

WESTbahn MANAGEMENT GMBH



On Dec. 11th 2012, after three years of preparation, the first WESTbahn train commenced its operations

### **Background**

- // One of the first companies that take advantage of rail liberalisation in the EU
- // Until recently, only cargo companies challenged the incumbants
- // Now, step by step, also in passenger train service competiton starts off
- // Austria (WESTbahn), Italy (Italo) and Czech Republic (Leos Express) are the forerunner



#### **WESTbahn Facts**

- // 13 daily connections between Vienna Linz- Salzburg Freilassing
- // Intercity-connection with 7 intermediate stopps
- // 200 km/h top speed, in 2:30 hours from Vienna to Salzburg



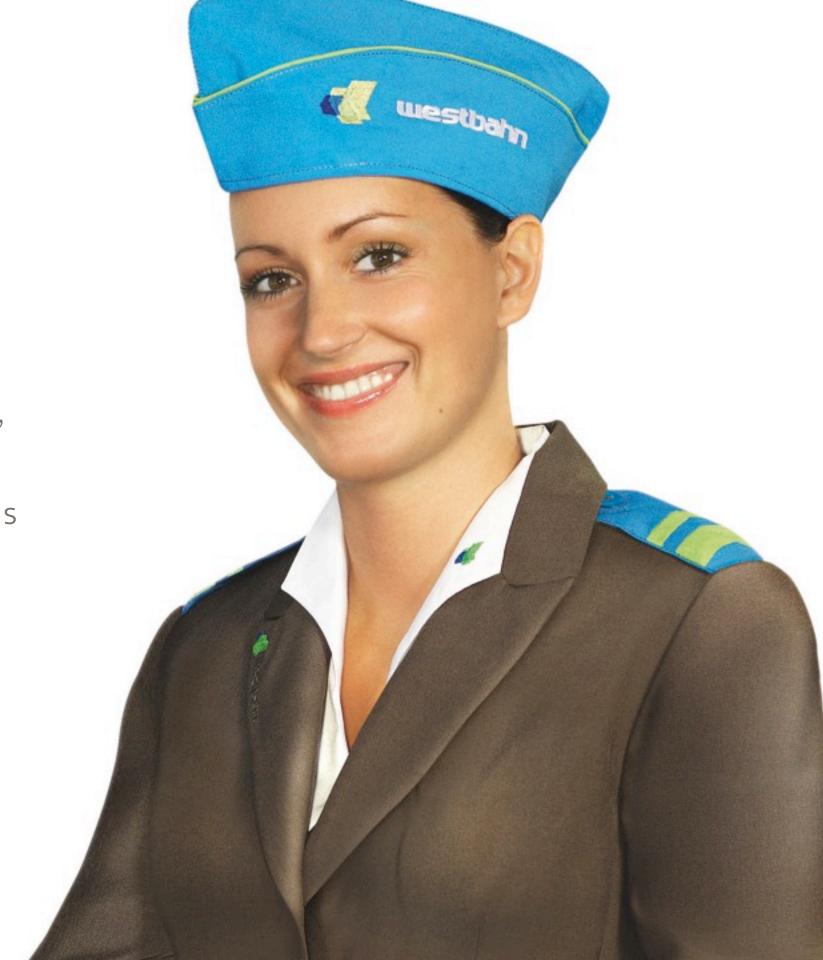
### Our business strategy

- // Extremly service oriented we are no carrier, we are a service company
- // High quality hardware modern trains with high end IT-facility
- // Competitive prices
- // Competitive cost structure lean management, 85% of employees directly with the costumer



## **Service strategy**

- // up to six multi purpose conductors per train
- // in charge of ticket selling, ticket control, service, information
- // market surveys show that our staff on the train is our biggest USP towards our competitor



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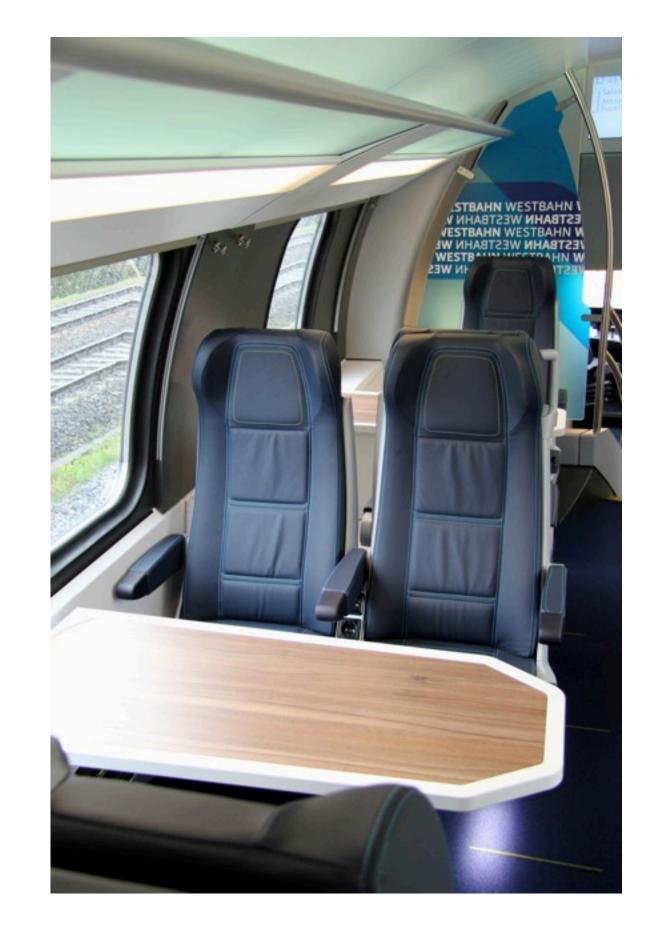


#### Hardware

- // Seven brand new train from Stadler Rail, Switzerland
- // Aluminium trains ensure fast acceleration and short braking distance -> less time loss per stop
- // high end IT facility for ticketing on the train
- // and free Wlan internet access for our customers

## Premium quality for all customers...

- // comfortable leather seats
- // extra wide leg-space
- // power socket on each seat
- // free wlan on the whole train
- // four cafés per train
- // separate toilets for ladies and gentlemen



#### WESTbahn PLUS for some extra service



- // for € 10/€ 15 extra charge
- // 2nd seat for your comfort
- // free hot or cold drink
- // free newspaper
- // service at your seat by our stewards
- // special conditions for car rental and car parking

## Half price of the regular tarif of the competitor



#### **BOOKING CHANNELS**

#### online....



#### ...onboard...



#### ...in the tobacco shop



### Customer benefits from competition

"51 percent of railway passengers have today a better opions about rail travelling than a year before, only 9 percent have a worse opionion."

VCÖ survey 2012

- // incumbent imitates WESTbahn innovations (free Wlan, mobile ticketing)
- // Price battle makes train travel even more attractive







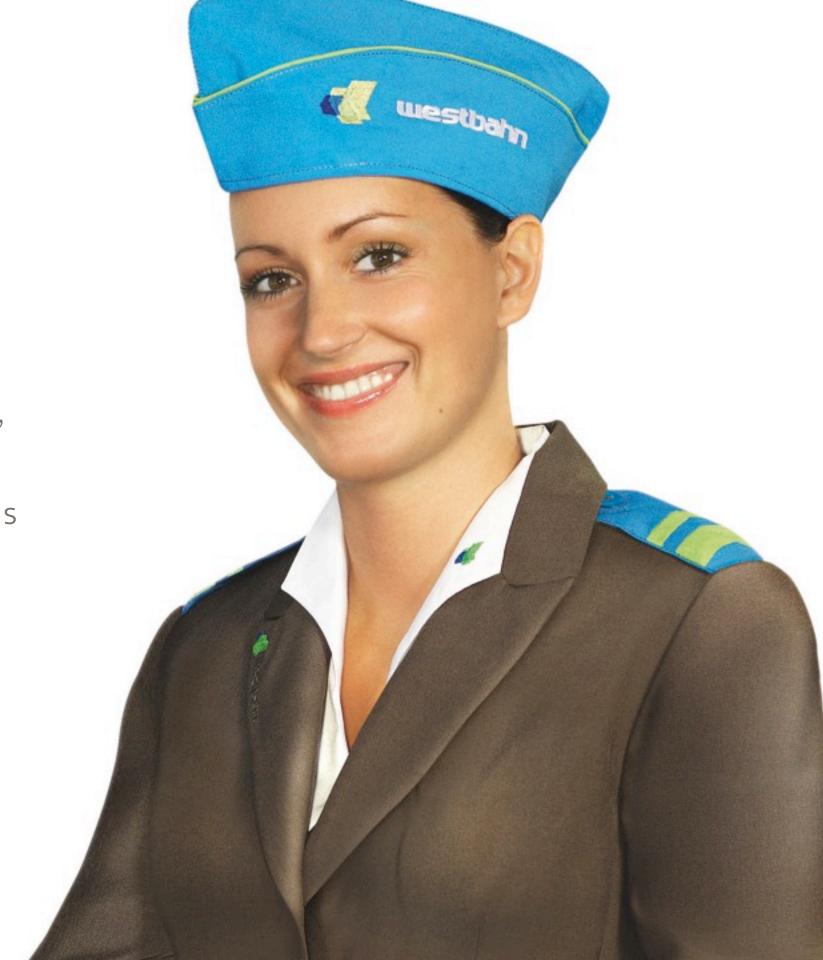




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# Thanks for your attention!

We are looking forward to your questions

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