### Creating Value in Africa & Asia

#### **Ahmed Abou Doma**

bile

Group Executive Vice President and Head of Africa & Asia

London, January 28-29, 2014





#### **Leading market positions in A&A**

- Growth potential throughout Africa & Asia due to relatively low penetration rates
- Maintained leading market positions in main markets
- Expanding mobile data and VAS revenues
- Network CAPEX and OPEX efficiency by modernizing networks
- Cost optimization





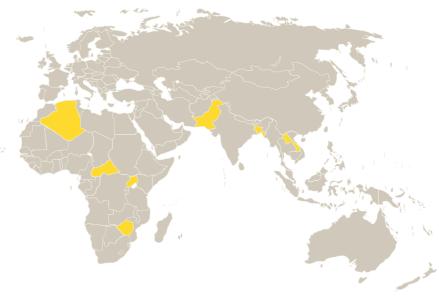
#### Market leadership in large underpenetrated markets

#### **Geographic footprint<sup>1</sup>**

Total population: **430 million** 

Average penetration: **60%** 

Average GDP/capita: **USD 2,900** 



#### **Competitive landscape and market trends**

- VimpelCom operates in 7 countries with low levels of mobile penetration and high potential for mobile data services
- Algeria: Despite limitations, Djezzy remains a profitable market leader with significant mobile data potential
- Pakistan: Mobilink leads the market, and has great potential for revenue growth through mobile data, MFS and VAS
- **Bangladesh:** In a large market with low penetration levels, **banglalink** is a leading operator with strong focus on increasing value share in a rapidly growing market



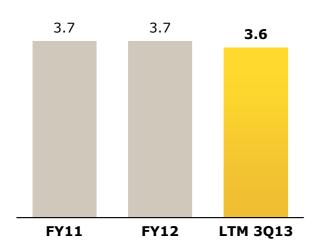
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Source: CIA Factbook. Mobile penetration is based on subscriber figures and market share as at September 30, 2013 Geographic footprint: Algeria, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Central African Republic, Burundi, Laos and Zimbabwe (not consolidated)

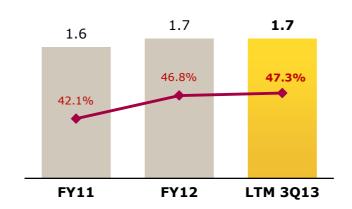
#### Delivering profitable growth in BU Africa & Asia

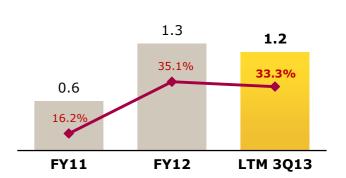
Revenues (USD billion)

**EBITDA and EBITDA margin** (USD billion)

Cash flow, cash flow margin<sup>1</sup> (USD billion)









<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cash flow is EBITDA less CAPEX

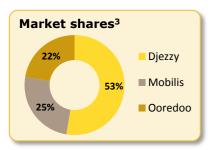
#### **Djezzy - Overview**



Market size<sup>2</sup>: 32.4 million Penetration<sup>2</sup>: 85%

#### Market players (subs):

- Djezzy (17.0 million)
- Mobilis (8.1 million)
- Ooredoo (7.3 million)



#### **Macro environment**

- GDP growth for FY 2012/2013 of ~2.5%
- Government, trade and agricultural sectors account for over 60% of GDP
- 28% of the population is under 15 years old
- Presidential elections expected to commence in April 2014

#### **Competitive landscape**

- Djezzy: high brand perception with solid market leadership with high control over distribution
- Mobilis: incumbent operator maintained by the government, has a strong relationship with the regulator and has been very active on the commercial front lately
- Ooredoo: seen as a multimedia operator that offers lower prices, more promotions, subsidies and higher incentives to the retail channel

#### **Regulatory environment**

- Djezzy continues to face stringent conditions from regulator regarding promotions and products
- Djezzy awarded a 3G license in December 2013 and received an exceptional approval from the Bank of Algeria for foreign paymentsfor 3G equipment
- Government plans to list 10 public companies on ASE, including Mobilis

#### **Strategic direction**

- Launch 3G services targeting high value data users
- Maintain leadership in customer experience and NPS
- Emphasize Djezzy as the preferred Algerian mobile brand while launching 3G
- Maintain a solid network performance from 3G roll out and 2G network modernization and expansion



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CIA Factbook

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Penetration figures are provided based on OTA closing base and our data warehouse (DWH) figures for competition

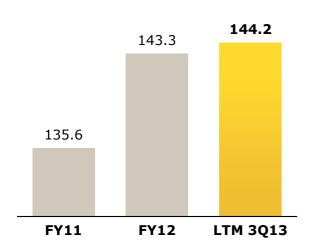
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> DWH market share

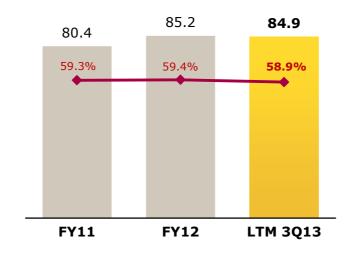
#### **Djezzy - Resilient market leadership despite limitations**

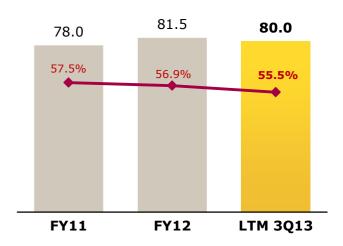
Revenues (DZD billion)

**EBITDA and EBITDA margin** (DZD billion)

Cash flow, cash flow margin<sup>1</sup> (DZD billion)









<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cash flow is EBITDA less CAPEX

#### **Mobilink - Overview**

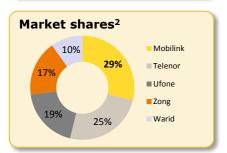


Population<sup>1</sup>: 193 million GDP/capita<sup>1</sup>: USD 2,900

Market size<sup>2</sup>: 129.6 million Penetration: 53%

#### Market players (subs):

- Mobilink (37.4 million)
- Telenor (32.3 million)
- Ufone (24.8 million)
- Zong (22.3 million)
- Warid (12.8 million)



#### **Macro environment**

- GDP growth for FY 2012/2013 of ~3.7%
- Continued devaluation of the Rupee against the USD
- Power shortfalls persist
- 34% of the population under 15 years old
- New government elected and in place since May 2013, working on achieving political stability and economic reform

#### **Competitive landscape**

- Mobilink: market leader in a five player market
- Telenor: value-driven operator with strong market position via youth, mobile data offers and MFS
- Ufone: positive mass market perception and aggressive pricing strategy
- **Zong:** aggressive on pricing and market share gain
- Warid: conducting due diligence to exit the market

#### **Regulatory environment**

- New PTA chairman appointed in 4Q13
- 3G auction process reinitiated by the government
- Government increased withholding tax on recharge to 15% and also increased commercial electricity tariffs by 30% effective October 1, 2013
- Trends of fewer forced network shutdowns

#### **Strategic direction**

- Continued focus on network modernization to achieve 3G readiness
- Further enhance operational excellence initiatives
- Retain leadership in mobile data
- Capture market opportunity in MFS
- Enhance customer experience through better quality of service



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CIA Factbook

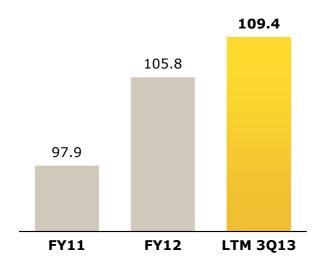
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Market share as provided by the regulator as of September 30, 2013

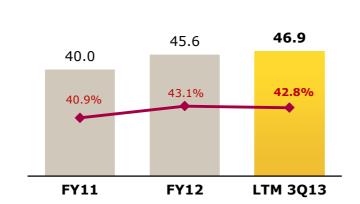
#### Mobilink - Steady growth and successful cost savings initiatives

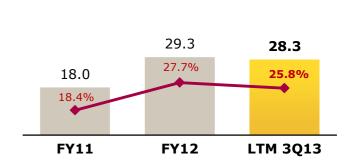
Revenues (PKR billion)

**EBITDA and EBITDA margin** (PKR billion)

Cash flow, cash flow margin<sup>1</sup> (PKR billion)









<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cash flow is EBITDA less CAPEX

#### banglalink - Overview

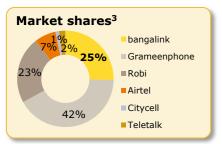


Population<sup>1:</sup> 164 million GDP/capita<sup>1</sup>: USD 2,100

Market size<sup>3</sup>: 110.7 million Penetration<sup>2</sup>: 68%

#### Market players (subs):

- GP (46.0 million)
- Banglalink (28.1 million)
- Robi (24.8 million)
- Airtel (8.0 million)
- CityCell (1.3 million)
- TeleTalk (2.3 million)



#### **Macro environment**

- GDP growth for FY 2012/2013 of ~6%
- The world's highest population density
- 33% of the population under 15 years old
- BDT continued to appreciate against the USD
- Elections and political instability

#### **Competitive landscape**

- **banglalink:** 2<sup>nd</sup> in a six player market with an innovative brand positioning among youth segment
- **Grameenphone:** largest network, perceived as best in quality and coverage
- Robi: aggressive on prices and communication
- · Airtel: mainly focused on youth
- CityCell: CDMA operator
- **TeleTalk:** Run by national fixed incumbent BTCL

#### **Regulatory environment**

- Four 3G licenses were awarded in September 2013 during an auction for 8 blocks of spectrum, each consisting of 5 MHz (uplink and downlink). 5 of the 8 blocks were awarded
- banglalink launched 3G services in October 2013
- The government reduced SIM tax to BDT 300 from BDT 606 during 2Q13

#### **Strategic direction**

- Capitalize on introduction of 3G and maximize revenue from mobile data segment
- Improve Revenue Market Share
- Grow beyond the core and expand on MFS and VAS fronts
- Maintain price leadership strategy
- Focus on spectrum optimization, network sharing and modernization



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CIA Factbook

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Penetration figures are provided based on BTRC published figures

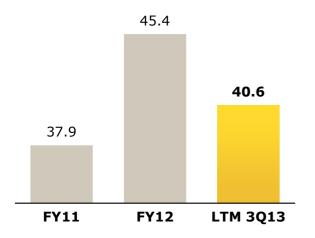
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> BTRC market share

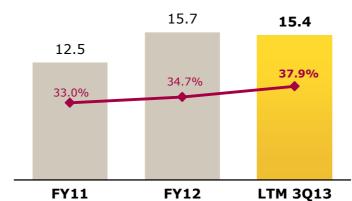
## banglalink - Negatively impacted by regulatory and governmental actions

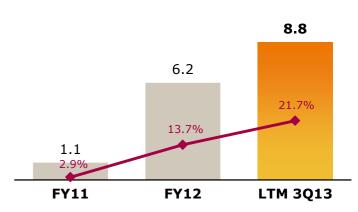
Revenues (BDT billion)

**EBITDA and EBITDA margin** (BDT billion)

Cash flow, cash flow margin<sup>1</sup> (BDT billion)





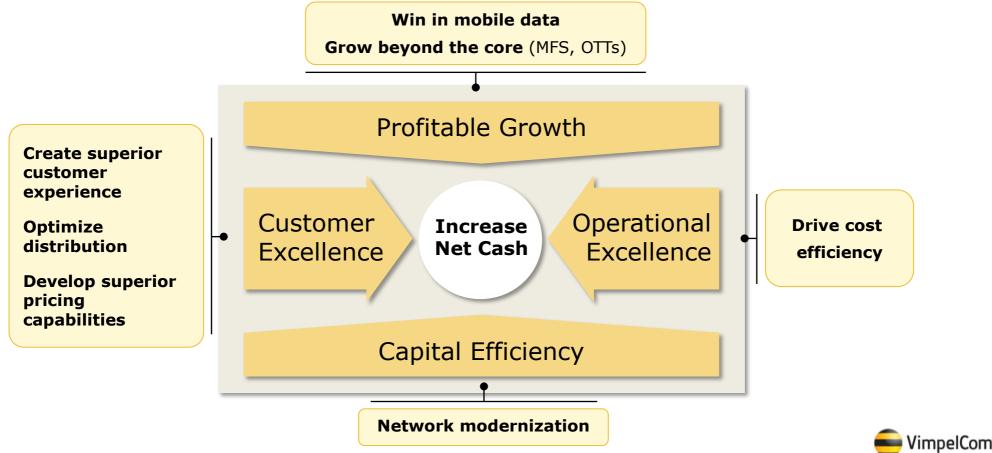


Excluding 3G license fees



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cash flow is EBITDA less CAPEX

## Strategic initiatives pursued to achieve group objectives: what did A&A deliver since last A&I Conference?



<11>

## **Customer Excellence: enhanced leadership positions and created superior customer experience**



#### **Strategic initiative**

Create superior customer experience



#### Optimize distribution



- Created customer experience function directly reporting to OpCo CEOs
- Top-down NPS in place in Algeria, Pakistan and Bangladesh alongside bottom-up NPS in the Customer Care Touch Points in Bangladesh and Pakistan
- In Bangladesh, increased Below The Line ("BTL") activities for better customer engagement and launch of segment based, customized offers
- In Algeria, continued to increase number of partners enrolled in our loyalty program
- In Bangladesh, launched integrated channel campaign including a restructured ARPU linked, distribution incentive scheme and attractive trade promotions
- In Pakistan, increased the number of contracted retailers to exceed 50k
- In Algeria, initiated cost-free channel incentives using special numbers



## **Customer Excellence: enhanced leadership positions and created superior customer experience**



#### **Strategic initiative**

Develop superior pricing capabilities



- In Bangladesh, pursed attractive tariff moves Above The Line ("ATL"), to maintain price leadership and perception. Concluded Intelligent Network swap with new pricing features, launch of segmented tariffs, new bundles portfolio and compelling BTL activities
- In Algeria, launched revamped corporate offers to serve the value based pricing initiative
- In Pakistan, increased effective tariffs as part of our smart pricing strategy



## Profitable Growth: started to realize data potential and grow beyond the core



#### **Strategic initiative**

Win in mobile data



- In Algeria, Pakistan and Bangladesh, mobile data revenue<sup>1</sup> showed high double digit growth rates
- In Algeria, the number of data subscribers¹ showed triple digit growth YoY, while achieving a double digit growth in Pakistan and Bangladesh
- In Bangladesh, launched Facebook zero and Wikipedia zero to drive growth of mobile data customers
- In Bangladesh, secured 3G license in September 2013, and officially launched 3G services in October 2013. Now services are available in some regions of Dhaka, Chittagong, Khulna and Sylhet
- In Algeria, received the final 3G license in December 2013 and expect to launch in 1H14



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Mobile data revenues and number of data subscribers as of end of September 2013

## Profitable Growth: started to realize data potential and grow beyond the core



#### **Strategic initiative**

Grow beyond the core (MFS, OTTs)



- In Pakistan, expanded MFS through more than 23,000 POS with active promotional campaigns
- banglalink achieved double digit growth of MFS revenues by cooperating with several local banks and expanding the scope of its operations with Bangladesh Post Office in December 2013
- Partnership with OTTs (WhatsApp, Facebook zero, Wikipedia zero)









## Operational Excellence: continued focus on structural costs improvements



#### **Strategic initiative**

**Drive cost efficiency** 



- In Bangladesh, achieved 41% site sharing, outsourced 31% first line maintenance, 53% new sites installed, free cooling units installed on 69% of macro sites
- In Pakistan, marketing expenses decreased to 2.5% of revenue in 2013 compared to 3% of revenue in the previous years, despite one time activity of brand unification and rebranding. On the technical front, we are starting to realize benefits of network swap and modernization project
- In Algeria, initiated a local spare parts repair center and reusage/recharge of site batteries, resulting in CAPEX and OPEX savings



## Capital Efficiency: leveraged group size to achieve capex efficiencies



# Network modernization 3G

- In Algeria, maintained network quality leadership despite regulatory restrictions
- Following receipt of necessary approvals from the Algerian authorities in 4Q13, Djezzy partnered with leading international vendors to develop the 3G network
- banglalink's network modernization program was awarded to leading international vendors and is progressing on track
- In Pakistan, a full network modernization and swap program is on track



## Focus in 2014: Customer Excellence

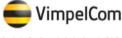
# Customer Increase Excellence Capital Efficiency

#### **Develop superior pricing capabilities**

- Drive adoption of commitment based/bundle packages
- Target high value and youth segments with segmented offers. Revamp corporate and SME tariffs
- Increase value gain by exploring price increase options while optimizing network loads
- Implement periodic acquisition offers to support gross additions
- Leverage Intelligent Network features and capabilities
- Increase network utilization in low utilization areas and time windows by location and traffic-based pricing

#### **Improve customer experience**

- Build customer experience toolkits for own shops, Call Centers / Customer Based Management
- Implement digital media communication strategy and link social media interaction with customer care
- Develop in-depth customer profiles using state-ofthe-art analytics
- Focus on customer experience by creating a customer experience management department
- Development of new distribution channels
- Enhance tools for monitoring customer network quality experience
- Bottom-up NPS and improve customer experience team



## Focus in 2014: Customer Excellence

#### **Optimize distribution network**

- Develop sales structure to better align segment needs, launch a commission scheme for 3G
- Develop new regional warehouses to improve distribution
- Restructure indirect sales team and their incentive system to improve performance
- Ensure higher sales from retail channels by footprint expansion and introduction of retail loyalty programs to support sales
- Increase reach through more effective channel management
- Avoid commission arbitrage







## Focus in 2014: Profitable Growth

## Customer Excellence Text Service Servi

#### Win in mobile data

- In Algeria, launch 3G services in 14 Wilayas (provinces) and offer attractive mobile data promotions starting from 1H14
- Djezzy as application start-ups incubator, to create a mobile data ecosystem
- Leverage OTT and other partnership deals and focus on popular/regional content and mobile applications. Develop specific pricing structure for 2G and 3G
- Introduce 3G services and bundle offers

#### **Growth beyond the core** (MFS, OTTs)

- New revenue growth levers: MFS and ICT
- Drive VAS penetration by introducing campaign management solution for upselling
- Pursue MFS through completion of product portfolio
- Ensure the activity of agents by managing liquidity in the market
- Development of pricing structure and retail distribution
- Expand partnerships with banks and utility companies and launch banglalink's MFS portal





## Focus in 2014: Operational Excellence

#### **Drive operational excellence**

- Drive Network and IT efficiency through free cooling and power saving, data center consolidation
- Increase outsourcing efficiency
- Focus on network modernization and IT excellence
- Technical warehouse optimization
- Commission structure optimization and renegotiation of IT contracts







## Focus in 2014: Capital Efficiency

#### **Increase network sharing**

- In Pakistan and Bangladesh, enhance infrastructure sharing and outsourcing to improve CAPEX/OPEX
- Set targets for local technical teams for site sharing percentages on the new rollout sites
- Rollout of 3G sites in Algeria, Pakistan and Bangladesh
- Leverage group size in procurement





#### **Conclusion**

- Significant mobile data opportunities through the deployment of 3G services
- Growth potential due to relatively low penetration rates
- Defend market leadership in Algeria and Pakistan
- Continued focus on profitable growth and cost saving initiatives
- Network modernization continues to be one of the main pillars
- Growth beyond the core (especially MFS in Pakistan and Bangladesh)

#### **Creating value in Africa & Asia**



#### **Disclaimer**

This presentation contains "forward-looking statements", as the phrase is defined in Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These statements relate to the Company's 2014 targets, its new dividend policy, its plans in Italy, its goal to deleverage and improve its credit ratings and its aim to improve cash flow potential. The forward-looking statements are based on management's best assessment of the Company's strategic and financial position, and future market conditions and trends. The forward-looking statements assume that there are no unexpected adverse currency changes and regulatory actions and a stable macroeconomic environment in the Company's countries of operation. These discussions and assumptions involve risks and uncertainties. The actual outcome may differ materially from these statements as a result of continued volatility in the economies in the markets in which the Company operates, unforeseen developments from competition, governmental regulation of the telecommunications industries and general political uncertainties in the markets in which the Company operates and/or litigation with third parties. There can be no assurance that these risks and uncertainties will not have a material adverse effect on the Company, that the Company will be able to grow in line with its targets or that it will be successful in executing its strategy and achieving its objectives. Further, there can be no assurance that the Supervisory Board will approve any future dividend payments, the amount thereof or the timing of dividend payment approvals. Certain factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those discussed in any forward-looking statements include the risk factors described in the Company's annual report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2012 filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and other public filings made by the Company with the SEC, which risk factors are incorporated herein by reference. VimpelCom disclaims any obligation to update developments of these risk factors or to announce publicly any revision to any of the forward-looking statements contained herein, or to make corrections to reflect future events or developments.

