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# EXECUTING OUR STRATEGY

#### **Strategic vision**

Participate in reshaping the global chemical industry
Develop a model of chemistry that addresses society's challenges
Drive sustainable value creation and profitable growth

#### **Transformation levers**

Portfolio

Excellence

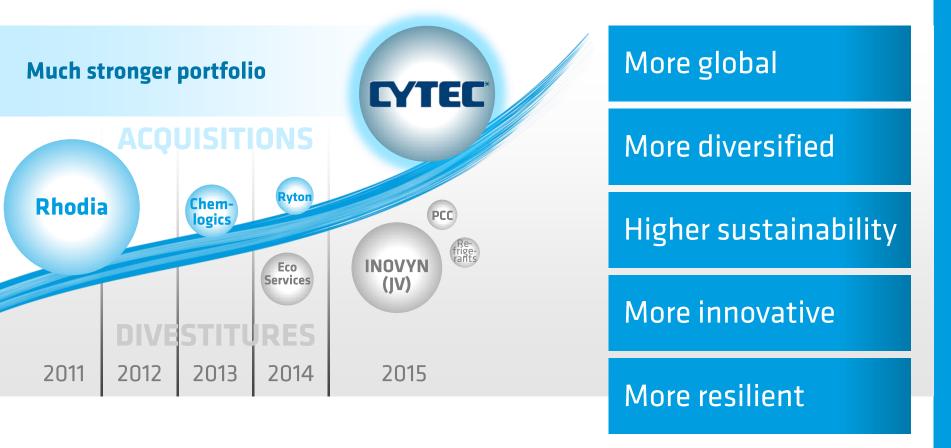
Group
profile
Growth

Resilience

Returns



# 2015 A STEP-CHANGE IN OUR TRANSFORMATION





#### FURTHER UPGRADE TO COME FROM DIVESTITURES



# CUSTOMER-FOCUSED & ENTREPRENEURIAL BUSINESS TEAMS DRIVING RESULTS

#### Solvay pro forma 2015 (including Cytec)

Net Sales € 12.4 bn

REBITDA **€ 2,336 m** 

REBITDA margin 19%

FCF **492 m** 

**GROWTH ENGINES** 

ADVANCED MATERIALS

High performance materials, providing solutions for sustainable mobility
-light-weighting,

mobility
-light-weighting,
CO<sub>2</sub> and energy
efficiency-, and
high added value
functionalities

ADVANCED FORMULATIONS

Customized
specialty
formulations in
surface chemistry
optimizing yield &
efficiency,
minimizing
environmental
impact

RESILIENT CASH GENERATORS

PERFORMANCE CHEMICALS

Leading positions in chemical intermediates, through scale and technology FUNCTIONAL POLYMERS

Leading regional positions in functional polymers, with focus on excellence

 Net sales
 € 4,503 m
 € 2,855 m
 € 3,052 m
 € 1,926 m

 REBITDA
 € 1,079 m
 € 522 m
 € 770 m
 € 190 m

 margin
 24%
 18%
 25%
 10%



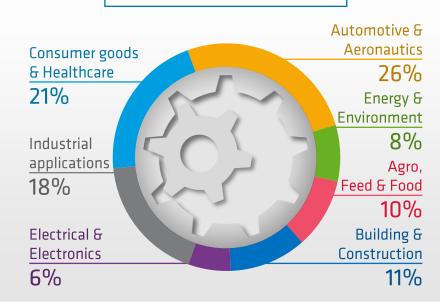
# AN ENHANCED BUSINESS PROFILE MORE DIVERSIFIED & MORE RESILIENT

Solvay pro forma 2015 (including Cytec)

Balanced regional profile



Diversified & higher growth end-markets





**31,900** employees



**53** countries



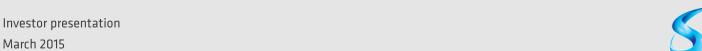
industrial sites

145



21

main R&I centers





### STRATEGIC INTENT FOR OUR GROWTH BUSINESSES INNOVATE AND INVEST ...

#### **Advanced Materials**

42% of REBITDA [1]

- Broadest portfolio of light-weighting materials including CF composites & high & ultra performance polymers
- Recognized innovation leader
- High barrier to entry markets

### **Advanced Formulations**

20% of REBITDA [1]

- World leader in specialty surfactants
- Innovative solution provider for surface chemistry and mineral extraction
- Leading producer of vanillin for pharma and food industries









**Electronics Healthcare...** 









Personal Care Agro & Food Energy & Environment Mining



# STRATEGIC INTENT FOR OUR CASH BUSINESSES HARVEST AND SELECTIVELY INVEST & DIVEST ...

#### **Performance Chemicals**

30% of REBITDA [1]

- Leading producer of soda ash, hydrogen peroxide and acetate tow
- Application know-how
- Economies of scale and technology support world-class competitiveness

#### **Functional Polymers**

8% of REBITDA [1]

- Focus on polyamides and intermediates
- Regional leading positions in vinyl's
- Broad range of market opportunities









Automotive Electronics & Electricals
Textiles Construction



### UNIQUE LIGHTWEIGHTING OFFERING DRIVING SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY

#### Solvay's unique portfolio BROADEST HIGH-PERFORMANCE POLYMER RANGE **Thermoplastic Thermoset** Polymers & alloys polymers & resins & alloys formulations Fiber reinforced Composites **Foams** compounds thermoset & (short & long fiber) thermoplastics ntermediates Sandwich Downstream structures

CREATING **NEW** CLASSES OF MATERIALS

#### PROVIDING SOLUTIONS FOR

- Lightweight materials for transportation
- Production cycle time acceleration
- Total cost reduction



#### Driving sustainable mobility

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#### **AUTOMOTIVE**

#### $\sqrt{\phantom{a}}$ Under the hood Current **Battery tray** Upperbody/hood uture Chassis

Applications

collaborations Customers &

an **Most major OEMS** JAGUAR

#### **AEROSPACE**

Primary structure	V
Secondary struct.	V
Jet engines	V

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Cabin interior



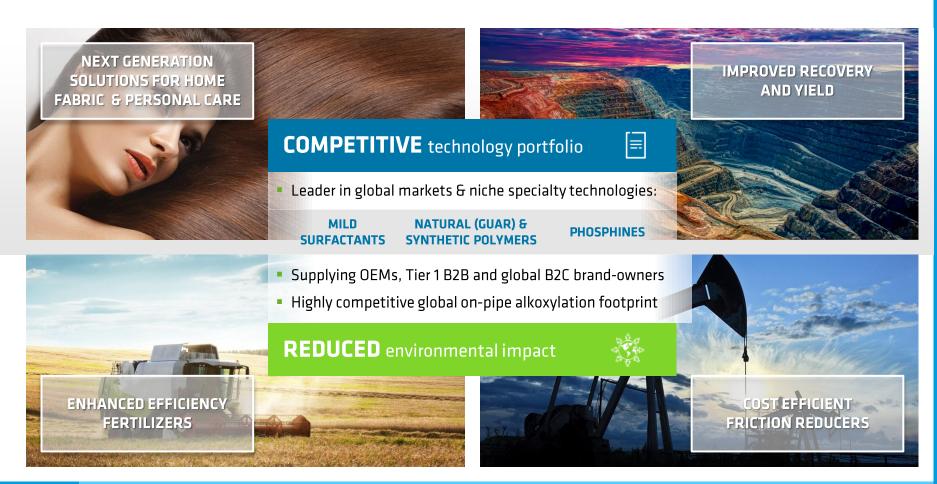
#### UNDERPINNED BY

- Reduction of fuel consumption
- Decreasing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
- Increasing driving autonomy

**口** Supported by regulatory framework for cleaner vehicles (aeronautics in discussion)



# BROAD OFFERING OF INNOVATIVE FORMULATIONS MODIFYING SURFACE CHEMISTRY & FLUID BEHAVIORS





USING CUSTOMER INTIMACY & MARKET FOCUS AS CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTORS



### STRENGTHENED SUSTAINABILITY COMMITMENTS

# SOLVAY Contribute to Society

### SOCIETAL ACTIONS

**x2** 

Employees involved in societal actions

### Innovate Sustainable solutions

Lightness Sustainable energy Ecofriendly materials Air and water care Smart and efficient processes

#### SPM

**40**%

Share of sustainable solutions in the Group portfolio from 25% now

#### SOLVAY'S COMMITMENT → BY 2025





Operating responsibly

Empowering people



### PEOPLE MANAGEMENT

80%

Employee engagement index, to raise from 75% currently

CO<sub>2</sub>

**40**%

Reduction by 40% carbon intensity

**SAFETY** 

**-50**%

of occupational accidents with MTAR target < 0.50



#### **2016 PRIORITIES**



- Cytec integration, synergies acceleration
- Volume growth
- Excellence initiatives
- Intensified focus on cash generation
- Continuing portfolio upgrade



# RAPID & EFFECTIVE SYNERGY REALIZATION TOTAL SYNERGIES EXPECTED WELL ABOVE ORIGINAL € 100 M

#### Cost synergies: > €100m by end of 2018

- → Corporate overhead and G&A: € 20 m already captured as of January 1, 2016
- Supply chain & procurement
- Excellence practices

#### Revenue synergies: Additional synergy opportunities

- → Acceleration of lightweighting opportunities across Specialty Polymers & Composite Materials
- → Cross-selling opportunities with Advanced Formulations
- More being identified

#### People synergies: Leveraging talent

- Best practice emulation
- Cross fertilization

**HIGHER** 

**QUICKER** 

LOW EXECUTION RISK



# DELIVERING GROWTH IN 2016

#### Volume growth

- → New Capacity available
- Innovation
- Debottlenecking

#### **Cash generation**

- → REBITDA growth
- → Lower capex
- → Improved cash conversion

ENABLED BY
EXCELLENCE MEASURES **€ 800 M** 

(CUMULATIVE BY END 2016 VS 2013)

#### ADVANCED MATERIALS

- Growth in diversified markets to overcome Q1 inventory destocking in smart devices
- Continued growth from ramp-up of aircraft with higher composites content

### ADVANCED FORMULATIONS

- Growth in health, personal care, agro and Technology Solutions businesses ...
- ...to offset continuing oil & gas market weakness

#### PERFORMANCE CHEMICALS

- New Bicarbonate plant in Thailand
  - Return to growth in acetate tow

FUNCTIONAL POLYMERS

Growth in Engineering Plastics' downstream applications



# EXCELLENCE SCOPE EXPANDED STRONG DELIVERY

#### 3- year excellence targets ...

Operational € 400 m Innovation € 270 m

... by YE 2015

Commercial € 130 m

~80% achieved

~70 % achieved

~80% achieved

# > € 600m delivered in 2 years on track to deliver € 800 m by 2016

Expected impact on 2016 REBITDA (vs 2013 base), excluding Cytec

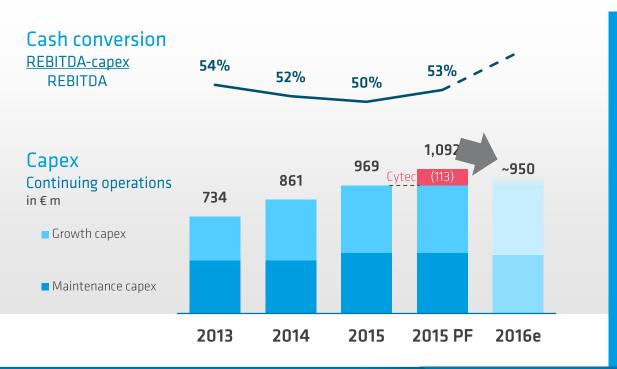
### FAST DELIVERY, MORE POTENTIAL





#### INTENSIFIED FOCUS ON CASH GENERATION

#### Selective investments for future value creation



#### 2016

Growth capex at ~60% of total with ~2/3<sup>rd</sup> in Advanced Materials

- → Aerospace investments
- → PEEK plant in US
- → Fluoropolymer plant in China, phase 2
- → HPPO plant in Saudi Arabia

Capex discipline to reduce capital intensity

- → Strategic fit
- → IRR ≥ 15%

Profit growth
Improved cash conversion

SUSTAINABLE IMPROVEMENT IN FREE CASH FLOW



### OUTLOOK 2016



# REBITDA to grow high single digits

**Growth to be back-ended** 

Free cash flow to exceed € 650 m

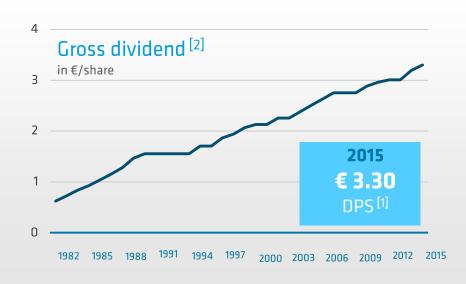


#### REWARDING SHAREHOLDERS

#### **SOLVAY GROSS DIVIDEND 2015**

Interim dividend	€ <b>1.36</b> / share	Paid on January 22, 2016
Final dividend <sup>[1]</sup>	€ <b>1.94</b> / share	To be paid on May 17, 2016
Total [1]	<b>€ 3.30</b> / share	Up 3.3% [2]

#### **DELIVERY ON COMMITMENTS**





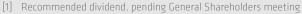
For >30 years

5.7% DPS CAGR

~40% average pay-out



### Committed to stable / growing dividend







# OUR COMMITMENT

**Exceed expectations on Cytec synergies Excellence & Portfolio optimization continuing** Intensified focus on cash generation **Attractive returns to shareholders** 



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#### **NEXT EVENTS**

May 3 2016

Q1 2016 results

May 10 2016

Annual general meeting

May 17 2016

Final dividend payment

• ex-coupon date: 13/05

record date: 16/05

July 29 2016

Q2 & H1 2016 results

November 8 2016

Q3 2016 results

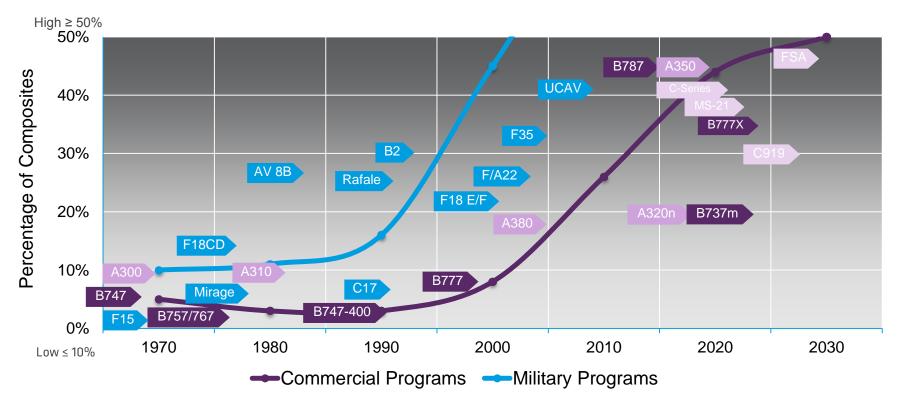


### **Appendix**

- Additional market data
- 2015 FY Solvay stand-alone financial information
- Solvay pro forma segment information
- Debt profile



# AEROSPACE INDUSTRY INCREASING COMPOSITE USAGE AND ATTRACTIVE GROWTH MARKET



#### **Growth Drivers**

- Fundamental shift toward composites across all aerospace markets, driven by fuel-efficiency
- Increased need for structural and specialty adhesives
- Long-term growth in air travel and air freight traffic leading to significant order backlog



# AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY CREATING NEW MARKET OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERIAL PRODUCTION

Category	Formula 1	Supercars	High-end luxury	Luxury serial
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Composite content	\$100,000+			\$ 5,000
D				
Process time	400 hours	100-400 hours	3-5 mins	3 mins
Manufacture	400 hours  Highly customized, high labor, high cost fiber	Customized, high labor, lower cost fiber	3-5 mins Increasing automation levels	<b>3 mins</b> Full automation
	Highly customized, high	Customized, high labor,	Increasing automation	



TECHNICAL EXPERTISE

ECOSYSTEM: C-CON & PENSO

ACCESS TO OEMS & ESTABLISHED DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS



# SOLID PERFORMANCE IN 2015 ON FINANCIAL & SUSTAINABILITY LEVEL

#### **Solvay stand-alone**



2015 Solvay stand-alone figures (with evolution vs 2014)

[1] New sales ratio = sales from products developed or improved in last 5 years

[2] MTAR =
 Medical Treatment
 Accident Rate

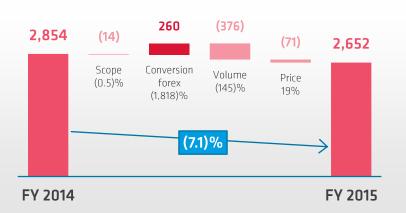
[3] CFROI = REBITDA - rec. capex - tax
Gross assets + working capital
with Gross assets at replacement value including goodwill

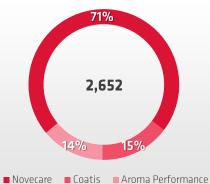


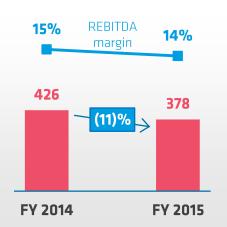
# ADVANCED FORMULATIONS FY 2015 PERFORMANCE OIL & GAS HEADWINDS OFFSET IMPROVEMENT OTHER MARKETS

Net sales (in € m)

#### **REBITDA** (in € m)







### Market contraction in **Novecare's** oil & gas activities

- Sharp fall in unconventional North American oil & gas markets continuing
- Cementing, drilling and stimulation subsectors down; production subsector resilient though
- Innovation delivery, competitiveness actions mitigate price pressure and reduces fixed costs
- Good developments in agro, coatings and HPC

## **Coatis** supported by forex

- Weak domestic demand in Latin America
- BRL weakness underpinned competitive position

### Volume growth in **Aroma Performance**

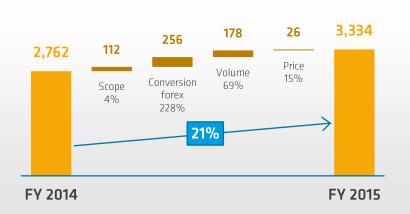
- Strong volume growth in vanillin and hydroquinone inhibitors
- Strong industrial performance following production issues in 2014



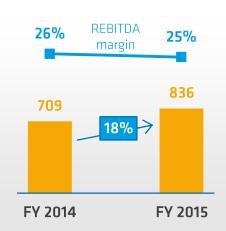
# ADVANCED MATERIALS FY 2015 PERFORMANCE INNOVATION-DRIVEN REBITDA RECORD

Net sales (in € m)









## **Specialty Polymers**' growth driven by innovative products

- Higher volumes, supportive forex and pricing power led to another strong performance
- Demand in smart devices, automotive and other high-end applications was strong
- Only at year end a more moderate growth on sales phasing in smart devices was observed

### Volume growth and good pricing at **Silica**

- Strong sales benefitted from price and volume increases
- Demand for energy-efficient tires in Europe and North America growing, whereas Asia's macro context subdued
- New plant in Poland in qualification process

### Good dynamics at **Special Chem**

- Good volume growth in rare earth compounds (mainly for automotive diesel catalysts), fluor specialties and electronic materials
- The new high-purity H2O2 units in the U.S. are ramping up

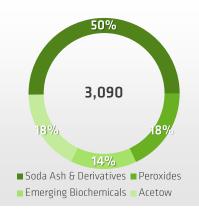


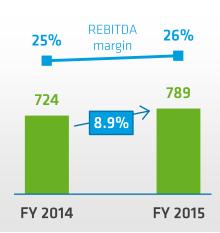
# PERFORMANCE CHEMICALS FY 2015 PERFORMANCE PRICING OFFSET DESTOCKING HEADWINDS IN ACETOW

Net sales (in € m)









### Strong pricing at Soda Ash & Derivatives

- Successful pricing strategy in soda ash underpinned by ongoing excellence programs
- Overall sales volumes stable
- Bicarbonate sales up; New Thai plant ramping up since September

### Strong performance at **Peroxides**

- Net pricing gains on higher average sales prices and energy prices
- Sales volumes stable
- HPPO mega plants at high capacity rates

### Destocking persists in **Acetow**'s market

- Destocking in the acetate tow market persisted, although situation improved in H2'15
- Positive net pricing underpinned by forex

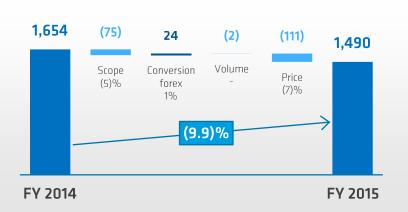
# **Emerging Biochemicals** up on volumes and forex

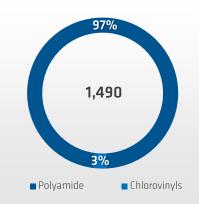
- Good performance on favorable forex and excellence programs
- Higher volumes from PVC exports out of Thailand offset lower pricing
- Epicerol<sup>®</sup> volumes stable

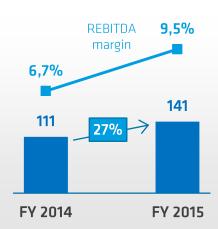


# FUNCTIONAL POLYMERS FY 2015 PERFORMANCE EXCELLENCE-DRIVEN PROFIT RESTORATION

Net sales (in € m) REBITDA (in € m)







## Operating performance well up in **Polyamide**

- Strong net pricing on excellence programs implemented in the PA6.6 upstream businesses, lower raw materials prices as well as positive transaction forex effects
- Volumes were flat overall
- Poor economic conditions persist in Brazil, Fibras' home market

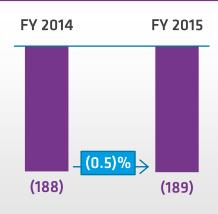
## **Chlorovinyls**' result up yoy

- The ramp-up of RusVinyl JV in Russia contributed positively to the operational result
- INOVYN contribution included since Q3, but only reflecting mark-to-market of exit fee



# CORPORATE & BUSINESS SERVICES FY 2015 PERFORMANCE COSTS UP DUE TO CER IMPAIRMENT AND FOREX IMPACT

#### **REBITDA** (in € m)



Corporate & Busin			
in € m	FY 2015	FY 2014	
Energy Services	(3)	25	
Of which one-offs	(7)		CER impairment
Excluding one-offs	4	25	
Other C&BS	(186)	(213)	
Of which one-offs	30		U.S. post-retirement
OT WITHCIT OTTE-OTTS	30		Medicare insurance
Excluding one-offs	(216)	(213)	
Total	(189)	(188)	

#### **Contribution from Energy Services down**

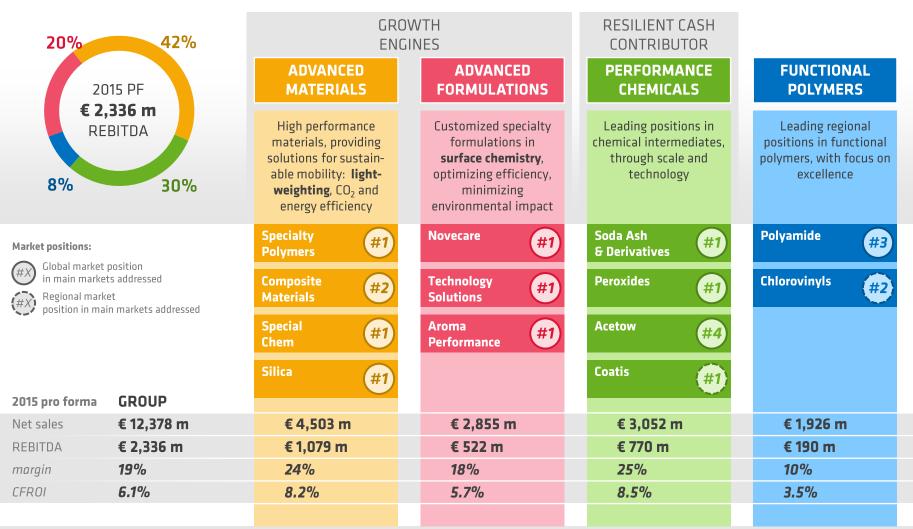
- Poor contribution of Energy Services € (3) m or € (28) m lower than in 2014
- Difficult conditions for investments in biomass-based energy plants as well as the energy and carbon management services in a low commodity price environment
- In Q3 2015 a € (7) m one-off impairment on outstanding carbon emission rights in Brazil was booked

#### Other Corporate & Business Services

- Better year on year performance linked to back-end loaded cost phasing in 2014 and continued excellence measures offsetting the adverse impact of exchange rates and inflation
- In Q1 2015 a one-off benefit of € 30 m linked to the evolution of the post-employment Medicare insurance policy in the U.S. was booked



# SOLVAY REALIGNED BUSINESS SEGMENTS INCLUDING CYTEC STRATEGICALLY COHERENT TO DRIVE RESULTS



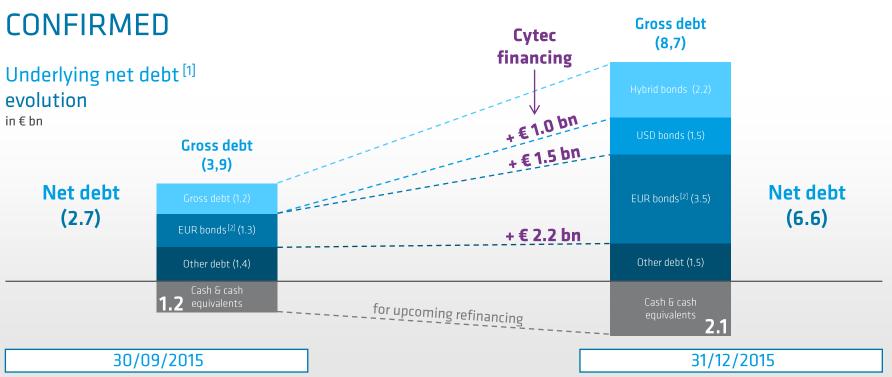


# COMBINED ENTITY PRO FORMA 2015 PROVIDING ROBUST BASE FOR GROWTH

<b>P&amp;L 2015</b> pro forma (Solvay + Cytec)	Pro forma combination					ation
(in € m)	Solvay stand- alone	Cytec stand- alone	Funding Cytec	IFRS	Adjust- ments [1]	Under- lying
Net sales	10,578	1,800	-	12,378	-	12,378
REBITDA	1,955	381	-	2,336	-	2,336
Depreciation & Amortization	(842)	(311)	-	(1,153)	367	(786)
Other elements			-		35	-
Non-recurring items	(245)	(11)	-	(256)	256	-
EBIT	833	59		892	658	1,550
Net financial charges	(226)	(32)	(66)	(324)	(120)	(444)
Income taxes	(97)	(3)	37	(63)	(268)	(331)
Tax rate	17%	12%		12%	-	30%
Result from continuing operations	509	24	(29)	504	270	774
Result from discontinued operations	(55)	(2)	-	(56)	115	59
Net income	454	23	(29)	448	385	833
Non-controlling interests	(48)	-	-	(48)	(17)	(65)
Net income Solvay share	406	23	(29)	400	368	768
Basic EPS from continuing operations (in €)	5.57			4.45	2.53	6.98
Basic EPS (in €)	4.85			3.85	3.54	7.40
CFROI						6.1%



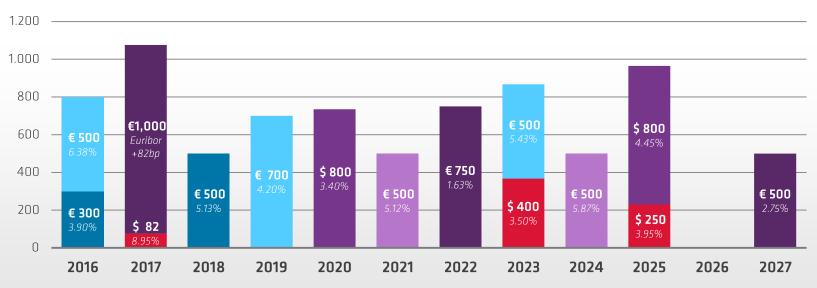
# INVESTMENT GRADE CREDIT RATINGS



Leverage [3] net debt/REBITDA	Gearing			Moody's	S&P	
 <b>2.8</b> x	88%	Underlying	INVESTMENT GRADE	Baa2	BBB-	confirmed post acquisition
1.9x	45%	IFRS basis	RATING	negative outlook	stable outlook	& funding



# DEBT PROFILE BALANCED MATURITIES ALLOWING FLEXIBILITY



	Face value	Average duration <sup>[1]</sup>	Average cost	Legend
Existing debt	2,500	3.1	5.0%	<ul><li>Existing EUR hybrid bonds</li><li>Existing EUR bonds (&amp; other major debt)</li></ul>
Cytec debt	673	7.4	4.3%	■ Cytec USD bonds
New debt	4,720	6.6	3.1%	<ul><li>New EUR hybrid bonds</li><li>New USD bonds</li><li>New EUR bonds</li></ul>
Total major debt	7,892	5.6	3.8%	
	in f m	invoore		

in € m in years

