

HURTIGRUTEN ASA

Interim report, second quarter of 2009



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Highlights



Hurtigruten doing better

- Profit of NOK 157 mill i Q2, up by NOK 131 mill from last year
 - profit of NOK 24 mill in 1st half of 2009, loss NOK 186 mill last year
- Expenses down NOK 45 mill from Q2 last year
- Fewer passengers partly offset by better average prices and higher onboard spending
- Charter m/v Nordnorge contributed NOK 57 mill in Q2

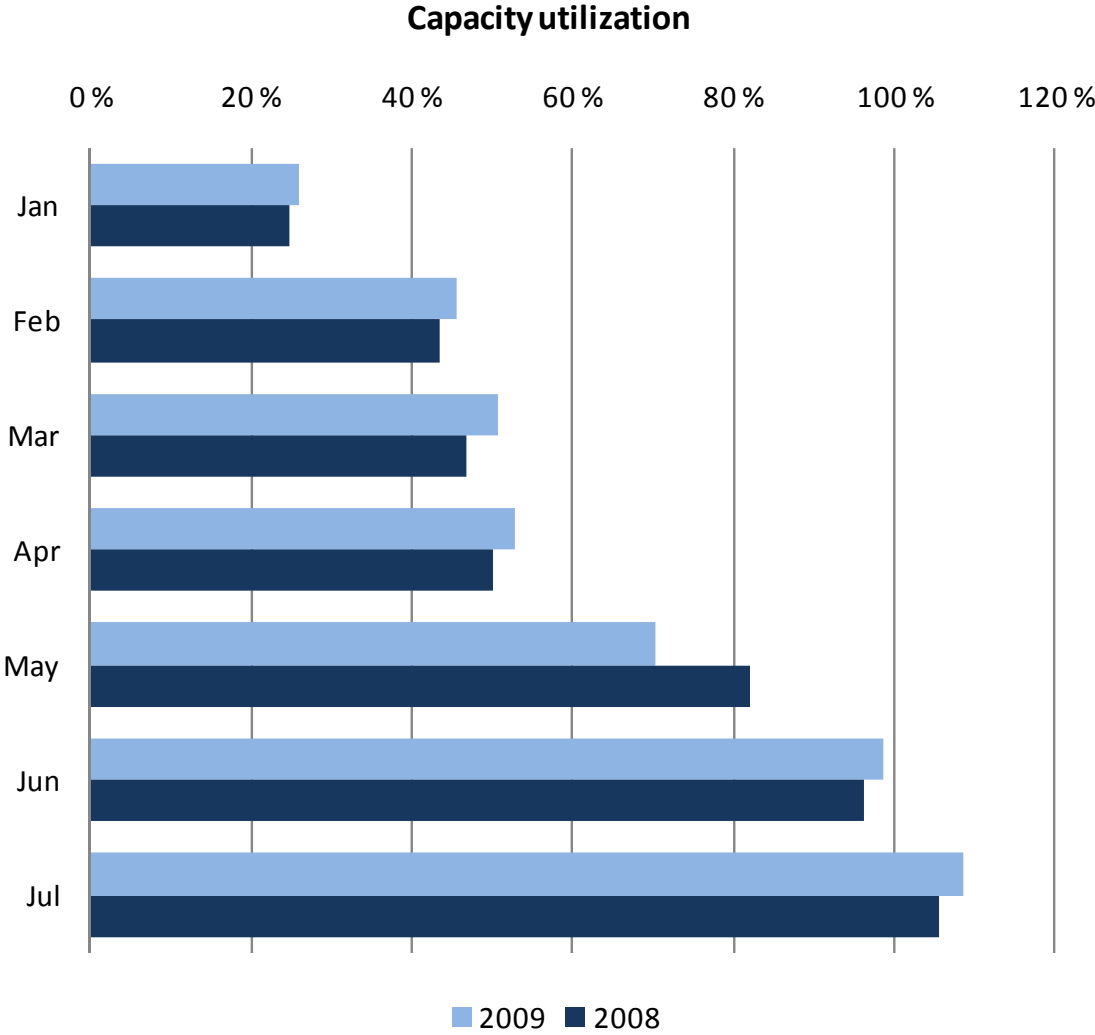


Expenses down by NOK 45 mill

- Sales and administrative costs NOK 32 mill lower
 - reduced project costs
 - Nordic downsizing having an effect
- Bunkers costs down 31% along Norwegian coast
 - 25% price cut and 8% reduced consumption
- Crew costs cut by using m/v Nordstjernen instead of m/v Nordnorge

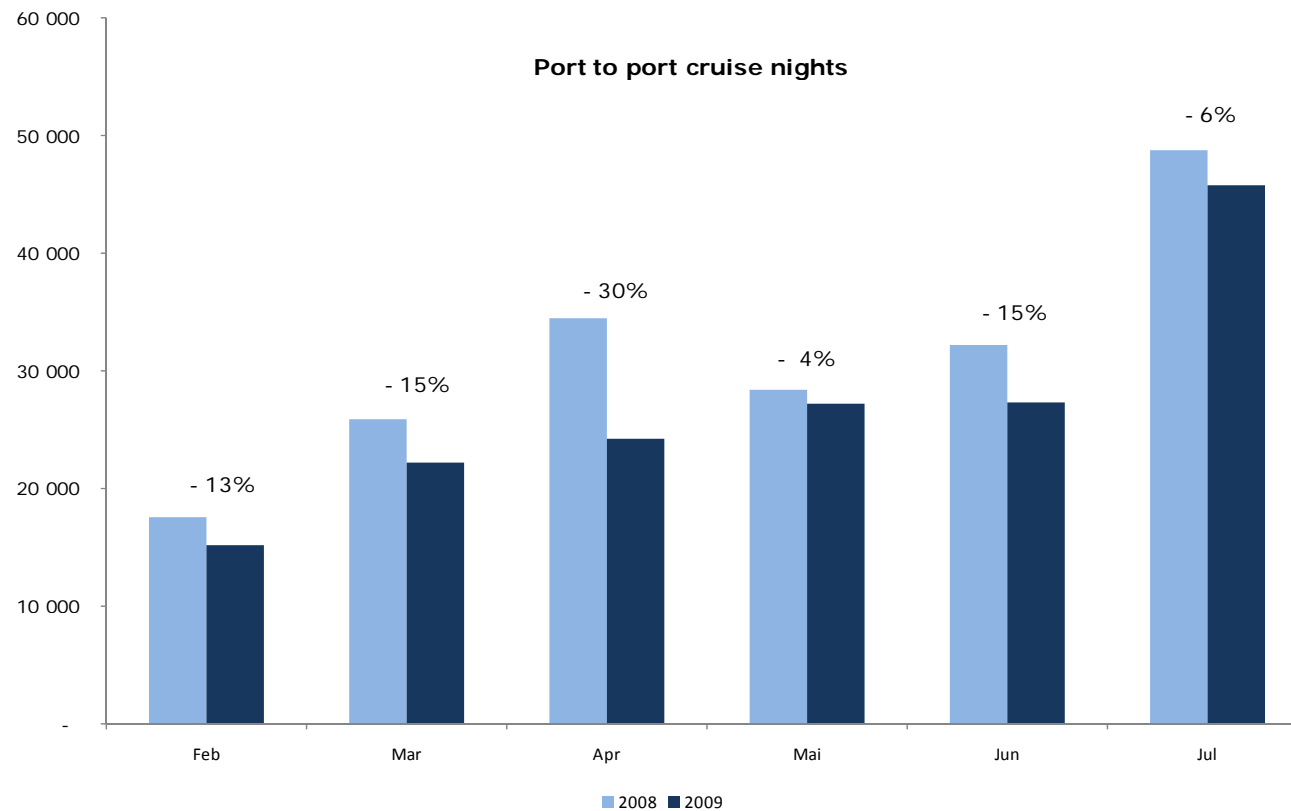


Better capacity utilization



Successful prioritisation of port to port

- Better Q2 than Q1
- Marketing campaigns have yielded results and positive web trend
- New on-line booking in second half



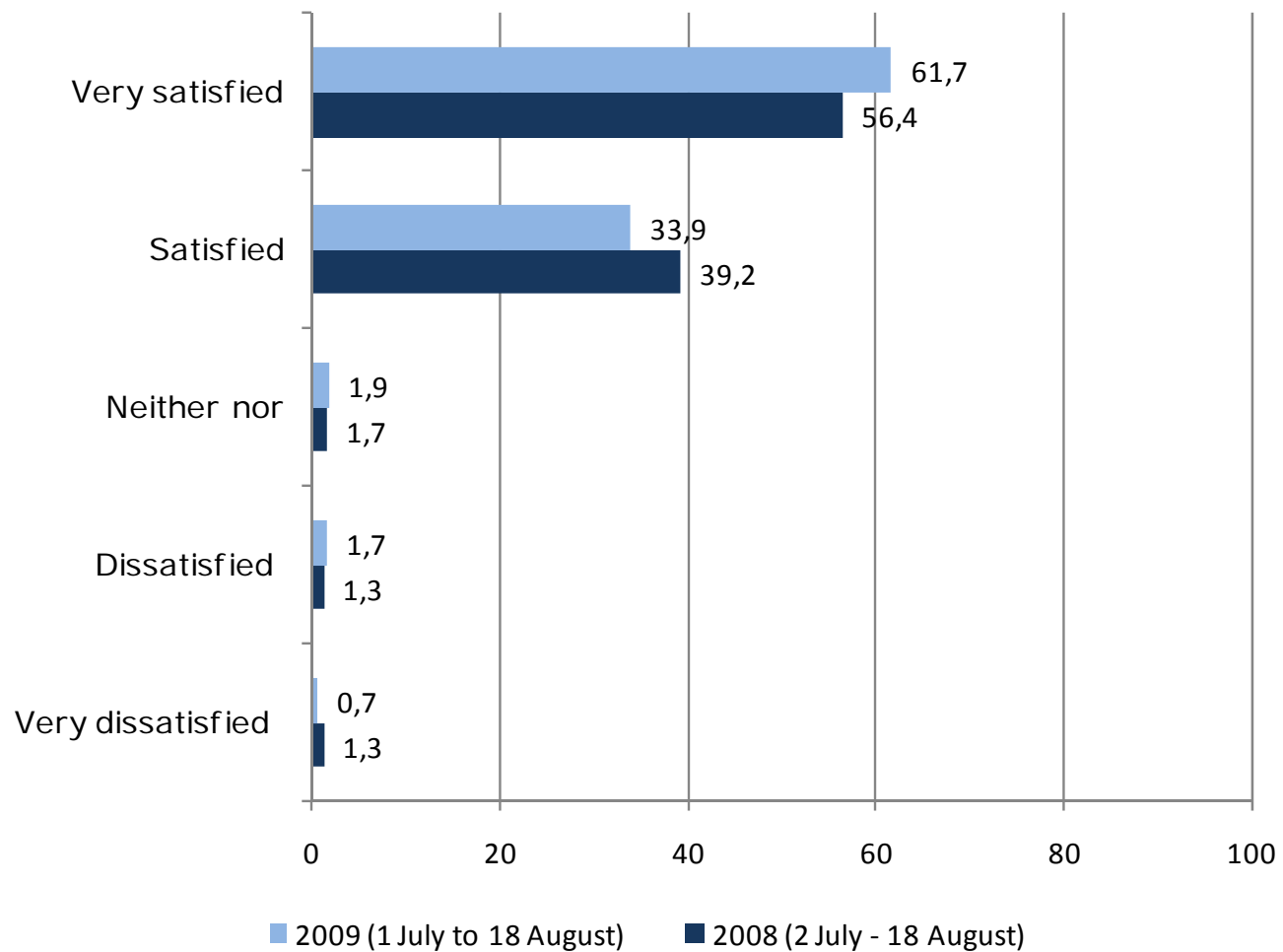
Higher prices and increased onboard spending

	CHANGE 2009 vs 2008	
	Q2	Q1
Gross ticket revenues per cruise night	5.0%	-1.9%
Net ticket revenues per cruise night	4.1%	-10.4%
Total onboard & shorex per cruise night	11.4%	3.1%

- Weaker NOK means higher average prices
- Revenue management improved
- Better control of campaigns
- Strong sales focus on board the ships

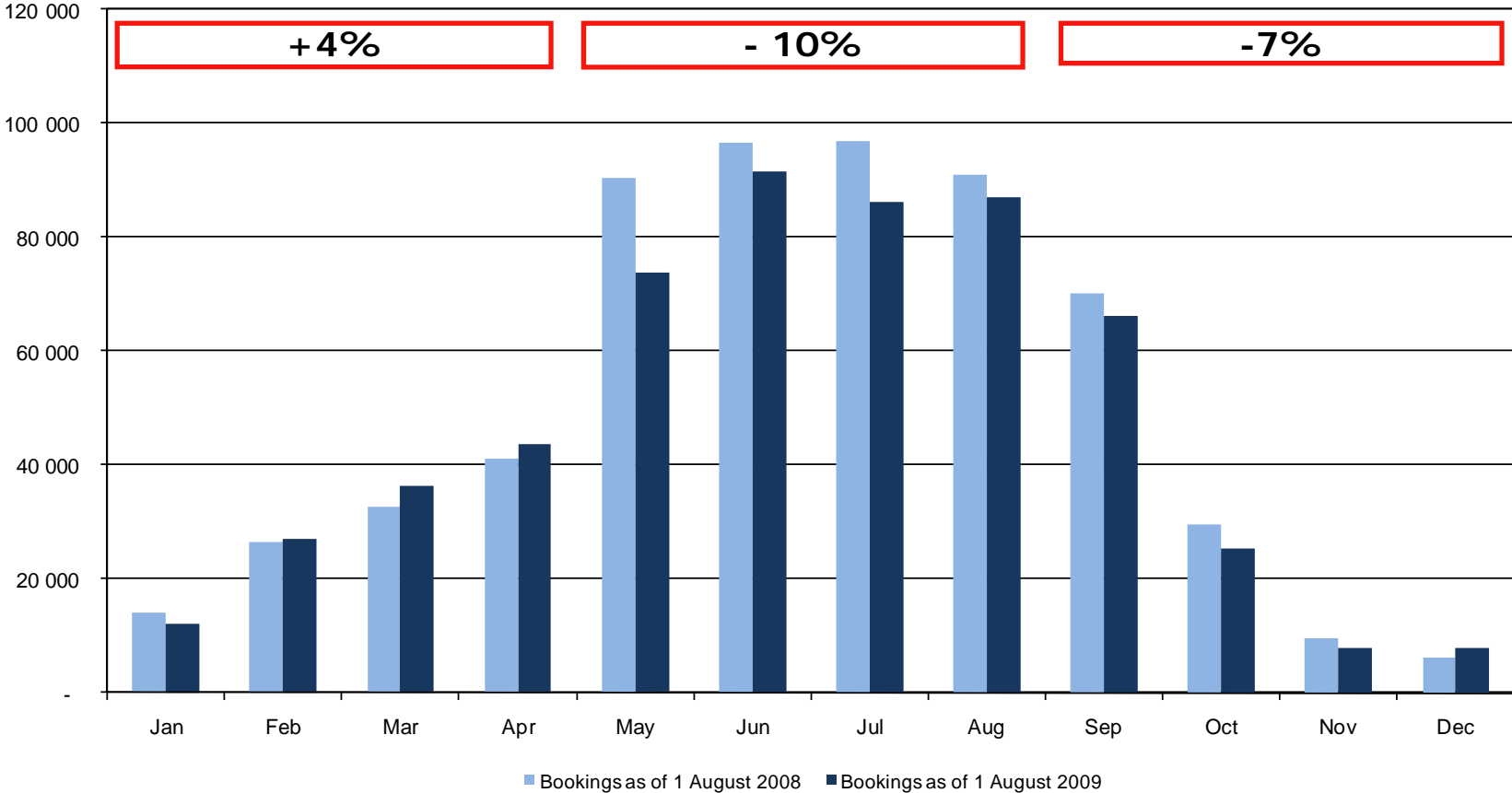


Passengers are very satisfied



Bookings at 1 August 6.7% weaker than last year

Hurtigruten bookings - cruise nights round trip



Significant contribution from m/v Nordnorge charter

- Hotel ship in the Adriatic for the offshore market
- Originally until 5 April, but extended to 13 August
- Good reference for offshore



Key figures

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Operating revenues	957 640	909 681	1 509 817	1 468 577
Operating expenses	713 590	758 599	1 304 205	1 400 876
Other losses/(gains) - net	257	-16 773	230	-16 716
EBITDA	243 793	167 856	205 381	84 417
Depreciation & impairment losses	79 212	76 075	157 165	155 562
EBIT	164 581	91 780	48 216	-71 145
Net financial items	-53 563	-65 380	-109 633	-117 181
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Accounts 2nd quarter 2009



Profit improved by NOK 131 mill

- Main reasons:
 - Net contribution m/v Nordnorge charter NOK 57 mill
 - Reduced expenses and improved prices offset lower volume for Hurtigruten NOK 26 mill
 - Other improvements NOK 35 mill
 - Provision for fast ferry contract Q2/08 NOK 30 mill
 - Sales gain on Bergen hotels Q2/08 (NOK 17 mill)



Hurtigruten group – income statement

Hurtigruten group (NOK 1 000)	Q2 2009	Q2 2008	Year to date 2009	Year to date 2008
Passenger ticket revenues	632 953	651 043	878 839	966 551
Onboard revenues	108 396	108 231	150 755	162 377
Goods, cars and other revenues	159 136	109 015	259 868	177 271
Contractual revenues	57 155	41 392	220 355	162 378
Total revenues	957 640	909 681	1 509 817	1 468 577
Commissions, transportation and other	147 188	144 741	227 879	245 783
Onboard	81 099	79 543	119 520	113 175
Ship manning costs	142 354	149 433	261 359	261 545
Fuel	71 776	83 562	150 545	177 229
Other cruise operating costs	129 943	133 559	239 013	257 460
Total cruise operating costs	572 360	590 838	998 316	1 055 192
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Product information

Operating result before depreciation (EBITDA)

Hurtigruten group (NOK 1 000)	Q2 2009	Q2 2008	Year to date 2009	Year to date 2008
Hurtigruten coastal	175 443	149 288	105 183	76 242
M/V Fram	-6 701	-18 212	773	-48 269
Spitsbergen Travel group	17 967	28 479	17 182	31 874
Other	57 084	8 301	82 244	24 570
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Hurtigruten group Balance sheet (IFRS)

(NOK 1 000)	30.06.2009	01.01.2009
Assets		
Tangible fixed assets	4 166 915	3 942 462
Intangible fixed assets	262 823	297 944
Financial fixed assets	58 240	63 251
Current assets	1 545 133	1 036 666
Assets held-for-sale	636 132	1 592 353
Total assets	6 669 243	6 932 676
Equity and liabilities		
Paid-in capital and retained earnings	1 418 550	946 808
Minority interests	251 178	216 245
Total equity	1 669 728	1 163 053
Long-term liabilities	3 709 652	106 801
Provisions	97 593	172 003
Current liabilities	907 768	4 023 237
Liabilities on assets held-for-sale	284 501	1 467 582
Total liabilities	4 999 515	5 769 623
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- Liquid assets NOK 1 198 mill (incl NOK 300 mill in short-term placements and unused part of credit facility)
- Net interest-bearing debt NOK 2 936 mill
- Capital adequacy 25.6% (25% excluding convertible bond loan)



Hurtigruten coastal product area

Positive price picture and cost reductions

Hurtigruten coastal (NOK 1 000)	Q2 2009	Q2 2008	Year to date 2009	Year to date 2008
Passenger ticket revenues	568 473	598 075	747 669	792 677
Onboard revenues	104 375	102 360	144 020	149 426
Goods, cars and other revenues	18 255	29 676	33 892	53 390
Contractual revenues	57 155	41 392	220 355	162 378
Total revenues	748 259	771 502	1 145 936	1 157 871
Commissions, transportation and other	131 814	134 115	198 642	203 787
Onboard	69 590	71 335	98 707	97 935
Ship manning costs	127 293	138 247	230 448	236 256
Fuel	58 562	73 001	126 575	147 832
Other cruise operating costs	68 147	71 168	139 082	144 367
Total cruise operating costs	455 406	487 867	793 455	830 178
S, G & A	117 410	134 348	247 299	251 451
Total operating costs	572 816	622 215	1 040 754	1 081 629
EBITDA	175 443	149 288	105 183	76 242

- Volume reduction partly offset by higher prices
- Continued growth in onboard spending
- Costs reduced with m/v Nordstjernen in place of m/v Nordnorge
- Reduction in bunkers costs from lower prices and consumption



Hurtigruten coastal product area

Key figures

(NOK 1 000, except passenger CN)	Q2 2009	Q2 2008	Variance	YTD 2009	YTD 2008	Variance
Passenger cruise nights	309 223	337 941	-8,5 %	446 195	489 287	-8,8 %
Round trip cruise nights	208 867	228 390	-8,5 %	284 189	301 824	-5,8 %
Port to port cruise nights	100 356	109 551	-8,4 %	162 006	187 463	-13,6 %
Available passenger cruise nights (APCN)	417 172	443 060	-5,8 %	749 948	835 144	-10,2 %
Occupancy rate	74,1 %	76,3 %	-2,2 %	59,5 %	58,6 %	0,9 %
Gross ticket revenues per cruise night (NOK)	2 176	2 073 [▲]	5,0 %	1 998	1 925	3,8 %
Net ticket revenues per cruise night (NOK)	1 525	1 465 [▲]	4,1 %	1 332	1 309	1,8 %
Gross cruise costs per APCN (NOK)	1 373	1 404 [▲]	2,2 %	1 388	1 295	-7,2 %
Net cruise costs per APCN (NOK)	890	941 [▲]	5,4 %	991	934	-6,1 %
Net cruise costs exclusive fuel per APCN (NOK)	750	776 [▲]	3,3 %	822	757	-8,7 %
Net cruise costs per cruise night (NOK)	1 201	1 233 [▲]	2,6 %	1 666	1 594	-4,5 %
Fuel consumption (thousand litre)	18 498	20 141	8,2 %	32 828	37 372	12,2 %
Fuel cost per litre (NOK)	2,99	3,98	25,0 %	3,64	3,79	4,0 %

- Decline in both round trip and port to port passengers
- Capacity reduced by using m/v Nordstjernen in place of m/v Nordnorge
- Positive price picture – favourable exchange rate developments
- Positive development in cost picture
- Improvement in bunkers consumption, positive price effect



M/v Fram product area Europe cruise a success

MV Fram (NOK 1 000)	Q2 2009	Q2 2008	Year to date 2009	Year to date 2008
Passenger ticket revenues	57 324	52 445	124 033	104 568
Onboard revenues	3 742	3 385	6 212	6 473
Goods, cars and other revenues	0	-292	208	-1 223
Total revenues	61 066	55 538	130 453	109 818
Commissions, transportation and other	15 374	9 881	29 237	30 813
Onboard	5 968	7 167	9 981	10 888
Ship manning costs	6 733	7 284	13 304	15 167
Fuel	4 410	7 419	11 098	16 167
Other cruise operating costs	12 678	13 520	19 533	25 775
Total cruise operating costs	45 163	45 272	83 154	98 810
S, G & A	22 604	28 478	46 527	59 278
Total operating costs	67 767	73 750	129 680	158 088
EBITDA	-6 701	-18 212	773	-48 269

- Better results on Europe cruise than last year's Pole to Pole product
- Cost savings initiated are having an effect:
 - 13% reduction in bunkers consumption
 - Lower proportion of Norwegian crew
- Weaker booking outlook for the Greenland season



Spitsbergen Travel group product area Market downturn

Spitsbergen Travel group (NOK 1 000)	Q2 2009	Q2 2008	Year to date 2009	Year to date 2008
Other revenues	64 349	81 446	92 691	121 113
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Other cruise operating costs	40 188	46 206	62 831	76 495
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Personnel costs	2 563	2 968	6 016	6 415
Other operating costs	3 631	3 793	6 662	6 329
S, G & A	6 194	6 761	12 678	12 744
Total operating costs	46 382	52 967	75 509	89 239
EBITDA	17 967	28 479	17 182	31 874

- Decline in the Norwegian conference and group market
- 20% reduction in revenues from hotel nights
- Not possible to compensate the cost side in the short term
- Cancellation of m/v Nordstjernen and rebooking to m/v Expedition added to costs
- M/v Fram to serve as second ship for Svalbard starting from 2010



Other business

Positive contribution from chartering m/v Nordnorge

Other (NOK 1 000)	Q2 2009	Q2 2008	Year to date 2009	Year to date 2008
Passenger ticket revenues	0	525	0	69 307
Onboard revenues	278	2 486	523	6 478
Goods, cars and other revenues	88 666	13 124	146 189	19 257
Total revenues	88 944	16 135	146 712	95 042
Commissions, transportation and other	0	745	0	11 183
Onboard	5 541	1 040	10 831	4 352
Ship manning costs	8 329	3 901	17 607	10 121
Fuel	8 804	3 142	12 872	13 230
Other cruise operating costs	8 929	2 665	17 567	10 823
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Discontinued business

Discontinued business <i>(NOK 1 000)</i>	Q2 2009	Q2 2008	Year to date 2009	Year to date 2008
Ferries/fast ferries, sold business	14 281	6 340	14 968	5 002
Fast ferries - Troms county	6 655	-34 688	15 954	-35 028
Buses	22 293	16 847	23 722	19 484
Nor Lines AS	2 409	4 558	4 212	3 450
Bergenske Reisebyrå AS	0	6 506	26 676	9 340
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- Fast ferries Troms – lower bunkers cost and reversal of sales provision
- Buses – lower diesel oil costs offsets the decline in passengers
- Nor Lines AS – declining freight volumes
- Bergenske Reisebyrå AS – sale implemented in Q1 with a gain of NOK 27 mill



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Measures and prospects



Principal measures

- 1 Increase revenues
- 2 Reduce debt – divest businesses
- 3 Cut costs
- 4 Hurtigruten public procurement contract
- 5 Financial restructuring



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Successful efforts on port to port (distance travel) during the summer



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Increased use of web solutions

- Hurtigruten's website an important information channel
 - 890 000 hits since 1 May
- Successful distance travel campaign based on web booking
 - 13 000 customers since 1 May
 - "www.velgogseil.no",
- New on-line booking solution in the second half



2 Sales processes put on hold

- Sale of the bus business difficult after the charges preferred by Troms county council
- No active process for sale of Hurtigruten vessels because:
 - awaiting the criteria for a new Hurtigruten tender
 - market for sales is difficult, while opportunities exist for chartering



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Single booking system and organisation

- Sales offices in the Nordic region, USA and UK on the same system
- Continental Europe will follow this autumn
- Central booking function in Tallinn in normal operation



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Half the downsizing has been completed

- Redundancies implemented:
 - Nordic region
 - USA
 - UK
 - Chile (C&O)
- Remaining:
 - Germany
 - France
- Premises vacated in Bergen and Bodø.
Oslo in Q3



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Hurtigruten public procurement contract

- Big majority in the Stortinget (parliament) for maintaining a strong Hurtigruten product (June 2009)
- Disappointing that the criterias for a new tender were not ready at 1 July
- The restructuring programme will strengthen the ability for Hurtigruten to compete for a new tender



Great external uncertainty – strong internal restructuring

- Difficult market because of financial crisis and H1N1 virus
- Restructuring programme is being pursued with a focus on downsizing at foreign sales offices
- Focus on current operations





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