

Q1 2020 results

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We apply strict safety measures



REMOTE WORKING Mandatory for all employees where possible.



RESTRICTED ACCESS To plants and sites limited to critical employees only. Regular health monitoring.



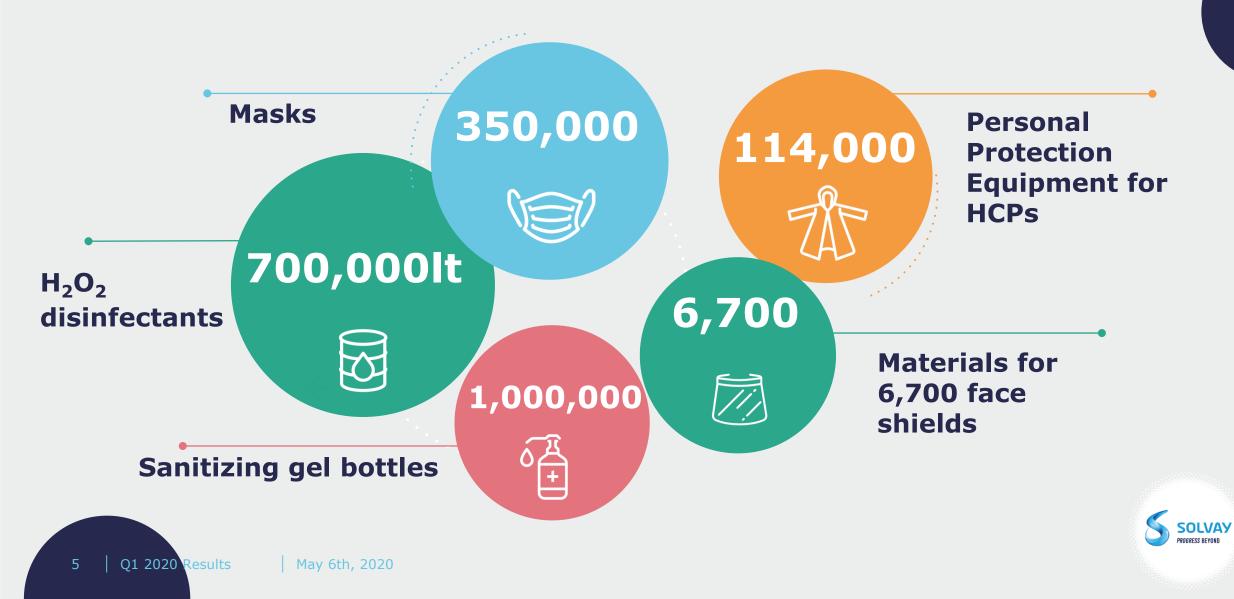
EPIDEMIC PREVENTION MEASURES

Health education for employees.
Facilitation of strict hygienic practices.





Our response to COVID-19



Decisive actions drive results

Costs

€50 million total savings

- Indirect spend (²/₃)
- Labor (1/3)

Cash

€202 million FCF generation

- ~€300 million above Q1'19
- Working capital focus

Customers

New business



BOEING

muRata

- Solvay proprietary technology used in COVID testing & vaccine (healthcare)
- Medical grade polymers supplied to **Boeing** for face shields (*healthcare*)
- Extended business relationship with **Murata** (*electronics*)
- Long term agreement with **Honda** aircraft (*aerospace*)



Strong Q1 performance

Supported by focus on cost, cash and customers



NET SALES

- Lower volumes (oil & gas / aero)
- Positive pricing

UNDERLYING EBITDA; Margins increase to 23%

- Resilient markets (healthcare, home and personal care, agro/food, auto, military)
- Challenges in oil and gas

FREE CASH FLOW to shareholders, continuing ops

- Disciplined working capital
- Tax benefit
- Lower capital expenditures



Materials

Q1 2020 Performance



SOLVAY, 2019 Net Sales by End-Market	
Automotive & Aerospace	25%
Industrial Applications	19%
Consumers goods & Healthcare	17%
Resources & Environment	14%
Agro, Feed & Food	12%
Building & Construction	8%
Electricals & Electronics	5%

Market Drivers

- Solid demand in automotive, healthcare, consumer goods and military aircraft
- Lower demand in from anticipated production stoppage of the 737MAX program, while other commercial aircraft were stable

Performance Highlights

- Strict cost reduction measures offset a significant part of the volume decline
- Positive price
- EBITDA margin up sequentially



Chemicals

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Market Drivers

- Good demand in consumer goods, healthcare and food
- Lower demand in building & construction

Performance Highlights

- Lower volumes partly offset by higher prices
- Disciplined focus on cost and operational excellence
- Strong EBITDA supported by higher prices and cost reductions



Solutions

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Market Drivers

- Lower demand in oil & gas
- Solid demand in home & personal care, agro/food, coatings, mining, and electronics offset some oil & gas

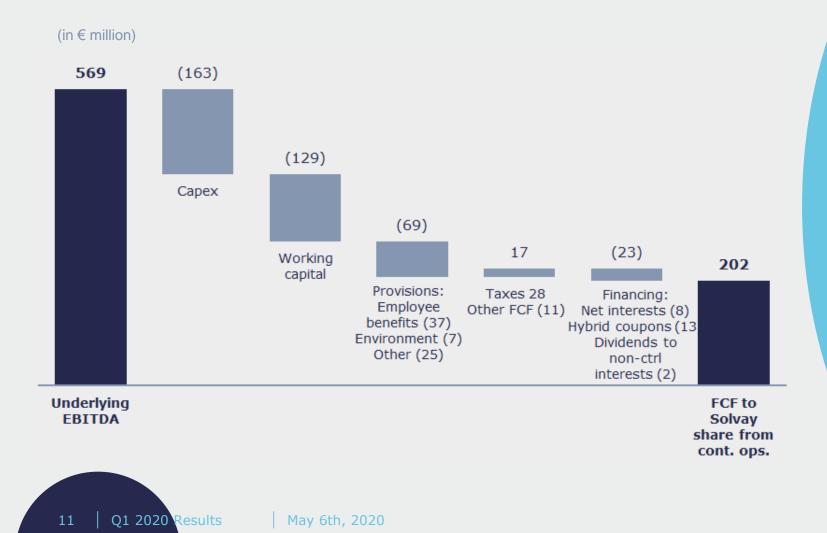
Performance Highlights

- Lower volumes mainly from oil & gas
- Margin increase to 17.4% thanks to cost control measures



Strong free cash flow generation

Record Q1 2020 performance



Q1 2020 FCF to Solvay shareholders at €202 million

- Strict working capital management
- Polyamide divestment proceeds use results in one-off tax gain
- Planned capex reduction plan



Financial robustness

Strong cash flow generation, balance sheet, and liquidity

Liquidity

- €4 billion (credit+cash)
- No covenants

Debt

- Next maturity in June 2021 of €500m hybrid
- Low refinancing risk

Deleveraging

- €460 million pension contribution
- Lowers annual cash out by €60 million

Confirmed dividend recommendation



Exceptional times, exceptional measures

Plans in place to address reduced activity levels

Align production rates to lower demand

- Maintain higher utilization rates
- Reduce unit cost of production

Reduce staff on temporary basis

- >15% of workforce furloughed effective May 4
- Includes industrial and admin positions

Strict Capex management

 Reduce full year by €250 million

Q2 results expected to be substantially lower despite mitigation actions



Solvay Solidarity Fund

Responsible Capitalism in Action

Charitable foundation established

Alleviate COVID-19 hardship

Contribution pledges to date

Personal gestures by directors/leaders/employees

Dividends

- Reference shareholder, SOLVAC: €10m up to €24m
- c. 200 private shareholders: €2m
- Many more shareholders yet to decide







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