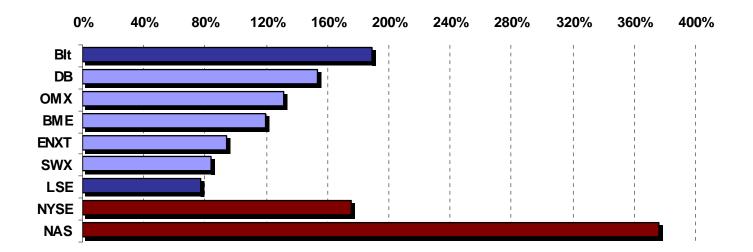




#### UK exhibits lowest turnover velocity in Europe

Global Exchanges - Turnover velocity (order book trading)

October 2009



Source: FESE, WFE, NASDAQ



### Competitive pricing

- Resource dedicated to pricing of trading services across the Group
- Steps taken to:
  - Neutralise tariff, reward all liquidity
  - Simplify the fee structure and make it more predictable
  - Lower equity trading fees in UK
- Shorter notice period; more flexibility and agility



#### MillenniumIT enhances Group's prospects

- Provides a high-performance, easily scalable platform
- Transforms in-house IT development capabilities
- Provides more cost-effective solution, which will enable us to offer more competitively priced services
- Creates new revenue stream for the Group







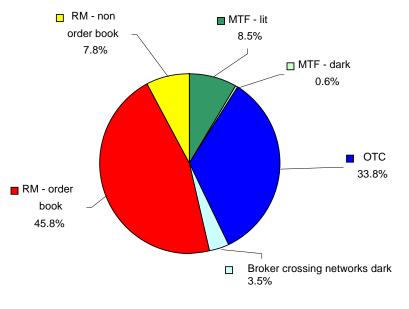
#### Post-trade services

- Critical dependency for capital markets business
- Efficiency of operations in Italy contrasts with UK
- Structural inefficiency in UK impedes competitiveness
- Group supports interoperability
- Regulatory deliberations/uncertainties weigh on industry



### An evolving regulatory landscape

- Changing scope of regulators
- Review of Interoperability in UK Netherlands
- Review of MiFID two years on
- Internalised broker flows vs dark pools vs exchanges



Key: RM - Regulated Market

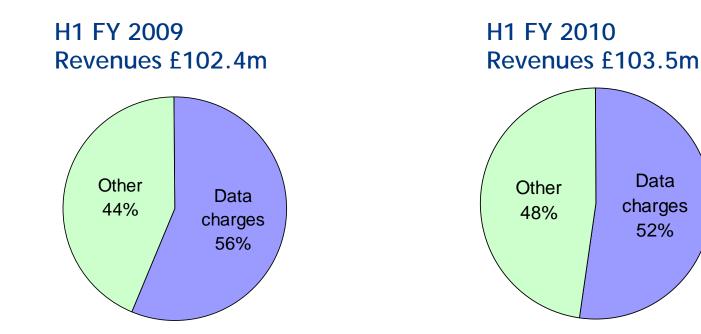
Source: Thomson Reuters, TABB

#### **Distribution of European Trading**



### Information & Technology Services

- Excellent range of products; Potential for further expansion
- Room for more "middle office" solutions
- Strategic nature of indices business





#### Conclusion and Outlook

- Market conditions and competition continue to pose challenges
- Progress being made in addressing weaknesses and building on strengths
- Opportunities exist across different business areas



## Appendices



#### Notes

#### Adjusted earnings per share

Excludes goodwill impairment, amortisation of purchased intangibles and exceptional integration and finance expense, to enable comparison of the underlying earnings of the business with prior periods. Based on 267.1m shares, excludes ESOP.

#### Free Cash Flow

Net cash flow from operating activities minus capital expenditure, tax and dividends paid and net finance expense.

#### Exchange rates

	FY 2	FY 2010				
£: €	H1	H2	H1			
Average	1.26	1.15	1.14			
Period end	1.27	1.08	1.09			
Constant currency	growth rate	es calculate	ed by			
translating prior year performance at current						
year monthly excha	ange rates					



#### Capital Markets - Primary - key performance indicators

#### **Capital Markets - Primary Markets**

	Six months ended					
	30 Sep	31 Mar	Variance	30 Sep	Variance	
	2009	2009	%	2008	%	
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UK AIM	13	27	-52%	60	-78%	
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Total (£bn)	43.5	62.1	-30%	43.7	0%	

Note : PSM - Professional Securities Market and SFM - Specialist Fund Market



#### Capital Markets - Secondary - key performance indicators

#### **Capital Markets - Secondary Markets**

		months ended	ł		
	30 Sep	31 Mar	Variance	30 Sep	Variance
	2009	2009	%	2008	%
Equity Volume Bargains (m)					
UK	78.4	94.0	-17%	94.6	-17%
Borsa Italiana	33.4	31.1	7%	33.8	-1%
Total	111.8	125.1	-11%	128.4	-13%
Equity Value Traded					
UK (£bn)	580	703	-17%	1,068	-46%
Borsa Italiana (€bn)	377	271	39%	568	-34%
Borsa Italiana (£bn)	331	233	42%	451	-27%
Total (£bn)	911	936	-3%	1,519	-40%
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Borsa Italiana (£bn)	2.6	1.9	37%	3.5	-26%
Total (£bn)	7.2	7.4	-3%	11.8	-39%
SETS Yield					
Yield basis points	0.92	0.89	3%	0.86	7%

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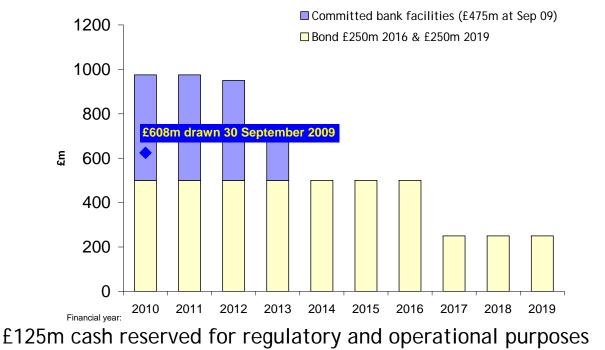
#### Post Trade - key performance indicators

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	2009	2009	%	2008	%	
CC&G Clearing:			_			
Equity clearing (m)	34.4	32.0	8%	34.4	0%	
Derivative clearing (m)	22.3	17.6	27%	19.4	15%	
Total Contracts (m)	56.7	49.6	14%	53.8	5%	
Open interest (m) (as at period end)	4.9	4.6	7%	3.7	32%	
Monte Titoli:						
Settlement instructions (m)	26.4	23.7	11%	21.9	21%	
Custody assets under management (€tn)	2.8	2.7	4%	2.7	4%	



### Net debt and borrowings

- Gross borrowing £608m at 30 September 2009
  - £975m committed facilities, £950m to 2012 or beyond
  - £250m Bond 2016 at a rate of 6.125%
  - £250m Bond 2019 at a rate of 9.125%
  - £250m syndicated revolving credit facility at rate of Libor +80bps matures 2013
  - £25m bi-lateral revolving credit facility at a rate of Libor +80bps matures 2011
  - £200m revolving credit facility at a rate of Libor +125bps matures 2012





### Revenues - Quarterly

	FY 2009					FY 2010	
£ millions	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	FY09	Q1	Q2
Annual Fees	10.6	10.2	10.3	9.9	41.0	8.9	8.6
Admission Fees	10.3	6.5	5.7	5.6	28.1	9.0	7.7
Cash equities	51.7	53.4	42.6	36.5	184.1	37.5	33.4
Derivatives	6.9	6.6	6.0	6.1	25.6	5.5	5.0
Fixed Income	7.0	5.9	6.2	6.6	25.8	6.7	7.1
Other	9.0	9.4	9.2	9.2	36.8	8.8	9.0
Capital Markets	95.5	92.0	80.1	73.9	341.5	76.4	70.8
Data Charges	28.7	28.8	29.0	27.9	114.4	27.4	26.6
Other	22.3	22.5	25.0	23.1	92.9	25.4	24.1
Information & Technology	51.0	51.3	54.0	51.0	207.3	52.8	50.7
Clearing	12.5	9.2	18.0	13.1	52.8	13.8	11.9
Settlement	4.1	3.9	4.5	4.8	17.2	6.0	4.8
Custody & other	12.2	9.3	10.9	10.0	42.4	12.3	10.5
Post Trade	28.7	22.4	33.5	27.8	112.4	32.1	27.2
Other	1.1	0.6	1.8	0.7	4.3	0.6	0.3
Total Revenue	176.3	166.3	169.4	153.5	665.5	161.9	149.0

Note: Minor rounding differences may mean quarterly and other segmental figures may differ slightly