

Strategy Update

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Rostelecom strategy update Sergey Kalugin, CEO

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Creating T2-RTK Holding - national mobile player

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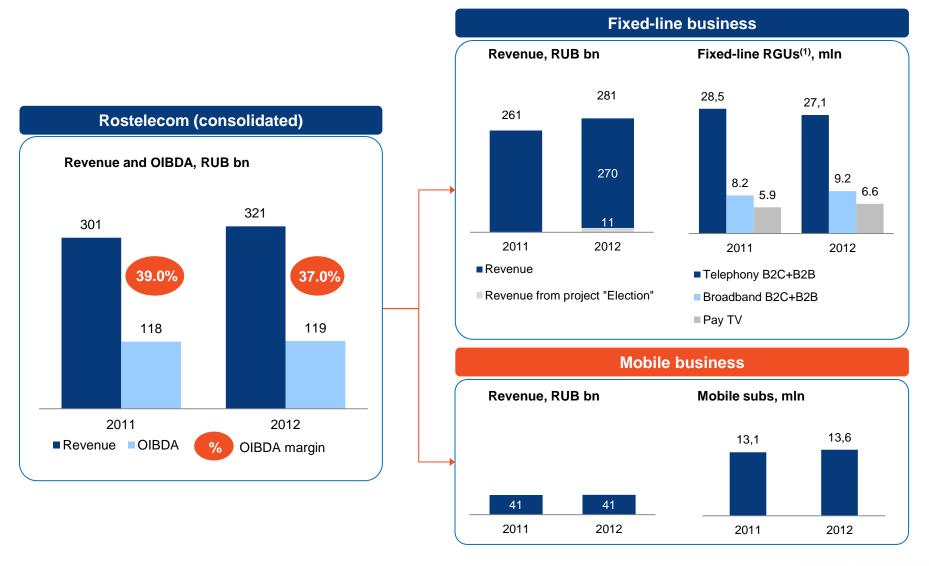
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1. Rostelecom strategy update



Rostelecom business mix





Rostelecom strategic priorities

Fixed-line business

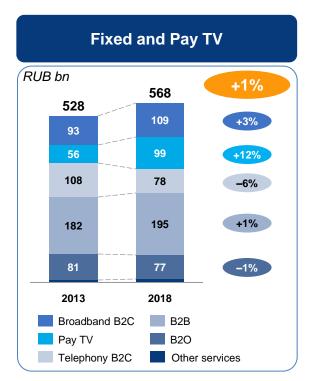
- ✓ Accelerated expansion of fiber last mile to unlock value of the largest fixedline network in Russia
- Strengthening competitive advantage in bandwidth to household and «heavy» content delivery
- ✓ Bundling of services to reduce churn rates – Triple play and other
- Leadership in Pay-TV market and investing into content
- ✓ Focus on digital platforms and services– OTT, SaaS and other

Mobile services business

- ✓ Joint venture with Tele2 Russia creation of a national mobile operator
 - Sufficient scale to compete with MTS, MegaFon, VimpelCom
 - Effective utilization of 3G/4G
 licenses coupled with substantial
 capex savings and B/S deleveraging
- ✓ Accelerate roll-out of 3G/4G networks nationwide
- Capitalise on the mobile broadband opportunity
- Maintain high level of operational efficiency
- Convergent offerings: mobile as part of 4-Play bundles
- Continue to use Rostelecom backbone and backhaul

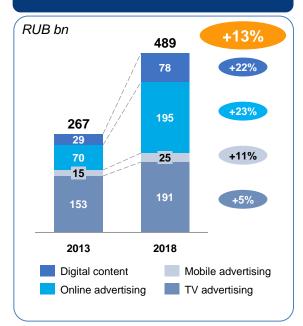


Russian TMT market forecasts: key segments



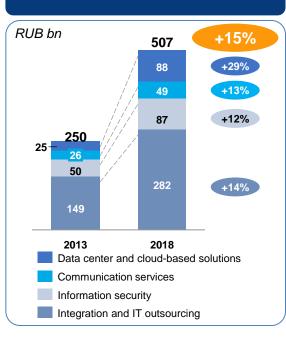
- Stagnation as a result of decline in fixed voice and slowdown in broadband segment growth
- Pay TV market will continue to grow as consumers are willing to pay for diverse and high-quality content
- The fastest growing segments are OTT¹ and IPTV





- Transition from analog to digital content distribution
- Significant growth in online advertising market, primarily, in search advertising. In addition, rapid growth is observed in mobile and online video advertising

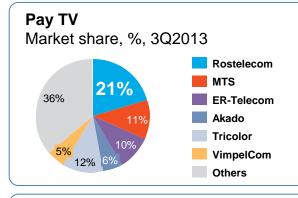
IT and ICT services



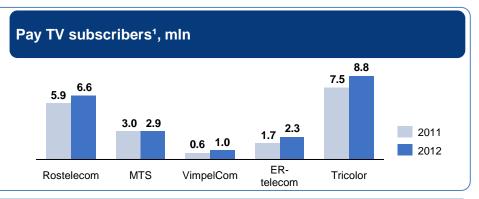
- Rising demand from government and business for outsourcing of data storage and processing
- Corporate clients' cost optimization for communication and IT services
- Transition to IT-outsourcing model

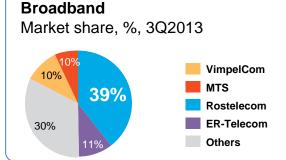


Rostelecom current position in B2C segment

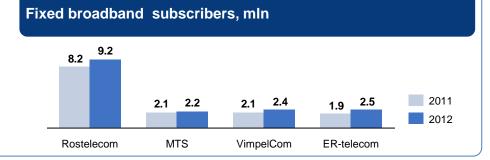


- Rostelecom is the leader in Pay TV market. Company's revenue market share in IPTV reached 55% in 3Q2013
- IPTV is the key growth driver in this segment. Rostelecom subscriber base increased by 49% y-o-y and reached 1.8m subscribers in 3Q2013

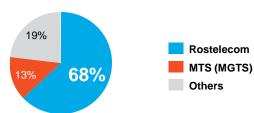




- Rostelecom is the largest provider of fixed broadband services in Russia
- As of 3Q2013 the number of fiber optic subscribers increased by 40% y-o-y to 3.5m subscribers, while the total subscribers base increased by 10% y-o-y and amounted to 9.8m

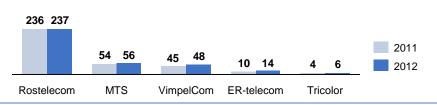


Fixed-line telephony Market share, %, 3Q2013



- Rostelecom market share was stable in 2012-2013
- As of 3Q 2013 the company served 25.9m subscribers (6% decrease versus 3Q 2012)

Revenue from fixed-line telephony, broadband and Pay TV², RUB bn



Source: iKS-Consulting, ACM Consulting, operators data

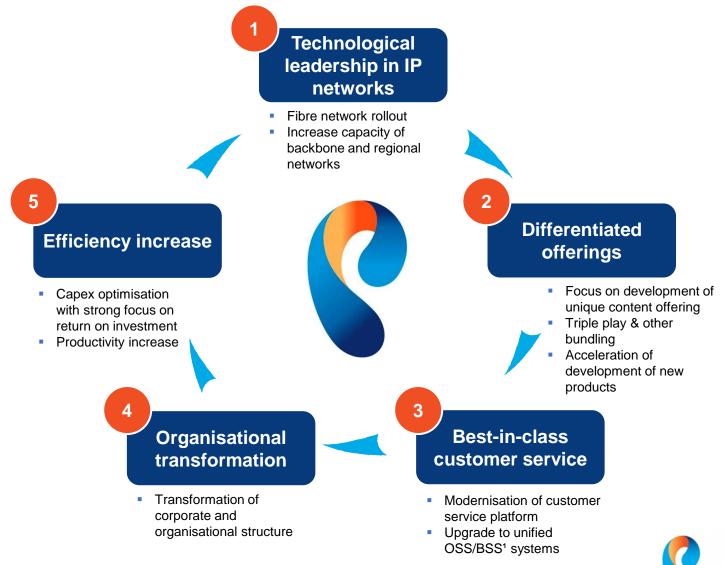
Note: All data shown includes Russia only. Rostelecom numbers are provided without Svyazinvest



¹ For Tricolor TV only paying subscribers are taken into account

² For VimpelCom revenue is translated in RUB at CBR exchange rate for the relevant period

Key strategic pillars of Rostelecom fixed-line business

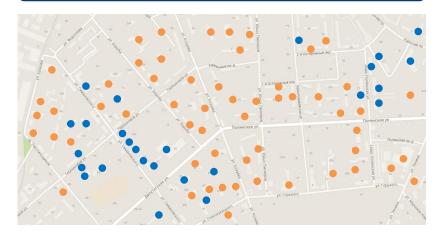




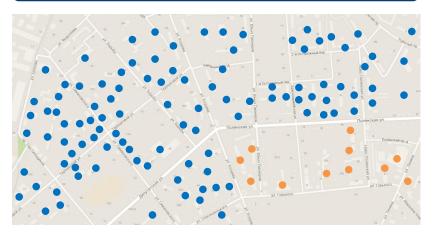
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High speed access

From single-point roll-out today...



...to systematic approach to network development



- xDSL
- PON
- New strategy for household coverage "Broadband conveyor", which involves cluster-based roll-out, covering all households in city regions. Single-point roll-out is only allowed in up to 20% of households
- Ensure continuity of the priority access technology for the existing network. All new backbone segments are PON-ready
- Decommission telephony lines and exchanges in regions where supported by the business case
- Use CPEs with multiple interfaces (Ethernet, RJ, RF, WiFi 2.4 / 5GHz)
- Use wireless access as replacement for last mile in regions with low population density
- Target households covered by the end of 2016 33m all households in high and medium rise buildings
- Sign framework agreements and decrease procurement costs by switching to standardised network architecture and equipment

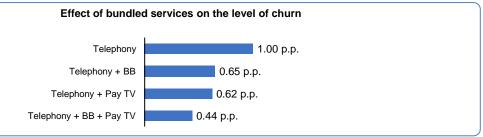




Development of differentiated offerings for B2C subscribers

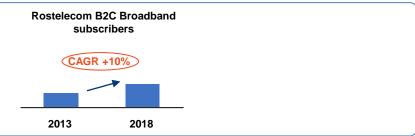
Telephony

- Differentiated tariffs for Inter-regional and international calls
- Bundling with Broadband and Pay TV services to reduce churn and maintain subscriber levels



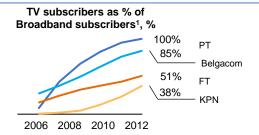
Broadband

- Speeds 10% higher versus competitors, for the same monthly tariffs
- Exclusive speed of 1Gbit/s for top-end tariff



Pay TV

- Interactive TV with unique content proposition (HD, exclusive channels, VoD²)
- OTT platform (TV Everywhere)³



New services

- Financial services
- Smart house / Safe house
- Online and mobile commerce

- Payment for goods and services, cash services, credits, overdrafts and deposits, money transfers
- Home monitoring, control on water and electricity costs with smart meters, remote control of electrical appliances, remote monitoring of health
- Mobile and online payments, use of personal mobile and fixed line telephony accounts as electronic wallet



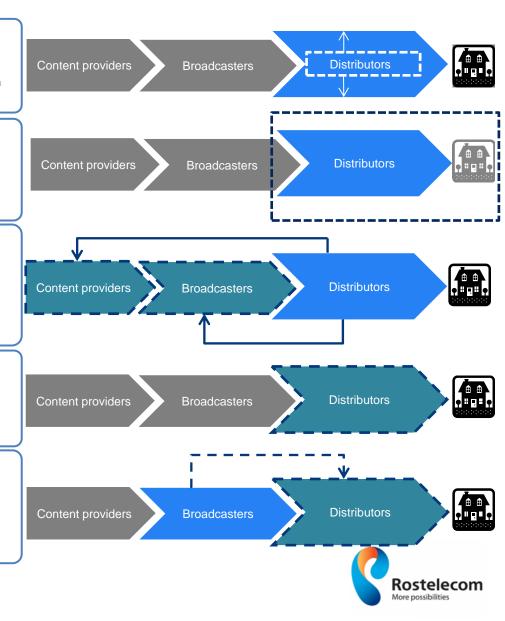
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Pay TV segment strategy

Network improvement in order to increase ARPU

- Increase speed and network capacity in order to switch subscribers to bundled services with higher ARPU
- Examples: roll out FTTH VDSL networks in Europe, upgrade of cable networks
- Provide best-in-class
 services to enhance
 customer loyalty
- State of the art technology, high speed network as an instrument for cross selling and client retention
- Examples: LGI Set-Top-Boxes (stickiness) and Free TV offerings (cross-selling)
- Vertical integration with content providers to avoid intermediaries
- Acquisition or merger with content providers to prevent emergence of intermediaries
- Examples: Comcast / NBC Universal
- Providing fixed and mobile services in bundled offerings
- Acquire expertise in fixed line business to provide attractive bundled offerings
- Examples: Vodafone acquisition of CWW
- Expand <u>digital coverage</u>, allowing <u>monetisation</u> content independent of the platform
- Expand digital coverage to allow monetisation of content on all platforms
- Examples: digital and related business of P7S1, increase in VoD for RTL





B2B and **B2Gs** products development

Large corporate clients

- Package solutions for companies with requirements of large, high capacity, reliable and secure networks
- Core services: VPN, WAN, Broadband, data centers hosting, fixed voice
- Cloud computing services O7: call center, unified communications, webvideo- conference communications, telepresence and broadcast, information security, managed services, content filtering
- Integrated solutions

SME

- Full Package Products for subsegments
- Package: Broadband + fixed voice, option – VPN + hosting
- Cloud computing services O7: Hosted PBX, virtual office, webvideo- conference communications
- M2M services: transport and logistics, CCTV monitoring



Implementing client service best practices

Key initiatives

Targets

Call center

- Unified call-center on the base of common IT infrastructure
- Unified call number for client services and client call rebalancing system
- Unified SLA

- 90% calls processed at first attempt
- 95% client satisfaction rate

Online client services

- Multiplatform web-interface: rt.ru portal and 'my account' service
- Focus on customer self-service through web-channels

> 50% share of remote channels

Retail distribution

- Restructuring of retail distribution network: carve-out of retail chain operations into separate entity, retail chain optimisation, franchising opportunities
- Rebranding of the distribution network to increase sales and improve brand awareness
- Focus on efficiency of distribution network (margins)

20% share of channel in revenues

2x decrease of distribution network OPEX

2nd and 3rd support lines

- Standardisation of maintenance process
- Centralisation of network monitoring and management
- Upgrade incentive system for maintenance staff with key focus on quality of service

Less than 2% share of repetitive requests

Less than 24h request processing time

Corporate and **SME** accounts Client-centric approach for large corporate clients:

- Personal account manager to provide assistance on key customer support and services questions
- Dedicated technical support line, quality of service (QoS) management

Differentiated approach for SME clients:

- Standartised SLA depending on service package
- Dedicated sales and support channels with unified business processes

- 90% calls processed at first attempt
- 3% lost calls rate (LCR)
- 80% service level commitment



Organizational transformation

Organizational transformation initiatives

- Centralisation of support functions: IT, backoffice, etc.
- Creation of competence centers at macro branches level
- Outsourcing of certain business functions and related optimisation of organizational structure

'Ideal branch' model

- Development of 'ideal' operational model with solid scalability potential on the base of some preselected local branch
 - Pilot project in Voronezh branch
- Replication of developed operational model at regional branches level
- 'Ideal branch' project is expected to be instrumental for the whole organizational process and should also set the ground for CRM and other IT systems

Corporate culture transformation and sustainability improvement

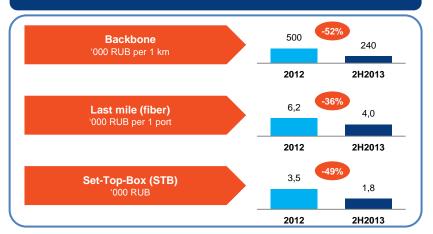
- Management efficiency: lead by example, mentorship, commitment, encouragement and staff training
- Customer-oriented approach, continuous improvement
- Motivate to action and evaluate on real achievements
- Simplicity and delegation: facilitate accomplishment of the objectives and empowerment



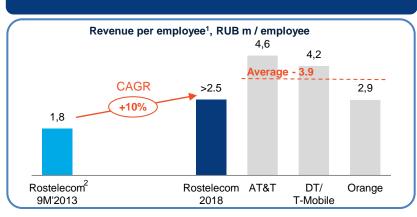


Focus on improvement of operational and investment efficiency

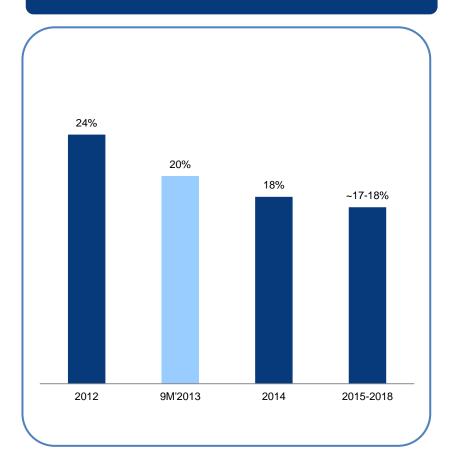




Headcount optimisation







Source: Companies data

www.rt.ru

Notes: ¹ Data on international operators (incl. their mobile business) is PPP (purchasing power parity) adjusted

² Calculated as annualized revenue for 9m 2013 divided by number of employees as of the end of 3Q2013





Focus on shareholder value

Revenue



Target: 3-4% CAGR over next 5 years

- ✓ Focus on Broadband and IPTV offering (fibre + unique content offering)
- ✓ Achieve coverage of 33 mln households (1Gb/s) in 2 years





over next 5 years

OIBDA margin

√ Focus on centralization of support functions + operational efficiency improvement

Target: 100-200 bps improvement

Significant FCF and **ROIC** improvement



CAPEX / Revenue



Target: 200-300bps improvement over next 3 years

✓ Focus on per unit cost (2H'13 purchases c. 50% cheaper than in 2012)



2. Creating T2-RTK Holding – national mobile player



Joint venture with Tele2 Russia: transaction highlights

- Rostelecom and Tele2 Russia to merge their mobile assets to form a new national mobile operator T2 RTK Holding (or "JV") in the largest in-market consolidation in Russian telecom space
- Subject to receipt of necessary regulatory and corporate approvals and successful completion of all transaction stages, Rostelecom will get 45% ownership in JV and is expected to become the largest single beneficial shareholder
- Transaction will be effected in two stages

Stage 1:

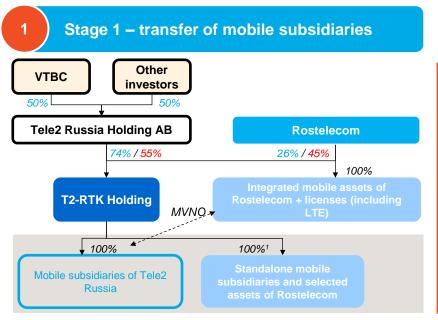
- Rostelecom will contribute its standalone mobile subsidiaries and certain mobile assets. (except for its spectrum in the 450MHz band), including SkyLink, along with associated net debt of approximately RUB 34bn
- Tele2 Russia will contribute all its mobile assets, along with associated net debt of approximately RUB 27bn

Stage 2:

- Rostelecom will transfer its integrated mobile businesses and integrated licenses (including) LTE), subject to an internal reorganisation required to effect the transfer
- Before completion of Stage 2, JV will get access to Rostelecom spectrum assets through MVNO arrangements
- Transaction was approved by Rostelecom Board of Directors on December 12, 2013



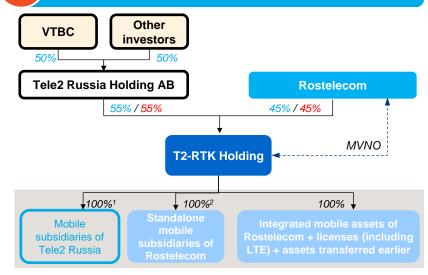
Transaction structure



Economic rights / Voting rights

- Rostelecom contributes its standalone mobile subsidiaries (including SkyLink), selected assets, along with associated net debt of c. RUB 34bn, and receives 26% economic stake in JV (45% voting rights)
- Tele2 Russia contributes all of its mobile assets, along with associated net debt of c. RUB 27bn, and receives 74% economic stake in JV (55% voting rights)
- JV gets access to Rostelecom integrated spectrum assets through MVNO arrangements

2 Stage 2 – transfer of integrated mobile assets



- Rostelecom transfers its integrated mobile businesses and licenses (including LTE), subject to an internal reorganisation required to effect the transfer
- Upon successful completion of Stage 2, Rostelecom's economic stake will increase from 26% to 45%
- Rostelecom will enter into MVNO agreement with JV for LTE to provide 4-play services



¹ In CJSC Acos: 94,4456%; in CJSC SkyLink: 50% (effectively 100% of the charter equity); in OJSC Apex: 93.49%; in CJSC TSRS: 40%

Transaction rationale (1/4)

Key considerations

Strategically important transaction for Rostelecom

- Reinforce Rostelecom's mobile strategy by creating mobile operator with sufficient scale to compete nationwide
- Rostelecom is expected to be the largest single beneficial owner in the JV
 - Pre-emptive rights in the event of a strategic sale by Tele2 Russia and right to acquire additional equity interests (up to the controlling stake) in the event of an IPO
- Retention of upside from mobile-fixed synergies and future convergence

Builds long-term shareholder value

- Substantial operational and financial upside from strengthened competitive position
- Significant synergy potential on capex and opex
- Release of cash flows at Rostelecom level



Transaction rationale (2/4)

Re-positioning Rostelecom's mobile assets through JV with Tele2 Russia

Benefits for Rostelecom

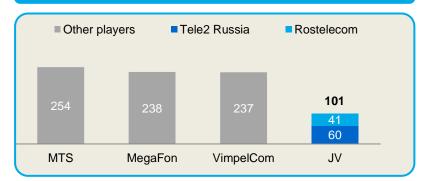
Increased scale

- Over 37m subscribers
- Over 16% market share (by subscribers)
- Full national license coverage
- ✓ Increased footprint
 - From 35 to 64¹ operational regions
- ✓ Capture mobile data growth opportunity
- **Provide convergent services**
- Ability to accelerate 3G/4G networks roll-out
- ✓ Accelerate monetization of licence portfolio
- Capitalize on Tele2 Russia's know-how and impressive track record: from a newcomer to niche player successfully competing with BIG-3

Key combination parameters

	Rostelecom mobile	Tele2 Russia
Regions covered ³	35	41
Subscribers (mm) ³	14.1	23.7
Revenue (RUB bn) ⁴	41	60
Market share ⁶	6%	10%

Mobile revenues 2012 (RUB bn)²



Nationwide license coverage	Rostelecom + ILLEA Mobile assets Russia
Population coverage ⁵	100%
Licenses held (by region of RF):	
700 MHz (LTE)	83 regions
800 MHz (LTE)	83 regions
900 MHz (2G)	26 regions
1800 MHz (2G / LTE ⁵)	78 regions
2100 MHz (3G / UMTS)	71 regions
2300 MHz (LTE)	39 regions
2600 MHz (LTE)	83 regions

Source: Companies data

- ¹ Including 12 regions where Tele2 operations overlaps with Rostelecom. Excluding CDMA only regions.
- ² Rostelecom revenue including CDMA subscribers. Only Russian business is taken into account
- ³ Number of regions with commercial 2G, 3G mobile operations and mobile subscribers as of Q3 2013
- ⁴ Based on 2012 full year
- ⁵ License coverage, including technology neutrality
- ⁶ Based on number of subscribers



Transaction rationale (3/4)

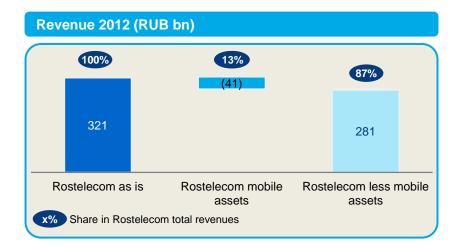
Substantial synergy potential

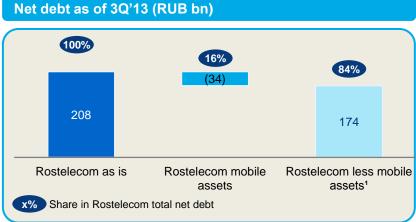
Synergies Area Upsell existing Tele2 Russia subscribers high speed mobile data packages Cross-selling fixed line services to mobile subscribers Converged proposition for Rostelecom subscribers: offer mobile services bundled with Revenue Rostelecom fixed line services Increased revenues from international roaming due to renegotiated tariffs for Tele2 Russia Site rationalisation in Rostelecom and Tele2 Russia overlapping regions Efficient 3G and 4G roll-out through colocation on existing Tele2 Russia sites Efficient 4G network roll-out in Tele2 Russia regions due to wide spectrum bandwidth **Network & IT** Backhaul, backbone and core network consolidation Optimisation of roaming costs Consolidate and simplify IT and billing Increased bargaining power with federal distributors **Distribution &** Rationalisation of retail network by leveraging Rostelecom retail locations and Tele2 Russia's monobrand stores marketing Reduction in marketing costs Leveraging Tele2 Russia know-how and business development track record to launch a national operator with uniform high standard of operation across the country and efficient central management function Other synergies Elimination of overlapping functions Efficiencies in property management and procurement

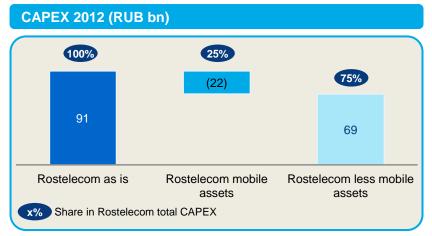


Transaction rationale (4/4)

Release of cash flows at Rostelecom level







Carve-out impact

- Additional cash flow released
 - Substantial savings of mobile CAPEX, particularly from capital intensive roll-out of 3G/4G networks
- Balance sheet is strengthened
 - Elimination of debt related to mobile operations
- Minor impact on top line
 - Large scale of fixed line business compared to mobile

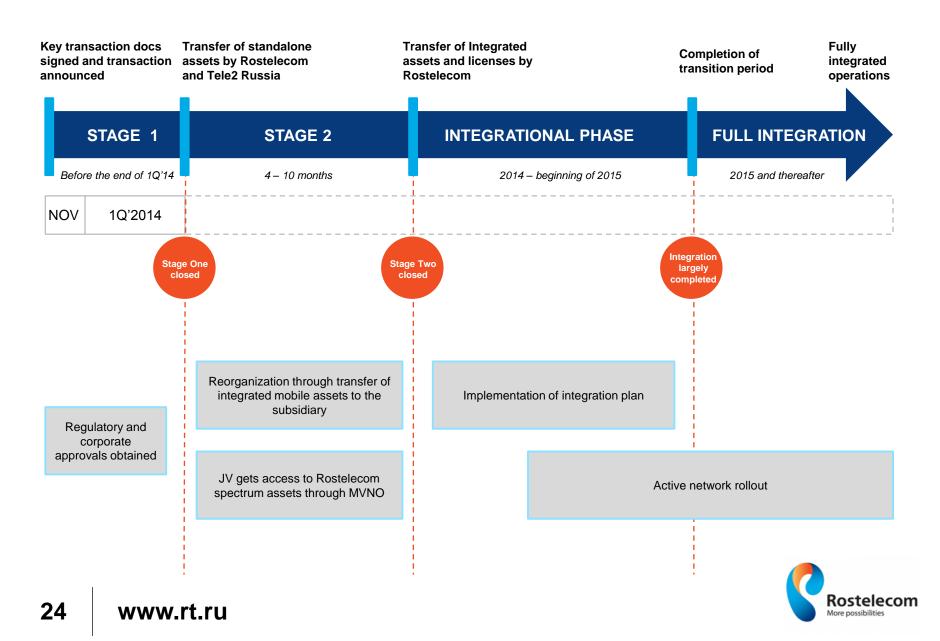
Source: Company data including CDMA subscribers

1 Rostelecom's net debt less net debt transferred to JV





Indicative transaction timetable





3. Q&A



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