

# H1 2023 Results

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# On The Call Today



John Lofton Holt, Founder and Executive Chair



Tony Pialis, Founder and Chief Executive Officer



Christian Bowsher, Acting Chief Financial Officer



# Agenda

Governance Update	John Lofton Holt, Founder and Executive Chair
<b>Business Highlights</b>	Tony Pialis, Founder and CEO
Financial Review and Outlook	Christian Bowsher, Acting Chief Financial Officer
QA Session	



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### Introduction

John Lofton Holt, Founder and Executive Chair

## **Governance Update**

- Additional governance on finance operations with the appointment of David Reeder to the Board
- Good progress made on multiple fronts:
  - Detailed review of FY 2022 audit findings
  - Internal controls
  - ERP implementation project
  - Finance organisation structure

# Leading Connectivity Technology for Digital Infrastructure

#### First Six Months of the Consolidation Period





### Business Update

**Tony Pialis, Founder and CEO** 

# H1 2023 Highlights



1 See slide 26 for reconciliation of non-GAAP metrics

# AI-Centric Data Centers - Custom Silicon for AI Workloads

Performance

INTEL XEON Sapphire Rapids

AMD EPYC ds 4<sup>th</sup> Gen Genoa

-	
XEON	-

**CPU** General Purpose @ lower performance Nvidia H100 AMD MI300X



**GPU** Domain specific language (eg. CUDA)





#### **CUSTOM SILICON**

Optimized for AI \$200M+ development cost

2010

2017



Changing The Business Mix Towards Advanced Nodes

**IP & NRE Bookings – Leading Indicator of Business Mix** 

• Focus on high-growth markets and high value opportunities



# Addressing a Growing Market With Leading Edge Capabilities



# Growth Strategy Built on a Broad Product Portfolio

#### Leading Connectivity IP and Silicon



# Winning Business in Advanced Connectivity Solutions

- Different business mix of H1 2023 bookings and revenue reflect consolidation period
- Investing in R&D to support our pipeline and future revenue growth
- On track to deliver first revenue of Connectivity
  Products in 2024
- Servicing our customers with a wider offering of connectivity silicon IP, custom silicon and optoelectronic products focused on data centers and wireless infrastructure
- 2023 and medium-term outlook for the business remains unchanged







## **Financial Overview**

**Chris Bowsher, Acting Chief Financial Officer** 

# H1 2023 Bookings up 251% Year-on-Year

### 77% of IP & NRE Bookings in Advanced Nodes



#### Licence & NRE

- Main contribution from North American customers
- Increased contribution from EMEA and APAC
- First 3nm custom silicon design win with 224G Ser-Des IP enabling 800G/1.6T connectivity
- Design win with a leading APAC customer for our leading Gen6 PCIe SerDes and Controller IP

#### **Royalties & Silicon**

 Mainly driven by orders from Chinese and North American customers

# H1 2023 Revenue up 228% Year-on-Year

#### **Revenue Outside of China US\$63m up 79% Year-on-Year**



#### Licence & NRE

 Growth mainly driven by multiyear contracts

#### **Royalties & Silicon**

 Approximately <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> from Chinese customers related to preexisting custom designs in production

#### North America +134% YoY

H1 2023 Gross margin at 44% reflects business mix including legacy silicon revenue from OpenFive

# Investing In Future Revenue Growth

### **Operating Expenses Reflect Increased Headcount**

- Increased headcount from 251 to 744
  - Approximately 350 employees from the acquisitions of OpenFive and Banias Labs
- R&D increased headcount and some additional IT/SW tooling required
  - US\$24.7m R&D expenses capitalised in H1 2023 (H1 2022: US\$nil)
  - US\$6.3m amortisation of acquired intangibles
- G&A building finance, legal and HR functions
  - Includes US\$4.1m of deferred compensation payments related to acquisitions
- Other expenses/(income) in H1 2022 included a US\$19.3m exchange gain
  - H1 2023 SBP US\$18.5m (H1 2022: US\$7.2m)



Due to rounding, numbers presented in the chart may not add up to the totals provided.



# Higher Adjusted EBITDA Reflects Increasing Scale

### Adjusted EBITDA Margin Reflects Business Mix and Investment in Growth

- EBITDA<sup>1</sup> in H1 2022 included US\$19m exchange gain
- Adjusted EBITDA of US\$32.4m, 40% over H1 2022
- Adjusted EBITDA margin of 17% reflects:
  - Acquired legacy custom silicon revenue at low margin
  - Investment in capabilities to support our pipeline of opportunities
- Adjusted diluted EPS of \$2.20
  - Higher adjusted operating profit
  - Higher share count



1 See slide 26 for reconciliation of non-GAAP metrics

### H1 2023 Cash Flow Bridge



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## **Debt Covenants**

- Fixed charges coverage ratio was below 1.25x mostly due to:
  - Higher working capital requirement as a result of a significant reduction in deferred revenue
  - Higher proportion of lower-margin silicon revenue at the beginning of the year
  - Increased investment in research and development activities
- Long-term waiver established for the period to the quarter ending 30 June 2024
- Net leverage covenant remains unchanged
- New minimum liquidity requirement until 30 September 2025

# **Outlook Unchanged**

US\$	<b>202</b> 3 <sup>1</sup>	2025
Revenues	\$340-360m	\$500m
Gross margin		c.60%
Opex %		c.30%
R&D %		Below 20%
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>1</sup>	Approx. \$87m	Approx. \$150m
Adjusted EBITDA %	c. 25%	c.30%
Capex (exc. Cap R&D)	c. 12%	c. 10%

#### H1 2023

- Depreciation and amortisation US\$13.3m
- Share-based payments US\$18.5m
- Deferred compensation US\$4.1m
- Capex US\$14.6m or 8% of revenue
- Capitalised R&D of US\$24.7m or 13% of revenue

1 2023 assumes mid-point of the guidance range and 25% adjusted EBITDA margin; 2025 assumes US\$500m revenue and 30% adjusted EBITDA margin



# **QA** Session



# **Thank You!**

### **Non-GAAP Metrics**

# See note 4 to the accounts Alternative Performance Measures H1 2023 Results Report at https://www.awaveip.com/en/investors/results-reports-presentations/

	Six months ended	
	30 June	31 December
	2023	2022
	US\$m	US\$m
Backlog (end of the prior year)	364.5	168.6
Add: New bookings excluding IP royalties	187.2	213.0
Add: Backlog acquired with OpenFive and Precise-ITC	-	168.3
Less: Revenues recognised in the period <sup>1</sup>	(187.2)	(185.4)
Backlog (end of the period)	364.5	364.5

#### **Operating profit to EBITDA reconciliation**

	Six months	Six months
(US\$'000)	ended 30 June 2023	ended 30 June 2022
Operating (loss)/profit	(2,580)	29,898
Add backs:		
Depreciation and amortisation	13,307	2,839
EBITDA	10,727	32,737

(US\$'000)	Six months ended 30 June 2023	Six months ended 30 June 2022
Profit after tax	(13,431)	16,252
Add backs:		
Non-recurring M&A-related (income)/costs	(263)	2,537
Share-based payment	18,502	7,192
Exchange gain	(592)	(19,271)
Retention payments	4,069	-
Amortisation of acquired intangibles	6,328	-
Tax effect of above adjustments	823	-
Adjusted profit after tax	15,436	6,710

#### EBITDA to adjusted EBITDA reconciliation

(US\$'000)	Six months ended 30 June 2023	Six months ended 30 June 2022
EBITDA	10,727	32,737
Add backs:		
Non-recurring M&A-related (income)/costs	(263)	2,537
Share-based payment	18,502	7,192
Exchange gain	(592)	(19,271)
Retention payments	4,069	-
Adjusted EBITDA	32,443	23,195

#### Adjusted profit per ordinary share attributable to the shareholders (expressed in cents per ordinary share)

	Note	Six months ended 30 June 2023	Six months ended 30 June 2022
Adjusted basic earnings per share	13	2.20	1.00
Adjusted diluted earnings per share	13	2.20	0.96

# Backlog US\$366m

#### Large Diverse Backlog Drives Stability and Predictability With 18+ Months of Visibility



<sup>1</sup> Including backlog from OpenFive and Precise-ITC of approximately over US\$100m