# **INVESTOR RELATIONS**

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# **2022 Growth Strategy**

# **Our Quests Never End : A Glimpse at 2022**



- Games-as-a-Service : Boost player engagement and improve efficiency of the live service
- New Titles

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- Project M and The Callisto Protocol are scheduled to launch in '22

Expanding into new areas where KRAFTON's game production capabilities can be leveraged (Virtual Human, Deep Learning, Web 3.0/NFT, VR, etc.)



- A new program that encourages a constant flow of small and quick trials/challenge-taking
  - A team of max 20 people can try out new project ideas for one year and undergo user testing

## Boost Play Engagement and Improve Operational Efficiency for the Three Most Important PUBG Games

# **BATTLEGROUNDS**

### "Battlegrounds for All"

The transition to F2P led to improved new user care and monetization efficiency, making PUBG a game that is even more loved in the long run



### "Repositioning"

Set a clearly distinctive position in the market with a focus on hardcore/proficient players to expand the service and make it sustainable



#### "Further grow PUBG fandom"

Strengthen the fandom by constantly updating fresh content and creating continued momentum

# **KRAFTON Pipeline: 2022 and Beyond** <sup>(1)</sup>

#### **Road to Valor: Empires**

DreaMotion Real-Time Strategic Simulation

1H22 Global Launch

#### **Project M** Unknown Worlds Turn-based Strategy

Targeting 2H22 for Early Access

## **Project Biringam**

KRAFTON HQ Open world PvP Shooter

Targeting 2023 for an Early Access

### **Project Black Budget**

PUBG Studios PvPvE Looter Shooter

TBD

## **Defense Derby**

Rising Wings Real-Time Strategic Defense

Targeting 2H22 Soft Launch

#### The Callisto Protocol Striking Distance Studios

Action/Horror

Dec 2, 2022 Global Launch

#### Project FF Bluehole Studio Hero Collector RPG

Targeting 2023 for Launch

#### **Project Windless** KRAFTON HQ The Bird that Drinks Tears

TBD

## Expandable Areas Leveraging KRAFTON's Game Production Capabilities



## New Projects within the Web 3.0 & NFT Area

## Web 3.0 Business Direction

## New Web 3.0 Projects

Fun

We have come a long way as a gaming company and while we continue to do what we do best, we will also nurture a C2E ecosystem wherein fresh content is created endlessly.

## Communitydriven

We will grow together alongside a community centered around core fans and set priorities in alignment with them.

#### Cooperation

We will collaborate with a variety of partners to create and operate a scalable ecosystem

## User-Generated Metaverse Platform

- Create a high quality metaverse with content production tools based on the Unreal Engine
- <u>Activate a creator economy</u> based on NFT

## "The Potential" - A New Program that Encourages a Constant Flow of Small and Quick Trials/Challenge-Taking

A max 20person team

Able to set up a team with up to 20 like-minded colleagues

## **Key Direction**



# Aiming to produce a build within 1 year that is worthy of user testing

- The monthly milestone review on the 12<sup>th</sup> month will determine whether the build will be opened for user testing

- Spirit: quickly taking on meaningful challenges on a small scale
- A streamlined process, so that more trials can be continued
- Going beyond traditional forms of games and expanding new tech areas such as Web 3.0/NFT games



Support is offered to conduct user tests (soft launch) to verify the core gameplay/fun

 If the build passes the user test hurdle, it will get a chance to be greenlit as an official new project via THE NEW process

# 2Q22 & 1H22 Highlights

# 2022 1H Results at a Glance

## **KEY PERFORMANCE**



## **KEY FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS<sup>(3)</sup>**



# **PC/Console**

## Improving Overall Gaming Experience for All Users, Yet More Efforts on Securing New and Returned Users

#### 2Q22 Live Service Fostering In & Out Game Experience

#### 3Q22 Live Service & Marketing Plan



Note: (1) Total of NRU (New Registered Users), NPU (New Paying Users) and ARPU (Average Revenue Per User) for PC and Console as of 2Q22

# Mobile – PUBGM / New State

PUBGM on Steady Growth Track backed by Full-Packed Live Service Content, and New State on More Concerted Live Structure



Stronger User Engagement and Monetization with Attractive Global Brand Collaborations and Mode Services



Faster Gameplay, Better engagement



<Labs: AKINTA Bounty Royale>



<Global IP Collaboration>



User Engagement

Monetization







<Blackpink In-Game Concert>

<Map Renewals and New 1x1 Map>

<Various Mode Services>



<Supercar Collaboration Skins>



<Brand Collaboration Buddy Items>



<New Gold Level Skins>

# **INDIA**

Continuing the Path for Mutual Growth with India,

#### g Diverse Business Areas and Expanding Strategic Partnerships

LILA

<LILA Games> USD 1M

(2.5% share)

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NODWIN GAMING

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USD 22.5M

(15.0% share)

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USD 7M

**USD 5.5M** 

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USD 46M





Investment of **USD ~100M** 

cumulative as

of 2Q22

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<Tamatem Games><sup>(2)</sup>

USD 6M

(10.9% share)

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USD 5M

(20.0% share)

# New IP Project – 2022/23

New Global Titles from the US to Expand KRAFTON's Game IP Library and Attract More Fans from Diverse Genres

# **Project M**

- Turn-based strategy PC game set in a Sci-Fi world
- Following the 'Easy-to-Learn, Hard-to-Master' formula, a game that is also fun to watch
- First look at Gameplay and the expansive Sci-Fi universe to be revealed at Gamescom Opening Night Live
- Steam Early Access targeting 2H22





- New AAA Title by Glen Schofield & Team
- Global Release on Dec 2, 2022
- Best quality + Ultimate horror experience
   + Distinguished action mechanics
  - Gamescom to fuel momentum for upcoming launch

# **New IP Project – Project Windless**

A New IP Expansion Project by KRAFTON, Targeting Global Multi-Media Franchise, Game Development Finally Announced

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# Project Windless

- Korean fantasy novel with unique settings and rich narratives
- Expansion into media productions backed by strong fan base
- Visual R&D in progress by lain McCaig
- Art Book ('22) and Graphic Novel (1H '23) to be released
  - Game development team to be set up within '22

# New Growth – Web 3.0 Metaverse & Virtual Human

Leverage Our Core Technology on Building Interactive Virtual World, C2E Metaverse 'Project Migaloo' and Virtual Human 'ANA'



- Creator-centered value based on C2E ecosystem
- A Virtual Space for Fun inside KRAFTON's Interactive Virtual World
- Higher quality compared to existing Web 2.0 and Web 3.0 services

NAVER Z

In progress to set up a joint venture with Naver Z within '22

KRAFTON



- Virtual Influencer targeting global Gen. Z with its own unique universe
- Differentiation by KRAFTON's own technology:
- UE5-based Hyper Realism, Rigging, AI Voice, Deep Learning, etc.
- Further activities in different forms of entertainment starting from the release of original music and music video, to global partnerships and collaborations

# **2Q22** Financials

 Revenue
 1H22
 KRW 946.7bn (+2.9% YoY)

 2Q22
 KRW 423.7bn (-7.8% YoY, -19.0% QoQ)

 Operating Profit
 1H22
 KRW 474.2bn (+18.1% YoY)

 2Q22
 KRW 162.3bn (-6.8% YoY, -48.0% QoQ)



Note: (1) One-off related to share-based payment expenses (W60.9bn)

## **Revenue Breakdown**

#### Revenue

1H22 KRW 946.7bn (YoY +2.9%)

2Q22 KRW 423.7bn (YoY -7.8%, QoQ -19.0%)

#### • (PC) 1H22 +25.9% YoY, 2Q22 flat YoY, -16.5% QoQ

2Q22 was flat YoY given elimination of package sales and impact of free G-Coins after F2P transition, and decreased QoQ with more live service focusing on user engagement

#### • (Mobile) 1H22 -2.4% YoY, 2Q22 -9.7% YoY, -19.3% QoQ

Excluding one-off revenue in 2Q21, 2Q22 grew YoY with solid growth of PUBGM, yet decreased QoQ on low seasonality



# **Expense Breakdown**

#### Operating Costs 1H22 KRW 472.5bn (-9.0% YoY)

2Q22 KRW 261.3bn (-8.4% YoY, +23.8% QoQ)

#### • (Personnel) 1H22 +16.4% YoY, 2Q22 +3.7% YoY, -12.4% QoQ

Despite the increase in headcounts from business expansion, 2Q22 slightly rose YoY, but declined QoQ due to the decrease in performance-based incentives

#### • (Paid Commissions) 1H22 -19.7% YoY, 2Q22 -14.3% YoY, +46.1% QoQ

2Q22 declined YoY due to the absence of global-scale eSports events, but rose QoQ from hosting PNC 2022

KRW bn	2Q21	3Q21	4Q21	1Q22	2Q22	ΥοΥ	QoQ	1H21	1H22	ΥοΥ
Operating Costs	285.2	326.6	401.0	211.1	261.3	-8.4%	23.8%	519.0	472.5	-9.0%
% of Revenue	62.1%	62.6%	90.3%	40.4%	61.7%	-0.4%p	21.3%р	56.4%	49.9%	-6.5%p
Personnel	93.4	80.8	94.8	110.5	96.9	3.7%	-12.4%	178.1	207.4	16.4%
Platform fees / Cost of Revenue $^{\left( 1\right) }$	40.2	59.6	57.7	51.6	50.1	24.6%	-3.0%	76.0	101.7	33.9%
Paid Commissions	95.3	70.0	118.1	55.9	81.7	-14.3%	46.1%	171.5	137.7	-19.7%
Marketing	8.0	20.5	46.4	17.5	11.3	41.9%	-35.3%	15.4	28.8	86.8%
Share-based payment expenses	27.4	70.6	59.0	(53.2)	(8.4)	-130.6%	+84.2%	37.5	(61.6)	-264.5%
Others	20.9	25.1	25.1	28.8	29.8	42.7%	3.5%	40.6	58.6	44.4%
Operating Profit	174.2	195.3	43.0	311.9	162.3	- <b>6.8</b> %	-48.0%	401.4	474.2	18.1%
% Margin	37.9%	37.4%	9.7%	59.6%	38.3%	0.4%p	-21.3%p	43.6%	50.1%	6.5%p
Adj. EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	218.2	283.3	120.6	278.1	174.5	-20.0%	-37.2%	470.3	452.6	-3.8%
% Margin	47.5%	54.3%	27.2%	53.2%	41.2%	-6.3%p	-12.0%p	51.1%	47.8%	-3.3%p
Net Profit	141.3	178.3	6.2	245.2	194.0	37.3%	-20.9%	335.3	439.2	31.0%

Note: (1) Platform fees / Cost of Revenue consist of Steam, market commissions, etc. (2) Adj. EBITDA = EBITDA + Share-based payment expenses

# **Operating Profit / Adj. EBITDA**

Operating Profit	KRW 474.2bn (+18.1% YoY) KRW 162.3bn (-6.8% YoY, -48.0% QoQ)
Adj. EBITDA	KRW 452.6bn (-3.8% YoY) KRW 174.5bn (-20.0% YoY, -37.2% QoQ)

• 2Q22 Adj. EBITDA declined 20% YoY, with adj. EBITDA margin of 41%



Note: (1) One-off related to share-based payment expenses (W60.9bn)

# **Net Profit**

Profit Before Income Tax	1H22	KRW 586.5bn (+32.3% YoY)
	2Q22	KRW 256.8bn (+49.5% YoY, -22.1% QoQ)
Net Profit	1H22	KRW 439.2bn (+31.0% YoY), RECORD HIGH
	2Q22	<b>KRW 194.0bn</b> (+37.3% YoY, -20.9% QoQ)

• 2Q22 net profit rose YoY due to increased non-operating profit caused by f/x effects, with net profit margin of 46%



# **Summary of Financial Statements**

### **Consolidated Income Statement**

## **Consolidated Statement of Financial Position**

KRW bn	2Q21	3Q21	4Q21	1Q22	2Q22	KRW bn	2Q21	3Q21	4Q21	1Q22	2Q22
Revenue	459.3	521.9	444.0	523.0	423.7	Current Assets	1,554.8	4,441.2	3,653.7	3,715.7	3,811.0
Operating Costs	285.2	326.6	401.0	211.1	261.3	Cash and Cash Equivalents	624.5	3,593.9	3,019.3	1,952.8	1,193.6
Operating Profit	174.2	195.3	43.0	311.9	162.3	Non-current Assets	735.7	863.0	1,981.4	2,054.2	2,117.7
EBITDA	190.8	212.7	61.6	331.3	182.9	Total Assets	2,290.5	5,304.2	5,635.1	5,769.9	5,928.7
Adj. EBITDA	218.2	283.3	120.6	278.1	174.5	Current Liabilities	532.0	574.1	638.2	529.4	434.7
Non-operating Profit	(2.4)	74.7	(5.7)	17.8	94.5	Non-current Liabilities	188.9	210.0	388.7	393.7	416.2
Other Income	4.7	82.3	18.6	37.0	101.3	Total Liabilities	720.8	784.2	1,026.9	923.1	850.8
Other Expenses	5.7	9.9	28.2	24.3	12.8	Paid-in Capital	4.3	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9
Finance Income	0.7	4.0	5.3	6.7	7.5	Capital Surplus	1,065.6	3,837.2	3,839.1	1,474.1	1,475.1
Finance Expenses	2.1	1.8	1.5	1.7	1.6	Other Components of Equity	126.5	126.2	206.3	155.1	191.1
Profit before Income Tax	171.8	269.9	37.2	329.6	256.8	Retained Earnings	373.3	551.6	557.8	3,212.7	3,406.6
Income Tax	30.5	91.6	31.0	84.4	62.9	Non-controlling Interests	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Net Profit	141.3	178.3	6.2	245.2	194.0	Total Equity	1,569.7	4,520.0	4,608.2	4,846.8	5,077.9

# Appendix

**Our Vision** 

WHY

We believe games will become the world's most powerful medium.

HOW

Based on our **creativity**, steadfast dedication toward **new challenges** and **technological development**,

WHAT

We will further **expand our original IPs** and build **immersive**, **virtual worlds**, where our fans play together and share fun moments.

We will meet everyone in the world we are building.

# Founder and CEO

#### Organization Led & Cultivated by a Tech-based Founder and CEO



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## **Byung-Gyu Chang**

Cofounder & Chairman Member of the Strategy Committee

- KAIST BS / MS / Ph.D Candidate in Computer Science
- Current Chairman of KRAFTON
- Current Vice Chairman of Seoul Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- Previous Chairman of the Presidential Committee on the Fourth Industrial Revolution

## 1<sup>st</sup> Generation Startup Founder, 4-Time Serial Tech Entrepreneur

1997	2005	2007	2010
Game Studio	Search Engine	Developed 'TERA' 1st Non-targeting MMORPG	Early Tech Focused VC
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#### **Chang-Han Kim** CEO Member of the Strategy Committee KAIST BS / MS / Ph.D in Computer Science Previous PUBG Corp CEO PUBG PD 20+ Years of Experience in Gaming Industry

## Veteran Game Producer with 20+ Years of Game Development Experience

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2020 - Current

2009 - 2016

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• PUBG (Former Ginno Games) Ceo & Development PD Genre-defining title in Battle Royale

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 NextPlay CTO & TD ('Punch Monster' Executive PD) 2003 - 2008 2D lateral scroll action RPG Game with 3D tech

#### Imazic Head of Dev / Planning / Tech 2000 - 2003 (Director of 'Sephiroth') • 1<sup>st</sup> UE-Based MMORPG in Korea

KRAFTON CEO

# **Independent Studios**

Studios Focus on Development Based on Creative Identity, while KRAFTON Provides Publishing, Tech, Biz Support



## **Unique Development Culture**

Nurturing Differentiated Development Culture Aligned with the Studios' Respective Characteristics and Environment



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