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## Reed Elsevier 2012 progress

- Another year of improving performance
  - Positive revenue growth trajectory, improving earnings growth and ROIC
  - Underlying revenue and profit growth in all five business areas
- Continuing transformation of asset base and earnings quality
  - Organic development of digital platforms and new products
  - Portfolio reshaping towards more predictable revenues, higher growth profile, improving returns



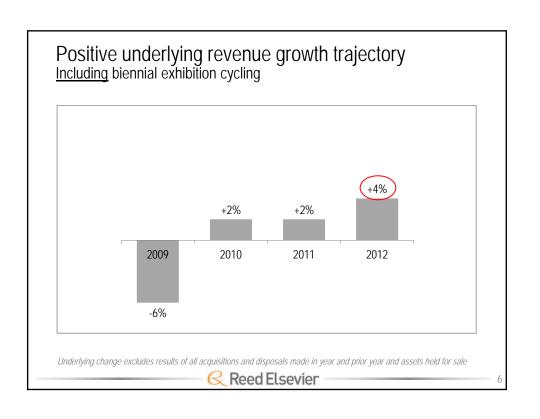
### Profit and loss

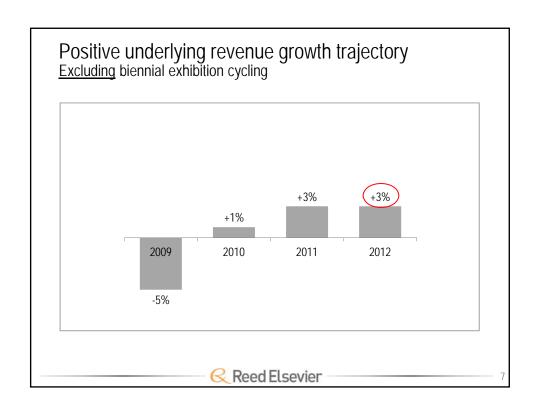
| Year to 31 December       | 2012<br>€m | 2011<br>€m | change |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|--------|
| Revenue                   | 7,523      | 6,902      | +9%    |
| Adjusted operating profit | 2,107      | 1,870      | +13%   |
| Adjusted net profit       | 1,400      | 1,219      | +15%   |
| Reported net profit       | 1,315      | 874        | +50%   |

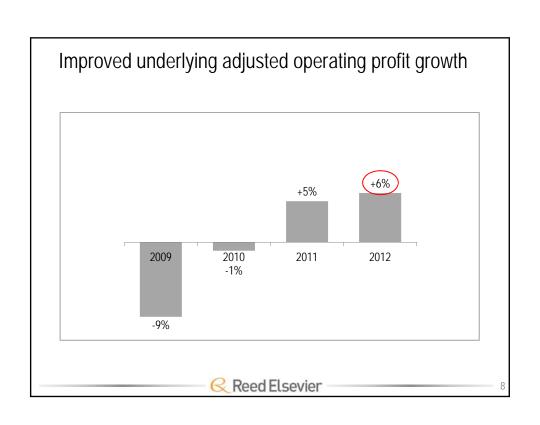
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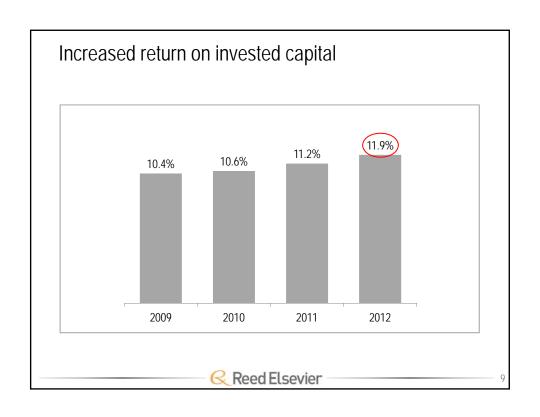
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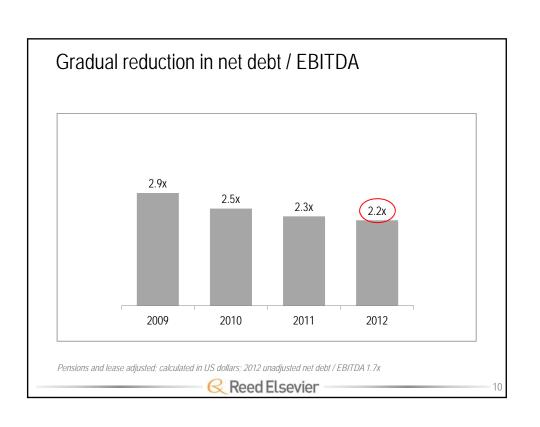
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| €0.95  | +14%           |
| €0.90  | +53%           |
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## Reed Elsevier strategic direction

#### Where we are going

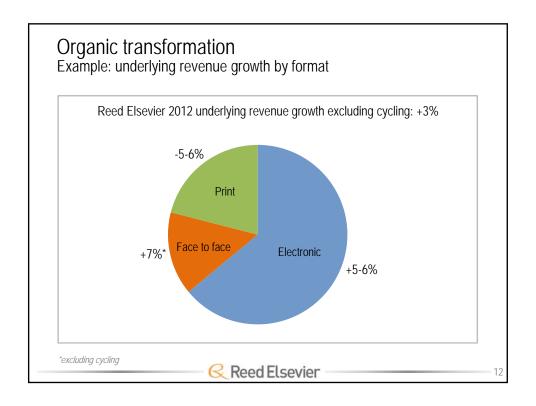
- Deliver improved outcomes to professional customers
- · Combine content & data with analytics & technology in global platforms
- · Build leading positions in long term global growth markets
- Leverage institutional skills, assets and resources across Reed Elsevier

#### How we are getting there

- Organic investment in transforming core business
- Organic build-out of new products into adjacent markets and geographies
- Selective acquisitions
- Selective divestments



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# Implications for Reed Elsevier business profile Improving quality of earnings

- More predictable revenues
- Higher growth profile
- Improving returns



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## Summary

#### 2012

- Progress on systematic transformation of business
- Improved financial performance

#### 2013 Outlook

"The outlook for the macro environment, and its impact on our customer markets, remains mixed, and 2013 is a cycling out year for our exhibitions business. However, the positive momentum with which we entered the year has been maintained, and we continue to expect 2013 to be another year of underlying revenue, profit, and earnings growth."



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