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Strong Foundation to Accelerate Profitable Growth

Strategy and vision

2006 was a pivotal year for Wolters Kluwer as the company successfully completed its three-year plan, initiated in October 2003, to transform and strengthen the company. Over the last three years, Wolters Kluwer has invested in growth around its leading market positions, reduced costs through structural improvements, reorganized the business to get closer to its customers, and strengthened its financial position.

The transformation plan, completed in 2006, created a strong foundation for Wolters Kluwer as it enters the next era. The company is accelerating profitable growth with its strategy for 2007 and beyond, announced on September 27, 2006, through four strategic actions:

- Grow leading positions in core vertical markets
- Capture key adjacencies
- Exploit global scale and scope
- Institutionalize operational excellence

The strong vertical market positions that Wolters Kluwer has established through a combination of deep customer knowledge, content expertise, and technology know-how, in the context of highly acclaimed and trusted brands, are at the core of this growth program going forward.

Leveraging these strengths provides Wolters Kluwer with opportunities to expand its market-leading positions by participating more deeply in professionals' workflows through integrated products and services.

Growth in 2007 and beyond will include expansion into adjacent markets and greater globalization. Across the company, Wolters Kluwer is targeting specific adjacencies, including new customer segments and markets, that enable it to build from its existing positions to capture additional growth opportunities. Similarly, the company is leveraging its assets and capabilities to expand its global presence in new and emerging markets by selectively extending its product lines and platforms. Underpinning this emphasis on growth is a continuous drive for operational excellence - a relentless focus on improving efficiencies throughout the business provides Wolters Kluwer with opportunities to enhance customer relationships, improve time to market with new products, and increase operating margins.

The strategy is supported by the company's vision to be *The Professional's First Choice*, providing information, tools, and solutions to help customers make their critical decisions effectively and improve their productivity.

2006 accomplishments

In 2006, Wolters Kluwer focused on completing its three-year plan. This plan centered on three key strategies to create sustainable growth and improved value for Wolters Kluwer's customers, employees, and shareholders.

Investing in growth around leading market positions

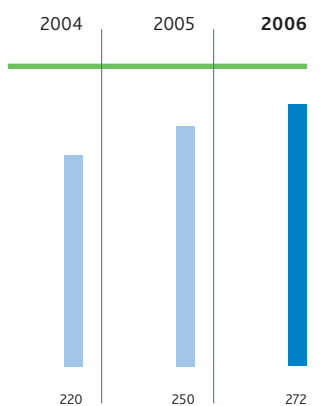
Since 2003, Wolters Kluwer has restored organic growth across all divisions, from (2)% in 2003 to 3% in 2006. Critical to this success has been increased investments in new and enhanced products and improved sales and marketing. These investments have been a key driver of the substantial growth in online and software revenues. During the three-year period Wolters Kluwer increased the percentage of revenues from electronic products across all divisions and geographies, to 43% of 2006 revenues from 31% in 2003. This significant growth was driven by good customer adoption of new online and software products, as well as increased retention of existing products. In addition, investments in sales and marketing were made in all divisions and included enhanced customer retention programs and increased sales force coverage for key customer segments.

Acquisitions made by Wolters Kluwer in 2006 provided the company with opportunities to consolidate leading positions, such as in the German legal market, and to enter high-growth adjacent market segments, such as the medical coding market. Key acquisitions included Healthcare Analytics and ProVation Medical, Inc. in the Health division; TaxWise, ATX/Kleinrock, and Sage products in the Tax, Accounting & Legal (TAL) division; and Carl Heymanns in the Legal, Tax & Regulatory Europe (LTRE) division.

Globalization efforts advanced in several divisions with particular emphasis on expanding the company's presence in Asia Pacific. Health expanded its presence in China and India, and entered the Spanish-language markets of Spain and Latin America with a broader product line. CCH successfully launched country-specific versions of its ProSystem fx product in Australia and Canada.

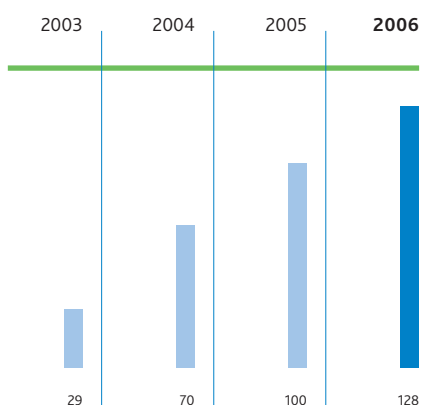
Product Development Spending

in millions of euros



Cost Savings

in millions of euros



Reducing costs through structural improvements

Across Wolters Kluwer, efforts took place on corporate, divisional, and business unit levels to create operating efficiencies and leverage scale. Specific restructuring efforts in the Netherlands, Belgium, and the United Kingdom were successfully completed. The LTRE division also spearheaded European initiatives to streamline print and paper supply processes, resulting in significant cost savings. In North America, the move towards shared services for technology, human resources, and select finance functions progressed in 2006. Global data center migration continued with over 70% of servers transferred to a data center outsource provider. The use of offshore technology resources to build and maintain online and software solutions increased in 2006, providing additional capacity for launching new products and better cost performance. Throughout Wolters Kluwer numerous Lean Six Sigma initiatives were implemented.

These improvements have delivered total cost savings of €327 million since 2003 with savings of €128 million in 2006.

Reorganizing to deliver growth

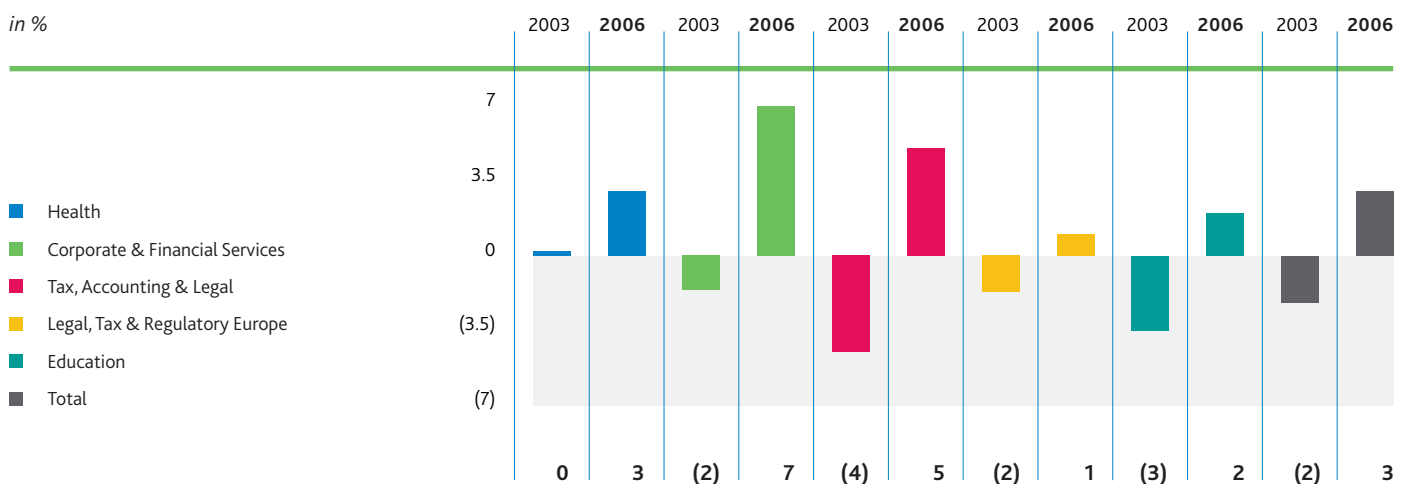
Throughout 2006 the company continued to enhance its ability to deliver growth by making strategic investments in sales and marketing, supporting Wolters Kluwer's emphasis on deep customer knowledge. On a global level the company developed and launched a customer insight program that

embeds the voice of the customer in each phase of the product lifecycle – from concept and design through launch.

On a divisional level, several key developments are noteworthy. In LTRE, significant investments were made in sales and marketing, including sales and product training, the introduction of new remuneration and reward schemes, and the addition of sales and marketing staff to strengthen local teams. In Corporate & Financial Services (CFS), the Corporate Legal Services unit reorganized around its four customer-facing markets and Financial Services adopted the new external-facing identity of Wolters Kluwer Financial Services. Similarly, the TAL Law & Business unit's go-to-market identity became Wolters Kluwer Law & Business, unifying its positions in the legal and business compliance markets. Beginning in 2007, the United Kingdom business will be incorporated into Wolters Kluwer Law & Business in order to leverage synergies created by their similar customers and markets.

These efforts and others are designed to provide Wolters Kluwer with deeper customer insights, increased responsiveness to customer needs, and enhanced new product development programs.

Organic revenue growth, 2003 and 2006



Looking forward and outlook

Today's market drivers and trends play to Wolters Kluwer's strengths. The demand for integrated content and workflow solutions is increasing as regulatory and compliance standards grow. Customers prefer to do business with providers that have a deep understanding of their workflows and can provide productivity tools to support their professional requirements. Digital distribution reaching the professional's desktop provides new opportunities for Wolters Kluwer to reach customer segments more cost-effectively and to experiment with different business models. Furthermore, as the professional class increases exponentially in emerging markets, there is significant growth potential for Wolters Kluwer. The strategy for 2007 and beyond positions Wolters Kluwer to accelerate its growth by leveraging these industry trends, its strong vertical market positions, and renowned brands.

Outlook 2007 ^[1]

Key Performance Indicators, in constant currencies ^[2]

	2007
Organic revenue growth	4%
Ordinary EBITA margin	19-20%
Cash conversion ratio (CAR)	95-105%
Free cash flow	± €450 million
Return on invested capital	^[3] ≥ WACC
Ordinary diluted earnings per share	€1.45-€1.55

Divisional guidance for 2007

Organic revenue growth, in %

	2007
Health	2-3
Corporate & Financial Services	5-7
Tax, Accounting & Legal	4-6
Legal, Tax & Regulatory Europe	2-4
Education	2-4

Outlook beyond 2007

Key Performance Indicators, in constant currencies

Organic revenue growth	4-5%
Operating margins (ordinary EBITA margin)	Continuous improvement
Ordinary diluted earnings per share	Double digit growth
Return on invested capital	^[3] Exceeding WACC as of 2007
Dividend policy	Progressive
Target net-debt-to-EBITDA ratio	Approximately 2.5x by year-end 2007

[1] It is expected that cost savings for 2007 will achieve a run-rate of €160 million. It is anticipated that the organic revenue growth will accelerate in the second half of 2007, as was the case in 2006 and prior years. In the first quarter of 2007 organic growth is expected to be higher

than 2006, reflecting the timing of a large tradeshow for LTRE that occurred in the second quarter of 2006, but is scheduled for the first quarter of 2007. The outlook includes the results of the Education division, pending the outcome of the review of strategic alternatives.

[2] Constant rate €/\$=1.26. Changes of the fair value of derivatives that impact the income statement are also eliminated to the extent that these result from currency fluctuations.

[3] WACC (weighted average cost of capital) is currently 8% after tax.

Dividend

Wolters Kluwer will propose at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders to be held on April 20, 2007, to distribute a dividend of €0.58 per share for 2006 (a 5% increase over 2005). Going forward, Wolters Kluwer intends to have a progressive dividend policy. A dividend of €0.58 corresponds with a dividend yield of 2.7% over the closing share price of December 31, 2006.

In line with previous years, and indicating a strong belief in the future of the company, Wolters Kluwer proposes to allow its shareholders to choose between a distribution in the form of cash or stock. After acceptance of the proposal at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, the shareholders will be asked to make their choices known. The stock dividend ratio will be set on April 27, 2007 (after the close of trading). The cash distribution will be payable as of May 3, 2007.

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