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# Adoption of Business Net Income

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# Adoption of Business Net Income as of Q1 2010

- As announced in the Q2 and Q3 2009 results publications, the Group will communicate, as of Q1 2010, on one key Non-GAAP indicator in connection to the application of IFRS 8:

## **Business Net Income**

- Will replace adjusted net income excluding selected items
  - Is equivalent to adjusted net income excluding selected items stripping out the full amortization of intangibles net of tax (a non-cash item)
- Advantages of **Business Net Income**:
    - It avoids split treatment of amortization of intangibles contrary to adjusted net income excluding selected items
    - It represents more simply and adequately the Group's recurring performance
  - The Group reports adjusted net income excluding selected items until end of 2009

# Adoption of Business Net Income as of Q1 2010

- Use of this new indicator is not expected to give rise to any material difference as compared with the current performance measure of adjusted net income excluding selected items
- Growth in 2009 Business Net Income is close to growth in adjusted net income excluding selected items

## Reconciliation of 2009 Business Net Income to Adjusted Net Income excluding selected items

€m	2009	% Change
<b>Business Net Income</b>	<b>8,629</b>	<b>+18.0%</b>
<i>Amortization of intangible assets</i>	(220)	-
<i>Tax effect</i>	62	-
<b>Adjusted Net Income excluding selected items</b>	<b>8,471</b>	<b>+17.9%</b>
<b>Adjusted EPS excluding selected items</b>	<b>6.49</b>	<b>+18.2%</b>
<b>Business EPS</b>	<b>6.61</b>	<b>+18.2%</b>

# Reconciliation of Business Net Income to Consolidated Net Income

- **Business Net Income** is the consolidated net income before:
  - Amortization of intangibles
  - Impairment of intangibles
  - Other impacts related to acquisitions (primarily inventory step-up and impacts of purchase accounting on associates)
  - Major restructuring costs
  - Significant gains and losses on disposals of non-current assets
  - Costs or provisions associated with major litigation
  - Tax effect on the items listed above