



## Lumi Management Team

Lumi Gruppen's management team brings extensive experience from online business models, finance and operations, ensuring the company's continued success and growth.



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#### **Capital Markets Day Agenda**

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- 4. Q&A

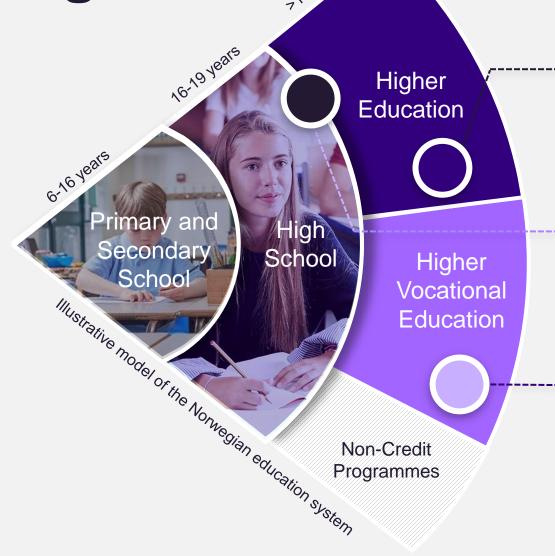




# This is Lumi Gruppen

# Lumi is operating across 3 key segments





#### **ONH** Oslo Nye Høyskole

A fast-growing private university college established to bridge the gap between public demand and available higher education opportunities. Offers online programmes complemented by a brand new, modern and well-equipped campus opened in 2025 located in central Oslo.

#### Sonans

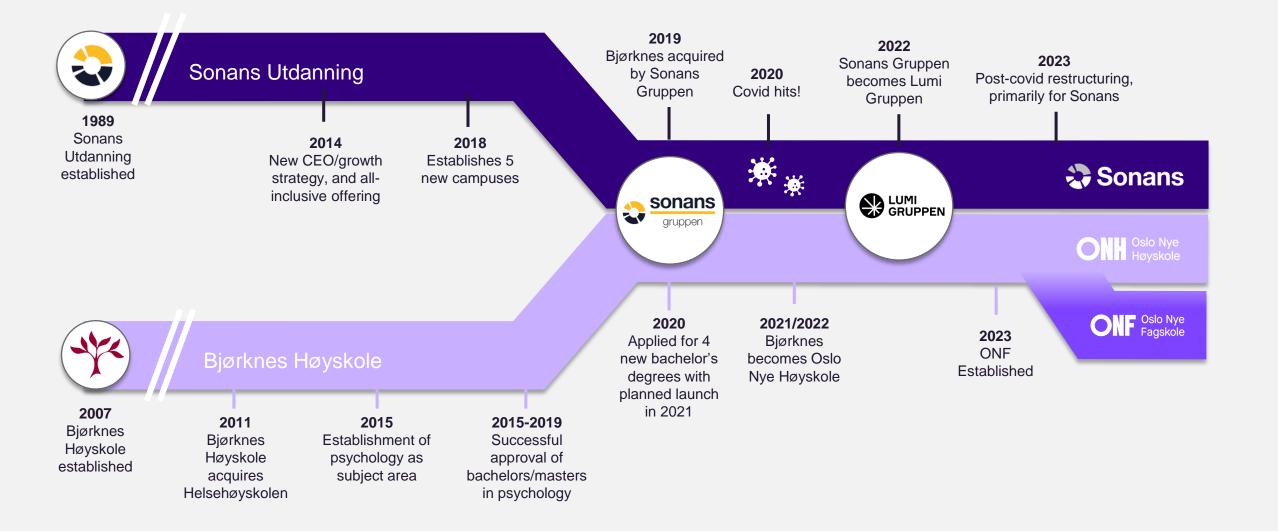
A market leader in private candidate exam preparation courses, dedicated to helping former high school students improve their results and/or complete their diploma to access higher education.

#### **ONF** Oslo Nye Fagskole

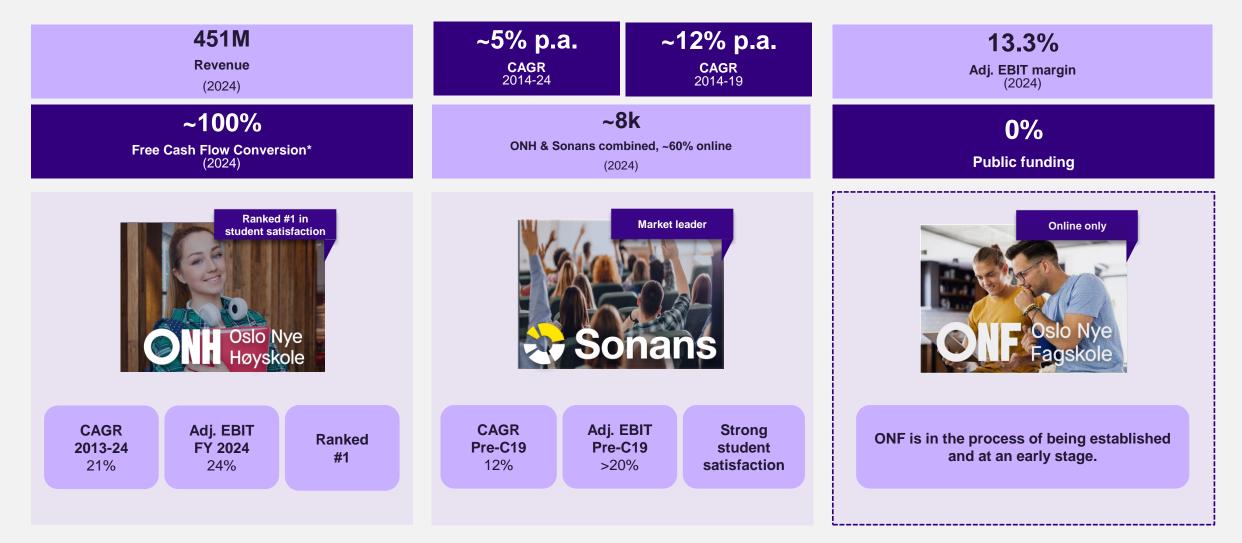
Oslo Nye Fagskole (ONF) is a newly established online vocational college, offering programmes within technology and health segment.



## **Our history starts in 1989**



# Lumi is a leading higher education provider in the Nordics

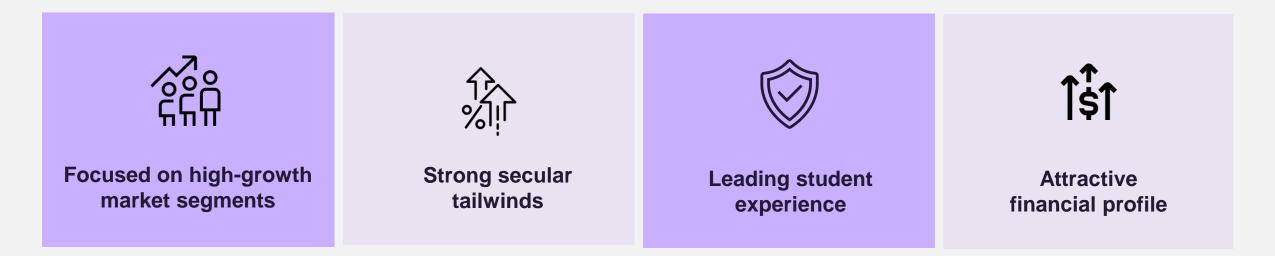




# The investment case



#### The investment case – why invest in Lumi Gruppen?



- **Online first:** A leading innovator in online and flexible learning.
- **Segments:** Strong presence in lifelong learning and upskilling.
- Market expansion: New growth opportunities in vocational and trade subjects.
- **Demand gap**: 50% shortfall in public university places.
- **Stable political backdrop:** The current and long-term political environment is favourable.
- Favourable market trends: Strong demand for flexible education options, lifelong learning, upskilling, and workforce-oriented education.
- Oslo Nye Høyskole: Highest rated multidisciplinary university college for 4 consecutive years.
- **Sonans:** All-time high student satisfaction ratings.
- Programme and course offering: Designed to meet labour market demand and help students qualify for higher education.
- Revenue growth: +12% p.a. from 2008-2019 before C-19 and +5% revenue growth since 2014.
- Liquidity and cash: Prepaid tuition fees, excellent cash conversion.
- Financial strengths: Profit and cash visibility 12 months ahead, high margins, and an asset-light business model.

# The investment case

Focused on high-growth segments Strong secular tailwinds Leading student satisfaction

Attractive financial profile





#### Lumi is well-positioned to take advantage of key trends

## Migration to online and flexible education

รักษ์ Focused on high-growth market segments

11% CAGR in applicants to online and flexible programmes in the Norwegian higher education market (2018-2024).

- Both ONH and Sonans have a significant share of students online.
- ONH is a market leader in the online student segment.
- Market-leading satisfaction rates for online courses.
- Sonans innovates in hybrid learning with remote "Live" classroom.
- Al capabilities in place to strengthen the student experience and flexibility.

#### Life-long learning trend

Public universities achieved a 2% CAGR growth in number of active students >25 years (2018-23\*).

- ONH has tapped into this market through its online offerings.
- 18% annual growth rate (CAGR) in the number of students aged >25 years for ONH (last 5 years).
- ~30% of Sonans' students and ~60% of ONH's students above 25.

\* 2024 not available

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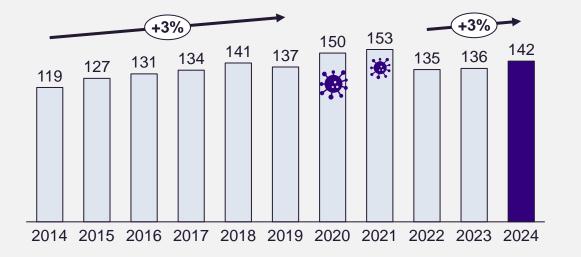


#### **The Norwegian Education Market Overview**

• Strong demand for **flexible education options**, including online learning and part-time programmes.

Applicants to higher education (in thousands)\*

- Government policies promoting lifelong learning and upskilling, supporting continued student enrolment growth.
- A structural need for alternative pathways to higher education, with many students seeking **private alternatives**.
  - Increasing demand for **workforce-oriented education**, particularly in health sciences, business and technology.



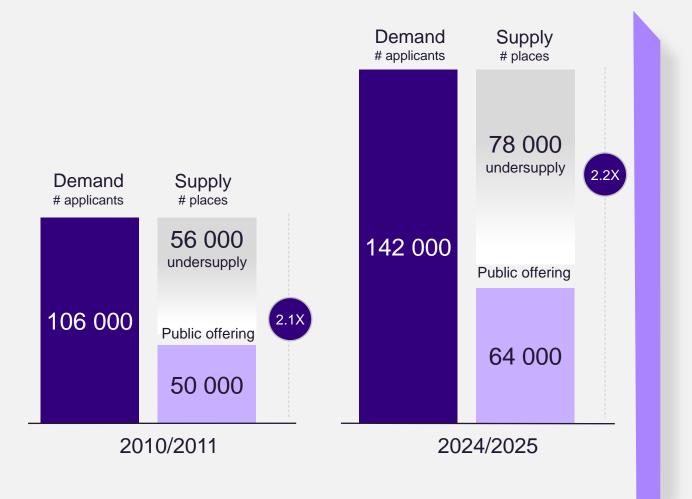
Study Places Available (Seats, in thousands)







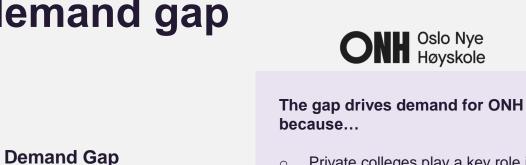
#### Structural undersupply of higher education places...



- There is a structural undersupply of public university places, pushing students toward private colleges and alternative pathways like Sonans.
- Higher education demand in Norway has risen 38% in 15 years, while public study places grew only 29%, widening the gap.
- The growth in applicants is driven by:
  - A growing population.
  - **Demographic trends:** higher share of young people choosing higher education.
  - Flexible education offerings: flexibility has attracted a broader range of students, particularly older age segments.



### ... and Lumi is bridging the demand gap



#### Private colleges play a key role in closing the demand gap.

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**ONH** Oslo Nye Høyskole

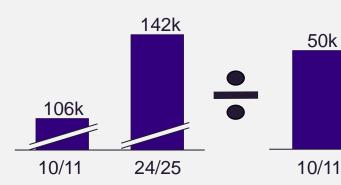
The gap is even more pronounced 0 in ONH's focus areas, such as business administration and psychology.



The gap drives demand for Sonans because...

- A completed high school diploma is required to qualify for a university place.
- Fierce competition for study places means students must improve their grades to secure admission.
- Improving grades is the main path to a higher ranking in the new admission system from 2027.

Applicants to public higher education



Steadily increasing demand for higher education...

Has not been met by an increase in public study places...

Study places in public

higher education

64k

24/25

Creating a demand gap due to more applicants than available study places

2.2x

24/25

2.1x

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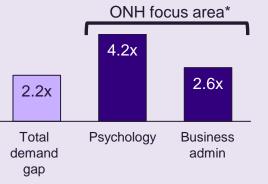
#### Strategic positioning for ONH in the education market

#### ONH Oslo Nye Høyskole

- Focuses on structurally higher growth subsegments.
- Committed to sustainable growth and a substantial market to target.
- Institutional accreditation to further expand segments and reduce time to market.

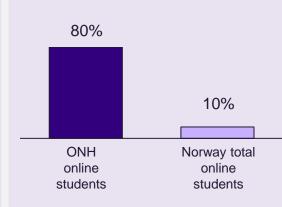
Selecting underserved niches with strong growth potential

Demand gap comparison for the 2024/2025 academic year



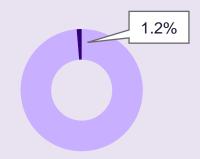
\* Business admin being the largest segment with currently 57k students compared to a total of 300k students in higher education. Online dominates, aligning ONH with a higher growth section of market

Active online students in the 2024/2025 academic year



#### Substantial further addressable market for ONH

ONH students vs. total number in Norway 2024/2025

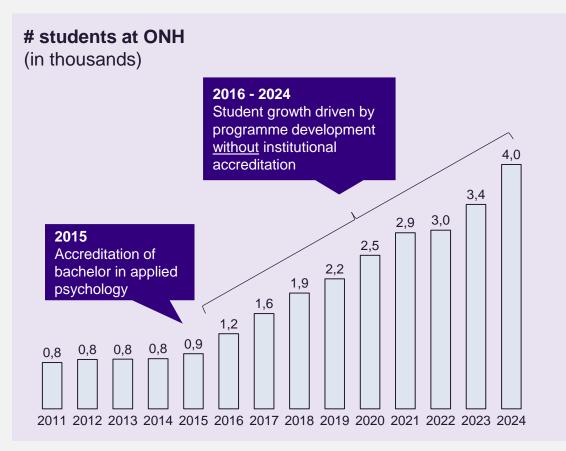


Total higher education market, including both private and public students





#### Institutional accreditation for ONH: A key strategic enabler



2026  $\rightarrow$  Programme development <u>with</u> institutional accreditation

#### **Faster Programme Approvals**

Autonomy to accredit our own programs shortens time-to-market for new study offerings

#### **Segment Expansion**

Enables more agile entry into new and in-demand fields, aligned with labour market needs and student demand.

#### **Increased Competitiveness**

Accelerated development strengthens ONH's position as an innovative and relevant education provider.

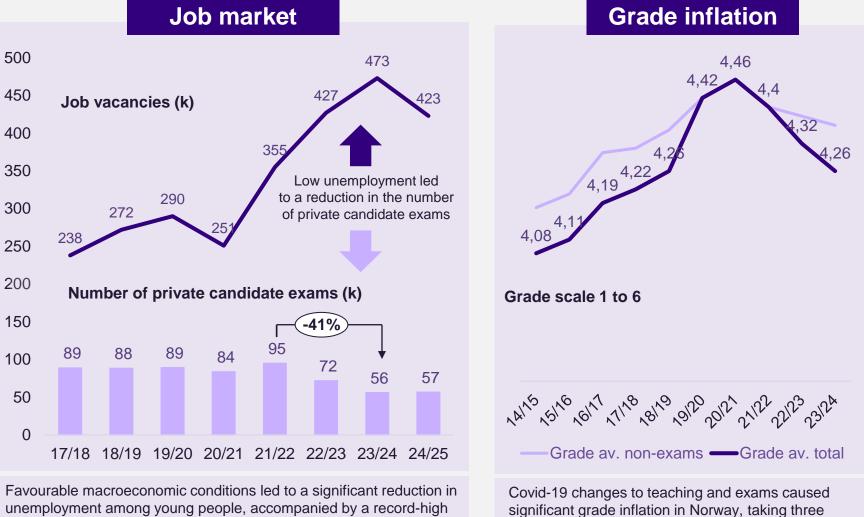




#### Post-Covid 19 recovery is driven by two key forces

#### Sonans

- Low unemployment post-Covid reduced Sonans applicants significantly.
- However, numbers have stabilised, with growth from AY 23/24.
- Another effect was grade inflation, increasing high school completion rates an unprecedented trend shift.



years to fully flush out.

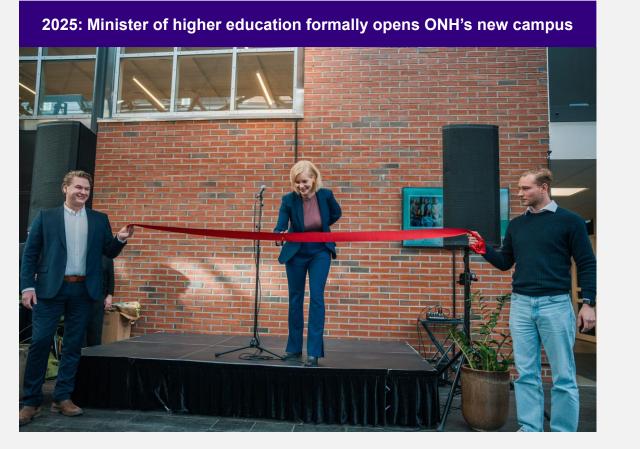
unemployment among young people, accompanied by a record-high number of job vacancies. Av. vacancies were 250k in 2010 to 2020.





#### Stable regulatory backdrop

- Strong public investment in education: Norway prioritizes education, spending 6.6% of GDP—the highest in the OECD. In the last decade, there has been a growing role for quality private institutions.
- Policy focus on flexibility and lifelong learning: The government's Digitalisation Strategy and Skills Reform promote online, accessible education and importance of lifelong learning.
- Stable regulatory and funding environment: Lånekassen support and favourable regulations create predictability for education providers.
- Long-term political support: A recent government review reaffirmed the private candidate system and confirmed no major regulatory changes ahead.



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Strong secular tailwinds Focused on high-growth segments Leading student satisfaction

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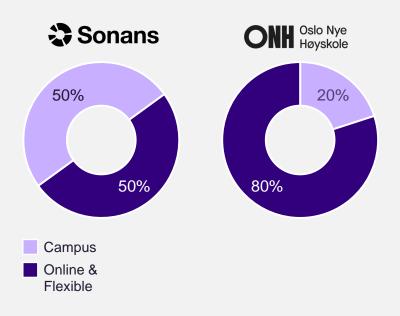


#### We provide a market-leading student experience

#### Leading online offering

Leading student satisfaction

While combining the best from a traditional campus experience, our platform is leading the industry towards online solutions.



#### **Continued technology innovation**

Continued investment in hybrid learning technology, and exploration of AI solutions reflect Lumi Gruppen's dedication to innovating the student experience.

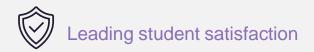


#### Flexible study models targets growing market

Introduced innovative and flexible study programmes, designed to meet evolving student needs and future market demand, specifically for part-time students.

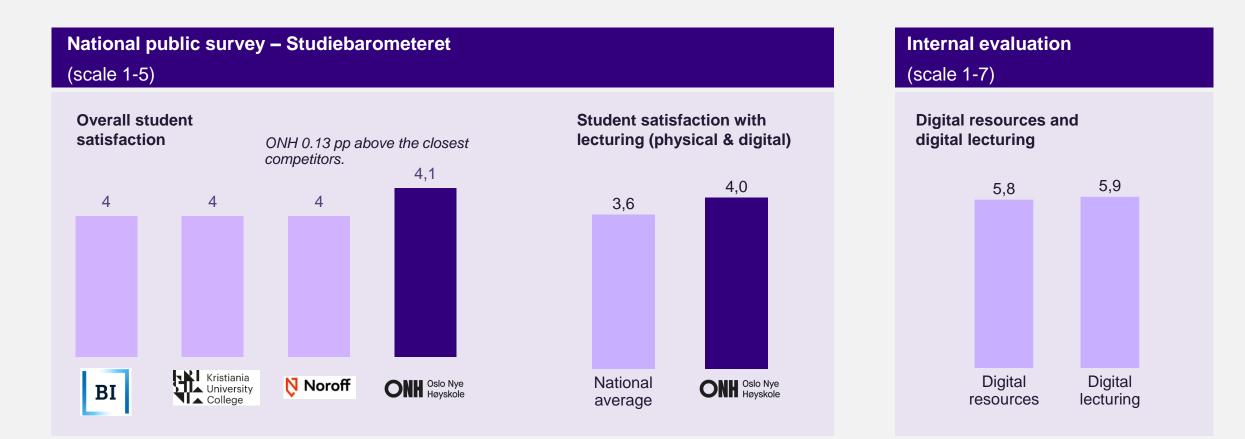
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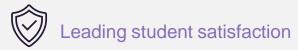






# ONH is Highest rated multidisciplinary university college for four consecutive years







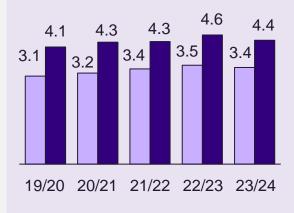
# Sonans students with strong outcomes and high satisfaction

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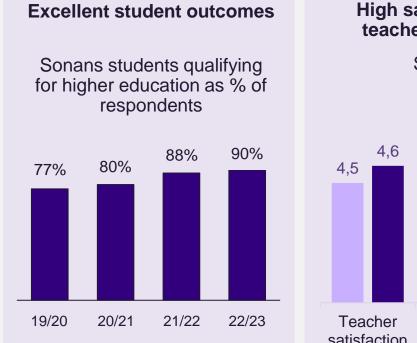
- Strong academic outcomes through tailored, exam-focused courses.
- Securing admission to higher education
- Sonans has consistently delivered excellent results.
- Solidified its reputation as a trusted and reliable partner for improving grades.

Clear evidence of grade improvements\*

Scale 2 to 6



\* Before vs. after attending courses at Sonans



#### High satisfaction with teachers and course

Scale 1-6



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### Lumi has demonstrated strong resilience and adaptability...

 Covid has demonstrated the resilience of our business, maintaining an acceptable adjusted EBIT margin despite a significant decline in revenue from Sonans.

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Attractive financial profile

- Sonans has successfully streamlined its cost structure, reduced financial risk, and adapted to current market conditions.
- Gross debt reduced from NOK 500 million to 235 million. Good covenant headroom and cash position.





#### ...backed by a strong track record of financial performance

**ONH** Oslo Nye Høyskole Illustrative future Adj. EBIT margin Potential market recovery Revenue Revenue projection 224 194 +21% 168 141 92 103 114 51 55 55 54 60 77 13 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16 '17 '18 '19 '20 '21 '22 '23 '24 '25 '26 '27

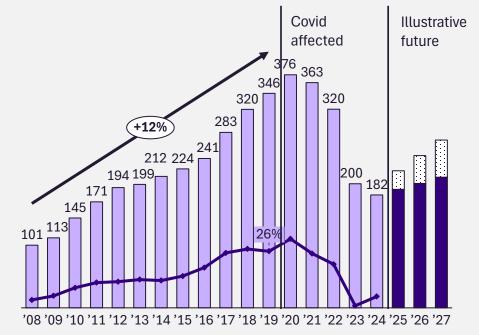
• Grown to +4k students from an online-focused start-up.

Attractive financial profile

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- Strong recurring revenues driven by multi-year BA and MA students, now ~40% of total.
- Growth driven by scale-up of existing programmes and launch of new programmes.

**Sonans** 



- · After two years of decline, end market dynamics have now turned and are showing growth.
- Gradual shift to online, reflected in right-sizing of cost base in recent years.
- Like ONH, students pay upfront, meaning cash generation is "guaranteed" each semester.



#### Lumi provides strong revenue visibility...

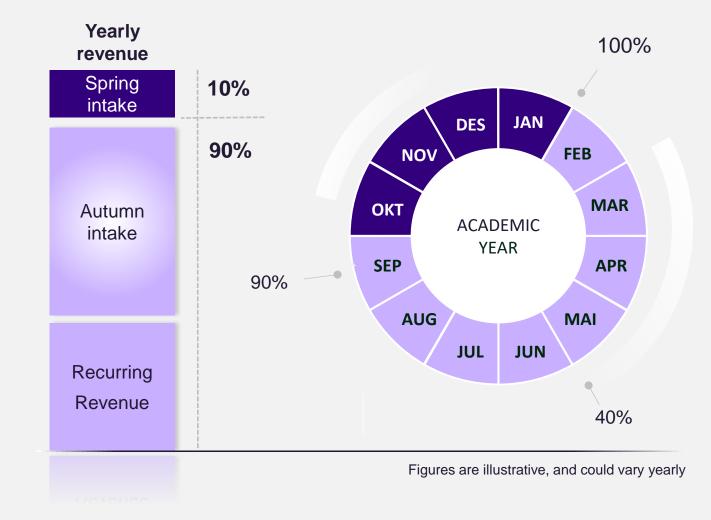
Most of the revenue for the year ahead is "locked in" every September.

**1**<sup>+</sup> Attractive financial profile

Students commit to payment and attendance before each semester within the academic year.

Lumi's average variance between forecasted and actual revenue is industry-leading at approximately 2%.

Lumi has exceptionally strong free cash flow conversion\* at over 90%.



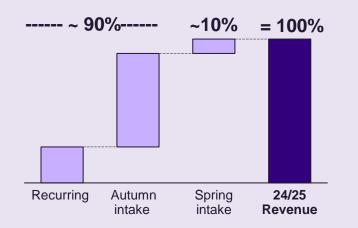


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# ...translating into "locked-in" revenue, profitability, and cash flow

Majority of academic year revenue "locked in" by September

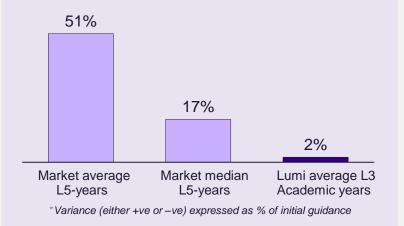
2024/25 Academic Year Revenue Build



- ~90% of group revenue secured through recurring and autumn intake.
- Remaining ~10% finalised with spring intake.
- Creates high predictability early in the academic year.

#### Exceptional revenue visibility vs market

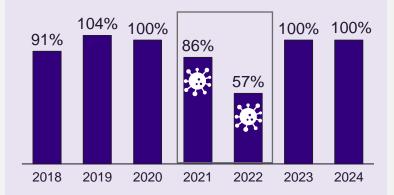
Variance between start-of-year guidance and actual revenue outcome (academic year for Lumi)



- Lumi enjoys unusually strong visibility when setting guidance for the academic year. Enables reliable forecasting and strategic clarity.
- AY 24/25 T+1 is locked-in, AY25/26 T+2 relevant period.

#### Consistently strong free cash flow conversion\*

Annual free cash flow conversion, FY 2018–2024



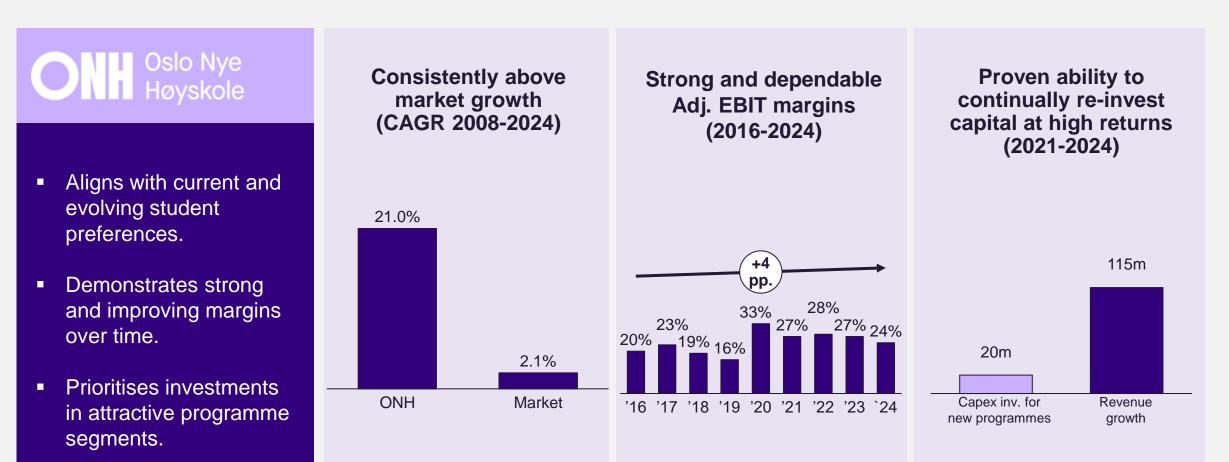
- 100% conversion in 4 of the last 6 years.
- Temporary Covid impact in 2021–2022.
- Driven by pre-paid tuition model and effective credit screening.



# ONH is outpacing the market through strong, profitable growth and superior returns

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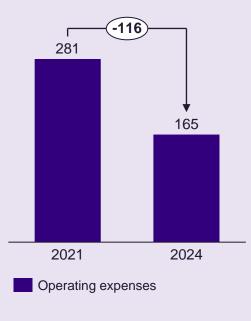


# From challenge to opportunity: Sonans streamlined costs, reduced risk, and accelerated digital transition

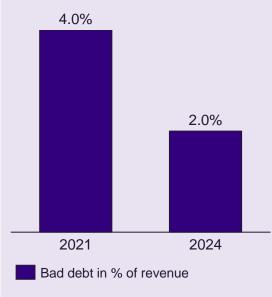
## Sonans

- Cost base adapted with reduced share of structural expenses.
- Improved cash flow supported by credit screening.
- Higher share of revenue from online and flexible courses.

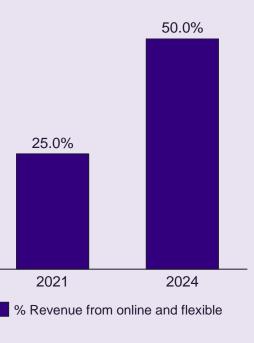
Sustainable cost measures successfully implemented (NOKm)



Strong credit screening, reducing bad debt expense and improving cash flow



Transition to online and flexible courses





# Wrapping Up: Resilient model, proven track record and confident future

- Lumi Gruppen has emerged from a challenging period with a stronger, more resilient business model.
- We offer
  - o strong revenue visibility,
  - o strong profitability,

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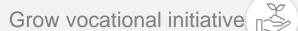
- $\circ\,$  and robust cash generation
- Proven ability to adapt and grow.
- ONH is outperforming the market.
- Sonans well positioned for recovery and scale,
- Lumi is set for continued growth and long-term value creation.



# Business Outlook and financial ambitions



Continued doubledigit growth for ONH



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Return Sonans to normalised profitability

Continuous investments in student experience

Consider acquisitions and new growth avenues

- Institutional accreditation: ONH is pursuing university college accreditation
- Attractive program development: Expanding study programs in high-demand fields aligned with labour market needs and student demand, both digital and on new campus
- Flexible learning models: Leading the way in innovative, digital, and student-centred study formats for lifelong learning.





Continued doubledigit growth for ONH

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### Grow vocational initiative

Return Sonans to normalised profitability

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- Vocational higher education is thriving, with student numbers doubling in six year
- Synergies with ONH
- Strong political support





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- **Market leader**: Sonans maintains a strong brand and top student outcomes as Norway's leading private exam prep provider.
- **Resilient and efficient**: Focus on steady growth, cost discipline, and a leaner business model amid stable political conditions.
- **Positive outlook:** Indicators point to demand recovery and market normalisation, with potential return to pre-pandemic performance.





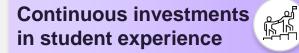


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- Lumi will continue to improve the **student experience**, focusing on our market leading online platform.
- Utilising new capabilities within AI will be a priority, both for improving educational quality and optimising faculty processes.



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Exploration within new geographies, utilising Lumi's online expertise to maximise synergies.



Possibilities in core and adjacent markets, such as non ECTS courses, boot camps and corporate training.



Bolt-on and technology acquisitions (EdTech), i.e. to enhance AI capabilities and student experience.





#### **Financial Ambitions towards the AY 2026-27**

	<b>ONH</b> Oslo Nye Høyskole	Sonans 🕄	<b>ONF</b> Oslo Nye Fagskole
Growth/Revenue	~15% pa	~5% pa Excl. any market recovery	NOK ~50 million 4 years
Adj. EBIT %	25-30%	<b>~15%</b> Excl. any market recovery	25-30%
Key priorities	<ul> <li>Double-digit growth.</li> <li>Develop new programmes.</li> <li>Institutional accreditation.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>10-20% margins short-term, &gt;20% longer-term.</li> <li>Online leadership and top brand recognition.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Newly established online vocational college.</li> <li>Programmes in technology and health.</li> </ul>



# Questions?



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