# **GOFORE**

Gofore – Pure-play digital transformation consultancy

Q1 2021 Investor Presentation





# **Presenting today**



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# **Gofore Q1 2021 Business Review**





# Gofore is a growing and profitable digital transformation consultancy



# Our aim is always to be



Growing and profitable



**Constantly renewing** 



Impactful and responsible



International



Offering exceptional customer and employee experience

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## Key recent highlights

- Strong operative and financial performance continued with year on year net sales growth of 34.1% and adjusted EBITA margin reaching 13.9%
- New framework agreements with The City of Helsinki (up to EUR 2.95m)<sup>1</sup> and The City of Espoo (EUR ~25m, 7 years)<sup>2</sup>
- Agreement extension with Elisa Corporation (EUR ~1m per year)
- Acquisition of CCEA completed in March 2021
- Transfer to Nasdaq Helsinki Main Market completed in March 2021





# Financial highlights of Q1/2021

NET SALES
25.2 MEUR
(18.8 MEUR)

**Growth 34.1%** 

EBITA, ADJUSTED

3.5 MEUR

(3.2 MEUR)

Growth 10.7%

EBITA-%, ADJUSTED **13.9%** (16.8%)

Employees
790
(585)
Growth 35.0%



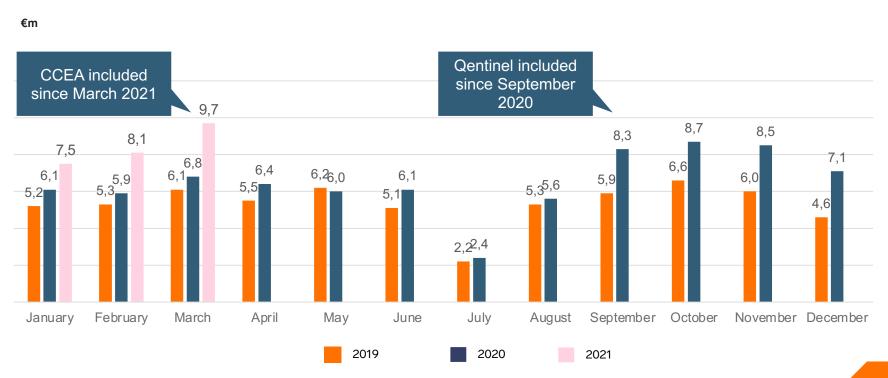
# Solid growth track continued in Q1 2021





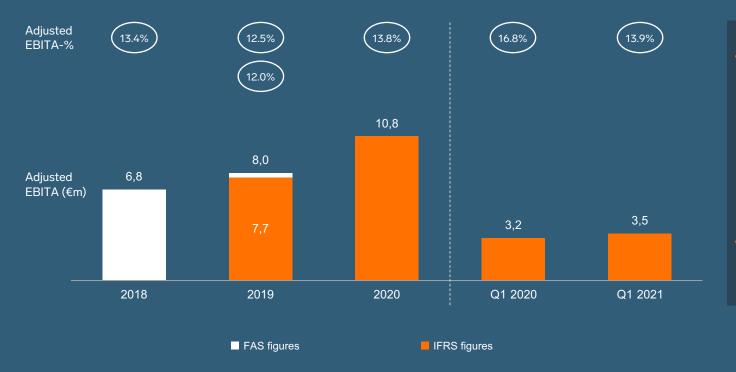


# Strong net sales growth in recent months vs. comparison period





# Profitability continues to be strong



- Profitability in Q1 2021 impacted by:
  - 1 working day less compared to Q1 2020
  - Billing rate did not fully meet the expected level
  - Agreement period change of our biggest customer caused some idling in utilization before ramping up new projects
- No permanent change in underlying profit drivers in Q1

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# Q4 2020 financial position has been solid

EURm (unless stated otherwise)	Q4 2020	
Cash and cash equivalents	21.4	
Net debt	-3.8	
Equity ratio	47.0%	
Net gearing	-15.4%	

- 90% of CCEA purchase price of EUR6.4m was paid on 1 March 2021
- Qentinel Finland earn-out considerations of approximately EUR 3.4m paid in March 2021
- A dividend of EUR 0.24 per share was paid for 2020 in April (EUR 0.20 per share paid for 2019), or approximately EUR 3.4m in total







# Long-term target to continue rapid and profitable growth

Gofore financial targets and dividend policy

#### Growth

>20% annual net sales growth, of which organic growth accounts for approximately half

#### **Profitability**

15% EBITA margin

#### Dividend

At least 40% of annual net profit



# **Gofore Positioning, Strategy and Targets**





## The world is turning digital at an increasing pace

IT-market predictions



By 2023, digitally transformed enterprises will account for more than half of global GDP



By 2024, over 50% of global IT spend will be for digital transformation and innovation (31% in 2018)



By 2023, over 500 million digital solutions will be developed, most targeted at industry-specific digital transformation use cases 30% transformed to future workplace

By 2022, 30% of Nordic enterprises will adopt tools to drive necessary changes in the workplace and culture



# We deliver digital solutions with positive societal impact

Building AI assisted service to elevate matching jobs and job seekers to the

next era

Selected examples



Improving the user experience of electric vehicle charging solutions through increased usability and service design support



# **Growing and profitable**







# Gofore key investment highlights

1 Gofore ideally positioned as a digi-native in the accelerating digital transformation

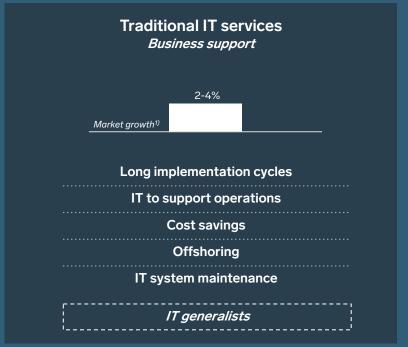
2 Pure-play next-gen offering with strong customer satisfaction

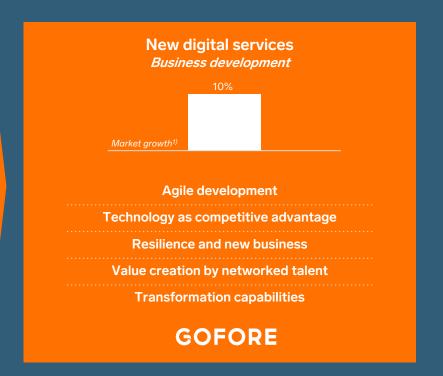
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- Tech-native culture supports scalability and efficiency
- 4 Resilient client base and strong revenue visibility
- 5 Outstanding historical growth, margins and cash flow
- 6 Strategy geared for continued growth and value creation



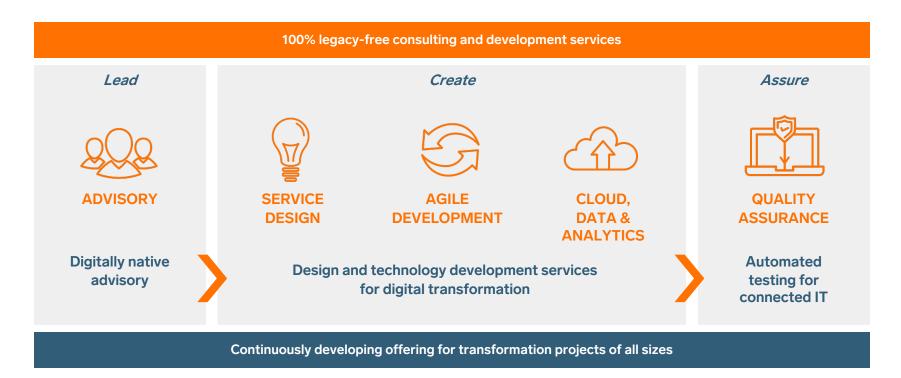
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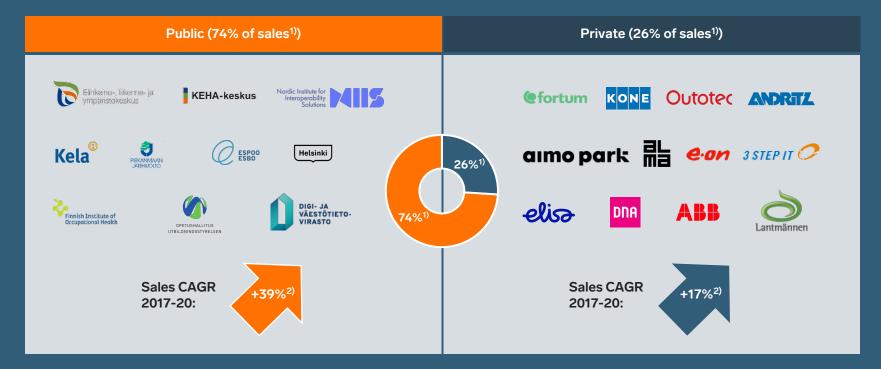


# 2 Pure-play next-gen offering for agile digital transformation





2 Long-term relationships with a diverse and growing client base







# Tech-native platform underpinning scalability and efficiency

Shared values and communality Daily data collection Low hierarchy and self-organisation Real-time forward-looking analytics Human-Data-driven Al-aided decision making Transparency and rich communication centric management Conversational management bots Continuous learning culture model Shared real-time situational Courage and enthusiasm awareness Shared responsibility for High ambition and professionalism up-to-date data Messaging platform with 15k **Purpose** daily messages Lean organisation **Customer value-add** Talent retention Commercial excellence Scalable platform

(eNPS +423))

(Hit rate 63%4))

1) Customer-facing vs. non-customer-facing employee ratio Feb-2021; 2) Q2 2020; 3) eNPS = Employee Net Promoter Score, Q4 2019; 4) Average public and private sector hit rate by value 2018-2020

(NPS +54<sup>2)</sup>)



(14-to-1 ratio<sup>1)</sup>)

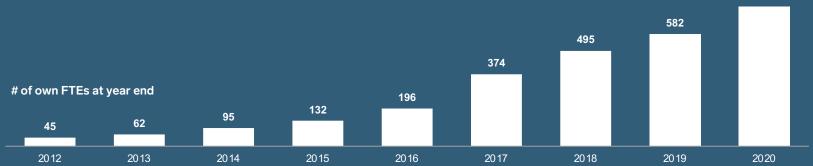
(organic and inorganic)



Strong employer brand further supports talent acquisition and retention











4 Resilient client base and strong revenue visibility

74% public share with ~3-5 year average contract length<sup>1)</sup>: Resilient client base 74% ■Public ■Private

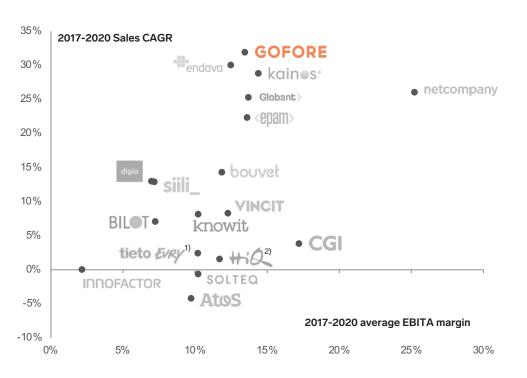


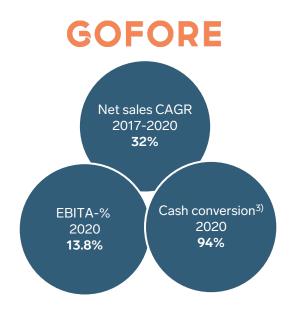






# 5 Strong track record in delivering strong profitable growth







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# Avenues to reach the growth targets

#### **Growth in Finland**

- 1. Become #1 in digital transformation business for the public sector
- 2. Become tier 1 service provider for several Top 100 private firms

#### International growth

- 1. Grow with international clients served from Finland
- 2. Expand physical presence and operations in Germany

#### **Disciplined M&A**

- 1. Keep up M&A growth at least at the historical pace
- 2. Acquire targets that fit to Gofore strategy

20% total annual growth

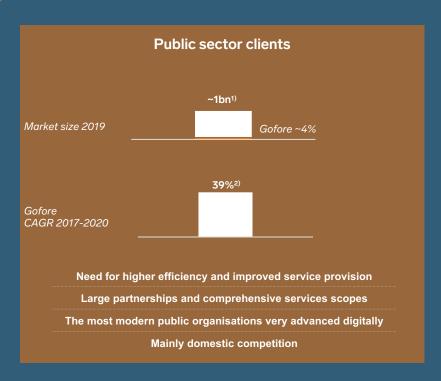
~10% annual organic growth

Growing portfolio of large customers in and outside Finland

Increasing presence outside Finland, reaching >10% in 2025



# The Finnish market remains a sizeable opportunity for Gofore







# Gofore is one of the leading players among public sector clients

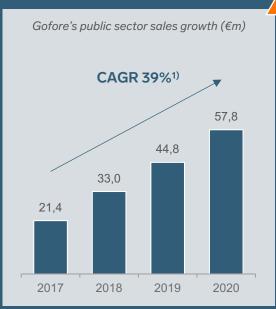
Rapid public sector sales growth...

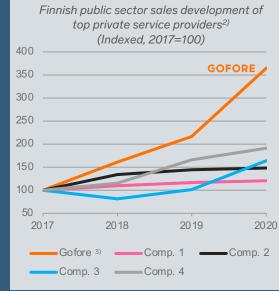
...outplaying competition...

...to become top-5 IT service provider

Top-5 IT service providers for the Finnish

government 2020<sup>2)</sup> (€m)





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#	Company	Sales index
1	IT generalist	100
2	IT generalist	48
3	IT product supplier	34
4	GOFORE	27
5	IT generalist	19



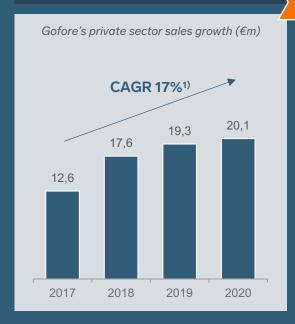


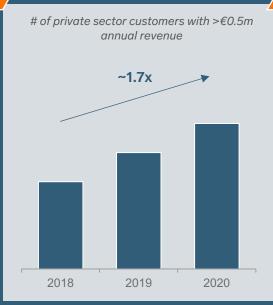
# Gofore is a fast growing challenger within private sector clients

Rapid net sales growth...

...driven by increasing number of significant customers...

...and a large market opportunity







~€3.3bn Finnish private sector IT services market<sup>2)</sup>



Digitalization a top strategic priority for the private sector



Agile new world IT service providers well positioned to support in the digital transformation



Experience from extensive public sector digital transformations to be leveraged in the private sector

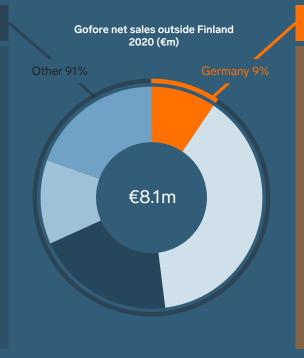


# Gofore international growth strategy

#### **Grow with international clients**

- Gofore existing platform enables growth with international clients without setting up new physical locations
- Actively look for and rapidly react to international opportunities – build and develop needed capabilities
- Deliver promises and show capabilities to grow and expand scope within customers
- Focus on both private and public sector clients





#### **Expand presence in Germany**

- Utilise Finnish operating model —
   labelled by world-class digital know-how and agility
- Limited amount of existing pure-play digital consultancies – incumbents more focused on traditional IT services
- Building trust through close customer relationships as a key enabler of long lasting client relationships
- Focus on manufacturing industry: agriculture, Industry 4.0, new mobility











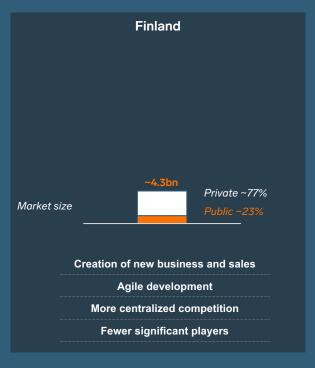


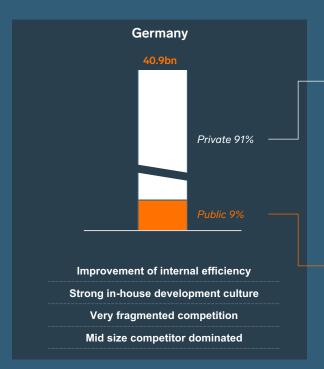


■ Other



# Germany represents a huge opportunity with room to grow for agile digitalization experts





- Industrial sector the largest sector with 35% of the total market, followed by Financial services 24%
- Focus shifting from internal efficiency to increasing sales and monetisation through digital services

- Public sector in Germany behind in digital adoption
- Strong demand and intention to increase availability of digital public services
- Federal Online Access Act estimated to increase spend on digitalisation of the Administration from ~100m in 2019 to ~1.5 bn in 2022



# Gofore has followed a disciplined M&A strategy over the past years





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# Acquisition of CCEA<sup>1)</sup> strengthens Gofore's digital transformation advisory services

#### CCEA is Finland's largest change management company

- ~50 employees located in Espoo (HQ) and Singapore
- Strong position as adviser and main service provider in large digital transformation projects
- Services include change execution, change portfolio leadership, change capability development and measurement
- Customer base includes many of Finland's largest internationally operating companies, such as Outokumpu, Neste and KONE





#### CCEA key financials (2020)<sup>2)</sup> and deal parameters

EURm	CCEA Ltd	Celkee Ltd
Net sales	5.2	0.4
EBITDA	1.1	0.1
EBITDA-%	21%	18%
EBIT	1.1	0.0
EBIT-%	20%	-2%

- Equity purchase price EUR 6.4 million (debt-free value of EUR 6.2 million)
- Purchase price paid in cash, completed on 1 March 2021
- Estimated net sales impact in Gofore's 2021 results is approximately EUR 6 million

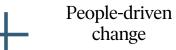
# 6 Human-centric digital transformation



Human-centric digital technology







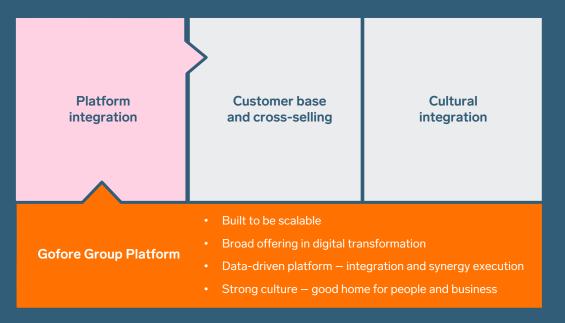


Leading human-centric digital transformation offering for all organisations



Scalable M&A platform and a systematic integration approach

**Gofore integration model** 





Digital transformation services



Financial profile supporting Gofore's targets



Keep up historical M&A growth pace at a minimum

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# **APPENDIX**





## **Profitability building blocks**



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# **Quarterly development**

Group (consolidated)	Q1/2021 <sup>1</sup>	Q2/2021	Q3/2021	Q4/2021
Net sales, MEUR	25.2			
EBITA, MEUR, adjusted <sup>2</sup>	3.5			
EBITA-%, adjusted	13.9%			
Group (consolidated)	Q1/2020	Q2/2020	Q3/2020	Q4/2020
Net sales, MEUR	18.8	18.6	16.3	24.3
EBITA, MEUR, adjusted	3.2	2.5	1.9	3.3
EBITA-%, adjusted	16.8%	13.3%	11.5%	13.5%
Growth-%	Q1/2021	Q2/2021	Q3/2021	Q4/2021
Net sales, growth-%	34.1%			
EBITA, adjusted, growth-%	10.7%			

<sup>1</sup> CCEA Oy's figures have been consolidated with those of the Gofore Group since 1 March 2021.

<sup>2</sup> Items affecting the adjustment consisted of the transaction costs of CCEA Oy, an acquisition announced in February 2021 and reported as part of the Group since 1 March 2021, totaling EUR 0.193 million.



