

H1 2020

# **Proven Resilience and Margin Improvement**

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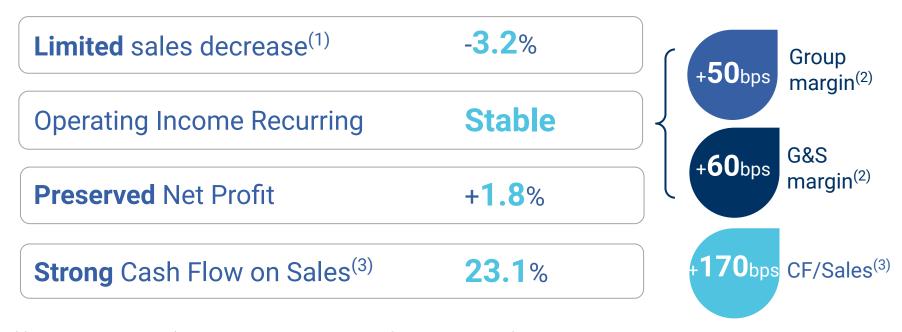


# Resilient H1 Performance During Unprecedented Crisis

- Proven resilience across businesses
- Delivery of significant margin improvement
- Healthcare teams continuing to fight the pandemic
- High and increasing number of investment opportunities
- Full Year 2020 guidance confirmed



# H1 2020 Key Figures in a Challenging Environment



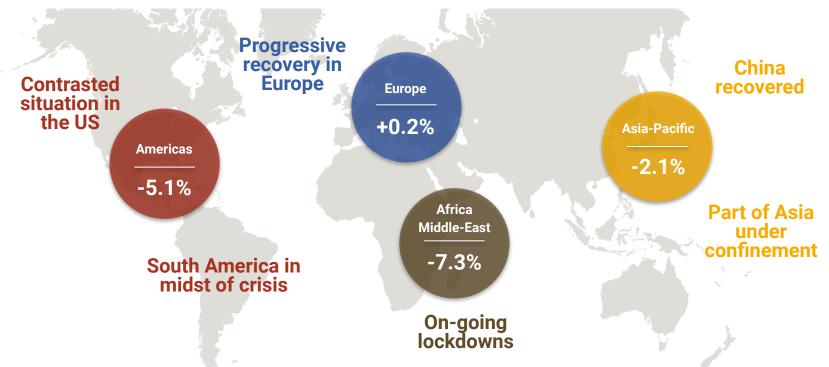
- (1) On a comparable basis (excluding currency, energy and significant scope impacts)
- (2) Operating Income Recurring on Sales, excluding energy impact
- (3) Cash flow from operating activities before changes in working capital on Sales, compared to restated H1 2019



## **Contrasted Sales Evolution**



G&S comparable sales growth in **H1 2020** 





# Significant Margin Improvement Despite Crisis



- Pursued Efficiencies program in place
- Agility to quickly deploy the Cost Containment program
- Sustained IM pricing

(1) Operating Income Recurring on Sales, excluding energy impact



# Very Active Business Development

Higher level of Investment
Opportunities<sup>(1)</sup>
12-month portfolio





(1) See definitions in appendix

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# Pandemic Not Over But New Era Already Starting

## Pre-Covid-19 trends emerge stronger

## Healthcare



- Global pandemic / Local response
- Extensive use of AI & **Platforms**
- **Equipment** Manufacturing footprint

## **Energy Transition**



- H<sub>2</sub> momentum
- **Decarbonizing** processes
- **Takeover** opportunities

## **Digital**



- New ways of working
- **Electronics** growing fast
- Investment in B2B & B2G

**Transformation** accelerating



# H1 2020 Performance

Fabienne Lecorvaisier

Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer



# Resilient Business Models - Peak of Crisis in Q2

Sales in €m	H1 19	H1 20	H1 20/19 As published	<b>H1 20/19</b> Comparable	<b>Q2 20/19</b> Comparable
Gas & Services	10,536	9,920	-5.8%	-2.7%	-6.5%
Engineering & Construction	176	104	-41.0%	-41.3%	-38.4%
Global Markets & Technologies	240	249	+3.5%	+3.2%	-5.7%
<b>Group Total</b>	10,952	10,273	-6.2%	-3.2%	-6.9%

Impacts on H1 Group Sales: • +0.1% FX

-2.7% Energy

-0.4% Significant Scope

# Q2 – Americas Most Impacted

G&S comparable sales growth

Americas – 1<sup>st</sup> signs of US recovery in May, flat in June



Sales

Q2 2020

€1,853m

- LI Low O<sub>2</sub> volumes bottoming-up
  - Start-up in Argentina
- IM Strong volume decline esp. Hardgoods
  - Positive rentals; strong +4.1% pricing
  - Slight recovery led by consumer markets
- HC Improved Medical O<sub>2</sub> in the U.S. end of Q2
  - Strong Latin America
- EL High Advanced Materials and E&I





Sales

Q2 2020

€1,649m

- Weak Steel, low Chemicals and Refineries
- IM Very low bulk & PG volumes
  - Resilient Food & Pharma
  - Solid Pricing at +1.4%
- HC —>+10% driven by Hygiene & Equipment
  - Lower sales of Medical  ${f O_2}$



# Q2 - Resilient Asia, Solid LI in AME

G&S comparable sales growth

### Asia – China back to growth, Robust EL

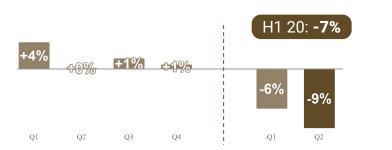


Sales

€1,097m

- China back to growth
  - Low volumes in Japan & SEA
- IM China +6%
  - Part of Asia under (C-19)
  - Resilient Techno & Research market
  - Positive pricing, fading Helium
- ->+10% growth excl. E&I
  - Strong AM and CG over the region

## AME - Positive LI and HC, IM strongly impacted by (c-19)



Sales

Q2 2020

€130m

- LI High loading rate of 2 major units in South Africa and KSA
- IM Significant hit over the region (C-19)



# Q2 - Solid EL & Resisting LI, Price Mitigating Impact on IM

G&S comparable sales growth

#### **Industrial Merchant**

Sales - Q2 2020 **€2,107m** 



- Positive China, low volumes in all other geographies
- Resilient Food, Pharma, Opto vs.
   weak Construction and Metal Fab
- Strong pricing at +2.9%
- Lower Helium demand, resisting pricing

## **Large Industries**

Sales - Q2 2020 €1,136m





- Weak volumes of air gases in Europe, US & Japan due to low Steel and Chemicals
- Softer decline of H<sub>2</sub> volumes in Europe & US

#### **Electronics**

Sales - Q2 2020



- +8.0% growth excl. E&I
- Strong Carrier Gases
   & Advanced Materials
- Lower E&I globally vs. high Q2 19

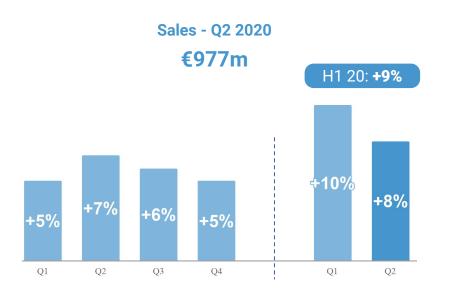


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# Q2 - Healthcare Teams Fully Mobilized to Fight Pandemic

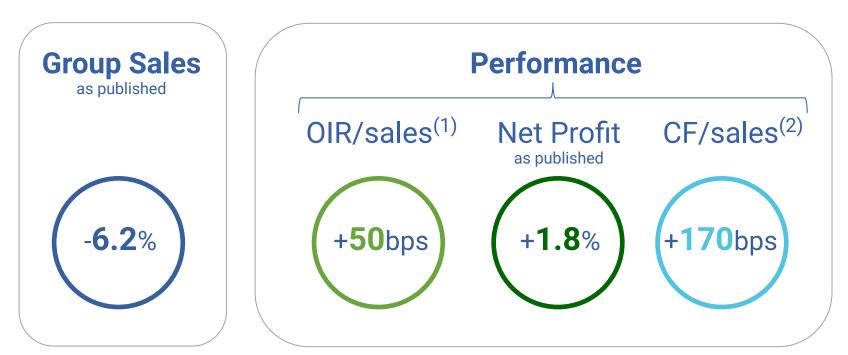
G&S comparable sales growth



- Strong Medical O<sub>2</sub> volumes to fight the virus partially offset by postponed elective procedures
- Continued high demand for Hygiene products and Ventilators manufacturing
- HHC: fewer new installations partially offset by new needs linked to Covid-19
- Very progressive return to normal in Europe starting end of Q2



# Delivering a Strong Performance in H1 2020



(1) Excluding energy impact

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(2) Cash Flow from Operations before changes in Working Capital Requirement on Sales, compared to restated H1 2019

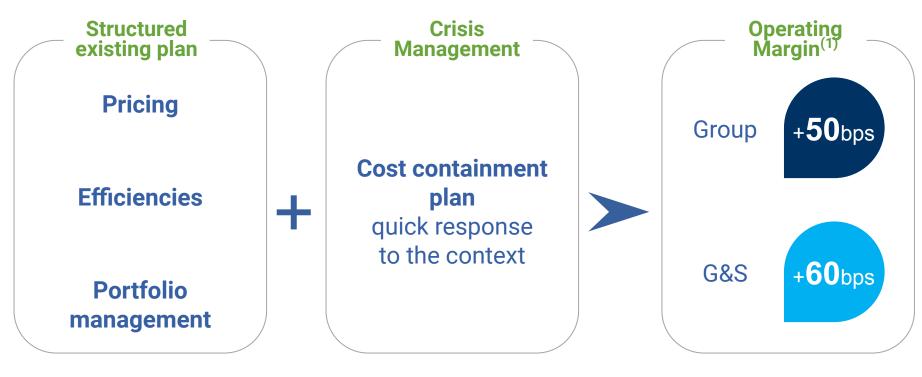


# Significant Improvement of OIR margin

In €m	H1 19	H1 20	H1 20/19	H1 20/19 Comparable
Revenue	10,952	10,273	-6.2%	-3.2%
Purchases	(4,230)	(3,631)	-14.2%	
Personnel Expenses	(2,184)	(2,183)	-0.0%	
Other net income and expenses	(1,660)	(1,562)	-5.9%	_
Operating profit before depreciation	2,878	2,897	+0.7%	
Depreciation and amortization	(1,064)	(1,084)	+1.9%	
Operating income recurring	1,814	1,813	-0.0%	+0.2%
Group OIR margin	16.6%	17.6%	+100bps	_
Group OIR margin excluding energy		17.1%		+50bps
G&S OIR margin excluding energy		19.0%		+60bps



# Efficiencies and Cost Containment to Improve Margins

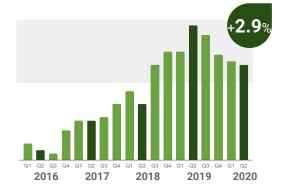


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## Continued Focus on Performance

IM Price/Mix



- Strong pricing in the Americas, very solid in Europe
- Continued helium contribution at +0.9%

## **Efficiencies**



- In line with objective despite C-19
- Digital transformation delivering
- Cumulated efficiencies €1.3bn (2017 - H1 2020)

# Portfolio management

#### Divestiture of:

- Schülke, on-going
- CRYOPDP, about to close
- Entities in Czech
  Republic and Slovakia,
  closed

## Bolt-on **acquisitions**:

- 3 in the US and in China
- 3 in Europe



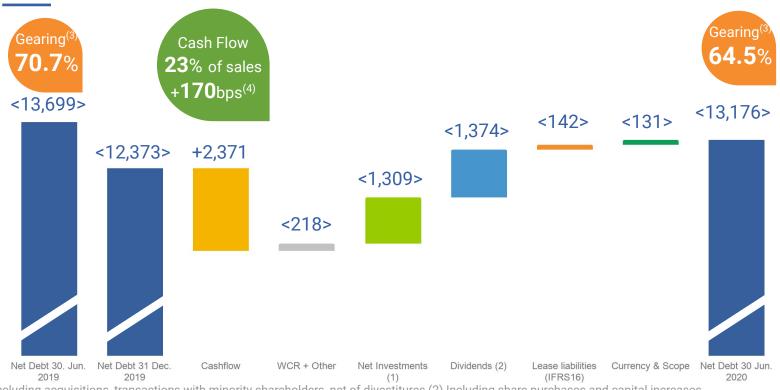
## Preserved Net Profit at +1.8%

In €m	H1 19	H1 20	H1 20/19
Revenue	10,952	10,273	-6.2%
Operating income recurring	1,814	1,813	-0.0%
Other non-recurring operating income & expenses	(86)	(92)	
Operating income	1,728	1,721	
Net financial costs and other net financial expenses	(239)	(217)	
Income taxes	(385)	(381)	
Tax rate	25.9%	25.3%	
Share of profit of associates	3	1	
Minority interests	48	46	
Net profit (Group share)	1,059	1,078	+1.8%
Earnings per share (in €)	2.25	2.29	+1.8%
Recurring net profit <sup>(1)</sup>	1,126	1,113	-1.1%

<sup>(1)</sup> Excluding Fujian in H1 2019 and non-recurring expenses related to Covid-19 in H1 2020



# Strong Cash Flow



(1) Including acquisitions, transactions with minority shareholders, net of divestitures (2) Including share purchases and capital increases

(3) June 30 gearings adjusted for dividend seasonality (4) Cash Flow from Operations before changes in WCR on Sales, compared to restated H1 2019

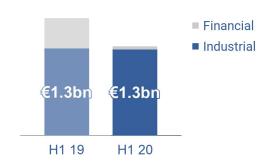


# Capturing Growth Opportunities



- Well balanced by geography
- Increased share of Electronics and **Clean mobility** projects
- More takeover opportunities
  - See definitions in appendix
  - Takeover of assets

## Investment Decisions<sup>(1)</sup>



- High level of industrial decisions focused on growth:
  - Record levels in **Electronics**. major signings in **LI** incl. 1 TO<sup>(2)</sup>



13% of Efficiency investment

## Investment Backlog<sup>(1)</sup>



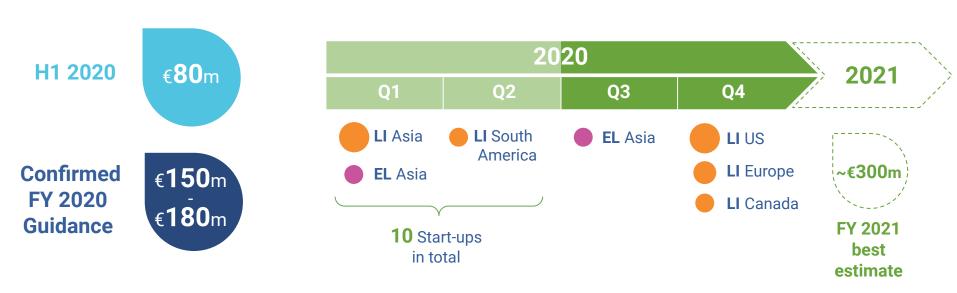
- Increased Backlog
- **€1.0bn** of yearly sales backlog after full ramp-up
- Oil & Gas <15% of Backlog</li>



# Confirmed FY 2020 Guidance for Start-Ups Contribution



# Confirmed start-up date of major projects





## 2020 Guidance Confirmed

## **Updated** assumptions:

- √ Strong peak impact in Q2
- Limited local lockdowns during H2 2020
- √ Progressive recovery during H2 2020

"In a context of limited local lockdowns and progressive recovery during the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2020, Air Liquide is confident in its ability to further increase its operating margin and to deliver net profit close to preceding year level, at constant exchange rates."(1)

(1) To be noted, 2020 net profit as published should increase provided that the Schülke divestiture project is completed within the year. 2020 recurring net profit, meaning excluding the gain from Schülke divestiture and exceptional and significant items that have no impact on the operating income recurring, should be close to 2019 recurring net profit at constant exchange rates.



# Crisis Management Measures: #WeFightTogether

To all professionals working in the field



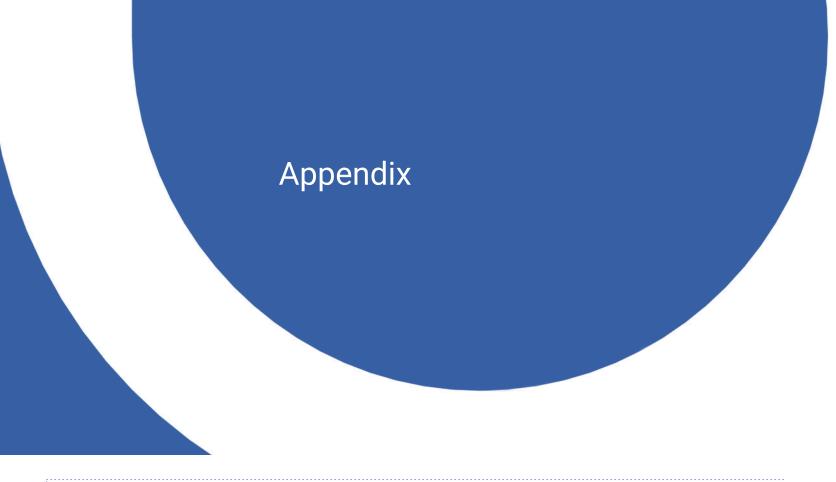
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Stay close to our **patients** & **customers** 

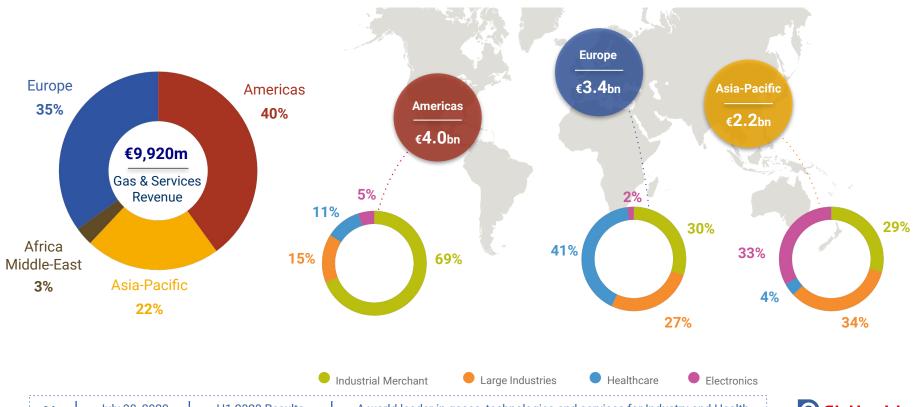
No compromise on **safety** 







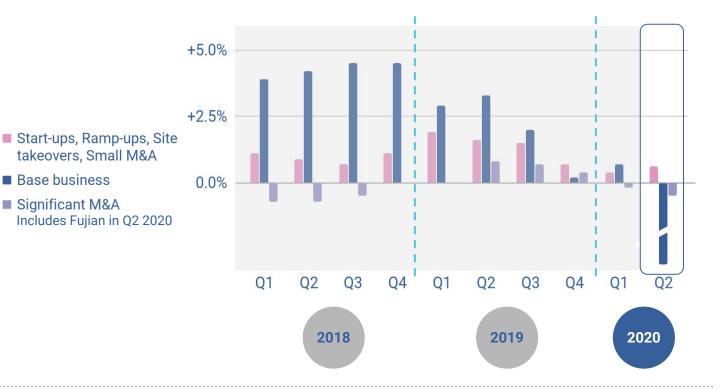
# H1 2020 G&S Revenue Breakdown by Region





# Covid-19 Impact on Base Business, Contribution from SU/RU

Breakdown of G&S Sales Growth



Base business: **-7.1%** 



Base business

Significant M&A

Q2 2020 G&S comparable sales growth

#### INDUSTRIAL MERCHANT

- Low volumes, esp. Hardgoods
- Mitigated by positive rentals and strong pricing +4.1%
- Solid Food & Pharma, low industrial end markets

#### **LARGE INDUSTRIES**

- Low O<sub>2</sub> volumes to Steel and Chemicals
- H<sub>2</sub> resisting better, Start-up in Argentina
- Signs of improvement end of Q2

#### **HEALTHCARE**

- Low levels of elective procedures in North America
- High HHC and Medical gases in Latin America

#### **ELECTRONICS**

- Strong Advanced Materials
- High E&I activity



in €m	H1 2020	Growth as published	Comparable growth	
Sales	3,975	-5.7%	-5.1%	
OIR	744	+1.9%		
OIR/Sales	18.7%	+140bps	+110bps <sup>(1)</sup>	

(1) Excluding energy impact

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Q2 2020 G&S comparable sales growth

#### INDUSTRIAL MERCHANT

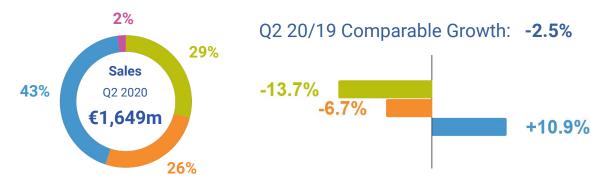
- Low gas volumes
- Cylinders hardly hit but also highest rebound since May
- Resilient Food & Pharma
- Solid pricing at +1.4%

#### **LARGE INDUSTRIES**

- Low air gases to Steel and Chemicals
- Weaker H<sub>2</sub> demand from Refineries
- East of Europe resisting better with growing Russia & Turkey

#### **HEALTHCARE**

- Strong Hygiene & Equipment
- Medical O<sub>2</sub> off peak levels of Q1
- HHC: less installations of new patients in sleep apnea & diabetes during crisis



in €m	H1 2020	Growth as published	Comparable growth	
Sales	3,440	-4.7%		+0.2%
OIR	680	-1.1%		
OIR/Sales	19.8%	+80bps		-20bps <sup>(1)</sup>

(1) Excluding energy impact

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## Asia-Pacific

Q2 2020 G&S comparable sales growth

#### INDUSTRIAL MERCHANT

- China +6%, strong cylinders & on-sites
- Decline of volumes in part of Asia, esp. Japan, Singapore, Australia
- Pricing slightly positive
- Lower helium contribution

#### LARGE INDUSTRIES

- Growing China driven by local demand
- Low 0<sub>2</sub> for Steel in Japan and H<sub>2</sub> for Refineries in Singapore

#### **ELECTRONICS**

- >+10% growth excl. E&I
- Strong Advanced Materials in Korea, Taiwan, China
- High Carrier Gases in China and Taiwan
- E&I mirror effect vs. high sales in Q2 2019



Q2 20/19 Comparable Growth: -3.3%



in €m	H1 2020	Growth as published	Comparable growth
Sales	2,236	-7.0%	-2.1%
OIR	484	+2.3%	
OIR/Sales	21.7%	+200bps	+150bps <sup>(1)</sup>

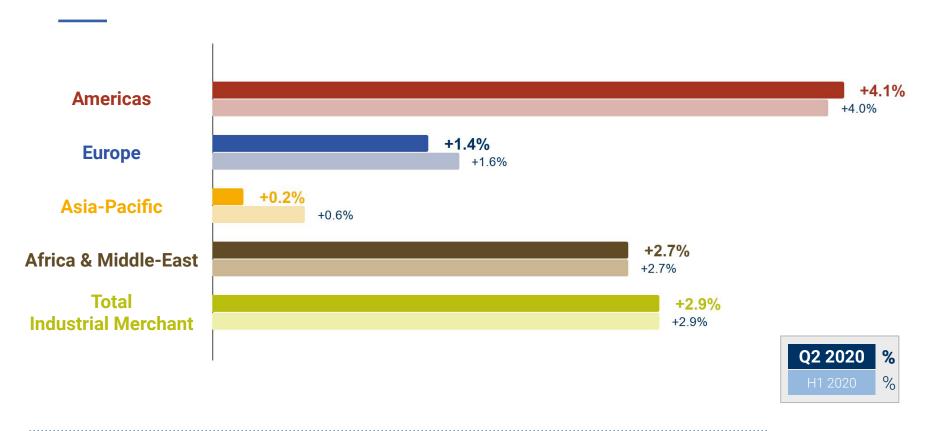
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# **Industrial Merchant Pricing**





# Q2 2020 E&C and GM&T Activities



# Engineering & Construction

Sales to third parties<sup>(1)</sup>

**€52**m



Total Sales<sup>(2)</sup> -22%

Order Intake



• Sales<sup>(1)</sup>

**€122**m



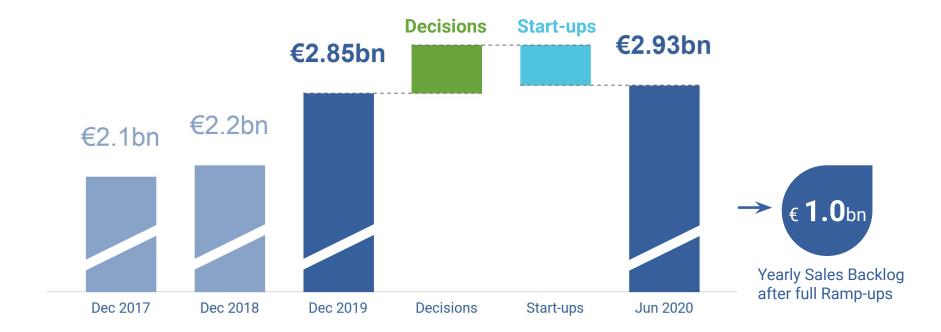
Order Intake

**€173**m



(1) Comparable growth (2) Including internal sales

# Backlog Slightly Increasing at €2.9bn



See definitions in appendix

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# Consolidated P&L

In €m	H1 19	H1 20
Revenue	10,952	10,273
Operating costs	(8,074)	(7,376)
Operating profit before depreciation	2,878	2,897
Depreciation and amortization	(1,064)	(1,084)
Operating income recurring	1,814	1,813
Other non-recurring operating income & expenses	(86)	(92)
Operating income	1,728	1,721
Net financial costs and other net financial expenses	(239)	(217)
Income taxes	(385)	(381)
Share of profit of associates	3	1
Profit for the period	1,107	1,124
- Minority interests	48	46
- Net profit (Group share)	1,059	1,078
Basic earnings per share (in €)	2.25	2.29



# Consolidated Balance Sheet Simplified

ASSETS	31/12/2019	30/6/2020
Goodwill	13,943	13,915
Fixed assets	22,673	22,432
Other non-current assets *	1,083	1,112
Total non-current assets	37,699	37,459
Inventories & work in-progress	1,532	1,579
Trade receivables & other current assets	3,379	3,060
Cash and cash equivalents *	1,057	1,510
Total current assets	5,968	6,149
Assets held for sale	-	305
Total assets	43,667	43,913

	31/12/2019	30/6/2020
Net debt	12,373	13,176
Net debt ratio	64.0%	64.5% <sup>(1)</sup>

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EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	31/12/2019	30/6/2020
Shareholders' equity	18,870	18,302
Minority interests	454	454
Total equity	19,324	18,756
Provisions & Deferred tax liabilities	4,573	4,430
Non-current borrowings	11,567	12,488
Non-current lease liabilities	1,088	1,070
Other non-current liabilities *	308	225
Total equity and non current liabilities	36,860	36,969
Provisions	268	260
Trade payables & other current liabilities	4,396	4,087
Current lease liabilities	244	233
Current borrowings *	1,899	2,187
Total current liabilities	6,807	6,767
Liabilities held for sale	-	177
Total equity and liabilities	43,667	43,913

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<sup>\*</sup> Including fair value of derivatives (1) Adjusted for dividend seasonality

# **Cash Flow Statement**

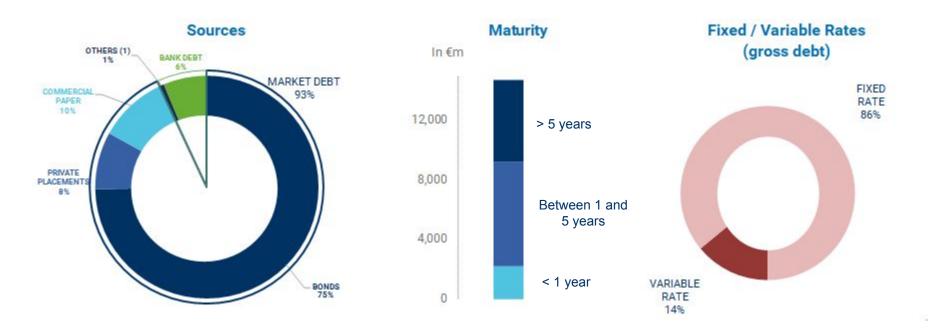
In €m	H1 19 Restated	H1 20
Funds provided by operations	2,348	2,371
Changes in Working Capital	(331)	(157)
Other cash items	(59)	(61)
Net cash from operating activities	1,958	2,153
Purchases of PPE* and intangible assets	(1,201)	(1,320)
Purchases of financial assets and the impact of changes in scope	(446)	(64)
Proceeds from sale of PPE*, intangible and financial assets	112	85
Net cash in investing activities	(1,536)	(1,299)
Distribution	(1,198)	(1,350)
Increase in capital stock	23	27
Purchase of treasury shares	(149)	(50)
Transactions with minority shareholders	(2)	(10)
Change in borrowings and lease liabilities (incl. net interests)	212	1,011
Impact of Exchange rate changes and net debt of newly consolidated companies & others	25	12
Change in net cash and cash equivalents	(666)	493
Net cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	883	1,390

<sup>\*</sup> PPE: Property, plant and equipment.





# Financing Structure as of June 30, 2020



Others: put options granted to minority shareholders.



# Impact of Currency and Energy on G&S Revenue

in €m	Q1 19	Q2 19	Q3 19	Q4 19	Q1 20	Q2 20
€/USD	+138	+107	+81	+52	+55	+30
€/JP¥	+16	+14	+22	+18	+11	+11
€/ARS	(28)	(20)	(29)	(16)	(16)	(23)
€/BRL	(6)	(2)	+3	(4)	(11)	(22)
Others	+21	+4	+30	+31	+1	(26)
<b>Currency Impact</b>	+141	+103	+107	+81	+40	(30)
in €m	Q1 19	Q2 19	Q3 19	Q4 19	Q1 20	Q2 20
Natural Gas Impact	+5	(36)	(134)	(129)	(103)	(135)
in €m	Q1 19	Q2 19	Q3 19	Q4 19	Q1 20	Q2 20
<b>Electricity Impact</b>	+27	+7	(12)	(30)	(31)	(31)



# Investment Cycle – Definitions

## Investment opportunities at end of the period

- Investment opportunities under consideration by the Group for decision within 12 months.
- Industrial projects with investment value > €5m for Large Industries and > €3m for other business lines.
- Includes asset replacements or efficiency projects. Excludes maintenance and safety.

## Investment backlog at end of the period

- Cumulated industrial investment value of projects decided but not yet started.
- Industrial projects with value > €10m, including asset replacements or efficiency projects, excluding maintenance and safety.

### Sales backlog

Cumulated expected sales per year generated by the current investment backlog after full ramp-up.

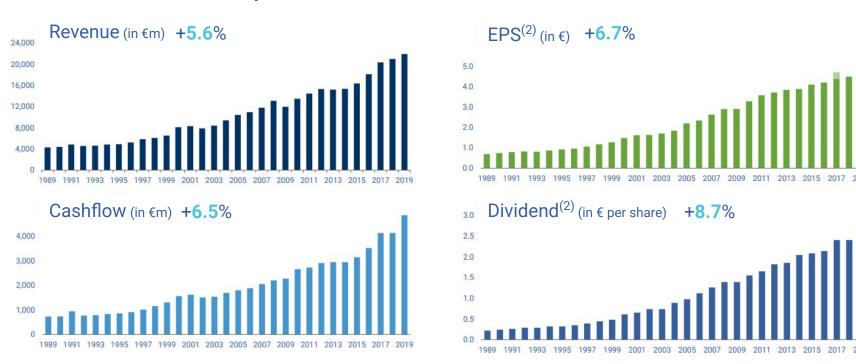
## Decisions of the period

- Cumulated value of industrial and financial investment decisions.
- Industrial, growth and non-growth projects including asset replacements, efficiency, maintenance and safety.
- Financial decisions (acquisitions).



# Regular and Sustained Performance

CAGR over 30 years<sup>(1)</sup>



(1) Calculated according to prevailing accounting rules over 30 years. (2) Adjusted for the 2-for-1 share split in 2007, for free share attributions and for the capital increase completed in October 2016.



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