

# Opportunities in the salmon sector in Iceland

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### **NRS** in brief

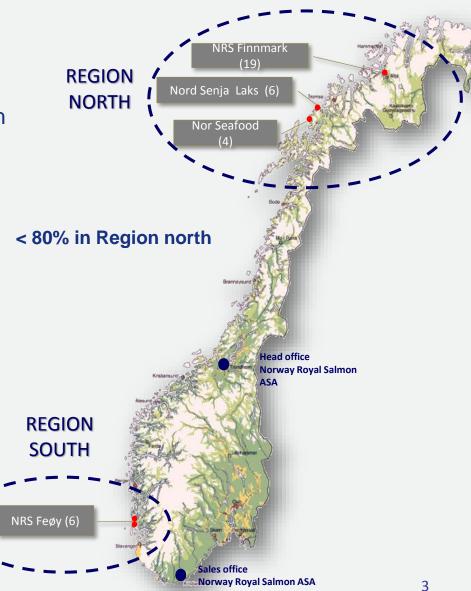
- 175 employees
- Listed on Oslo Stock Exchange March 2011

#### **Farming**

- 35 licenses
  - Region North 29 licenses
  - Region South 6 licenses
- Volume 2016: 26 800 tonnes
- Associated companies
  - Norway:10 licenses (3 companies)
  - Iceland: Arctic Fish ehf

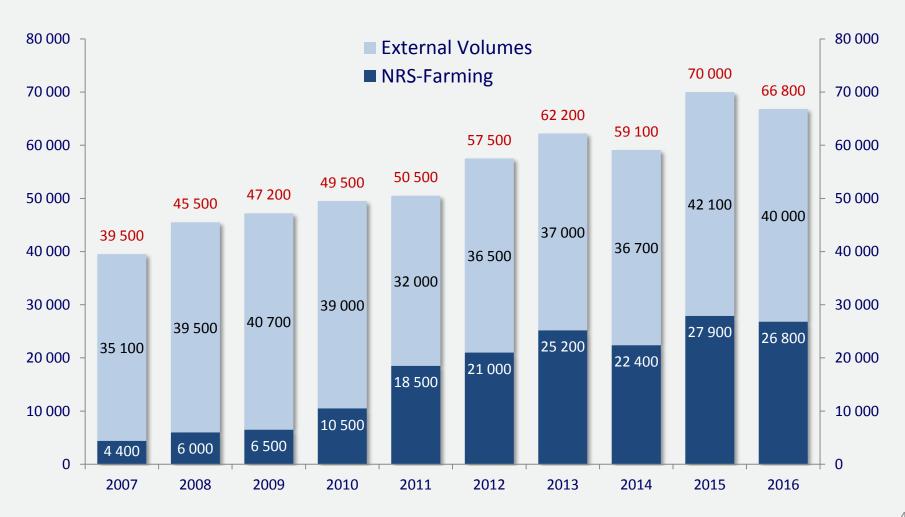
#### **Trading**

- Own and external volume
- 50 countries
- Volume 2016: 66 800 tonnes





## Volume development for NRS





# Highlights in Q4 2016

- Operational EBIT of MNOK 101
  - Year 2016 MNOK 641
- All time high operational EBIT per kg ex contracts of NOK 33.70
- Strong salmon market driven by good demand and low supply growth
  - High salmon price in the quarter
  - Fixed price contracts for 2017 of 8 100 tonnes
- Good production and growth in the quarter
- The Board proposes a dividend of NOK 9.50 per share



### **Region North**

- Operational EBIT per kg ex contracts NOK 35.65
- Production cost of NOK 32.21 per kg
  - Low harvest volume
- Operation
  - Region North achieved expected growth in the quarter
  - Good fish health and sea lice situation

KEY FIGURES (NOK '000)	Q4 2016	Q4 2015
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Operating revenues	658 186	819 733
Operational EBIT *	75 163	98 948
Volume harvested (tonnes)	2 612	6 806
Operational EBIT (ex contracts)	35,65	14,54
Loss on open fixed price contracts	-6,87	0,00
Operational EBIT per kg	28,77	14,54

<sup>\*</sup> EBIT pre fair value adjustments and non-recurring items incl. allocated margin from sales

#### EBIT pr kg (ex contracts)



#### **Production Cost - NORTH**



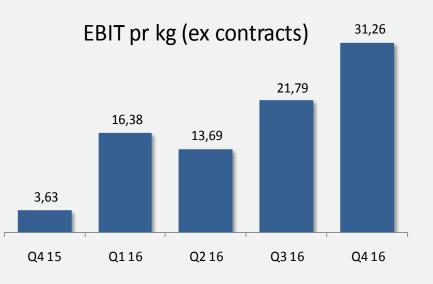


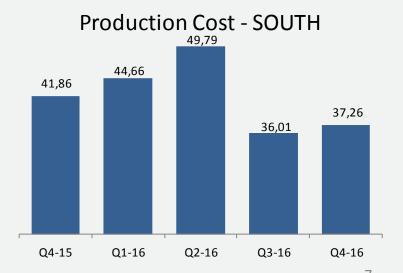
## **Region South**

- Further improvements in this quarter
- Operational EBIT per kg ex contracts NOK 31.26
- Production cost of NOK 37.26 per kg
- Operation
  - The growth has been better than expected
  - Satisfactory fish health and sea lice situation

KEY FIGURES	Q4	Q4
(NOK '000)	2016	2015
Operating revenues	524 083	173 903
Operational EBIT *	50 729	5 242
Volume harvested (tonnes)	2 080	1 445
Operational EBIT (ex contracts)	31,26	3,63
Loss on open fixed price contracts	-6,87	0,00
Operational EBIT per kg	24,39	3,63

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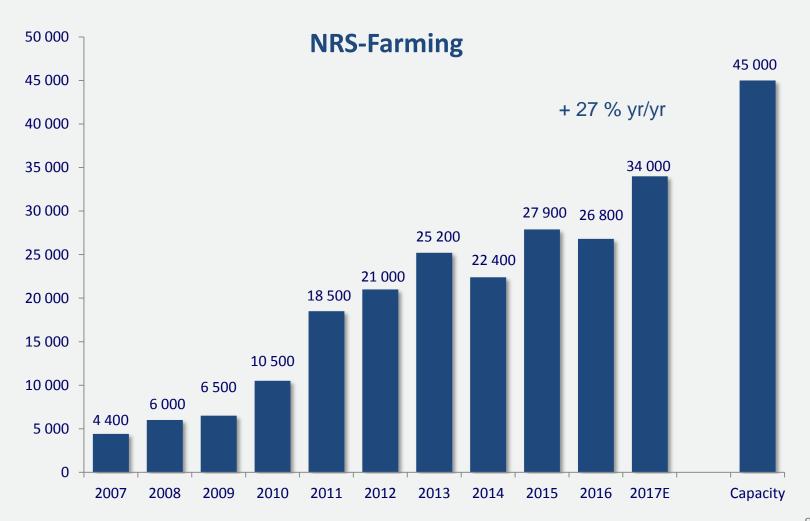








### Organic growth potential for Norway Royal Salmon







### **Development licenses**

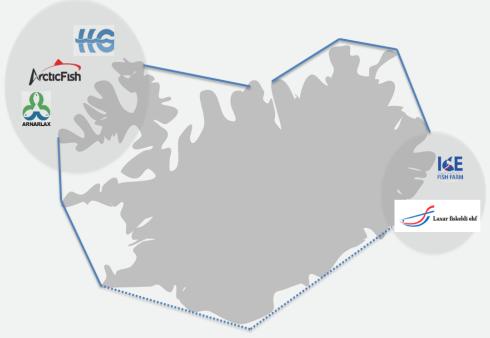


- Norway Royal Salmon and Aker ASA have applied for 15 development licenses
- The concept has a significant degree of innovation and requires a substantial investment
- The Directorate of
   Fisheries has informed
   that our application is in
   line with the criteria's for
   development licenses





### Iceland: The new frontier in salmon farming



- Big part of the Icelandic coastline is closed to sea-cage farming
- Two main areas for sea-cage farming: Westfjords and Eastfjords
- Total allocated licenses in Iceland ~38.000 MT
- Only 5 farming companies
- Farming condition similar to Finnmark in Norway



# Significant growth potential in Iceland



#### Harvest volume 2016

Iceland: 8 400 tonnes

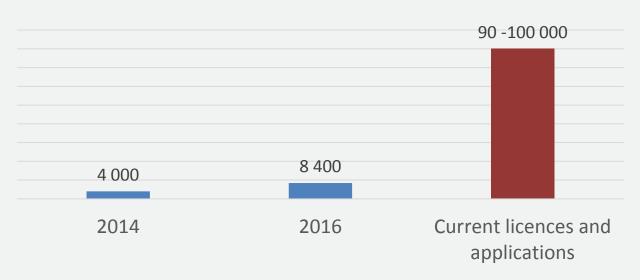
Faroe Islands: 76 000 tonnes

~10x



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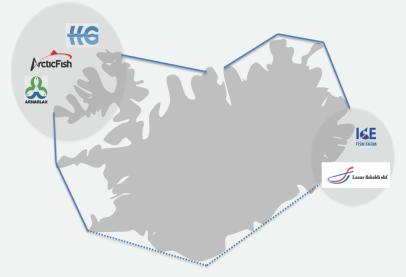




- NRS assume a 80 100.000 tonnes (annually) potential in the future
- Icelandic aquaculture association says total production could be between 50 and 90.000 tonnes annually
- Grow the industry step by step



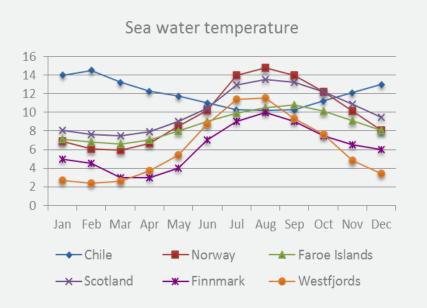
### Regulations can secure good sanitary situation

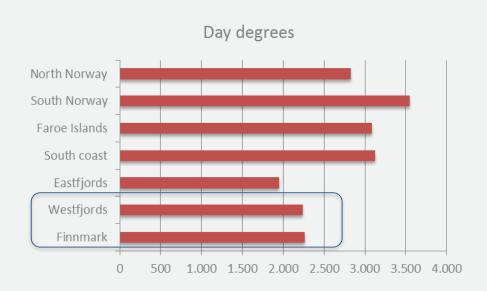


- Build a salmon industry that can take experience from other salmon production areas
- Companies need to work together to secure a sustainable salmon production
  - Ex . all farms running a generation model "all inn all out"
- Working closely with government to secure a regulation for a sustainable salmon industry



## Benefits from it's geographical location





### Beginning of the year until March/April - low temperatures

The goals is to put out larger smolts to avoid a second winter in sea

#### Westfjords provide a benefit in terms of day degrees

 Records from Icelandic farmers show "compensated" growth in the summer time



# Challenges

- Lack of fish farming infrastructure
  - Wellboat, harvest capacity, service, feed etc.
- Lack of experience in the governmental sector
  - How to regulate the industry?
- General opposition towards salmon farming in sea cages
- Limited capacity on the smolt side
- Fish health included sea lice



### Joint Venture in Iceland



NRS agreed to acquire 50 % of Arctic Fish, forming a joint venture with the existing owners

### Why Arctic Fish?

- Attractive locations with licenses in three fjords in the Westfjords
- State-of-the art hatchery plant with an annual capacity of 7 mill smolt when fully operated
  - Goal is to produce smolt up to 500g
- Arctic Fish has currently licenses with a total allowed production of 9,000 t farmed fish
- NRS believes it can provide significant industry knowledge to Arctic Fish, given the locations' similarity to Finnmark

We are looking forward to develop the salmon industry in Iceland





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