# 2016 interim

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Results Highlights Financial Review Business Review

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# **Results highlights**

2016H1 Highlights

#### Financial Highlights :

- Reported net profit of RMB 113 million, improved from losses of RMB 29 million in 2015H1
  - Revenue up 13% to RMB 3,596 million
  - Gross profit margin expanded 1.5 percentage points
  - Rationalized cost structure, particularly without provision impact
- Operating cash flow doubled to RMB 346 million, improvement even bigger excl. Double Happiness
- Significant improvement in working capital
  - Gross working capital improved (down) by 8% while revenue increased
  - Cash conversion cycle improved (shortened) by 15 days (2015: 90 days / 2016: 75 days)

#### **Operational Highlights:**

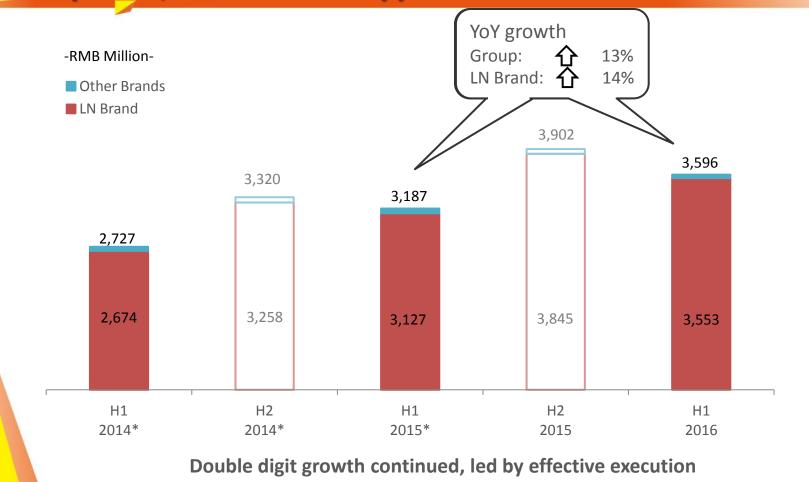
- Low-teens growth for total platform retail sales, including online and offline channels
- Overall Same-Store-Sales in 2016H1 grew mid-single digit
- New product sell-out rate improvement continued, up almost 2 percentage points
- Discount rate improved over 2 percentage points driven by higher new product mix, particularly in direct retail platform



## **Financial review**



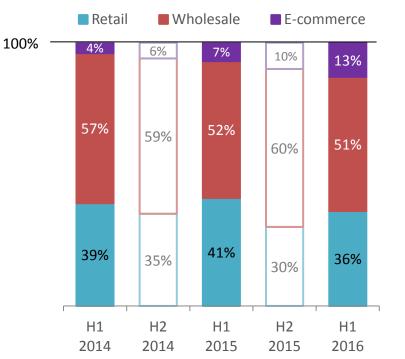
#### Group Total, excl. Double Happiness



\*Excluded Double Happiness

## **Revenue and Sell-Through Mix**

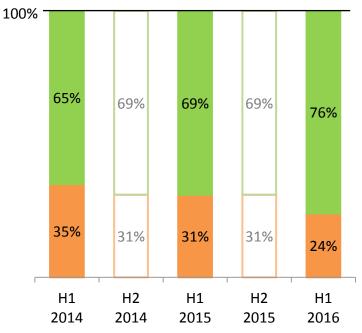
**LN Brand, excl. international markets** 



#### **Company Revenue Mix**

Sell-Through Mix (Incl. Retail, Wholesale and E-commerce)

Old Product New Product (Current and Last Season)

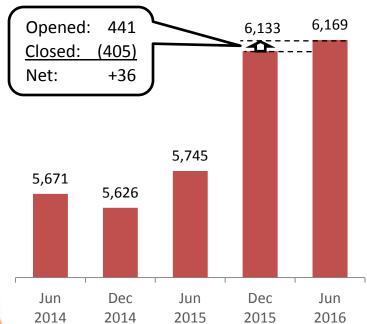


Enhanced profitability, driven by more balanced business model and higher new product mix

## **Online and Offline Expansion**

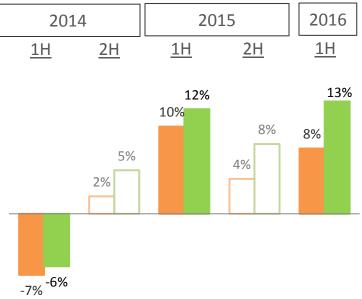
LN Brand, excl. international market sales

#### No. of POS (Period End)



#### Sell-through growth, YoY %

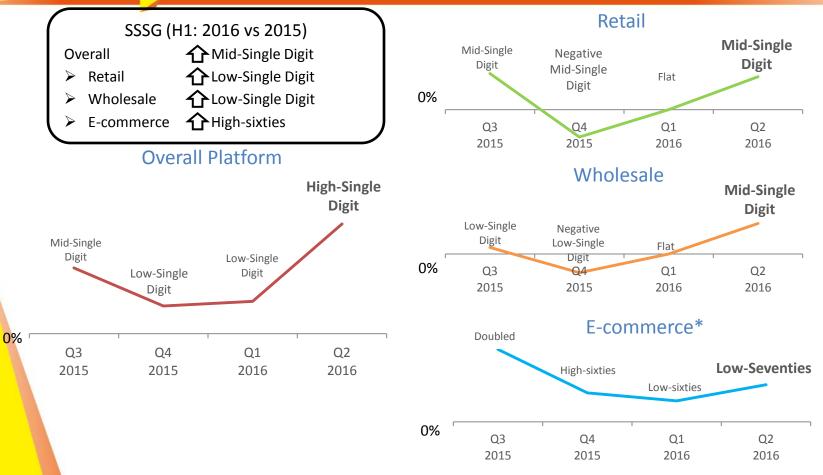
Offline Channel 🔳 Online and Offline Channels



Productive expansion continued in both online and offline channels

## Same Store Sales Growth (SSSG) Rate

#### LN Brand

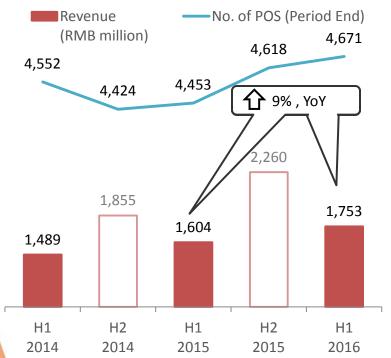


\*E-commerce: LN brand sell-through generated from T-mall, JD and Lining.com

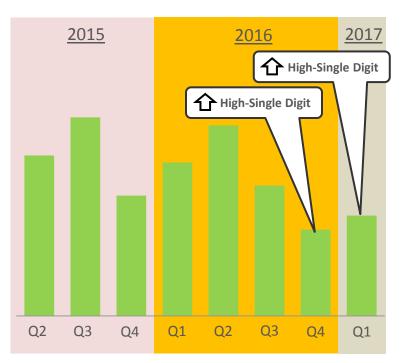
## Wholesale Business^

#### LN Brand, excl. international market sales

#### **Business Performance**



#### Trade Fair Order\* (Tag Price) Growth, % YoY



#### Wholesale business growth continued, coherent with strong trade fair order performance

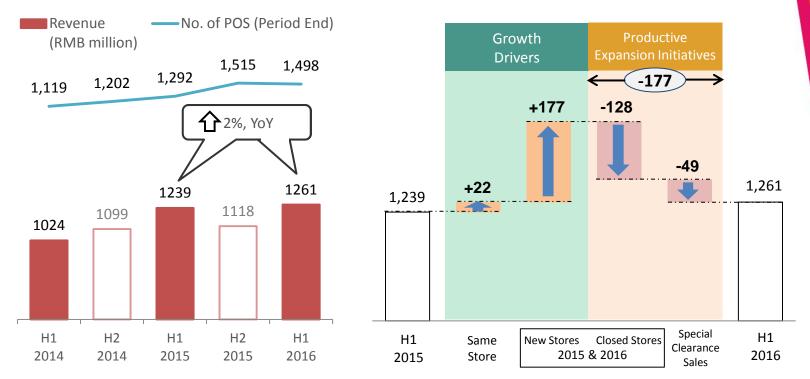
^ Wholesale business: Only including franchised distributors; excluding our direct retail

\*Order placed during trade fair (excl. orders from subsidiaries), e.g. 2017Q1 orders were placed about half year ago

## **Retail Business^**

LN Brand

#### **Business Performance**



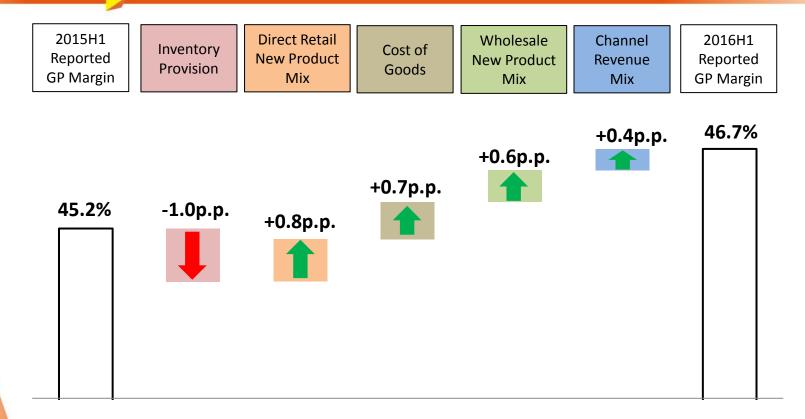
**Revenue Growth Analysis** 

#### Revenue growth temporarily affected by fewer special clearance sales and non-productive store closure

- ^ Retail business: Refers to direct retail operation
- # Excl. POS with less than one month operation and special event sales

## GP Margin Analysis – 2016H1 vs 2015H1

Net Change in Major Items, Double Happiness Recorded as Discontinued Operations

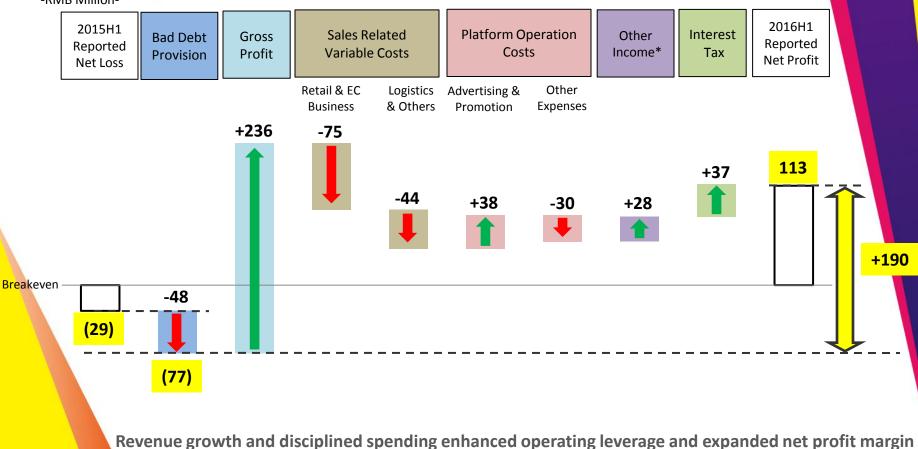


Gross profit (GP) margin expansion driven by enhanced new product mix

## Profitability Analysis – 2016H1 vs 2015H1

Net Change of Major P&L Items, Double Happiness Recorded as Discontinued Operations

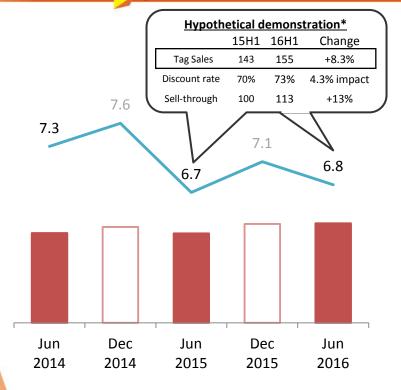
-RMB Million-

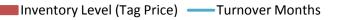


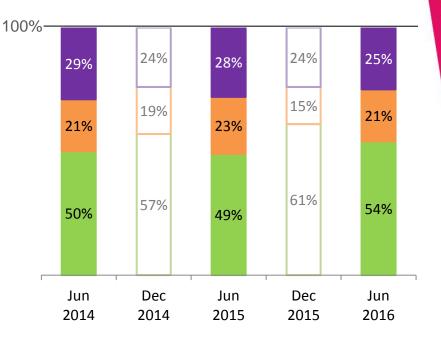
\*Other income include (i) miscellaneous income and gains, (ii) share profit from associate and (iii) profit from discounted operation of Double Happiness

## **Channel Inventory**

### Incl. Retail, Wholesale and E-commerce





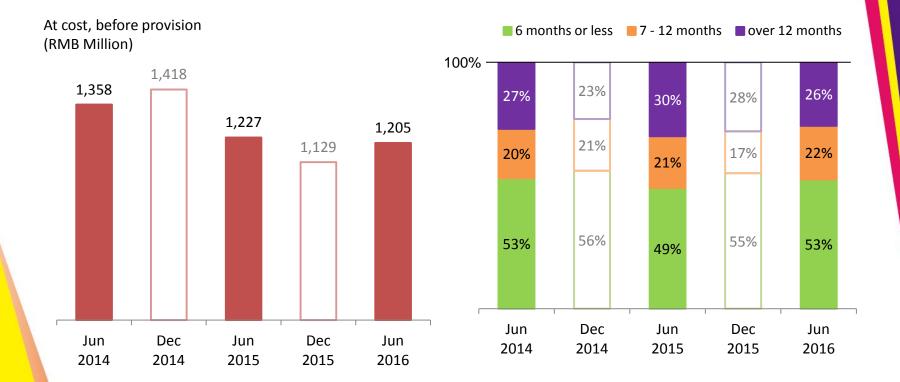


■ 6 months or less ■ 7 - 12 months ■ Over 12 Months (New Product)

#### Product mix improved, ready for sustainable business expansion

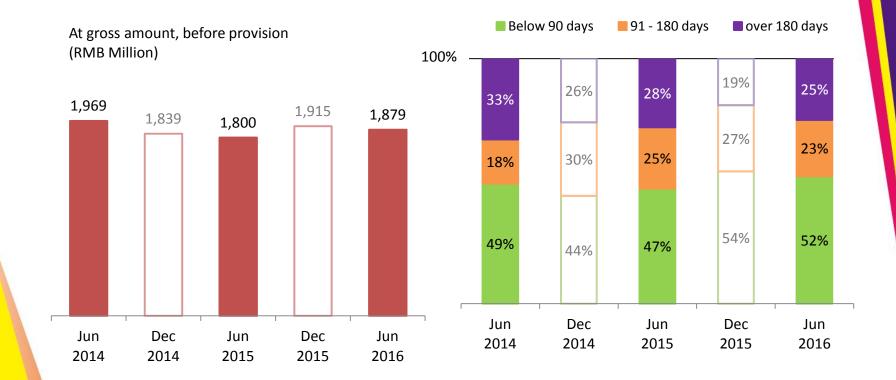
\*To demonstrate how discount improvement inflated number of months

## **Company Inventory** Excl. Double Happiness



Healthy inventory notwithstanding strong expansion in direct operated business (Incl. EC)

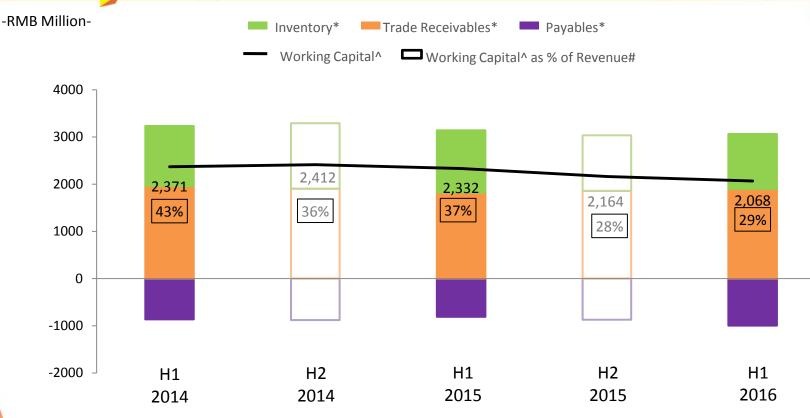
## **Trade Receivables** Excl. Double Happiness



**Receivables maintained stable notwithstanding revenue growth** 

## **Working Capital Efficiency**

## **Excl. Double Happiness**



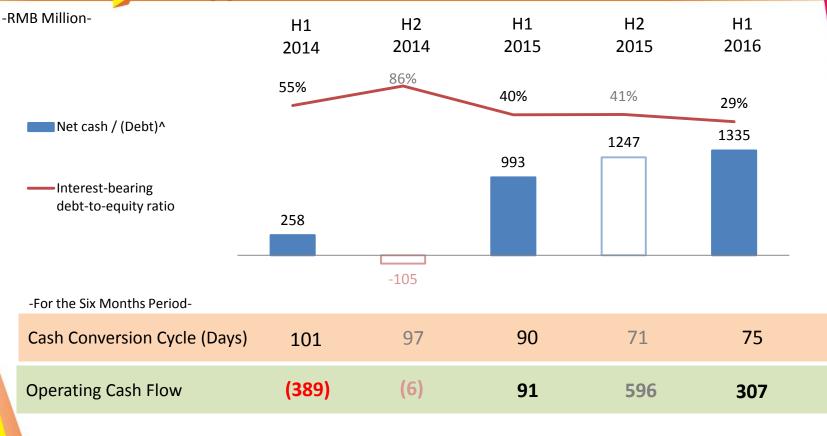
#### Working capital improvement continued

\* Simple average between period opening and ending ^ Gross Amounts of inventory, trade receivables and payables, without netting off provisions

# Annualized revenue

## Balance sheet summary and cash position

### Excl. Double Happiness



#### Business stabilized, operating cash flow resumed normal

^Net Cash / (Debt) = Cash and Cash Equivalents – Borrowings



## **Business Review**

## Enticed Sports Enthusiastic Consumers by "Performance" and "Functionalities"

- Pushed boundaries of the "value for money" proposition offered by most domestic brands
- Provided products to satisfy sports participating consumers
- Promoted Sports + Concept



 To promote sports beyond enjoyment of competitions, but also as a mean toward an educated and healthy lifestyle.

## National Policies Go in Favor of Industry Development

#### <National Fitness Program 2016-2020>

- Announced in June 2016
- Maximise the impact of Chinese people's fitness training on educational, economic and social functions, to facilitate mutual development of other social affairs
- Include Chinese people's fitness training projects in assessment of local governments' livelihood policies
- In the next 5 years, sports, fitness training and leisure activities, tournament performance events, venue services, training and education will grow in scale and account for a bigger part of the sports services industry
- Introduce the "Internet +" concept, develop a business model for Chinese people's fitness training which integrates statistics, smart hardware and training sessions, etc.



Some **700 million\*** people will participate in sports training once or more times in a week



Some **435 million\*** people will participate regularly in sports training



Sports related consumption will reach RMB1.5 trillion\*

## The "Three-Pillar" Strategy: Enhanced User Experience

("Super Light 13<sup>th</sup> Generation" running shoe model as an example)

• Promoted products through the authorized producttesting platforms (<u>http://www.i-size.com.cn/</u>)



• Organised a variety of interactive events with prizes on WeChat to enhance the participative experience

• Retweeted information of LI-NING China 10K Running League and participate in lucky draws to win prizes in products



#### **Online (Website)**





Product launches online and offline at the same time • Perpetuated the LI-NING brand's technology edges, groom the "Super Light" range into the lightest running trainers in history





• Promoted products via LI-NING China 10K Running League (Chengdu, April 2016)

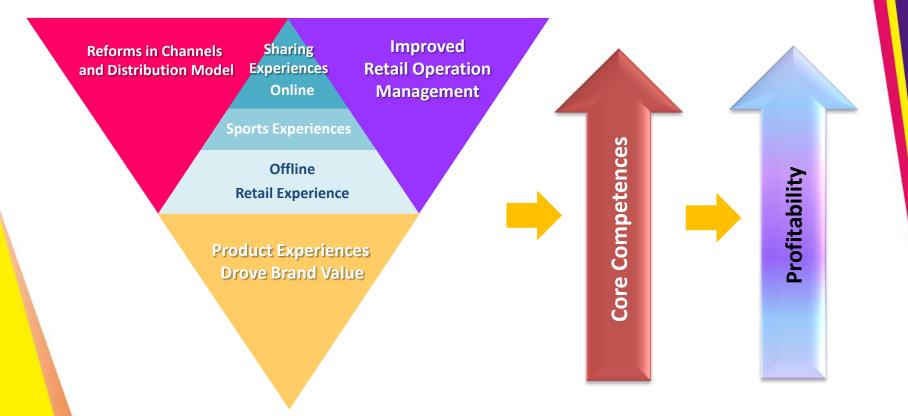


#### Offline (brick and mortar stores)



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## The "Three-Pillar" Strategy: Core Competitiveness led to Profitability

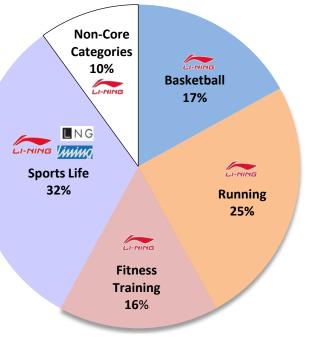


## Five Core Categories\* Drove Business Growth

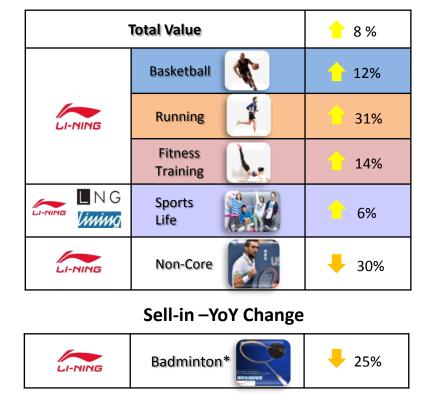
(2016 H1)

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**Retail Sell-through – Mix** 



**Retail Sell-through – YoY Change** 



\*The "Five Core Product Categories" include basketball, running, fitness training, sports life and badminton

Sales of badminton products are shown with sell-in data for reference as they are mainly distributed via professional channels

## **Smart Products:**

## **Boosted Business Growth and Brand Rejuvenation**

#### **Smart Running Trainers**

Retail Sales volume of Li-Ning Smart Running Shoes Exceeded 700 thousands pairs\*



Rouge Rabbit Launched in July 15 RMB199 Online Sales Offline Experience

**Furious Rider** 

Launched in

July 15

**RMB 399** 

Online Sales

Offline

Experience



Rouge Rabbit 2016 Launched in July 16 RMB199 Online Sales Offline Experience



Cloud 3

Launched in

16Q1

RMB419 Distribute

online and

via offline

channels



LI-NING Bow Launched in 16Q1 RMB499 Distribute online and via offline channels

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#### Sales Statistics of Rouge Rabbit

- Sales volume: around 400 thousands pairs\*
- Post-80s and Post-90s consumers accounted

for 75% of the total^

\*By the end of July 2016 ^By the end of June 2016 Professional Products + Smart Hardware + Mobile Internet + Big Data analysis

## Established new ways to communicate with target customers

#### **Smart Basketball**

- Connect cell phones with the basketball via bluetooth
- Provide dedicated statistics to enhance training results



Experience

## **Smart Products:** LI-NING Smart Running Family 2016



#### Shock-absorbers



- LI-NING Bow shock absorbing smart running trainers Price: RMB 499
- Ring-Bow provides superior cushioning effects
- Upgrade sole to regular polyhedron
- Avoid foot injuries from torsion



#### **Cloud 3 Shock-absorbing** smart running trainers

Price: RMB 419

- Li-Ning Cloud Technology Platform
- Outstanding "Impulse-recoil" effect
- Pioneer cushioning materials used in professional running trainers

#### **Stabilizers**



**Furious Rider 2016** Price: Not available (to be launch)

- DualLoc double density materials and transparent TPU structure used in the midsole
- Reduce joint injuries caused by incorrect running posture
- Cloud materials and bounce technology to enhance shock-absorbing and recoil functionalities



#### Rouge Rabbit 2016

**Smart Running trainers** 

Price: RMB 199

- Lightweight midsole EVA foamed materials to enhance comfort
- Use breathable mesh for uppers
- "FoamEvaLite" midsole +EVA heel piece to strengthen cushioning

#### **Special Editions**

LI-NING Cloud **Glory Edition** Price: RMB 539

**Rouge Rabbit Glory Edition** Price: RMB 299





•Add passion from Brazil, let consumers feel the enthusiasm from Rio Olympics

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Non-Smart Products : Integrating Professionalism & Fashion					
		Running	Basketball	Training	
	Hero Product	Super Light 13 <sup>th</sup> Single-piece knit Running shoes Tag price: RMB 469	CBA Professional Boot Cloud Phantom Tag price: RMB 599	LI-NING Super Trainer Tag price: RMB 379	
	Product Description	<ul> <li>Launched in 16Q2</li> <li>Inspired by oriental tapestry</li> <li>One-piece knit upper to allow air permeability and enclosure</li> <li>extremely lightweight EVA foam bed for midsole</li> <li>Simple chic color mix, classical and stylish</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Launched in 16Q1</li> <li>Applied 3rd generation midsole to enhance shock absorptions and recoil</li> <li>Rubber + EVA combined sole, for excellent in abrasion and slip resistance</li> <li>Retro stylish with traditional Chinese splash-ink prints</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Launched in 16Q1</li> <li>One-piece knitted toe-cap, warm and breathable</li> <li>Lightweight patina color sole, sporty comfortable</li> <li>Using stylish color-combo to highlight personality</li> </ul>	
	Sales Performance	<ul><li>3-months sales performance</li><li>Sell-out rate: 62%</li><li>Volume: Approx. 500,000 pairs</li></ul>	<ul><li>4-months sales performance</li><li>Sell-out rate: 70%</li><li>Volume: Over 10,000 pairs</li></ul>	<ul> <li>3-months sales performance</li> <li>Sell-out rate: 65%</li> <li>Volume: Approx. 40,000 pairs</li> </ul>	



## **POS Expansion & Performance Enhancement**

- 6,169 point-of-sales (POS) by end-Jun 2016, net addition of 36 from end-Dec 2015 (newly opened: 441; closed: 405), including:
  - 19 net additions
  - **L**NG **21** net additions
- Target for the whole year is maintained at net additions of 300-500 POS
- Strengthened cooperation with channel partners , strategically enter regions of low penetration with growth potential
- Category-specific stores : opened running and basketball specialty stores, delivered more professional services to running and basketball enthusiasts





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## Channel: E-Commerce Business Development

Revenue from e-commerce doubled YoY
 Contributing 13% to the total revenue

- Reinforced all-channel business development, achieved inventory allocation across channels
   Established market trend analysis system, to identify consumer demand with Big Data and improve product experience
- Care about consumers' participation at sales operation level:





- Mr. Li Ning appeared on TMall live broadcast during the launch of "Rouge Rabbit 2016", illustrated the product and delivered healthy lifestyle concepts
- Coupling with offline campaigns "Taking a stroll to win smart shoes" which drove store sales



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Launched national Olympic team equipment
Initiated "Old customer outreach" campaign with Olympic related gifts to advocate fitness concept



Live broadcast of "Wade China Tour"

## Channel: Provided Professional Services to Running Enthusiasts

The first LI-NING running product specialty store opened in Shanghai, it stands as new landmark for running enthusiasts, offering a combination of professional equipment, tests and sports-social interactions.



(Address: 5/F, Longemont Shopping Mall, Zhongshan Park, Shanghai)









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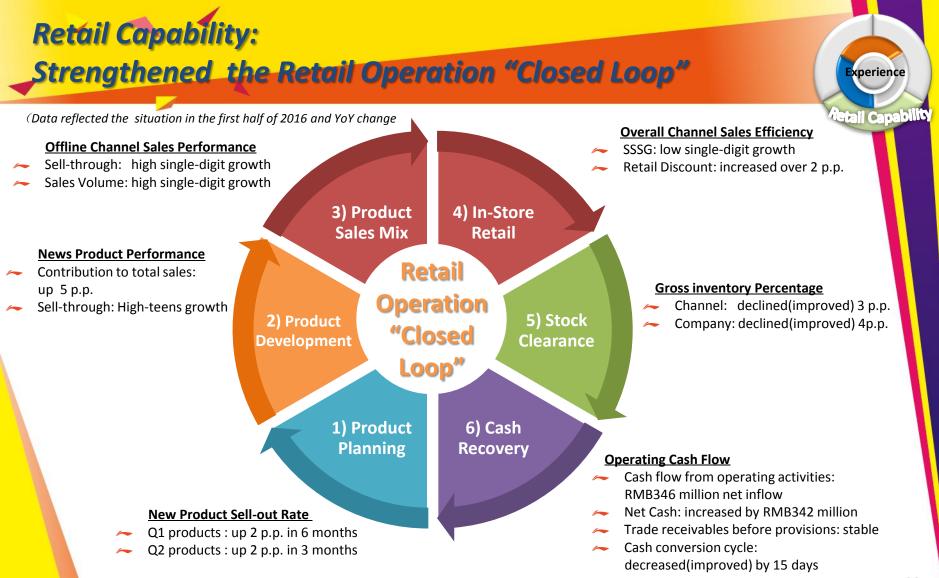
## A Business Model based on Retail Mentality



- Consolidated online and offline merchandise management and marketing campaign
- Established a fully integrated all-inventory system, improving inventory structure and operational efficiency
  - Developed monthly and quarterly evaluation benchmarks for subsidiaries to improve terminal operation standards
  - Developed operating benchmarks for stores of different types in accordance with unique channel attributes
  - Developed unique visual identities for stores in various channels with different product assortments
- Formulated promotional plans and display guidance according to store images and types
- Strengthened training on services, sales and management skills for POS terminals
- Coped with competition by applying optimal retail discounts to meet consumers' demand

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# **Open Forum** -

## Summary of Income Statement

Double Happiness Recorded as Discontinued Operations

(RMB million)	H1 2016	H1 2015	Better/(Worse)
	Period ended 30 June		
Revenue	3,596	3,186	13%
Gross Profit	1,678	1,441	16%
Distribution costs	-1,355	-1,243	(9%)
Administrative expenses	-203	-158	(28%)
Other income and other gains – net	33	17	94%
Operating Profit	153	57	167%
EBITDA	308	163	89%
(Loss) / Profit Attributable to Equity Holders	113	-29	N/A
Basic (Losses) / Profit per share(RMB cents)	5.16	-1.55	N/A

## **Profit Margins And Expense Ratios**

**Double Happiness Recorded as Discontinued Operations** 

	H1 2016	H1 2015	Better/(Worse)
	Period ended 30 June		
Gross Profit Margin	46.7%	45.2%	1.5p.p.
Operating Profit Margin	4.2%	1.8%	2.4p.p.
EBITDA Margin	8.6%	5.1%	3.5p.p.
Margin of (Loss) /Profit Attributable to Equity Holders	3.2%	-0.9%	4.1p.p.
R&D Expenses(as % of revenue)	1.6%	2.2%	0.6p.p.
A&P Expenses(as % of revenue)	12.1%	14.8%	2.7p.p.
Staff Costs(as % of revenue)	9.8%	10.1%	0.3p.p.

## **Key Operational Indicators**

### **Double Happiness Recorded as Discontinued Operations**

	H1 2016	H1 2015	Better/(Worse)
	Period ended 30 June		
Average Inventory Turnover(Days)	94	112	18
Average Trade Receivables Turnover(Days)	72	71	(1)
Average Trade Payables Turnover(Days)	91	93	(2)
Cash Conversion Cycle(Days)	75	90	15
Return on Equity(ROE)	3.5%	-1.2%	4.7p.p.
Return on Asset(ROA)	1.7%	-0.5%	2.2p.p.
CAPEX(RMB million)	176	140	26%

## Summary of Balance Sheet

Double Happiness Recorded as Held for Sale Asset

(RMB Million)	30 Jun 2016	31 Dec 2015	Better/(Worse)
Cash and Cash Equivalents	1,545	1,813	(15%)
Borrowings	210	566	63%
Convertible Bonds Liabilities	741	723	(2%)
Net Cash*	1,335	1,246	7%
Current Liabilities	2,259	2,472	9%
Current Ratio(times)	2.4	2.2	0.2x
Total Liabilities to Total Assets Ratio	48.0%	50.6%	2.6p.p.