# Quarterly update | Q4 2023

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# LINKFI

Nasdaq First North Growth Market, Sweden Delisted from January 18, 2024

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### **KEY FIGURES**

**COMPARED TO Q4 2022** 

-34%
REVENUE GROWTH

33%

**IMPROVED EARNINGS** 

47%
REDUCTION IN EXTERNAL EXPENSES

### HIGHLIGHTS



Renewed agreement with Warner Music Group



Received debt financing of DKK 37.3 million



Launched into podcasts in exclusive partnership with Apple



Re-shaped organisation towards Cash break-even expected in H2 2024

# **FY 2023**

82%

**GROSS MARGIN - BEST EVER** 

DKK 50M

**REVENUE - (GUIDANCE DKK 50M - 55M)** 

**DKK (7.9)M** 

EBITDA - BEST EVER (GUIDANCE DKK (5)M - (10)M)

**MID-TERM FINANCIAL TARGETS** 

20 - 40%

**REVENUE GROWTH** 

~ 80%

**GROSS MARGIN** 

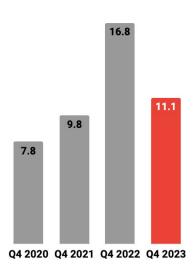
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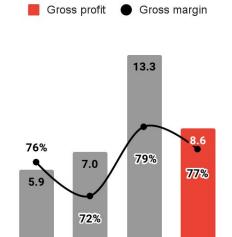
### Financial Performance Q4

## Key financial metrics **Q4 2023**

### Revenue (mDKK)



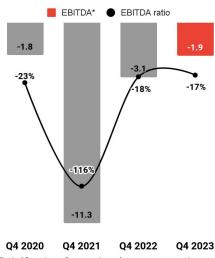
Q4 2022 represented the best revenue quarter in the history of Linkfire mainly due to extraordinary campaigns generating commission revenue.



Big savings in the cost of sales, mainly around server costs, reduced the negative impact of the lower revenue.

Q4 2020 Q4 2021 Q4 2022 Q4 2023

### Adjusted EBITDA (mDKK)



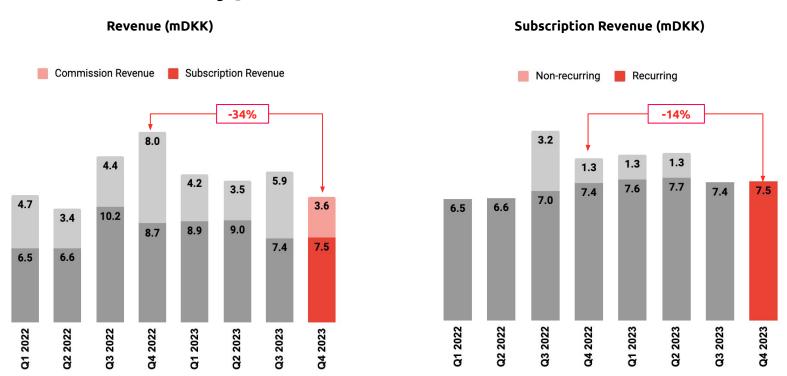
\* Adjusted for extraordinary costs such as severance costs

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### Financial Performance Q4

## **Key performance metrics <u>Q4 2023</u>**



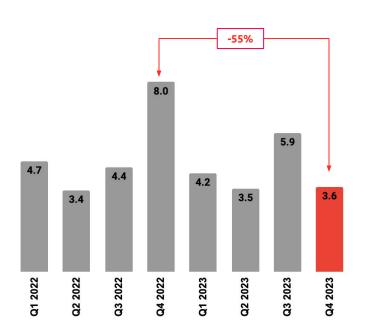


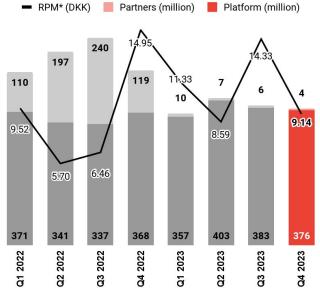
### Financial Performance Q4

## **Key performance metrics <u>Q4 2023</u>**

### Commission Revenue (mDKK)

#### **Commission Revenue Drivers**





<sup>\*</sup> Revenue per Mille on a constant currency basis - Commission Revenue per thousand Consumer Connections



### **Q4 IN REVIEW - FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

Income Statement (DKK thousand)

Recognized Revenue

y/y Growth (%)

Gross Profit

y/y Growth (%)

Cash and cash equivalents

Total assets

**Financial ratios** 

Gross Margin (%)

Equity

Operating loss before interest, taxes, depreciation & amortization (EBITDA) y/y Growth (%)	(11,791) -548%	(12,428) -320%	(15,810) -65%	(6,164) 0%	(5,359) 55%	(2,148) 83%	(2,363) 85%	158 103%	(3,572) 33%	(39,875) -31%	(7,925) 80%
Balance Sheet (DKK thousand)	Q4 2021	Q1 2022	Q2 2022	Q3 2022	Q4 2022	Q1 2023	Q2 2023	Q3 2023	Q4 2023	FY 2022	FY 2023

4.681

118,643

65,670

68%

(157)%

01 2022 02 2022 03 2022 04 2022

Q4 2021 Q1 2022 Q2 2022 Q3 2022 Q4 2022

10,039

31%

6.857

24%

14,642

11.415

78%

4.395

98,212

29,126

78%

(42)%

65%

16,793

13.343

90%

7.027

101,349

43.962

79%

(32)%

72%

9,756

26%

7.021

20%

45.946

143,932

87.526

72%

(121)%

11,231

51%

8.064

48%

21.488

136,823

79,801

72%

(111)%

Q1 2023 Q2 2023

12,547

10.495

53%

1.200

96,657

31.669

84%

(19)%

02 2023

25%

13.104

10.726

33%

6.707

101,507

38,100

82%

(16)%

01 2023

17%

03 2023

13,321

11.163

-2%

396

97,992

27,889

84%

1%

03 2023

-9%

Q4 2023

11,113

-34%

8.562

-36%

4.667

102,431

19.875

77%

(32)%

04 2023



Operating profit before interest, depreciation & amortizations (EBITDA) margin (%)

FY 2023

50,084

40.945

4,667

102,431

19,875

82%

(16)%

FY 2023

3%

-5%

FY 2022

52,590

39.564

62%

7.027

101,349

44.097

75%

(76)%

FY 2022

56%

### **Q4 IN REVIEW - FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

Key Metrics	Q4 2021	y/y Growth (%)	Q1 2022	y/y Growth (%)	Q2 2022	y/y Growth (%)	Q3 2022	y/y Growth (%)	Q4 2022	y/y Growth (%)	Q1 2023	y/y Growth (%)	Q2 2023	y/y Growth (%)	Q3 2023	y/y Growth (%)	Q4 2023	y/y Growth (%)
Consumer connections (Traffic) (Million)	454	14%	481	36%	538	30%	577	51%	487	7%	367	-24%	410	-24%	389	-33%	380	-22%
Consumer connections, Platform (Million)	418	23%	371	22%	342	-9%	337	-9%	368	-12%	357	-4%	403	18%	383	14%	376	2%
Consumer connections, Partners (Million)	36	-29%	110	116%	197	418%	240	1900%	119	230%	10	-91%	7	-96%	6	-98%	4	-96%
Revenue, on constant currency basis (DKK thousand)	9,830	26%	11,141	46%	9,525	20%	12,957	43%	15,154	54%	12,260	10%	11,663	22%	12,484	-4%	10,499	-31%
Subscription Revenue, on constant currency basis (DKK thousand)	6,220	22%	6,560	26%	6,455	14%	9,227	60%	7,880	27%	8,107	24%	8,144	26%	6,911	-25%	7,019	-11%
Commission Revenue, on constant currency basis (DKK thousand)	3,610	33%	4,581	88%	3,071	32%	3,730	13%	7,274	101%	4,154	-9%	3,519	15%	5,574	49%	3,480	-52%
Commission Revenue per Mille (RPM)*, on constant currency basis (DKK)	7.96	16%	9.52	38%	5.70	1%	6.46	-25%	14.95	88%	11.33	19%	8.59	51%	14.34	122%	9.14	-39%

<sup>\*</sup> Commission Revenue per thousand consumer connections

### **INSIGHTS**

- → Q4 2022 represented the best revenue quarter in the history of Linkfire due to extraordinary campaigns. Despite the decrease in revenue, EBITDA for Q4 2023 shows an improvement of 33% compared to the same quarter in 2022, due to the continuous focus on cost reductions.
- → Costly partner traffic decreased by 115 million as a consequence of the strategic decision to discontinue this activity for the time being.
- → One time severance costs were recognised for a total of DKK 1.7 million (DKK 2.3 million in Q4 2022).
- As per the release date of this quarterly update, the Company has a cash preparedness of DKK 9,240 thousand, including credit lines and cash at hand.



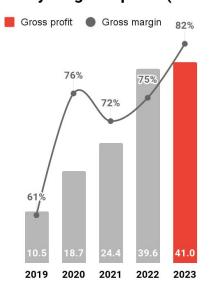
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# Key financial metrics Full year 2023

### Full year revenue (mDKK)

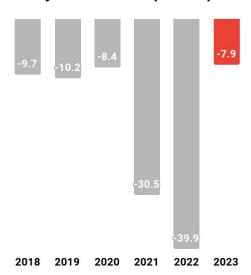


### Full year gross profit (mDKK)



\*2018 was pre-IFRS conversion and Gross Profit is incomparable

### Full year EBITDA (mDKK)

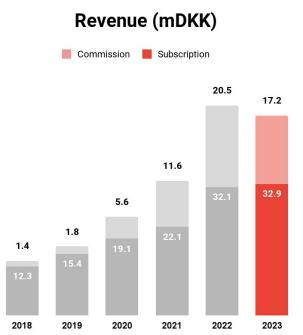


In 2023, one time severance costs were recognised for a total of DKK 1.7 million (2022: DKK 3.8 million).

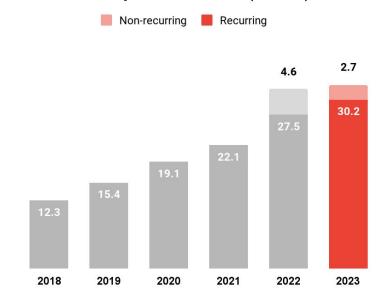


### Financial Performance 2023

# Key performance metrics full year 2023



### **Subscription Revenue (mDKK)**

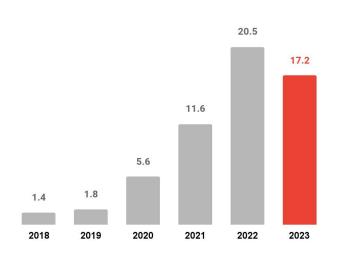




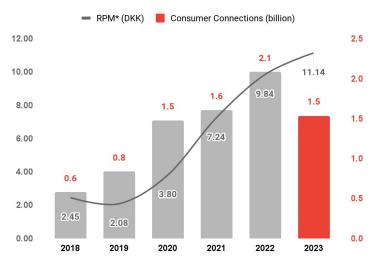
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# Key performance metrics full year 2023

### **Commission Revenue (mDKK)**



### **Commission Revenue Drivers**

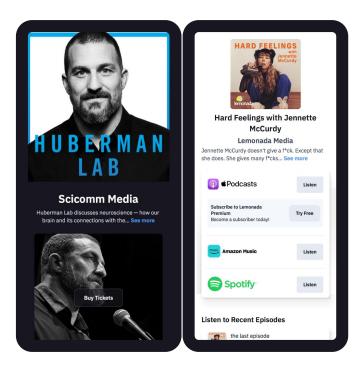


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The decrease in Consumer Connections compared to 2022 is mainly explained by the strategic decision to discontinue costly partner traffic, which contributed with 0.6 billion connections in 2022, while only 0.03 billion in 2023.



### Podcast launch



### **Podcasts**

In 2023, Linkfire expanded into its second vertical: Podcasts. Leveraging the same foundational infrastructure of its music offering, Linkfire tailored its solutions to address the unique challenges faced by podcasters.

Launched in partnership with Apple Podcasts, Linkfire for Podcasts introduces groundbreaking listening data attribution, garnering significant attention from key players in the industry.



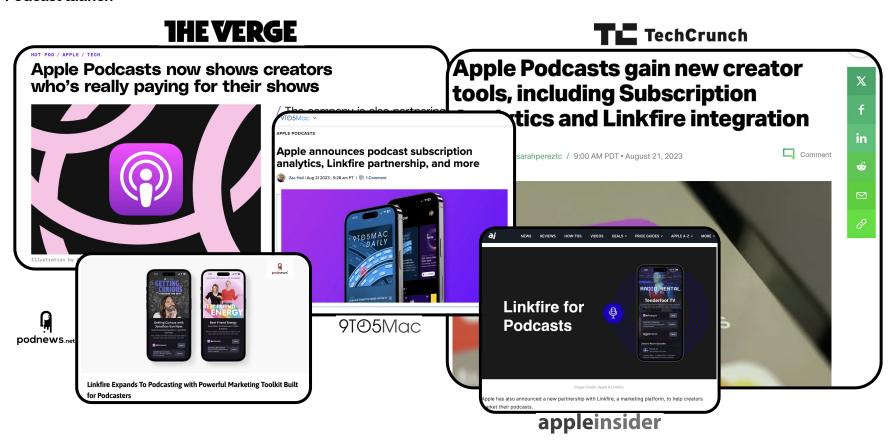








#### Podcast launch





### Linkfire 2024

## Focus on break-even and our core operations



### EBITDA and Cash breakeven in 2024

# Running a streamlined and more focused organization

Fewer strategic objectives. Focus on our core business.

Consistent EBITDA break-even expected from Q2 24, and Cash break-even during H2 24.



### Debt refinancing

# Ensuring enough cash to secure operations towards break-even goal

Current debt comes with high interest payments on a quarterly basis. We are looking into a full or partial refinancing where interest is accrued for the first 18-24 months.

Target is to complete the transaction during H1 2024.



# Continue increasing traffic monetization

### Continue improving our RPM

Publicly launch Linkfire Wallet to unlock more inventory, Improve on existing deals, negotiate new and increase click-through rates.



### **Vertical Expansion**

### Expand beyond music into audio and spoken word

Launch Podcast product in Dec 2024.

Currently onboarding Enterprise customers in collaboration with Apple.



### Linkfire 2024

### **Tax Credit Scheme**

The Danish Tax Authorities have requested Linkfire to share its calculations for received payouts under the Tax Credit Scheme for FY 2020 and 2021. Under this program, the Tax Authorities encourage innovation in Denmark, supporting Danish loss-making, innovative companies with paying out the tax value of qualified research and development costs. The program is a great driver for keeping innovation in Denmark and for global exposure to Denmark as an accommodating and innovative business market. This is a regular procedure conducted by the Tax Authorities. The event prompted management to reiterate the implicit uncertainty in receiving payouts under the Tax Credit Scheme since calculations and assumptions can be challenged. Linkfire received DKK 4.5 million in 2021 (for FY 2020) and DKK 5.5 million in 2022 (for FY 2021), and expected to receive DKK 5.5 million in November 2023 (for FY 2022).

Linkfire's management believes in having solid documentation for its innovative development in the global audio entertainment market and welcomes the control as an important part of such a supportive arrangement for innovation in Denmark. Linkfire delivered its first batch of documentation to the Tax Authorities, who had an initial proposal to change Linkfire's taxable income, and need to see further documentation. Therefore, the Tax Authorities were invited to Linkfire's office for a walkthrough of our product and developments during the challenged years, and asked Linkfire to prepare additional documentation to prove the innovative element of the developments, with a deadline in March 2024. The receipt of DKK 5.5 million in 2023 for FY 2022 has been delayed as a result of the process. In the scenario where the Tax Authorities consider the documentation insufficient and rule against the company, Linkfire will be required to pay back the money received for FY 2020 and FY 2021, which combined can amount up to DKK 10 million, and won't be receiving the expected funds corresponding to FY 2022, which is currently recognized as tax receivable of DKK 5.5 million.

### **Subsequent Events**

### **Change in Management**

From January 1, 2024, co-founder and former Chief Commercial Officer, Jeppe Faurfelt, assumed the position as CEO of the Company as previous CEO Lars Ettrup stepped down and departed the operations of the Company. Furthermore, Tobias Demuth, former CFO, has also stepped down from February 14, 2024. This change is a natural step in Linkfire's journey, and it has been in mutual planning for months towards becoming a financially self-sustainable company with a tight focus on cost and a lighter organizational structure while still pursuing opportunities for growth.

#### Other

On January 18, 2024 Linkfire had its last trading day on Nasdaq First North Growth Market. The delisting furthermore supports a lighter management setup.

There have not been any other significant subsequent events after the reporting period.



