# **Q4 2023** Presentation of the year-end report

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### Agenda

10:00 CET START

**Q4 2023 and Year-end report** Cecilia Beck Friis, CEO

**Financial highlights** Anders Örnulf, CFO

**Business update** Lisa Farrar, COO

#### **Closing remarks and Q&A**



Submit your questions via the webcast: https://ir.financialhearings.com/hemnet-q4-report-2023/

### Q4 2023 Summary

#### **Key financials**

#### Net sales growth

36.8% (SEK 275.0m)

**ARPL growth** 



**EBITDA-margin** 



- Highlights
  - Revenue from property sellers up 55%, driven by increased demand for value-added services (ARPL contribution from VAS almost doubled from LY)
  - Improvements to the market environment, with Q4 listings higher than 2022 for the first time in 2023 (+5.3%)
  - Announcing a revised compensation model to better reward agents that are proactive ambassadors of our value-added services (VAS)
  - Hemnet continues to be the natural go-to place for anyone buying or selling a home, with the largest audience and 9 in 10 of all sold properties in Sweden



"Strong ARPL growth of 37% for the full year - despite challenging market conditions driven by high demand for value-added services"



# Hemnet is the Swedish property market, and the best portal to maximise your listing and brand

#### 9 in 10 properties sold in Sweden are on Hemnet





#### Hemnet delivers 19x more clicks to listings

Average number of clicks to a property listing





# Q4 ARPL growth of 46% as contribution from value added services almost doubled from LY



### Strong growth in revenue from VAS driven by product and pricing

- ARPL from our value-added services nearly doubled compared to last year
- A significant part of the VAS growth can be attributed to the increasing demand for Hemnet Premium, as more agents and property sellers want to tap into the increased audience engagement
- "Pay when listing is removed" gives sellers more flexibility following launch in Q4 2023



### Q4 number of listings exceeded last year's volumes for the first time in 2023, up 5.3%



#### **Property market commentary**

Annual listing volumes are down 11.6%, but Q4 volumes are up 5.3%. The number of transactions has decreased in line with these figures

Sale prices are back to 2020 levels, up 1% in 2023 and down 12% from the peak in March 2022

Buyer's barometer at strongest level since April 2022, with 78% of respondents expecting higher or unchanged prices in the coming 6 months (as of Jan 2024)



### Marketing investments remain under pressure as uncertainty persists



# 19 employees added in 2023, with Q4 headcount unchanged from Q3 2023 at 154



#### 2023 was a successful recruitment year

- Successful year where we filled a number of key roles and moved several consultants into full-time roles
- Majority of investments in product and tech
- Recruitment market continues to be favourable to Hemnet
- Investments in product and tech are yielding results, as we continue to execute on our strategy



# Milestone of SEK 1Bn net sales at 52% EBITDA margin reached in 2023



Hemnet aims to achieve annual **net sales growth of 15-20 percent** 

Hemnet aims to achieve an adjusted EBITDA margin of over 55 percent in the long term



# A productive year, despite market challenges





# We have developed several levers to drive sustainable ARPL growth





### Our thesis is unchanged - the Swedish property market is stable over time

#### **Published listings**

(Country, 12 month moving sum - including trendline)







### We continue to actively develop our ESG agenda





# Financial Highlights Anders Örnulf, CFO



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## Q4 2023 Financial Summary





# 60% growth in EBITDA versus Q4 2022





## 17% growth in 2023 full year EBITDA





## LTM cash flow grows and is used for investments & share buybacks, while leverage remains stable

#### **LTM Free cash flow** SEK million



#### **Share buybacks** SEK million, thousand shares bought



#### **Net debt and leverage** SEK million, leverage





# **Business Update** Lisa Farrar, COO

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# The Swedish agent industry and Hemnet have a unique and mutually beneficial partnership





# The unique relationship enables Hemnet to grow ARPL and the total compensation to agents

#### Total agent compensation and ARPL growth





# Updating the compensation model to drive simplicity, fairness and the right incentives

#### Why we are updating the model?

- Our Plus and Premium packages have become the **obvious choice among sellers**
- Agents play a **crucial role** to help sellers understand the value of these packages, where 3 out 4 sellers follow their agent's recommendation
- The updated model **better rewards agencies** that **often recommend Plus and Premium**
- Such agencies are considered **active partners**, contributing more to Hemnets growth

#### What are we changing?





Changing the commission levels and adding more tiers



An agent recommendation is required to qualify for commission



Commission is calculated on the total revenue from all sold products



# The updated model is designed to reward offices that actively promote Hemnet's VAS

#### **Before the update**

- ✓ Administration fee variable
- ✓ Commission calculated <u>only on revenue</u> <u>from VAS</u>
- ✓ Commission tiers based on share of sold Plus and Premium
- ✓ 3 tiers



Administration fee: 30% of revenue from Bas

#### After the update

- ✓ Administration fee fixed
- Commission is calculated on <u>total revenue from all seller</u> products
- ✓ Commission tiers based on share of sold Plus and Premium with a recommendation
- ✓ 5 tiers





Administration fee: 600 SEK per published listing



## Giving agents the right tools and information to be better ambassadors and resellers for our VAS

Tools that help agents be better ambassadors and resellers for VAS

The right process and sale arguments

Visualising total compensation

Understanding the benefits of our VAS

Launching a full digital publishing flow in Q2 2024



#### Main benefits from a full digital flow implementation



# Summary Cecilia Beck-Friis, CEO



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# Q&A

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#### **Dial-in instructions**

Hemnet invites analysts, investors and media to participate in the results presentation on 31st January 2024 at 10:00 CET. The results will be presented by CEO Cecilia Beck-Friis and CFO Anders Örnulf.

The presentation will be held in English, followed by a Q&A session. Participants are welcome to join via the below link or by phone.

Webcast and teleconference info: https://financialhearings.com/event/47327

#### **Financial calendar**

23 Apr 2024	Interim report Q1 2024
25 Apr 2024	Annual general meeting
18 Jul 2024	Interim report Q2 2024
24 Oct 2024	Interim report Q3 2024

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