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# 1H2024 RESULTS

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# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

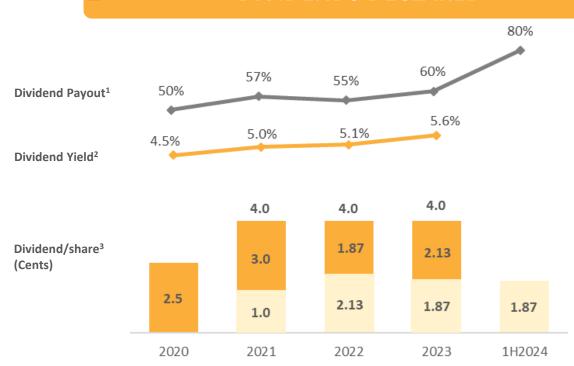


## 1H2024 HAPPY SHAREHOLDER RETURNS





### **DIVIDENDS DECLARED**





### **SHARE BUYBACK PROGRAM**

	S\$'m
Share Buyback Programme	30.0
2022	(10.1)
2023	(5.4)
2024 up to 31.05.2024	(2.9)
Balance for further buyback	11.6

### **CASH TO SHAREHOLDERS**

	S\$'m	
Dividend Payout	20.9	
Share Buyback	2.9	
Total Cash out	23.8	> FCF

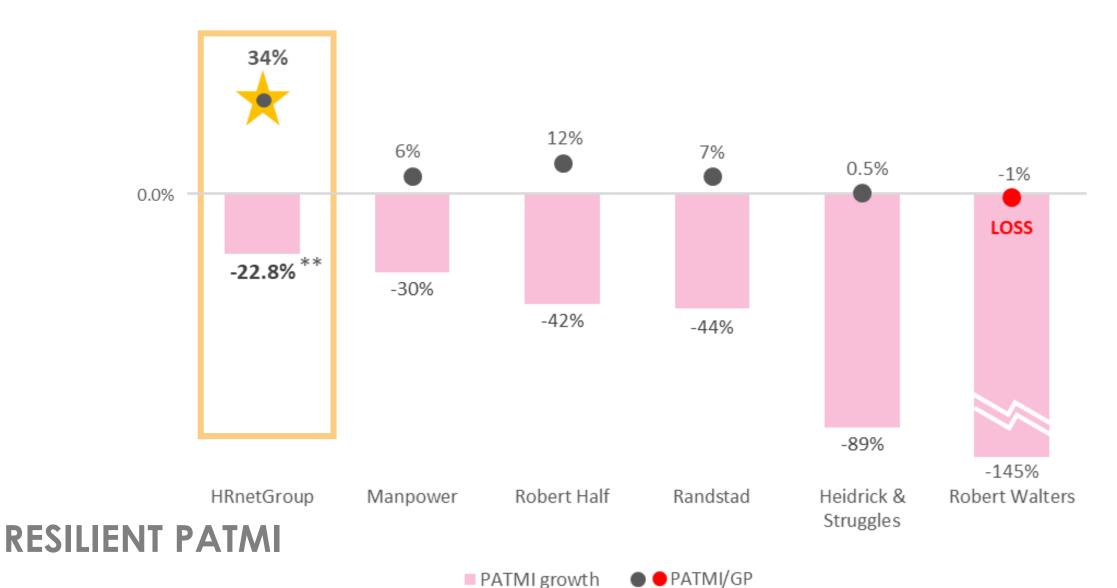
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Dividend/NPAT.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Dividend/Closing Price as at last trading day of the financial period.

<sup>3</sup> Special/Interim dividend Final dividend

# SUPERIOR CONVERSION RATIO





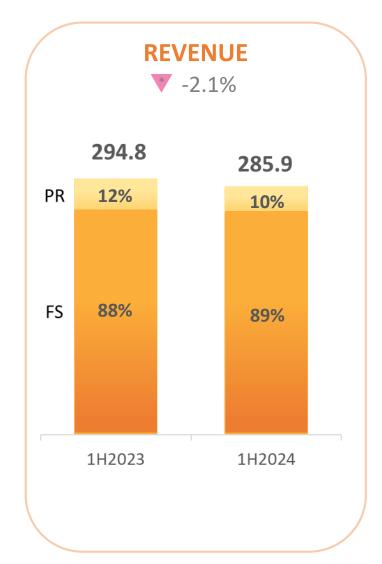
\*Source: Company data

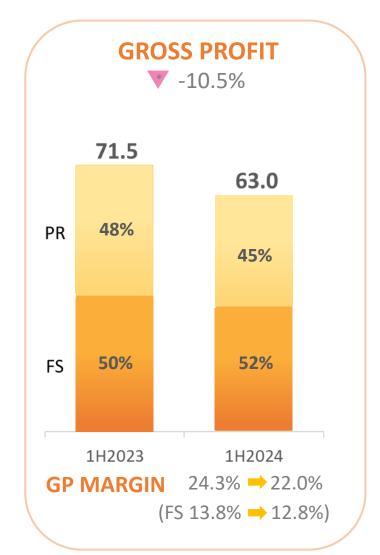
<sup>\*\*</sup> Growth in constant currency

## 1H2024 KEY FINANCIALS



S\$'m







# 1H2024 BUSINESS MIX



REVENUE PROPORTION

**GPM** 

GROSS PROFIT PROPORTION

**FLEXIBLE STAFFING** 

89.3%

12.8%

52.0%

PROFESSIONAL RECRUITMENT

10.0%

99.9%

45.5%

22.0%

### 1H2024 FS BUSINESS DYNAMICS















Clients need Contractors



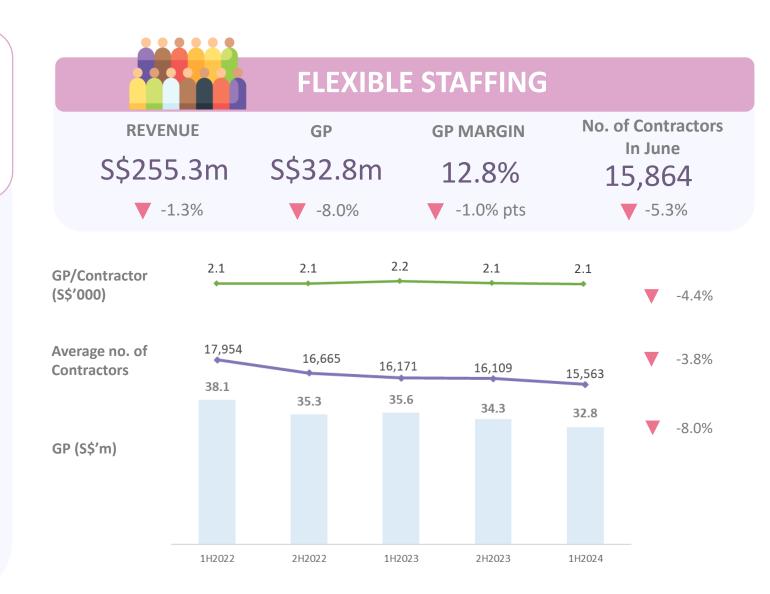
We source, recommend and hire Contractors on our payroll



We pay Contractors and take responsibilities for their insurance and benefits as their Employer



We bill Clients a service fee in addition to payroll and employee benefit costs incurred



## 1H2024 PR BUSINESS DYNAMICS



**HRnetOne** 

HRnetRimbun

PeopleSearch

**PeopleFirst** 











Clients need talents for junior, mid to senior-level positions



We source, interview, recommend and select qualified and suitable Candidates



We facilitate contract negotiation



Clients hire successful Candidates & they start work



We bill Clients a % of the successful Candidates' 1st year remuneration



### PROFESSIONAL RECRUITMENT

REVENUE S\$28.7m

**V** -16.4%

S\$28.6m

**-16.3%** 

**GP MARGIN 99.9%** 

▲ 0.1% pts

**PLACEMENTS** 

2,318

**-19.9%** 



## 1H2024 BUSINESS DYNAMICS



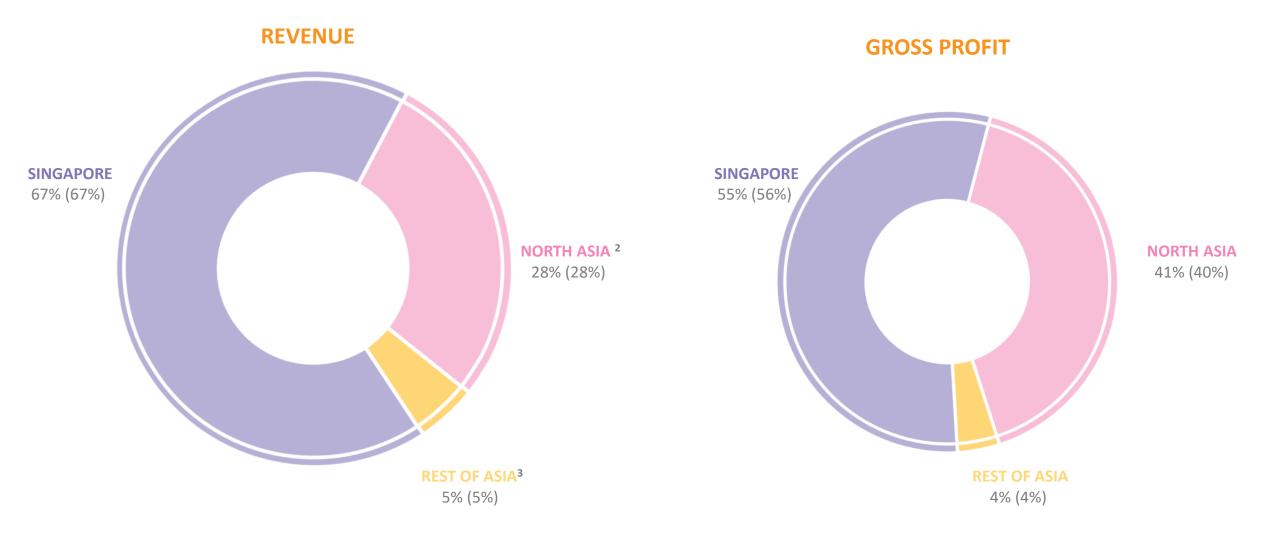
	VOLUME	UNIT GP*	GROSS PROFIT
FLEXIBLE STAFFING	<b>▼</b> -3.8%	<b>▼-4.4%</b>	▼-8.0%
PROFESSIONAL RECRUITMENT	<b>▼</b> -19.9%	<b>4.5</b> %	<b>▼-16.3</b> %

- FS Volume refers to average number of contractors 15,563 (2023: 16,171)
- Placement volume (PR Volume) 2,318 (2023: 2,895)

<sup>\*</sup>FS Unit GP refers to average GP per contractor and PR Unit GP refers to average GP per placement.

# 1H2024 GEOGRAPHY MIX





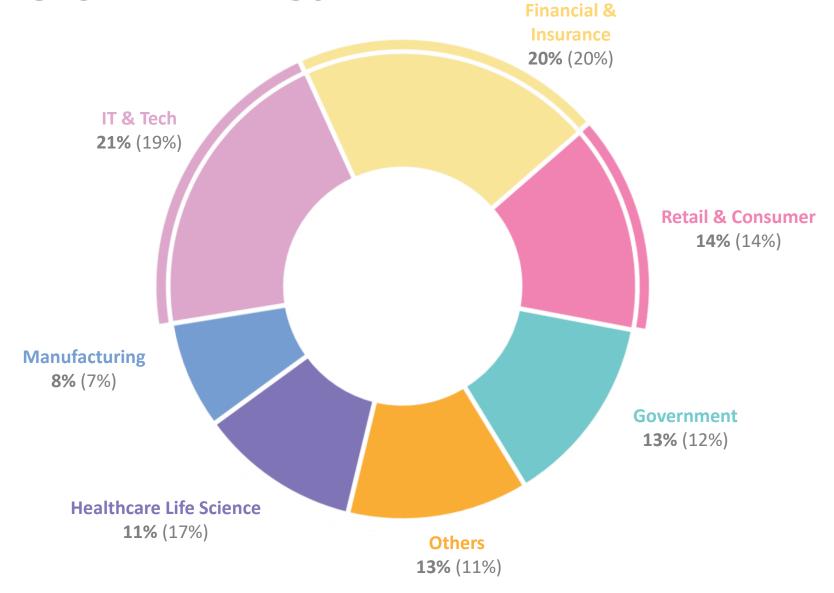
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 1H2023 figures in brackets.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> North Asia: Beijing, Shanghai, Shenzhen, Guangzhou, Suzhou, Chengdu, Xi'an, Taipei, Kaohsiung, Hsinchu, Hong Kong, Tokyo and Seoul.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Rest of Asia: Kuala Lumpur, Jakarta and Bangkok.









### Our Top 5 clients have been with us for an average of 19 years

	Customer since	1H2024 Revenue Contribution
1. Client (Financial & Insurance)	2000	5.1%
2. Client (IT services)	2022	3.9%
3. Client (Financial & Banking)	2004	3.6%
4. Client (Retail & Consumer)	1999	2.5%
5. Client (Financial & Banking)	2001	2.0%
Contribution from Top 5 clients		17.0%
Contribution from Top 10 clients		24.8%

# SUPERIOR COST MANAGEMENT



	1H2024	1H2023	Cost Sa	avings
	\$'m	\$'m	\$'m	%
Selling, General, Admin Expenses				
Employee Benefit Expenses	33.2	36.7	(3.5)	(9.5)
Payroll	25.2	26.8	(1.6)	(5.7)
Incentives/Bonuses	7.2	9.1	(1.9)	(21.5)
Others	0.8	0.8	0.0	3.2
Facilities & Depreciation	5.7	5.5	0.1	2.6
Others	2.7	3.6	(1.0)	(27.1)
	41.5	45.8	(4.3)	(9.4)

# 1H2024 OTHER INCOME



	1H2024	1H2023	Cha	nge
	S\$'m	S\$'m	S\$'m	%
Interest income	4.1	3.2	0.9	29.0
Reversal of trade related accruals	2.3	3.7	(1.4)	(38.3)
Government grants and subsidies	1.3	2.6	(1.4)	(52.5)
Dividend income	0.6	0.4	0.2	37.6
Gain on disposal of investments	0.1	-	0.1	n.m.
Net fair value loss on financial assets*	(1.8)	(0.3)	(1.5)	(513.8)
Others	0.1	0.1	0.0	38.0
	6.5	9.7	(3.2)	(32.6)

## 1H2024 STRONG CASH FOR EXPANSION POSSIBILITIES





### **NET OUTFLOW OF S\$24.8M:**

**OPERATING** 

+ S\$18.3m

- S\$29.6m operating cashflow
- S\$(11.3m) working capital changes & tax payments

**INVESTING** 

- S\$14.5m

- S\$(15.3m) net purchase of CLN/T-Bills
- S\$1.5m from disposal of other financial assets
- S\$(0.7m) Capex & others

**FINANCING** 

- S\$28.1m

- S\$(22.2m) dividends paid
- S\$(3.0m) repayment of lease liabilities
- S\$(2.9m) share buyback

**FOREX** 

- S\$0.5m

Effect of foreign exchange rate changes on Cash & Cash equivalents

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cash & Cash equivalents

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> CLN/T-Bills: Credit Linked Notes (CLN) are DBS issued notes with Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS) bill as credit underlying, while T-bills are short-term Singapore Government Securities (SGS) issued by MAS

# **USE OF IPO PROCEEDS**

UTILISATION	<b>Amount</b> S\$m
Investments in Staffline and Bamboos (FVTOCI)	64.0
Purchase of financial assets (FVTPL)	39.3
Acquisition and investment in subsidiaries	10.1
Start-up of subsidiaries	9.9
IPO related expenses	9.1
Balance pending deployment	41.7
Total IPO Proceeds	174.1

MOVEMENT	<b>Amount</b> S\$m			
As at 1 January 2024	131.4			
Investment in new M&A subsidiary - AllwaysHRnet (Shanghai) Limited	1.0			
As at 30 June 2024	132.4			





SINGAPORE 2022 & 2023



### **STRONG FINANCIALS 1H2024**

- Revenue \$\$285.9m
- Gross Profit S\$63.0m
- PATMI \$\$21.7m. FCF \$\$17.2m
- Cash/CLN/T-Bills S\$302.2m, zero borrowings



### **INFRASTRUCTURE TO SCALE**

- 1,094 people, 37 Business Units, 38 offices,
   17 Asian cities
- 15 brands with product & service differentiation
- Systems, processes, digital infrastructure



#### **DIVIDENDS PAYOUT**

- May 2024 Final dividend: 2.13 cts
- Sep 2024 Interim dividend: 1.87 cts
- LTM Dividend yield of 5.7%
- 56% Cumm dividend payout



### **CO-OWNERS BUILD TO LAST**

- Co-ownership model with 43 business leaders
- M&A profit accretive & successful integration

# **OPERATIONS & OUTLOOK**



# BUILDING OUT OUR REGIONAL PLATFORM AND CAPTURING THE HR DOLLAR







**GRACE TANG**Business Leader



MAGDALENE TEO
Business Leader

### Introducing, Leaps by HRnet

Leaps is a strategic initiative that integrates HRnetGroup's extensive resources and stablished market position with the consulting expertise of industry professionals.

Designed to deliver value-adding human resource solutions, Leaps offers comprehensive and tailored consulting services that address the specific human resource challenges faced by businesses today.

### **SOLUTIONS**



# **Business Transformation Consulting**

A strategic process aimed at helping organisation fundamentally change and improve their operations, processes and structure to achieve better performance and adapt to evolving market conditions



Job Redesign

Diagnose the company's needs, design and enable implementation of new roles to keep employees relevant and enhance productivity



# New Manager Integration

The integration process is designed to help managers make impact much earlier

## **HRnetGroup**

# **BUILDING OUT OUR REGIONAL PLATFORM** AND CAPTURING THE HR DOLLAR



EASE Jobs is a job search and employee management app



Candidates can easily apply for jobs with just one click



EASE\$

Reward dollars that candidates can earn and convert into real cash



### **Instant Jobs**

Gig-focused feature that allows candidates to book for jobs with immediate vacancy



**Ease Lessons** 

Micro-learning videos that candidates can watch on the go







**Always Available** 

Claims can now be submitted anytime anywhere via mobile



**Paid Immediately** 

Once approved, the claim is paid out immediately. No more waiting for processing and crediting

## **HRnetGroup**

# BUILDING OUT OUR REGIONAL PLATFORM AND CAPTURING THE HR DOLLAR



### **Introducing, Crew by HRnet**

Crew provides manpower supply and workforce solutions to businesses. The team focuses on providing blue-collar recruitment and skilled foreign staffing.



#### **SERVICES**

- Staffing and Placement
- Blue Collar Specialisation
- Foreign Workforce solutions
- Mass Recruitment
- Payroll Services
- Work Pass Application Services



#### **SPECIALISATION**

- Aviation and Aerospace
- Healthcare & Life science
- Logistics & Supply Chain
- Manufacturing, Engineering & Industrial
- Retail & Events
- F&B
- Transportation

## RELENTLESS FOCUS ON SUSTAINABLE GROWTH





Al is everywhere! From ChatGPT and Gemini to recent innovations like Apple's Al tool, Apple Intelligence. But what about HR, hiring, and talent management? Aren't these roles meant for humans, not Al? Can a program truly understand human dynamics better than you?

#### **JOIN US**

For an in depth conversation with other industry leaders about AI and its place in the world of HR.



### **Thought Leadership Events**

We recently hosted a highly engaging event in Bangkok, focusing on the transformative role of AI within the HR space. Attended by over 80 industry leaders, the event provided a platform for in-depth discussions on pivotal topics shaping the future of HR.

The topics discussed included **Ethical Dilemmas of Al-Driven Employee Monitoring, Fairness in Al-Driven Insights** and **Job Displacement – Is Al a Threat to HR Roles?.** The event featured insightful content presentations followed by discussions and an exchange of ideas and opinions.

Following the positive feedback we received, our Jakarta team will be running a similar event topic and format for their clients on 16 Aug.



# RELENTLESS FOCUS ON SUSTAINABLE GROWTH





### **Co-Working Hubs**

We are excited to unveil our freshly renovated and dynamic co-working hub in Kuala Lumpur. This new space is designed to promote collaboration and synergy among our consultants by housing multiple brands under one roof, optimising costs and boosting teamwork.

With the launch of our new KL co-working hub, we reaffirm our commitment to creating a workspace that transcends mere functionality. It's a flexible, multi-purpose environment tailored to accommodate everything from meetings and events to recreational activities and celebrations.

Up next, our Shanghai office is in the works to be transformed into a co-working hub.









# **APPENDIX A - SOLID FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE**



	Six months ended 30 June				
	2024	2023	(	Change	
	\$'m	\$'m	\$'m	%	cc%*
Revenue	285.9	294.8	(8.8)	(3.0)	(2.1)
Direct Costs	(222.9)	(223.3)	0.4	(0.2)	
GP	63.0	71.5	(8.5)	(11.9)	(10.5)
Other income	6.5	9.7	(3.1)	(32.6)	(32.5)
SG&A					
Employee Benefit Expenses	(33.2)	(36.7)	3.5	(9.5)	
Facilities & Depreciation	(5.7)	(5.5)	(0.1)	2.6	
Others	(2.7)	(3.6)	1.0	(27.1)	
	(41.5)	(45.8)	4.3	(9.4)	(7.8)
PBT	28.0	35.3	(7.3)	(20.8)	(20.1)
Tax	(5.2)	(5.7)	0.5	(8.9)	
NPAT	22.8	29.6	(6.8)	(23.1)	(22.5)
PATMI	21.7	28.3	(6.6)	(23.3)	(22.8)
EBITDA	28.2	36.5	(8.3)	(22.9)	
EPS (cents)	2.21	2.86	(0.65)	(22.7)	

# **APPENDIX B - STRONG BALANCE SHEET**

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	30 June	31 December		30 June	31 Decembe	<del></del> r
	2024	2023		2024	2023	
	\$'m	\$'m		\$'m	\$'m	_
<u>ASSETS</u>			LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
Current assets			Current liabilities			
Cash and cash equivalents	246.8	271.6	Trade payables	9.7	8.8	
Trade receivables	97.6	94.5	Other payables and accruals	50.6	57.5	
Other receivables and prepayments	7.8	6.9	Lease liabilities	5.0	5.3	
Other assets	3.9	3.3	Income tax payable	9.2	9.7	
Other financial assets	73.3	61.8	Total current liabilities	74.5	81.3	
Total current assets	429.3	438.0				
			Non-current liabilities			
Non-current assets			Deferred tax liabilities	0.4	0.5	
Pledged deposits	1.3	1.2	Lease liabilities	6.3	5.2	
Plant and equipment	2.6	2.1	Total non-current liabilities	6.7	5.7	
Right-of-use assets	10.6	10.1				
Other intangible assets	1.6	1.7				
Goodwill	6.3	5.9	Capital, reserves and			
Other financial assets	24.5	19.2	non-controlling interests			
Deferred tax assets	1.7	1.6	Share capital	260.6	260.6	
Total non-current assets	48.6	41.9	Treasury shares	(22.3)	(19.7)	
			Equity reserve	(47.2)	(47.2)	
Total assets	477.9	479.9	Investments revaluation reserve	(46.5)	(51.7)	
			Translation reserve	(5.1)	(4.2)	
			Retained earnings	239.5	238.7	
			Equity attributable to owners	378.9	376.6	
			of the Company			
			Non-controlling interests	17.8	16.3	
			Total equity	396.7	392.9	
			Total liabilities and equity	477.9	479.9	_
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