

# Q2



## Interim Report Q2 2026

April–June



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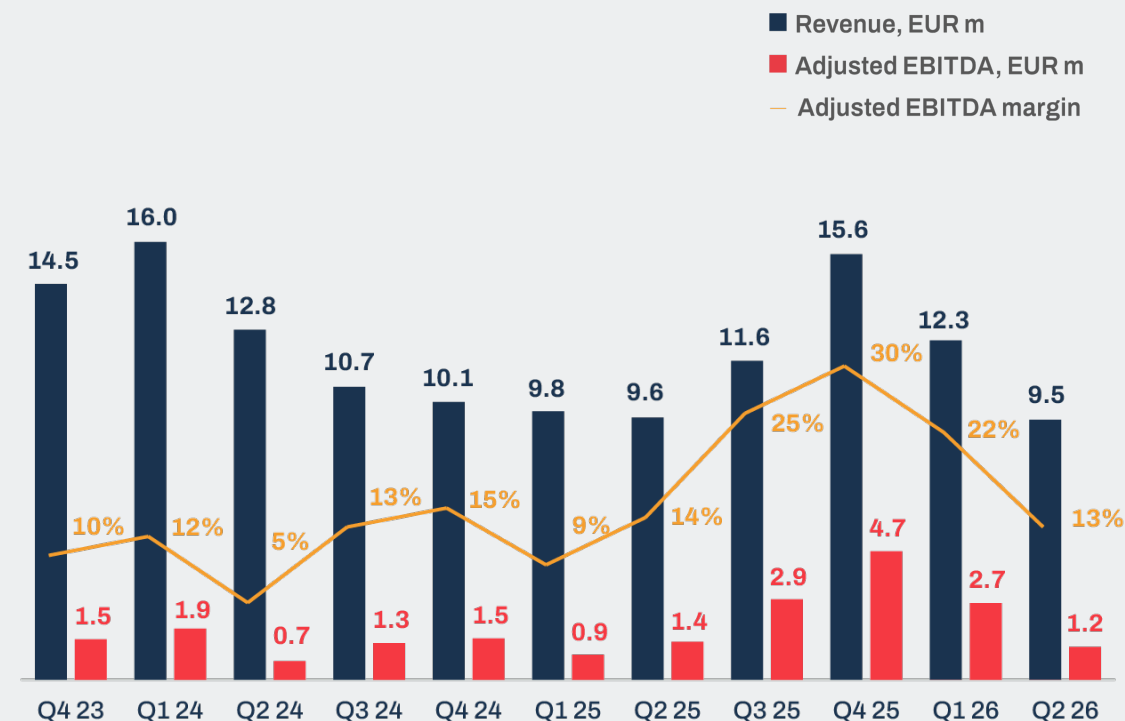


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## Quarterly overview

- Pause from recent quarters of solid growth – reflected structural changes in organic search that are impacting traditional affiliation
- Q2 revenue broadly in line with same quarter last year, down 1% at EUR 9.5m (EUR 9.6m). 4% increase when adjusted for currency rate changes
- Adjusted EBITDA down 11% at EUR 1.2m (EUR 1.4m), equal to adj. EBITDA margin of 13% (14)
- Continued disciplined cost management, with total costs flat at EUR 8.2m and 15% lower than Q1 2026
- New depositing customers (NDCs) totalled 24,781 (20,229), up 23%
- North America contributed 97% (90%) of group revenue from continuing operations
- Accelerate the drive to reshape Catena Media's business model to reduce dependence on traditional SEO affiliation

## Revenue and adjusted EBITDA



## Operational developments

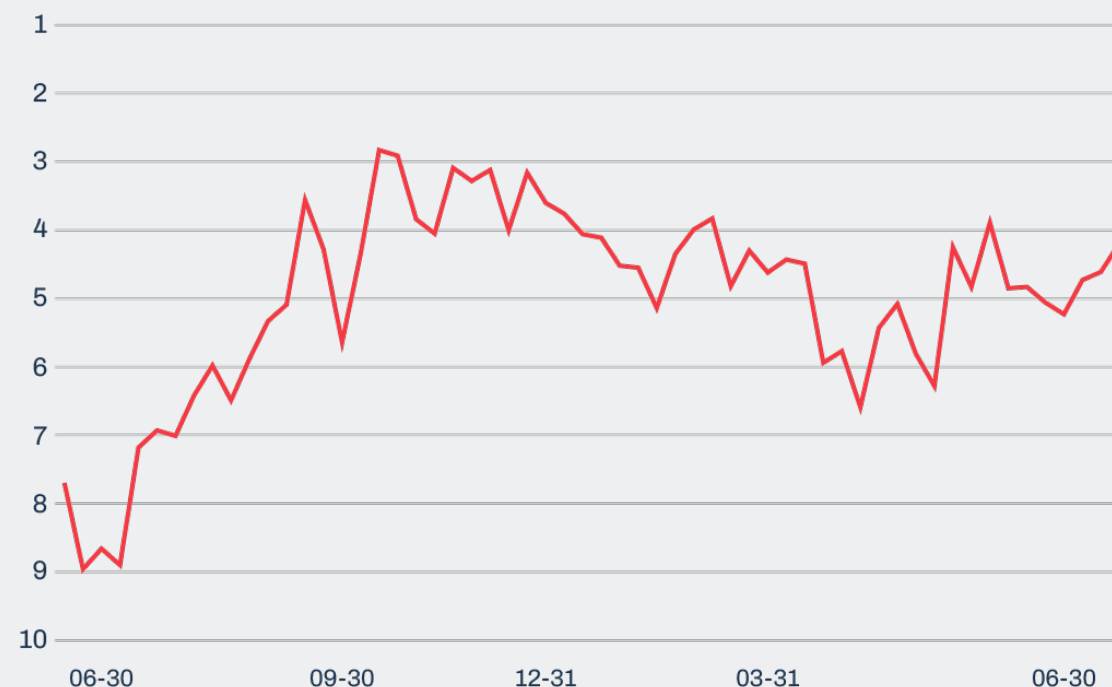
- Q2 figures reflect the structural challenges that traditional affiliates face in relation to shifting dynamics in organic search
- This impact extends beyond Catena Media and gaming affiliation to every industry reliant on organic search
- To reduce SEO reliance, Catena Media will evolve beyond traditional SEO affiliation into a technical infrastructure platform provider
- Started building a next-generation, fully automated marketplace that connects advertisers and publishers across a wider set of verticals, powered by deep analytics and intelligence
- Q2 saw investment start and team reorganisation to support this shift
- This builds on the proven success of our MRKTPLAYS programme, which now contributes more than a third of group revenue



## Organic search performance

- In Q2, organic search performance showed high volatility but was relatively flat year on year as our teams worked diligently to optimise rankings
- Shifting user behaviour means the same rankings now convert into fewer clicks and less traffic than before
- SEO remains a core part of the business and we will continue to invest in and develop our core organic brands
- Focus on brand loyalty and returning users, building traffic that is less exposed to search volatility

**Total average score**



The graph and scores on the left reflect the top 100 updated keywords set to provide a better comparison over time. Actual keywords not disclosed for competitive reasons and will vary over time depending on strategy.



# Financials

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## Financial summary

- Revenue from continuing operations of EUR 9.5m (9.6), down 1% YoY and down 23% QoQ
- Adjusted for currency rate changes, revenue increased 4% YoY
- North America contributed 97% (90) of group revenue from continuing operations
- Adjusted EBITDA decreased to EUR 1.2m (1.4), equal to a margin of 13% (14)
- Operating cash flow from continuing operations of EUR 0.03m (1.0)
- NDCs increased 23% to 24,781 (20,229)

### Revenue (EUR m)

**9.5**

Apr-Jun 2026

**9.6**

Apr-Jun 2025

**-1%**

### NDCs (‘000s)

**24.8**

Apr-Jun 2026

**20.2**

Apr-Jun 2025

**+23%**

### Adjusted EBITDA (EUR m)

**1.2**

Apr-Jun 2026

**1.4**

Apr-Jun 2025

**-11%**

### Adjusted EBITDA margin

**13%**

Apr-Jun 2026

**14%**

Apr-Jun 2025

**-1pp**



## Segment performance

- Q2 revenue 90% casino, 10% sports
- Casino revenue up 8% YoY to EUR 8.5m, down 22% QoQ
- Regulated casino and social sweepstakes casino both grew – the latter in spite of the California ban
- Casino adjusted EBITDA of EUR 1.1m (1.4), equal to a margin of 13% (17)
- Margin compression reflects higher direct costs from MRKTPLAYS
- Sports revenue down 43% YoY to EUR 1.0m, reflecting continued underperformance and divestment of the esports business
- Sports revenue down 32% QoQ
- Sports adjusted EBITDA of EUR 0.1m (0.02)

### Segments

Continuing operations

#### Sports revenue (EUR m)

**1.0**

Apr-Jun 2026

**1.7**

Apr-Jun 2025

**-43%**

#### Casino revenue (EUR m)

**8.5**

Apr-Jun 2026

**7.8**

Apr-Jun 2025

**+8%**

#### Sports NDCs ('000s)

**4.4**

Apr-Jun 2026

**5.1**

Apr-Jun 2025

**-13%**

#### Casino NDCs ('000s)

**20.3**

Apr-Jun 2026

**15.1**

Apr-Jun 2025

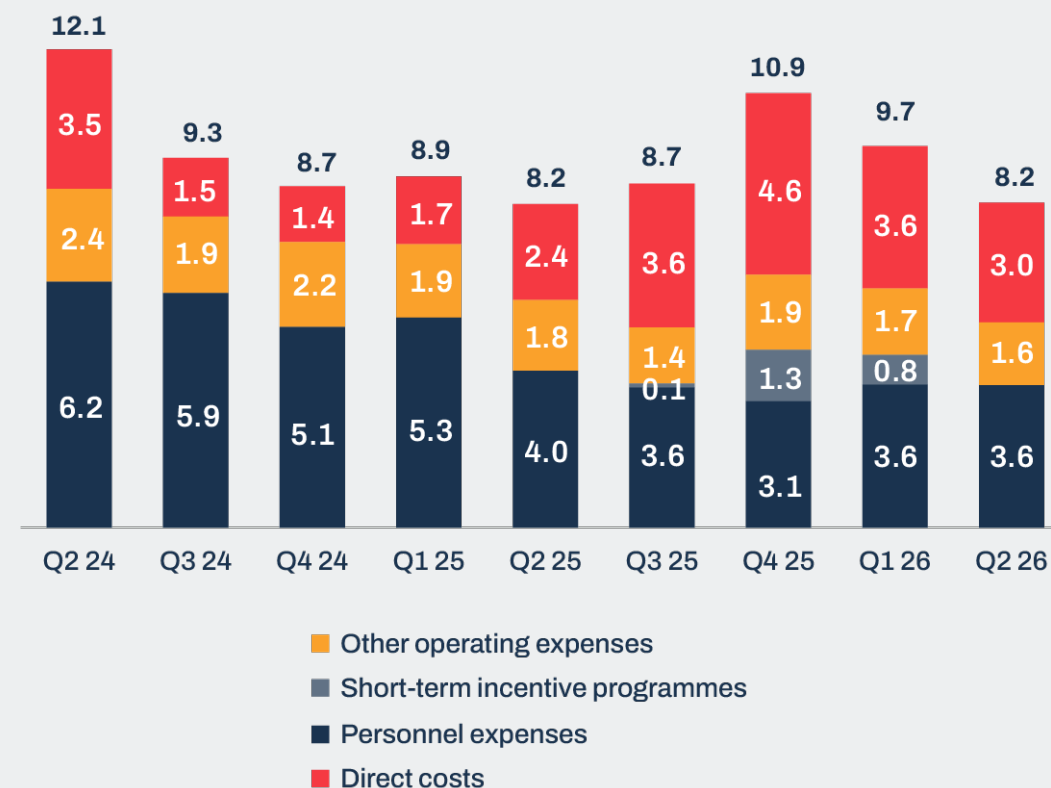
**+35%**



# Cost development

- Total cost base of EUR 8.2m (8.2), down from EUR 9.7m in Q1 2026
- Direct costs increased to EUR 3.0m (2.4), driven by continued growth in MRKTPLAYS and performance marketing channels
  - Cost base decreased by 11% excluding revenue-driving direct costs
- Personnel expenses decreased 9% YoY to EUR 3.6m (4.0)
- Other operating expenses fell 14% YoY to EUR 1.6m (1.8)
- Streamlining of legal entity structure under way
- Items affecting comparability totalled EUR 0.05m (-0.8)

## Cost development<sup>1</sup> Continuing operations



<sup>1</sup> Cost excluding items affecting comparability (IACs)

# Financial position

- Operating cash flow from continuing operations of EUR 0.03m (1.0)
- First-half operating cash flow of EUR 4.4m (4.2m)
- Capital expenditure more than doubled as capital is deployed into growth areas
- Cash and cash equivalents of EUR 13.0m (6.6) on 30 June 2026
- No debt instruments remaining following senior bond repayment in Q2 2025
- Equity of EUR 116.1m (122.0), or EUR 75.5m (86.8) excluding hybrid capital securities



# Hybrid capital securities and tender offer

## → Hybrid capital securities (CATME H01):

- EUR 43.7m nominal; perpetual, equity under IFRS
- Interest STIBOR plus 11%; plus 12% from 10 July 2026
- Interest deferred; EUR 7.0m accumulated on 10 July 2026
- Deferred interest ranks ahead of shareholders and is settled before any dividend
- Resumption is solely at company's discretion. Company does not intend to initiate interest payments for foreseeable future

## → Intention to launch a voluntary tender offer:

- 20.00% of nominal amount, or SEK 20 for every SEK 100
- No capitalised or accrued interest paid
- Provides a route to realise cash where liquidity is limited
- For more information see the investor relations web pages





# Strategy and outlook

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# Addition of fourth strategic pillar – Performance

## People

- + Employee-net-promoter score remained strong in Q2, with 50-point year-on-year net increase
- + Post-quarter consolidation of squads to sharpen core product focus and improve cross-functional alignment
- + Goal: enable faster decision-making and clearer ownership

## Product

- + Continued improvements to PlayPerks loyalty programme – with imminent rollout to other brands
- + Launched PlayPicks prediction markets product in beta mode, fully agentic build
- + Continued building MRKTPLAYS+ pipeline
- + PlayCanada.com sold to strategic partner to maximise value in Canadian market

## Profit

- + Adjusted EBITDA dipped to lowest level since Q1 2025, highlighting challenges of SEO-focused affiliation model
- + Disciplined cost management continued, with total costs flat at EUR 8.2m
- + Direct costs QoQ decreased as indirect impact of organic search (new traffic) also affected other performance marketing verticals
- + Capital expenditure increased as we scaled investment in new technical infrastructure platform

## Performance

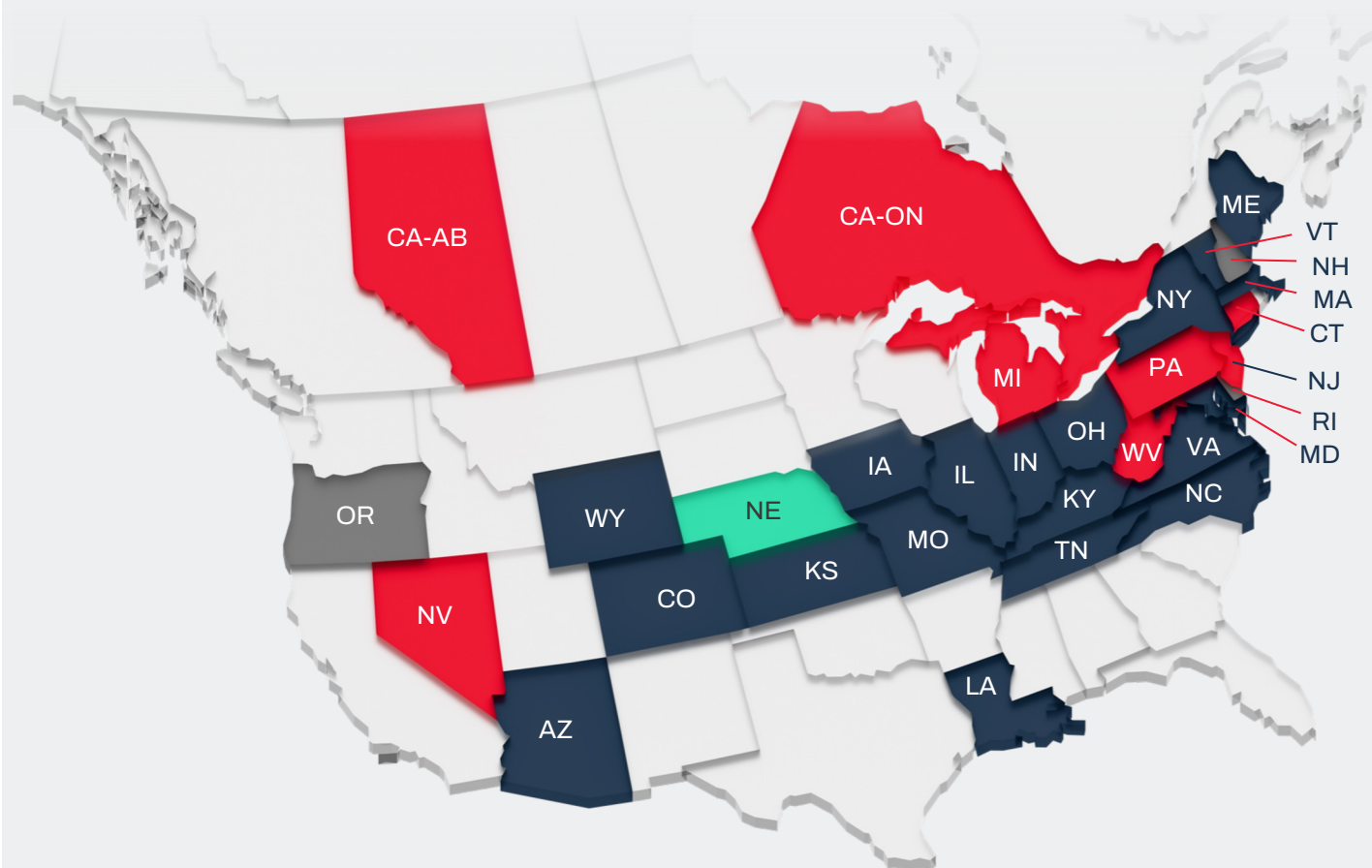
- + Addition of new strategic pillar focused on automation
- + Agentic development initiatives continued in Q2, with promising results
- + Content and SEO automation workflows delivered in Q2
- + Automation initiatives under way across all areas of the business



# North America market status

- Post-quarter, Alberta launched online casino and sports betting on 13 July
- First sports-and-casino launch since Ontario in 2022 – an attractive opportunity
- Satisfactory initial results seen in first month since launch
- Prediction markets, accessible across the region, present a high-potential market opportunity
- We have launched PlayPicks, our first dedicated initiative in this space

## Our North American footprint



- Online sports betting
- Online casino and sports betting
- Regulating, not yet operational
- Regulated, single provider monopoly, no affiliation

| NJ         |        | PA           |      | MI       | CA-ON   | CA-AB   |
|------------|--------|--------------|------|----------|---------|---------|
| New Jersey |        | Pennsylvania |      | Michigan | Ontario | Alberta |
| 2013       | 2018   | 2017         | 2021 | 2022     | 2026    |         |
| Casino     | Sports |              |      |          |         |         |

## Key takeaways

- Q2 revenue broadly in line with same quarter last year, decreasing 1% to EUR 9.5m (EUR 9.6m). 4% increase when adjusted for currency rate changes
- Adjusted EBITDA down 11% at EUR 1.2m (EUR 1.4m), equal to an adjusted EBITDA margin of 13% (14)
- Results reflect structural challenges in traditional affiliation relating to changing dynamics in organic search
- Shifting our business model to reduce dependence on traditional SEO affiliation – evolving beyond affiliation and lead generation into a technical infrastructure platform
- We will share more details about this area in the following quarters as we approach a full commercial launch in H1 2027
- We expect to continue deferring interest payments on the hybrid capital securities to maximise flexibility for effective capital allocation. We intend to launch a voluntary tender offer as detailed earlier.
- Share buyback programme of up to 5.98% approved to meet company's commitments to its employee long-term incentive plan



## Financial targets

1. Double-digit organic growth in group revenue and adjusted EBITDA in 2026
2. Net interest-bearing debt to adjusted EBITDA ratio of 0-1.75





# Q & A

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## Upcoming events

**Interim Report Q3 2026**  
10 November 2026