

#### 2020 WAS A REMARKABLE YEAR



#### IPO targets achieved – one year ahead of schedule

#### **RECAP OF PHASE ONE KEY ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2020** Adj. PbT: €795m (3% vs.'19, 27% vs '18) Adj. CIR: 64.5% ((3.1)ppt vs. '19, (7.8)ppt% vs. **Financials '18)** Turnaround in flows Net flows: €30.3bn (+€4bn vs '19, +€53bn vs '18) 2020 Increased efficiency March Focus on cost discipline and performance ESG focus & growth 2018 **Strategy** Established dedicated Product Division **IPO** Partnerships and JVs expanded Redefined strategy and organizational structure Commitment to "Net Zero" Established Group Sustainability Office, **ESG ESG Advisory Board and Smart Integration** ESG funds: 30% of net flows

DIVIDEND<sup>1</sup>

Executive Board will propose a dividend of €1.81 per share

## AMBITIOUS IPO TARGETS ACHIEVED ONE YEAR EARLY



#### Successful execution of initiatives

#### **KEY ACHIEVEMENTS SINCE IPO**

- Adjusted cost income ratio improved from 72.3% in 2018 to 64.5% in FY 2020 and marks the achievement of our medium-term target of <65% adjusted CIR one year early
- Successful delivery of cost saving initiatives
- Strong net flows of €56bn in the last two years, in line with our net flow target of 3-5%
- Increasing absolute dividends distributed to our shareholders since IPO

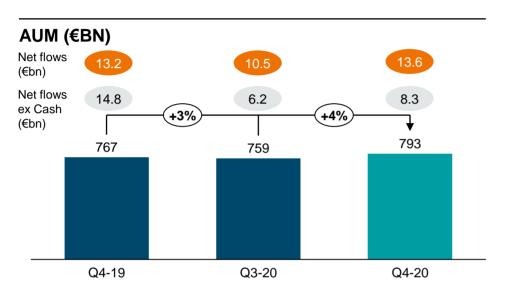
#### **MEDIUM-TERM TARGETS ACHIEVED**

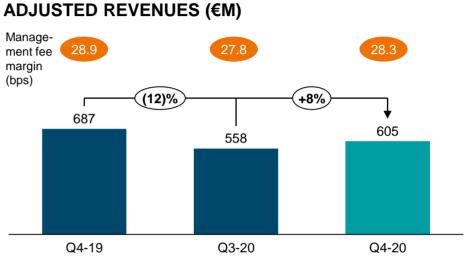
TARGETS	FY 2019	FY 2020	Target 2021
Adjusted CIR	67.6%	64.5% 🗸	<65%
Net flows	3.9%	4.0% <b>V</b>	3-5% <sup>1</sup>
Dividend pay-out ratio	65%	65% 🗸	∕ 65% to 75%

## FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE SNAPSHOT – Q4 2020

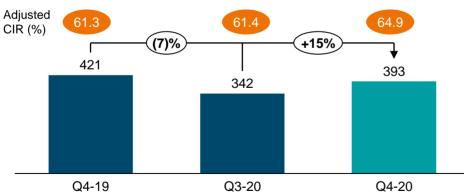


#### Higher quarterly revenues driven by record AuM

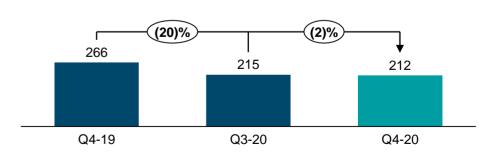




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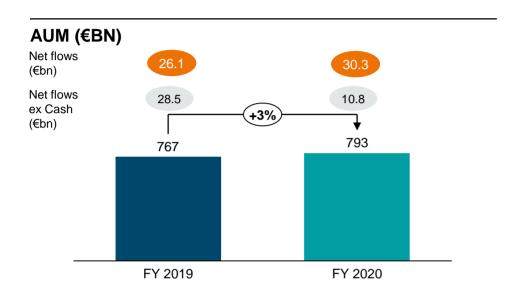
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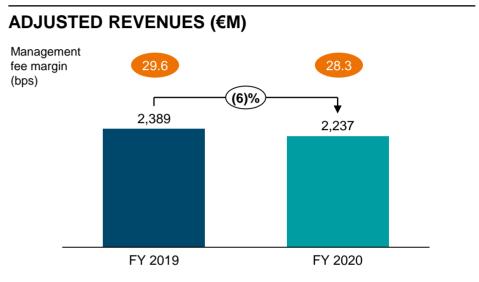


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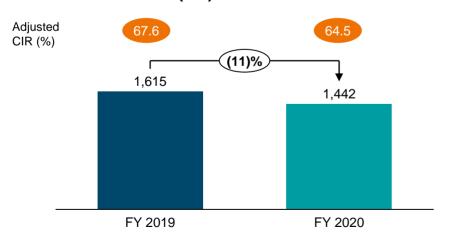


## **Net flows, AuM and PbT reached record highs**

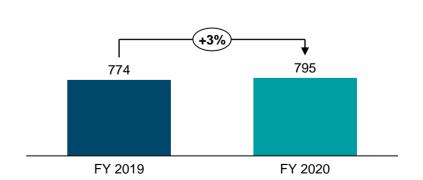




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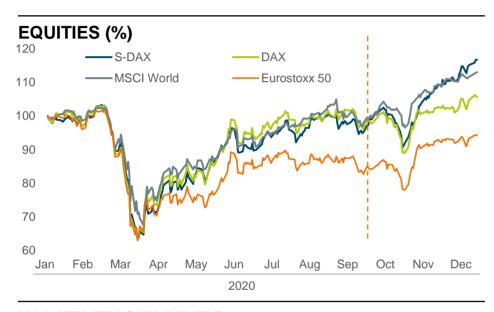
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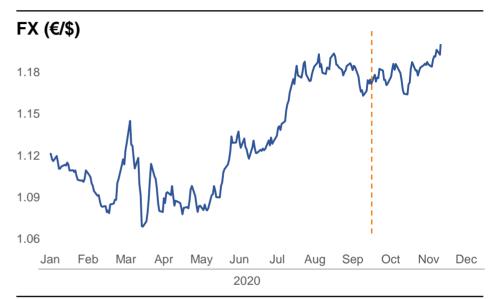


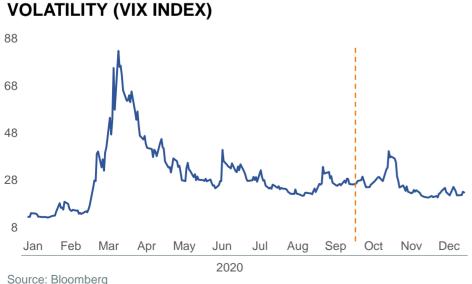
## MARKET ENVIRONMENT

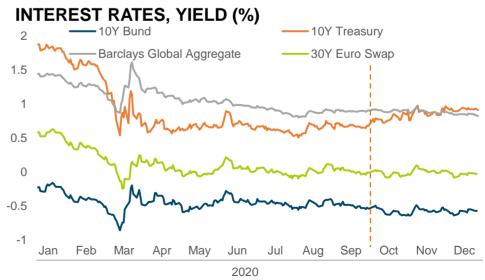


## Year-end rally in global equities supports revenues and AuM growth in Q4





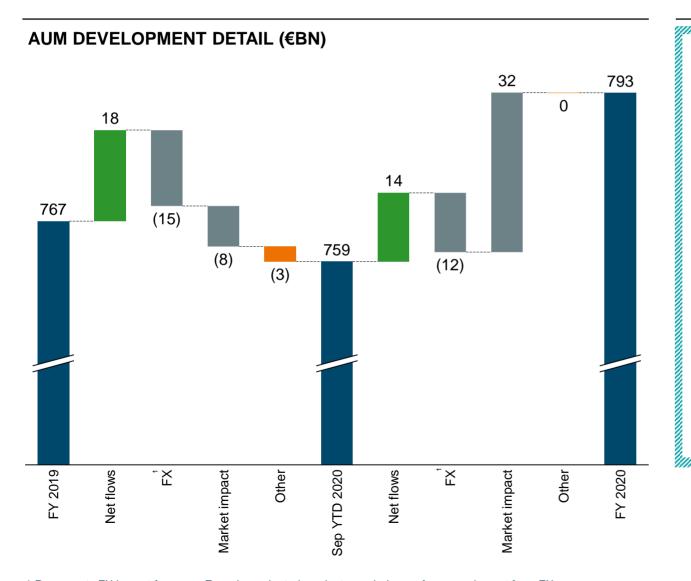




## **AUM DEVELOPMENT**



#### Record net flows and markets drive highest AuM level



#### **Q4 HIGHLIGHTS**

# AuM increased by €33bn to €793bn in Q4

- Main driver has been strong market performance as well as positive net flows of €14bn
- Unfavorable €/\$ exchange rate contributed negatively to the overall AuM increase

<sup>1</sup> Represents FX impact from non-Euro denominated products; excludes performance impact from FX

## NET FLOWS AND AUM BY ASSET CLASS & REGION

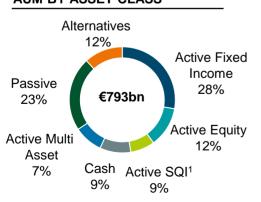


## ESG products account for 30% of total annual net flows

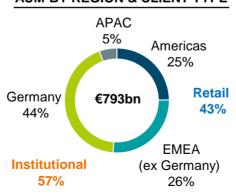
#### **NET FLOWS BREAKDOWN**

By asset class (€bn)	Q4-19	Q3-20	Q4-20	FY 2019	FY 2020
Active Equity	0.3	(1.1)	0.2	(1.6)	1.8
Active Multi Asset	3.3	(1.2)	8.0	7.2	(1.8)
Active SQI <sup>1</sup>	2.5	(1.0)	(0.4)	1.5	(3.1)
Active Fixed Income	(1.2)	2.5	0.1	(7.8)	(6.8)
Passive	6.2	6.3	5.9	19.1	16.6
Alternatives	3.7	0.8	1.7	10.2	4.0
Total ex Cash	14.8	6.2	8.3	28.5	10.8
Cash	(1.6)	4.3	5.3	(2.5)	19.5
Total	13.2	10.5	13.6	26.1	30.3

#### **AUM BY ASSET CLASS**



#### **AUM BY REGION & CLIENT TYPE**



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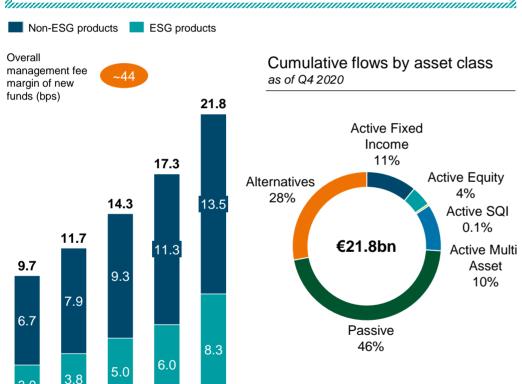
- Strong net flows of €13.6bn in Q4 with €3.3bn of net flows into ESG-dedicated funds
- Passive largely comprised EMEA and US ETP inflows, supporting our #2 ranking<sup>2</sup> in European ETPs with over 11% market share for FY 2020
- Active Cash products continued to attract significant level of interest in EMEA
- Alternatives flows were driven by Infrastructure, Liquid Real Assets and Real Estate
- Active Multi Asset was dominated by institutional mandate wins
- Active Fixed Income net flows were again positive as a result of solid institutional inflows
- Active Equity with good success in ESG Equity products

## POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION OF NEW FUND LAUNCHES



New funds attract strong net flows in Passive, Alternative & ESG products





#### Q1 2021 FUND LAUNCHES PIPELINE<sup>1</sup>

**EXAMPLES** 

- DWS Concept ESG Arabesque Al Global Equity
- DWS Concept ESG Blue Economy

Equity

- DWS Invest SDG European Equities
- Xtrackers MSCI USA Industrials UCITS ETF
- Xtrackers MSCI USA Communication Services UCITS ETF

**Passive** 

- Xtrackers Nasdaq 100 UCITS ETF
- Xtrackers MSCI EMU ESG UCITS ETF

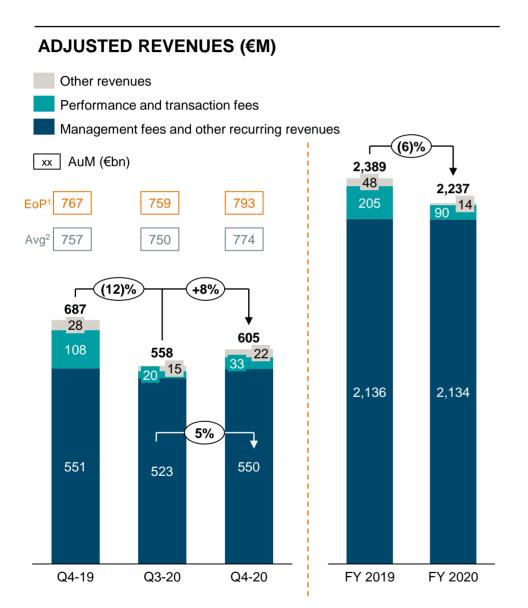
Note: Not all DWS products and services are offered in all jurisdictions and availability is subject to local regulatory restrictions and requirements 1 Subject to demand assessments, approvals and successful transaction execution 2 Excluded ESG converted funds

Q4-19 Q1-20 Q2-20 Q3-20 Q4-20

## REVENUE DEVELOPMENT



#### Higher management fees and average AuM support Q4 revenue growth



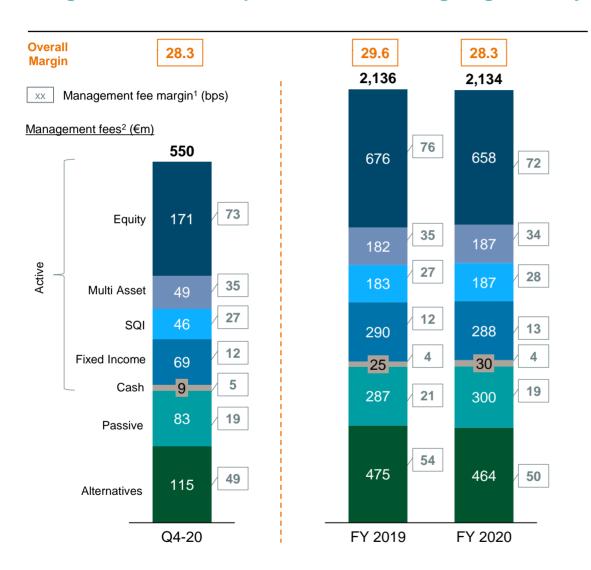
#### **Q4 HIGHLIGHTS**

- Total adjusted revenues increased 8% q-o-q to €605m
- Management fees and other recurring revenues increased 5% q-o-q as a result of higher average AuM during the quarter and an increase in the management fee margin
- Both Active and Alternatives performance fees led to an increase in performance and transaction fees q-o-q, in line with our 3-5% of adjusted revenue guidance
- Harvest contributed €17m in Q4 to Other revenues

## MANAGEMENT FEES AND MARGIN DEVELOPMENT



#### Margin in line with expectations amid ongoing industry pressure



#### ############ FY HIGHLIGHTS

Overall management fee margin declined to 28.3bps in 2020 driven by higher demand in lower margin products

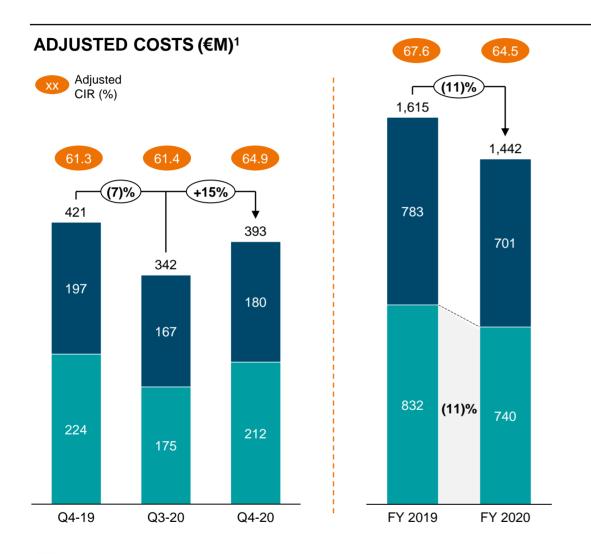
- Active Equity margin decline due to a large low margin mandate win in 2020
- Passive management fees grew 5% despite ongoing margin pressure and pricing
- Alternatives margin decline as a result of the hedge funds business carve out end of 2019 and a temporary fee suspension in a new infrastructure structure

<sup>1</sup> Calculated by dividing the annualized management fees (considering the number of days in a specific quarter) for a period by average AuM for the same period 2 Management fees and other recurring revenues, non-product related management fees of €7m in Q4-20, €17m in 2019 and €20m in 2020 excluded in asset class breakdown

## COST DEVELOPMENT



#### **Continued focus on efficiency**



- Total adjusted costs of €393m, up 15% q-o-q but significantly below 04-19
- Adjusted Compensation & Benefits were impacted by our positive share price development and corresponding increase in deferred compensation
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Adjusted General & Administrative Expenses

Adjusted Compensation & Benefits

<sup>1</sup> Non-interest expenses adjusted for severance payments, restructuring activities and litigation

## FINANCIAL CONCLUSION 2020 AND OUTLOOK 2021



## A new path forward

#### **FINANCIAL CONCLUSION 2020**

- Strong financial performance driven by successful execution of cost initiatives, COVID-19 related savings and strong net inflows
- Adjusted CIR below our medium-term target set at the IPO of <65%</li>
- Positive flow momentum continued in Q4 resulting in 4.0% net flow rate for FY 2020 in line with our target range of 3-5%
- Proposed dividend¹ of €1.81 within our target range of 65-75%

#### **OUTLOOK 2021**

- Revenues will benefit from higher market levels at the beginning of 2021
- Further benefits from cost saving initiatives expected
- Investments into growth and transformation<sup>2</sup>
- Maintain adjusted CIR at <65% level</li>

## OUR CORPORATE JOURNEY



#### Leverage the momentum by increasing our ambitions

## PHASE ONE - POST IPO PHASE TWO - 2021 AND BEYOND Invest into transformation for further efficiency and growth Turnaround in flows FY 2020 Focus on and invest into targeted Increased efficiency growth March 2018 Redefined strategy and **IPO** – Differentiated leadership: organizational structure ESG, Passive, high margin strategies ✓ IPO targets achieved one Take active role in M&A activities. year early

STABILIZE, TURNAROUND AND RESHAPE

TRANSFORM, GROW AND LEAD

## TRANSFORM – GROW – LEAD



## Actively shaping our future by being bold and decisive

	CORE PLATFORM	Invest into an asset management dedicated, standalone infrastructure platform
TRANSFORM	NEW TECHNOLOGY	Integrate automation and artificial intelligence into the way we operate, improving investment processes and client front-ends
	<b>&gt;</b> CULTURE	Establish a functional role framework to strengthen performance focus and inclusion
	> FOCUSED STRATEGIES	Targeted investments in high margin growth areas as well as scale in Passive
GROW	<b>)</b> ESG	Focus on fund launches, product innovations & investment process
	CLIENT EXPANSION	Leverage our existing partnerships, and capture growth opportunities in Asia, especially in China
	> SUSTAINABILITY	Apply "ESG first"-principles as fiduciary and corporate to become leading ESG Asset Manager and thought leader
LEAD	<b>&gt;</b> PASSIVE	Build on strong organic momentum to become leading European     ETF provider

Expand Alternatives, Thematic Equity and Multi Asset businesses

**HIGH MARGIN** 

## **NEW TARGETS AND ASPIRATION**

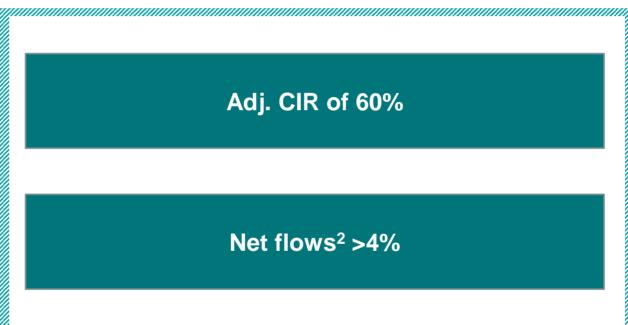


Reflecting our growth and profitability ambitions

#### **ASPIRATION**

LEADING EUROPEAN ASSET MANAGER WITH GLOBAL REACH

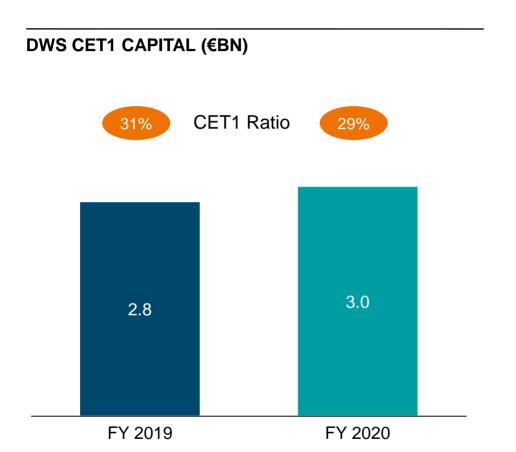
## MEDIUM-TERM TARGETS<sup>1</sup> TO 2024





## CAPITAL POSITION





#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- IFRS capital of €6.8bn less regulatory adjustments of €3.7bn, mainly goodwill and other intangible assets, resulted in CET1 capital of €3.0bn
- Year-on-year increase in CET1 capital mainly driven by recognized profits
- Based on €10.3bn RWA, the CET1 ratio stands at 29%, remaining comfortably above requirements

## DWS DETAILED FINANCIALS



#### PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT AND KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS (€M, UNLESS STATED OTHERWISE)

		Q4 2020	Q3 2020	Q4 2019	FY 2020	FY 2019	Q4 2020 vs Q3 2020	Q4 2020 vs Q4 2019	FY 2020 vs FY 2019
	Management fees and other recurring revenues	550	523	551	2,134	2,136	5%	(0)%	(0)%
	Performance and transaction fees	33	20	108	90	205	67%	(70)%	(56)%
	Other revenues	22	15	28	14	48	N/M	N/M	N/M
	Net revenues	605	558	687	2,237	2,389	8%	(12)%	(6)%
	Revenue adjustments								
	Adjusted revenues	605	558	687	2,237	2,389	8%	(12)%	(6)%
	Compensation & Benefits	(181)	(170)	(201)	(716)	(797)	6%	(10)%	(10)%
Profit & Loss	General & administrative expenses	(212)	(175)	(224)	(742)	(831)	21%	(5)%	(11)%
	Restructuring activities	(5)	0	2	(15)	(29)	N/M	(424)%	(47)%
	Total noninterest expenses	(398)	(345)	(424)	(1,474)	(1,657)	15%	(6)%	(11)%
	Cost adjustments	6	3	3	33	43			
	Adjusted cost base	(393)	(342)	(421)	(1,442)	(1,615)	15%	(7)%	(11)%
	Profit before tax	206	213	264	762	732	(3)%	(22)%	4%
	Adjusted profit before tax	212	215	266	795	774	(2)%	(20)%	3%
	Net income	164	151	182	558	512	8%	(10)%	9%
	Reported CIR	65.9%	61.9%	61.6%	65.9%	69.4%	4.0 ppt	4.3 ppt	(3.5)ppt
	Adjusted CIR	64.9%	61.4%	61.3%	64.5%	67.6%	3.5 ppt	3.7 ppt	(3.1)ppt
011 16	FTE (#)	3,321	3,290	3,361	3,321	3,361	1%	(1)%	(1)%
Other Key Performance	AuM (in €bn)	793	759	767	793	767	4%	3%	3%
Measures	Net flows (in €bn)	13.6	10.5	13.2	30.3	26.1			
ivicasures	Net flows ex Cash (in €bn)	8.3	6.2	14.8	10.8	28.5			
	Net flows (% of BoP AuM – annualized)	7.1%	5.6%	7.0%	4.0%	3.9%			
	Management fee margin (bps - annualized)	28.3	27.8	28.9	28.3	29.6			

## RECONCILIATION FROM IFRS TO ECONOMIC VIEW



#### BALANCE SHEET AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2020 (€M)

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	IFRS consolidated	Consolidated Funds	DB Vita and pending	Economic View
Cash and bank balances	2,189			2,189
Financial assets at FVPL	2,954	1,297	2 526	1,131
Financial assets at OCI	198			198
Other investments	304			304
Property and equipment	144			144
Tax assets	218			218
Intangible assets	3,550			3,550
Other assets	890		3 269	621
Total assets	10,448	1,297	795	8,355
Liabilities				
Other short-term borrowings	72			72
Tax liabilities	267			267
Financial liabilities at FVPL	702		2 526	176
Other liabilities	2,645	1,297	3 269	1,079
Total liabilities	3,685	1,297	795	1,593
Equity	6,762			6,762
Total liabilities and equities	10,448	1,297	795	8,355

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

#### €2.1bn adjustments comprise:

- 1 Consolidated Funds (€1.3bn)
  - DWS reports individual assets and liabilities of mainly guaranteed funds that it controls under IFRS
  - Fund assets and P&L still belong solely to the investors, not DWS
  - DWS does not consolidate where third party investors hold > 50% of units
- 2 DB Vita (€0.5bn)
  - Investment contract related financial assets held to back unit linked contracts offered by DB Vita S.A. (which is our specialist entity for unit-linked insurance products)
  - Offset with financial liabilities due to investors holding the unit linked insurance contracts
- 3 Pending Items (€0.3bn)
  - Settlement balances driven by investments for institutional clients in DWS Investment S.A.

## HISTORICAL NET FLOWS AND AUM DEVELOPMENT



#### IN €BN

Net flows by asset class	Q1 2019	Q2 2019	Q3 2019	Q4 2019	FY 2019	Q1 2020	Q2 2020	Q3 2020	Q4 2020	FY 2020	AuM by asset class	Q1 2019	Q2 2019	Q3 2019	Q4 2019	FY 2019	Q1 2020	Q2 2020	Q3 2020	Q4 2020	FY 2020
Active Equity	(0.2)	(0.7)	(1.1)	0.3	(1.6)	1.7	1.0	(1.1)	0.2	1.8	Active Equity	88	90	91	96	96	79	91	91	97	97
Active Multi Asset	0.5	0.0	3.4	3.3	7.2	(0.7)	(0.6)	(1.2)	0.8	(1.8)	Active Multi Asset	49	50	54	58	58	53	55	55	59	59
Active SQI <sup>1</sup>	(0.1)	(0.8)	(0.1)	2.5	1.5	(1.5)	(0.2)	(1.0)	(0.4)	(3.1)	Active SQI <sup>1</sup>	67	68	70	71	71	63	66	67	69	69
Active Fixed Income	(1.6)	(3.7)	(1.3)	(1.2)	(7.8)	(5.1)	(4.4)	2.5	0.1	(6.8)	Active Fixed Income	233	232	240	234	234	217	219	221	220	220
Active Cash	(4.9)	3.6	0.4	(1.6)	(2.5)	3.6	6.3	4.3	5.3	19.5	Active Cash	54	57	59	57	57	64	69	71	75	75
Passive	6.2	3.5	3.2	6.2	19.1	(2.0)	6.5	6.3	5.9	16.6	Passive	130	136	145	156	156	133	154	161	179	179
Alternatives	2.6	2.2	1.6	3.7	10.2	1.5	0.0	0.8	1.7	4.0	Alternatives	85	88	93	96	96	91	92	92	93	93
DWS Group	2.5	4.2	6.2	13.2	26.1	(2.5)	8.7	10.5	13.6	30.3	DWS Group	704	719	752	767	767	700	745	759	793	793
Net flows by region											AuM by region										
Americas	(0.1)	3.2	2.0	(1.6)	3.5	1.8	(2.5)	8.0	1.6	8.8	Americas	188	192	205	199	199	194	195	199	198	198
EMEA excl. GY	1.9	1.7	(0.7)	3.7	6.5	(2.0)	9.5	(2.1)	6.7	12.1	EMEA excl. GY	175	180	185	191	191	168	202	192	206	206
Germany (GY)	1.2	1.1	2.4	8.9	13.6	(0.9)	0.9	3.0	4.5	7.5	Germany (GY)	305	312	323	335	335	302	308	328	346	346
Asia Pacific	(0.4)	(1.9)	2.5	2.2	2.4	(1.2)	0.7	1.6	0.8	1.9	Asia Pacific	37	35	39	41	41	37	40	41	43	43
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Net flows by client channel											AuM by client channel										
Retail	(0.8)	0.9	0.4	4.6	5.1	(0.4)	5.0	2.1	4.7	11.4	Retail	311	317	328	335	335	292	319	325	343	343
Institutional	3.3	3.3	5.8	8.6	21.0	(2.1)	3.7	8.5	8.9	18.9	Institutional	394	402	424	433	433	408	426	434	449	449
DWS Group	2.5	4.2	6.2	13.2	26.1	(2.5)	8.7	10.5	13.6	30.3	DWS Group	704	719	752	767	767	700	745	759	793	793
Total net flows	2.5	4.2	6.2	13.2	26.1	(2.5)	8.7	10.5	13.6	30.3											
FX impact	6.1	(4.6)	13.2	(7.9)	6.9	5.2	(6.9)	(12.6)	(11.7)	(26.1)											

23.7

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Performance

Total change in AuM

Other

12.2

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## Q4 2020 DETAILED INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE



igures in %1		1Y	3Y	5Y
Active Retail	Equity	81%	71%	79%
	Multi Asset <sup>2</sup>	18%	18%	18%
	SQI <sup>2</sup>	53%	42%	73%
	Fixed Income	73%	78%	99%
	Cash <sup>2</sup>	100%	100%	100%
	Total	77%	73%	84%
	Equity <sup>2</sup>	77%	69%	68%
	Multi Asset	64%	47%	60%
Active Institutional	SQI	71%	75%	82%
	Fixed Income	73%	77%	77%
	Cash <sup>2</sup>	44%	98%	100%
	Total	71%	75%	76%
	Equity	80%	71%	77%
	Multi Asset	61%	45%	56%
Active Total	SQI	67%	70%	80%
Active Total	Fixed Income	73%	77%	80%
	Cash	68%	99%	100%
	Total	73%	75%	79%
	Direct Real Estate	83%	85%	85%
Alternatives	Liquid Real Assets	82%	86%	86%
Alternatives	Other Alternatives <sup>2</sup>	0%	47%	0%
	Total	66%	77%	73%

<sup>1</sup> Aggregate asset-weighted gross outperformance of Active and Alternatives products that have benchmark spreads (gross and net) available over respective periods (Active and Liquid Real Assets as of Dez 31, 2020 and Direct Real Estate and Other Alternatives as of Sep 30, 2020) 2 <10bn AuM with BM and hence ratios not representative

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