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01 Business Review / Financial Performance FY 2019





2019 – a Difficult Year With Multiple Headwinds

- 2019 marked by muted economic growth and destocking along the value chain
- Economic recovery did not materialize further deterioration in the second half-year
- ▶ Sales volume, revenue and adjusted EBITDA markedly lower than in the previous year
- Average sales price increased, supported by product mix and higher raw material prices
- ▶ Impairment of EUR 313 million of some entities due to mid-term outlook
- Performance Improvement Program ("PIP"): EUR 50 million (non-recurring) total savings in 2019
- ▶ Free cash flow improved compared to 2018 still negative despite inventory reductions
- ▶ Tight financial situation / worsening financial ratios required a refinancing of the Group
- Capital increase completed on Jan 8, 2020, constructive progress in discussion with all lenders
- Improved outlook for 2020 on the basis of a normalization/restocking and the execution of an extensive restructuring program



Higher Nickel and Scrap Prices Supported Sales Prices

Commodity prices vs. FY 18 (year-end prices in USD per ton)	Nickel Scrap (FOB Rotterdam) Ferrochrome	+34% +7% –18%
VDMA order entry	-10 % 2019 vs. 2018	
Total passenger car production: Germany USA China	2019 vs. 2018: -8% -10% -9%	

Sources: WTI, VDMA, Platts, LME, ICDA (International Chromium Development Association), VDA, China Association of Automobile Manufacturers (CAAM) and U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis



Financials Heavily Impacted by Poor Business Fundamentals

Sales volume	1,830 kilotons	-12.6% (2,093 kilotons)
Revenue	EUR 2.981 billion	-10.0% (EUR 3.313 billion)
Adj. EBITDA	EUR 51.2 million	-78.4% (EUR 236.7 million)
Group result (EAT)	EUR –521.0 million	EUR –0.7 million FY 2018
Free cash flow	EUR –7.1 million	EUR –159.8 million FY 2018

2018 figures include results of Business Unit Ascometal for only 11 months



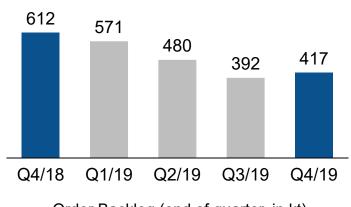
Financial Performance Q4 2019



Weak Sales, but Order Book Improving

Order Backlog	417 kilotons	-31.9% vs. end Q4/18 (612 kilotons)
Crude Steel Production	437 kilotons	-23.3 % vs. Q4/18 (570 kilotons)
Sales Volume	388 kilotons	-22.1 % vs. Q4/18 (498 kilotons)
Revenue	EUR 619.0 million	-22.2 % vs. Q4/18 (EUR 796 million)

- Reduced crude steel production adjusted to lower demand and decreased inventories
- Sales volume down by 22.1% due to pronounced demand weakness
- ► After several quarters of decline, order book improved compared to Q3/19, indicating that the bottom has been reached



Order Backlog (end of quarter, in kt)



Low Volumes Significantly Impacted Profitability

Adjusted EBITDA	EUR 1.4 million	EUR 39.2 million in Q4/18
– EUR/t	EUR 4/t	EUR 80/t in Q4/18
– margin	0.2%	4.9 % in Q4/18
EBIT	EUR –52.7 million	EUR -108.0 million in Q4/18
Group Result	EUR –75.9 million	EUR -93.1 million in Q4/18

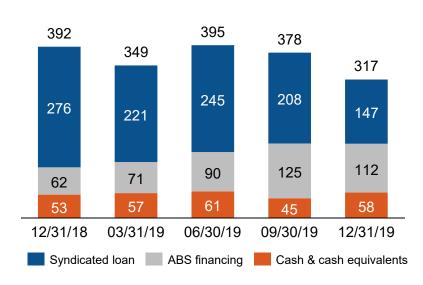
- Widespread short-term work in Q4/19
- ▶ Maintenance expense down EUR 11.5 million in Q4/19 vs prior year
- ▶ Net fix cost savings (incl. inflation) of approx. EUR 18 million achieved in Q4/19 vs prior year
- ▶ One-time effects of EUR 16.5 million predominantly for restructuring measures at DEW and Ascometal
- Additional impairment of Ascometal driven by extended downturn
- ▶ Adjustments and higher interest costs aggravating low operational results



Unsustainable Leverage Addressed With Capital Increase

Free Cash Flow	EUR –48.6 million	EUR 13.6 million in Q4/18
Net debt	EUR 798 mn	EUR 724 mn end Q3/19 / EUR 655 mn YE18
Leverage	15.6	2.8 year-end 2018

- ► Free Cash Flow below Q4/18 despite significant improvement in NWC; specifically strong reduction in inventories of EUR 49.8 million
- Sufficient liquidity at year-end 2019
- High net debt/leverage addressed with capital increase completed in January 2020



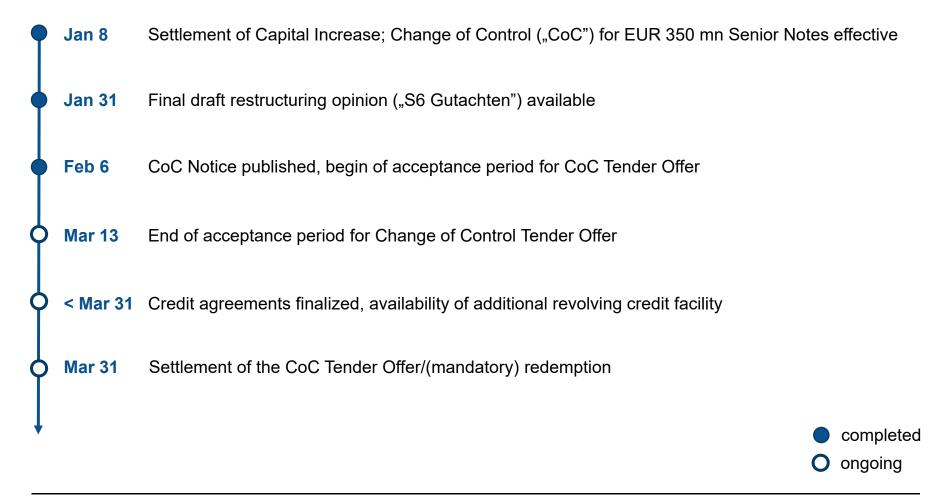
Financial Headroom (EUR million)



Update on Financing & Restructuring



Next Steps / Current Timeline of Group Financing Q1 2020



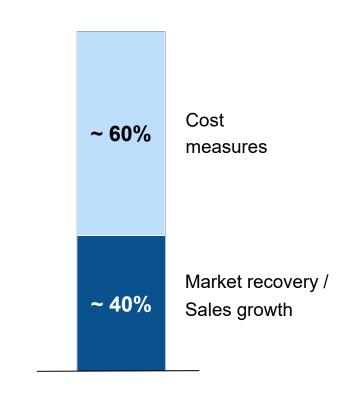
Restructuring Concept to Restore S+B's Competitiveness is Based on Four Pillars

Measures / Projects	Structural measures	Operational Exellence measures	Strategic Capex projects	Additional measures
Elements	Lowering cost base, de-risk business through restructurings Short-term labor & cost avoidance measures Rightsizing Ascometal	Tackle yearly cost inflation by sustainable improvement measures Reinforced transformation organization	Finalize large-scale capex programs and tap improvement potential Secure additional revenue and cost savings through quality and efficiency improvements	Increase profitability & reduce dependency of market recovery Tackle group-wide synergies in G&A and Operations Reduce overcapacities at Ascometal and DEW
Examples	Ascometal – closure rolling mill Les Dunes DEW 2020+ headcount Turnaround Finkl Steel	Quality/yield improvement Material basket optimization Productivity increase	Walking beam furnace, Garrett coilers Swiss Steel Nadcap, electro-slag remelting Ugitech EAF Ascometal Hearth furnace DEW	Shared Service Center Lean G&A BU-specific measures Ascometal and DEW



Restructuring Program Expected to Improve FY 2024 EBITDA by EUR 274 million – 60% Through Cost Measures





Assumption: sales volumes to rebound to FY 2018 levels in FY 2022



04 Outlook



Signs of Market Recovery at the Beginning of 2020 – Visibility Deteriorated in Recent Weeks

View on macroeconomic developments and steel industry

- ▶ Extremely low visibility with regards to global GDP growth in the year 2020 after the recent outbreak of Covid-19 and the negative impact on market sentiment
- Stabilization of the market environment at the beginning of the year, but recovery protracted
- Normalization of customer inventories reflected in a slight improvement in order intake and order backlog in January and February
- Uncertainty in our end markets remains high
- ▶ (Long) Steel industry remains under intense pressure in a more severe and longer-thanusual cyclical downturn



Outlook and Priorities For 2020

Priorities for the Group

- ► Finalize refinancing of the Group before the end of Q1 2020
- Rigorously implement the measures and projects of the restructuring program
- Strengthen transformation office to closely monitor the progress of the restructuring program
- Continuously identify opportunities for performance improvement beyond the restructuring program

Guidance for full-year 2020 (under exclusion of any not yet quantifiable impacts from the coronavirus breakout)

Adjusted EBITDA is expected to be significantly above FY 2019





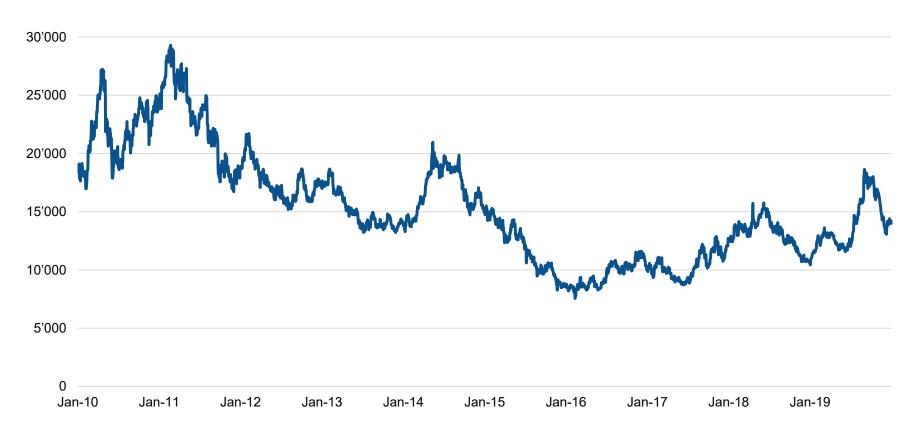
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Nickel Price Development – 1 Year



Nickel Price Development – 10 Years



Source: Bloomberg, LME Nickel USD/mt



Financial Calendar and Contact

Date	Event
April 28, 2020	Annual General Meeting 2020, Lucerne
May 6, 2020	Interim Report Q1 2020, Media and Investor Conference Call
August 12, 2020	Interim Report Q2 2020, Media and Investor Conference Call
November 11, 2020	Interim Report Q3 2020, Media and Investor Conference Call

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