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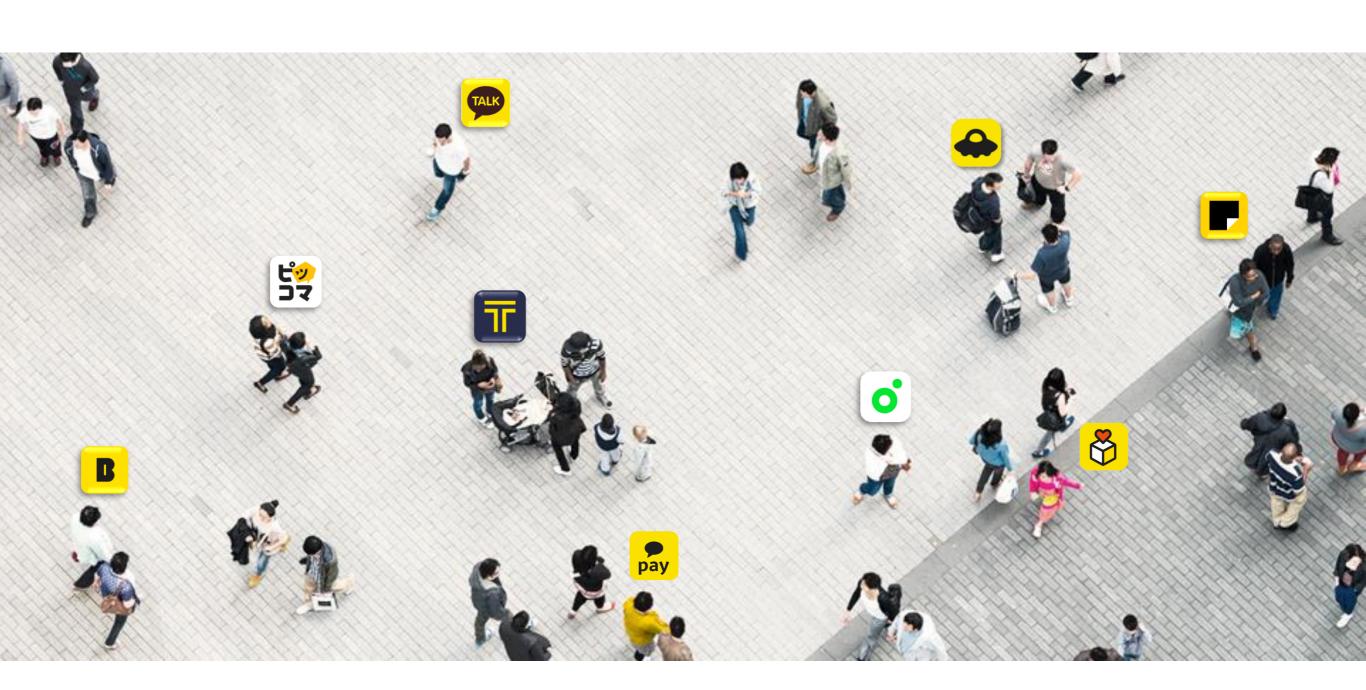
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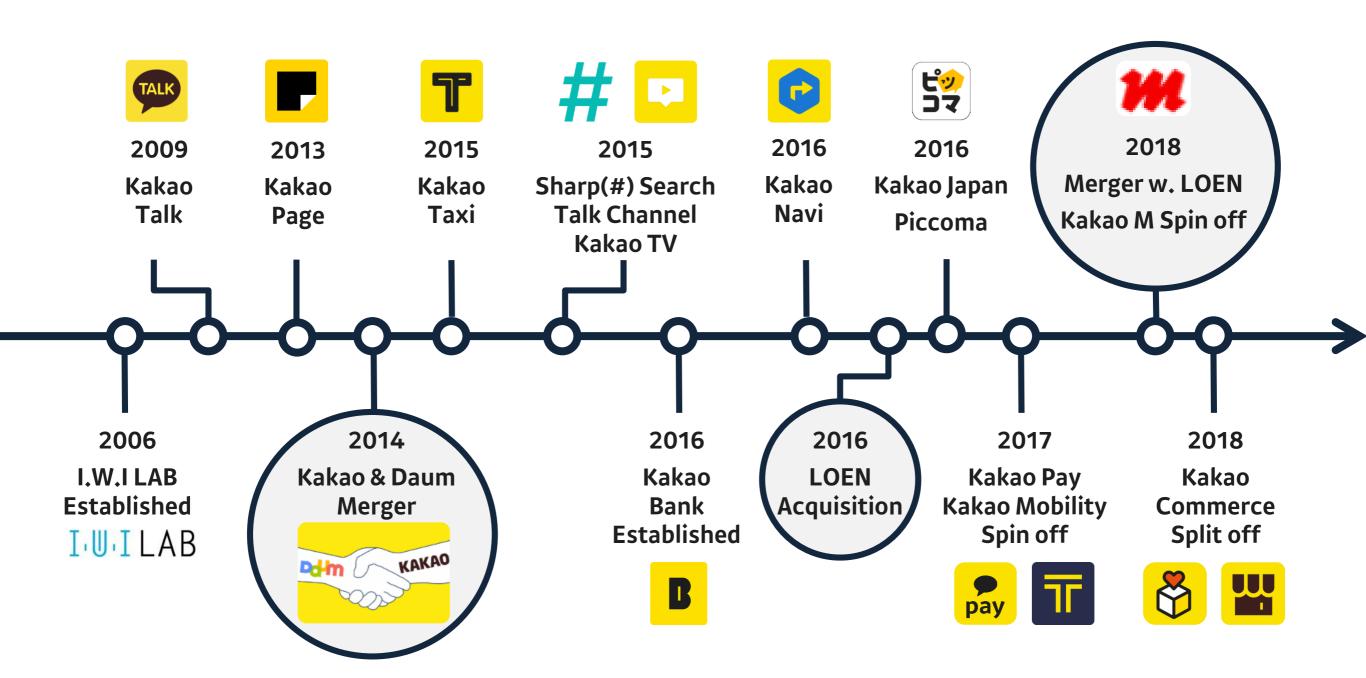
# Kakao ecosystem Kakao business Financial overview

# "Connect Everything"

Innovating the way we connect for a better tomorrow



# **History**



# **Undisputed Market Leader**



No1. Mobile Messenger Service in Korea 44 Million MAU in Korea 97% Market Share 85% Population Penetration



**#1 Brand Power Across 220 Industries in Korea** 



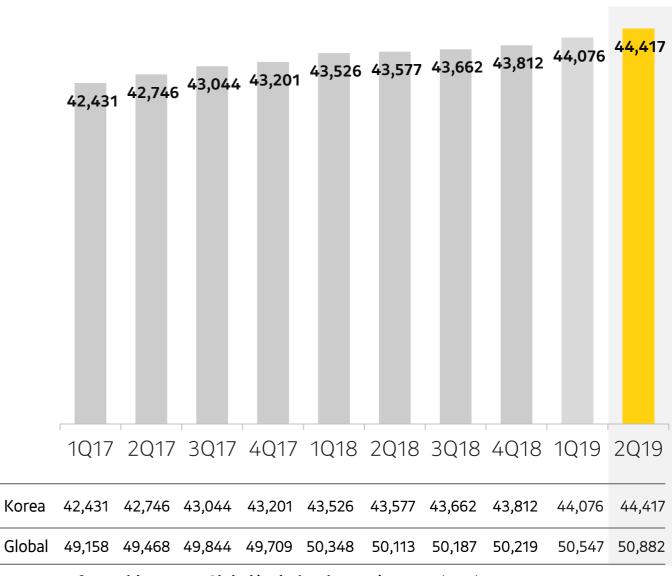
Most Admired Workplace Among Top 100 Companies in Korea by Market Cap.



#1 Social Contribution Index Among the 57 Largest Conglomerate Groups in Korea



### **Kakao Talk Monthly Active Users**



Average of monthly MAUs. Global includes domestic MAUs (000).

# **Kakao Ecosystem**



### Interactive Business Platform

### Content Ecosystem & Global Expansion



















**Advertising** 

Commerce

Mobility

Tech-Fin

Al / Blockchain

Game

Web Literature

Music/ Video

**IP Business** 

Talk Bizboard Launch

Evolving as a Business Platform Kakao Commerce

Talk based transactional Business Model Unrivaled Positioning

No.1 Mobility Application Leading Tech-Fin

30 Million Domestic Users Sustained Growth for Future

Expanding Kakao i & Blockchain Main Net Business Expansion

In-house IP Game Development #1 App

In Mobile Literature Dominant Platform

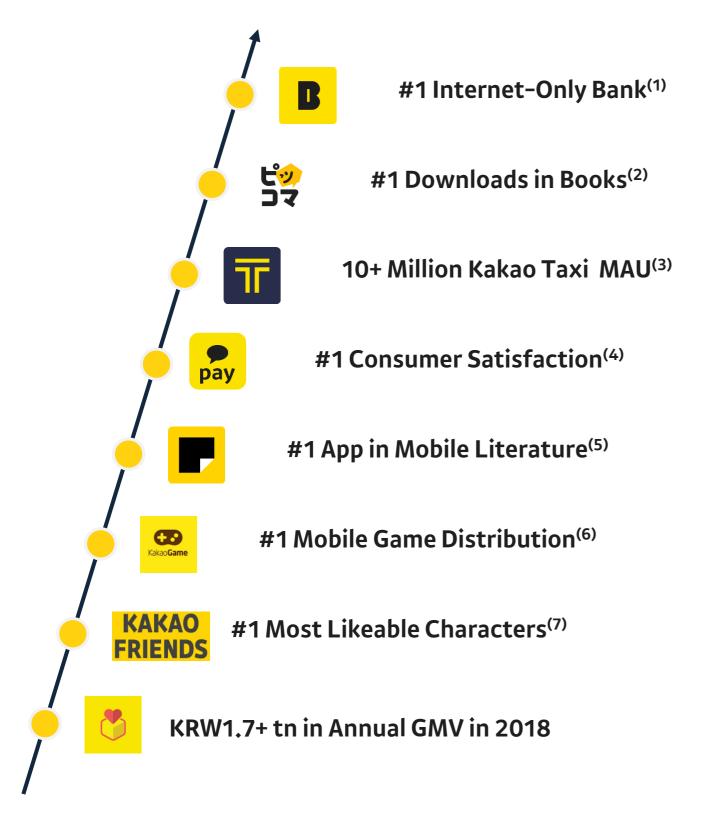
Music Streaming & Downloads #1 Characters

Most Likeable among Koreans

"Launching TalkBoard based on Big Data and Al technology" "Explosive Growth & Business Model Expansion" "Multimodal Platform with All-Inclusive Transportation Needs" "Reshaping the Korean Financial Industry" "Future Growth Engine" "Regaining Leadership via Integration"

"Aggressive Global Expansion via Unique Business Model" "One-of-a-Kind Business Model with Superior Profitability" "Cash & Loyalty Generator Through IP"

# **Repeatable Success Formula**



### **Unique Success Factors for New Businesses:**

✓ Large User Base Encompassing an Entire Nation



✓ Kakao's Nationwide Following Ensuring Success of New Service Launches

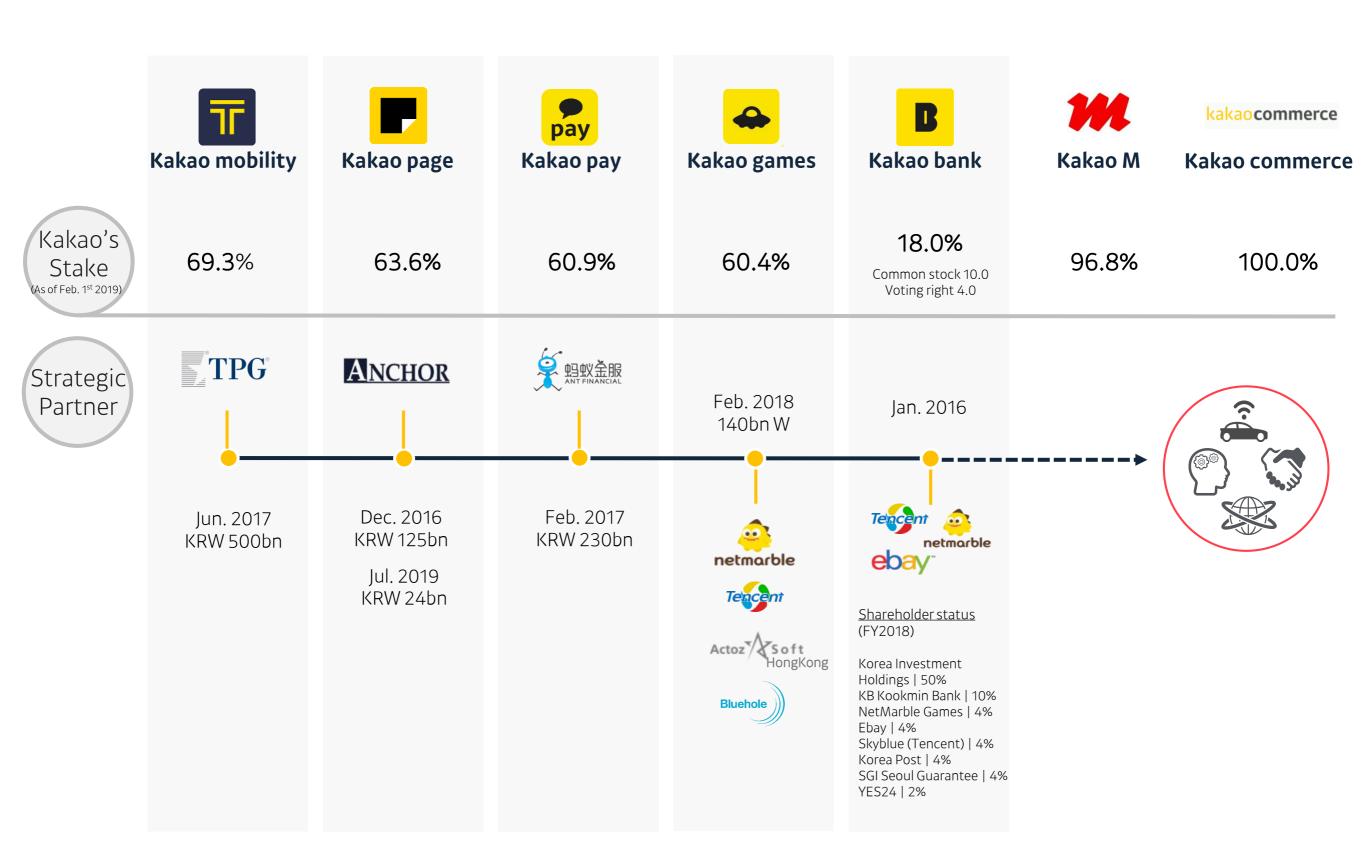


✓ Unrivaled Access and Insight to User Data



✓ Minimal User Acquisition Costs

# Stake of Major Subsidiaries and Strategic Partnerships



# **Company Management**

# **Brian Kim Founder & Chairman**



"Korean Web Pioneer" By Forbes Asia

1998

**OMCOUCH** 

Established Hangame, one of the first online game portals globally

2001

|-|-|

Merged Hangame with Naver.com and co-headed NHN, the merged entity until 2007

2010



Founded Kakao and launched Kakao Talk

2014

kakao

Merged Kakao with Daum and became the Chairman of the merged entity

### Our Management







Sean Joh

### **Key Subsidiaries**

kakaogames



**Nkay Namkoong** 



Leo Cho



kakao **Japan** 

Jay Kim

kakaopage



kakao**M** 

Stephan Kim

kakaopay

kakao**mobility** 



John Jung



**Alex Ryu** 



Joy Lee



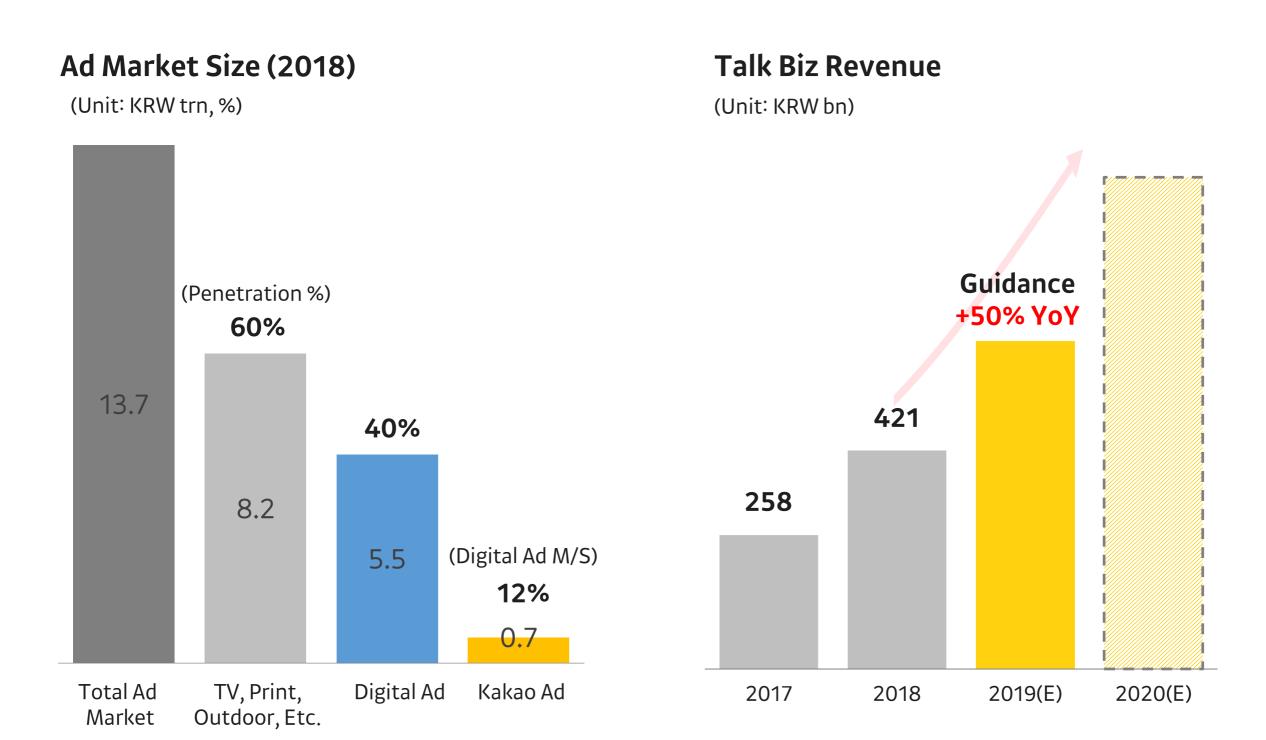
Alex Ryu

Source: Insight Korea, Forbes Asia. Notes: (1) Based on survey by Insight Korea.

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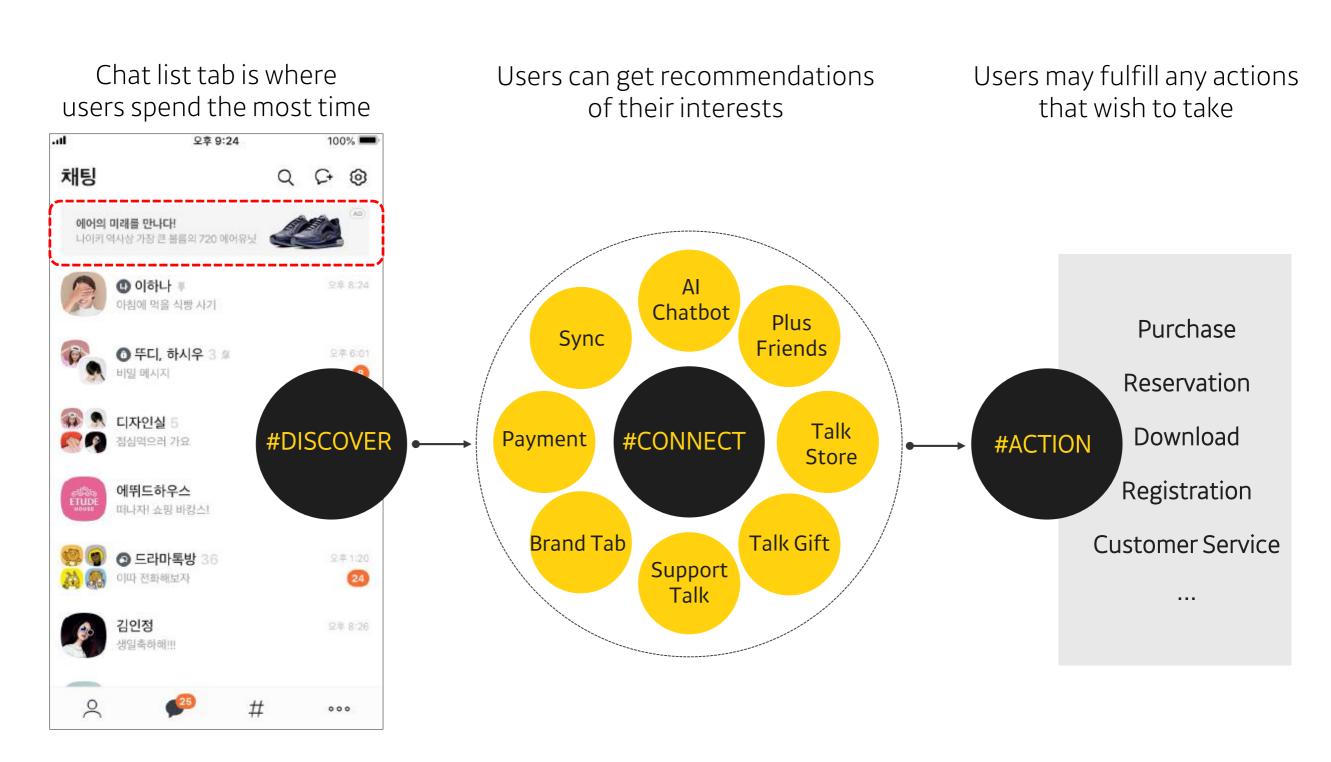
# **Paradigm Shift in Advertising Industry**

# Significant Growth Opportunity in Kakao Talk as a Biz Platform



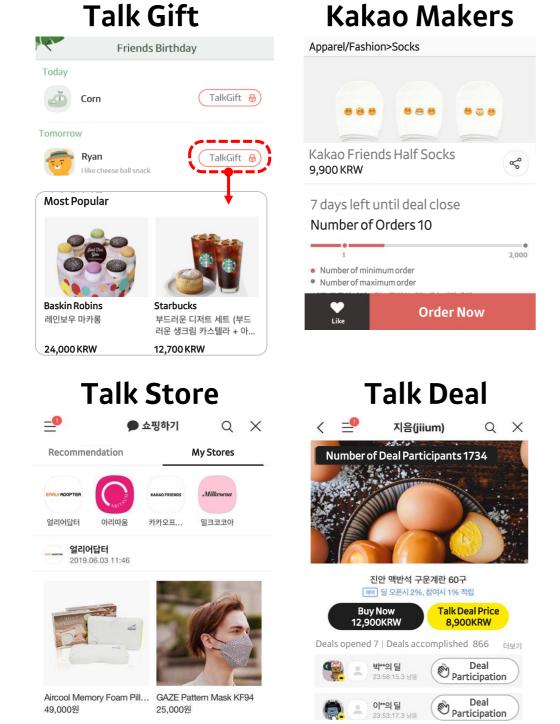
# **Kakao Talk Bizboard (TalkBoard)**

# TalkBoard, a New Innovative Way to Connect 44million Mega Traffic

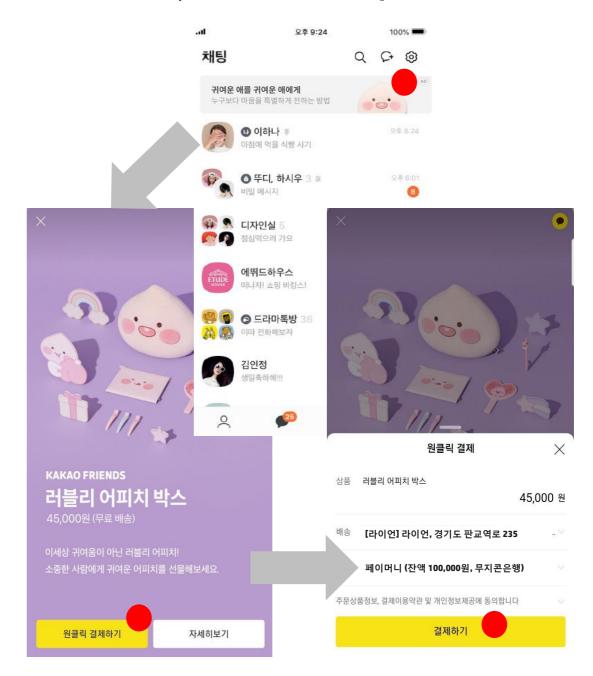


### **Talk Biz Commerce**

# From Leveraging the Social Graph to any Talk-based Transactions



# TalkBoard will revolutionize daily commerce experience



# **Mobility**

# Multimodal Platform with All-Inclusive Transportation Needs



### **Kakao T Key Indices**



Dominant Traffic

23mn+
Registered
Users

70+% of economically active population

2.9mn+

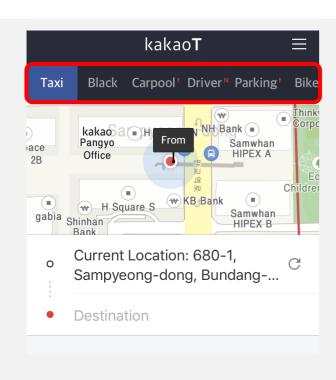
Peak Daily Taxi-Hailing Orders

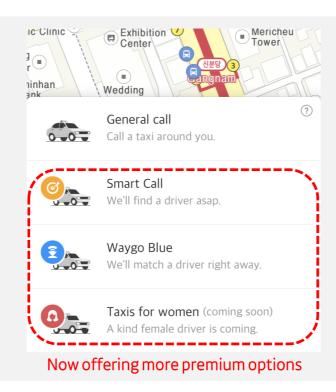
Based on large user base and registered taxi driver base

8mn+

Credit Card Registrants

Ready to Pay Users (As of June 2019)







**Waygo Blue** 

### Tech-Fin

# No.1 All-Encompassing Financial Platform

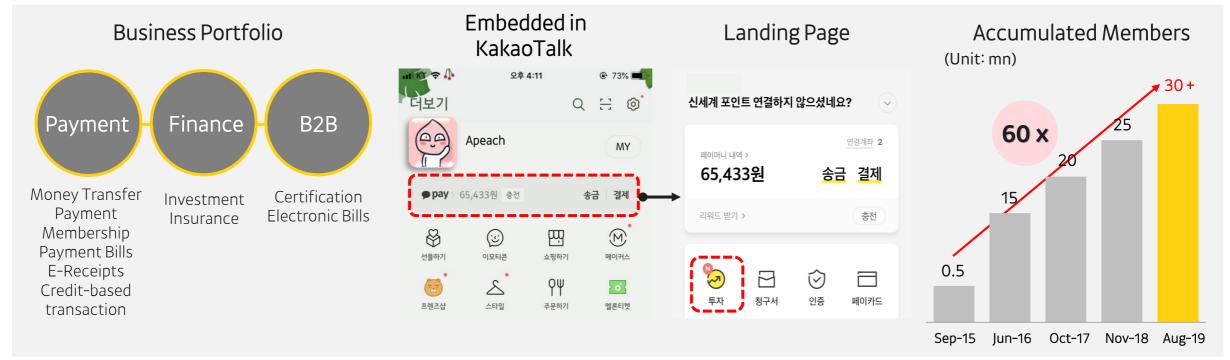


### **Kakao Pay Key Indices**









### **Kakao Bank**

# No.1 Internet-Only Bank with Innovation



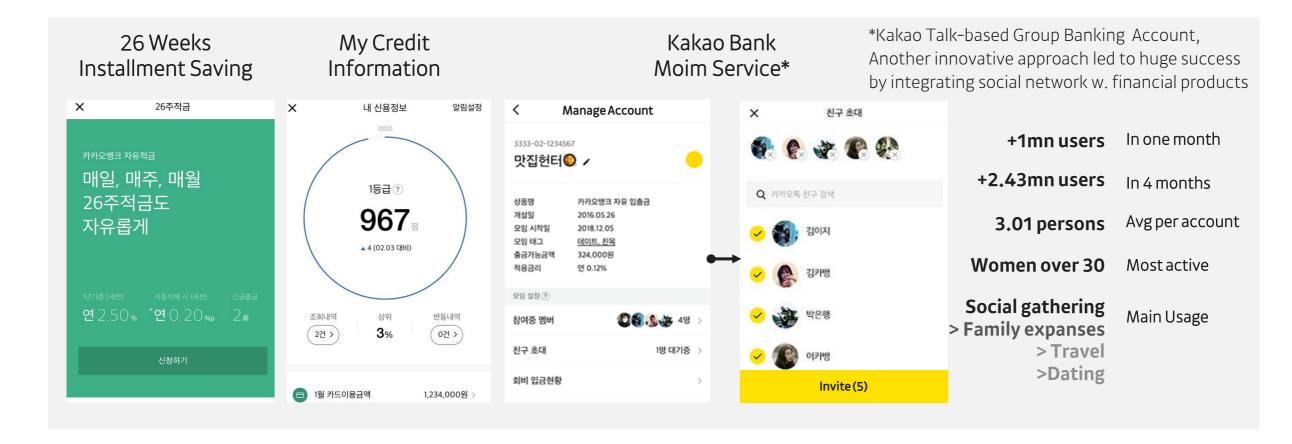
### **Kakao Bank Key Indices**

**W1.3trn**Capital

10mn+ (# of Clients) Accounts W17.6trn
Deposits
2Q19

W11.3trn
Credit Loans
2Q19

W9.6bn 1H19 Net Income

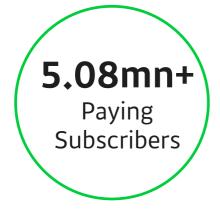


### Music

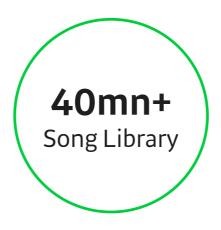
# # 1 Digital Music Platform with Unparalleled Market Presence



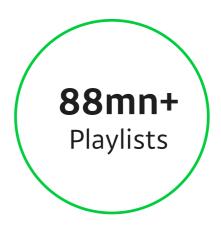
### **Melon Key Indices**



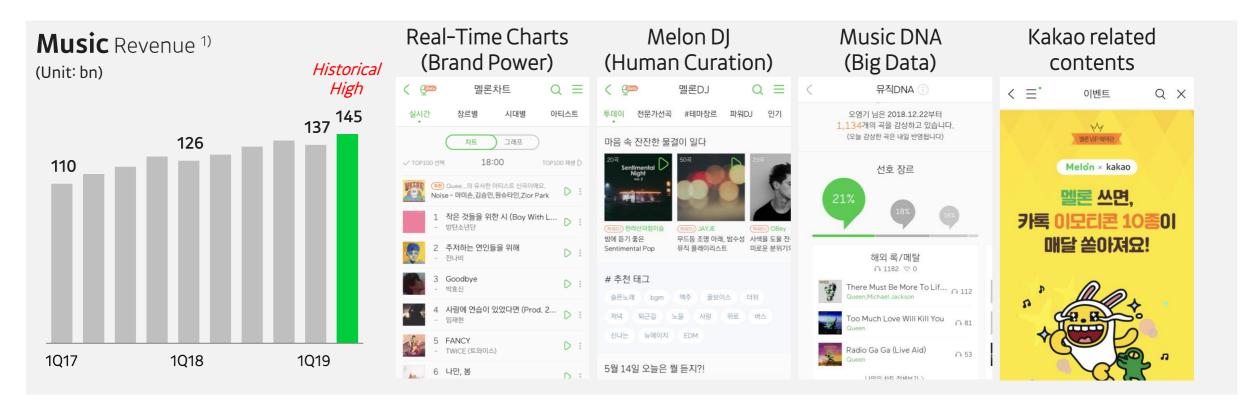
7mn Unique Visitor Dominant Traffic



Largest Music Content



More personalized, customized functions



### Game

### Multi-Platform Publisher to Global Game Provider

### **Mobile Game Channel**



No.1 Mobile Game Marketing Platform

Distribution via Kakao Talk and Daum Portal

550 Million
Accumulated Users















### **Mobile/PC Game Publishing**

Mobile Publishing

Investment Based Partnership

### PC Publishing







**PUBG** 

POE

A:IR

- ✓ Black Desert(Overseas) /PUBG/POE More Users, Improved Stability
- ✓ Ascent: Infinite Realm
  Signed Online Publishing
  Agreement for Bluehole's Next
  MMORPG in Korea, North
  America, and Europe

### **Mobile Game Development**



1 IP: Kakao Friends



Most Beloved Character in Korea

2 IP Collaboration



Global Market Approach

3 Casual, Mid-core







### **Global Expansion**

✓ Global Expansion through casual game development



<Friends Racing>



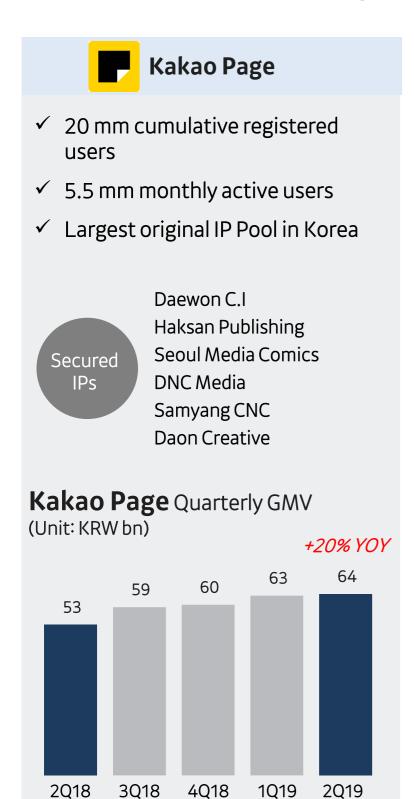
<Friends Town>



<Disney Friends Ping Pong>

# **Paid Content (Web Literature)**

# Growth through Innovative Business Model and Original IPs





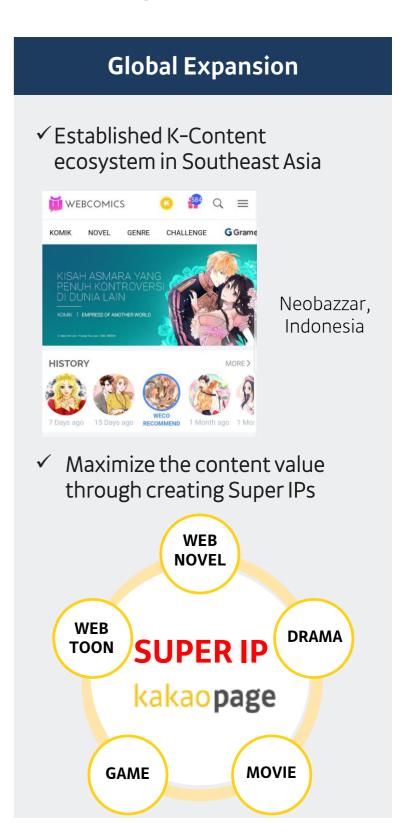
4Q18

3Q18

1Q19

2Q19

2Q18



### Kakao M

# Transforming into a Leading Global Content Provider

### **Music Content**

- √ #1 Digital Music Distribution
- ✓ Over 40 years of expertise in content distribution, industry leading brand power, and network
- ✓ +180 deals with music labels,+800 key title releases annually



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**Apink** 



THE BOYZ



Monsta X

✓ Production: Multi-label System









### **Talent/Original IP**

✓ Vertical integration in content production value chain











✓ Secured the top-tier talent pool with more than 100 actors



✓ Collaboration with Kakao Page, who boasts the most # of original IPs in Korea

### **Video Content**

 Making strong partnerships, securing project line-ups



 ✓ Expanding into mobile short-form content production and well-made originals



<Red Moon, Blue Sun> Nov 2018 on MBC

✓ Top 5 Most Subscribed
 K-Pop Channel on Youtube
 (17mn Subscribers)



### **Kakao Friends**

# Successfully Expanded into a Full-Fledged IP Business Player

### **Kakao Friends IP**



### **KAKAO FRIENDS**

### **Going Global**



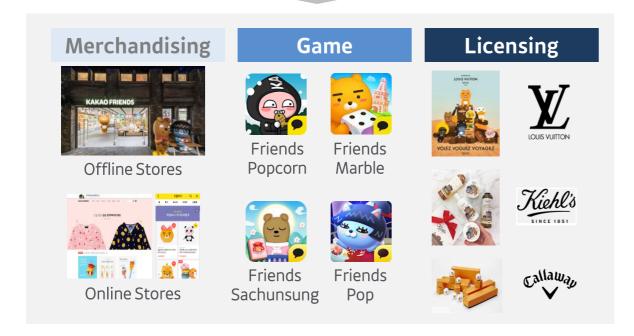
Japan | Tokyo Omotesando store open(Dec. 2018)



China | Tmall(domestic & global), JD.com



North America | Amazon



## Flagship & Global Stores



GangNam July 2016



HongDae November 2016



Busan August 2017



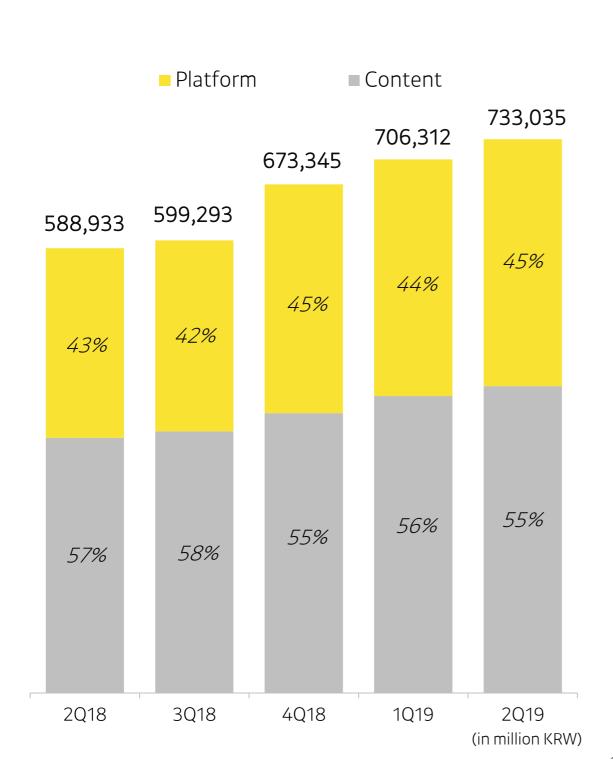
Japan Tokyo Omotesando December 2018

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# **Total Revenue**

## 2Q Total Revenue YoY +24% / QoQ +4%

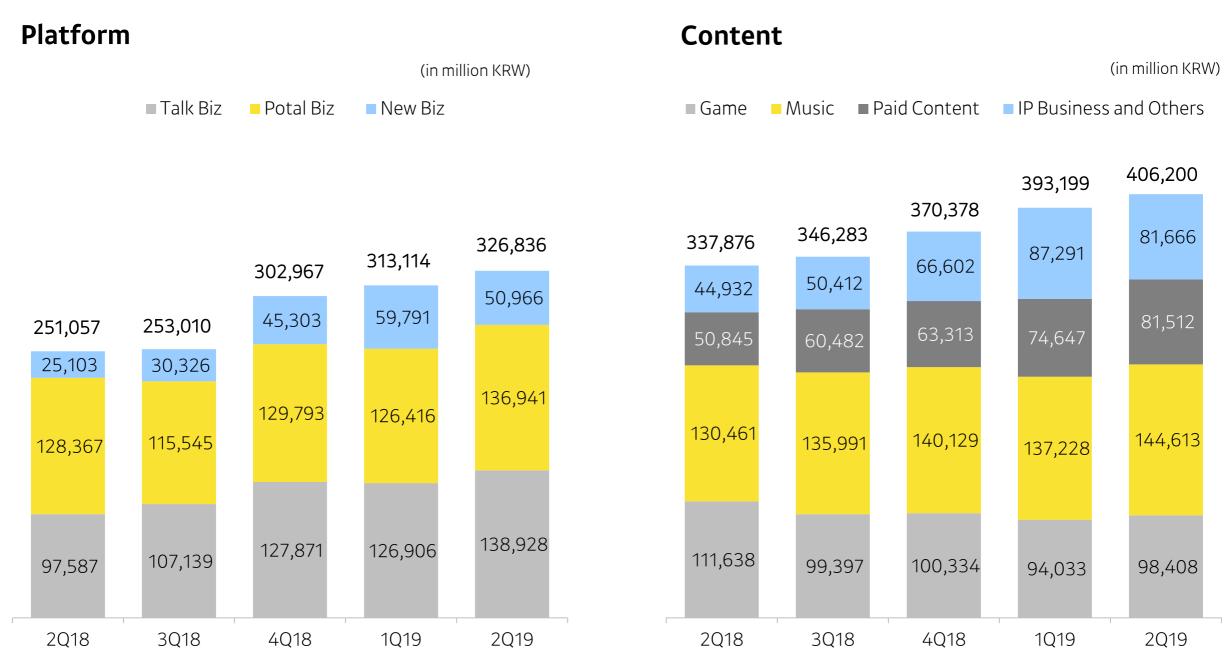
Platform Business accounts for 45%, Content Business 55%



Revenue Breakdown					
Platform	Talk Biz	KakaoTalk (Plus Friends, #Tab, Talk Store, etc. Talk Gift Shop, Kakao Makers KakaoTalk Brand/B2C Emoticon New BM in KakaoTalk (Talk Bizboard, Chat Bot, etc.)			
	Portal Biz	Daum PC Daum Mobile Other subsidiaries' ad Kakao Story/Style/Page			
	New Biz	Mobility, Pay Misc. (Other Subsidiaries)			
	Game	Mobile PC Kakao VX			
Content	Music	Melon Kakao Music Digital music distribution Ticket			
	Paid Content	Kakao Page Daum Webtoon Piccoma			
	IP Business and Others	Kakao IX Kakao M (Excluding digital music distribution)			

### Platform / Content

Platform YoY +30% / QoQ +4% Content YoY +20% / QoQ +3%

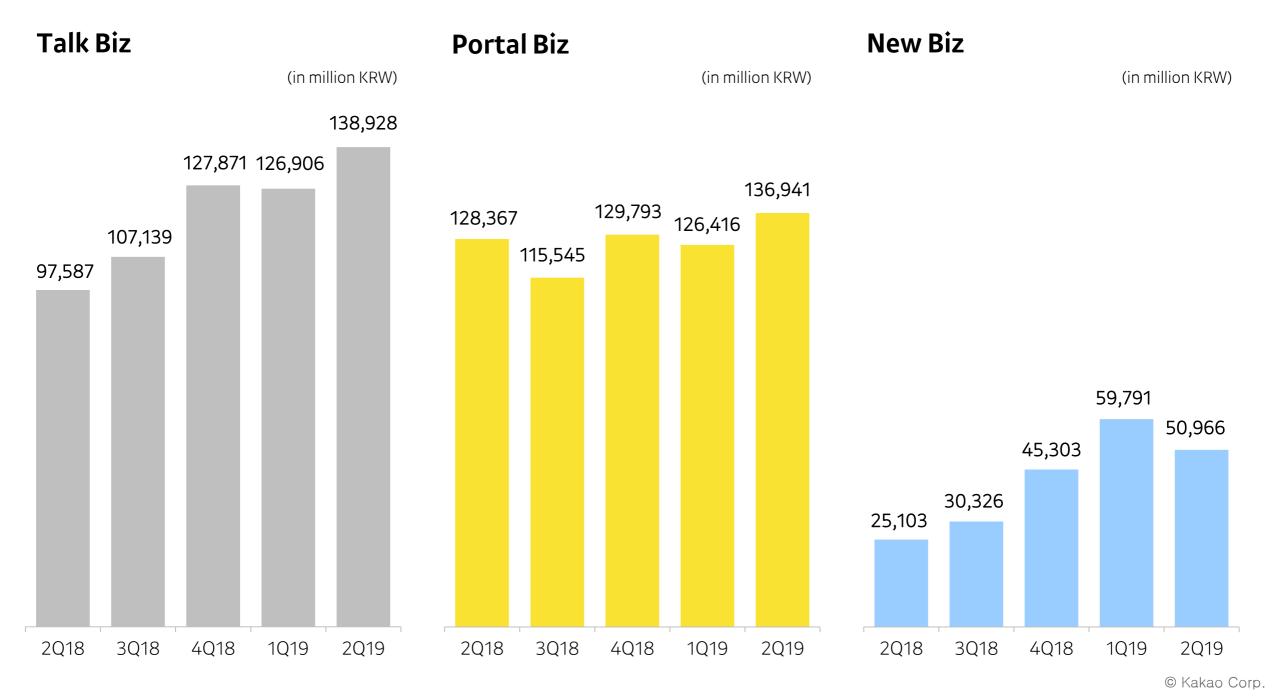


# Platform | Talk Biz Portal Biz New Biz

Talk Biz YoY +42% / QoQ +9%

Portal Biz YoY +7% / QoQ +8%

New Biz YoY +103% / QoQ -15% QoQ Decrease due to the exclusion of consolidated subsidiary

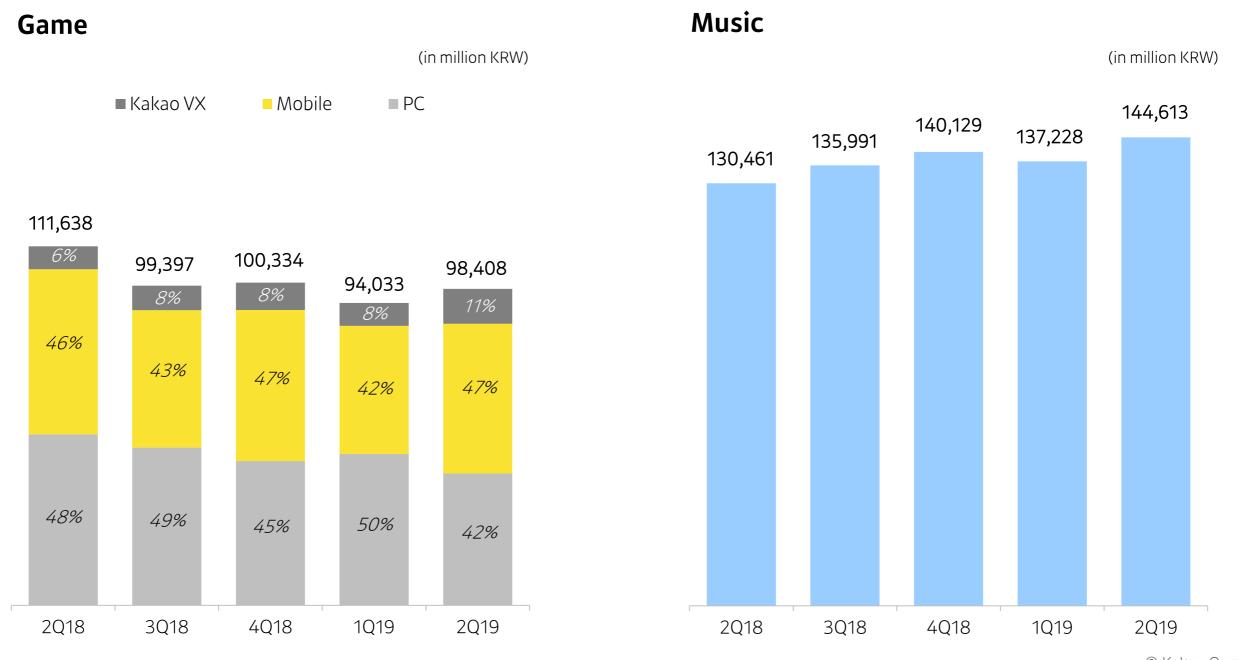


# **Content** | **Game** Music

Game YoY -12% / QoQ +5%

Kakao VX +52% (y) / +52% (q) Mobile -9% (y) / +17% (q) PC -23% (y) / -13% (q)

Music YoY +11% / QoQ +5%



# **Content** | Paid Content | IP Business and Others

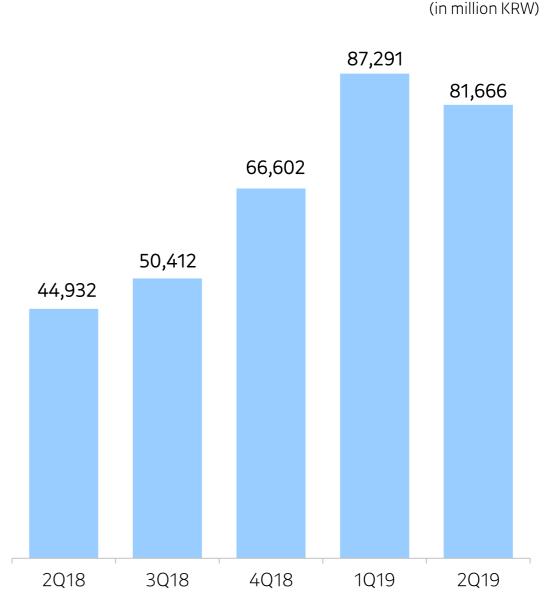
Paid Content YoY +60% / QoQ +9%

Piccoma +165% (y) / +29% (q) Kakao Page +31% (y) / +0.5% (q)

IP Business and Others YoY +82% / QoQ -6%

### **Paid Content** (in million KRW) Kakao Page ■ Piccoma 81,512 74,647 36% 63,313 60,482 30% 50,845 27% 25% 22% 64% 70% 73% 75% 78% 2Q18 3Q18 4Q18 1Q19 2Q19

### **IP Business and Others**



# **Earnings Summary**

(in million KRW)

	2010	1010	2010	Ch	g.
	2Q18	1Q19	2Q19	YoY	QoQ
Total Revenue	588,933	706,312	733,035	24%	4%
Platform	251,057	313,114	326,836	30%	4%
Talk Biz	97,587	126,906	138,928	42%	9%
Portal Biz	128,367	126,416	136,941	7%	8%
New Biz	25,103	59,791	50,966	103%	-15%
Content	337,876	393,199	406,200	20%	3%
Game	111,638	94,033	98,408	-12%	5%
Music	130,461	137,228	144,613	11%	5%
Paid Content	50,845	74,647	81,512	60%	9%
IP Business and Others	44,932	87,291	81,666	82%	-6%
Operating Expenses	561,343	678,649	692,577	23%	2%
Operating Profit	27,590	27,663	40,459	47%	46%
Margin (%)	4.7%	3.9%	5.5%	+0.8%p	+1.6%p
Net Profit	22,494	17,564	30,992	38%	76%
Controlling Interests	18,366	27,512	38,775	111%	41%
Non-controlling Interests	4,128	-9,948	-7,782	-	-

# **Operating Expenses**

(in million KRW)

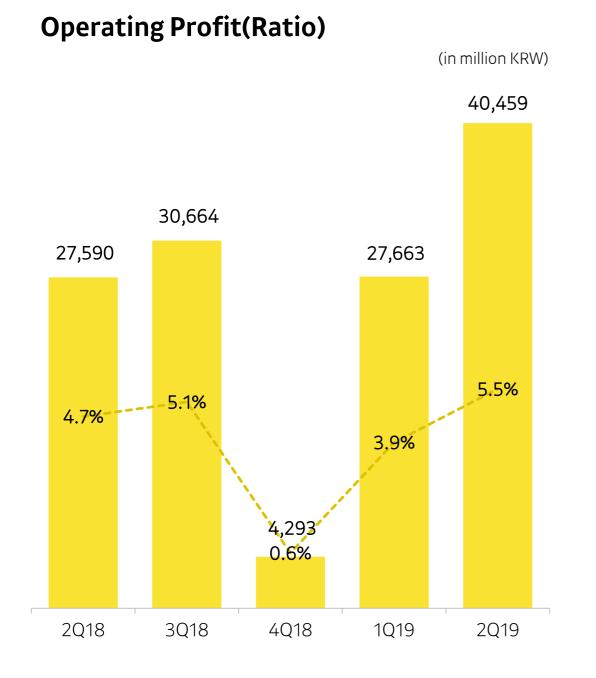
	2Q18	2Q18 1Q19 2Q19		Chg.	
	2010	1019	2019	YoY	QoQ
Operating Expenses	561,343	678,649	692,577	23%	2%
Labor Cost	125,921	160,127	159,044	26%	-1%
Cost of Revenue	260,802	330,644	341,883	31%	3%
Outsourcing / Infrastructure	73,743	89,930	84,424	14%	-6%
Marketing Expense	46,062	32,947	39,937	-13%	21%
Depreciation and Amortization Cost	33,943	50,142	53,360	57%	6%
Misc.	20,872	14,859	13,928	-33%	-6%

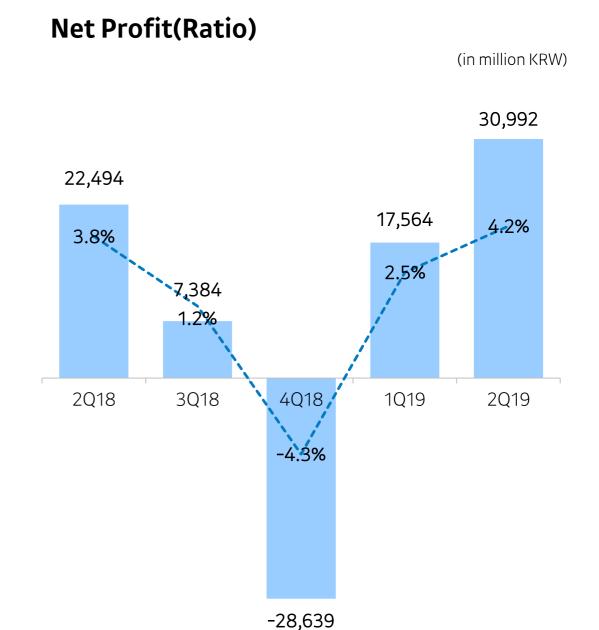
### **Profits**

### 2Q Operating Profit YoY +47% / QoQ +W46%

Operating Profit from Existing Businesses excluding New Businesses (Mobility, Tech-fin, Global Expansion, Artificial Intelligence and Blockchain) KRW87.5bn

Net Profit YoY +38% / QoQ +76%



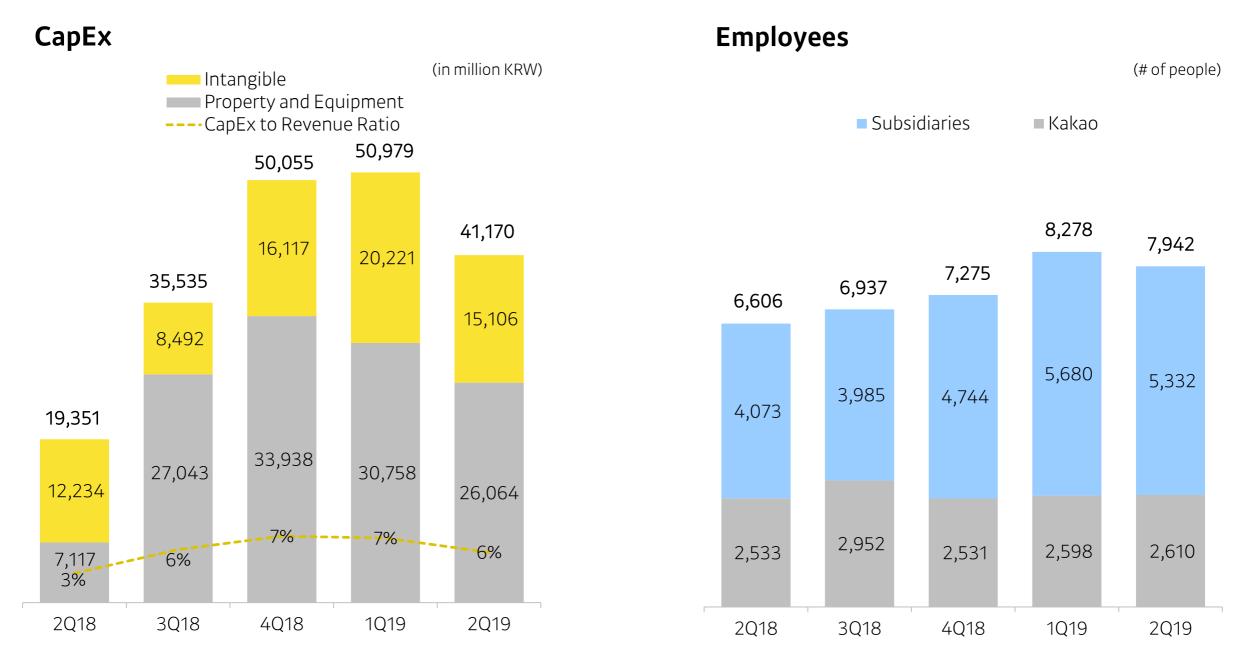


# CapEx / Employees

CapEx 2Q CapEx to Revenue Ratio 6% / YoY +113%

Employees 2Q Total 7,942 Employees, QoQ -336 People

QoQ Decrease due to the exclusion of consolidated subsidiary



# **Consolidated Financial Statements Summary**

Consolidated Income Stat	ement				
(in million KRW)	2Q18	3Q18	4Q18	1Q19	2Q19
Total Revenue	588,933	599,293	673,345	706,312	733,035
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Portal Biz	128,367	115,545	129,793	126,416	136,941
New Biz	25,103	30,326	45,303	59,791	50,966
Content	337,876	346,283	370,378	393,199	406,200
Game	111,638	99,397	100,334	94,033	98,408
Music	130,461	135,991	140,129	137,228	144,613
Paid Content	50,845	60,482	63,313	74,647	81,512
IP Business and Others	44,932	50,412	66,602	87,291	81,666
Operating Expenses	561,343	568,629	669,052	678,649	692,577
Labor Cost	125,921	130,349	158,323	160,127	159,044
Cost of Revenue	260,802	261,099	306,867	330,644	341,883
Outsourcing / Infrastructure	73,743	84,719	87,804	89,930	84,424
Marketing Expense	46,062	37,187	55,741	32,947	39,937
Depreciation and	33,943	34,532	38,193	50,142	53,360
Amortization Cost	•		•	•	
Misc.	20,872	20,742	22,124	14,859	13,928
Operating Profit	27,590	30,664	4,293	27,663	40,459
Margin (%)	4.7%	5.1%	0.6%	3.9%	5.5%
Other Non-Operating Income	12,504	27,492	21,676	8,837	13,463
Other Non-Operating Expenses	13,415	24,616	33,536	16,048	10,955
Financial Income	35,388	18,429	44,077	22,801	13,319
Financial Expenses	7,140	6,500	27,918	5,729	13,770
Equity-method Income	2,093	2,769	-20,361	2,988	11,052
Profit before Income Tax	57,021	48,238	-11,769	40,512	53,567
Income Tax	34,527	40,854	16,870	22,948	22,575
Net Profit	22,494	7,384	-28,639	17,564	30,992
Controlling Interests	18,366	16,635	-969	27,512	38,775
Non-controlling Interests	4,128	-9,251	-27,670	-9,948	-7,782
EBITDA	60,607	65,648	40,753	78,113	94,190

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position						
(in million KRW)	2018.12.31	2019. 3.31	2019. 6.30			
Current Assets	2,858,950	2,772,525	2,647,247			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	1,247,013	1,633,397	1,617,254			
S-T Financial Instruments	924,215	496,452	380,159			
Account Receivable	193,669	104,408	127,484			
Other Current Financial Assets	207,656	233,342	240,958			
Other Current Assets	286,397	304,926	281,392			
Non-Current Assets	5,100,592	5,302,453	5,531,061			
Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures	305,188	302,881	352,323			
Tangible Assets	314,812	331,638	329,072			
Intangible Assets	3,865,265	3,867,635	3,837,592			
Other Non-current Assets	615,327	800,299	1,012,073			
Total Assets	7,959,542	8,074,978	8,178,308			
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Current Liabilities	2,039,196	1,969,879	2,036,752			
Account Payable and Other payable	460,813	413,977	474,869			
Short-term Borrowings	609,480	554,202	501,631			
Income Tax Payable	71,040	83,985	51,701			
Other Current Liabilities	897,863	917,714	1,008,551			
Non-Current Liabilities	293,188	467,147	475,568			
Long-term Borrowings	44,995	47,150	64,466			
Deferred Income Tax Liabilities	151,228	155,890	149,519			
Other Non-Current Liabilities	96,965	264,107	261,583			
Total Liabilities	2,332,385	2,437,026	2,512,321			
Paid-in Capital	41,744	41,749	41,779			
Capital Surplus	4,647,543	4,645,830	4,661,890			
Other Accumulated Earnings	1,492	3,854	5,575			
Accumulated Other	-7,329	-9,313	-4 <b>,</b> 976			
Comprehensive Income Retained Earnings	453,400	470,860	509,635			
Minority Interest	490,307	484,972	452,083			
Total Equity	5,627,158	5,637,952	5,665,987			
Total Liabilities & Equity	7,959,542	8,074,978	8,178,308			

# Financial Statements Summary (Kakao only)

Income Statement					
(in million KRW)	2Q18	3Q18	4Q18	1Q19	2Q19
Total Revenue	252,523	291,778	385,046	331,522	361,961
Operating Expenses	223,005	255,788	344,574	296,869	316,612
Labor Cost	59,443	63,665	83,431	66,316	66,071
Cost of Revenue	92,106	110,641	164,786	151,260	162,666
Outsourcing / Infrastructure	44,123	47,963	50,438	45,234	47,056
Marketing Expense	3,380	7,140	12,875	2,184	4,844
Depreciation and Amortization Cost	17,478	19,471	25,810	28,277	31,438
Misc.	6,476	6,908	7,234	3,599	4,537
Operating Profit	29,518	35,990	40,472	34,654	45,348
Margin (%)	11.7%	12.3%	10.5%	10.5%	12.5%
Margın (%)	11.7%	12.3%	10.5%	10.5%	12.5%
Margin (%) Other Non-Operating Income	<i>11.7%</i> 3,545	<i>12.3%</i> 2,613	<i>10.5%</i> 2,359	<i>10.5%</i> 1,006	<i>12.5%</i> 1,344
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Other Non-Operating Income	3,545	2,613	2,359	1,006	1,344
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Other Non-Operating Income Other Non-Operating Expenses Financial Income Financial Expenses  Profit before Income Tax Income Tax	3,545 7,317 39,812 1,439 <b>64,120</b> 19,806	2,613 3,192 5,791 6,934 <b>34,268</b> 40,820	2,359 26,873 16,795 18,552  14,201 15,117	1,006 13,664 13,638 3,995 <b>31,639</b> 10,435	1,344 12,060 12,494 4,446 <b>42,680</b> 16,543

Statement of Financial Position						
(in million KRW)	2018.12.31	2019.3.31	2019.6.30			
Current Assets	1,261,480	1,269,433	1,047,722			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	250,920	666,790	704,126			
S-T Financial Instruments	601,712	257,254	15,533			
Account Receivable	71,333	64,135	77,196			
Other Current Assets	337,515	281,254	250,867			
Non-Current Assets	4,941,359	5,053,845	5,238,661			
Investments in Associates, Subsidiaries and Joint Ventures	1,496,538	1,485,643	1,474,580			
Tangible Assets	236,016	252,342	250,128			
Intangible Assets	2,875,510	2,882,313	2,882,375			
Other Non-current Assets	333,295	433,548	631,578			
Total Assets	6,202,839	6,323,279	6,286,383			
Current Liabilities	1,250,706	1,268,220	1,205,494			
Account Payable and Other payable	404,760	520,230	539,098			
Short-term Borrowings	564,921	516,575	458,234			
Income Tax Payable	59,204	67,533	33,754			
Other Current Liabilities	221,821	163,881	174,407			
Non-Current Liabilities	200,790	289,560	281,695			
Long-term Borrowings	39,939	39,946	39,952			
Deferred Income Tax Liabilities	126,350	125,046	119,751			
Other Non-Current Liabilities	34,501	124,568	121,991			
Total Liabilities	1,451,496	1,557,780	1,487,188			
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Paid-in Capital	41,744	41,749	41,779			
Capital Surplus	4,096,216	4,097,226	4,103,033			
Other Accumulated Earnings Accumulated Other	35,547	37,909	39,630			
Comprehensive Income	-1,606	-1,978	-1,978			
Retained Earnings	579,442	590,594	616,731			
Total Equity	4,751,343	4,765,499	4,799,195			
Total Liabilities & Equity	6,202,839	6,323,279	6,286,383			

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