

Sustainable by Design Made for Life

Q4 2021 Results

ESG Leader With A Sustainable Dividend Yield

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Q4 2021 OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS



Closing out a record year with a successful entry into Recycling

- Q4 results slightly ahead of guidance. Seasonally higher volumes and better pricing compensate higher energy costs
- Imports remain at a normal level. Countervailing Duty case against Indonesia & India continues (Decision expected in Q1 2022)
- Leadership Journey® phase 4: EUR7m gains in Q4 2021 (EUR40m CF 2021)
- Closing of ELG acquisition yields EUR117m bargain gain*
 - Aperam is proud to commit to the business ambition for 1.5°C SBTi Target
 - We linked financing to ESG KPIs









Q4 ESG HIGHLIGHTS



Linking Financing to ESG KPIs Underlines the Importance of Sustainability

ESG LINKED EUR500m, 5Y, CREDIT FACILITY & EUR300m, 6Y, TERM LOAN

- Sustainability is a key strategic priority for Aperam. Linking financing to ESG KPIs underlines Aperam's commitment to sustainability
- > Health & Safety: The Safety KPI incentivises Aperam to constantly outperform the industrial average in terms of Health & Safety impact
 - Interest rate is linked to Aperam's annual Total Recordable Incident Rate (TRIR) versus ISSF* average
- > Decarbonization: Aperam has and intends to maintain a best in-class carbon footprint

Interest rate is linked to Aperam realizing its GHG emission intensity reduction roadmap to 2030 **



Source: Vecteezy





Good Demand At A Stable Level, Favorable Pricing Continues

CONSTRUCTION



- Normal in Europe.
- Raw material cost increases and availability of materials slightly weigh on demand in Brazil

CONSUMER GOODS



- Healthy end market demand overall
- Minor electronic components distortion in the EU. Brazil demand normalizing

AUTOMOTIVE & TRANSPORT



Brazil expected

FOOD, HEALTH & **CATERING** Chemical

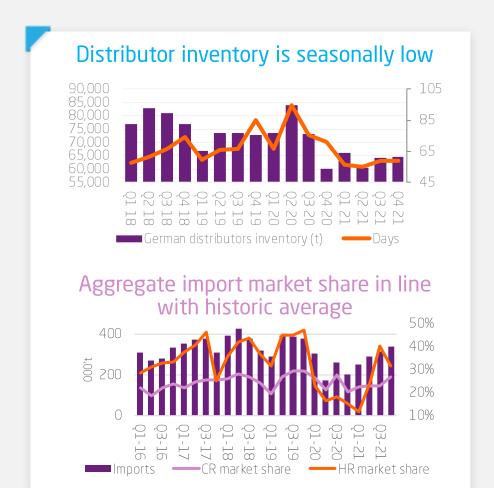


Normal demand for beverages, restaurants and tourism

Industry, Energy,



- Recovery in Europe started, except for oil & gas
- Good demand in Brazil in pulp & paper and ethanol









Q4 2021 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS



Another Set of Record Earnings

EURm	Q4 21	Q3 21	pop	Q4 20	yoy
Sales	1,396	1,257	11%	916	52%
adj. EBITDA	345	278	24%	109	217%
EBITDA	462	278	66%	159	191%
Basic EPS (EUR)	5.56	2.53	120%	1.26	342%
Steel shipments (000t)	424	421	1%	431	-2%
adj EBITDA/tonne (EUR)	814	660	23%	253	222%
adj EBITDA margin	24.7%	22.1%	12%	11.9%	108%
Operating cash flow	219	110	99%	106	107%
CAPEX	-58	-21	176%	-19	205%
Free cash flow*	132	90	47%	88	50%
Other investing CF**	-29	1	NM	1	NM
Share buyback	0	-100	NM	0	NM
Dividends paid	-34	-35	-3%	-35	-3%
Net financial debt	466	59	690%	67	596%

Q4-21 KEY COMMENTS

- Shipments: normal seasonal increase qoq (+ Europe, Brazil)
- Adj EBITDA: Higher realized prices and slightly higher volumes more than compensate for lower inventory valuation gains. Some positive year end effects
- Exceptional items in stated EBITDA: EUR117m bargain gain² from ELG consolidation
- Fin. Result: Contains EUR9m FX & derivative valuation loss
- Tax: Contains a EUR68m tax gain from deferred tax assets
- > EPS: Contains EUR2.46 exceptional items & deferred tax
- Cash Flow: EUR71m working capital build. Higher Q4 capex slightly below guidance
- Net Fin. Debt: Increase reflects ELG acquisition. Solid FCF results in EUR66m net cash position on a standalone basis

^{*} Before dividend , share buyback & M&A

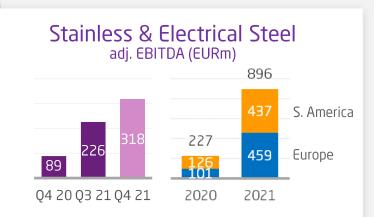
^{**} ELG

² used to be called Badwill





S&E Europe S&E Brazil and A&S with record results S&S with the best ever fourth quarter



- > Shipments grow due to seasonal factors: +6% gog, 0% yoy
- QoQ: Europe adj EBITDA set a new record. Higher volumes and a favourable price/cost spread. Brazil set a new record. Adj. EBITDA increased slightly as higher prices made up for seasonally lower shipments. Inventory valuation gains declined in S&E goq
- YoY: adj EBITDA improves due to, better prices and. Comparable inventory valuation gains



- Shipments remain at a good level with the usual seasonal Q4 slowdown:
 -8% qoq, -3% yoy
- QoQ: higher prices and slightly higher inventory valuation did not fully compensate for seasonally lower volumes. Best Q4 adj EBITDA ever.
- > YoY: higher adj EBITDA due to better pricing and higher inventory valuation gains despite slightly lower volumes

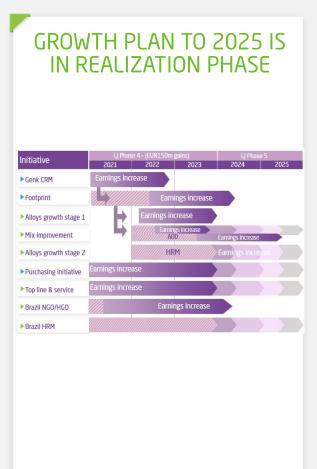


- > Shipments rebound from the low Q3 base: +26% gog, +26% yoy
- QoQ: Record adj. EBITDA increased predominantly due to higher volumes. Higher inventory valuation gains, better prices and a stronger mix were also supportive
- YoY: Higher adj EBITDA due to higher volumes and higher inventory valuation gains

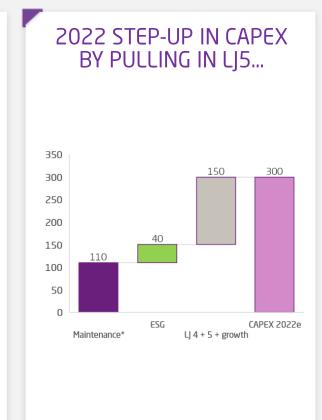




Leadership Journey® Phase 4 Progresses Well Q4-21 EUR7m (Cumulated EUR40m)











OUTLOOK



Q1 Guidance & Other Forward Looking Items



Q1 2022 OUTLOOK

- Q1 2022 shipments are expected at a higher level gog (normal seasonality +Europe, -Brazil)
- Q1 2022 adj. EBITDA is expected at a slightly higher level versus the record Q4 2021 base
 - Supportive pricing
 - Comparable inventory valuation gains
 - ELG consolidation
- We guide for slightly higher Q1 2022 net financial debt *
 - Raw material price driven net working capital build

OTHER ITEMS

- > FY 2022 base dividend raised by 25 cent to EUR2.00 (= EUR156 million)
- Cash return to shareholders via a EUR100m share buyback²
- > FY 2022 group capex ~EUR300m due to accelerated Leadership Journey® investments
- FY 2022 P&L effective tax rate expected at ~20%
- Leadership Journey® Phase 4: EUR150 million savings target by end of 2023

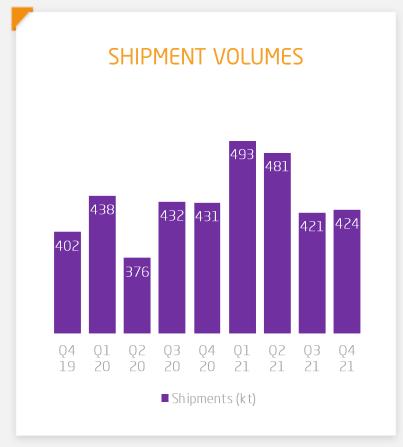
^{*} Depending on nickel price development during Q1



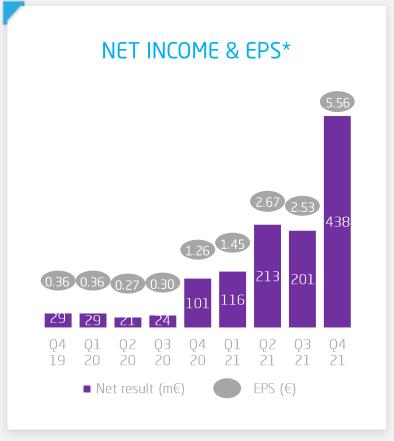
FINANCIAL RESULTS



Normal Q4 Seasonality (+EU, -BRA), better pricing drives results





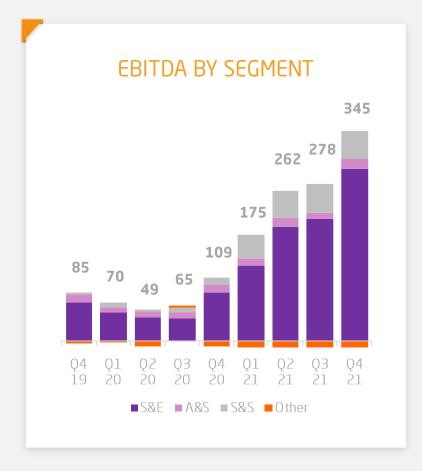


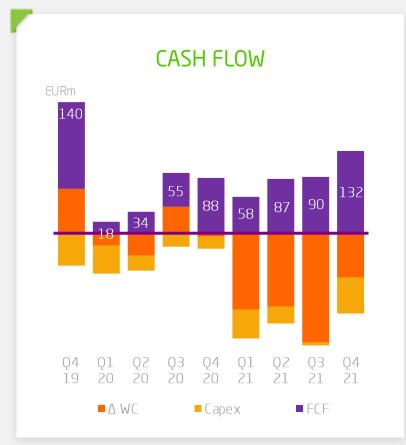
*Q4-19: Income tax expense contains a EUR26m impairment of the deferred tax asset *Q2-20 Financial result contains a EUR15m interest payment on Brazil PIS/COFINS position *Q4-20 contains a EUR51m financial result gain related to PIS/Cofins *Q2-21 contains a EUR10m PIS/Cofins gain and a EUR32m DTA from tax loss carry forwards *Q4-21 contains EUR2.41 exceptional items & deferred tax

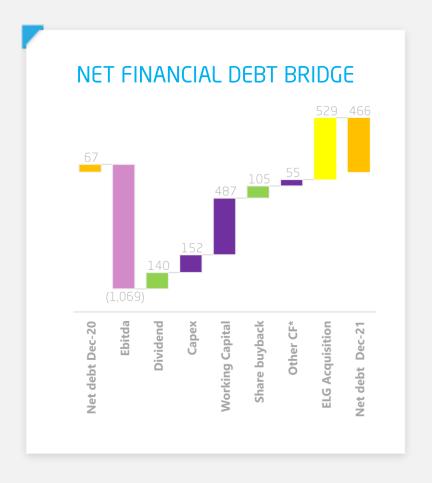




Record EBITDA & Solid FCF. Temporary NWC Build to Support Order Book During Footprint Upgrade. NFD increase due to ELG Closing













EVENT

17 February Virtual Roadshow

1 March db Access Conference

24 March Basic Material Conference

29 March Pan – Europe Midcap Conference

ORGANIZATION

Bank of America

Deutsche Bank

BNP Paribas

Jefferies





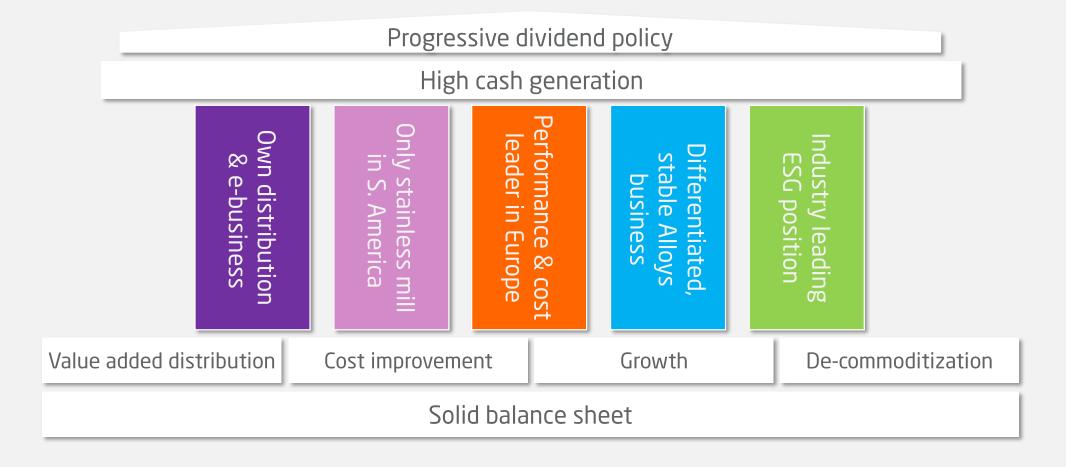
VALUE STRATEGY







Combining Growth, Mix and Cost Improvements to Increase Resilience and Strengthen Aperam's Normalized Earnings Power





FINANCIAL POLICY



Solid and Reliable Financial Policy remains Unchanged





STRATEGY

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Value Creation in a Circular, Clean Economy Via Agility

We are ambitious

to grow Aperam into a more sustainable and profitable company



COST IMPROVEMENT

- Lowest cost position in our core markets
- Leadership Journey® Phase 4 (2021-23)
- Leadership Journey® Phase 5 (from 2024)



MIX IMPROVEMENT

- Leverage materials competency to deliver next generation solutions
- Stainless Alloys Electrical Steels



ESG

- > Build on industry leading position
- > Clear improvement targets
- > Benefit from growth of the circular economy



PERFORMANCE

- Sustainable attractive shareholder returns across the cycle
- Low maintenance capex& strict criteria for growth
- > Return of excess cash



OPPORTUNITIES

- > M&A option
- > Strategic capex
- Strengthening international presence in niches



PERFORMANCE

The Leadership Journey® - 4 Distinct Phases in Response to a Changing Market

PHASE 1 (USD350M) 2011-13 Restructuring

- Footprint change
- SG&A reduction
- Asset upgrade
- **Energy mix Brazil**
- EU product portfolio
- Headcount related upgrade

PHASE 2 (USD225M) 2014-17 Asset upgrade

- Asset upgrades*
- Automation
- Quality & Yield
- De-bottlenecking
- ► Brazil product portfolio

PHASE 3 (EUR200M) 2018-20 **Transformation**

- New technology Automation / sensors
- Raw material purchasing
- Digital transformation
- Procurement

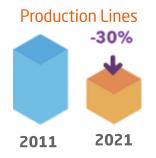
► Growth measure

Distribution growth & top line

PHASE 4 (EUR150M) 2021-23 Footprint & Growth

- Footprint change
- Sourcing & Procurement
- Brazil product portfolio
- Specialty products
- Alloys growth







Other cost measure

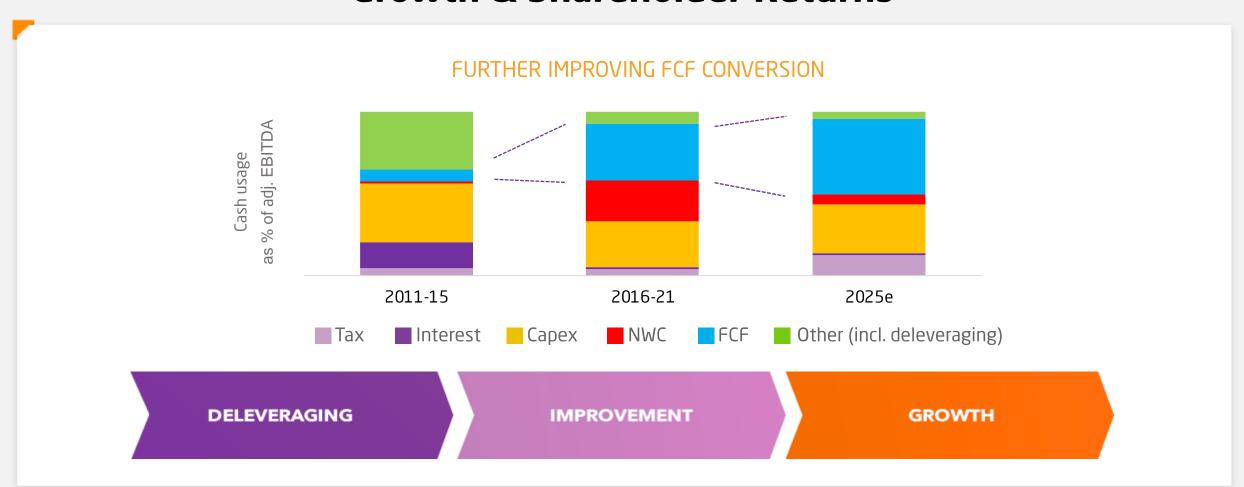
^{*}e.g. A&S wire rod mill, Brazil downstream, Genk & Gueugnon downstream upgrade, Isbergues LC2i upgrade







Striking the Fine Balance Between Growth & Shareholder Returns





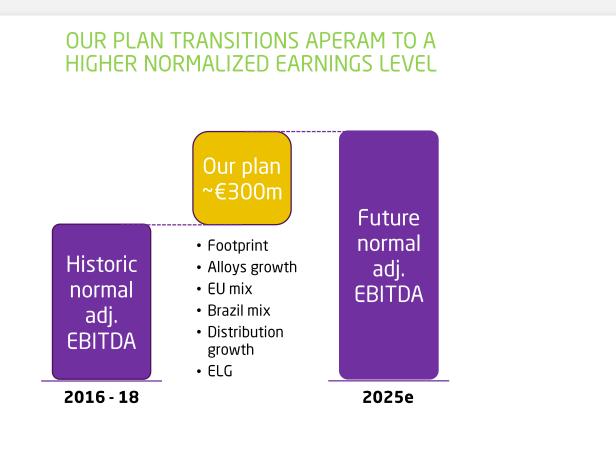
GROUP PROFITABILITY



The Leadership Journey® Significantly Strengthens Aperam's Normalized Earnings Power

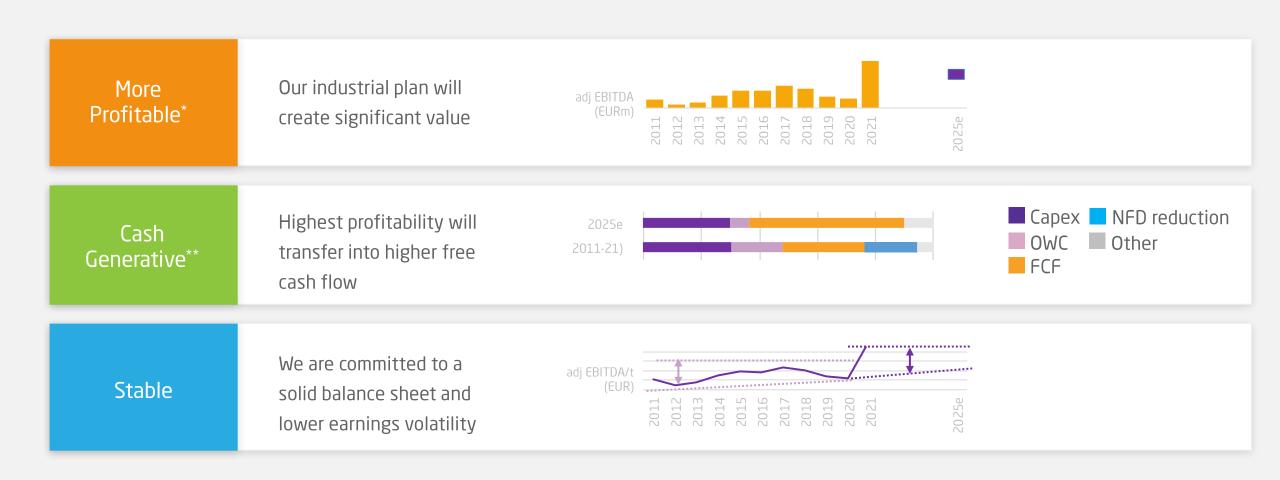
WHAT IS A NORMAL ENVIRONMENT?

- Goldilocks economic scenario in both Europe and Brazil
- > Fair competitive environment
 - Effective protection from dumping
 - Fair legal environment (e.g. decarbonization costs)
- Orderly FX changes that allow time to adapt





Ambitious 2025 Growth Targets are Backed by a Sound Plan. We are Committed to Solid Financials and Shareholder Returns





ESG SUMMARY



Convincing Reasons to Look at APERAM from an ESG Perspective

Products

Non toxic, long lifespan and 100% infinitely recyclable without loss of quality

Process

We have ambitious ESG targets and a convincing track record

Environment

We are recycling champion and >33% of our energy intake is renewable

Climate change

We have a best in class CO₂ footprint in the industry globally*

Social

We value our diverse workforce, invest in training, 83% rate us a good employer

Governance

The majority of our board is independent

Ethics

We have a robust compliance framework and a zero tolerance policy



WHY TO INVEST IN APERAM



We have a plan

How to grow Aperam into a more profitable, cash generative and resilient company

Value creation is our USP

We follow strict criteria for capital allocation and project execution that ensure value creation for our stakeholders

2 A team with a track record

Diverse, experienced with a proven track record of mastering growth and volatility

5 Agility is our mantra

We focus on adapting quickly to changing business environments and continuously challenge ourselves

3 Our focus on the balance sheet

Our financial stability will continue to be the cornerstone of our way forward

6 Our products will serve the future

Our responsibly produced solution are best positioned to serve customers in an environmentally conscious economy





ESG



Silène luminaris sive Muflier de Borges, Miguel Chevalier Fondation Clément, Le François, Martinique – France Fabrication : Serrurerie La Parette, Roquefort-la Bédoule Aperam stainless steel used : Aperam 316 Hot Rolled

ESG OVERVIEW



Aperam Approaches ESG Holistically



ENVIRONMENT

- > Best in class CO₂ footprint
- Clear improvement targets
 - Waste
 - Air
 - Water
 - Energy
- Production is based on recycled materials
- FSC® certified forest provides renewable energy
- Committed to net zero 2050.
- Superior product that supports the energy transition

SOCIAL

- > Health & Safety is our prime objective
- Human Rights, Inclusion & diversity
- > Training & development
- Positive social dialogue & responsible variabilization
- Quality of life at work and employee satisfaction

GOVERNANCE

- > High ethical standards with zero tolerance
- > Responsible supply chain
- Majority of Board is independent
- Committees are exclusively independent
- Corporate responsibility expressed in stakeholder engagement

















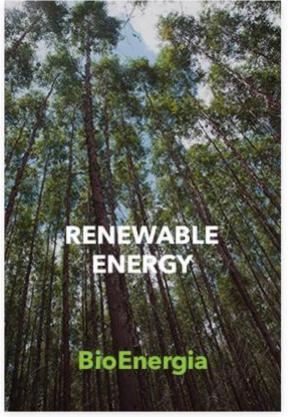




~30% of Aperam's Workforce Create Value from Working in Renewables and Recycling Upstream







ESG Leadership

Stakeholder Value

Cost Benefit & Growth







CRITERIA	2030 TARGET	APERAM 2020 vs 2015
Energy intensity*	7.3 GJ/t -11% vs 2015	7.8 GJ/t -5%
CO ₂ intensity**	0.39 t/t -30% vs 2015	0.47 t/t -14%
Water consumption	5.8 m³ /t -40% vs 2015	11.6 m³/t +14%
Dust intensity	70 g/t -70% vs 2015	152 g/t -36%
Zero waste target	>97% reused / recycled	94.0% +0.5pp
Lost-time injury frequency rate	<1	1.5
Diversity	Increase	Women 13% of staff 6.7% blue collar, 21% of exempts
Training hours / FTE	Increase	19.6
Absenteeism	2.0%	2.9%

amounts to -11% on electricity ,natural gas & LPG **Scope 1+2. An internal CO2 price of €100/t is applied to all investments. We review and adjust this if necessary to maintain the incentive for CO2 savings 2 all per tonne data is per ton of crude steel



PRODUCT & PROCESS



Aperam Produces a Superior Product in a Sustainable and Responsible Way

SUPERIOR PRODUCT

- Very long useful life
- 100% recyclable
- Non toxic

- Corrosion resistant
- Acid resistant
- Fire proof

- Abrasion resistant
- Aesthetic
- Mechanically strong



RENEWABLE ENERGY

Our blast furnace in Brazil uses 100% charcoal as fuelproduced from our sustainably cultivated FSC-certified forests



RECYCLING

Aperam's main input in Europe is scrap & recycled materials (>80%)

Our Recyco unit recycles dust, sludges & residues for us and third parties



Best practice forest management, recognized by the Forest Stewardship Council's (FSC®) certification, which standards and principles conciliate ecological protection (flora and fauna, but also water reserves) with social benefits and economic feasibility. Our forests are made of selected cloned saplings which are considered among the best on the market and they are separated by firewalls and strips of natural vegetation to take into account both fire-prevention, biodiversity preservation and local development (beekeeping).



PRODUCTS We are Part of the Solution





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Aperam's solutions enable e-vehicle components such as converters, inverters, onboard-charges, motors, EPS, cooling systems, air conditioning systems, current sensors, charging stations, fuel cells and battery packs

Clean air

Stainless and alloys help the marine transport sector minimizing emissions. Aperam offers scrubbing systems that remove over 90% of Sulphur and 80% of particles. Corrosion resistance grades with high mechanical properties are required

Cryogenic applications

They require a material that can withstand very low temperatures. Aperam solutions (stainless and INVAR M93 LNG tanker) are specially designed for cryogenic storage; transporting natural gas, ethane, or ethylene; and handling liquefied air gases like nitrogen, oxygen and argon

Sustainable water supply

Due to its inert nature, stainless is the material of choice for water supply (e.g. tanks and fountains, water boilers, sanitary piping systems, etc.) and water treatment (e.g. sewerage, distillation, desalination) applications

Solar power

Alloys are resistant to heat, corrosion, fatigue, and creep. It is the ideal material for the receiver tubes used to ensure the flow of molten salt and for glass metal sealing. Stainless, is the material of choice for the structural and fixing elements used in solar power systems

Renewable energy

- Electrical steels enable high performing wind generators due to their high permeability.
- The magnetic properties of alloys convert and shape an electrical signal from generation to end use
- Anemometric towers built of stainless steel enjoy an increased life span, reduced maintenance costs, better safety

The hydrogen economy

Stainless steel and alloys are already used in a number of important hydrogen applications eg fuel cells, production and storage installations, and transportation*. Aperam is a big supporter of the shift to hydrogen and a proud member of HydrogenEurope

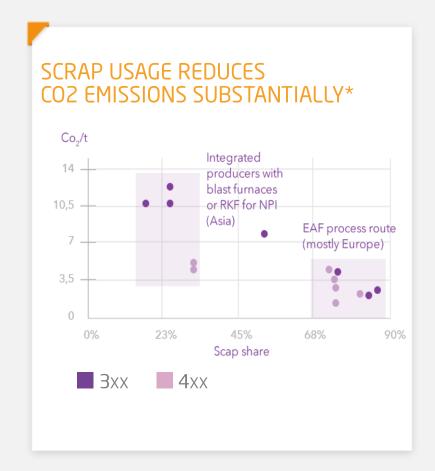
^{*}Eg electrodes in alkaline electrolyzers, catalysts for steam methane reforming, storage and transportation

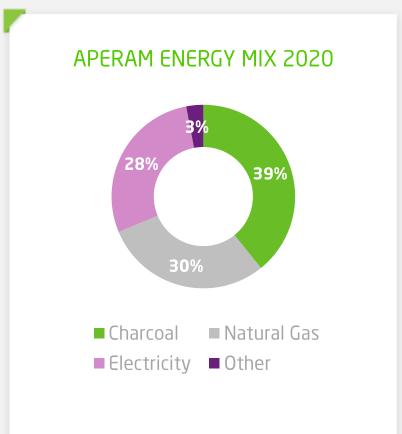


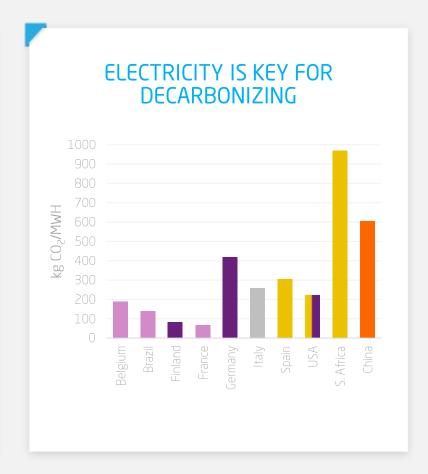




Recycling Content & Renewable Share puts Aperam in a Best-in-Class Position





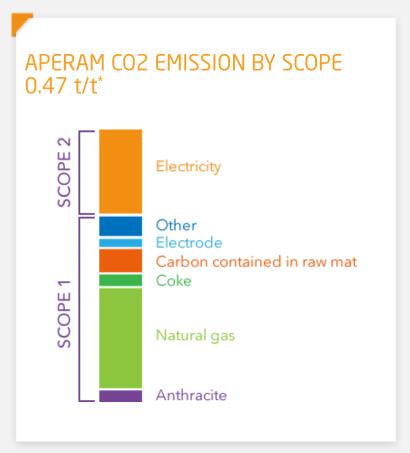


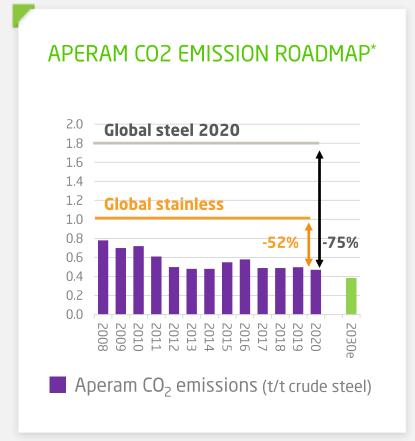




Aperam has a Transparent & Realistic Plan for Realizing a 30% CO₂ Reduction







MEASURES & CAPEX

Target: 30% CO₂ reduction in 2030*²

- > ~50% are based on energy efficiency projects and heat recuperation
- ~50% are based on the substitution of natural gas
- The transition requires high amounts of green electricity and green gas
- Capex for 2030 targets ~EUR20m pa**

²versus 2015

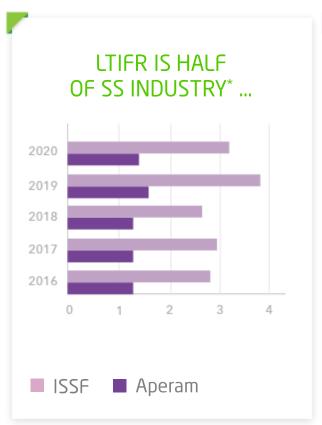
** Mainly covered by normal annual maintenance & growth capex budget. 2020-30 total spend ~EUR200m

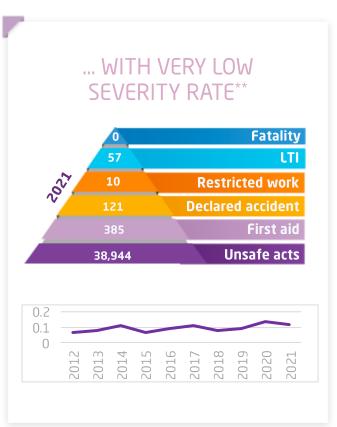
^{*}Scope 1+2



HEALTH & SAFETY Our Prime Objective

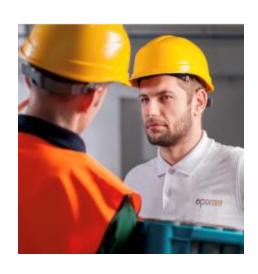






ROADMAPS WITH 3 STRATEGIC AXES

- Prevent and control the risk of fatal and severe accidents
 - Detailed improvement plan post a H&S audit of each site
 - Monthly monitoring
- Identify cultural maturity
 Uses external framework
 to assess and improve
 H&S at each site
 individually



Support and coordinate transversal actions

Launch of single incident reporting and investigation tool

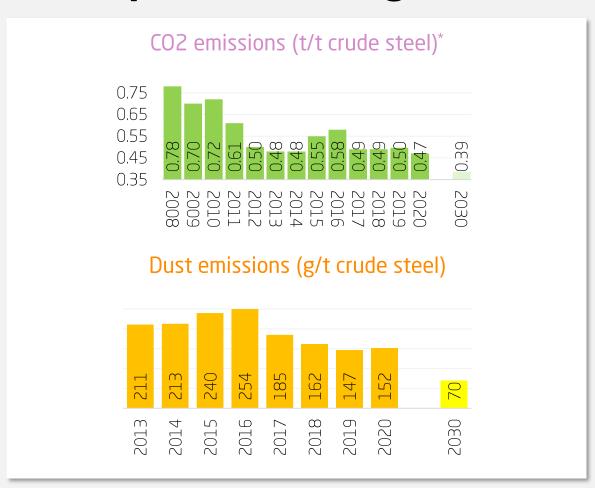
^{*} Lost time injury frequency rate = number of injuries resulting in lost time per million working hours - 2020: Aperam 1.5 versus ISSF average 3.1

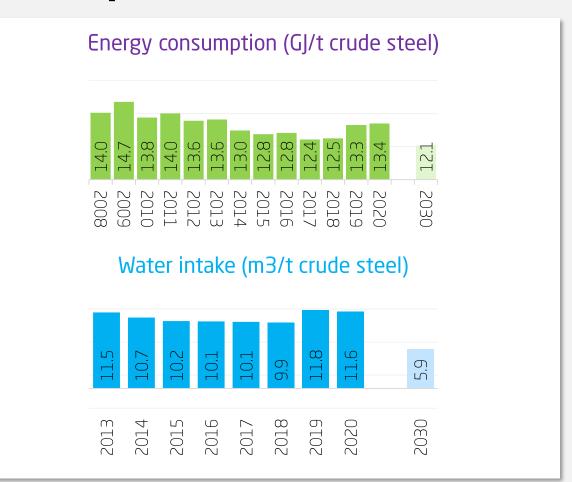
^{**} Severity rate = total number of days lost for accidents/total/hours worked x 1,000,000.





Aperam has a convincing environmental track record and clear improvement targets. Low volumes impacted 2019 & 2020



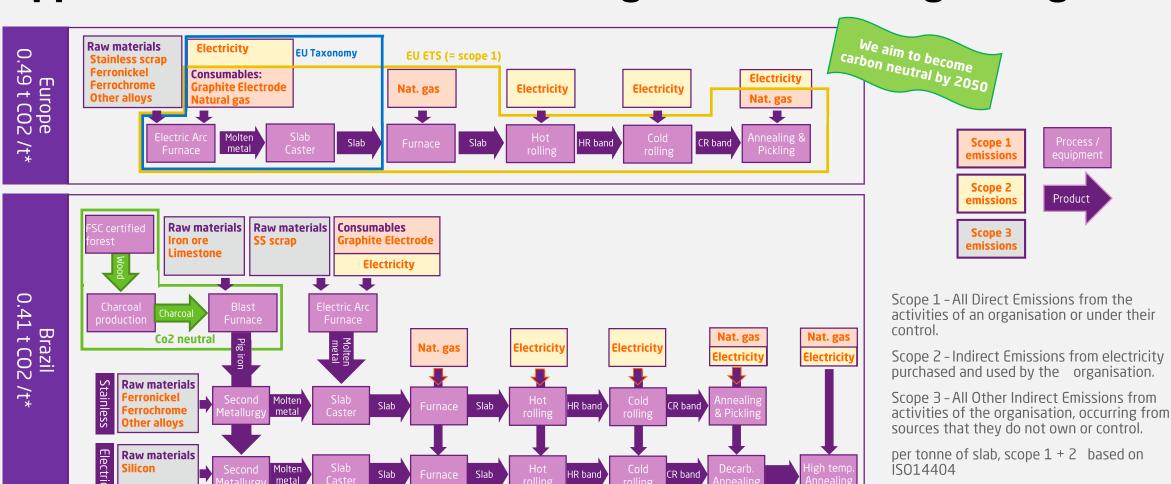


2030 Rrepresents Aperam's targets *scope 1 & 2





Aperam Stainless Europe is aligned with the taxonomy criteria applicable to activities contributing to climate change mitigation



UN SDG's



Aperam supports the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals, in Particular:



concern and the priority in all our proceedings

Health & Safety is Aperam's primary

More than 30% of Aperam's energy comes from renewables, mainly as biomass (charcoal) and increasingly also, wind and solar

Aperam is a recycling champion: We use the maximum amount of recycled material in our production (eg +85% in Europe) and also recycle wastes and by-Products in line with our zero-waste target

Gender balance ranks highly on our priority list since 2017 with a special commitment from

Management. Aperam established specific objectives for creating more gender balance in our workforce

9 MONTH STREET, WOMANDE Research & Development and innovation are top priorities for Aperam. We also help our customers to adapt their own processes (welding, stamping, etc.) to make the most of their tools

Our blast furnace uses charcoal, produced from our FSC certified forest which also acts as a carbon sink. We have ambitious reduction targets to 2030 and target carbon neutrality by 2050

Lowering water consumption and improving the quality of discharge are key elements of our environmental strategy

Aperam is committed to a Aperam is committed to a sustainable cohabitation with our neighboring communities, allowing host cities to thrive and accommodating inhabitants' needs

16 RACE JUSTICE

Section 16 Report of the Sect regulations, interact transparently with authorities and support the fight against corruption, money laundering and anti-competitive practices - among others









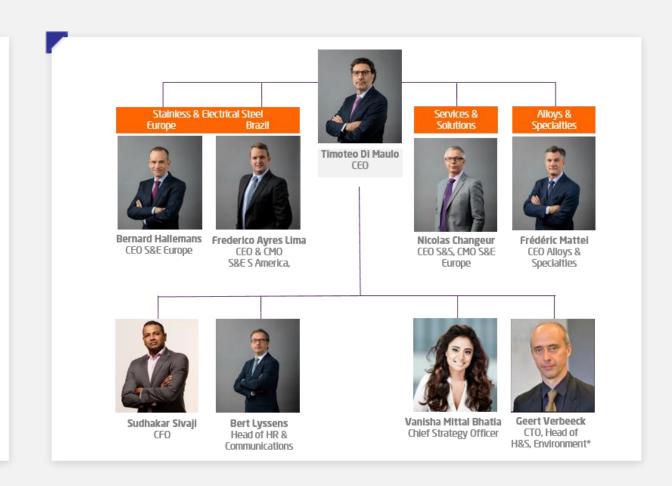
GOVERNANCE



Our Leadership Team: Diverse & Experienced

KEY FACTS & COMPENSATION

- Entrusted with day-to-day management of the Company
- Appointed by the Board of Directors
- Experience and industry know how
- > Average age: 49 / 6 nationalities
- CEO: responsible for Aperam's sustainability performance and compliance
- > CTO is also Head of Health, Safety & Environment
- Compensation aligned with long term interest of the Company and its stakeholders
 - Multiplier for performance related bonus includes H&S factors (1 year plan)
 - Long term incentive plans based on EPS and TSR evolution (3 year plan) vs relevant peers and index



^{* &}amp; sustainability



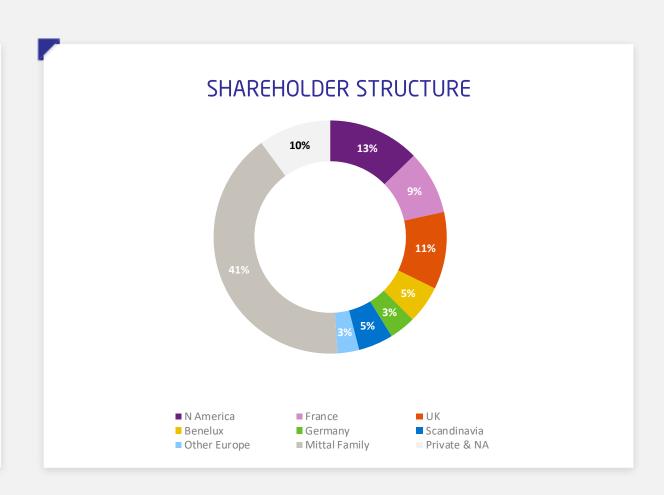
GOVERNANCE



Our Diverse Board of Directors Ensures Effective Governance

PRINCIPLES OF OUR BOARD

- > Responsible for strategic direction and oversight of the business, as well as for appointing senior management
- Election subject to shareholder approval. Directors are elected for 3 year terms
- > Chairman: Mr. Lakshmi N. Mittal
- 7 members with a majority of independent directors (4 independent directors out of 7)
- Mrs. Ros Rivaz is lead independent director
- 2 Board Committees composed of 100% of independent directors and reporting to the Board of Directors:
 - Audit and Risk Management Committee covering also ESG matters; Chair: Ms. Bernadette Baudier
 - Remuneration, Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee; Chair: Mr. Alain Kinsch







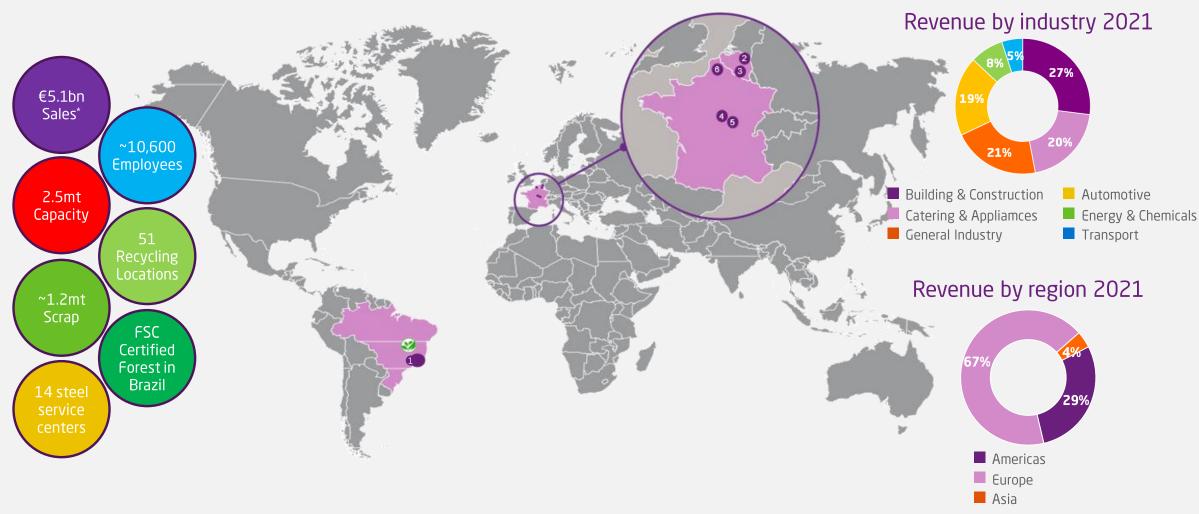
BUSINESS OVERVIEW



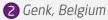




Aperam is active in Stainless, Electrical & Specialty Steel & Scrap #2 in Europe and the Only Producer in S. America











BUSINESS OVERVIEW



Group Segments*

RECYCLING

1.3mt stainless scrap shipments 32kt superalloy shipments EUR68m adj EBITDA in 2021²

Scrap is our key raw material

- ELG is a global leader in the trading, processing and recycling of scrap for the stainless steel industry
- ELG is market leader in the recycling of high performance materials such as superalloys and titanium mainly for aerospace
- > 51 locations in 20 countries
- Recyco recycles metal from dust, mud, residues, ashes etc

STAINLESS & ELECTRICAL

2.5mt production capacity

1.6mt of gross shipments

77% of group adj EBITDA

Amongst the largest global producers of stainless steel**

Europe:

- 2 Electric Arc Furnaces use scrap as major input material
- Stainless steel flat product output

South America:

- 2 blast furnace use iron ore and charcoal produced from own forests
- 2 EAF use recycled scrap
- Stainless flat products & electrical steel

SERVICES & SOLUTION

646kt of gross shipments 13% of group adj EBITDA

Aperam's distribution arm

- S&S provides value added and customized solutions through further processing according to specific customer requirements. S&S core activities:
- direct sale of Aperam products to end users
- distribution of Aperam and third party material
- transformation services, according to specific customer requirements

ALLOYS & SPECIALTIES

40 kt production capacity
31kt of gross shipments
15% of group adj EBITDA

Top 3 producer of nickel alloys globally

- Aperam specializes in nickel alloys and specific stainless steels
- Our products take the form of bars, semis, cold-rolled strips, wire and wire rods, and plates, and are offered in a wide range of grades
- High value items that are often sold on a kg basis

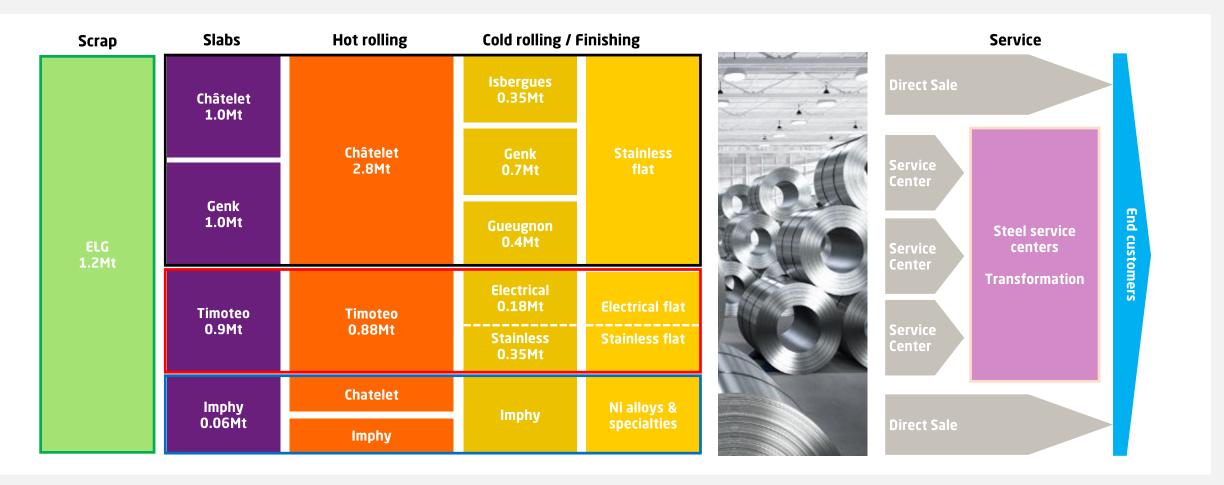
^{*}gross shipments and adj EBITDA are before eliminations

^{**} By production capacity

BUSINESS OVERVIEW



Aperam Value Chain and how it Splits into Segments





BUSINESS OVERVIEW Main Production Sites



Châtelet, Belgium



Location & facts
Melt shop
Hot rolling mill

CapacitySlabs 1,000 kt
HSM 2,800 kt

Genk, Belgium



Location & facts
Melt shop
Cold-rolling mill
Finishing

Capacity Slabs 1,000 kt 2 m wide capacity 316 and duplex grades Cold-rolling 700 kt

Gueugnon, France



Location & factsCold-rolling mill
Finishing

Capacity

Finished 400 kt
Specialized in Bright
Annealing (BA) products
and stabilized ferritics

Isbergues, France



Location & facts
Cold-rolling mill
Finishing

Capacity

Finished 350 kt LC2i: integrated line

Timóteo, Brazil



Location & facts
Melt shop
Cold-rolling mill
Finishing

Capacity*

Slabs 900kt
Stainless finished 350kt
Electrical CR:
Grain oriented 60kt
Non GO 170kt
SP Carbon 200kt

*some lines are flexibly used for different products

Imphy, France



Location & facts

Melt shop

Cold-rolling mill

Finishing

Capacity

EAF 60kt

1 VIM, 2 VAR, Rotary
continuous Caster for
long products

Wire hot rolling mill: 40kt

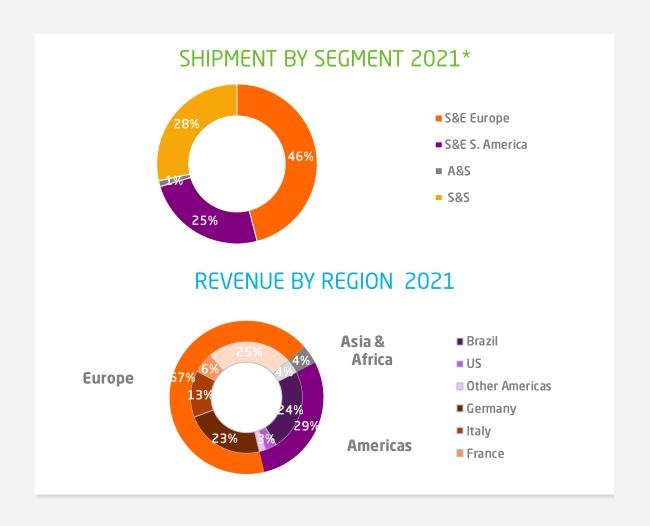
6 Cold rolling mills

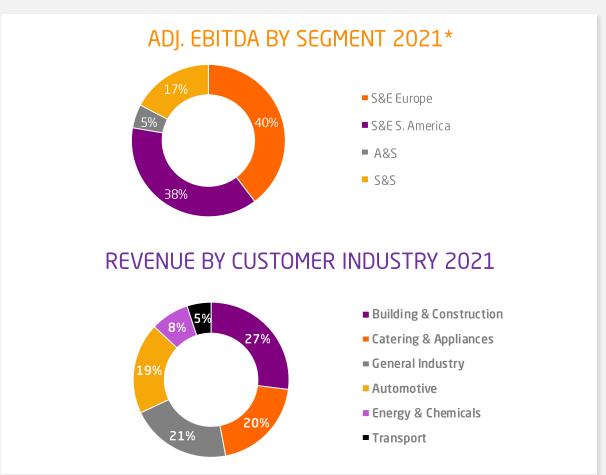


BUSINESS OVERVIEW



A Balanced Risk Profile and Customer Structure



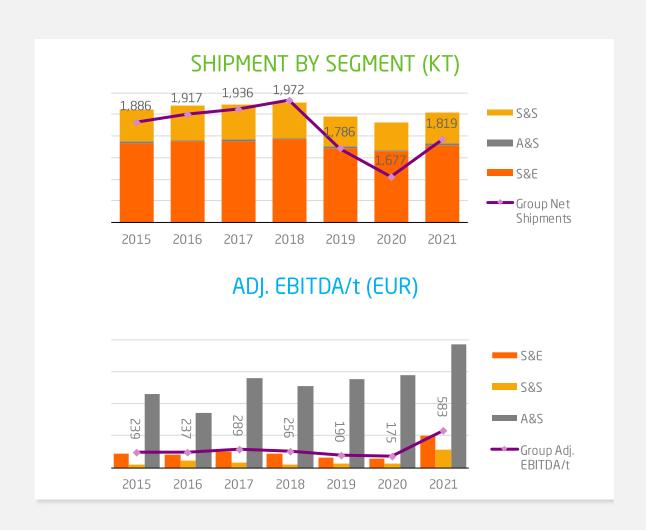


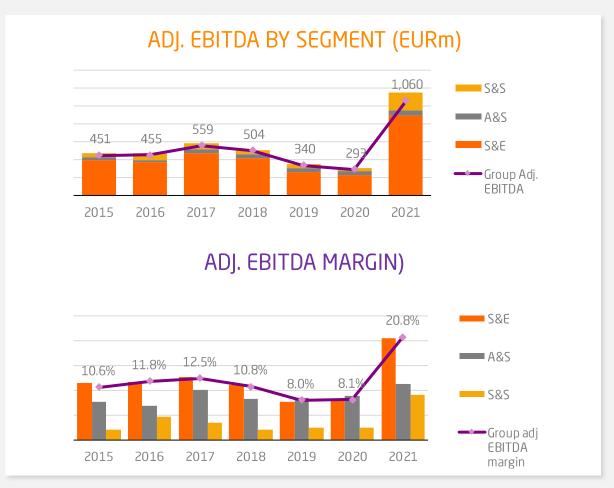


BUSINESS OVERVIEW



Self-help has Transformed the Group









STAINLESS & ELECTRICAL EUROPE



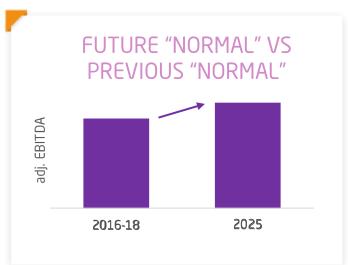


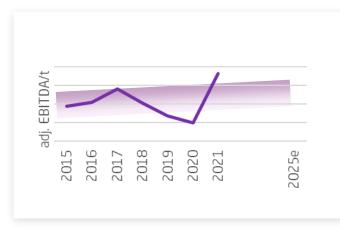
Adding Product Differentiation to Cost Leadership



DIFFERENTIATORS

- European cost leader
 - Efficient footprint
 - Logistics advantages
- > Flexible production set up
- Volatility reducing downstream integration into distribution
- Recycling backbone (post ELG closing*)
- Leading ESG position with future-proof footprint





EARNINGS GROWTH & VALUE DRIVERS

- Genk downstream ramp-up
- Footprint improvement & debottlenecking
- > Product portfolio upgrade
 - Specialization
 - New product categories
- > Synergies with ELG

Organic growth Capex intensity NWC need





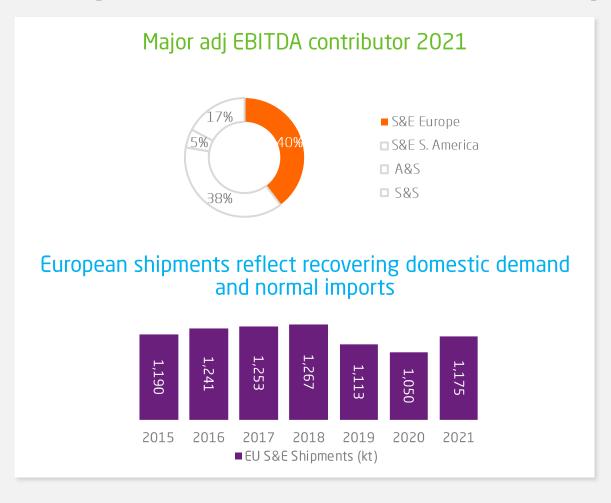


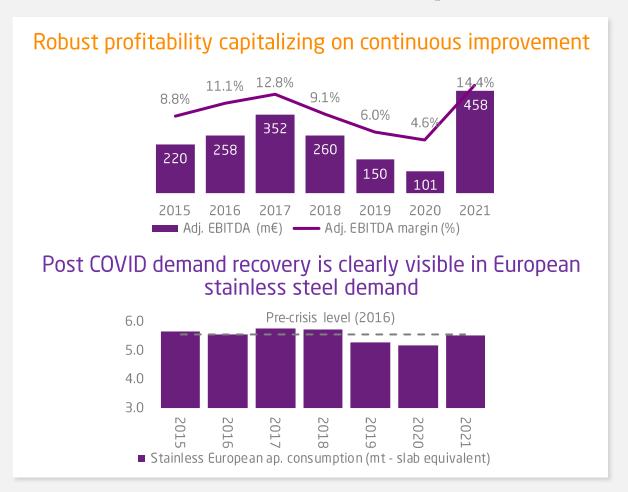


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Self-help Measures Yield a Robust Operational Performance Despite a Price and Volume Squeeze





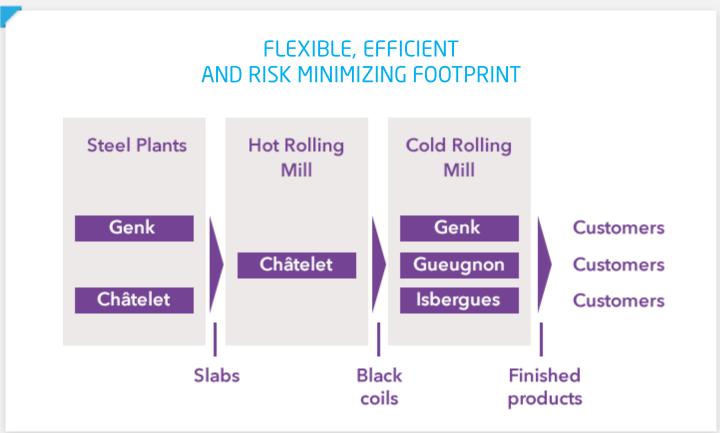
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Highly Flexible Integrated Multi-Plant Footprint with Superior Inbound and Outbound Logistics







S&E EUROPE STRATEGIC TARGETS



Footprint Improvement through Leadership Journey® 4 Strengthens our Core Strategic Pillars

We aim to be the European cost leader in every product we deliver COST LEADER Footprint changes will realize additional cost leadership potential We continuously improve our mix by increasing our special products portfolio **TOP LINE** Next footprint steps will enable substantial additional value creation We aim to further drastically improve our already best in class CO₂ position GHG All footprint evolutions includes a CO₂ reduction component

S&E EUROPE PRODUCT PORTFOLIO 2023



Product Flow Optimization Secures Cost Leadership Positions & enables mix improvement in Genk and Gueugnon







Targeting European Cost Leadership Position in all Standard & Top Line Products

Cost leading footprint 2020			
Market	Standard products	Top line products	
Capital goods	Austenitic HR	Duplex 2000 wide	
Capital goods	Austenitic CR thick	Aust. 2000 wide	
	Austenitic CR thin	Martensitic	
Consumer goods	Austenitic BA	Precision strip	
	Ferritic CR thin		
	Ferritic BA		
Automotive	Ferritic CR thick	Precision strip	

Improved footprint post LJ4 in 2023				
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HR: HOT ROLLED

CR: COLD ROLLED

BA: BRIGHT ANNEALED



Strong cost position



Cost leading position

EU TRADE ACTION



Effective Measures against unfair Trade have been put into Place

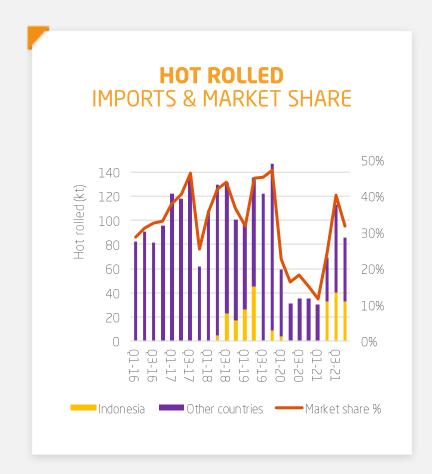
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	Safeguard	Anti-dumping duties (AD)	Countervailing duties (AS)		
Aim	Maintain traditional trade flowsVolume focused	 Duty on imports that are <u>priced</u> <u>below fair market value</u> Price focused 	 Neutralize effect of <u>subsidies</u> that benefit certain imports Price focused 		
Countries affected	 All countries globally (if not explicitly exempt) Effective since February 2019 till July 2024 	 Hot rolled: China, Indonesia, Taiwan since Oct. 2020 for 5 years Cold rolled: China, Taiwan since 2015, Indonesia, India since May 21 	Cold rolled: Case opened by EU commission in February 2021 against India, Indonesia		
Measure	 HR quota 364kt pa* CR quota 861kt pa* Largest importers have a country quota. A residual quota for all others 25% duty for shipments > quota 	 HR: China 9.2% - 19.5%, Indonesia 17.3%, Taiwan 4.1% - 7.5% CR: China 25.3%, Taiwan 6.8% (extended for 5 years to 09/2026 CR: India (13.6-34.6%), Indonesia (10%-20.2%) 	• NEW: CR: India (4.3 - 7.5%), Indonesia (0% - 21.4%)		
New itiatives					

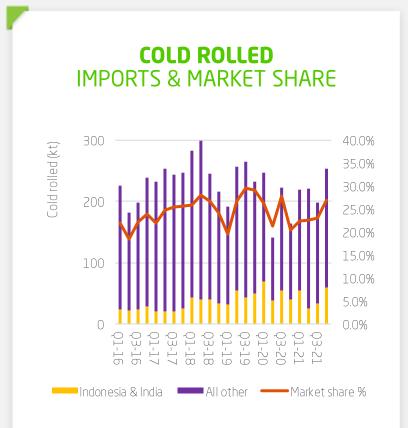


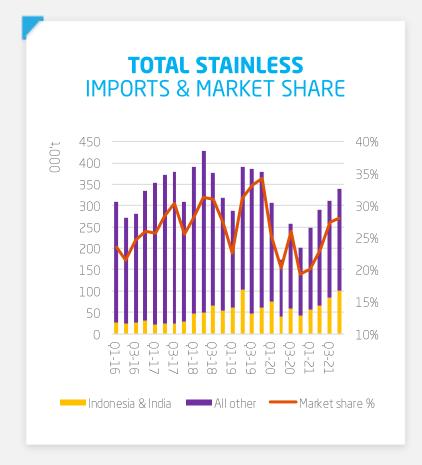


EU STAINLESS STEEL IMPORTS Anti-dumping is Effective













STAINLESS & ELECTRICAL BRAZIL







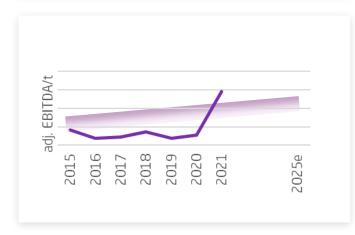
A Resilient, Profitable Business with Substantial Development Potential



DIFFERENTIATORS

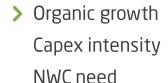
- > Unique market position
- Very competitive cost position
 - Local raw material supply
 - Local cost in BRL
- Flexible multi-product business adapts to demand fluctuations
- Located in a generic growth market
- Excellent logistics & distribution
- Future-proof environmental set-up





EARNINGS GROWTH & VALUE DRIVERS

- Debottlenecking & upgrade investments:
 - GO upgrade to HGO
 - HRM upgrade
 - Wide strip
 - Cold rolling
- Natural market growth with GDP





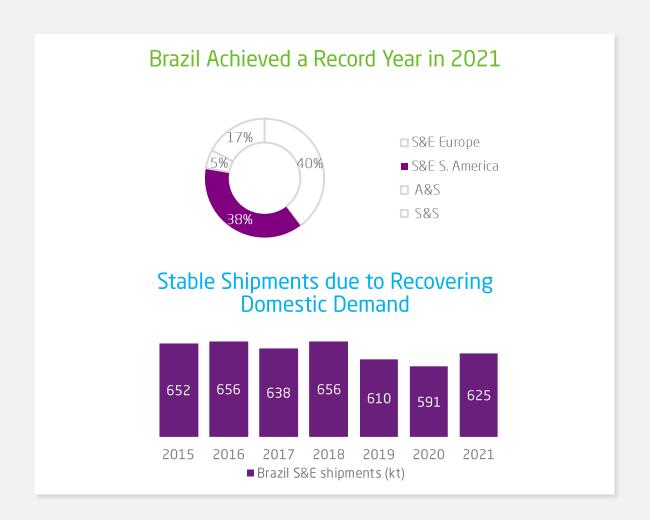


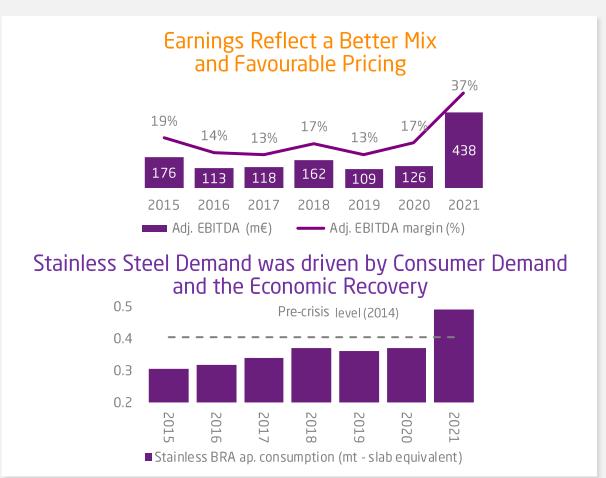


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A Flexible, Agile & highly Profitable Asset

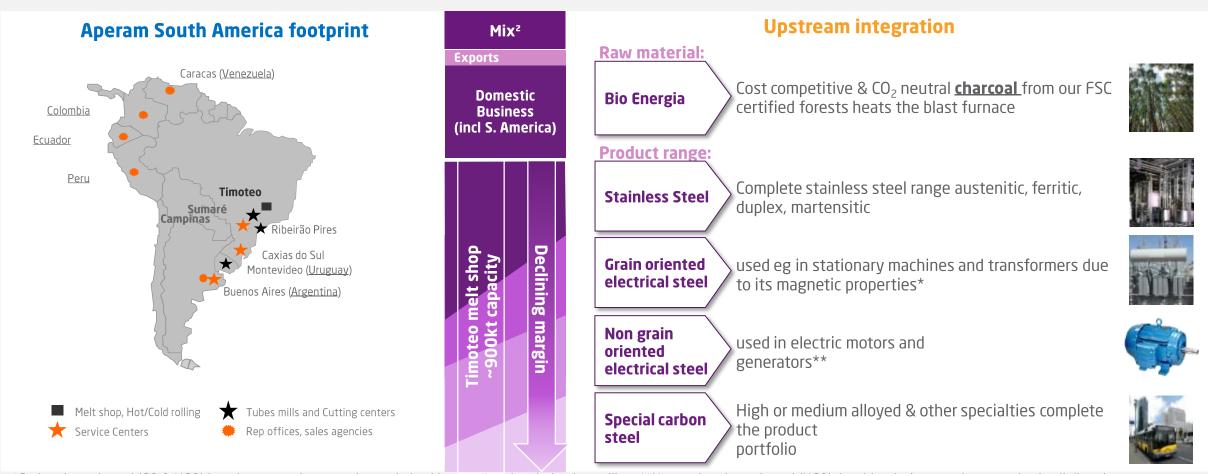




S&E SOUTH AMERICA ASSETS



Our Brazil Footprint is Unique - Flexibly Switches Between Products and Markets to Maximize Profitability



^{*}Grain oriented steel (GO & HGO) has the magnetic properties optimized in one direction during hot rolling. **Non-grain oriented steel (NGO) has identical magnetic properties in all directions 2schematic only



S&E SOUTH AMERICA GROWTH



Brazil offers ample opportunity for both cyclical and structural growth

Brazil consumes substantially below the global trend line China 10 Stainless CR consumption per capita (kg) Vietnam 16,000 GDP per capita (USD)

OPPORTUNITIES

✓ Short term:

Reviving the economy. Large scale infrastructure & energy projects are still missing

✓ Medium term:

Aperam Leadership Journey® phase 4 includes a dedicated growth strategy for Brazil. It is based on investment into high margin products (eg HGO)

✓ Long term:

Higher standard of living will drive stainless steel consumption. Currently Brazil at 1.4kg / capita vs China >9kg/capita and a GDP implied consumption of >3.5kg/capita

EXAMPLES OF STAINLESS STEEL USAGE IN THE AGRO BUSINESS



Equipment for the transport and sterilization of Palm fruits



Equipment for washing gases from biomass burning



Slats of metallic conveyor belt for the transport of sugarcane

BRAZIL is the largest global producer of:

Coffee Orange Sugarcane and sugar

Largest global exporter of:

- > Poultry > Sugar
- - > Ethanol



BRAZIL TRADE PROTECTION



Three pillars of trade protection against unfair market behaviour

IMPORT DUTY

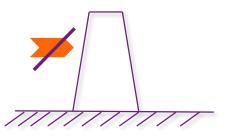
General import duty:

• 12.6% import duty on all stainless steel imports irrespective of origin



- truck only
- > Aperam has the most comprehensive network of service centers and agents in South America

ANTI-DUMPING DUTY



Stainless flat products:

• China: up to USD629/t, Taiwan up to USD705/t since 4.10.19 for 5 years

Stainless steel welded tubes:

- China & Taiwan: up to USD911/t since 29.07.13 for 5 years. Renewal investigation launched 16.07.18
- Malaysia, Thailand and Vietnam: USD367/t up to USD888/t since 13.06.18, for 5 years

Electrical steel (non grain oriented):

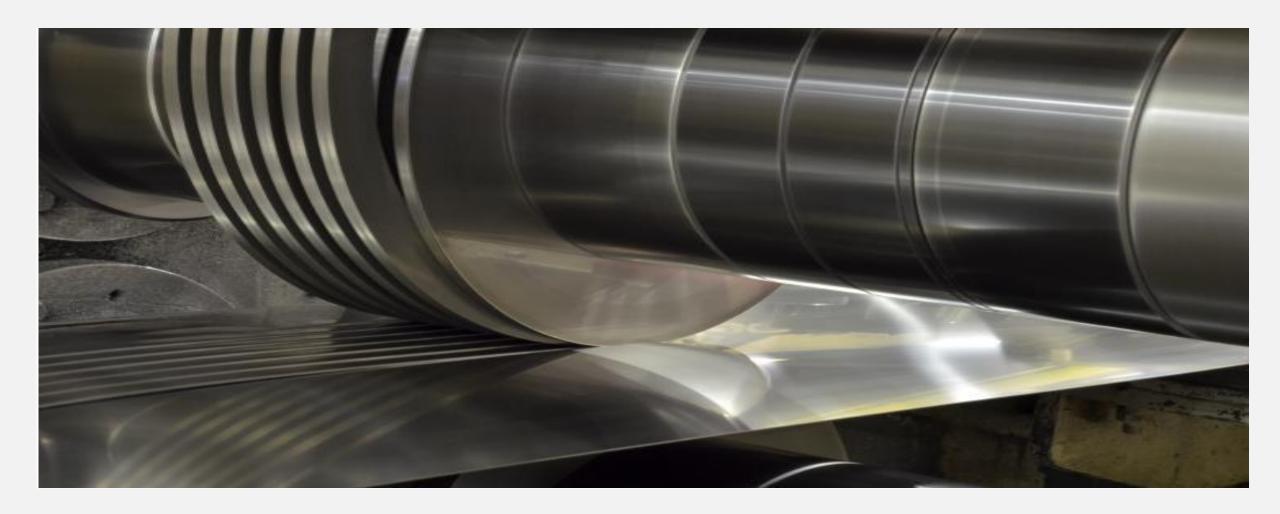
• China, South Korea, Taiwan, Germany: USD90/t-USD166.3/t since 15.07.19 for 5 years

59 Sources: SBB/Platts, Steelfirst





SERVICES & SOLUTIONS





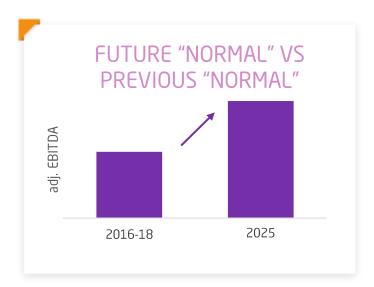


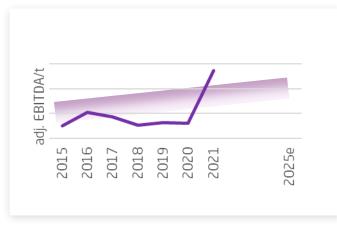
Technology & Service Based Growth



DIFFERENTIATORS

- Largest and most profitable stainless distributor globally
- Secure supply due to upstream integration
- Flexible supply of a very broad product range
- Most modern and fully automated production line in Haan
- Leading BtB platform in the industry





EARNINGS GROWTH & VALUE DRIVERS

- Shorter lead-times
- > 100% recycled / carbon free steel initiative
- > e-aperam growth
- Product range extension / new slitter

Organic growth Capex intensity NWC need







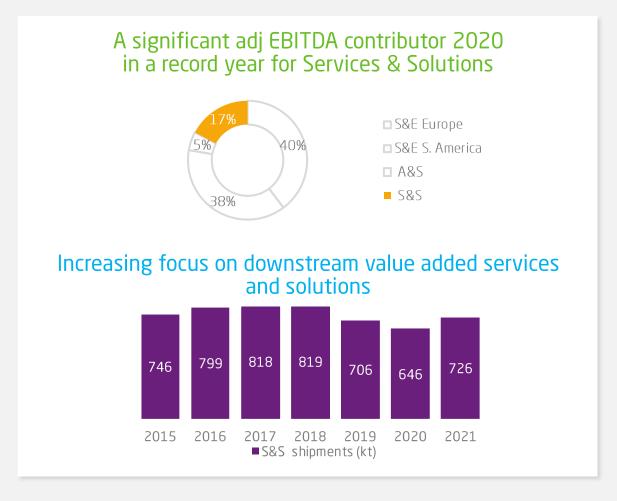


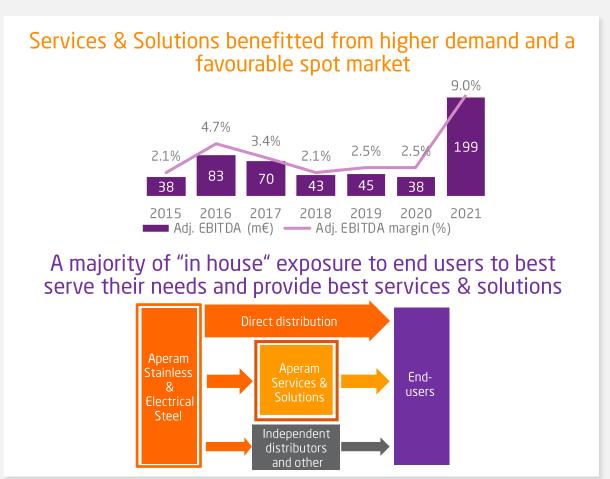


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Stronger Partnership With Customers Enhances Margins



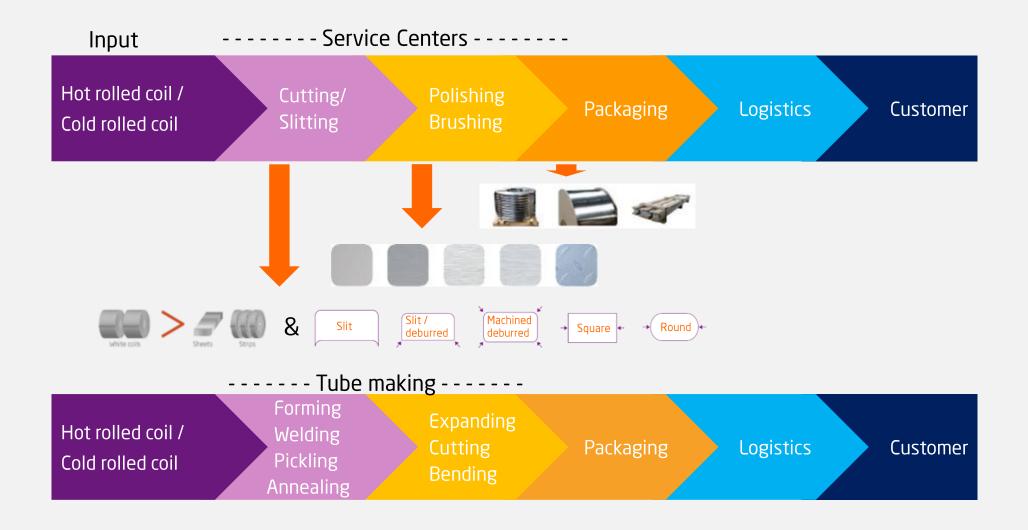




SERCIVES & SOLUTIONS VALUE CHAIN



Adding Value Downstream







ALLOYS & SPECIALTIES





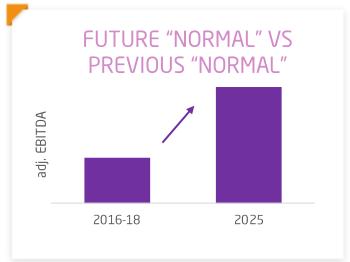


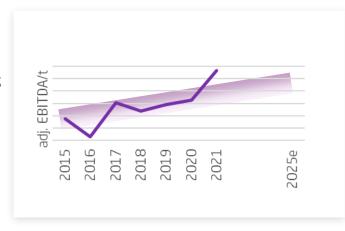
Differentiated Assets, Products and Debottlenecking make it our Highest Growth Segment



DIFFERENTIATORS

- Technology competence : A&S solves problems for customers
- Very strong position in cryogenic market (INVAR® grades)
- Market & technology leader in wire rod
- Stable business model with high resilience in downturns
- International business: 50% exports and plants in China and India





EARNINGS GROWTH & VALUE DRIVERS

- Debottlenecking of operations in flat products
- Hot rolling mill upgrade further strengthens and differentiates long products
- Market growth in new energies, e-mobility, OLEDs
- Organic growth Capex intensity NWC need







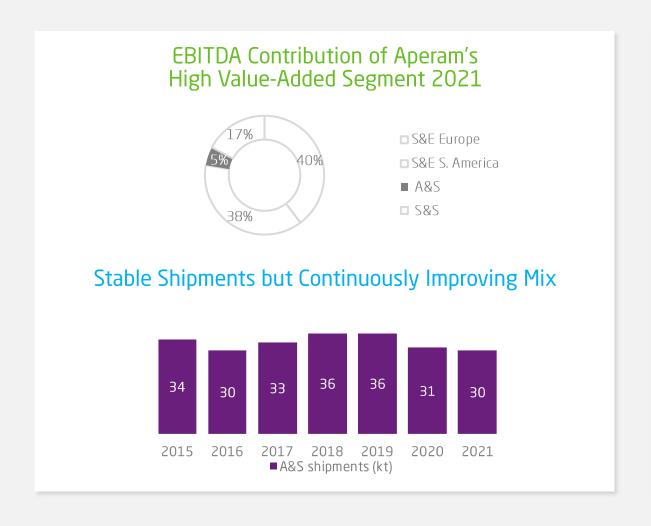


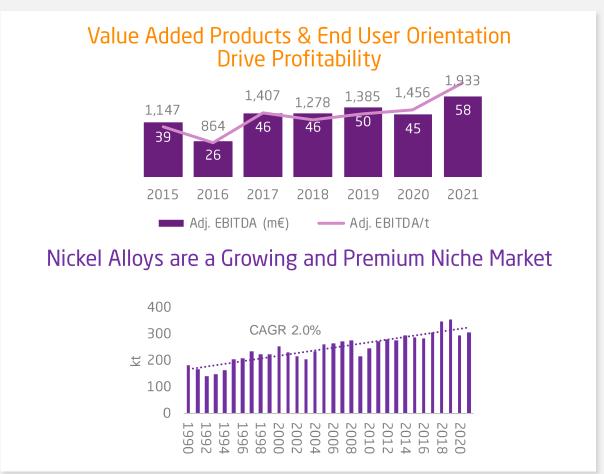


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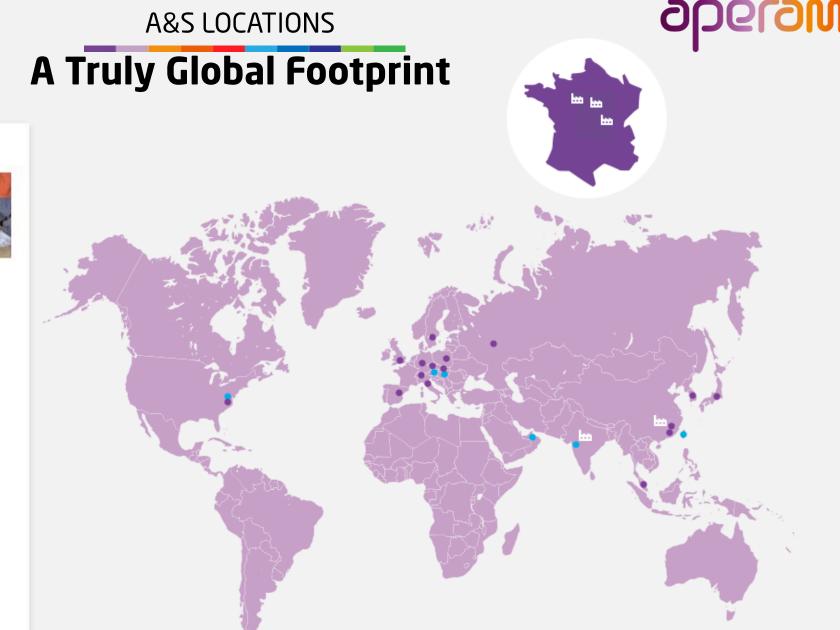


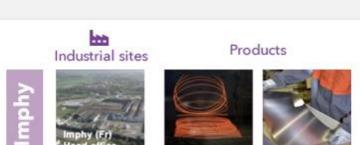
Stable Niche Market with High Margins

















Downstream





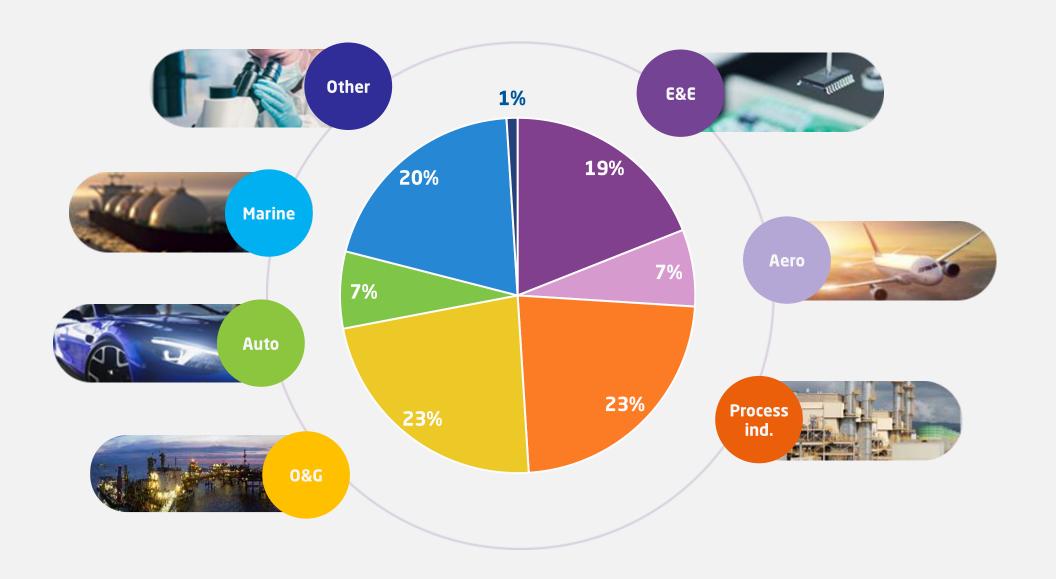








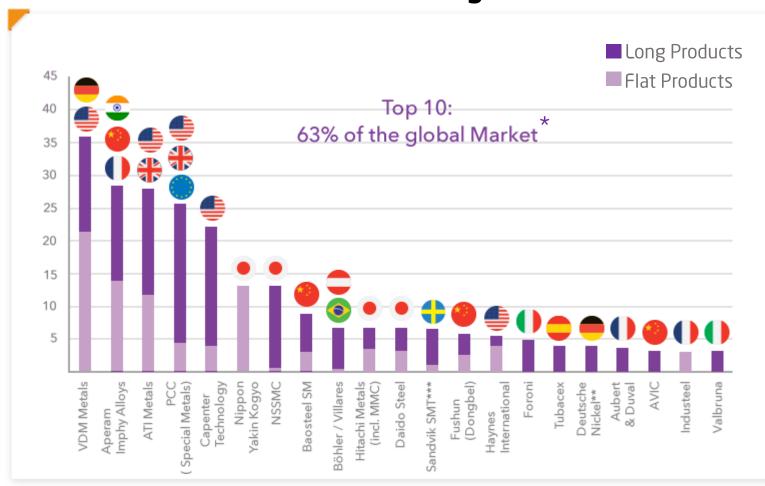
Supplying a Highly Diversified Range of Industries

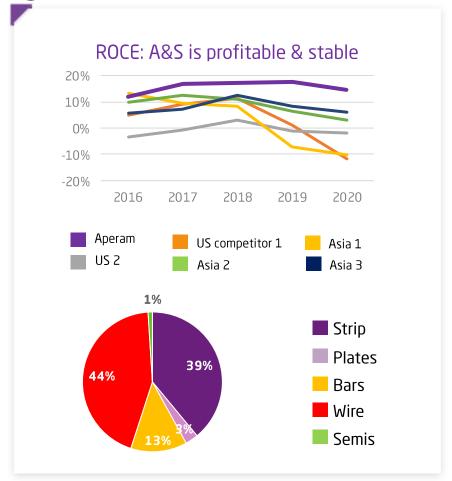






A&S Grew organically into the Second Largest Alloys Producer Globally





^{* 2020} data



COMMODITIES VS. SPECIALTIES



A speciality provides a particular feature (e.g. size, physical properties, ...) and is perceived by the customer as bringing a specific value above its primary purpose (e.g. service, image, ...)

COMMODITIES	SPECIALTIES	
1 Price sensitive	Value sensitive	Understand total cost of ownership / life cycle costs
2 Standardized	Tailor-made	Adapt commercial offer to customer needs, customize offering
3 Regional	Global	Diverse customer base, low sensitivity to transportation costs

A&S IS FULLY SPECIALTY ORIENTED

Global presence

Strong technical marketing & support

Dedicated R&D

Future markets

Permanent product portfolio adaptation



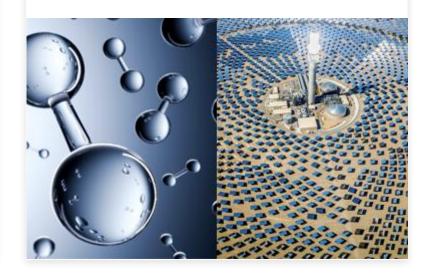


E-mobility, New Energies and OLEDS are A&S Growth Markets

Meet technical requirements of electrification for cars, trains, flying taxis or planes, focusing on the efficiency of the drivetrain or the extended use of electrical control systems.



Contribute to the challenge of efficiency yield in future power generation equipment for renewable energies, including H2.



Respond to the high precision required for the production of new display devices such as Oled screens.

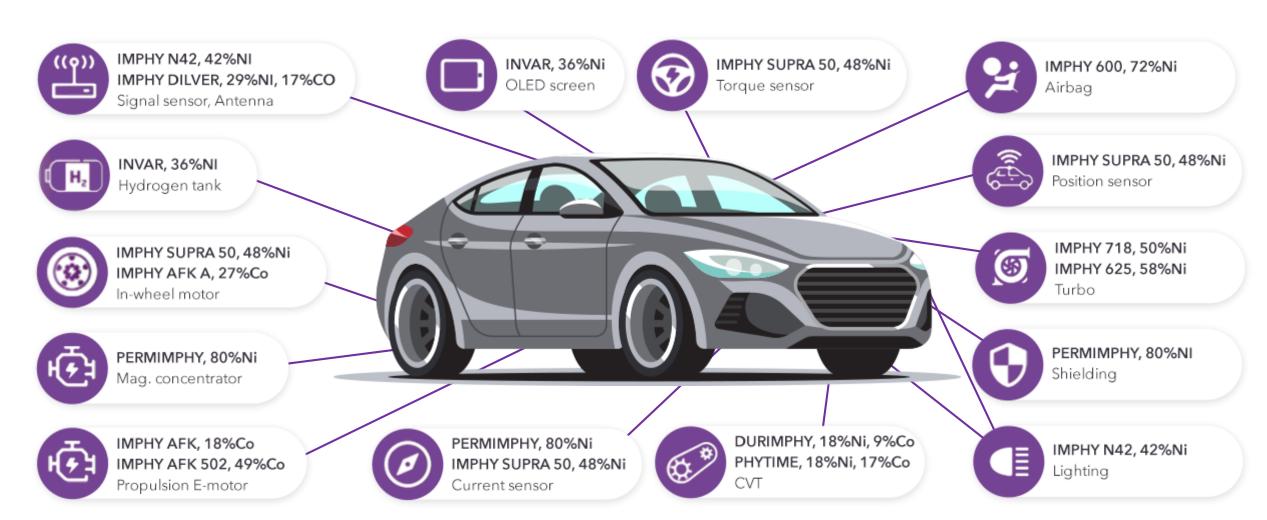


Ni alloys increase efficiency or enable advanced technologies by making them technologically or economically viable



APERAM ALLOY GRADES (e-)Mobility Solutions

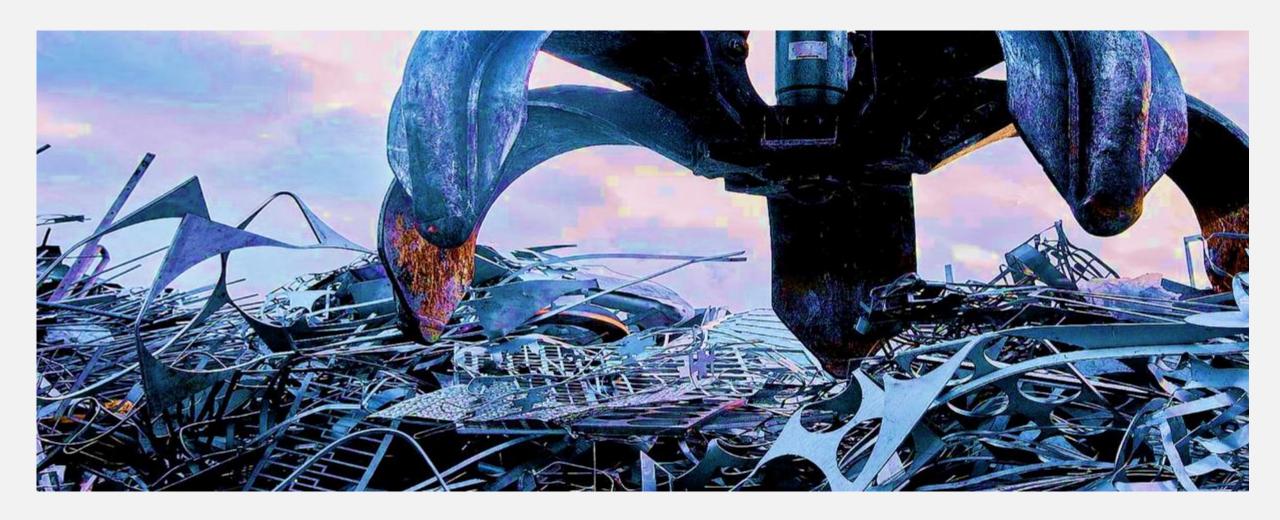








RECYCLING





RECYCLING SEGMENT SUMMARY

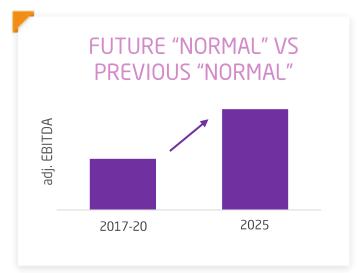


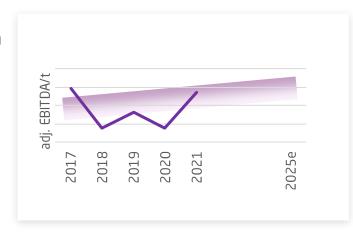
Circular Economy & Strategic Supply



DIFFERENTIATORS

- > Strong global Platform:
 - Top 3 in EU stainless scrap
 - US: leading position
 - Global market leader in superalloys
- Leading experience in Probing, QualityManagement & Certification
- Capability to recycle & process a broad range of materials
- Excellent Reputation & Longstanding Customer Relationships





EARNINGS GROWTH & VALUE DRIVERS

- Natural growth of recycling volumes worldwide
- Superalloys to Benefit from Aerospace Recovery
- > Self-help Program
- New Areas: Closing Recycling Loops, Cooperation of ELG & A&S, New Recycling Streams
- Organic growth Capex intensity NWC need













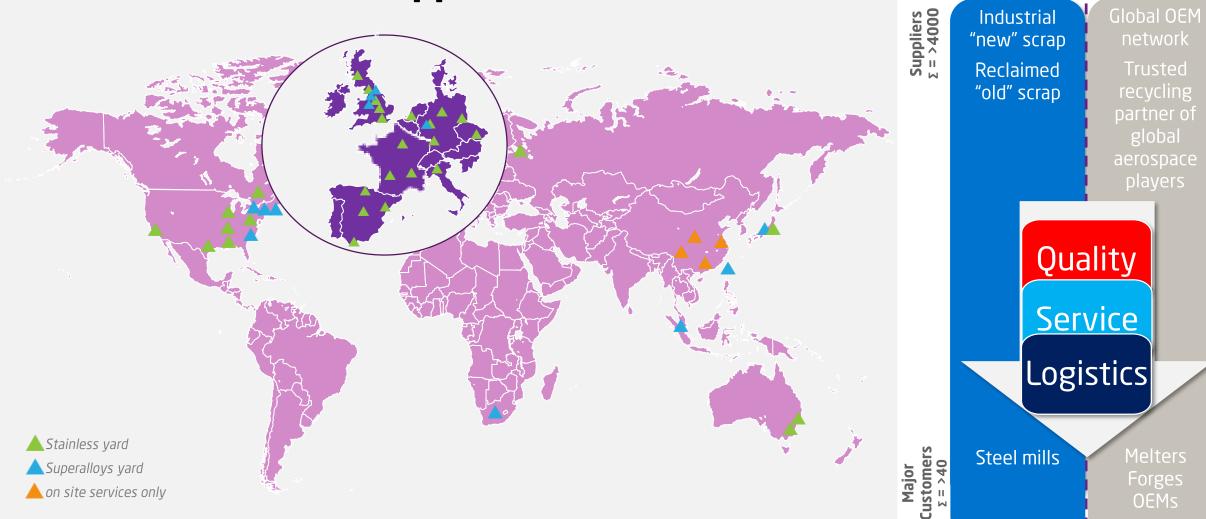
Superalloys

OEMs

Stainless steel

Global Franchise Adds Diversification and new areas for growth

to the benefit of suppliers & customers

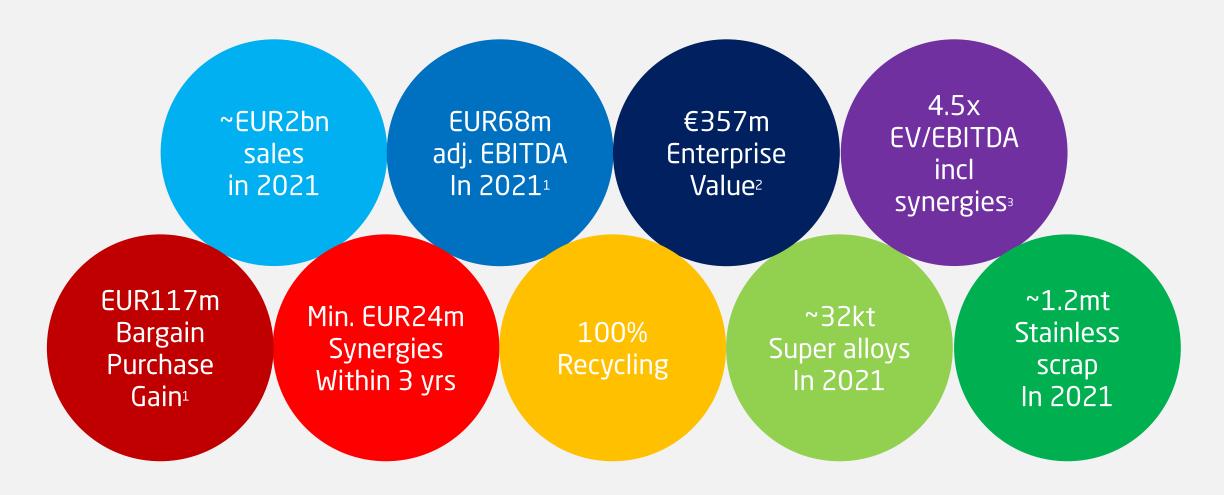




FINANCIAL RATIONALE FOR ELG ACQUISITION



Attractive Price, High Synergies, Growth Opportunities



¹ Considering the transaction's locked box arrangement, 2021 ELG earnings will be part of the bargain gain expected to be recognized in Aperam's 2021 accounts ² As per locked box agreement at 31.12.2020 ³ Based on 2017 – 2020e adj EBITDA



STRATEGIC RATIONALE FOR ELG ACQUISITION



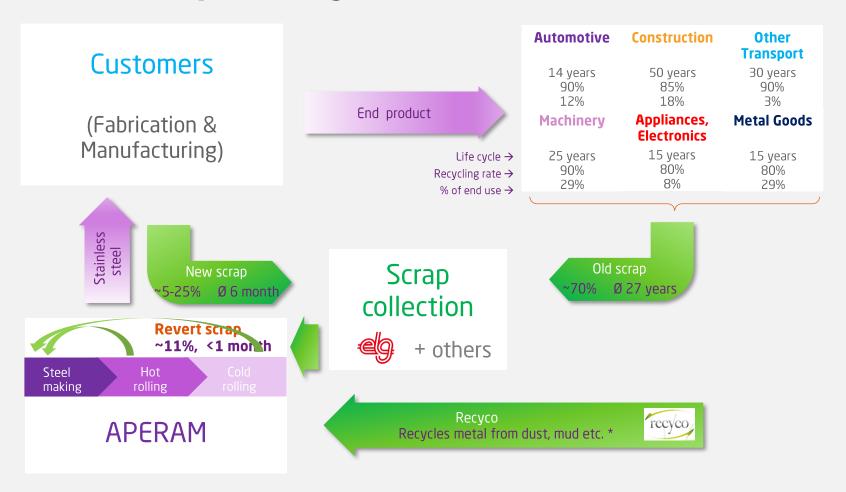
A Compelling Combination that enables Lower Cost, Environmental Improvement & Growth

1	Defends Aperam's Cost Leadership Position	Synergies of EUR24m pa identified + additional potential to be identified
2	Drives our Environmental Ambition	Facilitates even higher use of recycled materials which lowers energy consumption and GHG emissions
3	Supports our Growth Potential	Footprint in N. America & Asia stainless recycling markets and superalloys all offer growth potential
4	Opens New Areas for Development	Closing recycling loops increases scrap volumes & improves quality + linking A&S with ELG's superalloys
5	Secures Supply of our Key Strategic Raw Material	Scrap is our main raw material. We use more than 80% of scrap in our European operations





Aperam is at the Heart of the European Circular Economy. Scrap & Recycled Material are our Dominating Input



- Aperam uses ~90% scrap in its austenitic grades
- Scrap is sourced regionally in Europe
- Aperam's location at the heart of Europe minimizes transportation costs & environmental impact



content from waste material*

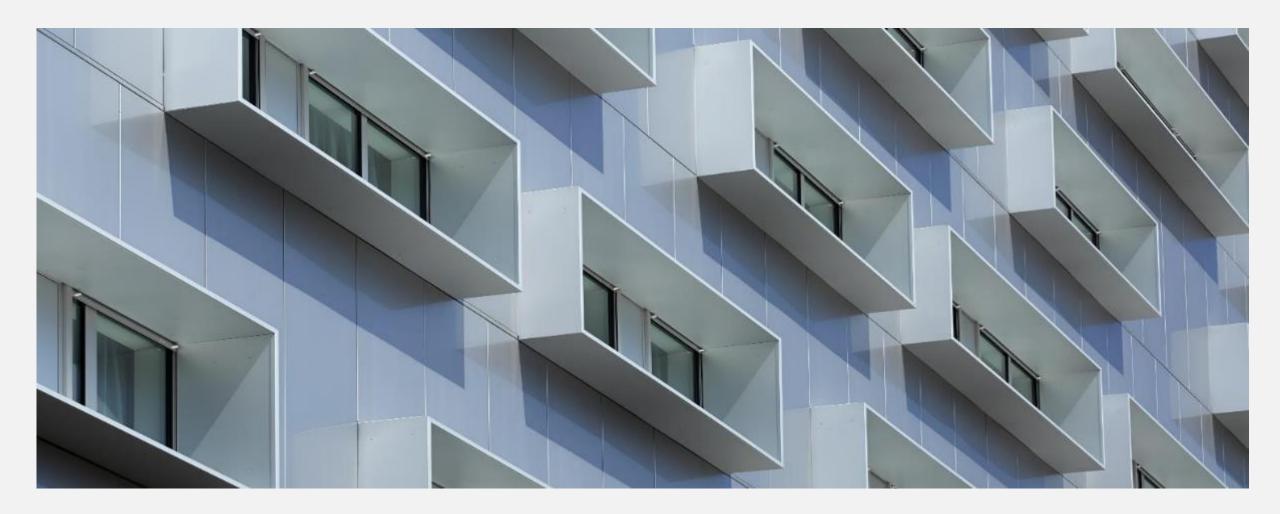
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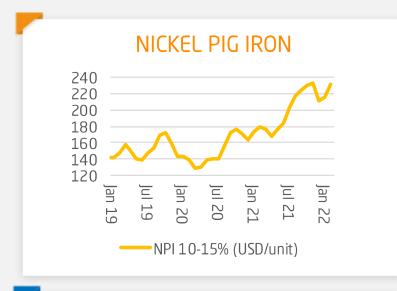


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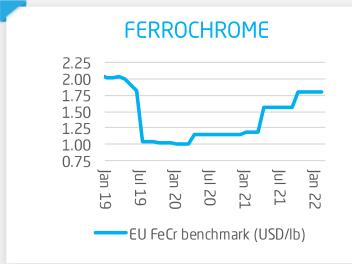


Key Prices & Exchange Rates













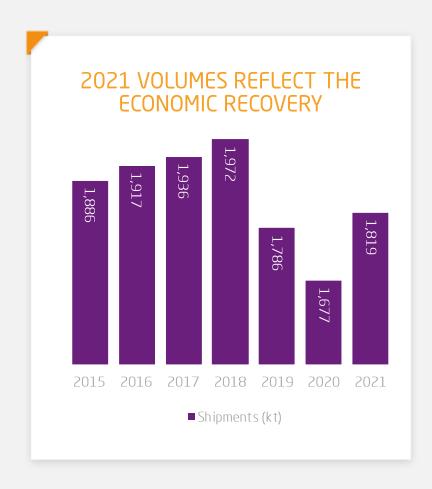
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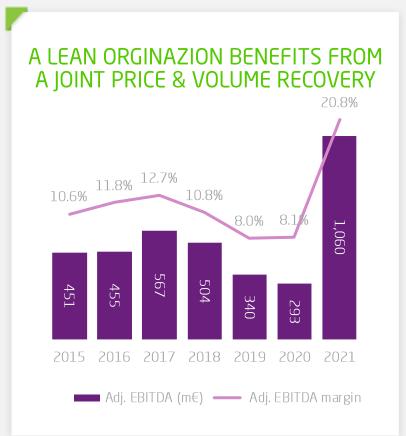


APERAM TRACK RECORD



Aperam is a Solid Performer in every Phase of the Cycle



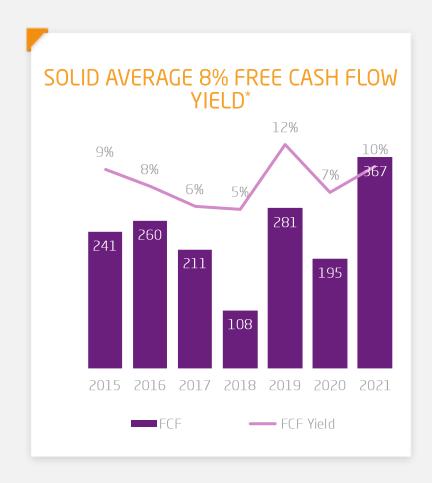


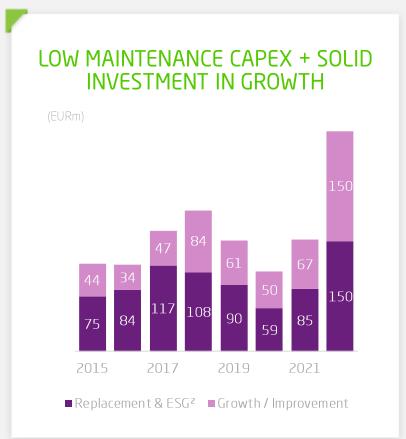






High Cash Flow, Low Maintenance CAPEX and High Cash Returns to Shareholders



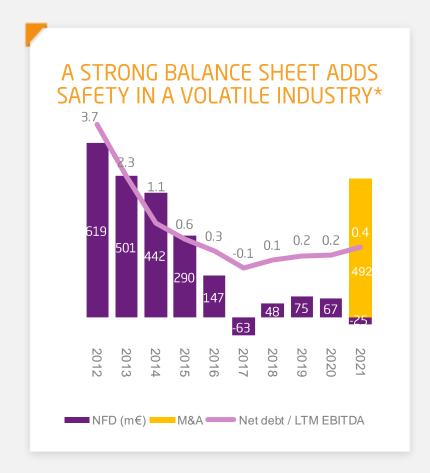


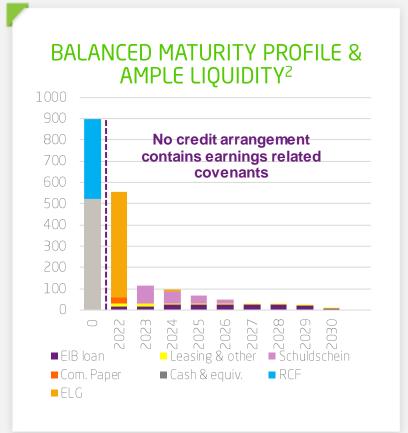


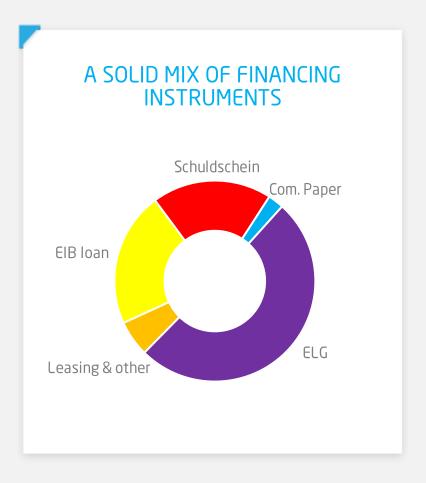
^{*}at year end 2021 the recognized deferred tax asset on tax losses amounted to EUR167m and the unrecognized deferred tax asset amounted to EUR192m ² including ELG , De-carbonization (EUR20m) other environment and social capex (EUR20m)



Maintaining a solid Balance Sheet forms the Basis of our Financial Policy







^{*} Aperam intends to maintain a strong balance sheet that is consistent with investment grade ratios
ZFinancing documentation is in line with investment grade standards and contains no pledges of assets or earnings covenants

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Key Stainless Product Categories by Alloy Content

