

BRENNTAG



Company Presentation



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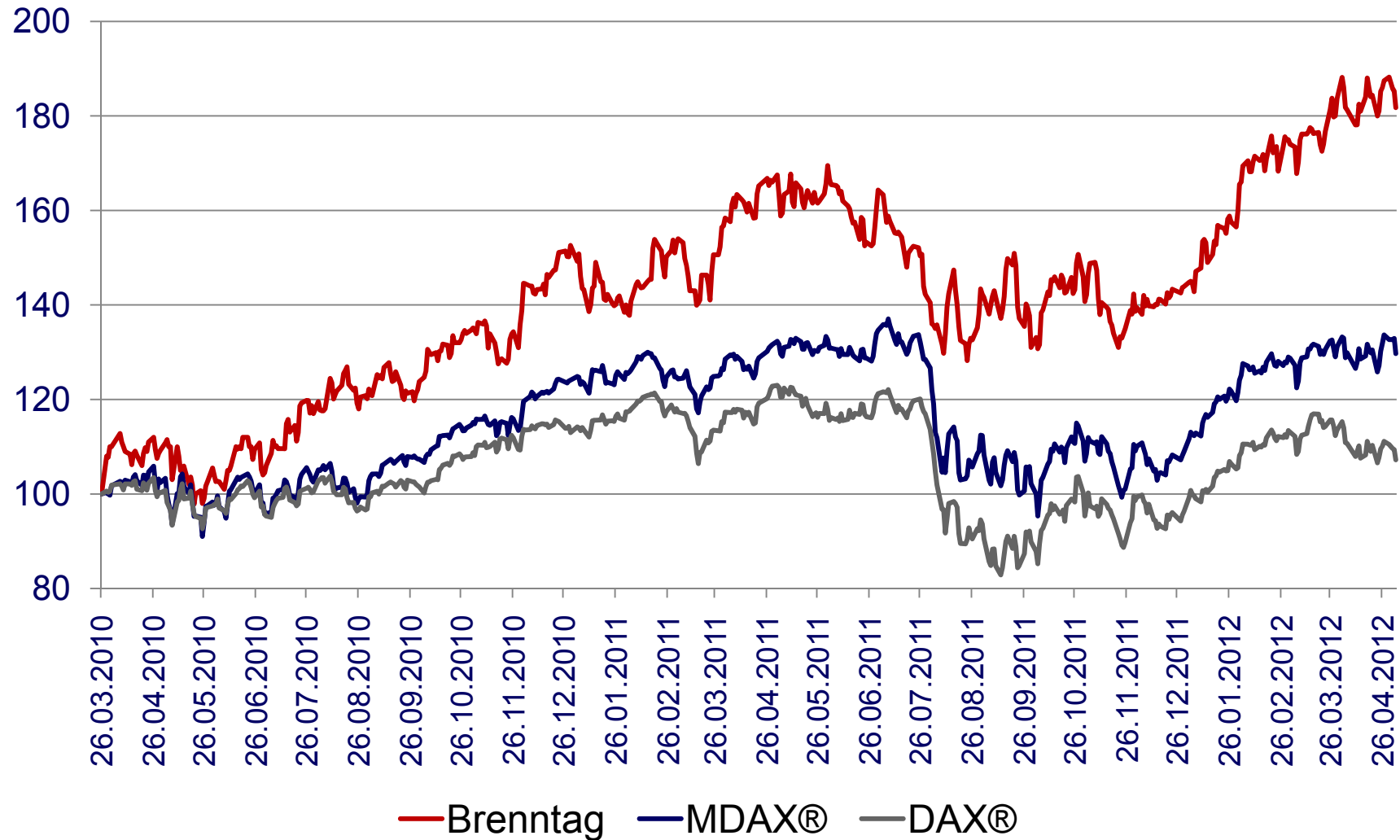
Brenntag is the global market leader in chemical distribution.

Linking chemical manufacturers and chemical users, Brenntag provides business-to-business distribution solutions for industrial and specialty chemicals globally.

With over 10,000 products and a world-class supplier base, Brenntag offers one-stop-shop solutions to more than 160,000 customers.



Share Price (indexed to 100)



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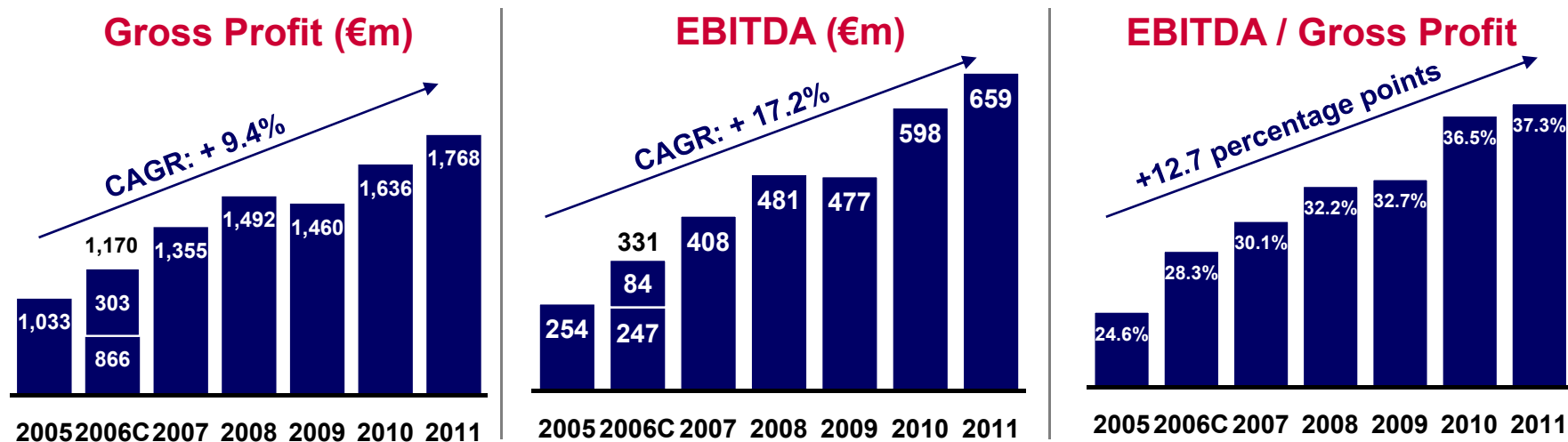
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Global market leader with strong financial profile

- Global leader with 6.9%*) market share and sales of €8.7bn in 2011
- c. 13,000 employees, thereof nearly 4,700 dedicated local sales and marketing employees
- Full-line portfolio of over 10,000 products to more than 160,000 customers globally
- Network of 400+ locations across 68 countries worldwide
- c. 3.5 million usually less-than-truckload deliveries annually with average value of c. €2,000



*) As per end 2008: BCG Market Report (January 2010)

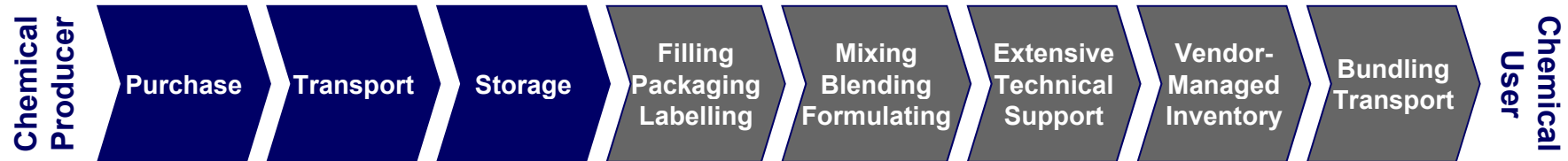
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Chemical distributors fulfil a value-adding function in the supply chain



- **Purchase, transport and storage of large-scale quantities of diverse chemicals**
 - **Several thousand suppliers globally**
 - **Full-line product portfolio of 10,000+ industrial and specialty chemicals**
 - **Network of 400+ locations worldwide**



Chemical distributors fulfil a value-adding function in the supply chain



- Repackaging from large into smaller quantities
- Filling, labelling, bar-coding and palletizing
- Marketed by more than 4,700 dedicated local sales and marketing employees
- Mixing and blending according to customer specific requirements
- Formulating and technical support from dedicated application laboratories



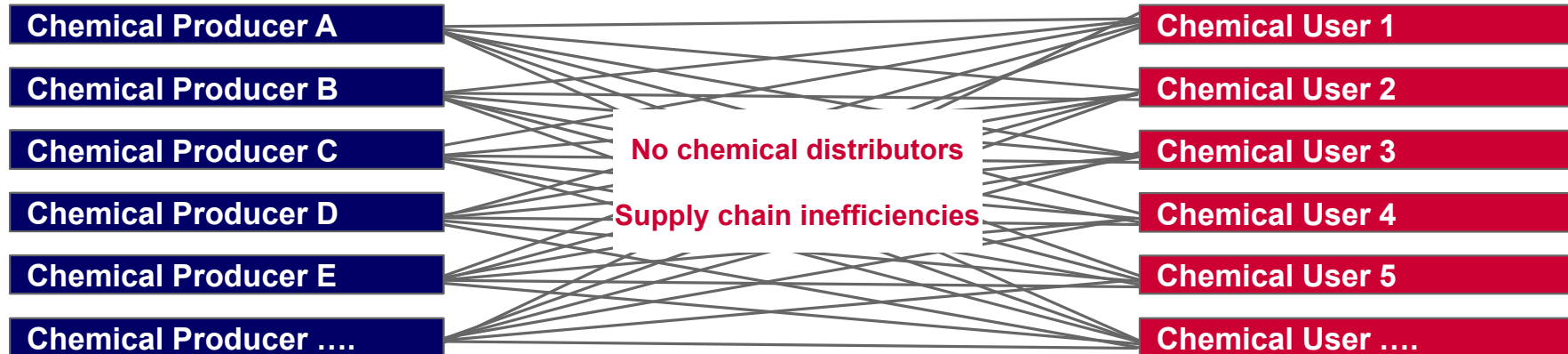
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- Leveraging high route density based on local scale
- Providing just-in-time delivery and vendor-managed inventory service
- Utilizing transportation for drum return service
- Offering one-stop-shop solution




As a full-line distributor, Brenntag can add significant value



Reduction in inefficiencies



Chemical distribution differs substantially from chemical production

	 “What we are”	“What we are not”
		Chemical Producer
Business model	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B2B Services / Solutions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manufacturing
Product portfolio	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full-line 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Narrow
Customer base	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broad in diverse end-markets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Narrow
Customer order size	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large
Delivery method	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Less-than-truckload 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Truckload and larger
Fixed assets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low intensity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High intensity
Fixed asset flexibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multi-purpose 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Narrow purpose
Cost base	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Variable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fixed
Raw material prices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Market 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contract
Input / Output pricing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connected 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disconnected

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A highly attractive investment case

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✓ **Significant growth potential in an attractive industry**

✓ **Superior business model with resilience**

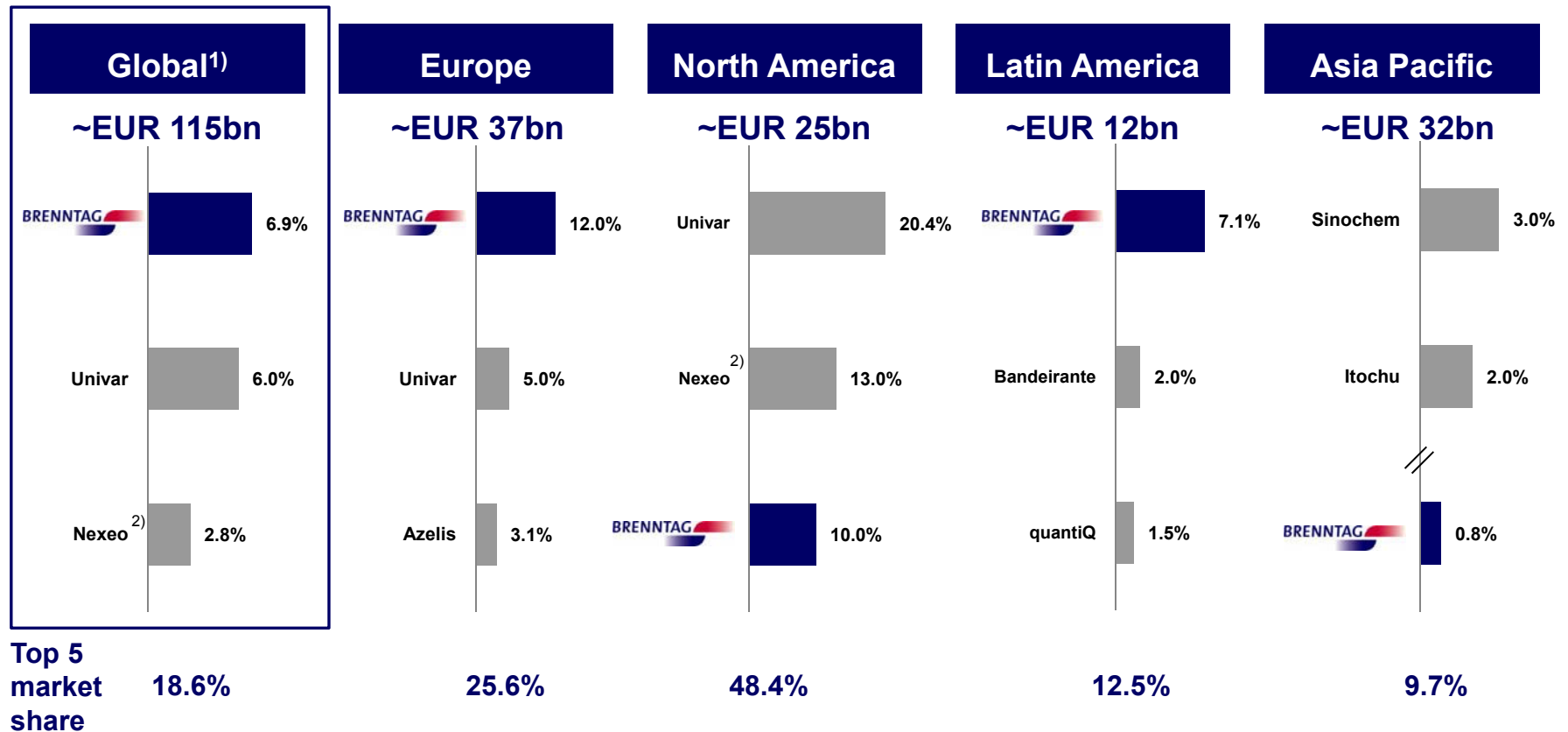
✓ **Excellence in execution**

✓ **Highly experienced management team**

✓ **Strong financial profile**

A global full-line third party chemical distribution network

Third party chemical distribution estimated market size and market shares



Still highly fragmented market with more than 10,000 chemical distributors globally

As per end 2008: BCG Market Report (January 2010), Brenntag's market share in Asia Pacific updated for acquisition of EAC Industrial Ingredients

1) Global includes not only the four regions shown above, but also RoW

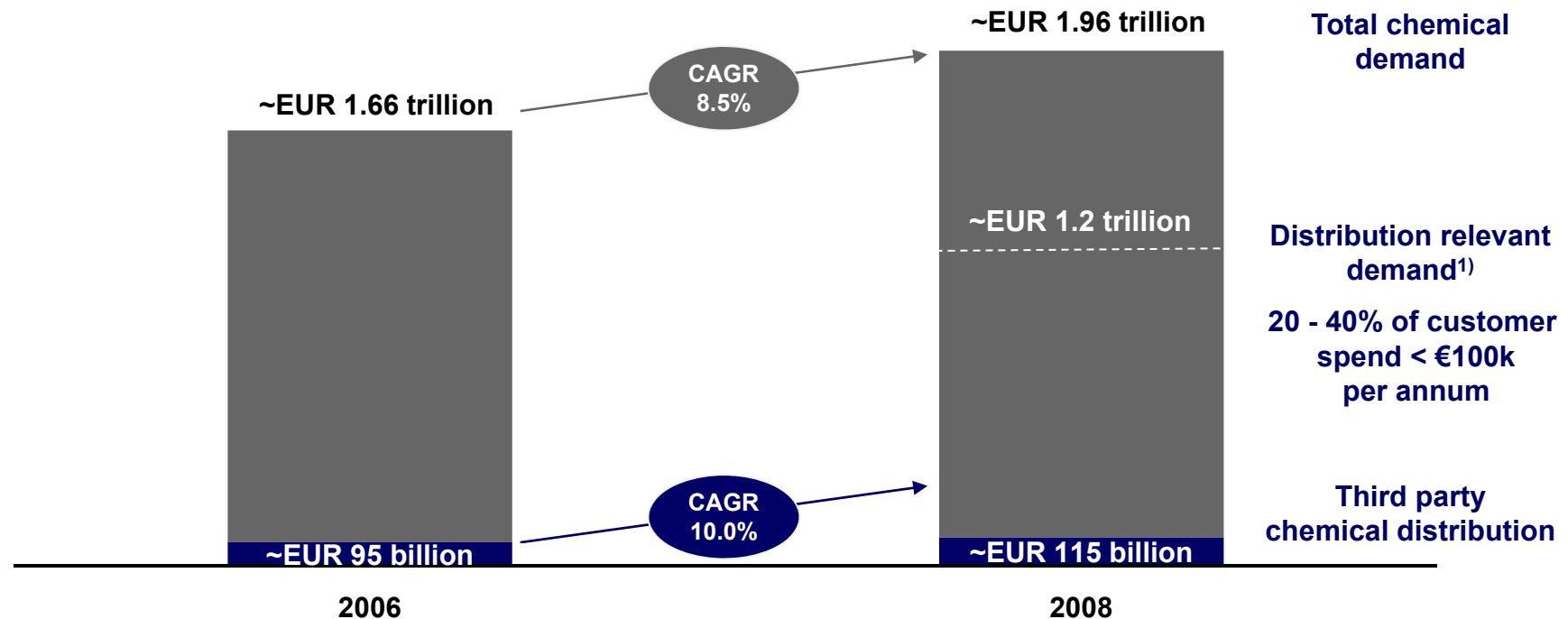
2) Former Ashland Distribution. Only 49% of Ashland Distribution revenues sourced from distribution of chemicals (Annual Report September 2009)

2. Key investment highlights

- ✓ Significant growth potential in an attractive industry

Third party chemical distribution outgrew total chemical demand

Third party chemical distribution opportunity



2. Key investment highlights

- ✓ Significant growth potential in an attractive industry

Multiple levers of organic growth and acquisition potential

Trend	Growth driver	Brenntag global initiative
Chemical distribution Industry growth	Growth in chemical demand	➔ Diverse business mix
	+	
	Outsourcing	➔ Turned-over business
Scale distributor Share gain	+	
	Value-added services	➔ Mixing and blending
	+	
Brenntag share gain	Share gain by scale distributors	➔ Key accounts
	+	
	Brenntag business mix	➔ Focus industries
	+	
	Acquisition growth	➔ M & A strategy
	=	

Significant organic and acquisition growth potential

2. Key investment highlights

- ✓ Significant growth potential in an attractive industry

Significant potential for consolidation and external growth

Building up scale and efficiencies

Expand geographic coverage

Improving full-line portfolio

Brenntag's acquisition track record

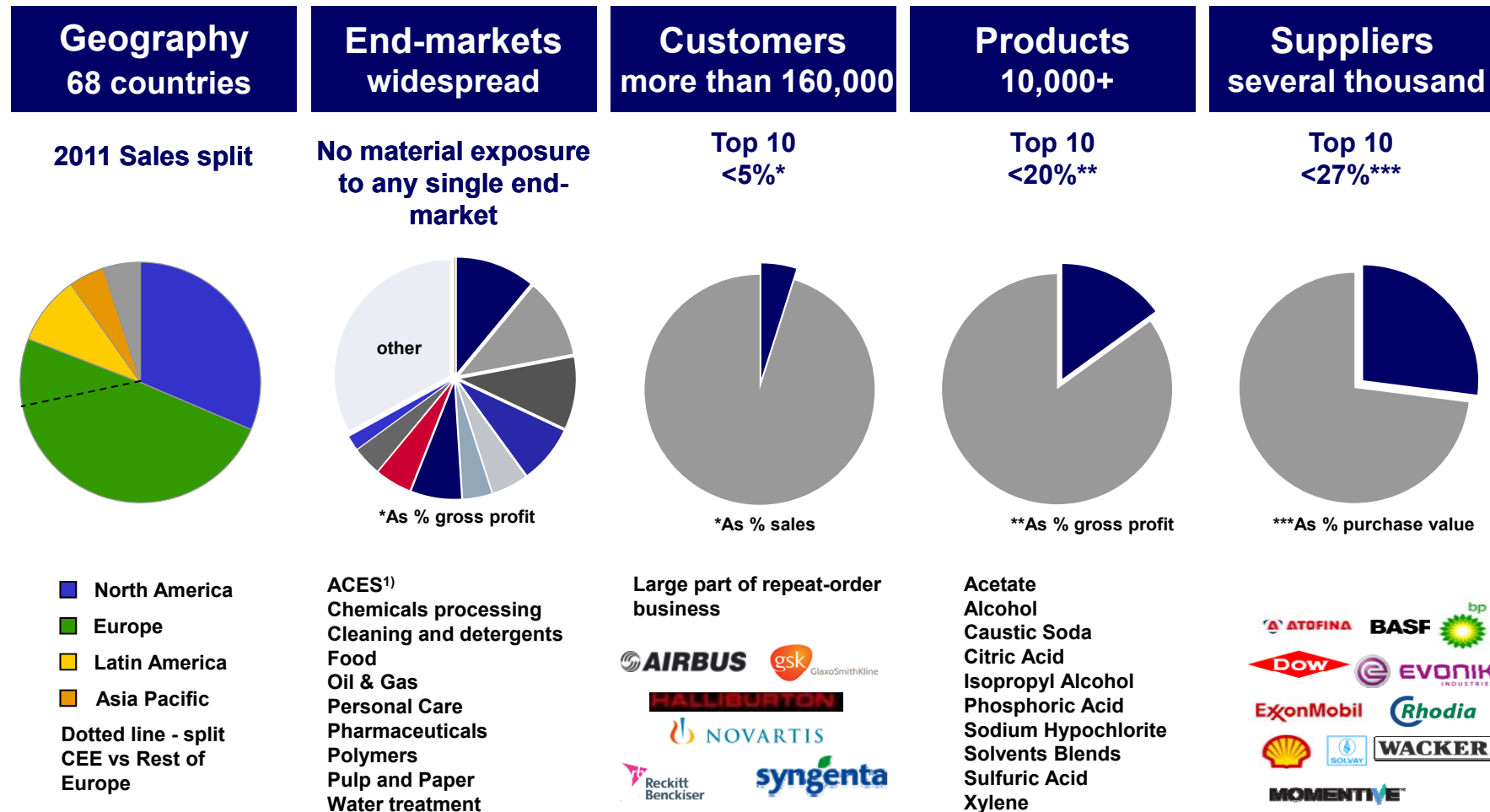
- 104 transactions since 1991, thereof 33 since 2007¹⁾
- Total cost of acquisitions²⁾ of EUR 573m from 2007 – May 2012
- Average investment amount of EUR 17m per transaction from 2007 – May 2012
- Synergy potential from cross-selling and cost saving opportunities mainly due to building up of scale and improved efficiency of acquisitions
- Market remains highly fragmented facilitating significant further consolidation potential

1) Without acquisitions performed by JV-Crest; including acquisitions performed until May 2012

2) Purchase price paid excluding debt assumed

2. Key investment highlights
 ✓ Superior business model with resilience

Diversity provides resilience and growth potential



Data for end-markets, customers, products and suppliers as per Management estimates

1) Adhesives, coatings, elastomers, sealants

High barriers to entry due to critical scale and scope

Permits and licences

Infrastructure availability

Regulatory standards

Know-how

**Rationalization of
distribution relationships**

Global reach



**Significant capital
resources and time
required to create a
global full-line
distributor**

Excellence in execution due to balance of global scale and local reach

Global platform

- ✓ **Core management functions**
 - Strategic direction
 - Controlling and Treasury
 - Information Technology
 - Quality, Health, Safety, Environment

- ✓ **Strategic growth initiatives**
 - Strategic supplier relationships
 - Turned-over business
 - Focus industries
 - Key accounts
 - Mergers & Acquisitions

- ✓ **Best practice transfer**

Local reach

- ✓ **Better local understanding of market trends and adaptation to respective customer needs**

- ✓ **Entrepreneurial culture**

- ✓ **Clear accountability**

- ✓ **Strong incentivization with high proportion of variable compensation of management**

- 2. Key investment highlights
- ✓ Highly experienced management team

Brenntag's board alone has more than 90 years of collective experience

Brenntag's board of management



Steven Holland
CEO

- With Brenntag since 2006
- 30 years of dedicated experience



Jürgen Buchsteiner
CFO

- With Brenntag since 2000
- More than 20 years of dedicated experience



William Fidler
Board Member

- With Brenntag since 1970
- 40 years of experience in chemicals distribution



Georg Müller
Board Member

- With Brenntag since 2003
- 10 years of experience in chemicals distribution

Next management level

Europe

- Harry van Baarlen, CEO
- With Brenntag since 1995

Latin America

- Peter Staartjes, President
- With Brenntag since 1984

Asia Pacific

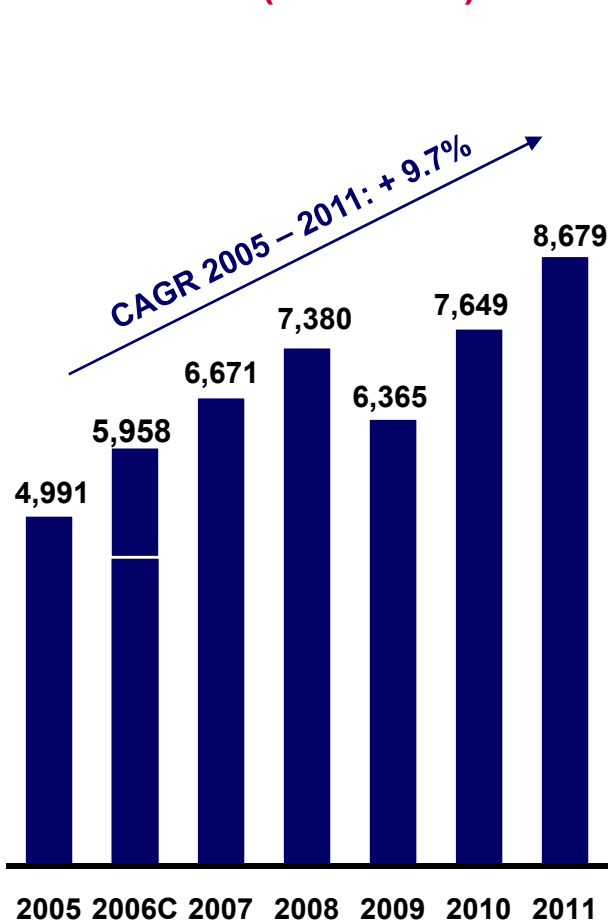
- Henry Nejade, President
- With Brenntag since 2008

Brenntag's top management comprises nearly 120 executive and senior managers

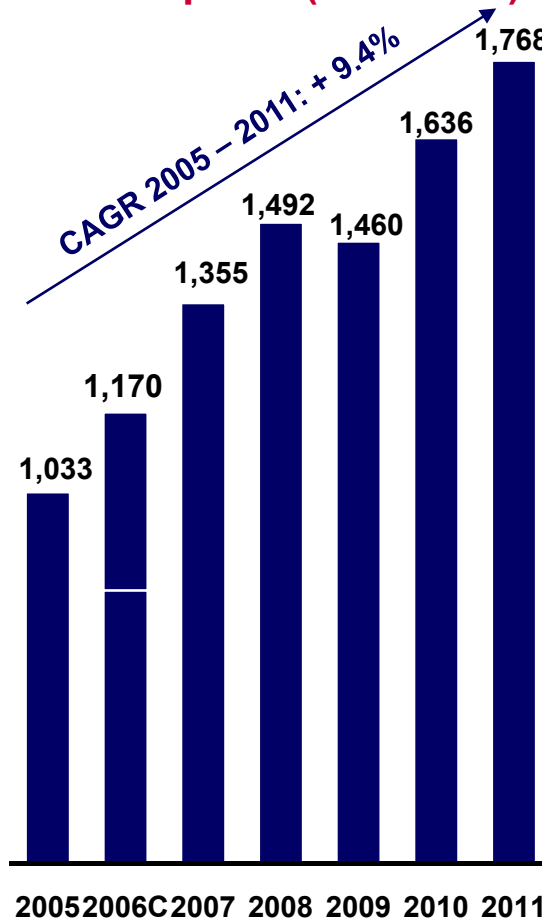
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Growth track record and resilience through the downturn

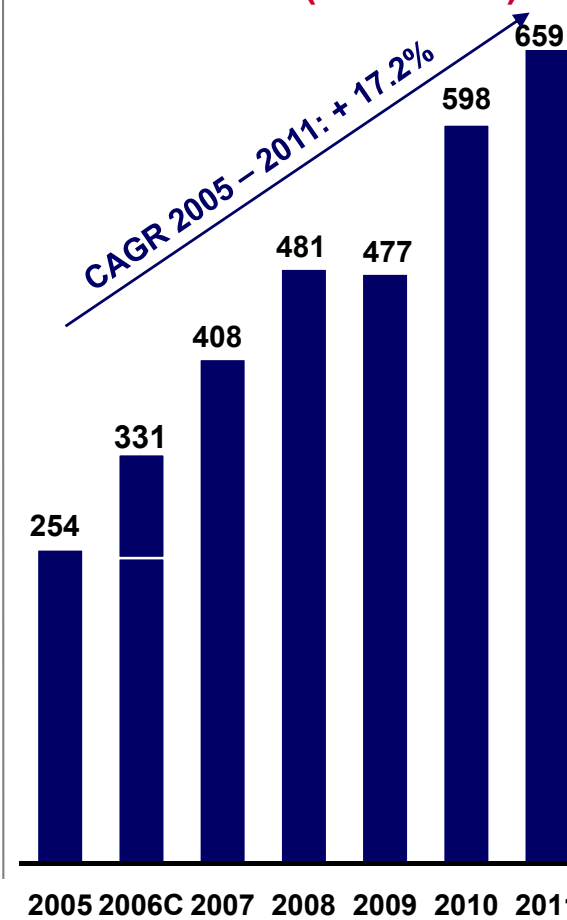
Sales (in EUR m)



Gross profit (in EUR m)



EBITDA (in EUR m)



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Introductory remarks to Q1 2012 earnings

Continued growth of earnings in a less volatile, but slower growing economic environment

Gross profit growth of 7.4% as well as operating EBITDA growth of 6.3% (both y-o-y, both FX adjusted) in Q1 2012

Business growth organically as well as through contribution of the 2011 acquisitions

Operating EBITDA positively impacted by stronger USD (average Q1 2012 USD/EUR 1.3108 versus average Q1 2011 USD/EUR 1.3680)

Non-recurring effect for expenses concerning efficiency-enhancing measures in Europe, partly offset by reversal of a provision related to the final settlement of a third party claim (net expenses of EUR 3m; adjusted operating EBITDA EUR 174.5m)

Segment Asia Pacific still impacted by flood effects in Thailand

Free cash flow increased significantly to EUR 77.9m

Operating highlights Q1 2012**Gross profit**

EUR 475.0m
FX adjusted increase of 7.4% y-o-y (as reported increase of 9.3% y-o-y)

**Operating EBITDA**

EUR 171.5m
FX adjusted increase of 6.3% y-o-y (as reported increase of 8.5% y-o-y).
Excluding non-recurring effects EUR 174.5m

**Operating EBITDA /
Gross profit**

36.1% (against 36.4% in Q1 2011 and 37.4% in FY 2011)
Excluding non-recurring effects 36.7%

**Cash flow**

Free cash flow of EUR 77.9m

Changes in the Board of Management

- **Jürgen Buchsteiner, currently CFO of Brenntag Group, will take over responsibility for Asia Pacific and Mergers & Acquisition**
- **Georg Müller has been appointed as additional Member of the Management Board of Brenntag AG**

The extended Board of Management



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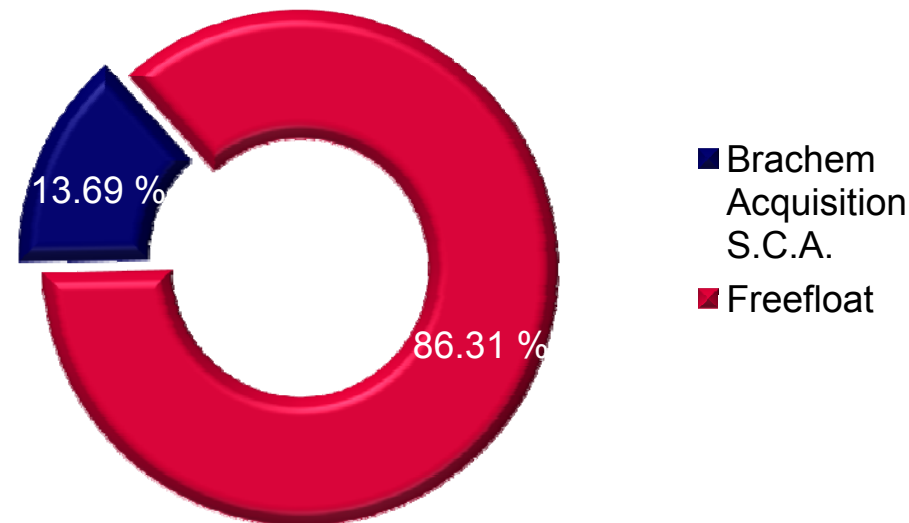


Georg Müller
Board Member

Increased free float

- **5th January 2012:** Brachem Acquisition S.C.A. placed 4.5 million shares for a price of EUR 70.00 per share with institutional investors. The free float increased from close to 64% to nearly 73%.
- **24th February 2012:** Brachem Acquisition S.C.A., Luxemburg, placed 7.0 million shares for a price of EUR 82.50 per share with institutional investors. The free float increased from nearly 73% to 86.3%.

New shareholder structure



Income statement Q1 2012

in EUR m	Q1 2012	Q1 2011	Δ	Δ FX adjusted	2011
Sales	2,384.8	2,127.1	12.1%	10.4%	8,679.3
Cost of goods sold	-1,909.8	-1,692.7	12.8%		-6,911.3
Gross profit	475.0	434.4	9.3%	7.4%	1,768.0
Expenses	-303.4	-276.5	9.7%		-1,109.2
EBITDA	171.6	157.9	8.7%	6.5%	658.8
Add back transaction costs ¹⁾	-0.1	0.2	n/m		2.1
Operating EBITDA	171.5	158.1	8.5%	6.3%	660.9
Operating EBITDA / Gross profit	36.1%	36.4%			37.4%

1) Transaction costs are costs related to restructuring and refinancing under company law.

Income statement Q1 2012 (continued)

in EUR m	Q1 2012	Q1 2011	Δ	2011
EBITDA	171.6	157.9	8.7%	658.8
Depreciation	-22.8	-21.4	6.5%	-88.9
EBITA	148.8	136.5	9.0%	569.9
Amortization	-8.6	-6.0	43.3%	-24.1
EBIT	140.2	130.5	7.4%	545.8
Financial result	-22.6	-28.4	-20.4%	-126.3¹⁾
EBT	117.6	102.1	15.2%	419.5
Profit after tax	79.4	66.9	18.7%	279.3
EPS	1.54	1.30	18.5%	5.39
EPS excl. Amortization and Zhong Yung liability²⁾	1.66	1.38	20.3%	5.93

1) Thereof EUR -10.6m related to change in purchase price obligation Zhong Yung (International) Chemical Ltd., which has to be recorded in the income statement according to IFRS

2) Adjusted for the net effect of amortizations and changes in the purchase price obligation for the outstanding 49% in Zhong Yung (International) Chemical Ltd.

Cash flow statement Q1 2012

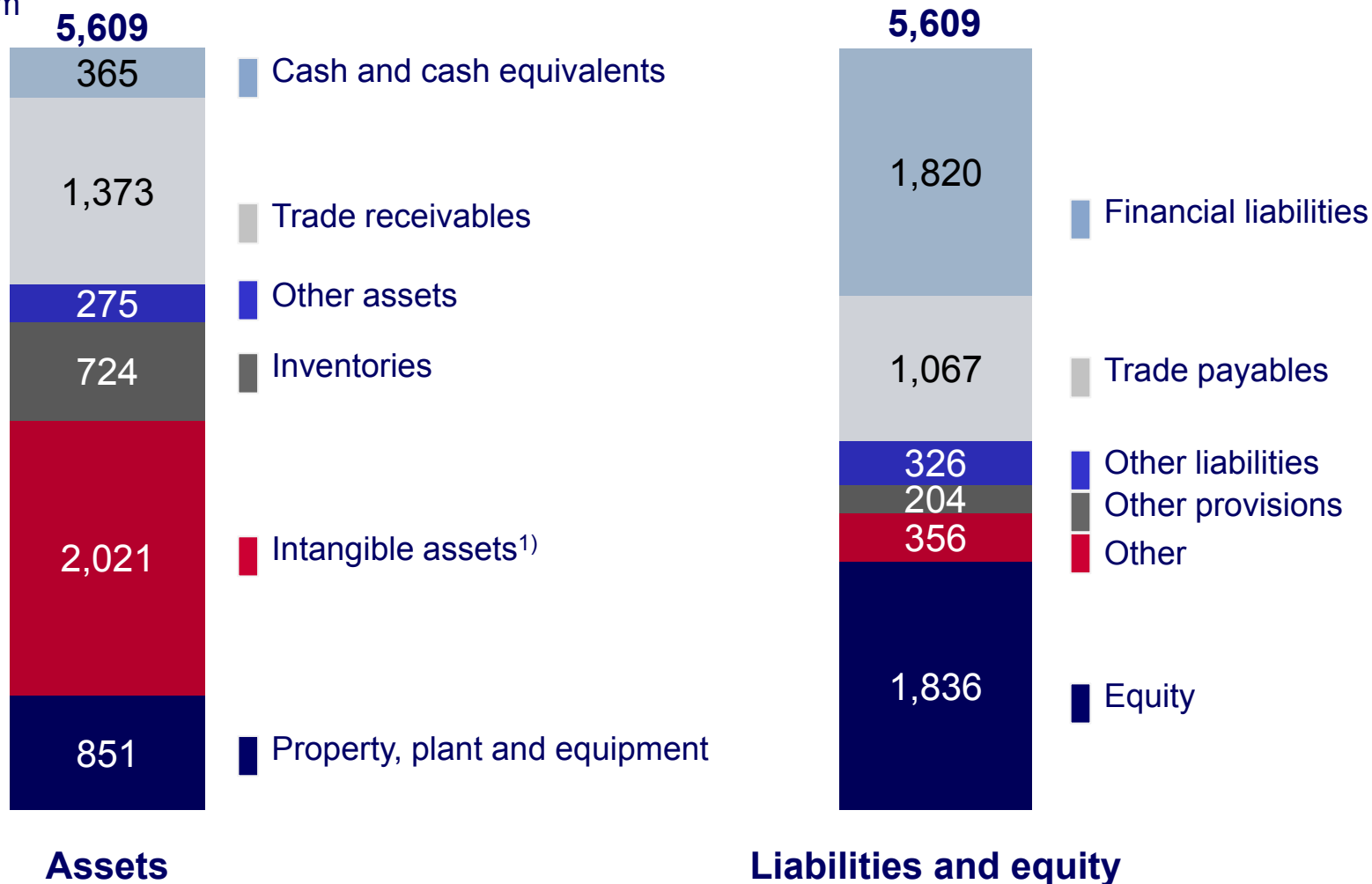
in EUR m	Q1 2012	Q1 2011	2011
Profit after tax	79.4	66.9	279.3
Depreciation & amortization	31.4	27.4	113.0
Income taxes	38.2	35.2	140.2
Income tax payments	-25.6	-25.8	-119.3
Interest result	21.2	26.3	107.3
Interest payments (net)	-21.7	-30.9	-112.0
Changes in current assets and liabilities	-96.6	-90.1	-59.1
Change in purchase price obligation / IAS 32	0.5	0.3	12.1
Other	-0.6	0.7	-11.9
Cash provided by operating activities	26.2	10.0	349.6

Cash flow statement Q1 2012 (continued)

in EUR m	Q1 2012	Q1 2011	2011
Purchases of intangible assets and property, plant & equipment (PPE)	-16.5	-16.9	-86.3
Purchases of consolidated subsidiaries and other business units	-0.7	-	-122.3
Other	1.8	3.9	10.5
Cash used for investing activities	-15.4	-13.0	-198.1
Capital increase	-	-	-
Payments in connection with the capital increase	-	-	-
Purchases of shares in companies already consolidated	-	-	-25.3
Dividends paid to minority shareholders	-	-	-5.8
Dividends paid to Brenntag shareholders	-	-	-72.1
Repayment of borrowings (net)	-103.1	0.4	46.1
Cash used for financing activities	-103.1	0.4	-57.1
Change in cash & cash equivalents	-92.3	-2.6	94.4

Balance sheet as of 31 March 2012

in EUR m



1) Of the intangible assets as of March 31, 2012, some EUR 1,175 million relate to goodwill and trademarks that were capitalized as part of the purchase price allocation performed on the acquisition of the Brenntag Group by funds advised by BC Partners Limited, Bain Capital, Ltd. and subsidiaries of Goldman Sachs International at the end of the third quarter of 2006 in addition to the relevant intangible assets already existing in the previous Group structure.

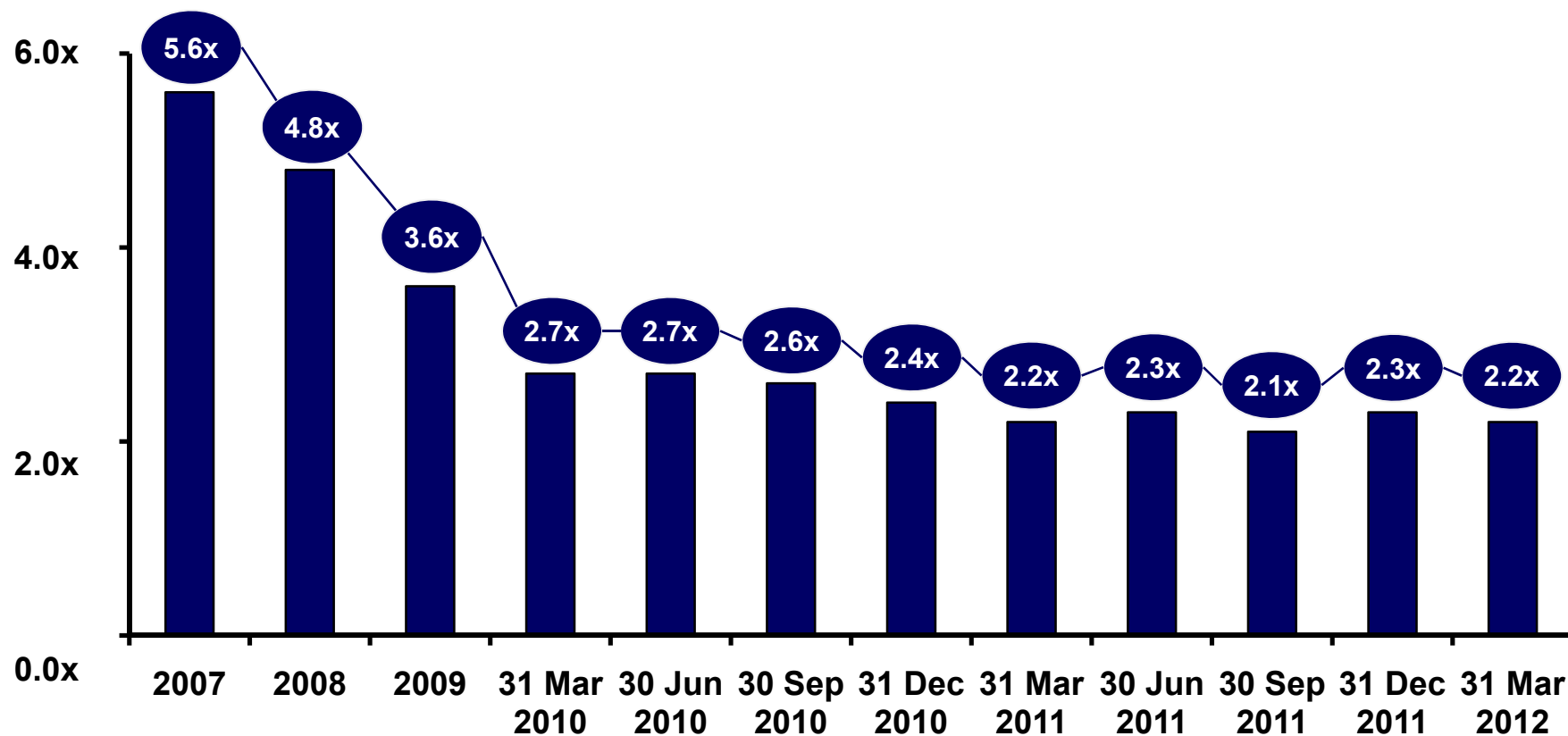
Balance sheet and leverage Q1 2012

in EUR m	31 March 2012	31 Dec 2011	30 Sep 2011	30 June 2011	31 Mar 2011	31 Dec 2010	31 Dec 2009
Financial liabilities¹⁾	1,819.5	1,952.4	1,855.2	1,729.8	1,726.7	1,783.8	2,436.3
./. Cash and cash equivalents	364.5	458.8	481.6	259.2	349.8	362.9	602.6
Net Debt	1,455.0	1,493.6	1,373.6	1,470.6	1,376.9	1,420.9	1,833.7
Net Debt / Operating EBITDA²⁾	2.2x	2.3x	2.1x	2.3x	2.2x	2.4x	3.6x
Equity	1,835.7	1,761.3	1,647.9	1,631.1	1,642.0	1,617.9	172.3

1) Excluding shareholder loan in an amount of EUR 702.2m for 31 Dec 2009. No shareholder loan was in place as of 31 Mar 2010 and subsequent quarters.

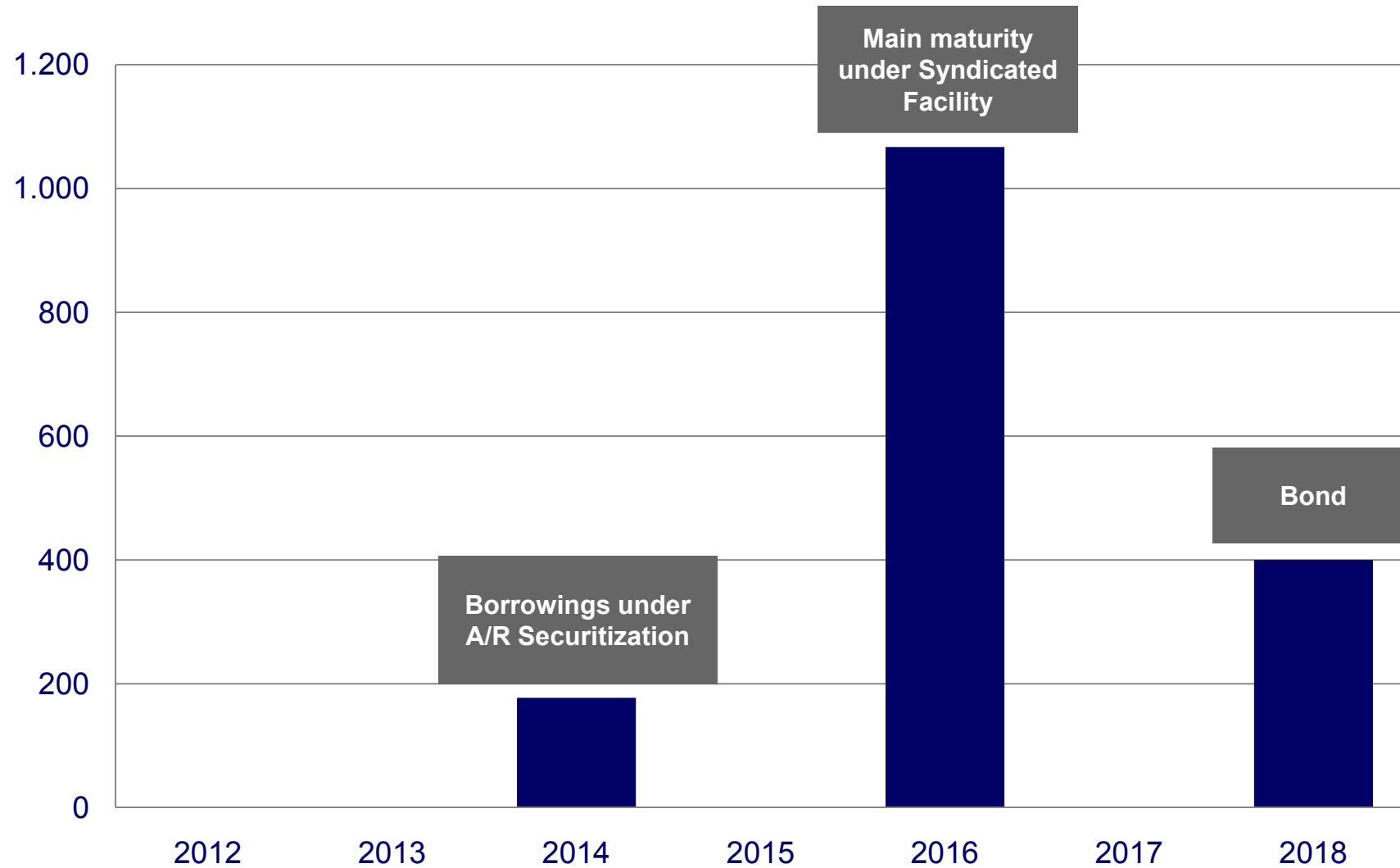
2) Operating EBITDA for the quarters on LTM basis; 2009 adjusted for expense items relating to the early termination of a multi-year incentive program.

Leverage: Net debt / Operating EBITDA Q1 2012



- Net debt defined as current financial liabilities plus non-current financial liabilities less (cash and cash equivalents)
- Operating EBITDA for the quarters on LTM basis; 2009 adjusted for expense items relating to the early termination of a multi-year incentive program.

Maturities profile as of 31 March 2012¹⁾



1) Syndicated loan, bond and liabilities under the international accounts receivable securitization program excluding accrued interest and transaction costs (on the basis of exchanges rates on March 31, 2012)

Working capital Q1 2012

in EUR m	31 March 2012	31 Dec 2011	30 Sep 2011	30 June 2011	31 Mar 2011	31 Dec 2010
Inventories	723.6	696.8	653.4	645.7	606.0	606.1
+ Trade receivables	1,373.0	1,220.9	1,279.2	1,264.8	1,216.2	1,059.7
./. Trade payables	1,066.8	956.6	975.3	923.5	917.7	834.1
Working capital (end of period)	1,029.8	961.1	957.3	987.0	904.5	831.7
Working capital turnover (year-to-date)¹⁾	9.6x	9.3x	9.4x	9.5x	9.8x	10.2x
Working capital turnover (last twelve months)²⁾	9.2x	9.3x	9.3x	9.5x	9.9x	10.2x

1) Using sales on year-to-date basis and average working capital year-to-date

2) Using sales on LTM basis and average LTM working capital

Free cash flow Q1 2012

in EUR m	Q1 2012	Q1 2011	Δ	Δ	2011
EBITDA	171.6	157.9	13.7	8.7%	658.8
Capex	-13.0	-12.6	-0.4	3.2%	-86.0
Δ Working capital	-80.7	-97.4	16.7	-17.1%	-61.0
Free cash flow	77.9	47.9	30.0	62.6%	511.8

Segments Q1 2012

in EUR m		Europe	North America	Latin America	Asia Pacific	All other segments	Group
External sales	Q1 2012	1,148.8	759.3	221.5	144.1	111.1	2,384.8
	Q1 2011	1,091.0	652.7	191.2	85.6	106.6	2,127.1
	Δ	5.3%	16.3%	15.8%	68.3%	4.2%	12.1%
	Δ FX adjusted	5.7%	11.7%	11.9%	63.2%	4.2%	10.4%
Operating gross profit	Q1 2012	238.7	178.5	40.6	23.9	4.5	486.2
	Q1 2011	227.7	155.7	35.8	19.9	4.4	443.5
	Δ	4.8%	14.6%	13.4%	20.1%	2.3%	9.6%
	Δ FX adjusted	4.8%	10.1%	9.4%	16.0%	2.3%	7.6%
Operating EBITDA	Q1 2012	79.6	73.9	13.5	10.6	-6.1	171.5
	Q1 2011	78.4	63.2	11.8	9.8	-5.1	158.1
	Δ	1.5%	16.9%	14.4%	8.2%	19.6%	8.5%
	Δ FX adjusted	1.5%	12.3%	11.6%	5.0%	19.6%	6.3%

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	2011 Q1 2012	Comments	Trend 2012 and 2013
Sales	EUR 8,679m EUR 2,385m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing but slower macroeconomic growth • Outsourcing trends to distribution, the preferential role of scale distributors and Brenntag's strong competitive position are expected to provide further growth potential 	
Gross profit	EUR 1,768m EUR 475m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based on past experience, price changes are expected to have no significant influence on gross profit • Further positive development of gross profit is expected due to higher volumes and improved gross profit per unit 	
Operating EBITDA	EUR 661m EUR 172m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operating EBITDA expected to benefit from efficiency improvements • Changes in USD/EUR conversion rate will continue to have some translational impact • Zhong Yung (International) and Multisol Group acquisitions as well as smaller acquisitions will have full-year impact 	
Profit after tax	EUR 279m EUR 79m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successful refinancing will show full-year impact 	

Outlook

	2011 Q1 2012	Comments	Trend 2012 and 2013
Working capital	EUR 961m EUR 1,030m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To a large extent a function of sales growth Business growth will lead to an increase of working capital 	
Capex	EUR 86m EUR 13m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capex spending will be slightly above depreciation due to increasing business activities Capex sufficient to support organic growth 	
Free cash flow	EUR 512m EUR 78m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Free cash flow is expected to increase further Continuous improve of the Group's liquidity position 	

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Longstanding history of more than 140 years

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| 1874 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Philipp Mühsam founds the business in Berlin |
| 1912 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Entry into chemical distribution business |
| 1966 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Brenntag becomes international, acquiring Balder in Belgium |
| 1970-1979 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• US business established; continued acquisitions in European and North American chemicals distribution business |
| 1980-1989 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Further expansion in North America |
| 1990-2000 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Expansion in Europe via acquisitions; takeover of Neuber Group in Austria establishes foothold in Central and Eastern Europe |
| 2000 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Acquisition of Holland Chemical International, at the time the fifth largest chemical distributor worldwide, providing global scale and a leading position in Latin America |
| 2000-2008 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Becoming global market leader; acquisition of LA Chemicals (US, 2006), Schweizerhall (Switzerland, 2006) and Albion (UK and Ireland, 2006) |
| 2008 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Acquisition of Rhodia's distribution activities in 8 countries, establishing Asia Pacific platform |
| 2010 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• IPO; acquisition of EAC Industrial Ingredients, substantially strengthening presence in Asia Pacific |
| 2011 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Market entry in China |

Strategy focus on continued profitable growth

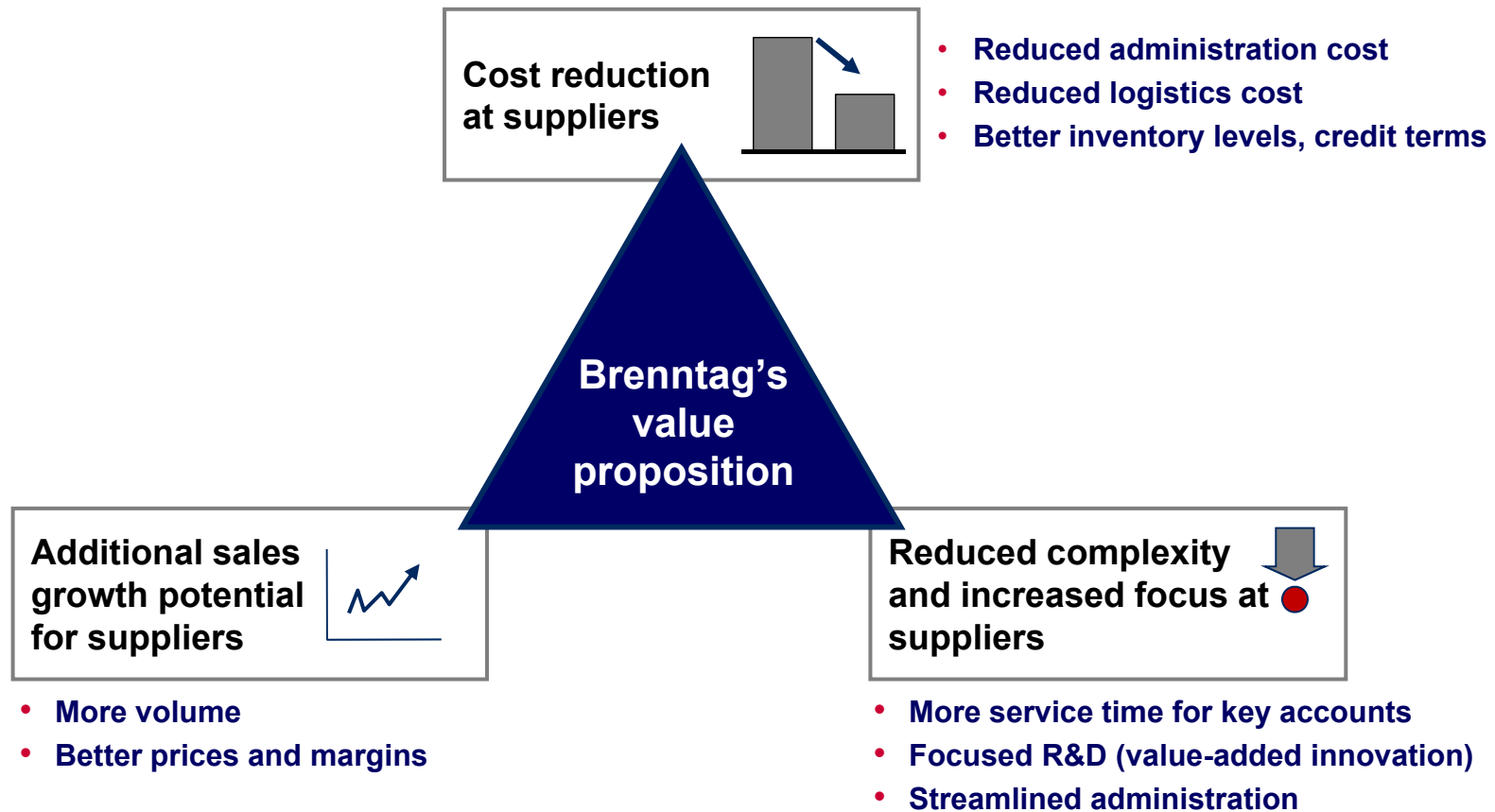


Be the safest, fastest growing, most profitable, global chemical distributor and preferred channel for both specialty and industrial chemicals

- **Focus on organic growth and acquisitions**
 - Intense customer orientation
 - Full-line product portfolio focused on value-added services
 - Complete geographic coverage
 - Accelerated growth in target markets
 - Commercial and technical competence
 - Continued commitment to Responsible Care / Distribution
- **Maintain focus on profitability and returns**
- **Global top initiatives and regional strategies**

Top initiative – Turned-over business

Substantially increase supplier penetration by proactively taking over smaller customers from suppliers



Top initiative – Focused segment growth

Significantly increase share in customer industries where Brenntag can achieve above average growth



ACES¹⁾



Water Treatment



Food



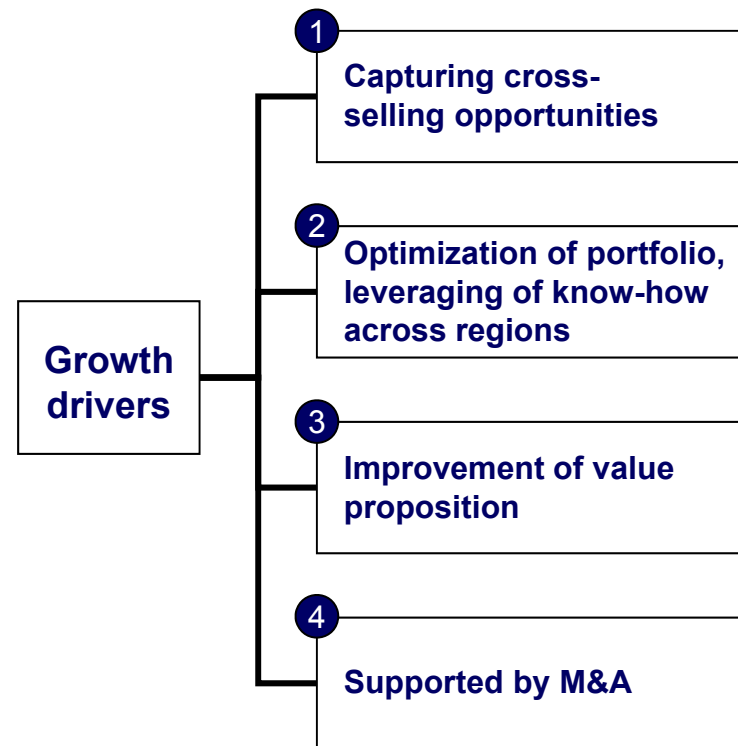
Personal care



Oil & Gas



Pharma



1) Adhesives, coatings, elastomers, sealants

Top initiative – Key accounts

Increase business with pan-regional / global key customers based on increased demand



Concept

- **Management believes amount spent by customers on chemical distribution may be 15% to 25% of their total chemical spending**
- **Partnering with an international distributor can greatly reduce the cost and time of supplier management, allowing customer procurement to focus on strategic materials**
- **International distribution can bundle customers' global usage to simplify the interaction with producers**
- **Knowledge gain at one customer site can be rapidly transferred to all other sites, thus lessening project development time, approval of alternate sources, or implementing best-in-class logistics**
- **One contract or working document applies to all business interactions leading to quicker implementation, reduced misunderstandings and elimination of regional differences**
- **An international distributor can grow with the customer as the customer enters new geographical and business markets**

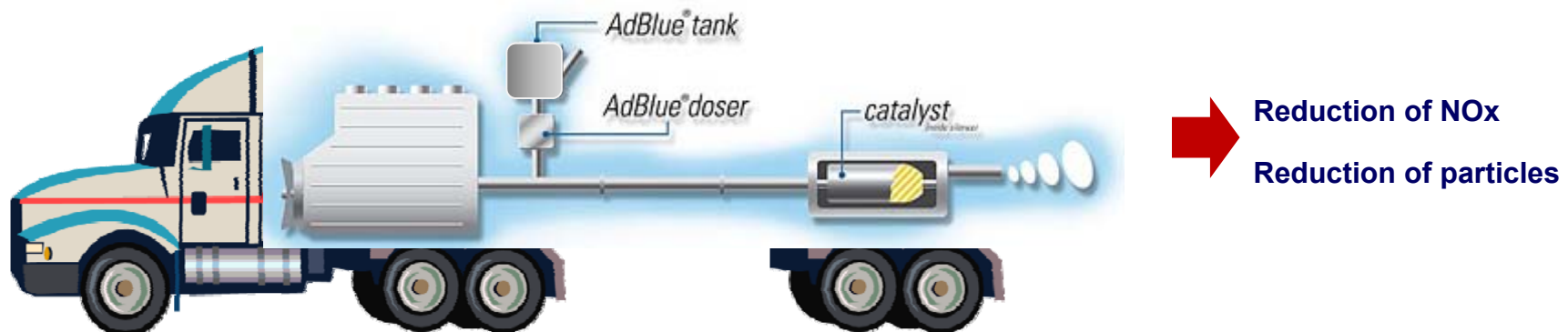
Customers who take advantage of Brenntag's truly global network contributed EUR 844m of sales in 2011.

Top initiative – AdBlue / DEF¹⁾

High volume growth of high quality urea solution needed for catalytic reaction in trucks to fulfill regulatory requirements in Europe (AdBlue) and North America (DEF)

Concept

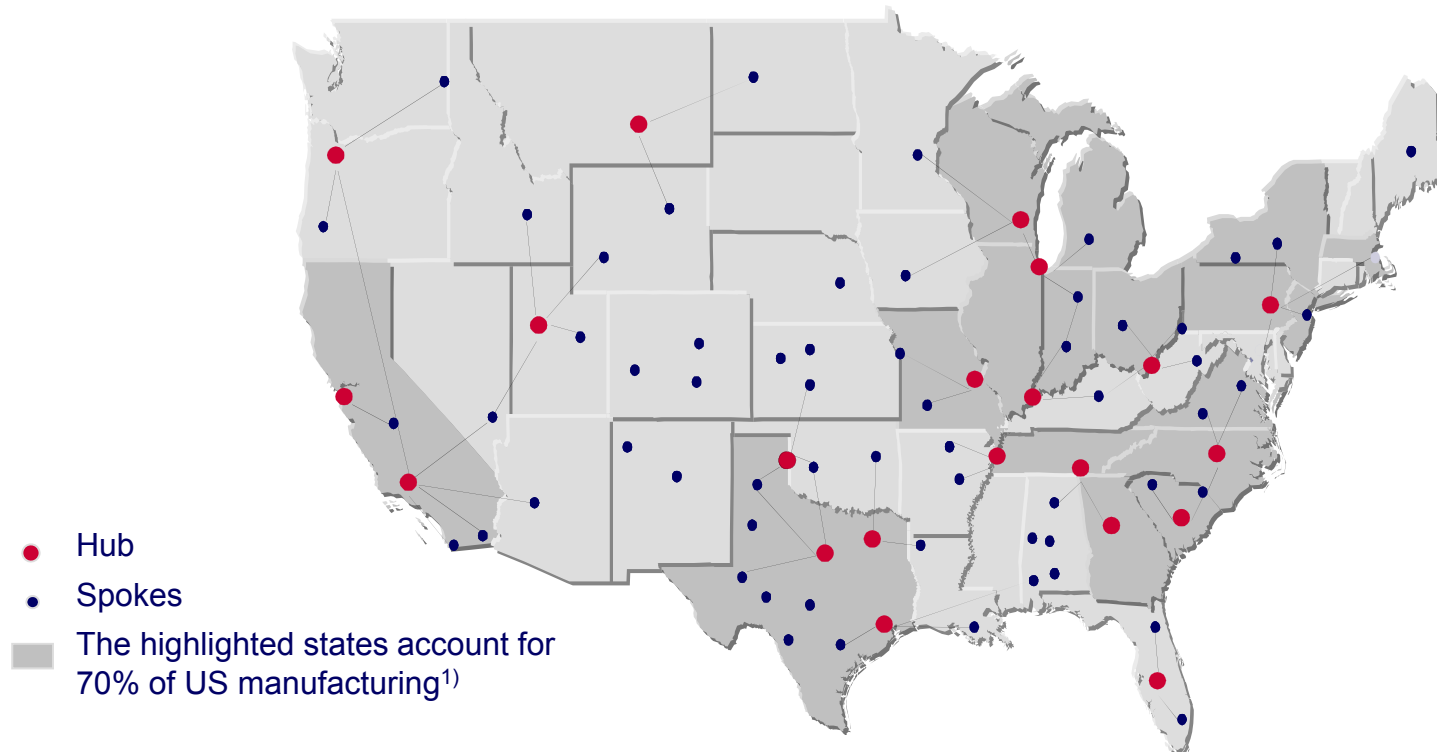
- In Europe and North America new trucks have to meet specific norms for reduced emissions.
- High quality urea solution is needed for catalyst reaction to fulfill those norms.
- Brenntag has developed special logistics and consultancy concepts to facilitate supply of our customers with AdBlue/ DEF. This concept focuses on guaranteeing a consistently high quality standard throughout the supply chain from production and all logistics services to the arrival of the product at the customer's premises.
- For 30 liters of truck diesel 1 liter of AdBlue is required.



1) Diesel Exhaust Fuel

North America – Efficient hub & spoke system

Hub & spoke system – efficient management of stock and storage utilization



- **Larger distribution sites (“hubs”)** are fully equipped with tanks, filling stations, mixing and blending facilities and storage facilities for packaged products
- **Smaller distribution sites (“spokes”)** represent warehouse facilities for packaged products that are supplied from the larger sites

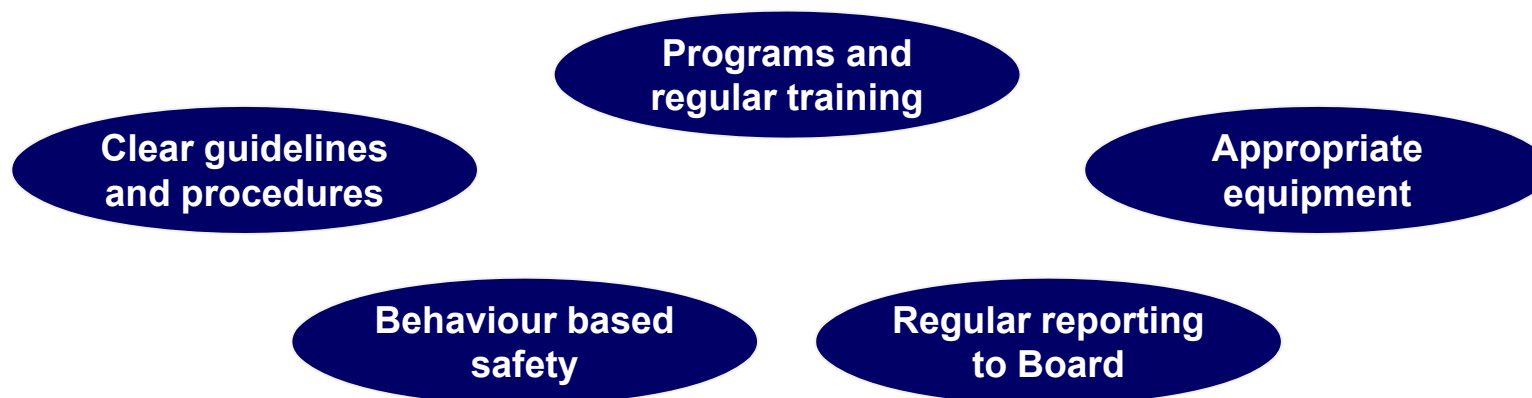
1) BEA Bureau of Economic Analysis

Committed to health, safety and the environment

Committed to the principles of Responsible Care / Responsible Distribution¹⁾

- **Product responsibility**
- **Plant safety**
- **Occupational safety and health**
- **Comprehensive environmental protection (air, water, soil, raw materials, waste)**
- **Transport safety**

Brenntag approach



1) Program of the International Council of Chemical Trade Associations

Acquisitions have achieved three main objectives

Building up scale and efficiencies

- **Germany, 2002**
Biesterfeld
- **UK and Ireland, 2006**
Albion
- **Switzerland, 2006**
Schweizerhall
- **Western US, 2006**
Quadra and LA Chemicals
- **Mid-South US, 2007**
Ulrich Chemicals
- **North-Eastern US, 2010**
Houghton Chemicals
- **Northern US, 2011**
G.S. Robins

Expanding geographic coverage

- **CEE, 2000**
Neuber
- **Canada / Latin America / Nordic, 2000**
Holland Chemical Intl
- **North Africa, 2005**
Group Alliance
- **Ukraine & Russia, 2008**
Dipol
- **Asia Pacific, 2008**
Rhodia
- **Asia Pacific, 2010 EAC**
Industrial Ingredients
- **China, 2011 Zhong Yung**
(International) Chemical

Improving full-line portfolio

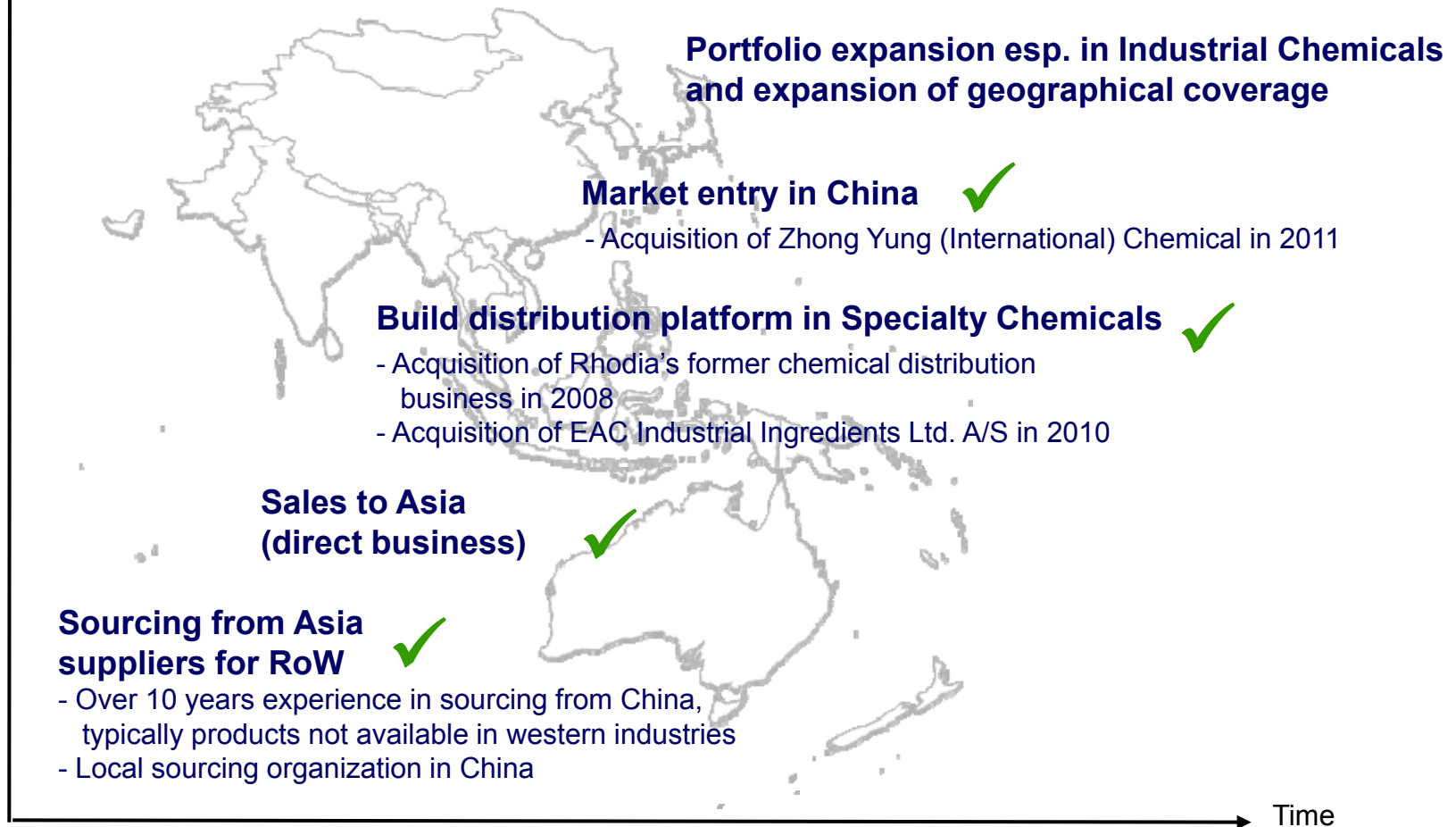
- **ACES¹⁾, 2004**
Acquacryl/Chemacryl (UK)
- **ACES¹⁾, 2007**
St. Lawrence (Canada)
- **Food, 2005, 2007-09**
6 distributors in Spain, Italy, Turkey, Mexico and the UK
- **Oil & Gas, 2005-06, 2008**
3 distributors in North America
- **Food, 2010 + 2011**
Riba (Spain), Amco (Mexico)
- **Lubricant additives, 2011**
Multisol (UK)

1) Adhesives, coatings, elastomers, sealants

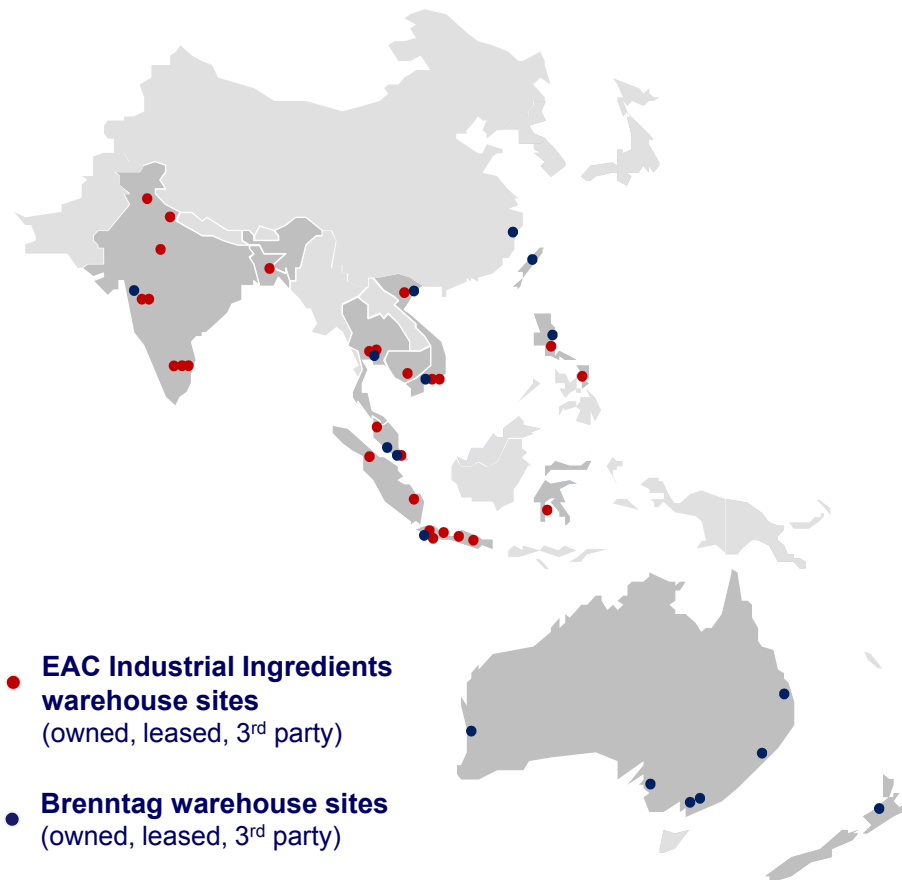
Asia Pacific – Clearly defined strategy

**Brenntag's goal:
Full-line distribution in Asia Pacific with access to various markets**

Strategic steps to build up pan-Asian network



Acquisition of EAC Industrial Ingredients



Fully in line with Brenntag's growth strategy to expand presence in emerging markets

Quantum leap from foothold in Asia Pacific to an established Asia Pacific Platform – market entry in two new Asian markets (Cambodia, Bangladesh)

Significant benefits with existing suppliers and customers and potential to further boost business

EUR 160m purchase price on a cash & debt free basis, implied

- 2010e multiple of 9.5x EV/EBITDA
- 2011e multiple of 6.6x EV/EBITDA

Strategic market entry in China

- Acquisition of Zhong Yung (International) Chemical Ltd.
- Purchase of the first tranche of 51% end of August 2011 and consolidation since September 1, 2011
- Acquisition of the remaining stake is contracted for 2016
- Enterprise value for the first tranche of 51% of the shares is EUR 65.8m, higher than previously reported due to strong Q4 performance above expectations
- Zhong Yung is focused on the distribution of solvents with established commercial and logistical infrastructure in the key economic regions in China



Introductory remarks to 2011 earnings

Full-year 2011 operating EBITDA of EUR 660.9m in the middle of the guidance range of EUR 650m to EUR 670m

Operating EBITDA marks another record year and represents a 12.2% growth over 2010 on a constant currency basis (9.7% as reported)

Growth drivers were the continuing organic growth of the operating business, increased efficiencies and the earnings contribution from acquisitions

Acquisitions of Zhong Yung (International) Chemicals in China and Multisol Group (Europe, Africa) contributed to results

Proposed dividend payment of EUR 2.00 per share (payout ratio of 37% of net profit after tax attributable to Brenntag shareholders)

Operating highlights 2011

Gross profit

EUR 1,768.0m
FX adjusted increase of 10.0% y-o-y (as reported increase of 8.0% y-o-y)



Operating EBITDA

EUR 660.9m
FX adjusted increase of 12.2% y-o-y (as reported increase of 9.7% y-o-y)



Operating EBITDA / Gross profit

37.4% (against 36.8% FY2010)



Return on net assets

32.5% (against 33.0% FY 2010)



Cash flow

Strong free cash flow of EUR 511.8m (against EUR 376.1m FY 2010)

Acquisitions

Acquisitions with a total of EUR 255.8m enterprise value

Successful acquisitions 2011

Acquired company	Strategic rationale
G.S. Robins & Company, St. Louis, Missouri, USA	Improve scale and efficiencies in North America, expand positioning in focus industries like food and water treatment
Zhong Yung (International) Chemical Co., Ltd., Hongkong	Expand geographic coverage into China, the fastest-growing chemical market
Multisol Group Ltd., Nantwich, UK	Improve full-line portfolio and expand it into high-quality base oils and lubricant additives
Amco Internacional S.A. de C.V., Mexico City, Mexico	Improve full-line portfolio and expand it into aroma chemicals, essential oils and food ingredients
Purchase of outstanding shares in Brenntag Polska and acquisition of Motor Polimer sp. z o.o., Suchy Las, Poland	Improve scale and efficiencies in Eastern Europe

Expansion of product portfolio into base oils and lubricant additives

- Acquisition of Multisol Group Ltd., a specialty chemical distributor of high value specialty chemicals
- Enterprise value is EUR 120.4m
- Multisol provides a further product portfolio expansion into lubricant additives and high quality base oils
- Multisol expands Brenntag's mixing and blending capabilities
- Multisol's geographic presence in Europe and Africa complements Brenntag's existing infrastructure and logistics network to drive sales growth



in GBP m	2012E
Sales	>200
Gross profit	39
EBITDA	19

Refinancing

- **Refinancing took advantage of Brenntag's continued successful track record and the attractive market environment in the first half of 2011**
- **Resulting in extended maturities, high degree of financial flexibility and significant margin improvements**
- **Credit ratings upgraded to BBB- by Standard & Poor's and Ba1 by Moody's**
- **Replacement of nearly all of the Group's debt funded on July 19, 2011**
- **Attractive instrument mix with a patient maturity profile**
 - **Approx. EUR 1.5bn 5-years multi-currency syndicated loan facilities; thereof approx. EUR 1.2bn drawn and EUR 0.4m available**
 - **EUR 400m inaugural 7-years corporate bond**
 - **Approx. EUR 177m A/R Securitization remains in place, but maturity extended to 3-years (already in June 2011)**

Refinancing (continued)

- Brenntag issued its first bond in July 2011
- Further diversification of the financing mix
- Substantial demand among investors, issuance was oversubscribed several times

Main data of the Brenntag bond

ISIN	XS0645941419
Issuer	Brenntag Finance B.V.
Listing	Luxembourg Stock Exchange
Amount	EUR 400m
Coupon	5.50%
Maturity	19 July 2018
Rating	BBB- / Ba1

Income statement

in EUR m	2011	2010	Δ	Δ FX adjusted
Sales	8,679.3	7,649.1	13.5%	15.4%
Cost of goods sold	-6,911.3	-6,012.7	14.9%	
Gross profit	1,768.0	1,636.4	8.0%	10.0%
Expenses	-1,109.2	-1,038.8	6.8%	
EBITDA	658.8	597.6	10.2%	12.8%
Add back transaction costs ¹⁾	2.1	5.0		
Operating EBITDA	660.9	602.6	9.7%	12.2%
Operating EBITDA / Gross profit	37.4%	36.8%		

1) Transaction costs are costs connected with restructuring and refinancing under company law.

Income Statement (continued)

in EUR m	2011	2010	Δ
EBITDA	658.8	597.6	10.2%
Depreciation	-88.9	-84.0	5.8%
EBITA	569.9	513.6	11.0%
Amortization¹⁾	-24.1	-104.6	-77.0%
EBIT	545.8	409.0	33.4%
Financial result	-126.3²⁾	-177.2	-28.7%
EBT	419.5	231.8	81.0%
Profit after tax	279.3	146.6	90.5%

1) This figure includes for the period January to December 2011 scheduled amortization of customer relationships totalling EUR 16.4 million (2010: EUR 96.2 million). Of the amortization of customer relationships, in the prior period EUR 79.4 million resulted from the amortization of customer relationships which were capitalized on the acquisition of the Brenntag Group by funds advised by BC Partners Limited, Bain Capital, Ltd. and subsidiaries of Goldman Sachs International at the end of the third quarter of 2006. These customer relationships were fully amortized over four years until September 30, 2010.

2) Thereof EUR -10.6m are related to change in purchase price obligation Zhong Yung (International) Chemical Ltd., which has to be recorded in the income statement according to IFRS.

Cash flow statement

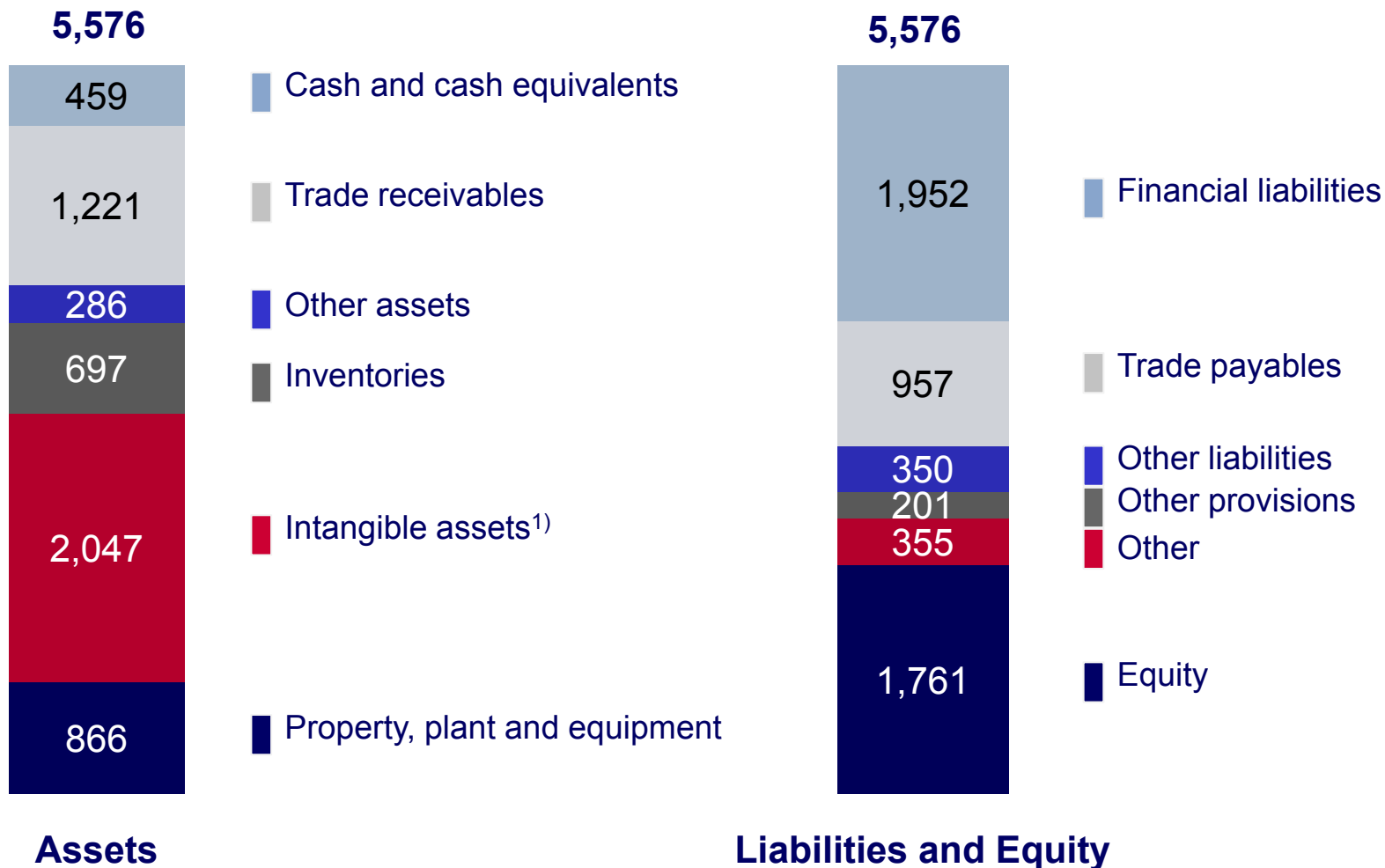
in EUR m	2011	2010
Profit after tax	279.3	146.6
Depreciation & amortization	113.0	188.6
Income taxes	140.2	85.2
Income tax payments	-119.3	-86.1
Interest result	107.3	168.3
Interest payments (net)	-112.0	-195.3
Changes in current assets and liabilities	-59.1	-117.1
Other	0.2	-39.9
Cash provided by operating activities	349.6	150.3

Cash flow statement (continued)

in EUR m	2011	2010
Purchases of intangible assets and property, plant & equipment	-86.3	-81.2
Purchases of consolidated subsidiaries and other business units	-122.3	-143.1
Other	10.5	5.8
Cash used for investing activities	-198.1	-218.5
Capital increase	-	525.0
Payments in connection with the capital increase	-	-13.7
Purchases of shares in companies already consolidated	-25.3	-3.6
Dividends paid to minority shareholders	-5.8	-5.9
Dividends paid to Brenntag shareholders	-72.1	-
Repayment of (-) / proceeds from (+) borrowings (net)	46.1	-688.9
Cash used for financing activities	-57.1	-187.1
Change in cash & cash equivalents	94.4	-255.3

Balance sheet as of 31 December 2011

in EUR m



1) Of the intangible assets as of December 31, 2011, some EUR 1,189 million relate to goodwill and trademarks that were capitalized as part of the purchase price allocation performed on the acquisition of the Brenntag Group by funds advised by BC Partners Limited, Bain Capital, Ltd. and subsidiaries of Goldman Sachs International at the end of the third quarter of 2006 in addition to the relevant intangible assets already existing in the previous Group structure.

Specific effects relating to the consolidation of Zhong Yung

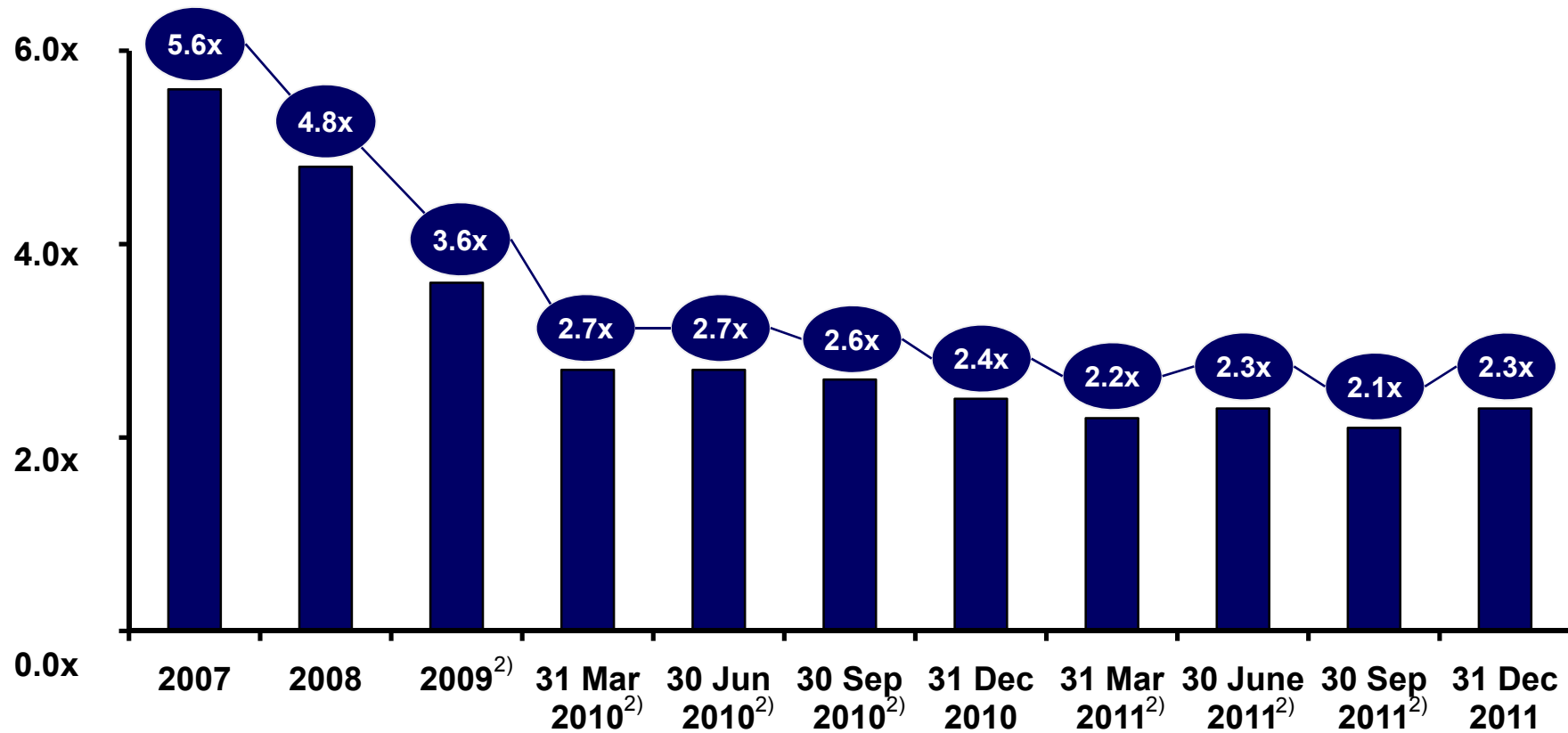
- **51% of Zhong Yung is currently owned by Brenntag; the acquisition of the remaining 49% stake is contracted for 2016.**
- **Zhong Yung is fully consolidated by the Brenntag Group since September 2011.**
- **Earnings attributable to our co-owning partner are recorded in the income statement under “profit after tax, attributable to minority shareholders”.**
- **Liabilities for an additional final payment for the acquisitions of the currently owned 51% and for the 49% to be acquired in 2016 are recorded in the balance sheet on an estimated basis under “purchase price obligations and liabilities under IAS 32 to minorities”.**
- **Changes to these liabilities (e.g. from compounding of interest, change in earnings estimates, changes in the CNY/EUR exchange rate) are recorded in the income statement under “change in purchase price obligations and liabilities under IAS 32 to minorities” which is part of financial result. In 2011 an expense of EUR 10.6m has been recorded.**
- **The purchase price obligation for the second tranche of Zhong Yung has been included in net investment hedge accounting in the amount of the pro-rata net assets of the Chinese Zhong Yung companies. Exchange rate-related changes in the liability are recorded for the portion included in net investment hedge accounting within equity in the net investment hedge reserve and for the portion not included in net investment hedge accounting are recognized in profit or loss.**
- **Any income effect related to the changes of purchase price liabilities will be tax neutral, i.e. will not impact current or deferred taxes.**

Balance sheet and leverage

in EUR m	31 Dec 2011	30 Sep 2011	30 Jun 2011	31 Mar 2011	31 Dec 2010	31 Dec 2009
Financial liabilities¹⁾	1,952.4	1,855.2	1,729.8	1,726.7	1,783.8	2,436.3
./. Cash and cash equivalents	458.8	481.6	259.2	349.8	362.9	602.6
Net Debt	1,493.6	1,373.6	1,470.6	1,376.9	1,420.9	1,833.7
Net Debt / Operating EBITDA²⁾	2.3x	2.1x	2.3x	2.2x	2.4x	3.6x
Equity	1,761.3	1,647.9	1,631.1	1,642.0	1,617.9	172.3

1) Excluding shareholder loan in an amount of EUR 702.2m for 31 Dec 2009. No shareholder loan was in place as of 31 Mar 2010 and subsequent quarters.

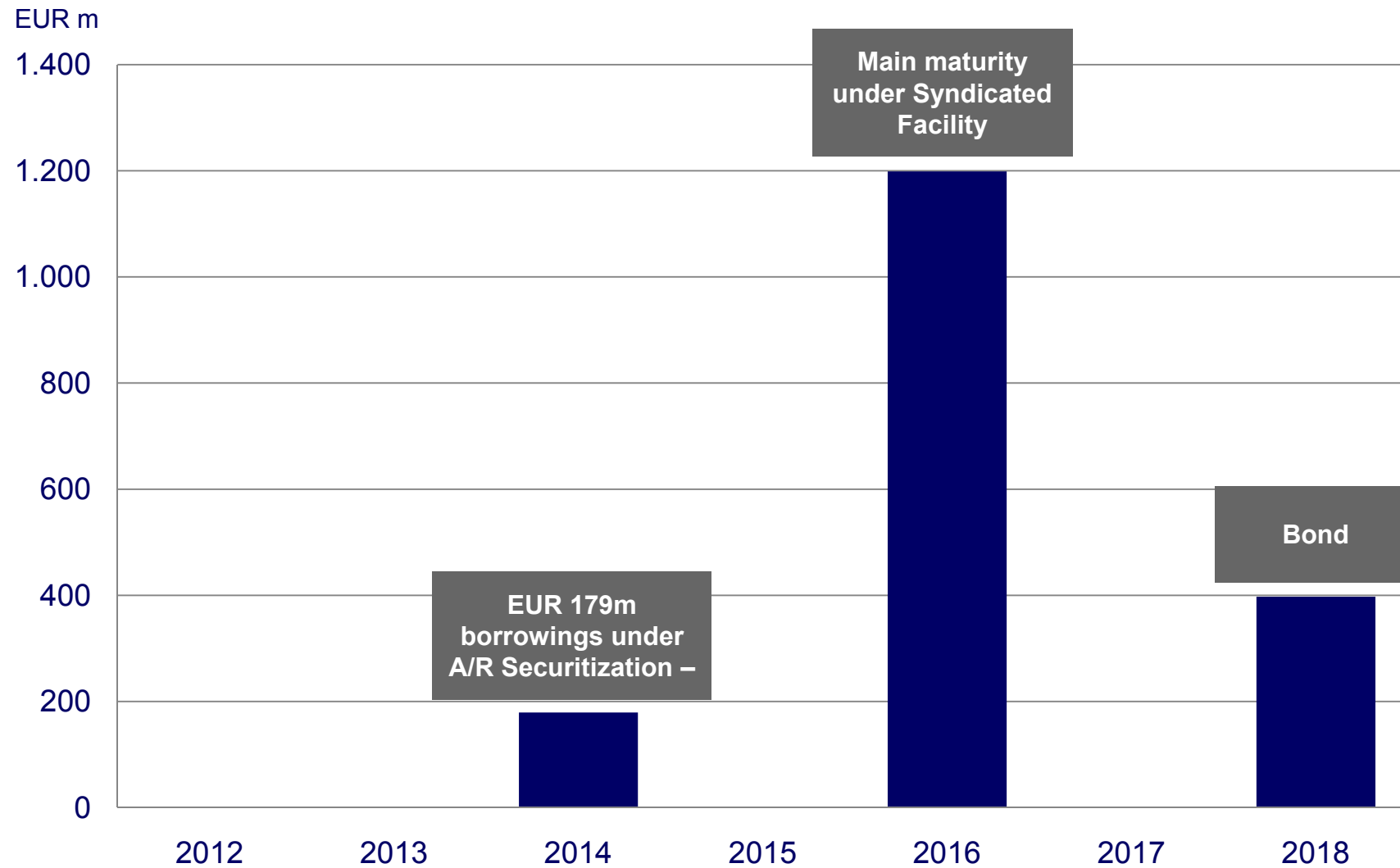
2) Operating EBITDA for the quarters on LTM basis; 2009 adjusted for expense items relating to the early termination of a multi-year incentive program.

Leverage: Net debt / Operating EBITDA¹⁾

1) Net debt defined as current financial liabilities plus non-current financial liabilities less (cash and cash equivalents).

2) Operating EBITDA for the quarters on LTM basis; 2009 adjusted for expense items relating to the early termination of a multi-year incentive program.

Maturities profile as of 31 December 2011



Working capital

in EUR m	31 Dec 2011	30 Sep 2011	30 June 2011	31 Mar 2011	31 Dec 2010	31 Dec 2009
Inventories	696.8	653.4	645.7	606.0	606.1	422.3
+ Trade receivables	1,220.9	1,279.2	1,264.8	1,216.2	1,059.7	831.4
./. Trade payables	956.6	975.3	923.5	917.7	834.1	655.6
Working capital (end of period)	961.1	957.3	987.0	904.5	831.7	598.1
Working capital turnover (year-to-date)¹⁾	9.3x	9.4x	9.5x	9.8x	10.2x	9.2x
Working capital turnover (last twelve months)²⁾	9.3x	9.3x	9.5x	9.9x	10.2x	9.2x

1) Using sales on year-to-date basis and average working capital year-to-date.

2) Using sales on LTM basis and average LTM working capital.

Return on net assets (RONA)

in EUR m	2011	2010	Δ	Δ
EBITA	569.9	513.6	56.3	11.0%
Average property, plant and equipment (PPE)	824.0	806.1	17.9	2.2%
Average working capital	928.3	752.4	175.9	23.4%
Return on net assets	32.5%	33.0%		

Free cash flow

in EUR m	2011	2010	Δ	Δ
EBITDA	658.8	597.6	61.2	10.2%
Capex	-86.0	-85.1	-0.9	1.1%
Δ Working capital	-61.0	-136.4	75.4	-55.3%
Free cash flow	511.8	376.1	135.7	36.1%

Segments

in EUR m		Europe	North America	Latin America	Asia Pacific	All other segments	Group
External sales	2011	4,295.3	2,725.7	806.9	415.4	436.0	8,679.3
	2010	3,927.5	2,442.7	725.1	217.1	336.7	7,649.1
	Δ	9.4%	11.6%	11.3%	91.3%	29.5%	13.5%
	Δ FX adjusted	9.2%	16.6%	15.0%	94.8%	29.5%	15.4%
Operating gross profit	2011	898.0	659.7	150.5	82.1	17.3	1,807.6
	2010	863.0	613.0	137.8	45.7	14.4	1,673.9
	Δ	4.1%	7.6%	9.2%	79.6%	20.1%	8.0%
	Δ FX adjusted	3.7%	12.3%	13.0%	81.6%	20.1%	9.8%
Operating EBITDA	2011	303.9	282.1	51.4	36.9	-13.4	660.9
	2010	286.5	264.4	45.9	17.6	-11.8	602.6
	Δ	6.1%	6.7%	12.0%	>100%	13.6%	9.7%
	Δ FX adjusted	6.0%	11.7%	15.8%	>100%	13.6%	12.2%

Dividend proposal

in EUR m

Profit after tax	279.3
less minority interest	-1.9
Profit after tax (consolidated) attributable to shareholders of Brenntag AG	277.4
Proposed dividend payment	103.0
Dividend per share in EUR	2.00
Payout ratio	37.1%

Increasing value added and returns

in EUR m	2007	% Δ	2008	% Δ	2009 ¹⁾	% Δ	2010	% Δ	2011	% CAGR 2007- 2011
Sales	6,671	10.6	7,380	-13.8	6,365	20.2	7,649	13.5	8,679	6.8
Cost of goods sold	5,317	10.7	5,887	-16.7	4,905	22.6	6,013	14.9	6,911	6.8
Gross profit	1,355	10.2	1,492	-2.2	1,460	12.1	1,636	8.0	1,768	6.9
Operating expenses	947	6.8	1,011	-2.8	983	5.7	1,039	6.8	1,109	4.0
EBITDA	408	17.9	481	-0.9	477	25.4	598	10.2	659	12.7
EBITDA / Gross profit	30%		32%		33%		37%		37%	
EBITA	321	23.9	398	-0.8	394	30.3	514	11.0	570	15.4
RONA²⁾	20.2%		24.4%		26.8%		33.0%		32.5%	

1) 2009 EBITDA / EBITA include expense items relating to the early termination of a multi-year incentive program.

2) RONA is defined as EBITA divided by the sum of average PPE plus average working capital.

Strong cash generation over the past years

in EUR m	2007	2008	2009 ¹⁾	2010	2011
EBITDA	407.9	480.9	476.6	597.6	658.8
Capex	-104.6	-84.3	-71.8	-85.1	-86.0
Δ Working capital	-24.4	-53.5	242.0	-136.4	-61.0
Free cash flow²⁾	278.9	343.1	646.8	376.1	511.8
Average working capital³⁾	774.4	833.1	691.9	752.4	928.3
Working capital turnover⁴⁾	8.6x	8.9x	9.2x	10.2x	9.3x

1) 2009 EBITDA includes expense items relating to the early termination of a multi-year incentive program.

2) Free Cash Flow is calculated as EBITDA – Capex +/- Δ Working Capital.

3) Average Working Capital is defined for a particular year as the mean average of the values for working capital at each of the following five times: the beginning of the year, the end of each of the first, second and third quarters, and the end of the year.

4) Working Capital Turnover is defined as Sales divided by Average Working Capital.

IPO-related effects on income statement

in EUR m	Q1 2010	Q2 2010	H1 2010	Q3 2010	Q4 2010	2010
Effects above EBITDA						
IPO costs charged to Brachem Acquisition S.C.A.	+2.5	0.0	+2.5	0.0	-0.4	+2.1
IPO costs	-8.2	0.0	-8.2	0.0	+1.6	-6.6
Total effect above EBITDA	-5.7	0.0	-5.7	0.0	1.2	-4.5
Effects in financial result						
Waiver related	-20.8	0.0	-20.8	0.0	0.0	-20.8
Discontinuation of hedge accounting for certain interest swaps	-5.4	0.0	-5.4	0.0	0.0	-5.4
Interest expenses on subordinated shareholder loan	-17.0	0.0	-17.0	0.0	0.0	-17.0
Total effects in financial result	-43.2	0.0	-43.2	0.0	0.0	-43.2
Total IPO-related effects on income statement	-48.9	0.0	-48.9	0.0	1.2	-47.7

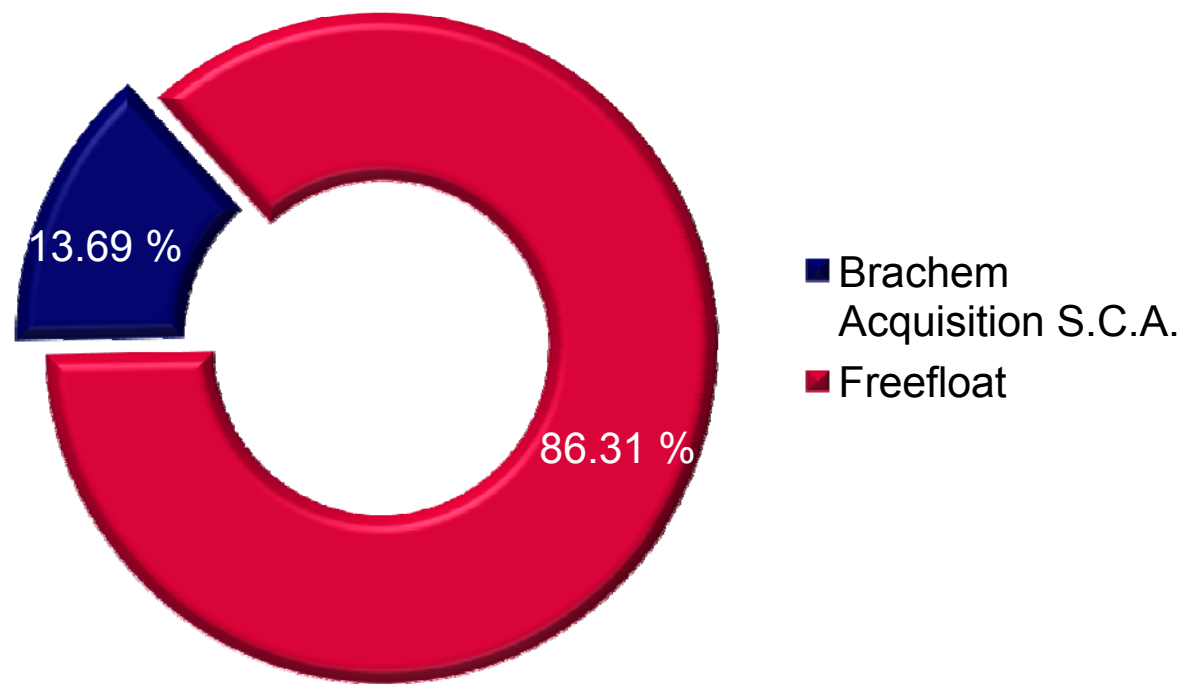
No adjustment made for the amortization of customer relationships resulting from the acquisition of the Brenntag Group by equity funds advised by BC Partners, Bain Capital and Goldman at the end of the third quarter of 2006 (EUR 79.4m for 9M 2010). These customer relationships have been fully amortized by the end of Q3 2010.

Income Statement adjusted for IPO effects

in EUR m	Q1 2010	Q2 2010	H1 2010	Q3 2010	Q4 2010	2010
EBITDA	128.5	152.8	281.3	159.9	156.4	597.6
Adjustment for IPO-related effects	5.7	0.0	5.7	0.0	-1.2	4.5
EBITDA adjusted	134.2	152.8	287.0	159.9	155.2	602.1
Financial result	-73.6	-35.1	-108.7	-32.7	-35.8	-177.2
Adjustment for IPO-related effects	43.2	0.0	43.2	0.0	0.0	43.2
Financial result adjusted	-30.4	-35.1	-65.5	-32.7	-35.8	-134.0
EBT	3.7	64.0	67.7	72.1	92.0	231.8
Adjustment for IPO-related effects	48.9	0.0	48.9	0.0	-1.2	47.7
EBT adjusted	52.6	64.0	116.6	72.1	90.8	279.5

No adjustment made for the amortization of customer relationships in the amount of EUR 79.4m in 9M 2010 capitalized in the course of the purchase price allocation made in September 2006 and fully amortized by the end of Q3 2010.

Shareholder structure as of May 2012



Share data

ISIN	DE000A1DAH0
Stock symbol	BNR
Listed since	29 March 2010
Subscribed capital	EUR 51,500,000
Outstanding shares	51,500,000
Class of shares	Registered shares
Free float	86.31%
Official market	Prime Standard XETRA and Frankfurt
Regulated unofficial markets	Berlin, Stuttgart
Designated sponsors	Deutsche Bank, Goldman Sachs International, J.P. Morgan Securities, Merrill Lynch International
Indices	MDAX[®], MSCI, Stoxx Global, Stoxx Europe

Bond data

ISIN	XS0645941419
Listing	Luxembourg Stock Exchange
Issuer	Brenntag Finance B.V.
Guarantors	Brenntag AG, several Brenntag Group companies
Aggregate principal amount	EUR 400,000,000
Denomination	EUR 1,000
Minimum transferable amount	EUR 50,000
Coupon	5.50%
Coupon payment	19 July
Maturity	19 July 2018
Rating	BBB- / Ba1

Financial calendar

May 9, 2012	Interim Report Q1 2012
May 14 – May 16, 2012	Deutsche Bank German & Austrian Conference
June 20, 2012	General Shareholders' Meeting
June 25 – June 26, 2012	Goldman Sachs Business Services Conference
August 8, 2012	Interim Report Q2 2012
November 7, 2012	Interim Report Q3 2012

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