

Q2 2024 Results

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YTD24 achievements

Strong operational performance, on the back of improvement in ARPU across markets and operational excellence

Strengthening balance sheet as net debt/EBITDA drops to 2.88x

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Executing the 5-by-5 strategy with completion of Dialog-Airtel merger

Declares 5sen interim dividend, aligned to Axiata's 10sen commitment

Executive Summary (1/2)



In the Q224 unaudited financial results, the face of P&L will show continuing operations.

- Double-digit growth at reported EBITDA and EBIT. YTD revenue growth of 7.8% contributed by strong performance from all OpCos except Link Net and Dialog; double-digit EBITDA and EBIT growth largely contributed by XL, Smart, Robi and EDOTCO. PATAMI +>100% flowing through from EBIT, higher share of results of associates and lower forex losses, moderated by higher net finance cost and taxation.
- UPATAMI growth 4x YoY to RM324mn and margins +2.2 ppts to 2.9%. At constant currency, YTD revenue growth of 5.2% contributed by all OpCos, except Link Net and Dialog; EBIT growth of 40.0% supported largely by XL, Smart, Robi from market repair and cost optimization, and EDOTCO from increased contribution from key markets. UPATAMI +>100% as EBIT growth and higher share of results of associates out paced increase in net finance cost at XL, EDOTCO and Robi.
- Strong AOFCF* generation of RM677mn. AOFCF growth of >+100% to RM677mn, largely supported by strong EBITDA growth of 18.7%; this more than offset the increase in net finance cost from XL, EDOTCO and Robi, and higher taxation.
- Net debt/EBITDA improves to 2.88x; HoldCo cash increases to RM1.3bn. Net debt/EBITDA improved QoQ to 2.88x (from 3.01x) largely supported by EBITDA growth. Borrowings remained relatively unchanged QoQ at RM25.8bn. Cash increase to RM1.3bn QoQ largely due to proceeds of USD55mn from sale of ADA stake to Mitsui.
- Revenue growth in line; EBIT growth ahead of FY24 Headline KPIs. Despite the challenging macroeconomic environment, in particular the social unrest, followed by the political and economic uncertainties in Bangladesh, the Group expects revenue growth to be in line while EBIT growth to be ahead of headline KPIs, on the back of the strong operational performance in 1H24.
- **DPS of 5.0 sen.** Axiata has declared interim dividend of 5.0 sen, which is aligned with our commitment to reward shareholders with annual dividend of 10.0 sen.

Executive Summary (2/2)



- XL: Sustaining strong momentum post Lebaran. YTD revenue +8.1% supported by rationale pricing environment with ARPU still stable at an all time high of IDR44k (+4.8%) and improved contribution from data and digital services. Coupled with savings in infrastructure and sales and marketing, EBIT +33.6% and PATAMI +57.5%.
- Robi: Data and subscriber trends remain positive in Q224. YTD revenue +4.8% driven by data (+18.8%) and positive subscriber growth (+5.6%). Cost optimisation measures contributed to double digit growth at EBITDA, while stable D&A aided EBIT performance. PATAMI +>100% to BDT2.1bn supported by improved EBIT and lower forex losses.
- Dialog: Margin expansion from lower hubbing contribution. YTD revenue -12.7% due to lower hubbing revenue as Dialog pivots away from the low margin business. EBITDA margin grew 4.1ppts benefiting from reduction in hubbing contribution. PATAMI -89.9% due to lower forex gain of LKR3.0bn (vs LKR12.3bn in YTD23) and higher taxation.
- Smart: Strong cashflow generation underpin by subscribers and ARPU growth. YTD revenue +10.8% supported by growth in subscribers (+2.7%) and ARPU (+4.9%). EBIT +34.3% and PATAMI +35.3% supported by lower direct costs which offset the increase in D&A and taxation.
- Link Net: Sustaining subscribers and optimising cost. YTD revenue -6.7% from lower enterprise contribution due to reduction of one-off projects, mitigated by sustained residential subscribers. EBITDA decline cushioned by lower manpower, marketing and lower bad debt. As Link Net transitions to FibreCo, home passed rollout for XL lifts D&A and net finance cost, and thus PATAMI ->100%.
- EDOTCO: Improved contribution from key markets. YTD revenue +13.3% mainly driven by higher contribution from MY, BD, KH and PH, which led to the corresponding growth in EBITDA. Accordingly, EBIT grew by 26.8%. PATAMI +80% supported by lower forex losses. Excluding forex, PATAMI would have been positive at RM15mn.
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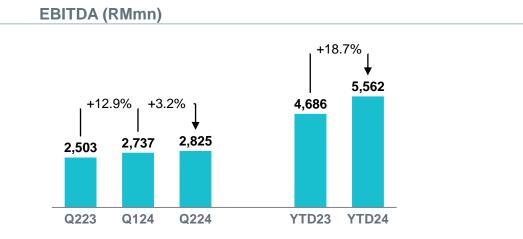


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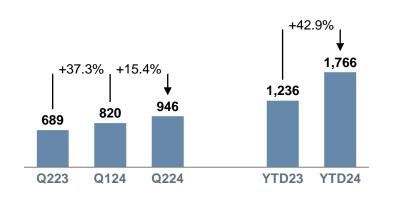
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EBIT (RMmn)



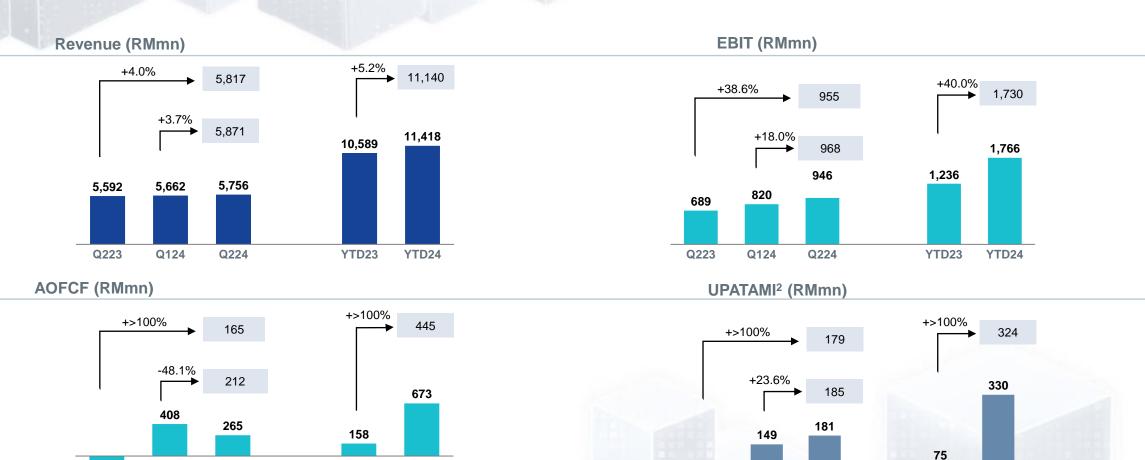






Underlying Performance¹

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YTD24

YTD23

Note:

xx - at actual currency xx – Underlying performance

mance xx% – Underlying performance growth rate

YTD24

1. Underlying – % growth at constant currency

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2. UPATAMI excludes forex related (forex/derivative gains/losses, hedging cost), XL gain on disposal, PPA amortisation and M&A transaction cost.

YTD23

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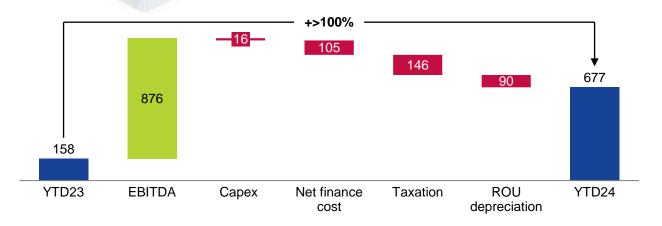
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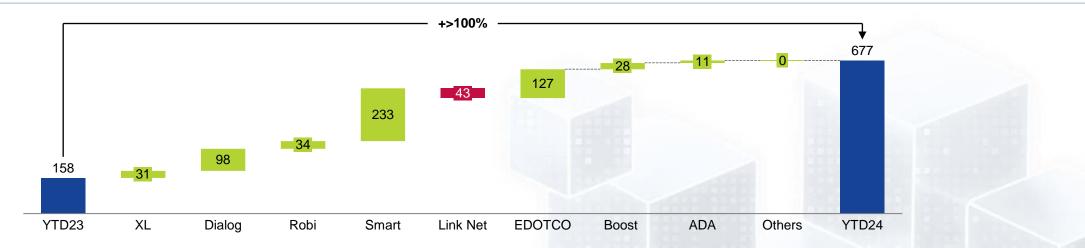
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YTD movement – by line items (RMmn)



YTD movement – by OpCos (RMmn)



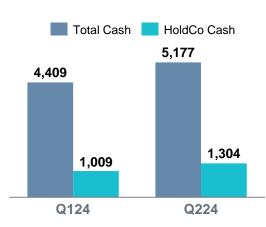
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Group Borrowings – by Currency (RM mn)

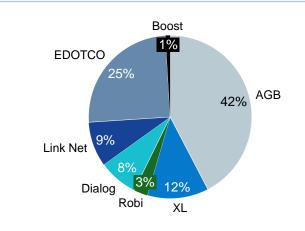
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LC mn		BDT	IDR	LKK		РПР	PKK		(RM mn)
HoldCo		-	-	-	-	-	-	2,316	10,932
	Sub-total (LC)	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,316	10,932
OpCos	XL	-	10,897,756	-	-	-	-	-	3,139
-	Robi	13,581	-	-	-	-	-	34	709
	Dialog	-	-	89,825	-	-	-	134	2,019
	Link Net	-	7,950,899	-	-	-	-	-	2,290
	EDOTCO	1,530	-	-	1,486	25,971	2,606	592	6,481
	Boost	-	9,470	-	234	-	-	-	237
	Sub-total	15,111	18,858,125	89,825	1,720	25,971	2,606	761	14,875
	Q224 Total	15,111	18,858,125	89,825	1,720	25,971	2,606	3,077	25,807
	Q124 Total	12,339	18,779,295	66,369	1,635	26,071	2,295	3,067	25,530
	QoQ	22.5%	0.4%	35.3%	5.2%	-0.4%	13.5%	0.3%	1.1%

Cash (RMmn)

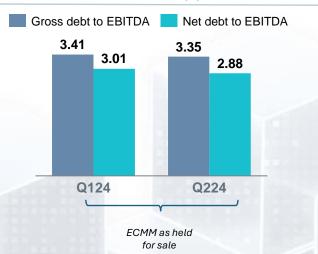


RM'mn		Q124	Q224
HoldCo and Non		1,009	1,304
ОрСо	Sub-total	1,009	1,304
OpCos	XL	343	402
	Robi	650	815
	Dialog	236	152
	Smart	864	903
	Link Net	55	83
	EDOTCO	582	841
	ADA	424	386
	Boost	246	292
	Sub-Total	3,400	3,873
	Total Group	4,409	5,177

Group Borrowings – by OpCos (%)

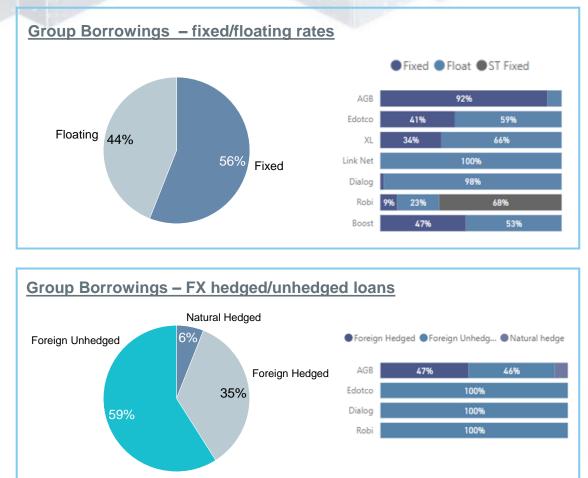


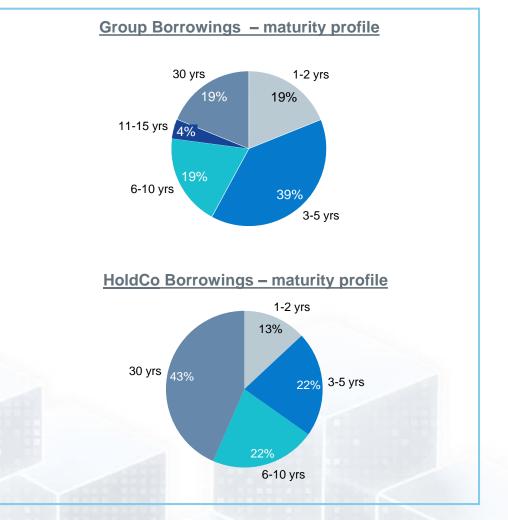
Gross and net debt/EBITDA (x)



Balance sheet (2/2)

At Q224, 56% of the Group's borrowings are on fixed rate basis, predominantly from Axiata company, EDOTCO, Dialog and XL; 59% of foreign currency borrowing is unhedged, mainly from Axiata company 30-yr EMTN, EDOTCO term loan, and USD debt in frontier markets ie SL and BD. In terms of maturity profile, 19% of Group's borrowings has maturity within 2 years; for HoldCo it is 13%.









Moving forward

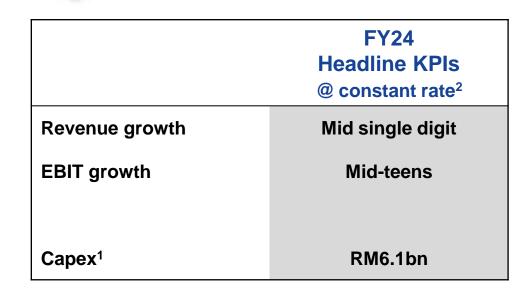


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FY24 Headline KPIs



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Notes:

1. Capex is not a Headline KPI

2. Constant rate is based on FY23 Average Forex Rate (ie 1 USD = RM4.56)

Corporate Actions: Status update



In-country consolidation in Indonesia	Delayering in Indonesia	In-country consolidation in Sri Lanka	EDOTCO exit from Myanmar
xL axiata smartfren	xLaxiata	Dialog Dialog	EDOTCO
Axiata Group and Sinar Mas sign non-binding Memorandum of Understanding to mutually explore proposed merger of XL Axiata and Smartfren in Indonesia. Due diligence process is currently underway.	The transaction is subject to approval from the Independent Shareholders at the upcoming GMIS on 23 Sep 2024.	Dialog, Axiata Group and Bharti Airtel have successfully completed the share sale transaction on 26 Jun 2024	EDOTCO's exit from Myanmar is pending regulatory approvals.

Risks & Opportunities



RISKS

- Operating environment challenges due to recent developments in Bangladesh and upcoming elections in Sri Lanka.
- Funding fibre deployment roadmap in Indonesia.

OPPORTUNITIES

- > Weakening of USD and lower interest rate.
- OpCo portfolio optimisation and/or asset monetization.
- Synergies from Dialog-Airtel merger.





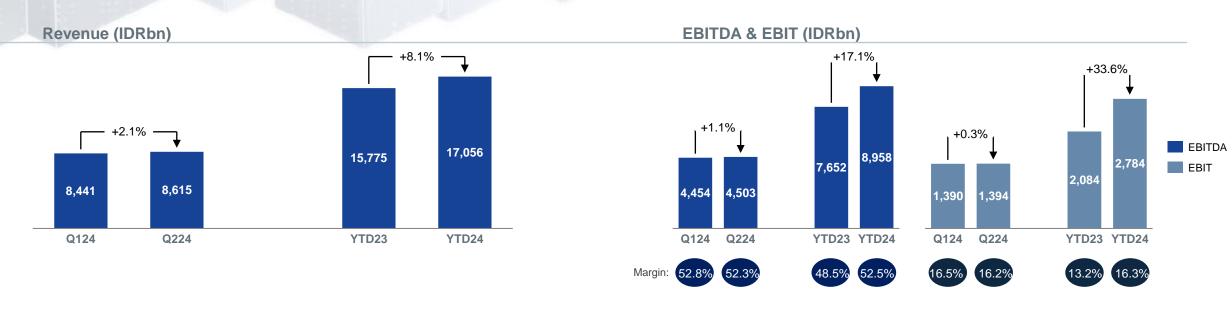
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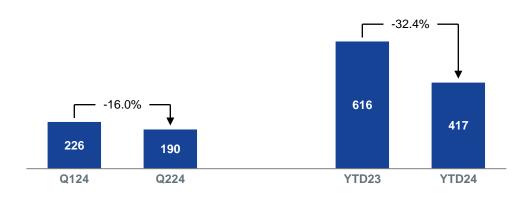


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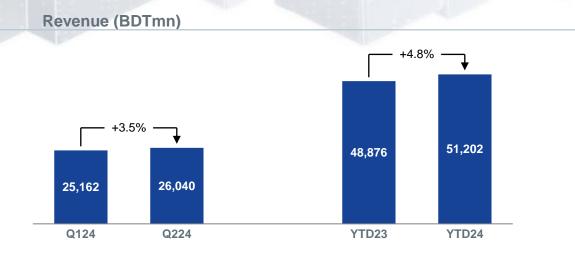


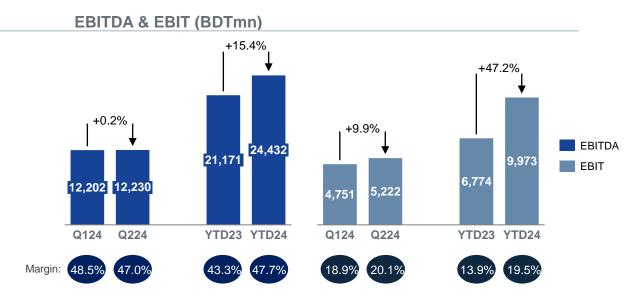
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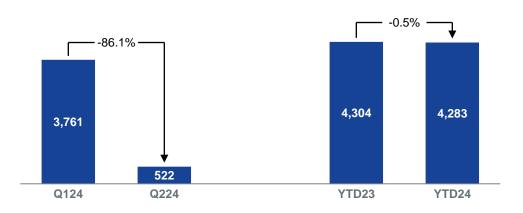
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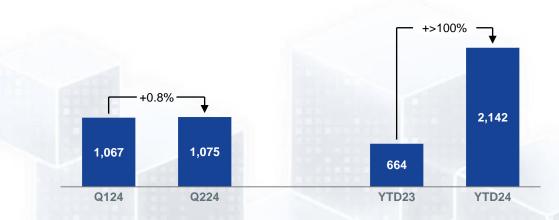




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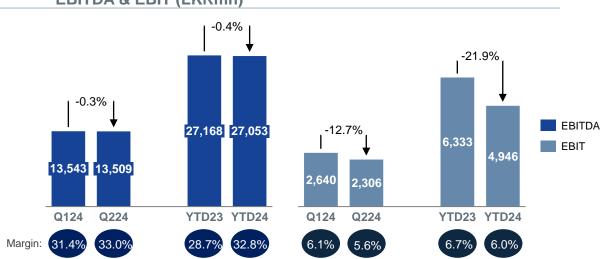
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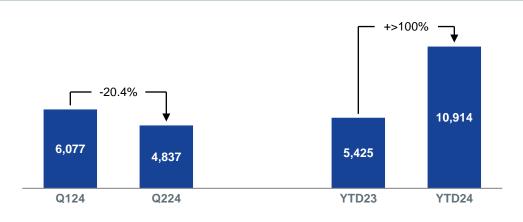
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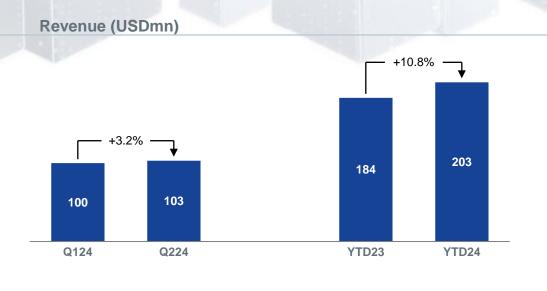


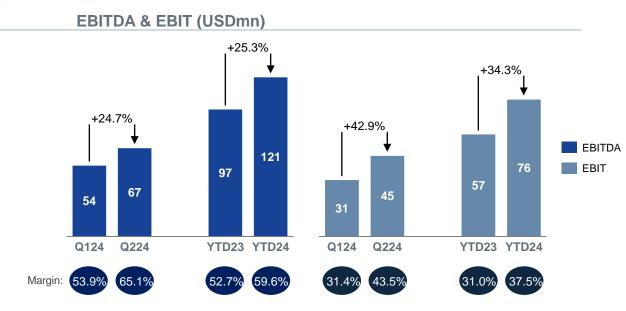
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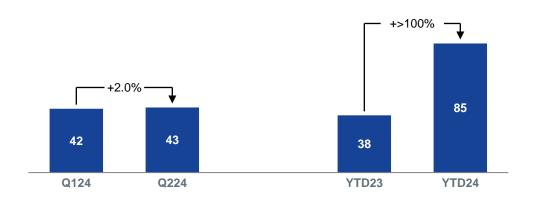
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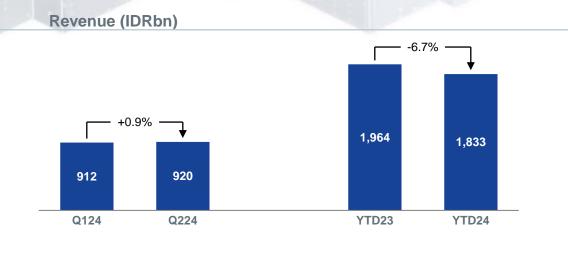


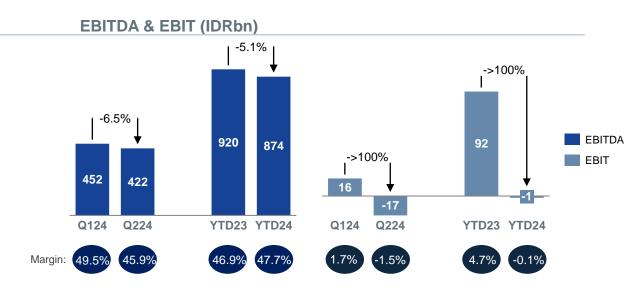
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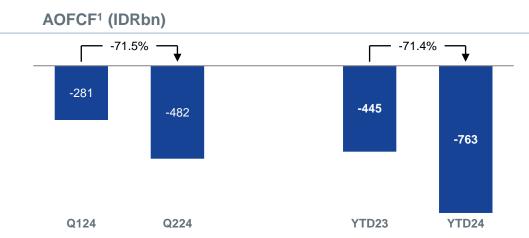


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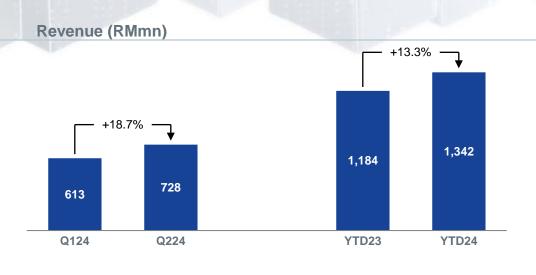
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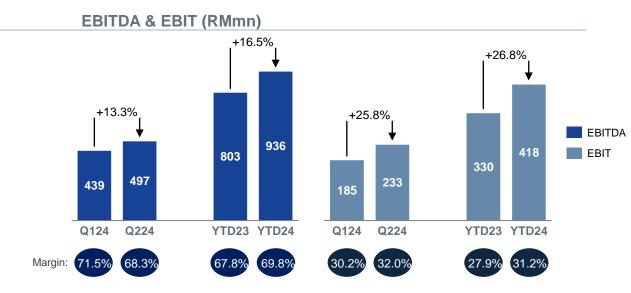




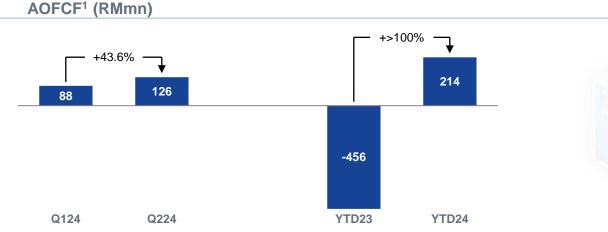
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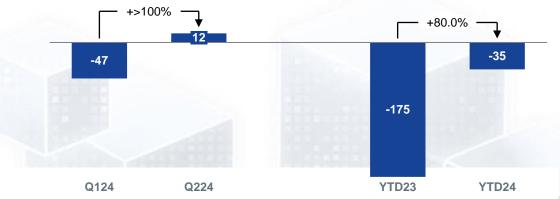
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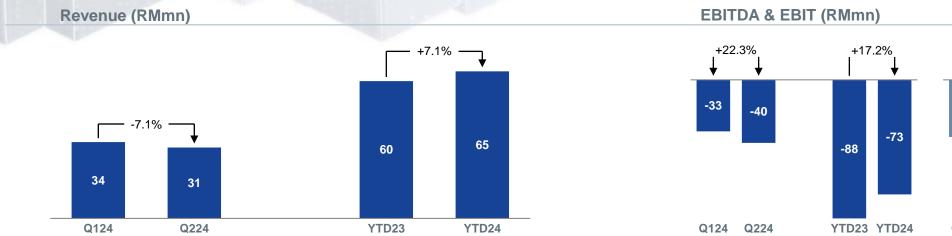
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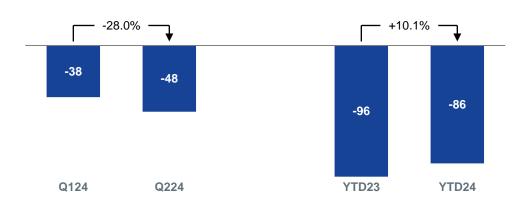
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+3.8% +19.1% -44 -46 EBITDA -90 -111 EBIT YTD23 YTD24 Q124 Q224

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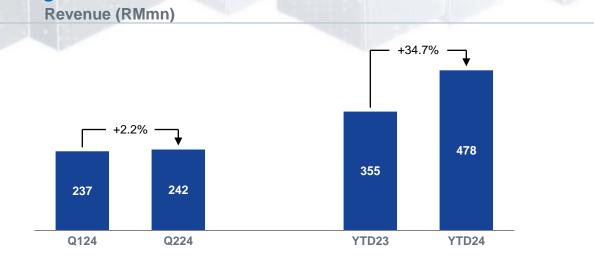
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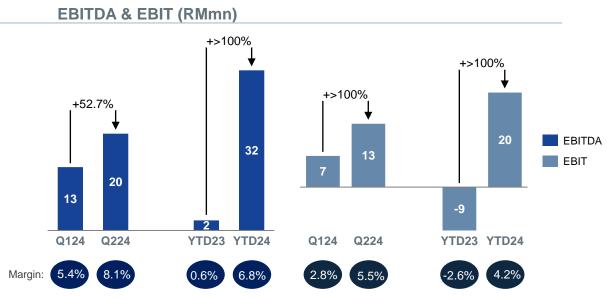


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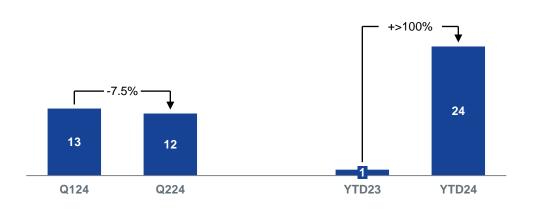
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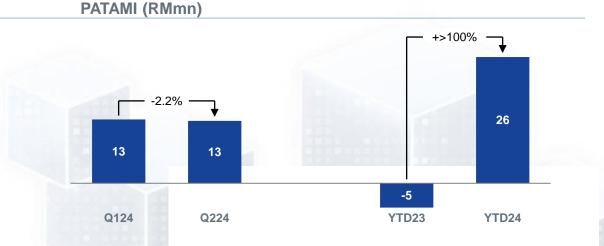
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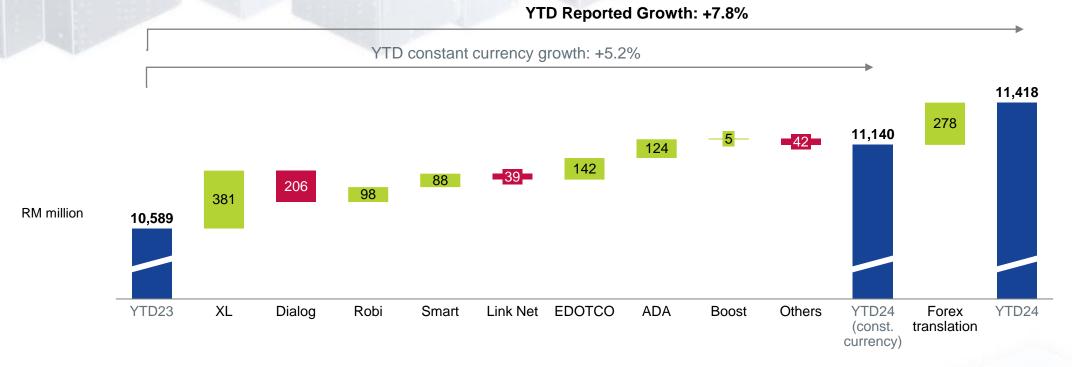


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Group Revenue: YTD23 → YTD24

YTD24 revenue +7.8%, driven by improved performance across all OpCos, except Dialog and Link Net; there was also translation gain of RM278mn arising from appreciation of USD and LKR.



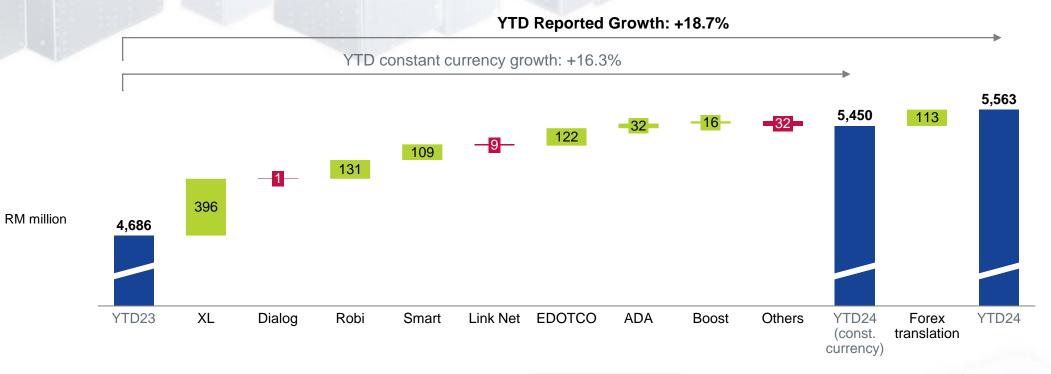


Revenue	YTD23	YTD Growth Rates Revenue (const. currency)		YTD24	
XL	4,666	381	8.2%	XL	5,047
Dialog	1,322	(206)	-15.5%	Dialog	1,116
Robi	2,049	98	4.8%	Robi	2,147
Smart	818	88	10.8%	Smart	906
Link Net	581	(39)	-6.7%	Link Net	542
EDOTCO	1,184	142	12.0%	EDOTCO	1,326
ADA	355	124	34.8%	ADA	479
Boost	60	5	7.1%	Boost	65
Others	(446)	(42)	-9.4%	Others	(488)
GROUP	10,589	551	5.2%	GROUP	11,140

Group EBITDA: YTD23 → YTD24

YTD24 EBITDA +18.7% driven by improved performance from majority of OpCos, boosted as well by forex translation impact of RM113mn due to appreciation of USD and LKR.

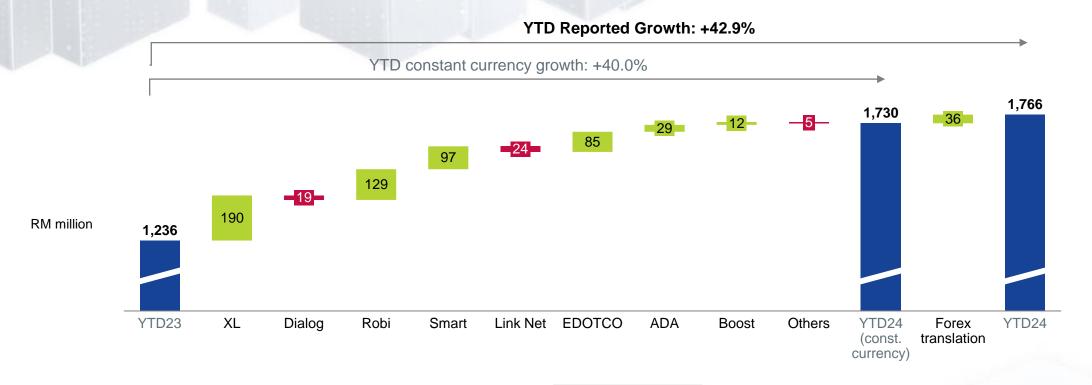




EBITDA	YTD23	YTD Growth	Growth Rates EBITDA (const. currency)		YTD24
XL	2,275	396	17.4%	XL	2,671
Dialog	367	(1)	-0.4%	Dialog	366
Robi	881	131	14.8%	Robi	1,012
Smart	431	109	25.3%	Smart	540
Link Net	269	(9)	-3.1%	Link Net	260
EDOTCO	803	122	15.1%	EDOTCO	925
ADA	-	32	-8720.0%	ADA	32
Boost	(88)	16	-18.1%	Boost	(72)
Others	(252)	(32)	-12.7%	Others	(284)
GROUP	4,686	764	16.3%	GROUP	5,450

Group EBIT: YTD23 → YTD24

YTD24 EBIT +42.9%, contributed by all OpCos except for Dialog and Link Net; Growth from XL, Smart and Robi from market **aXiata** repair and cost optimisation, while EDOTCO improved contribution from key markets.

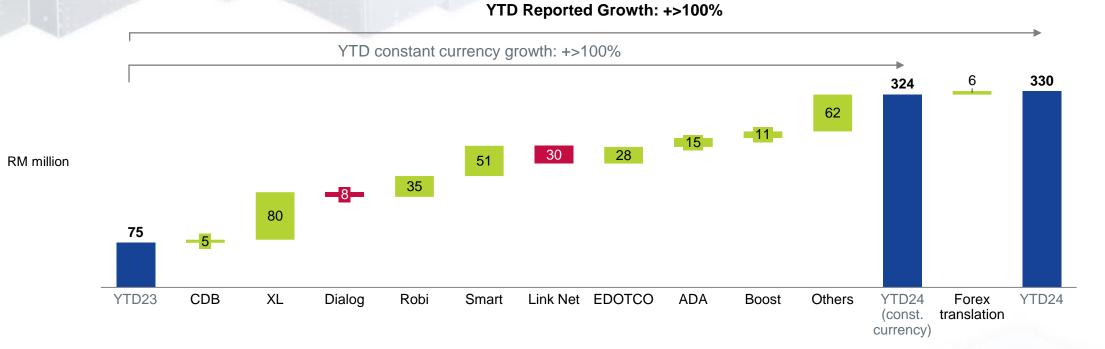


EBIT	YTD23	YTD Growth	Growth Rates EBIT (const. currency)		YTD24
XL	629	190	30.2%	XL	819
Dialog	86	(19)	-21.9%	Dialog	67
Robi	276	129	46.6%	Robi	405
Smart	241	97	40.1%	Smart	338
Link Net	21	(24)	-112.7%	Link Net	(3)
EDOTCO	330	85	25.9%	EDOTCO	415
ADA	(9)	29	314.1%	ADA	20
Boost	(111)	12	11.0%	Boost	(99)
Others	(227)	(5)	2.2%	Others	(232)
GROUP	1,236	494	40.0%	GROUP	1,730

Group UPATAMI: YTD23 → YTD24

YTD24 UPATAMI +>100% contributed largely by XL, Smart and Robi, moderated by weaker performance from Link Net and Dialog; Others include cost optimisation initiatives.

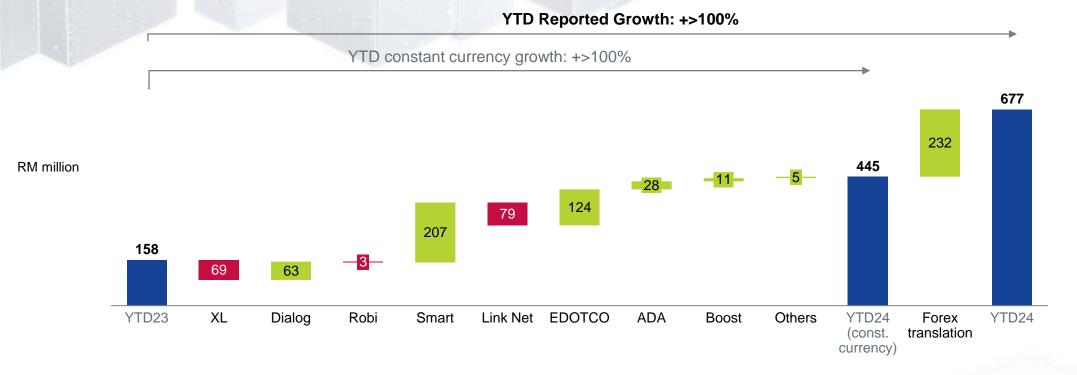




Norm PATAMI	YTD23	YTD Growth Rates		Norm PATAMI (const. currency)	YTD24
CDB	228	5	2.2%	CDB	233
XL	86	80	93.5%	XL	166
Dialog	(6)	(8)	-146.1%	Dialog	(14)
Robi	30	35	115.7%	Robi	65
Smart	151	51	34.1%	Smart	202
Link Net	(33)	(30)	-94.3%	Link Net	(63)
EDOTCO	(24)	28	117.9%	EDOTCO	4
ADA	(3)	15	481.1%	ADA	12
Boost	(83)	11	12.7%	Boost	(72)
Others	(271)	62	-22.9%	Others	(209)
GROUP	75	249	271.2%	GROUP	324

Group AOFCF: YTD23 → YTD24.

YTD24 AOFCF +>100% to RM677mn contributed by Smart and EDOTCO (higher EBITDA and lower capex) and Dialog (capex **aXiata** phasing).



AOFCF	YTD23	YTD Growth	Rates AOFCF (const. currency)		YTD24
XL	207	207 (69) -3	-33.1%	XL	138
Dialog	58	63	110.0%	Dialog	121
Robi	202	(3)	-1.4%	Robi	199
Smart	160	207	128.9%	Smart	367
Link Net	(198)	(79)	-39.4%	Link Net	(277)
EDOTCO	91	124	136.7%	EDOTCO	215
ADA	(1)	28	2745.7%	ADA	27
Boost	(96)	11	11.6%	Boost	(85)
Others	(265)	5	-1.9%	Others	(260)
GROUP	158	287	180.9%	GROUP	445

Sustainability Highlights

SBTi near-term and long-term targets validated, and OpCos pushing the sustainability agenda locally





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SBTi approves Axiata Group's sciencebased targets

Near Term Targets Axiata Group Berhad commits to reduce absolute scope 1 and 2 GHG emissions 42% by 2030 from a 2022 base year.

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Axiata Group Berhad commits to reduce absolute scope 3 GHG emissions by 25% by 2030 from a 2022 base year. Dialog

OpCo ESG Highlights

Launched Dialog Suraksha, a parental control service ensuring children's safety online robi

Concluded Robi Datathon 3.0, the largest data science competition in Bangladesh

EDOTCO

Launched Vendor Development Program for Malaysian SMEs



Launched inaugural Sustainability Report 2023 – 1st of Axiata's Digital Business

Long Term Targets

- Axiata Group Berhad commits to reduce absolute scope 1 and 2 GHG emissions 90% by 2050 from a 2022 base year.
- Axiata Group Berhad commits to reduce absolute scope 3 GHG emissions 90% by 2050 from a 2022 base year.

Thank you

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