

## 2020: Good performance in an unprecedented year



Sales: €847m down 11% vs 2019, with broadly stable sustainable development markets



Operating margin before non-recurring items: 8.1% of sales



Free cash flow: €76m\*

vs €60m in 2019, resulting in **record-low** net debt



**Shareholder return:** 

Dividend of €0.65/share

Targeted measures when needed: furlough and shorttime working schemes, targeted restructuring

**Continued** strategic plans by segment: industrial optimization, investments

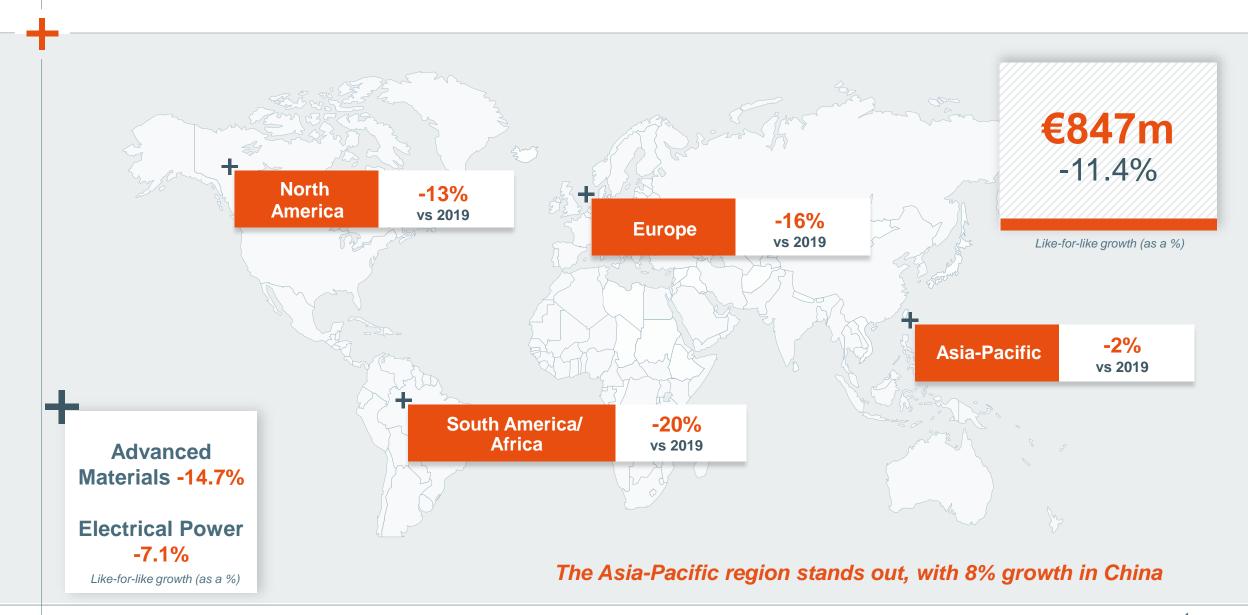
Committed teams:

even at the height of the crisis, **85%** of plants were operational **Motivated** teams: **91%** proud to belong to the Group

<sup>\*</sup> Cash-flow from operating activities after industrial capex

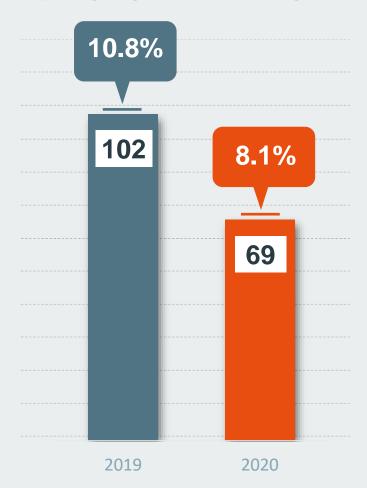


#### Contained decrease in 2020 sales



## Profitability held up well

Operating income before non-recurring items (€m)
Operating margin before non-recurring items (% of sales)





Volume/mix effects	-3.9
Net savings excluding additional costs linked to the health crisis	+1.4
Productivity gains	+1.1
Cost inflation	-1.1
Other	-0.2

2020 operating margin before non-recurring items

10.8%

8.1%

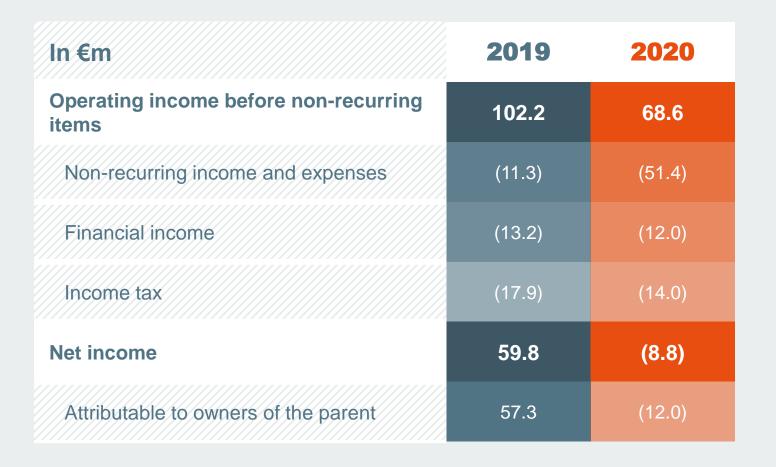
2020 EBITDA €123m 14.5% of sales

2019 EBITDA €155m 16.3% of sales

### Both segments contributed to the Group's resilience



## Net income impacted by non-recurring items



#### Non-recurring expenses

Restructuring costs: €17m
Impairment of under-used assets: €8m

Goodwill impairment for ACE: €17m Litigation and acquisition costs: €8m

#### High effective tax rate

(2018 rate: 24% - 2019 rate: 23%)

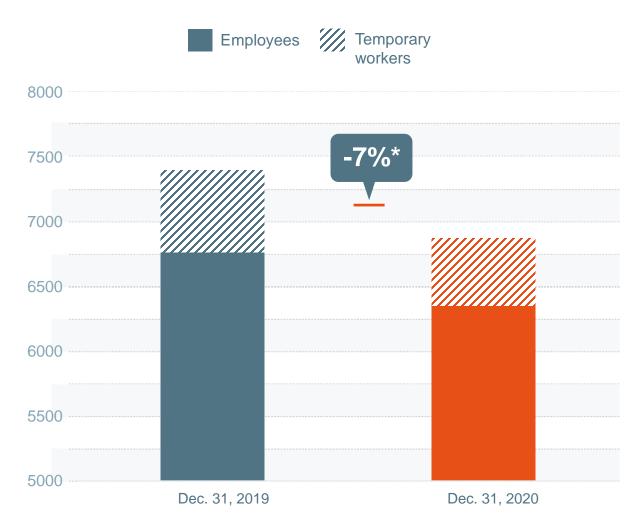
Due to the recognition of non-deductible non-recurring expenses

Impairment losses on deferred tax

assets: €4m



### Adaptability in human resources in 2020



<sup>\*</sup> At constant scope of consolidation (excluding GAB Neumann)

Flexibility through short-time working and furlough schemes (maximum 10% of employees at the height of the crisis)

7% reduction in the number of employees and temporary workers



## Targeted adaptation plan

**Strong downturn** in the aeronautics and chemicals markets

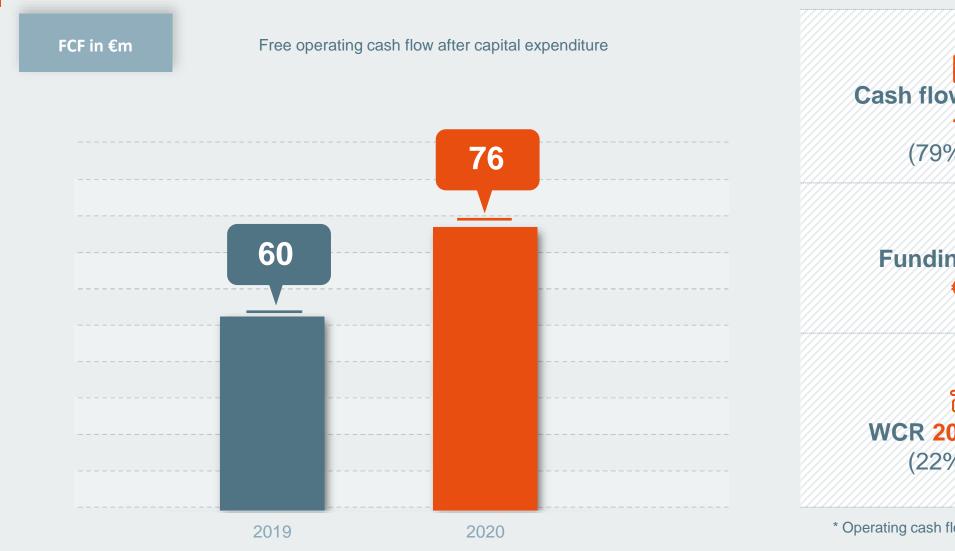
Continued review of operational efficiency in the Electrical Power segment

Impact on P&L

€ millions	2020	2021	2022	Total
Adaptation plan	17	5//		22
Total expected savings based on 2019 cost structure		10	16	16/y
Cash-out of adaptation plan	5	17		22



## Solid generation of operating free cash flow



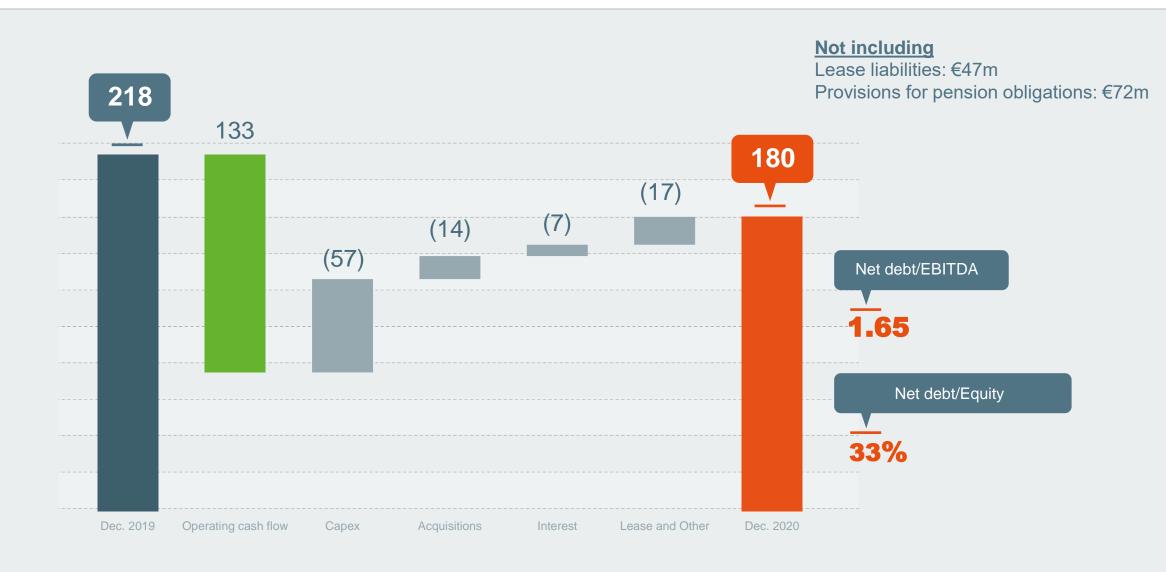


Funding for capex €57m

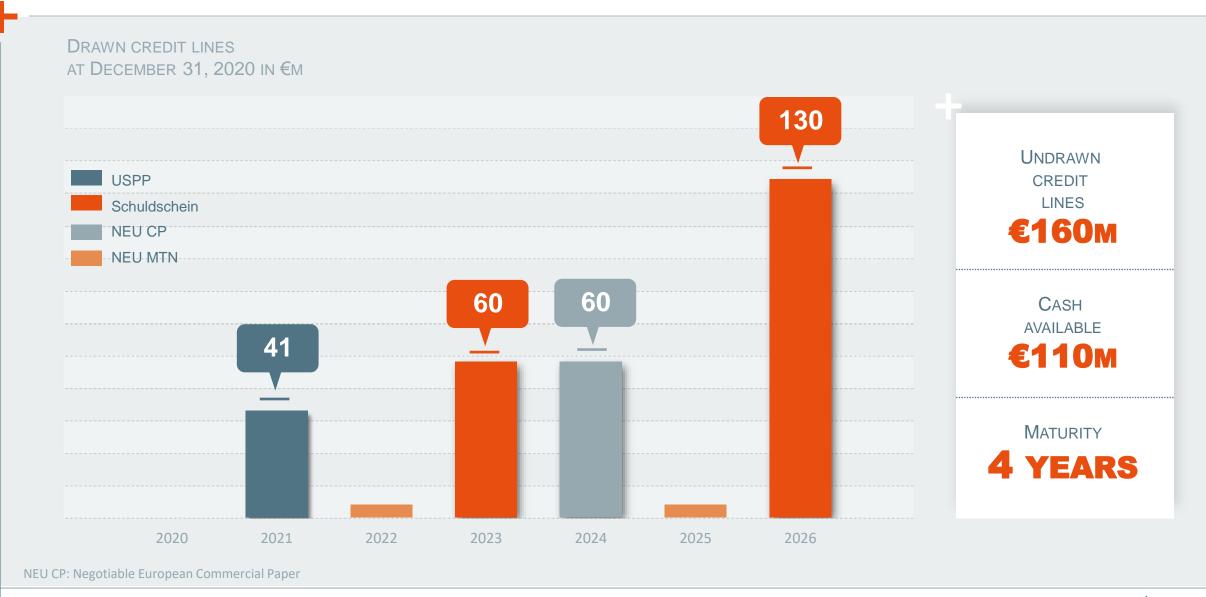


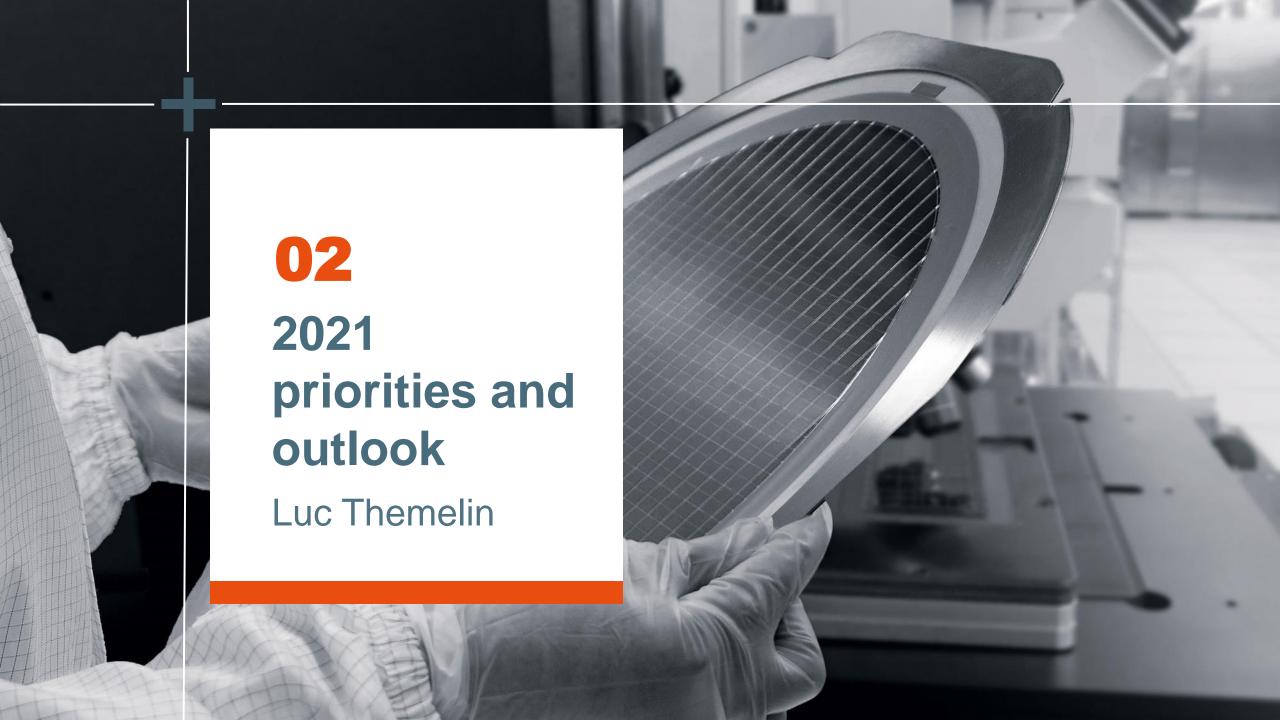
\* Operating cash flow before capex/EBITDA

## Significant reduction in net debt

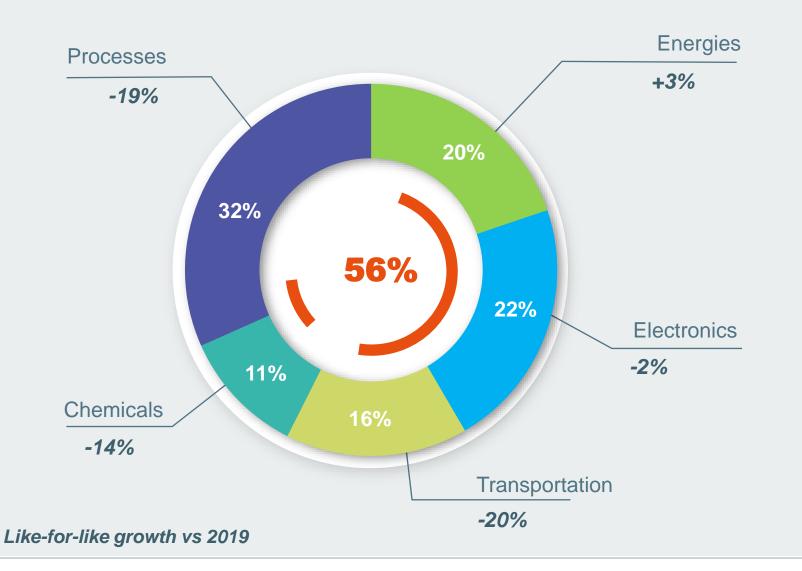


#### A solid balance sheet with liquidity to cover repayments for the next few years





#### Positioned on buoyant sustainable development markets



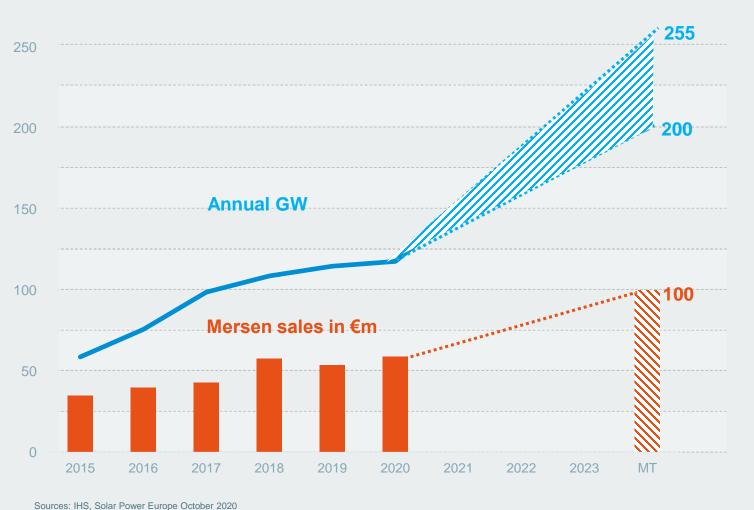
56% of sales for sustainable development markets
Stable sales in 2020 vs 2019

# ... offering growth opportunities in the short and medium-term

		2020	2021	2022-2023 trend
	+ Solar power	22	77	<b>77</b>
Energy	+ Wind power	•	<b>(-)</b>	<b>9 2</b>
	Conventional energy	2	$\rightarrow$	•
	+ Manufacture of SiC semi-conductors	•	22	22
Electronics	+ Manufacture of Si semi-conductors	2	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>
	Power electronics	2	<b>2</b>	7
	+ Rail	9	<b>(-)</b>	7
Transportation	Aeronautics	5555	22	<b>(-)</b>
	+ Electric vehicles	<b>(-)</b>	$\Rightarrow$	22
Chemicals	Corrosive chemicals	20	•	<b>(-)</b>
Processes	Process industries	2 2 2	<b>a</b> ?aa	<b>2</b>

2022-2023

### Solar: significant potential for Mersen by focusing on premium offer



Expected market growth of 15% per year on average

Developing technology: Increase in size of cells (from 152 mm to 210 mm)

Mersen's positioning on a comprehensive premium offer

Isostatic graphite, insulation, **C/C** composite **Electrical protection for** high-power industrial facilities

#### Mersen's expertise applied to premium solar power

#### ADVANCED MATERIALS SEGMENT



Graphite anticorrosion systems for HCl synthesis



**CVD** reactors



Graphite electrodes

Polysilicon manufacturing

Monocrystalline silicon ingot manufacturing

1,400°C CZ processes

#### 75% of business









#### **ELECTRICAL POWER SEGMENT**



Solar panel protection



Energy storage and conversion

#### 25% of business



Schneider Electric

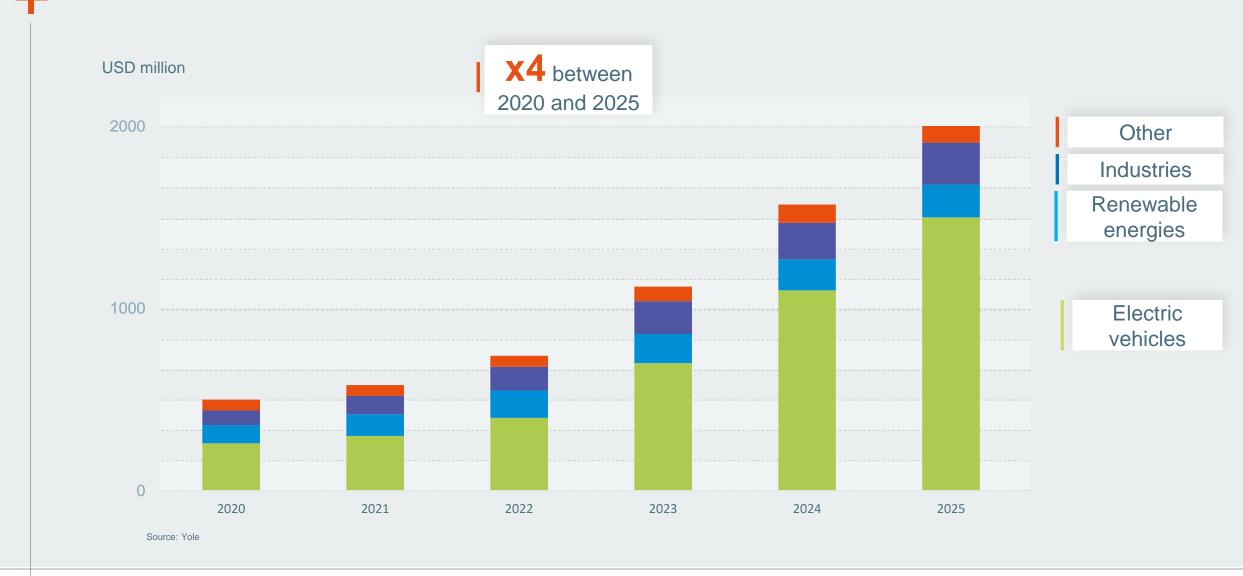


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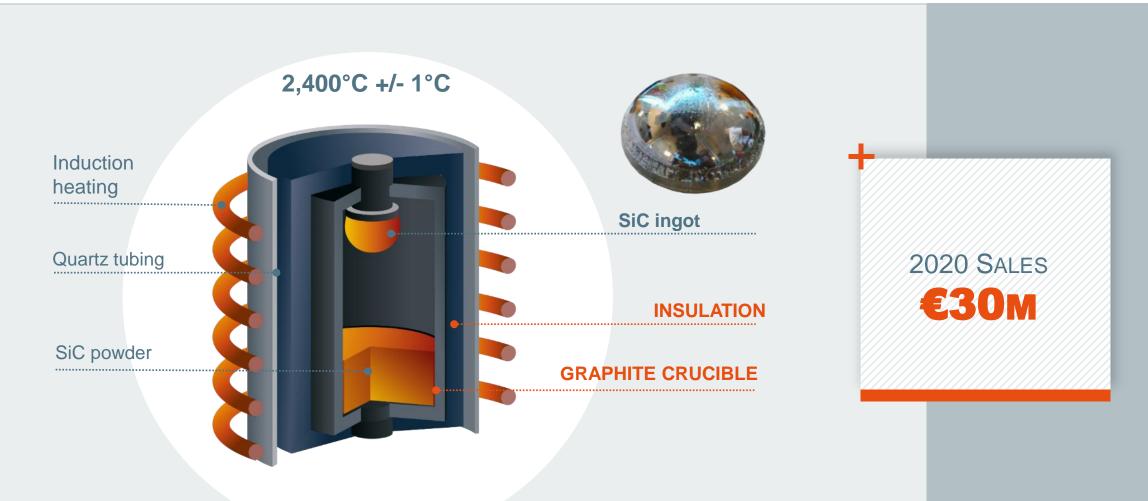
# Growth of the SiC semiconductors market is set to accelerate in line with EV market growth



#### Mersen's expertise in SiC semiconductors

#### **ADVANCED MATERIALS SEGMENT ELECTRICAL POWER SEGMENT End markets** GRAPHITE, **GRAPHITE COMPONENTS FOR INSULATION FOR** WAFER **INVERTERS FURNACES CARRIER** Diode, transistor Crystal growth **Epitaxy** Ion implantation Inverter Power module Annealing Rockwell Automation **ALSTOM** SEMIKRON innovation+service Wolfspeed. **CREE (**infineon (infineon BOSCH TMEIC ABB SiCrystal Wolfspeed. Danfoss **SIEMENS**

# Graphite and insulation determine the quality of silicon carbide wafers and therefore the cost of semiconductors



### Unique position in the sophisticated and intricate SiC manufacturing process



## Key products for ingot quality

(and therefore process efficiency):

- Purity of graphite
- Insulation properties



# High-performance industrial system in which we continue to invest

- Investments in Europe from 2019 to 2021: €12m
- Investments in Americas (Americarb + Columbia): €6m



**Expertise** through long-standing ties with pioneers in the industry for over 20 years

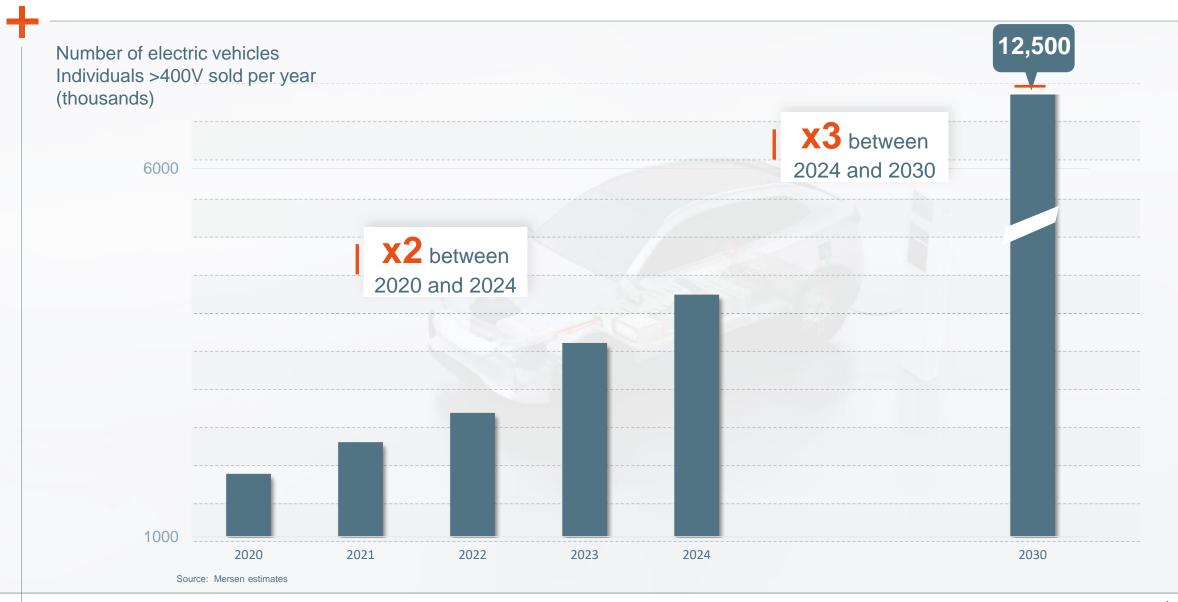




**Present** across all geographies, close to industry players

- Long-standing leaders
- New entrants (China, 5G)
- Startups, universities, etc.

### Electric vehicles: Market growth is accelerating



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## Mersen's offering for EV/HEV applications



#### Mersen is successfully adapting to this new market and these new customers



- Traditional car manufacturers
- New entrants
- Tier-one suppliers for manufacturers
- Battery manufacturers



FIRST CONTRACT WON

- Marquardt
- Contract over the duration of the platform (5 to 7 years)
- Production launch: 2022



**TECHNICAL INNOVATION** 

- Strategic partnership on Hybrid fuse
- Target: EV>800V



GLOBAL PRESENCE

- Eventually, 3 dedicated plants in 3 key regions
- Dedicated teams
- Certified sites

MID-TERM ANNUAL SALES €40-70M



#### Columbia, additional capacity to serve our growth markets

2022 and beyond 2021 2019 2020 **Insulation** for solar Return of facilities First batch **Transfer and Startup** and semiconductor GRI insulation line (Americarb) extruded graphite to working order markets, heat processing WELCOME TO **Production launch** MERSEN Extruded graphite **Extruded graphite** (internal sales) for process industries Potential additional capacity for isostatic **June 28,** July graphite 2019 2020 (semiconductors, solar, process **Acquisition Americarb** Closing industries) Insulation Cash-out Cash-out USD 7m USD 6m €5m €15m-€20m €5m-€10m (2022) €15m

CAPEX

### **Continued industrial optimization**



HEALTH AND SAFETY: THE PRIORITY

- Accident frequency rate:
   1.54 (medium-term target <1.4)</li>
- Severity rate: 64 (medium-term target <60)</li>



# OPTIMIZATION OF INDUSTRIAL SITES

- Enhanced manufacturing efficiency on Europe's electric fuse market (Fusetech)
- Modernization of two plants in China (fuses, graphite for semiconductor market)
- Large digital projects and MES (Manufacturing Execution System)

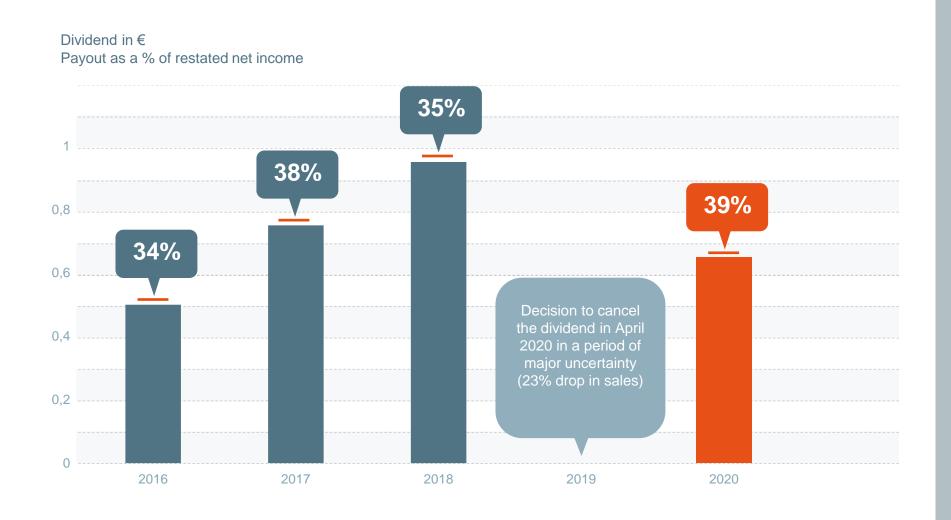


#### REDUCED ENVIRONMENTAL FOOTPRINT

- Target to reduce GHG emissions intensity by 20% by 2025
- Increase in waste recycling rate (60% in 2020 vs 46% in 2018)



# Shareholder return: return to dividend payment: €0.65 per share



#### **DIVIDEND POLICY**

Payout of between 30% and 40% of Group net income restated for non-recurring items



### Operational priorities and outlook for 2021

Attentive to signs of recovery, especially in Europe and the United States

And subject to no major deterioration of public health conditions.

We continue to seize **growth opportunities**: Solar, semiconductors, EV – by investing when necessary

Like-for-like sales growth of between 2% and 6%

We are accelerating our **response plans** to optimize our cost structure and boost our **industrial productivity** 

Operating margin before non-recurring items of between 8% and 8.8%

Capex between €70m and €80m



**03**Appendix



## Investing to build the future

