# **Unilever China**

# **Presentation for Investors**



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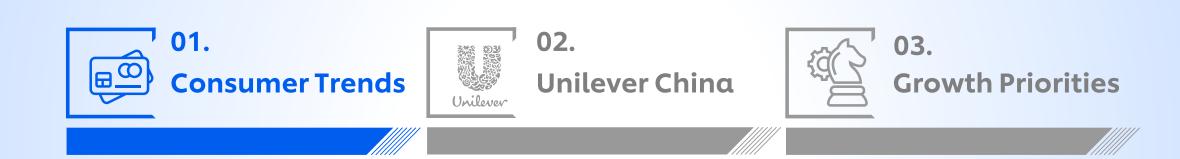
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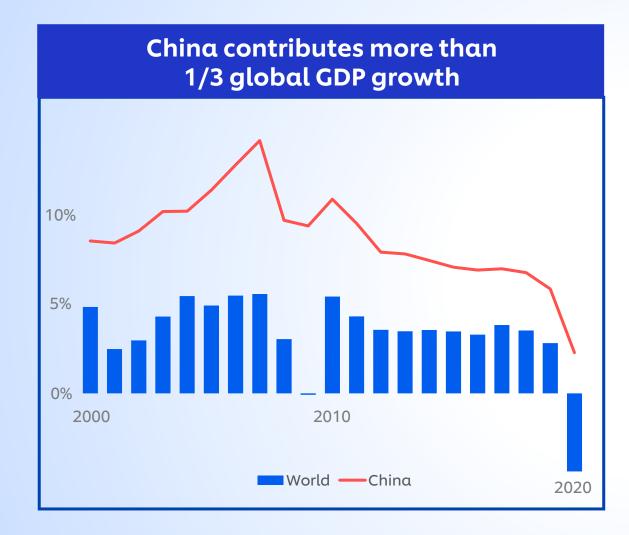




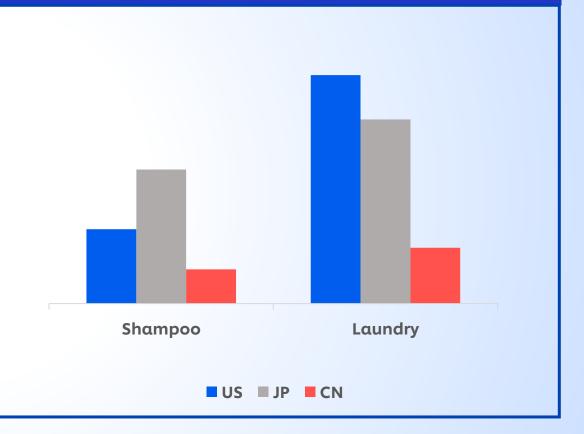
## Agenda







# Category spending per capita shows further growth potential



GDP growth percentage from IMF, International Monetary Fund

\*Category spending per capita from Euromonitor



#### **Two-Speed Chinese Consumers**



## **Normal Speed China**

- Lower tier cities
- Family centric
- Value for money

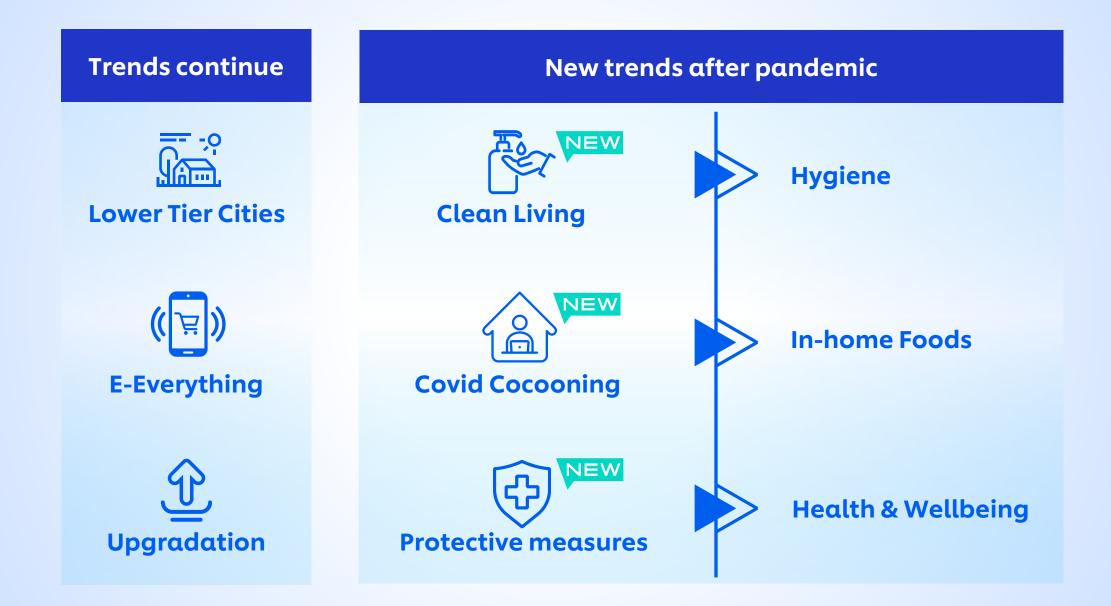
## **High Speed China**

- Top cities
- Pressure to compete
- Upgradation





#### **Tailwind segments**









#### Be the best local company with global leverage

## Design for China

100% of formulations designed or adapted for China

## Decide in China

Key decision makers based in China

# Move at China speed

75% of innovations launch

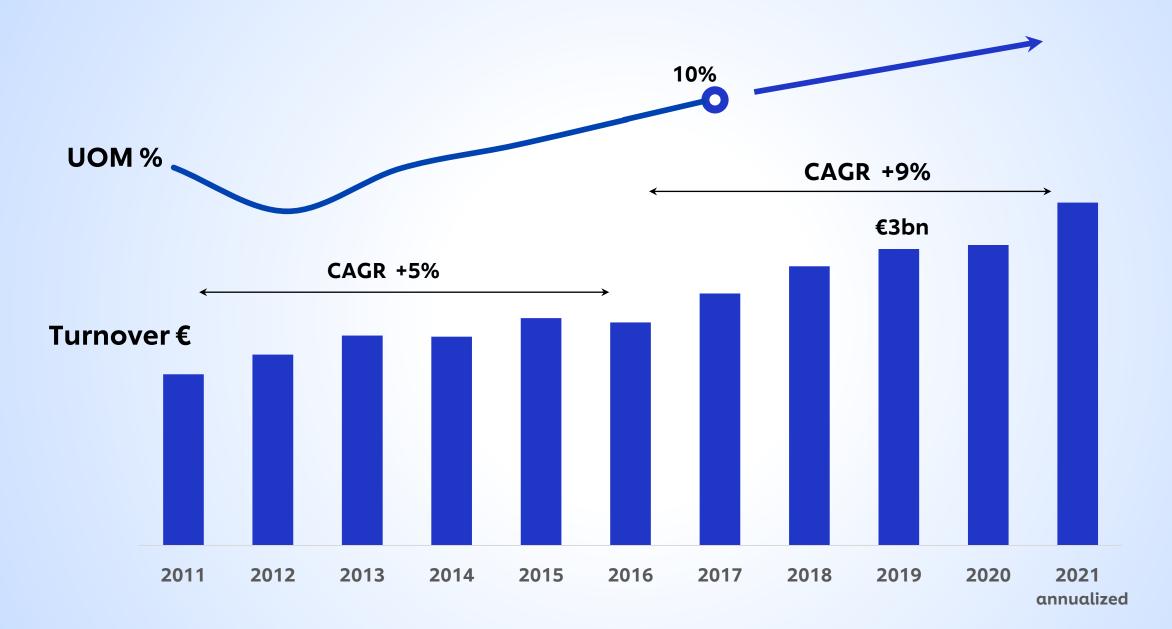
within 6 months

## Be fully digital in China

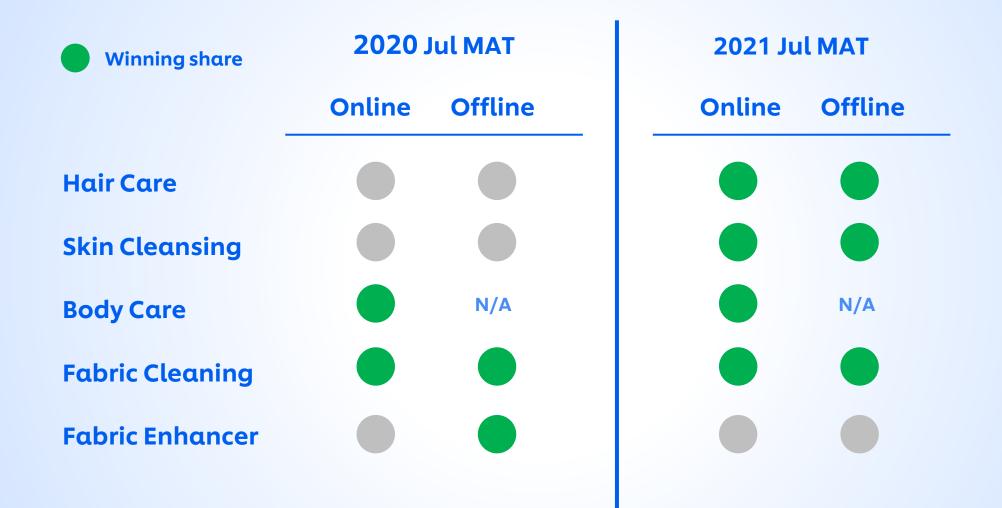
80% of investments on digital media and 40% on digital commerce



#### Unilever China – Consistent and profitable growth

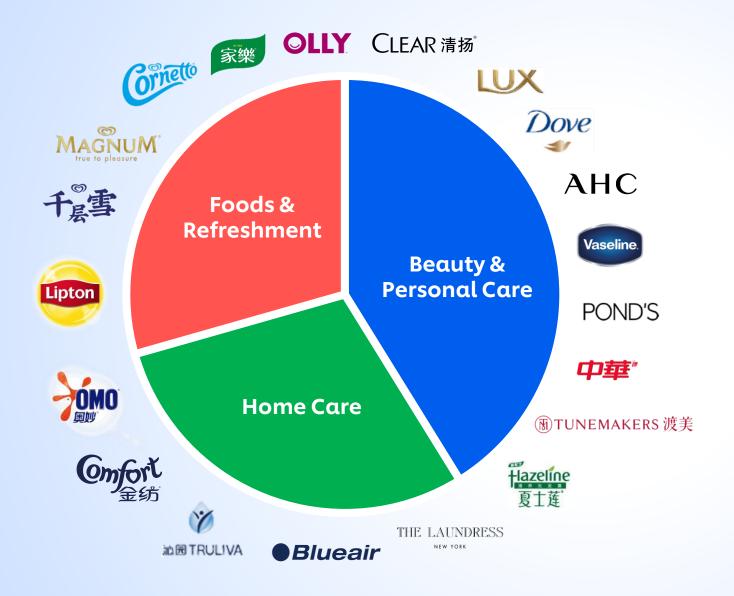








#### Unilever China – Strong brand portfolio



65% of business where

Unilever is a top 3 player

**10** Billion-CNY Brands

80% of households reached

by Unilever brands



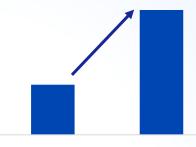
#### Unilever China – World class capability

#### **Manufacturing Scale**

## **Deep Distribution**



- 4 major sourcing hubs
- 1 smart logistic campus
- "Carbon neutral" for South hub



• 70% of categories grow

share in lower tier cities

#### 2015 2021 August

Number of Distributors

#### **Global R&D Centre**



- 113 patents originated
- 350+ professionals

## **Digital Infrastructure**



- 100+ digital professionals
- Data analytics, tools and governance
- Integrated data driven communication
- In house content creation studio

\* Total distribution points and lower tier city market share refers to AC Nielsen 2021 Jul MAT.



## Unilever China – Locally-led, agile organization

#### Diverse and Inclusive Local Leadership

- 99% local talent
- 50/50 gender balance



#### Strong Employer Brand

• No.1 Employer of Choice for 4 consecutive years

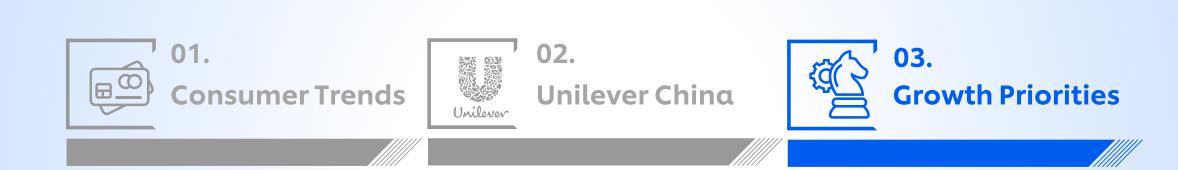


## Agile Organization 4G **GROW** Business Units **POWER** Capability Hubs **Standardized** 30 RUN **Operations** Manufacturing and MAKE **Sourcing network**

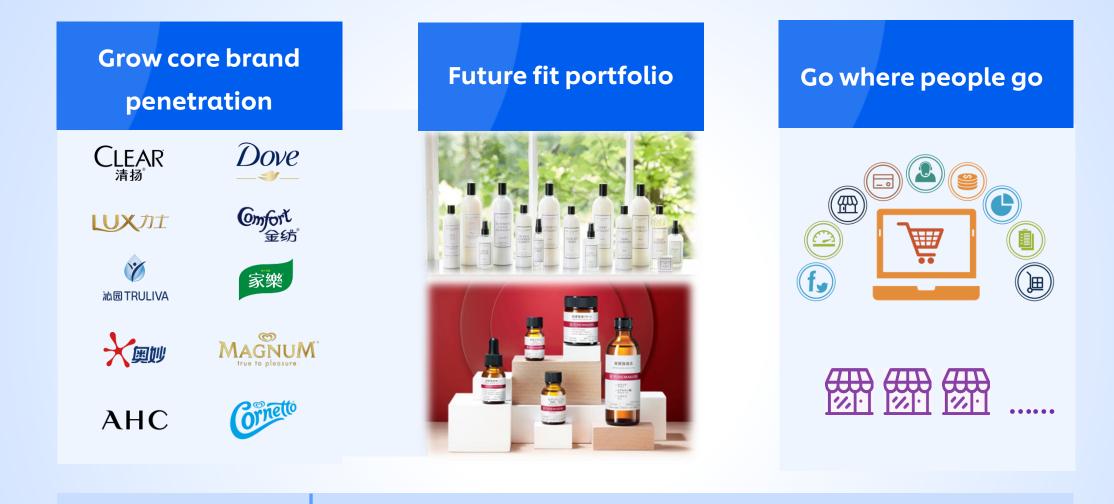
<sup>•</sup> 99% local talents refers to manager level and above.

\* Source: 58City – Recruitment, brand survey for best employer choices for graduates









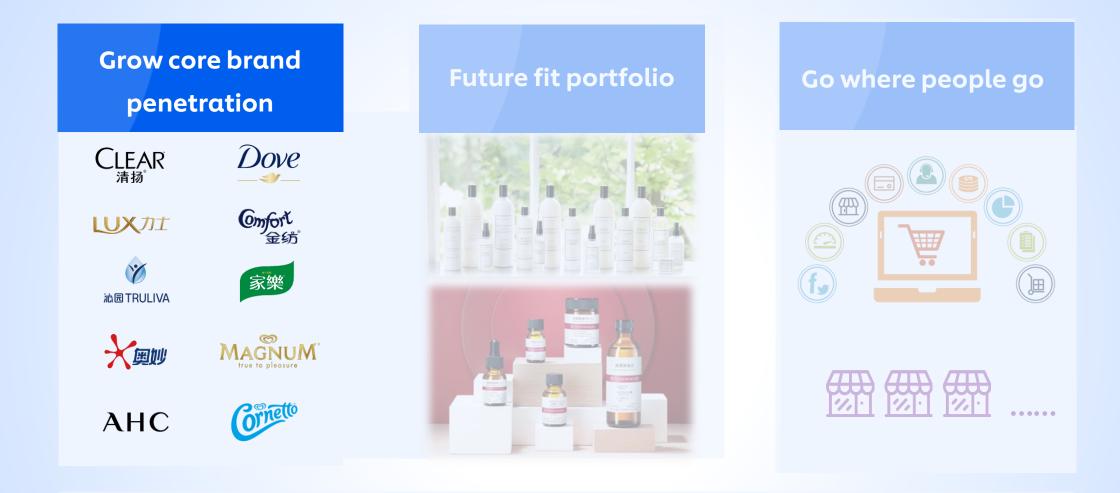
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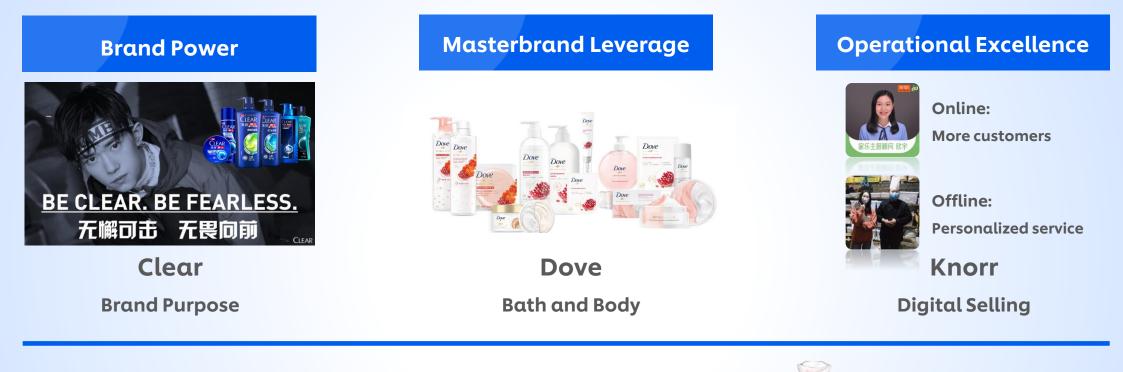
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## Growth Priorities – Grow core brand penetration

#### 85% of business growing penetration

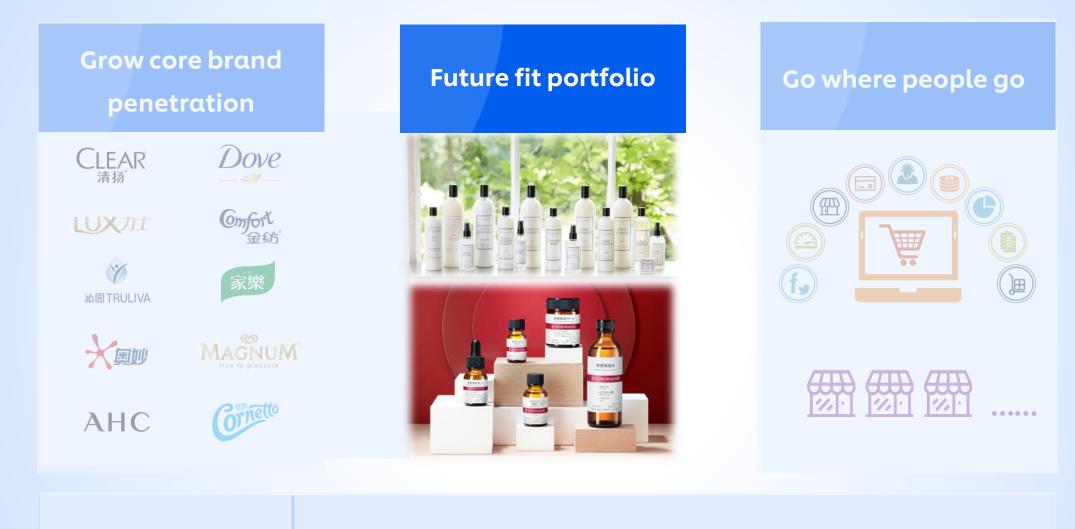












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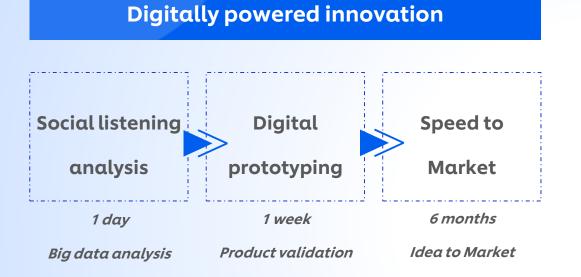
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## Growth Priorities – Transform into premium segments

#### 50% of business in premium tier. 70% growth contribution.





#### Digital marketing & amplification

- Precision marketing to reach
- Influencers to engage and convert
- Loyalty management to retain







\* Premium tier refers to average pricing index > 120, and business contribution refers to annualized 2021.



### Growth Priorities – Transform into tailwind segments

#### New segments in total reach 1 billion CNY scale. 3X growth.

#### Hygiene



#### **In-home Foods**



#### Health & Wellbeing



#### **Premium Laundry**



#### **Premium Beauty**



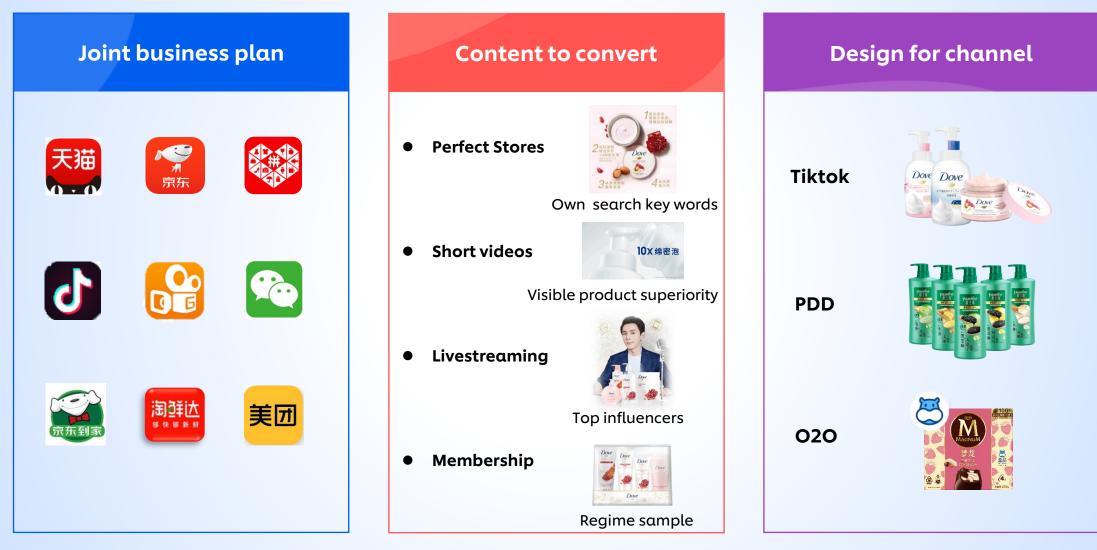






## Go where people go: Go digital

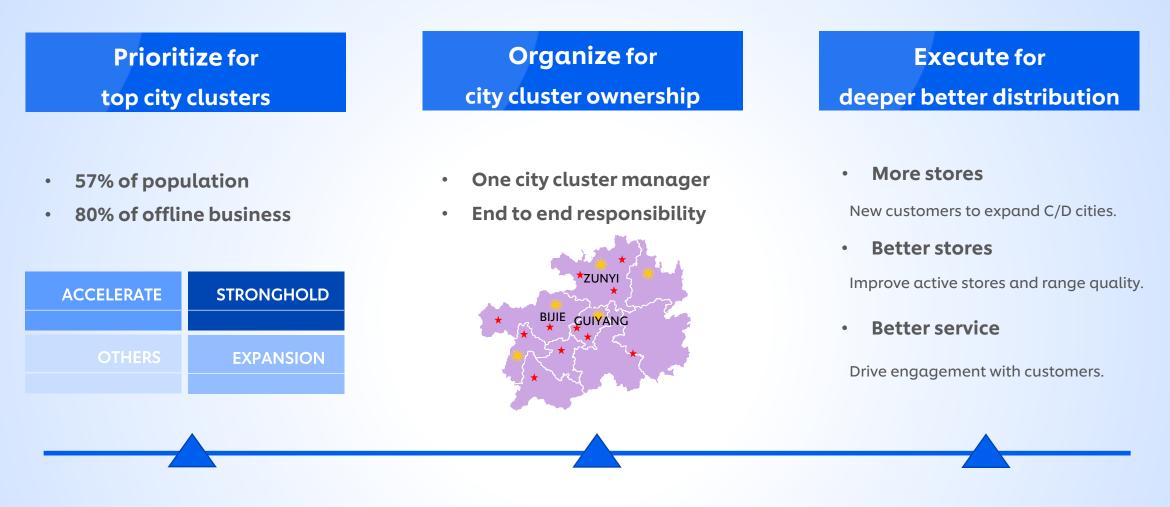
#### Digital commerce €1.3 billion. 40% of business



\* Digital commerce business size refers to 2021 H1 annualized number.



## Go where people go: Go deep



Empowered by Digital Route-to-Market capability

Performance tracking 
Resource planning engine 
Frontline decision tool





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# Q&A

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