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**SEEK Limited 2024 Annual General Meeting – CEO Presentation – Trading & FY2025 Guidance**

In accordance with the Listing Rules, attached is the presentation to be delivered by the Chief Executive Officer at today's 2024 Annual General Meeting, including trading and FY2025 Guidance, for release to the market.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'R. Agnew'.

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Company Secretary

This announcement was authorised for release by the Company Secretary.

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# Annual General Meeting 2024

CEO's address – 19 November 2024

*To be read in conjunction with SEEK's FY24 Results Presentation  
released on 13 August 2024*

*SEEK's trading update and FY25 guidance is provided on page 8*



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# SEEK's FY28 ambitions

## \$2bn revenue opportunity

Growing placements

Growing yield

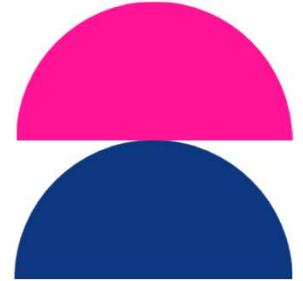
- Macroeconomic conditions weighing on the short-term
- Ongoing investment driving yield growth through the cycle and preference

## Operating leverage

- Major infrastructure completed: unified platform, ERP, CRM
- Now positioned to drive leverage post Platform Unification
- Supports >50% margin

SEEK's aspirational \$2bn revenue opportunity was first outlined in the April 2023 Strategy Update and included the LatAm assets when announced. The revenue opportunity is not guidance nor a prediction of a future matter. It is provided as an example of the outcomes management is currently focused on as part of their medium-term ambitions. There are risks and uncertainties in connection with these ambitions, including relating to macroeconomic conditions and events beyond SEEK's control.

# FY24 - foundations in place



## FY24 outcomes

- ▶ Placement share in ANZ highest in recent history
- ▶ Double digit yield growth across APAC
- ▶ Total expenditure (operating and capital costs) in line with prior year
- ▶ Platform Unification completed ahead of time and under budget, and organisational structure aligned
- ▶ Latin American assets sold to focus on APAC geographies with unified product platform

## Foundations for growth

- ▶ Momentum in placements and yield growth due to previous investments
- ▶ Continuous improvement in AI-driven matching and verification due to market leading network effects and data
- ▶ Market leading brand metrics on both sides of the marketplace across APAC
- ▶ Clear investment focus on APAC, including experimentation with new monetisation approaches
- ▶ Ability to focus investment on growth not infrastructure: core technology, sales and corporate functions at scale to sustain higher revenue growth

# FY24 financial results

## Continuing Operations

**\$1,084m**

Revenue  
-6% vs pcp

**\$469m**

EBITDA  
-14% vs pcp

**\$776m**

Total expenditure  
-1% vs pcp

**\$615m**

Opex +1% vs pcp

**\$161m**

Capex -8% vs pcp

**\$177m**

Adjusted NPAT<sup>1</sup>  
-33% vs pcp

**\$(60)m**

Reported NPAT loss  
pcp: \$230m profit<sup>2</sup>

**35 cps**

FY24 dividend  
pcp: 47 cps, 100% payout<sup>3</sup>

**\$1,033m**

Net debt  
-3% vs pcp

## Total Operations<sup>2</sup>

**\$1,160m**

Revenue  
-17% vs pcp

**\$483m**

EBITDA  
-13% vs pcp

**\$179m**

Adjusted NPAT<sup>1</sup>  
-31% vs pcp

**\$(101)m**

Reported NPAT loss  
pcp<sup>4</sup>: \$1,046m profit

1. Adjusted NPAT is defined as Reported NPAT excluding the SEEK Growth Fund ("the Fund") (for Continuing Operations only) and significant items.

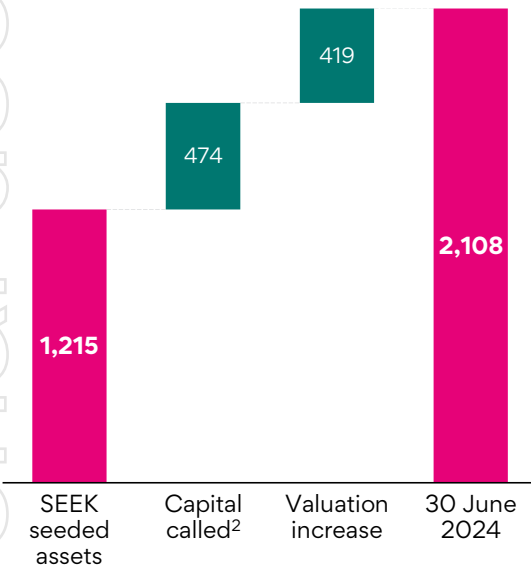
2. FY23 has been restated to reflect the sale of the Latin American ("LatAm") assets on 20 June 2024 and a tax adjustment related to the Fund. Results of the LatAm assets are now reported in Discontinued Operations.

3. Payout ratio of Cash NPAT less capex, consistent with SEEK's dividend policy.

# SEEK Growth Fund

Portfolio valuation up 26% since creation; down 9% in FY24

Valuation movements since creation (\$m)



▶ **Life to date performance:**

- Valuation up 26%<sup>1</sup> since creation (IRR of 10%)

▶ **FY24 performance:**

- The portfolio valuation was down 9% to \$2.1b, with the decline spread across the three investment themes
- The Fund's largest businesses performed well despite challenging macroeconomic conditions, but there were no significant capital events to support a valuation uplift
- The total portfolio delivered look-through<sup>3</sup> revenue growth of 12% vs pcp, with HR SaaS portfolio delivering revenue growth of 31%

▶ **Valuation:**

- SEEK's carrying value of the equity accounted investment as at 30 June 2024 was \$1,816m (pcp: \$1,965m)
- The Fund's top five businesses accounted for 85% of the total valuation

1. Portfolio valuation vs invested capital (SEEK seeded assets and capital called), based on independently reviewed valuation provided by the Fund's Manager at 30 June 2024.

2. The Fund has committed capital of \$550m of which \$474m has been called. SEEK's share of uncalled committed capital is \$51m.

3. Represents net revenue of investments multiplied by the Fund's diluted ownership interest (based on comparable ownership interest across FY24 and FY23). Excludes OES & Coursera.

# Sustainability highlights

Continued focus on areas where SEEK can have a positive impact



## Human rights

Implemented technology improvements to improve fair hiring processes and systems, with 100% of direct and indirect job ads across APAC now automatically scanned



## Social impact

Published employment marketplaces data and insights reporting, developed SEEK's First Nations Reconciliation Strategy and continued investment programs including SEEK Volunteer



## Data and cyber

Simplified technology environment with the unified platform, continued implementation of cybersecurity processes and governance control improvements, and continued responsible artificial intelligence (AI) reviews

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# Trading update and guidance

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# FY25 trading update and guidance

- Based on year to date performance, guidance for FY25 revenue is unchanged
  - Volumes in Australia have been slightly above expectations in FY25 to date, with unemployment tracking lower than most economists expected. Volumes in New Zealand have continued to trend downwards
  - Volumes across Asia have been mixed and overall slightly lower than expectations in FY25 to date. In particular, volumes in Hong Kong have been impacted by economic uncertainty in the region
  - Yield guidance of high single digit growth across APAC is unchanged
- Guidance range for FY25 total expenditure narrowed
  - Based on year-to-date run rate, total expenditure is unlikely to reach the top end of the previous range even if revenue is higher than expected
  - The treatment of total expenditure is under review which may result in some shift from capex to opex
- Guidance for FY25 EBITDA and Adjusted NPAT is unchanged

## FY25 guidance<sup>1</sup>

*Unchanged:* Revenue of approximately  
**\$1.02bn to \$1.14bn**

*Unchanged:* EBITDA of approximately  
**\$430m to \$500m**

*Unchanged:* Adjusted NPAT of approximately  
**\$130m to \$180m**

*Updated:* Total expenditure of approximately  
**\$760m to \$790m**

Assumptions for items below EBITDA remain consistent as outlined on slide 34 of SEEK's FY24 Results Presentation



<sup>1</sup> Continuing Operations, excludes the Fund and significant items.

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Refer to SEEK's Appendix 4E and Statutory Accounts for the year ended 30 June 2024 for IFRS financial information that is presented in accordance with all relevant accounting standards.