

H1-2023 Results and Q3-2023 Trading Update

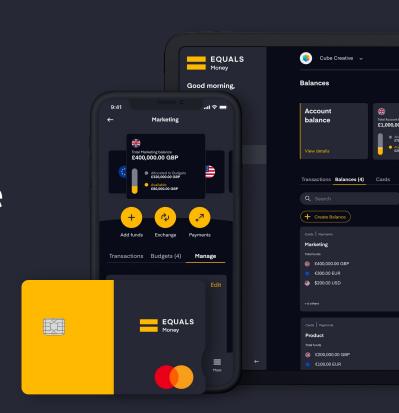
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Accounts

Own-name multi-currency IBANs

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Debit & Prepaid

Payments

FX or same currency



Differentiators

Platform

Payments & Cards

Connectivity

Direct integration into payment networks

Compliance

Strategic focus

Human interaction

FinTech capabilities augmented by personal service



Platform

Unified platform

Unified A2A transfers & card payments with own-name multi-currency IBAN

Unlimited accounts

Create sub-accounts

Highly configurable

Approvals and permissions

Equals Money

SMEs

Equals Solutions

Larger corporates





Evolution of Equals market positioning Modulr B2B **EQUALS** OpenPayd AlphaFX Group **EQUALS** Currency Cloud Group 2023 Citibank ClearBank 2022 EQUALS Group Railsr 2018 Platform Product Lloyds Starling Barclays Revolut HSBC Main products FairFX (2007) Cards & Payments Post Office Payments Caxton Cards B2C © EQUALS GROUP PLC 2023 | PROPRIETARY & CONFIDENTIAL

| | <u>A</u> LPHA | Currencycloud | Clear.Bank | UK Tier 1 Banks | ₹wise | EQUALS Money |
|--|----------------------------------|---|---|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Multi-currency IBANs | | ✓ 17 | √ 30 | | | ✓ 38 |
| Multi-currency card issuing | | | | | ~ | V |
| International payments in 100+ currencies | ~ | V | Fewer than 100 | V | Fewer than 100 | V |
| Modern APIs | V | V | V | | V | V |
| White label offering | | V | ~ | | V | V |
| SEPA instant | V | | | | V | V |
| Direct participant of UK Faster Payments | | | V | V | V | ~ |
| Debit and prepaid cards | | | | V | V | V |
| Virtual cards | | | | Some | V | ✓ |
| Speak to a human - account manager | V | | | | | ~ |
| Enterprise value / Market cap | £903.26 LONALPH 11/09/2023 | £700m value at acquisition 22.07.22 | £470m (est) <u>Valuation undisclosed</u> 18/03/2022 | Billions (various) | £6.68bn LSE-WISE 11/09/2023 | £185.36m LONEOLS 11/09/2023 |

H1-2023 Highlights

Strong Growth

Transactions +43% at £6.0bn Revenue +43% to £45.0m EBITDA* +102% to £9.8m

Platform

Full API functionality available to customers Increased automation of "payments out" journey

European Expansion

Acquisition of Equals Money Europe (formerly Oonex)
Regulatory clearance received and integration on
plan

Cards

Re-platform of FairFX to Equals Core via API - virtual & physical & tokenisation. Integration of Roqqett Integration with Xero

Sales & marketing

Deployed regional Sales Model Improved digital estate PPC and SEO yielding increased leads Multi-currency IBAN marketing roll-out

Compliance

Continued investment into personnel Zero-backlog in vanilla DD augmented with specialist teams for enhanced DD Featurespace - Al Transaction monitoring system

^{*} Adjusted EBITDA

Equals Money Europe

Entity



Acquisition completed on July 4th 2023

Renamed to Equals Money Europe SA on August 9th 2023

Subsidiary Board established aligned to local requirements

Strategic plan submitted to NBB

Recruitment



Key hires made in Head of Finance, Head of Risk & HR.

Multiple roles currently being recruited to build out compliance/risk and finance functions.

Moved staff in both Brussels and Amsterdam to new offices to ensure Equals culture can be embedded

Products



Integration work begun with existing banks on both payment accounts and acquiring to Equals Core platform

Onboarding in progress with additional banking partners to add wider functionality

Card testing underway

Equals Money



Strategic plan submitted to the National Bank of Belgium.

Existing customer review to ensure alignment with Group strategy.

Revenue growth potential from new and existing client base once Equals Core is online.



CFO Review

P&L From Revenue to EPS

Cash Flow From EBITDA to period end cash

Revenue Components and bridge

Gross Profits Amounts, margins and changes

Expenditure What is moving and why

EPS What is driving the increase

Investments & Investing for the future Acquisitions

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P & L Summary

| | | | <u>Changes from:</u> | | |
|-------------------|---------|---------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| £ million's | H1-2022 | H2-2022 | H1 - 2023 | H1 - 2022 | H2 - 2022 |
| Revenue | 31.4 | 38.3 | 45.0 | +43.3% | +17.5% |
| GP % | 47.5% | 49.1% | 52.4% | | |
| GP | 14.9 | 18.8 | 23.6 | +58.4% | +25.5% |
| "Cash" costs | (10.0) | (11.5) | (13.8) | | |
| Adjusted EBITDA | 4.9 | 7.3 | 9.8 | +102.5% | +34.2% |
| Adjusted EBITDA % | 15.6% | 19.1% | 21.8% | | |
| Non-cash items | (4.0) | (4.7) | (4.0) | | |
| PBT | 0.9 | 2.6 | 5.8 | +544.4% | +123.1% |
| TAX | (0.1) | 0.1 | (1.0) | | |
| PAT | 0.8 | 2.7 | 4.8 | +500.0% | +77.8% |
| EPS | 0.38p | 1.42p | 2.64p | +595% | +86% |

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Cash Flow Summary

£ million's

Adjusted EBITDA

Add:

Other receipts

Less:

Leases

Capitalised staff costs

Other TFA

Working capital movements

Less:

CBILS repayment

Less:

Acquisitions and earn-outs

Net cash flows

Opening cash

Closing cash

H1-2022 4.9

0.2

(0.4)

(2.1)

(0.6)

5.0

(0.2)

4.8

(1.4)

3.4

13.1

16.5

H2-2022

7.3

0.4

(0.6)

(2.2)

(0.5) (1.9)

2.5

(1.8)

0.7

(2.2)

(1.5)

16.5

15.0

H1 - 2023

9.8

0.1

(0.5)

(2.4)

(0.8) (0.6)

5.6

5.6

(2.7)

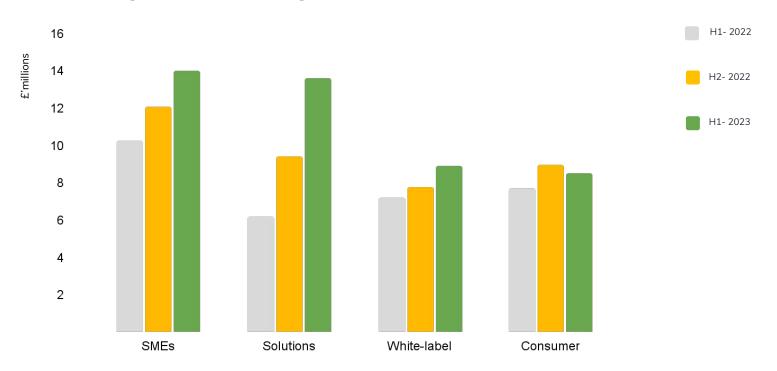
2.9

15.0

17.9

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Revenue per six-month period



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Revenue: Bridge, and results

| £ million's | H1-2022 | H2-2022 |
|--|---------|---------|
| Revenue in earlier period | 31.4 | 38.3 |
| Less: revenue from Bureau (sold in period) | (0.4) | (0.4) |
| | 31.0 | 37.9 |
| Increase in revenue from Solutions | +7.4 | +4.2 |
| Increase in revenue from SMEs | +3.7 | +1.9 |
| Increase in revenue from White-label | +1.7 | +1.1 |
| Change in revenue from Consumer | +1.2 | -0.1 |
| Revenue in H1-2023 | 45.0 | 45.0 |

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Gross profits

| SMEs |
|--------------------------------|
| Consumer |
| |
| White-label |
| Total - International payments |
| SMEs |
| Consumer |
| Total - Cards |
| Solutions |
| Banking (small/consumer) |
| Bureau |
| |

| | H1-2023 |
|-----------|---------|
| £ million | s GP % |
| 5.2 | 57.3% |
| 1.3 | 70.0% |
| 6.6 | 59.5% |
| 1.6 | 18.4% |
| 8.2 | 41.1% |
| 3.1 | 65.1% |
| 1.4 | 59.5% |
| 4.6 | 63.2% |
| 7.4 | 54.1% |
| 3.4 | 83.5% |
| 0.0 | 30.1% |
| 23.6 | 52.4% |

| Increase | Increase in GP attributable to: | | | | |
|------------|---------------------------------|--------|--|--|--|
| £ millions | Revenue | Margin | | | |
| 1.4 | 1.2 | 0.3 | | | |
| (0.2) | (0.1) | (0.0) | | | |
| 1.3 | 1.0 | 0.2 | | | |
| 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.7 | | | |
| 2.2 | 1.2 | 0.9 | | | |
| 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.0 | | | |
| 0.0 | 0.1 | (0.1) | | | |
| 1.0 | 1.0 | (0.0) | | | |
| 4.5 | 3.5 | 1.0 | | | |
| 1.3 | 0.9 | 0.4 | | | |
| (0.2) | (0.2) | (0.0) | | | |
| 8.7 | 6.4 | 2.3 | | | |

- GP increased by a faster rate than the increase in revenue
- 74% of the increase in GP was attributable to revenue
- 26% due to improved margin efficiency

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Cash costs- bridge

| £ million's | From H1-2022 | From H2-2022 | |
|---|--------------|--------------|-----|
| Cash costs in prior period | 10.0 | 11.5 | |
| Add: | | | |
| Increase in gross staff costs | 2.6 | 1.4 | 18% |
| Offset by increase in amounts capitalised | (0.4) | (0.3) | |
| Increase in staff costs in P&L | 2.2 | 1.1 | |
| Increase in marketing and travel | 0.4 | 0.3 | 22% |
| Increase in compliance and audit | 0.3 | 0.4 | 70% |
| Increase in IT, hosting etc | 0.5 | 0.3 | 27% |
| Other cost changes | 0.4 | 0.2 | |
| Total change in costs | 3.8 | 2.3 | 20% |
| | | | |
| Cash costs in current period | 13.8 | 13.8 | |
| Memo: period end headcount | 266 | 323 | 21% |

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EPS Increase

| | £ millions | |
|--|------------|---------|
| Increase in revenue, leading to increase in Gross Profits % | 8.7 | Up 59% |
| Cash costs, increasing, but at half the rate leading to Adjusted EBITDA increasing by: | 5.0 | Up 1029 |
| Gain on disposal of Bureau | +0.4 | |
| Change in non-cash items | -0.4 | |
| Increase in tax charge on increased profits and increased rates of tax | -1.1 | |
| Net increase in PAT | 3.9 | |
| Total PAT in period | 4.8 | |
| EPS enhancement due to profits | 2.65 | р |
| EPS offset owing to dilution | -0.01 | р |
| Shares at 30 June 2023 - 181,793,295 | 2.64 | р |
| | | |

Note: £13.5m of loss relief still available

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Investments and Acquisitions- in the period

| | • | £ millions |
|--|-------|------------|
| Internal staff expenditure on product development: | | |
| Equals Money | | 1.8 |
| Boxes | | 0.3 |
| Card programmes | | 0.2 |
| Other | | 0.1 |
| | | 2.4 |
| Other expenditure (kit, licences etc) capitalised | | 0.9 |
| | | 3.3 |
| Acquisitions booked to the balance sheet | 5.5 | |
| Less: liabilities acquired | (0.8) | |
| Less: deferred consideration | (2.8) | |
| Cash outflows in period from acquisitions | | 1.9 |
| Pre-acquisition funding for Oonex | | 0.7 |
| Total invested in period | | 5.9 |

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Acquisitions and Investments - after the period

Expansion into Europe

- Oonex (now Equals Money Europe) acquired in July 2023
- 4 million shares in Equals, with a further 1 million subject to warranties
- Acquisition included the settlement of liabilities (£4.0m) required to continue the business:
 - O Made by way of loans to protect capital base / avoid dividend trap
 - W/C outflow expected to be £1m in H2-2023 and £1.5m in FY-2024

Continued product development

• Internally capitalised staff in the order of £2.5m in H2-2023

Acquisitions

- "Casco" earn-outs of £0.9m in Q4-2023
 - Further £0.5m in Q2-2024
- Hamer & Hamer can earn a further £1.7m over three years if targets met
- Roqqett to receive up to £1.1m in H2-2023

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Working capital evaluation

| At 30 June 2023 (in £ millions) | | Utilised |
|---|-------|----------|
| Cash at banks | 17.9 | 1.6 |
| Card provider | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| Net margin from clients offset with margin at LPs | (2.1) | |
| | 16.6 | 2.4 |
| Further balances with card intermediary | 0.6 | |
| Accrued income and trade debtors regulargly settled | 2.7 | |
| Less: | | |
| Accounts payable, affiliate and staff commissions, Paye/Vat due | (7.1) | |
| Prepayments less accruals | (0.4) | |
| | 11.6 | 2.4 |
| Accrued profits on forward contracts with customers | 2.2 | 2.2 |
| Card stocks, rental deposits etc. | 0.4 | 0.4 |
| Total as per table 8 in RNS | 14.2 | 5.0 |

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Current trading and outlook

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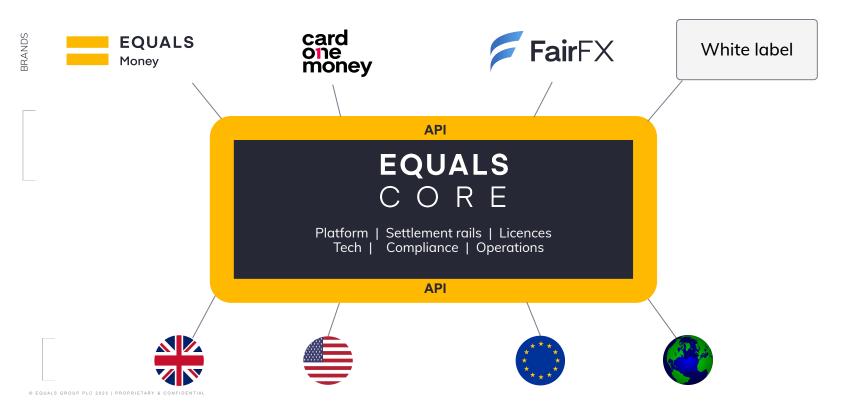
Q3-2023 Trading Update

| Revenue (£ millions) | H1-2021 | H2-2021 | H1-2022 | H2-2022 | H1-2023 | 2023 YTD |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| International payments | 6.0 | 8.7 | 6.9 | 8.0 | 9.2 | 12.7 |
| Cards | 2.1 | 3.1 | 3.4 | 4.1 | 4.8 | 6.6 |
| Medium enterprises | 8.1 | 11.8 | 10.3 | 12.1 | 14.0 | 19.3 |
| International payments | 1.4 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 2.4 | 1.9 | 2.8 |
| Cards | 1.7 | 1.7 | 2.3 | 2.8 | 2.4 | 3.5 |
| Banking | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 3.3 | 4.1 | 6.1 |
| Consumer and small business | 6.0 | 6.4 | 7.2 | 8.5 | 8.4 | 12.4 |
| White label | 2.4 | 5.4 | 7.2 | 7.8 | 8.9 | 11.9 |
| Large enterprises ("Solutions") | 0.3 | 1.8 | 6.2 | 9.4 | 13.6 | 19.4 |
| Material trade | - | 1.5 | - | - | - | - |
| Bureau de change | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Equals Money Europe (Oonex SA) | - | - | - | - | - | 0.5 |
| Total | 16.9 | 27.2 | 31.4 | 38.3 | 45.0 | 63.6 |
| Revenues per working day (£k) | 136 | 211 | 255 | 302 | 366 | 370 |
| Vs Comparative period | 21% | 81% | 86% | 41% | 43% | 39% |

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Enhanced distribution channels via API integrations



Growth with control

Payments

Fully automate outbound payments Bulk payments via API or front-end Remove 3rd party SWIFT gateways

Sales & Marketing

Increased focus on enterprise distribution Continue upgrade of salespeople Expand & improve digital reach inc social Face-to-face Sales, conferences, trade shows, sponsorship

Cards & Acquiring

Decommission old card platform Roll out B2B card in Europe & US White-label card platform via API Enhance Roggett to process EUR

Compliance and Risk

Continued investment into experienced EDD professionals with industry expertise Increased use of Al transaction monitoring Increased B2C compliance on horizon

Equals Money Europe

Submission of strategic plan to NBB Launch EU multi-currency IBANs Integrate new Banking partners Grow merchant acquiring offering

Strength in depth

High quality Exec team underpinned with bench strength

Committed, engaged, motivated workforce with strong culture of compliance

Summary

Continued growth

Turnover, revenues, profits and distributable reserves Trading ahead of expectations

Scalable Technology

Modern, modular architecture Cloud-based hosting Strong governance 10x capacity easily accommodated ISO27001 in flight

Cash generative

Strong balance sheet
Active in M&A
£17.9 million cash - 10p / share

Compliance culture

Increased headcount and skills Firm-wide compulsory training Independent audits Continued FCA focus on sector

Product functionality

Equals Core powers all product distribution via API interfaces Unified platform incorporating cards and own-name multi-currency IBAN

Maiden Dividend

Intent to pay dividend of 1.5p Subject to proposed capital reduction and EGM





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