

# Key insights from luxury goods industry to inspire wealth management

---

CLAUDIA D'ARPIZIO

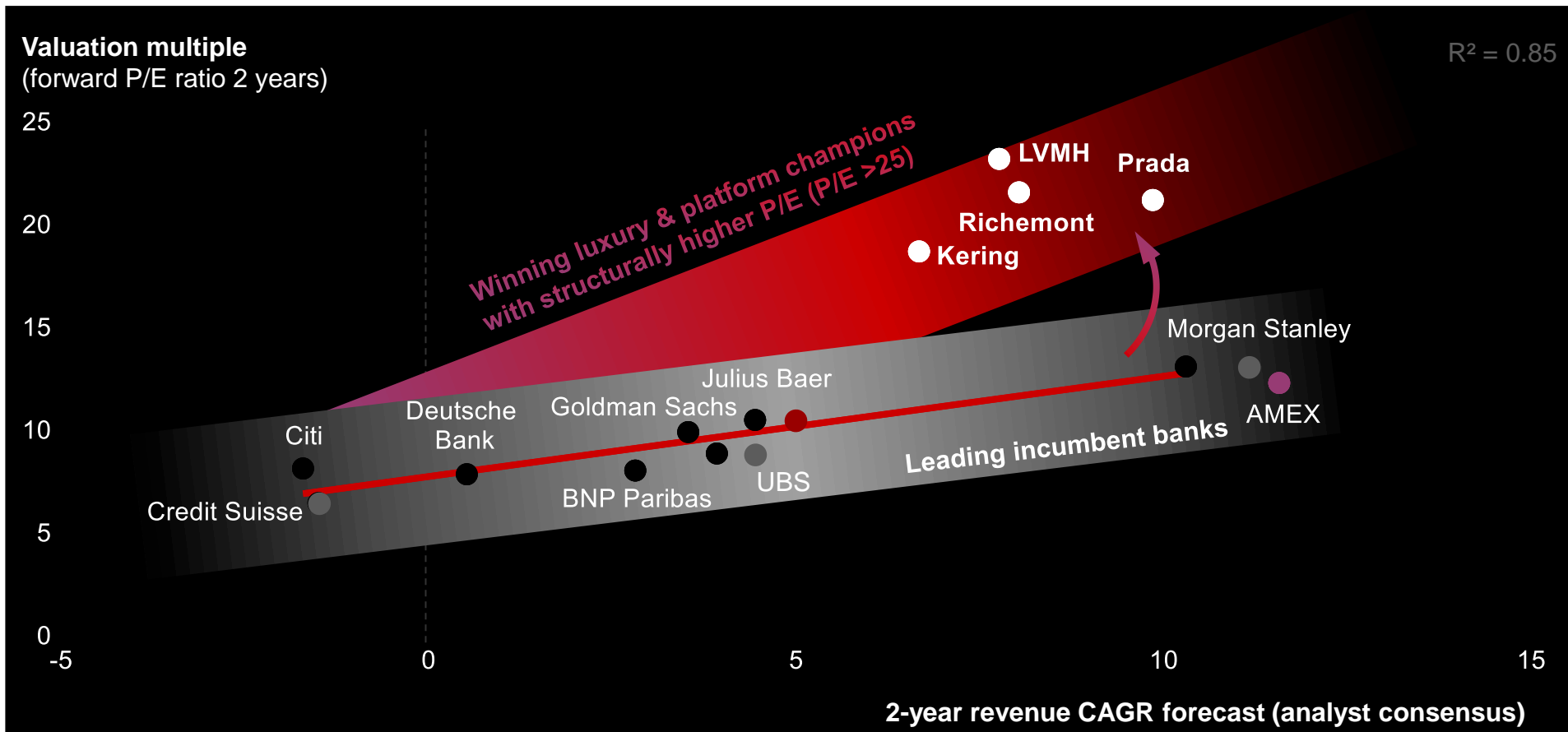
NOVEMBER 23, 2022

BAIN & COMPANY 



# Strong overlap of reference customer, different value creation model

## Causality of top-line growth impact on valuation

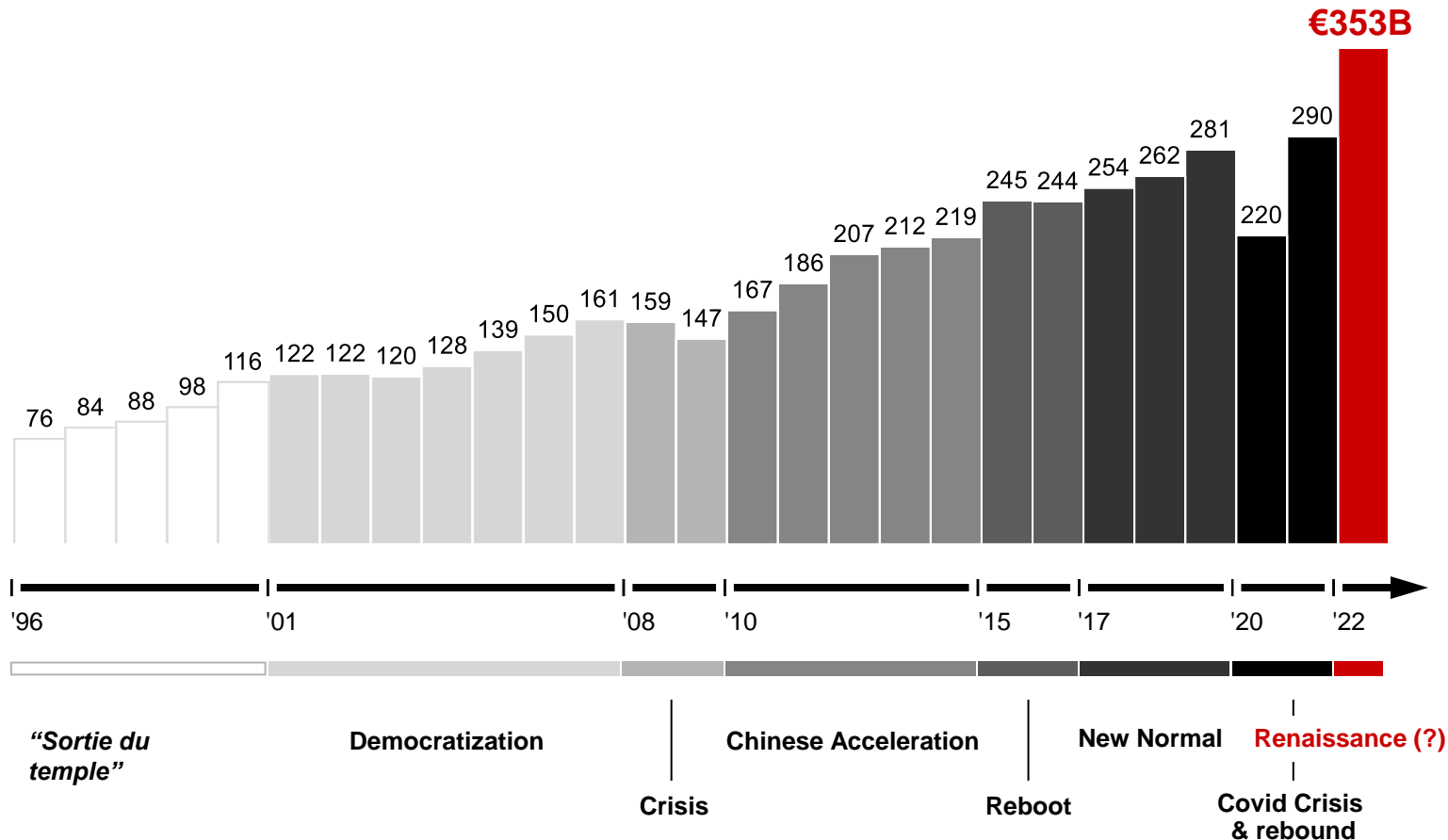


- Small exposure to WM (WM accounting for <30% of revenues)
- Medium exposure to WM (WM accounting for ~30-60% of revenues)
- Large exposure to WM (WM accounting for >60% of revenues)
- Luxury player
- Payment provider

Note: Figures display performance of entire company (incl. other divisions besides WM, if existent); figures for WM have been sourced from CapIQ and are as on November 29, 2021; sample within marked band used for calculation – outliers from Julius Baer peer group removed; figures for luxury companies as of January 31, 2022; Source: CapIQ, companies' annual reports, Bain analysis as of January 2022

# An ever-growing market (also) thanks to the ability of brands to create value and relevance

## GLOBAL PERSONAL LUXURY GOODS MARKET (€B)

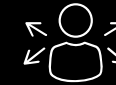


Source: Bain Luxury Study

## Expand the customer base and its value...



**Growing** customer base



Increasing relevance of **top customers**



Engaging and serving a **diversified audience**

## ...by being relevant and creating value for the customer



**Extending** to be universal



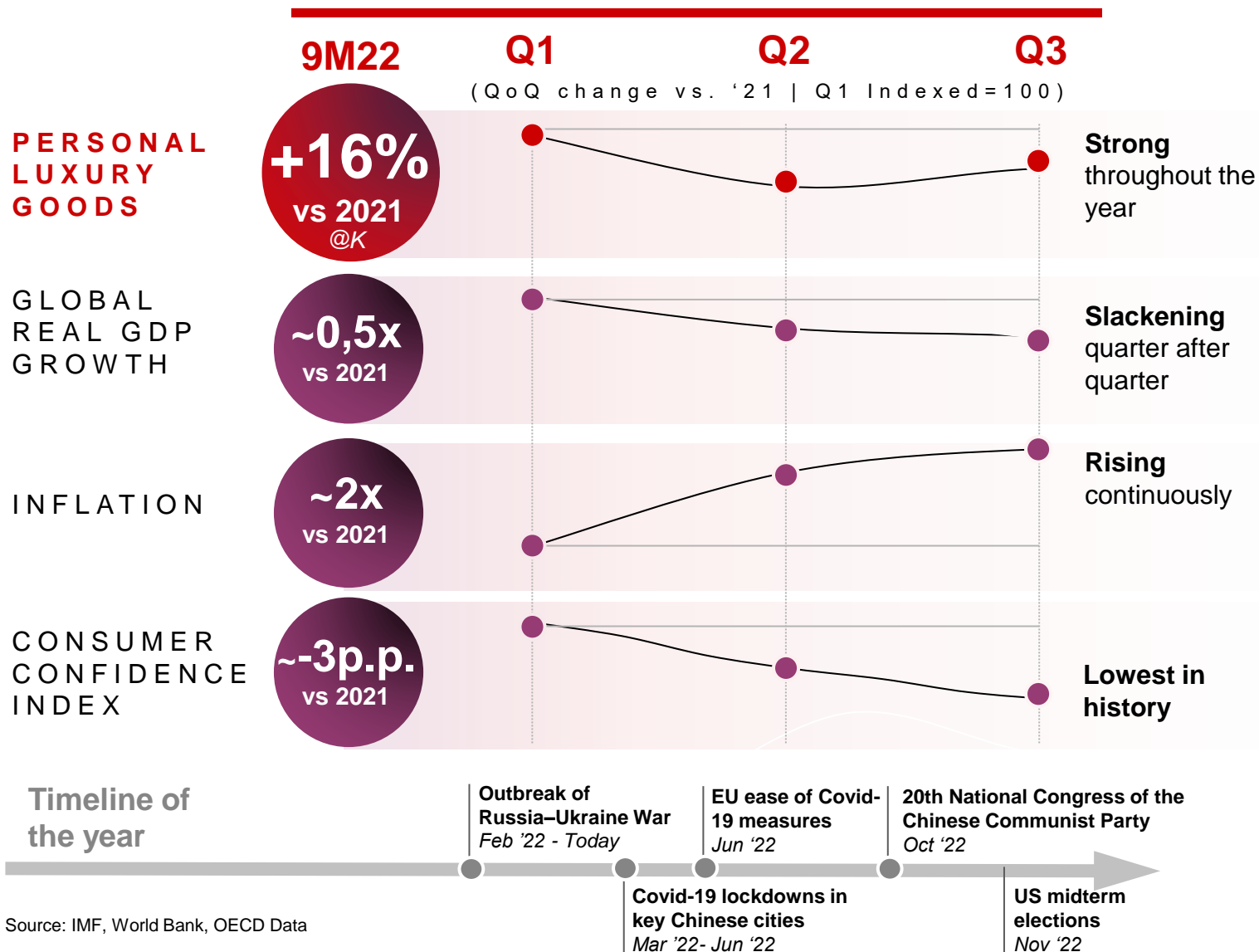
Reaching them **where they are**



**Standing by them** when and how it matters (not just to sell)



# Market proving resilient also against plummeting macroeconomic indicators



Source: IMF, World Bank, OECD Data

## Luxury market resiliency drivers



### Covid-19 savings

Boost in savings accumulated during covid



### YOLO culture

Desire for living (missed) experiences despite future uncertainty



### TUNA resilience

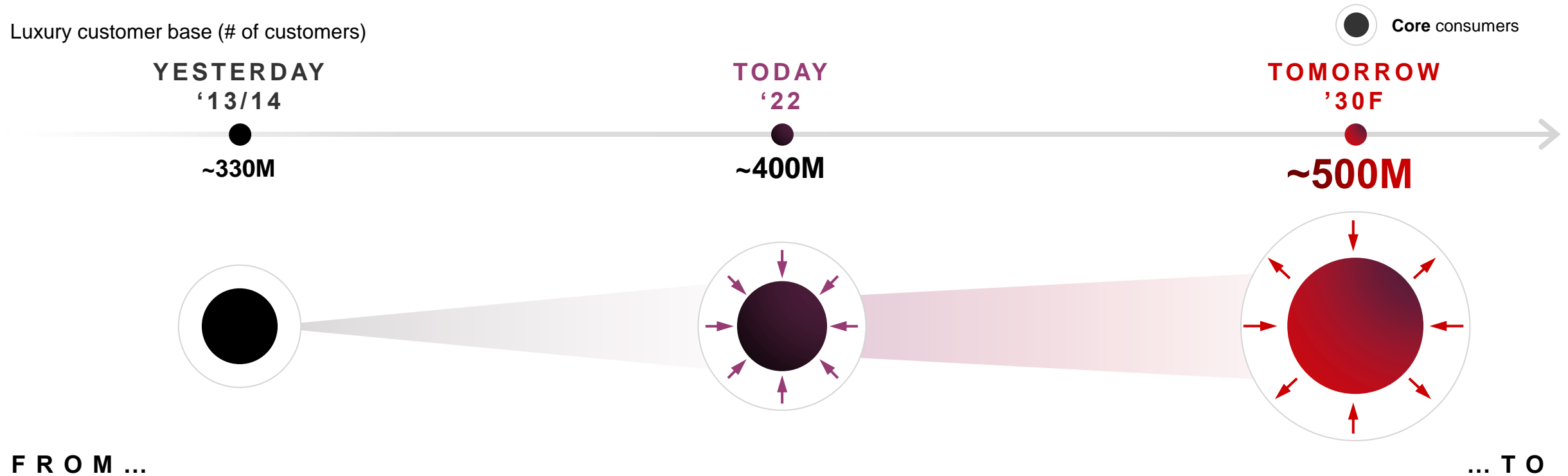
Reduced impacts of "TUNA" after 2008-09 crisis



### Luxury as an asset class

Purchase of luxury products with investment purposes and resale opportunities

# Consumer base is large and broadening, with new emerging drivers beyond aspiration fueling luxury purchases



Influx from below, with evolving 'aspirationality' drivers

Broader base, increasingly finicky and knowledgeable

Aspiration

**'I aspire to BECOME'**

Aspirational and wannabe consumers buying into personal luxury goods as entry customers

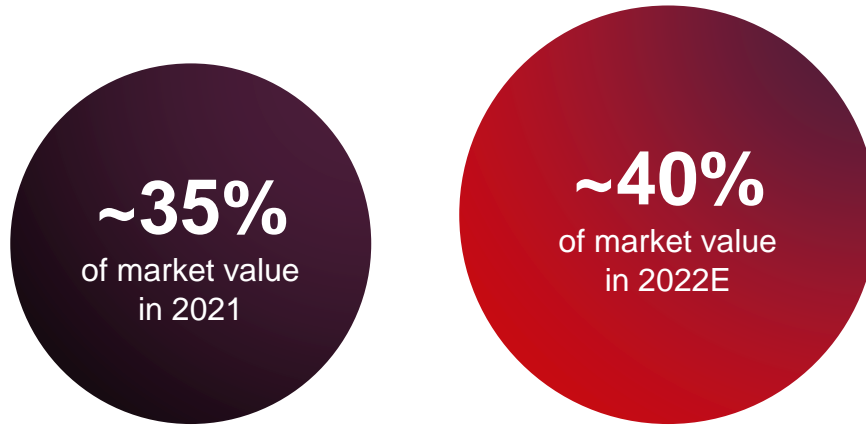
Inspiration

**'I express to BELONG'**

More opinionated consumers, intentionally buying beyond personal luxury categories and towards more appealing and new value propositions

**Top customer base expanding** as well, hungry for unique products and money-can't-buy experiences, putting brands' VIC strategies into overdrive

**Top customer incidence** on total market  
(€B | 2021–2022E)



## TREND

**Incidence on total market**  
(# customers)

**Avg. spending**



vs 2019



vs 2021



## Dedicated product offer

Personalized, exclusive, highly creative

## Unique distribution

Dedicated and selective touchpoints, exclusive formats

## Enhanced and specific CX

Elevated, one-of-a-kind

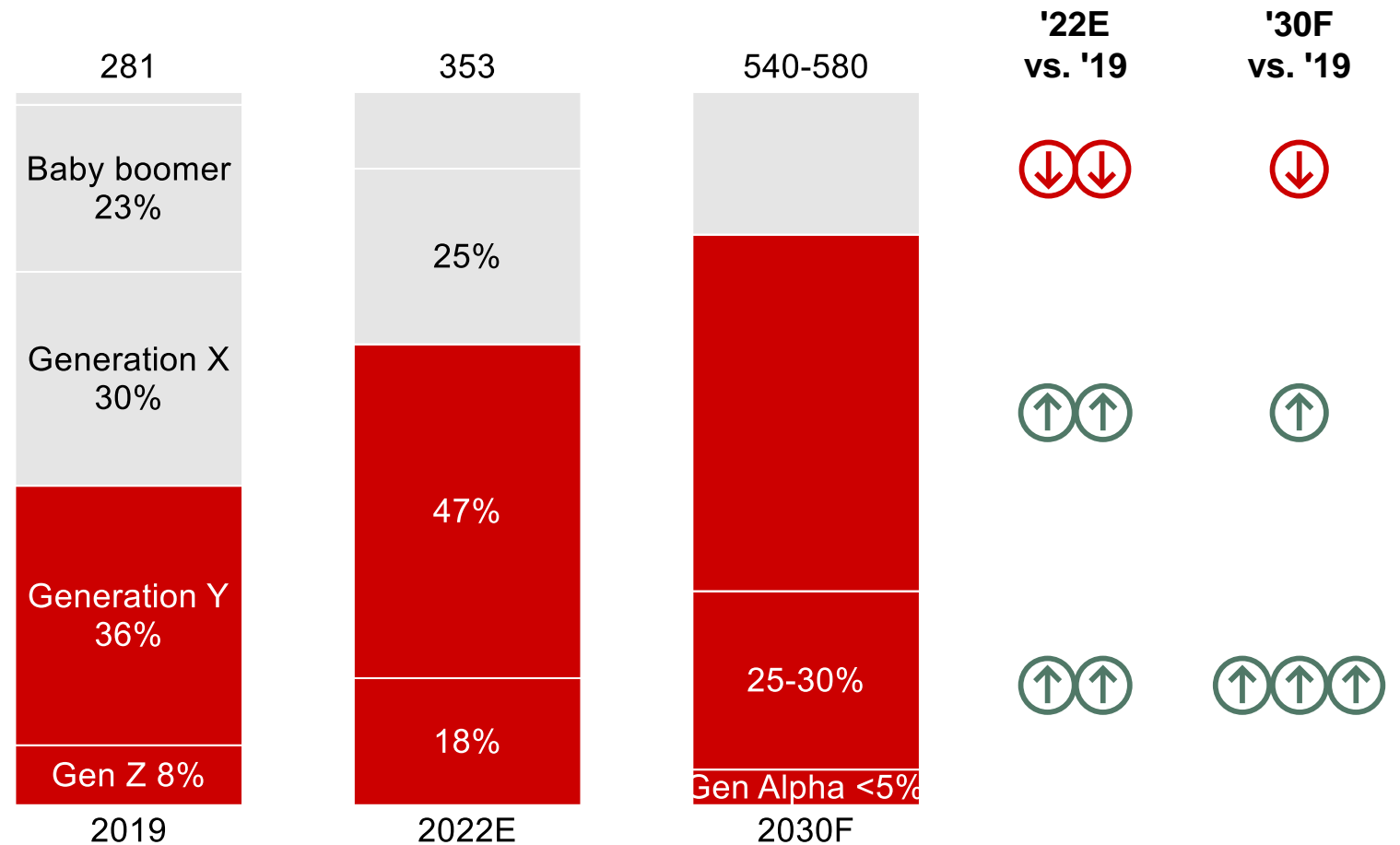
New Next Gens  
(Z and Alpha) will  
grow **3x faster** vs.  
other generations  
until 2030, making up  
**1/3 of the market**

**15 years old**

**Gen Z age** when they start  
buying luxury items – vs. **18-  
20 y.o.** for Millennials

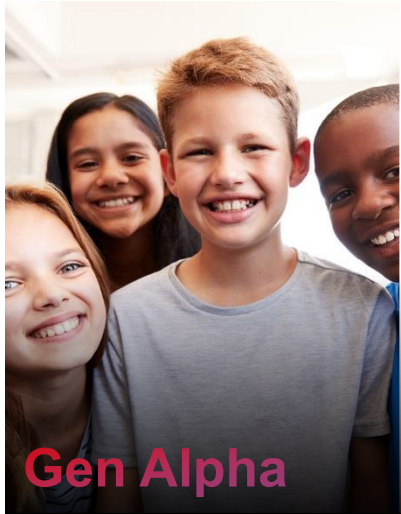
**Gen Alpha** to behave  
in a similar way

Personal luxury goods market by generation (€B | 2019–2030F)



↑ → ↓ REAL-TERM TREND '19-'22E & '19-'30F

# Generations of luxury consumers have **different values and shopping styles**



**Gen Alpha**

Independence  
Social impact

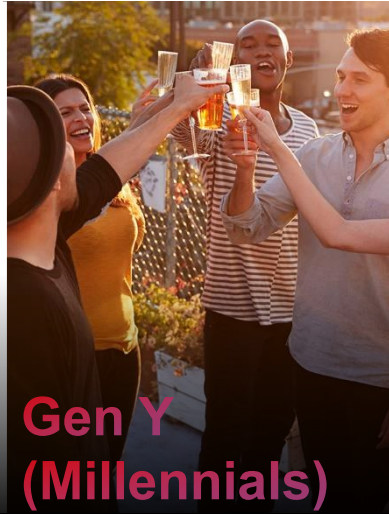
Raised on screens (born same year as or after iPad) and prefer video formats for engagement with people & brands



**Gen Z**

Fluidity  
Entrepreneurial

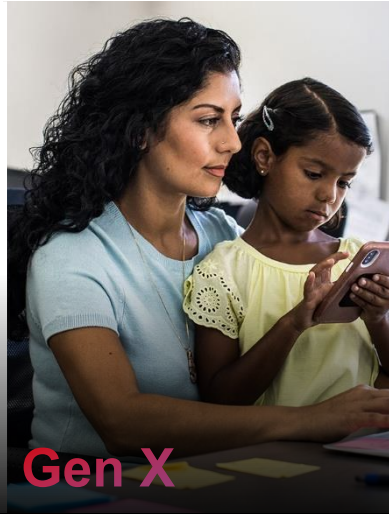
Digital natives (~35-40% bought first luxury piece online) with new value system (fluidity, activism); outsized impact on other generations



**Gen Y  
(Millennials)**

Experiences  
Convenience

Brand-conscious (more so than any other generation) and influenced by social media; champions of counter-narratives and diversity



**Gen X**

Self-reliance  
Global mindset

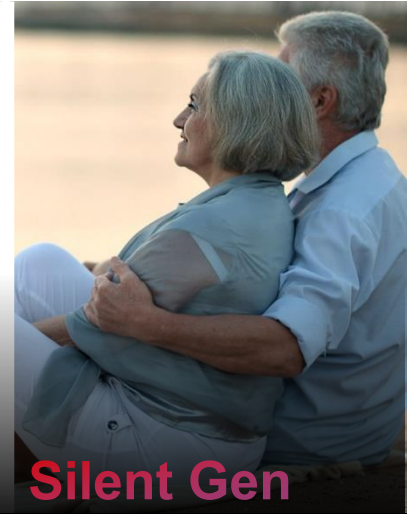
Loyal towards treasured brands



**Baby Boomers**

Optimism  
Success

Search for value: price and quality ranked top purchase decision drivers more than any other generation



**Silent Gen**

Conformity  
Deliberate

Prefer in-person shopping

**70%**

Gen Z who said they **influence family purchase** decisions<sup>1</sup>

**85%**

Parents who said their Gen Z (and Alpha) children **influence purchase** decisions

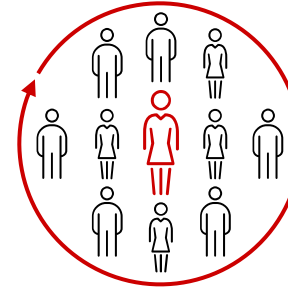
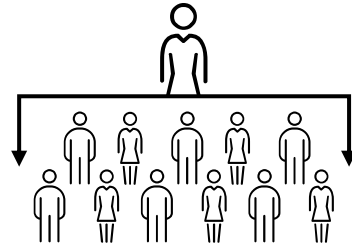


# Led by Next Gen mindset, consumers are beginning to purchase luxury goods for new reasons – as a means to express themselves vs. aspiring for status

10 YEARS AGO...

...TODAY'S EVOLUTION

Aspiration  
“I aspire to **BECOME**”



Inspiration  
“I express to **BELONG**”

Historically, luxury trends  
**trickled down from the top**

**Brands set the tone** of what was fashionable  
imposing a strong point of view

Luxury transitioning to be **complex and multi-lateral**,  
with **influences flowing in every direction**

**Brands** today are **in conversation**  
with contemporary **culture and society**

**Status  
currency**



My **luxury choices**  
express my **affiliation**  
to a **social class**

All my choices express  
myself and my **affiliation to**  
a **social and cultural group**



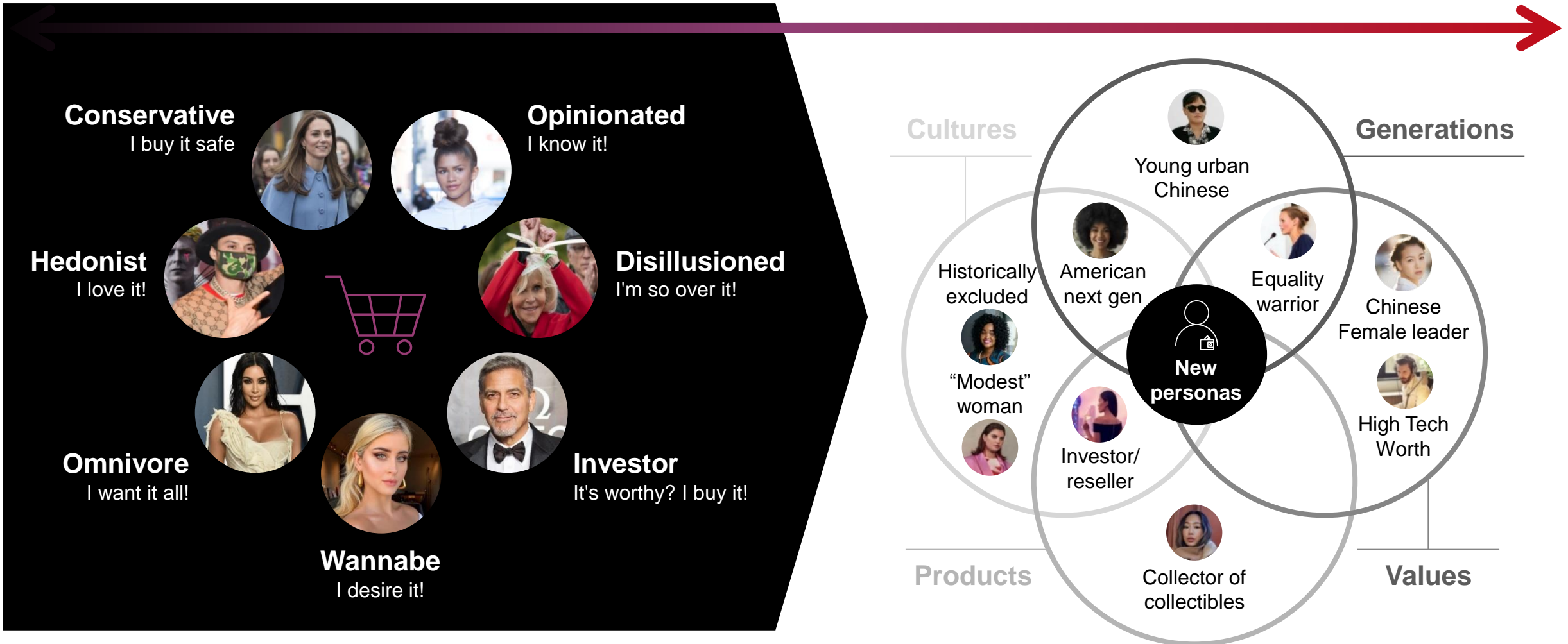
**Social  
currency**

# Besides generations, today's luxury consumer map is **much more complex than in the past**

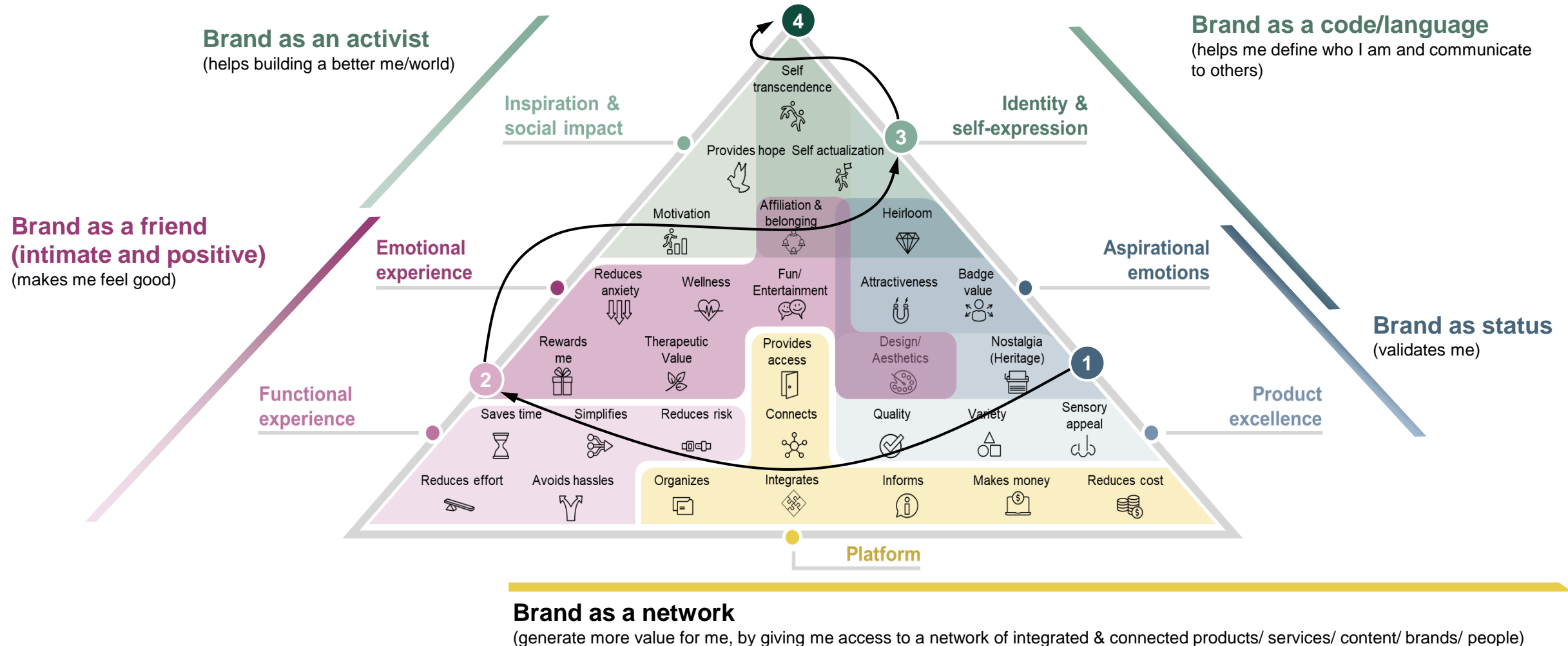
NOT EXHAUSTIVE

10 YEARS AGO...

...TODAY'S EVOLUTION



# New meaning and role of Luxury will include **cultural, emotional & social** elements



# Evolving **Elements of Value®**: brand aesthetic overtaken by brand ethic and hero product design as ways to self-express, belong and make a social impact

3

NATIONALITIES & CONSUMER BEHAVIOURS

## What fashion-luxury consumers want: top Elements of Value® evolution

So far...

QUALITY

BRAND AESTHETIC/DESIGN

FUN & ENTERTAINMENT

VALUE FOR MONEY

SELF-EXPRESSION

SEAMLESS EXPERIENCE\*

CONFIDENCE / REASSURANCE

HERITAGE

INVESTMENT

SUSTAINABILITY

STATUS

AFFILIATION & BELONGING

...what's accelerating Post-Covid



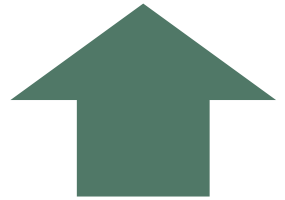
From brand aesthetic to **hero products aesthetic**



Increased willingness to **affirm one own identity and values** (through style and brand choices)



**Leapfrog** of the importance of social commitment on **sustainability and Diversity Equity and Inclusion**



Increased need to **feel connected to humans**



Emerging “**platform-related Elements of Value**” (integrates, connects, ...)



Note: for simplicity does not include all 30 Elements of Value, names have been adjusted to be adapted more clearly to the industry context; (\*) Seamless experience includes more EoVs such as simplify, reduce effort, avoid hassles, ...



# How are luxury brands responding?

## They stand by the customer, becoming **customer-centric**



Source: Bain Luxury Study, Lit. Search, Expert Interviews

...Brands commit by taking  
a social stand and providing  
entertainment and empathy



LOEWE  
EN CASA



Studio visit with a woman in a home office  
Friday 27 March 12:30 CET - Instagram LIVE

LOEWE  
EN CASA



The House of Loewe: a story by Kati Gierke  
Thursday 25 April 19:00 CET - Instagram LIVE

LOEWE  
EN CASA



Studio visit with a man in a home office  
Thursday 5 April 19:00 CET - Instagram LIVE

LOEWE  
EN CASA



Studio visit with a woman in a garden  
Sunday 22 March 19:00 CET - Instagram LIVE

LOEWE  
EN CASA

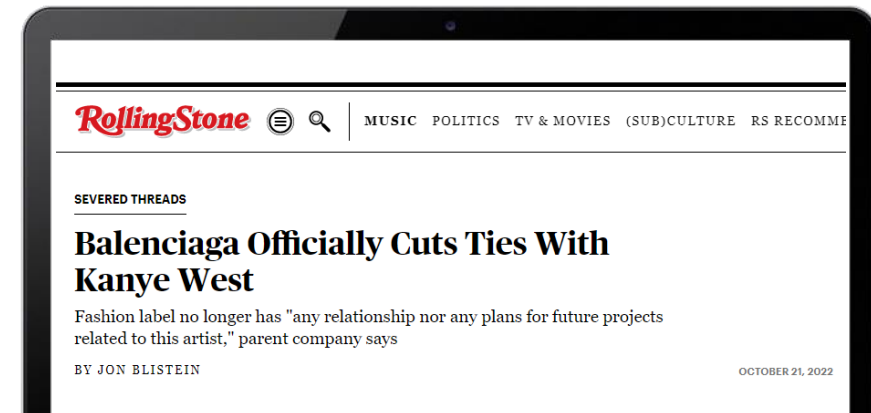


Studio visit with a man in a home office  
Thursday 4 April 19:00 CET - Instagram LIVE

LOEWE  
EN CASA



Studio visit with a woman in a home office  
Sunday 12 April 19:00 CET - Instagram LIVE



# Brands are balancing inclusiveness and exclusiveness, stretching themselves to redefine boundaries of their customer reach (and of the sector)



Exclusiveness of the core offering balanced by creative inclusiveness of entry products

Relative price positioning of different categories expanding the reach of the brand

# Customer touchpoints are multiplying, to reach the customers **where they are**

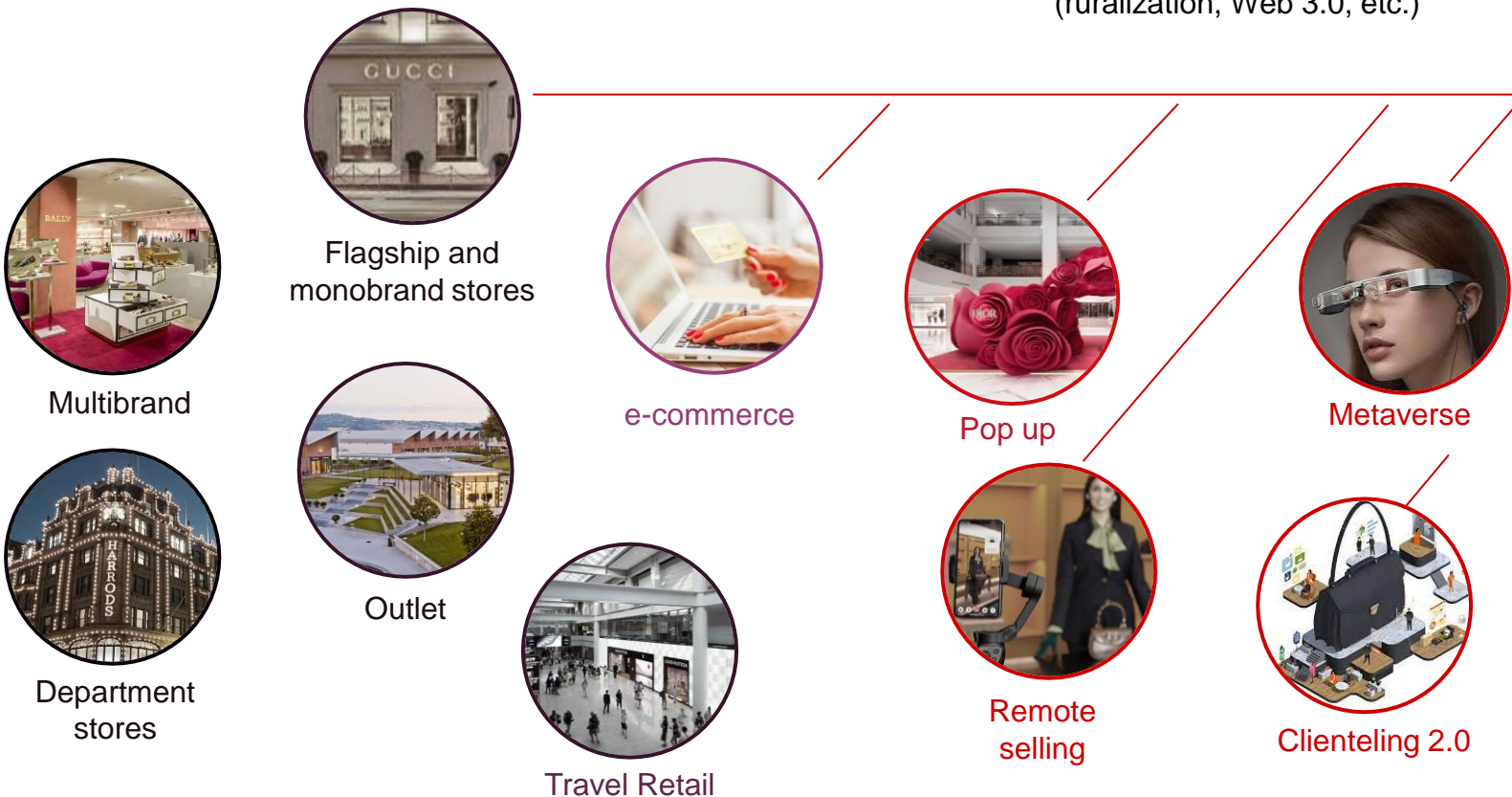
Progressive evolution of the touchpoint ecosystem

Luxury destinations

Digital

Wherever they want

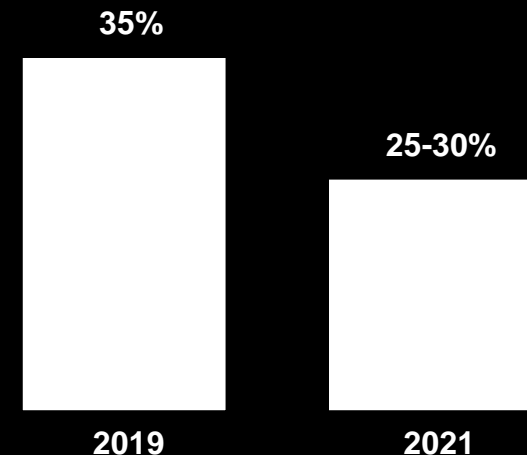
(ruralization, Web 3.0, etc.)



Wealth “ruralization” trend impact on luxury sales

Channels also addressing progressive “wealth ruralization”

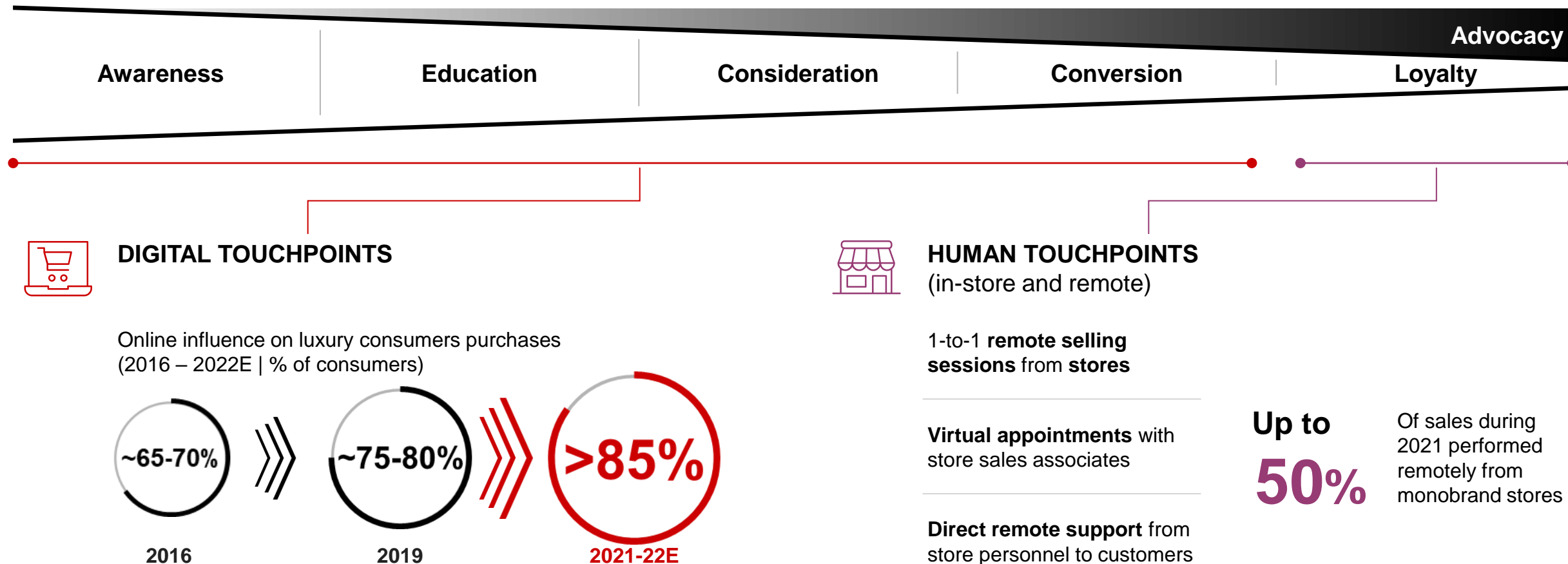
Share of top 10 cities on total personal luxury market value



## 2. CHANNELS

Doubling down on human-led touchpoints maintaining a critical role for customers' loyalty, despite digital continuously increasing its influence over luxury purchases

### The customer funnel



Source: Bain analysis on proprietary consumer survey data



Brands have also shifted content creation from narratives based on independent silos to **narratives based on episodes** to better tell the brand's story

10 YEARS AGO...

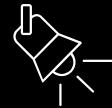
...TODAY'S EVOLUTION

## HOLLYWOOD

Narrative based on  
independent silos

Brand story defined by seasonal  
campaign or new product drop

### The Set



Interest in having a  
privileged POV in the  
day-by-day of the brand  
(formats such as “making  
of”, “behind the scenes”)

### The Special Guests



Penchant for “local”  
influencers vs. big  
celebrities and “mass”  
influencers

### The Content



Gradual displacement in  
favor of “liquid” and  
entertaining content-  
value rather than product-  
related

## NETFLIX

Narrative based  
on episodes

Brand story develops  
and grows with time,  
adopting an episodic  
structure, always  
guaranteeing coherence  
with the brand's DNA

# LV has become a “universal” brand reaching different customers segments independently from income, geographies, tastes and interest

From aspirational customers to UHNWIs

From west to east

From young to mature, from male to female

From conservative to fashion forwards

Revenues breakdown by customer tier  
(2019 | €B, %)

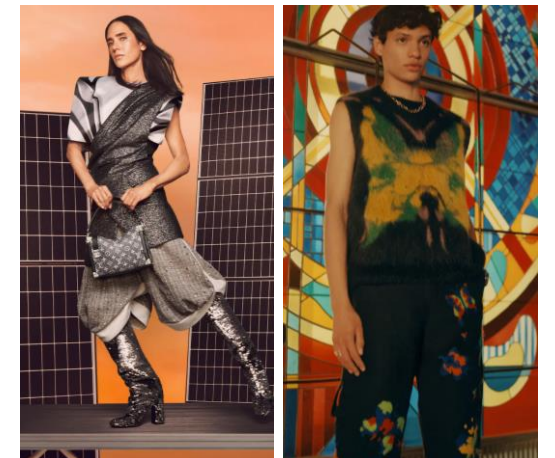


LOUIS VUITTON

Revenues breakdown by nationality  
(2019 | €B, %)



LOUIS VUITTON



## LOUIS VUITTON

Louis Vuitton continuously **innovated** also the **way it communicates with consumers** to reach a larger audience, beyond its traditional customer base

### Innovative Partnerships



Designed the **trunk that contained the championship cup** for a League of Legends tournament and designed an **in-game outfit**

### Streaming



Launched **LV TV** in 2019, producing **streaming content** to **engage Millennials**, always connected and used to streaming content

### Experiential retail



Installed an exhibition space within Bond Street flagship **to inject novelties beyond the product** and ensure traffic generation - especially effective on Gen Z

Video game fans

Millennials

Gen Z



# Relevant changes are happening also in wealth management (not as fast)

INVESTMENT BANK CO. EXAMPLE



**>1%**

Incidence of sustainability related investment in the portfolio

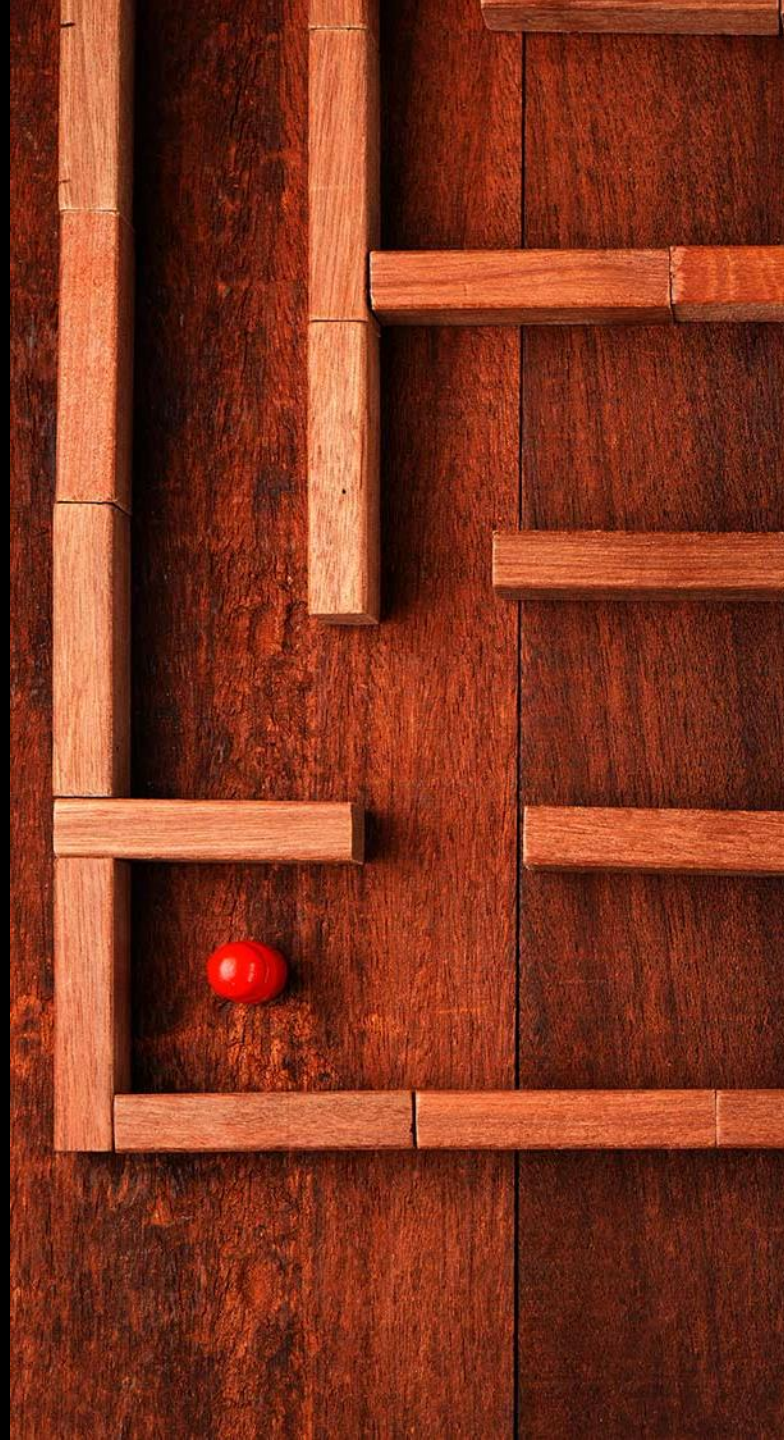


**2x**

Penetration for Women and younger investors vs. average



# The challenges to address



## Expand

the customer base  
(high & low)

## Serve

a diverse customer base “under the same umbrella”

## Tailor

the service and engagement model (location, touchpoint, human-touch) based on individual customer needs

## Be relevant

“beyond the product”

THANK YOU

