

FY 2020 RESULTS

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Conference call on the FY 2020 results Corporate Investor Relations





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Review FY 2020: We delivered strong results in a very challenging economic environment



COVID-19

- Global crisis team
- Focus on health and safety of employees and business partners
- Fully operational at all times



Holistic Analysis

- Started in January 2020
- Long-term positioning in focus



Project Brenntag

- Op. EBITDA uplift of EUR 220m gradually increasing until FY 2023
- Diverse initiatives started addressing all stakeholders



Financial Performance

- Strong results in very challenging environment
- Performance supported by high diversification and resilience



Review FY 2020: Highlights 2020

OPERATING GROSS PROFIT

+3.3% (fx adj.)

EUR 2,850.4m

OPERATING EBITDA

+8.3% (fx adj.)

EUR 1,057.7m

FREE CASHFLOW GENERATION

EUR 1,055m

following EUR 837m in 2019

EPS

EUR 3.02

on 2019 level

MAINTAIN FULL COST CONTROL

Cost measures positively impact bottom-line

PROVEN RESILIENCE OF BRENNTAG BUSINESS MODEL

Business fully operational and strong financial results

PROJECT BRENNTAG INITIATED

Two global divisions "Brenntag Essentials" and "Brenntag Specialties"

DIVIDEND PROPOSAL

of EUR 1.35 per share to be proposed to the GSM 2021



Review FY 2020: M&A activities 2020

Acquisitions 2020

- Acquisition and closing of 3 targets on 2 continents:
- Suffolk Solutions, USA
- Oils'R Us, Thailand
- Neuto Chemicals Corp. Taiwan ¹⁾
- Total enterprise value of 46m EUR

M&A approach

- Allocation of 200-250m EUR for M&A unchanged
- Sharpened focus towards emerging markets, particularly China
- Identification of targets delivering more sizeable operating EBITDA contribution
- Zhongbai Xingye first step in this direction
- Distributor of specialty food ingredients, including dairy products and proteins
- Strategic fit with regards to industry segment and geography

¹⁾ Acquisition was signed in 2019



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Financials FY 2020: Operating EBITDA bridge*: FY 2019 to FY 2020



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Financials FY 2020: Regional development

EMEA	NORTH AMERICA	LATIN AMERICA	ASIA PACIFIC
Strong performance throughout the year	Weak performance throughout the year	Strong results across many countries and industries	Very successful year for Asia Pacific
Personal Care, Cleaning, Pharma and Coatings & Constructions performed particularly well Organic EBITDA growth: +17%	Weak demand from customers in the O&G and lubricants industries Many other parts delivered positive results Organic EBITDA growth: -7%	Cleaning, Pharma, Personal Care particularly well Organic EBITDA growth: +25%	The region was hit early by the pandemic but recovered sequentially, particularly in China Countries across the region and many industries contributed to the performance Organic EBITDA growth: +20%

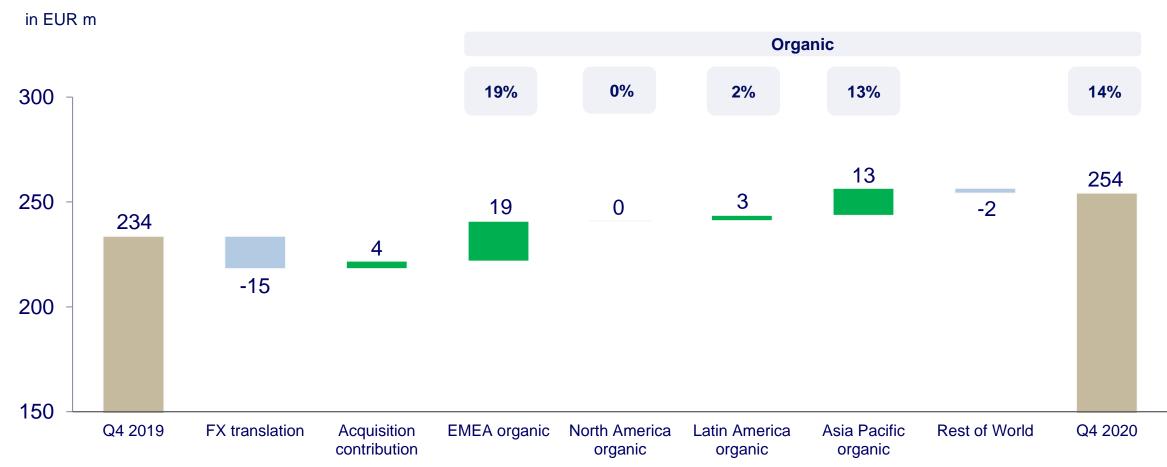


Financials FY 2020: Segments FY 2020

in EUR m		EMEA	North America	Latin America	Asia Pacific	All other segments	Group
Operating gross profit	FY 2020	1,235.7	1,124.8	186.6	282.5	20.8	2,850.4
	FY 2019	1,141.6	1,216.8	177.0	266.8	19.5	2,821.7
	Δ	8.2%	-7.6%	5.4%	5.9%	6.7%	1.0%
	Δ FX adjusted	9.4%	-5.6%	16.6%	8.9%	6.7%	3.3%
Operating EBITDA	FY 2020	475.9	434.4	63.5	123.8	-39.9	1,057.7
	FY 2019	406.3	474.8	55.9	101.1	-36.6	1,001.5
	Δ	17.1%	-8.5%	13.5%	22.5%	9.0%	5.6%
	Δ FX adjusted	19.0%	-6.6%	26,9%	25.9%	9.0%	8.3%



Financials FY 2020: Operating EBITDA bridge*: Q4 2019 to Q4 2020



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Financials FY 2020: Income statement below operating EBITDA

in EUR m	FY 2020	FY 2019	Δ
Operating EBITDA	1,057.7	1,001.5	5.6%
Special items	-47.2	8.6	-648,8%
Depreciation	-252.4	-243.6	3.6%
EBITA	758.1	766.5	-1.1%
Amortization 1)	-45.1	-49.6	-9.1%
EBIT	713.0	716.9	-0.5%
Financial result	-79.7	-83.5	-4.6%
EBT	633.3	633.4	0.0%
Profit after tax	473.8	469.2	1.0%
EPS	3.02	3.02	0.0%

¹⁾ Includes scheduled amortization of customer relationships amounting to EUR 28.7m in 2020 (EUR 34.9m in 2019).



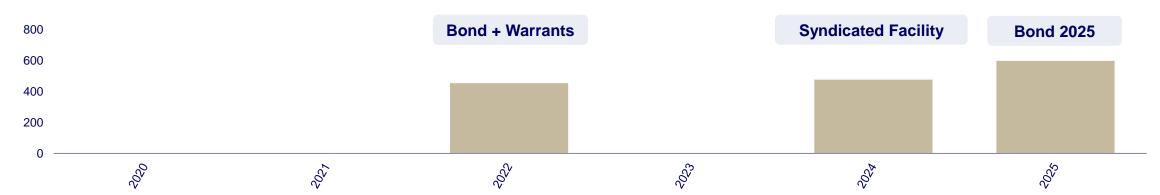
Financials FY 2020: Cash flow items

in EUR m			2020	2019	Δ	Δ
Operating EBITDA			1,057.7	1,001.5	56.2	5.6%
CAPEX			-201.9	-205.2	3.3	-1.6%
Δ Working capital			325.0	161.7	163.3	-101.0%
Principal and interest payments on lease liab	ilities		-126.2	-120.7	-5,5	4.6%
Free cash flow			1,054.6	837.3	217.3	26.0%
FREE CASH FLOW EUR 1,055m	INTEREST A PAYMENTS EUR -213m	ND TAX	CASH OUT FOR M&A EUR -46m		DIVIDEND PAID EUR -193m	



Financials FY 2020: Balance sheet and maturity profile

in EUR m	31 Dec 2020	31 Dec 2019
Financial liabilities	1,639.4	2,160.6
Lease liabilities	426.8	420.2
./. Cash and cash equivalents	726.3	520.3
Net Debt	1,339.9	2,060.5
Net Debt/Operating EBITDA 1)	1.3x	2.1x
Equity	3,611.6	3,579.0



¹⁾ Operating EBITDA for the quarters on LTM basis calculated including IFRS 16 effect.



Financials FY 2020: Working capital

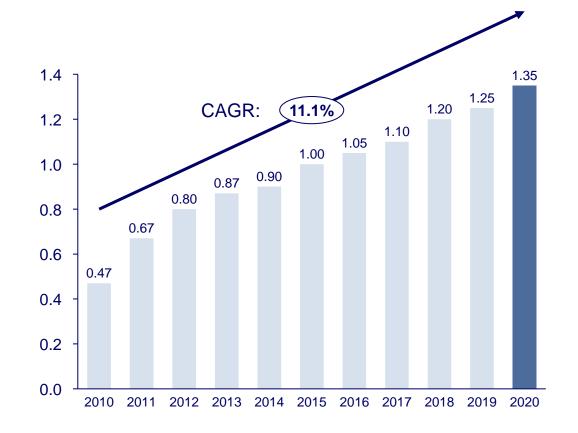
in EUR m	31 Dec 2020	30 Sep 2020	30 Jun 2020	31 Mar 2020	31 Dec 2019
Inventories	978.9	1,005.9	1,190.5	1,169.9	1,176.5
+ Trade receivables	1,597.5	1,648.0	1,658.9	1,979.0	1,820.3
./. Trade payables	1,229.8	1,194.2	1,120.4	1,396.1	1,229.1
Working capital (end of period)	1,346.6	1,459.7	1,729.0	1,752.8	1,767.7
Working capital turnover (annualized) 1)	7.3x	7.1x	6.9x	7.3x	7.0x

¹⁾ Sales YTD extrapolated to the full year; Average working capital is defined as the average of working capital at the beginning of the year and at the end of each quarter.



Financials FY 2020: Dividend payments

in EUR m	2020	2019	Δ
Profit after tax	473.8	469.2	1.0%
Less minority interests	7.3	2.5	
Profit after tax (consolidated) attributable to shareholders of Brenntag AG	466.5	466.7	0.0%
Proposed dividend payment	208.6	193.1	
Proposed dividend per share in EUR	1.35	1.25	8.0%
Payout ratio	44.7%	41.4%	





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Project Brenntag addresses the various needs of our stakeholders





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Project Brenntag: Timeline





Project Brenntag: Status update



Overall Implementation

- Go-Live operating model 2021
- Started differentiated business reporting internally
- Impact of Quick-Win initiatives already visible in 2020
- EUR 47m one-off costs in 2020



Measures

- Stringent customer segmentation in execution
- Fit-for-purpose sales organization defined
- First transport routes streamlined
- Consolidation of volumes initiated
- New leadership structure established
- New incentive scheme (STI and LTI)



Results

- Pricing initiatives under way
- 30+ indirect procurement initiatives started
- Working Capital turn improved
- Reduction of ~200 headcounts
- 30 sites closed globally
- FY2020 op. EBITDA contribution of EUR ~15m



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Outlook 2021: Overall assessment





Outlook 2021: Guidance range

Macro environment

- COVID-19 pandemic to stay well into 2021 in large parts of the world
- Continued high level of uncertainty in macro economy driven by the pandemic
- Sustainable recovery only to be expected in H2 2021

Comments

- Outlook 2021 reflects current and expected macro environment
- It takes into account the expected positive effects from Project Brenntag

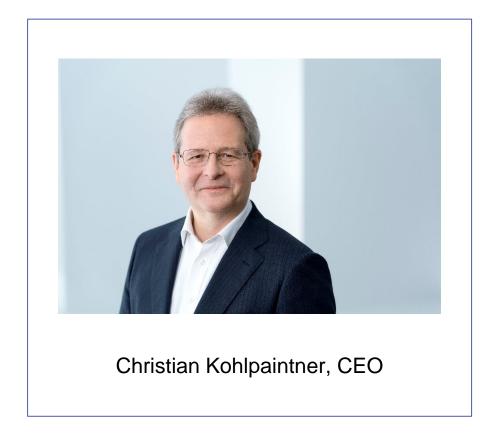
Operating EBITDA Guidance

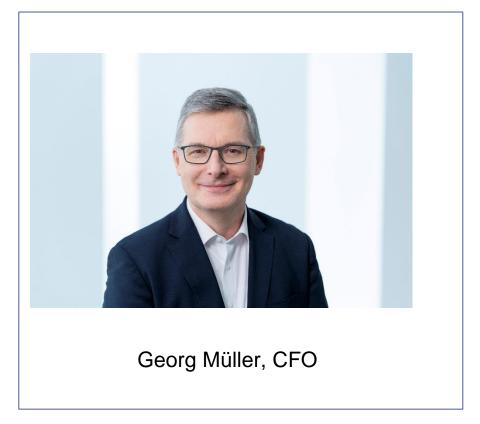
- Guidance range of 1,080m 1,180m EUR operating EBITDA for FY2021
- Guidance includes uplift of Project Brenntag initiatives and M&A and assumes stable FX rates

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Thank you for your attention





We are ready to answer your questions!



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Income statement FY 2020

in EUR m	FY 2020	FY 2019	Δ	Δ FX adjusted
Sales	11,775.8	12,821.8	-8.2%	-6.0%
Cost of materials	-8,925.4	-10,000.1	-10.7%	
Operating gross profit	2,850.4	2,821.7	1.0%	3.3%
Operating expenses	-1,792.7	-1,820.2	-1.5%	
Operating EBITDA	1,057.7	1,001.5	5.6%	8.3%
Op. EBITDA/Op. gross profit	37.1%	35.5%		



Cash flow statement FY 2020

in EUR m	FY 2020	FY 2019
Profit after tax	473.8	469.2
Depreciation & amortization	297.5	293.2
Income taxes	159.5	164.2
Income tax payments	-155.5	-175.3
Interest result	66.4	90.0
Interest payments (net)	-57.9	-75.7
Changes in current assets and liabilities	426,0	136.5
Changes in provisions	-33.9	0.9
Other	43.1	-23.7
Cash provided by operating activities	1,219.0	879.3



Cash flow statement FY 2020 (continued)

in EUR m	FY 2020	FY 2019
Purchases of intangible assets and property, plant & equipment (PPE)	-199.1	-204.0
Purchases of consolidated subsidiaries and other business units	-46.4	-194.9
Proceeds from the disposal of consolidated subsidiaries and business units	1.2	14.7
Other	20.2	12.0
Cash used for investing activities	-224.1	-372.2
Purchases of companies already consolidated	-	-
Profits distributed to non-controlling interests	-1.5	-1.5
Dividends paid to Brenntag shareholders	-193.1	-185.4
Repayment of (-)/proceeds from (+) borrowings (net)	-541.0	-196.5
Cash used for financing activities	-735.6	-383.4
Change in cash & cash equivalents	259.3	123.7



Income statement Q4 2020

in EUR m	Q4 2020	Q4 2019	Δ	Δ FX adjusted
Sales	2,876.2	3,130.9	-8.1%	-2.8%
Cost of materials	-2,177.5	-2,442.5	-10.8%	
Operating gross profit	698.7	688.4	1.5%	7.3%
Operating expenses	-444.6	-454.8	-2.2%	
Operating EBITDA	254.1	233.6	8.8%	15.9%
Op. EBITDA/Op. gross profit	36.4%	33.9%		
Special items	13.9	0.0		
Depreciation	-62.8	-63.8	-1.6%	
EBITA	177.5	169.8	4.5%	
Amortization 1)	-11.6	-11.6	-0.0%	
EBIT	165.9	158.2	4.9%	
Financial result	-17.8	-10.5	69.5%	
EBT	148.1	147.7	0.3%	
Profit after tax	115.2	110.2	4.5%	
EPS	0.72	0.71	1.4%	

¹⁾ Includes scheduled amortization of customer relationships amounting to EUR 6.5m in Q4 2020 (EUR 6.8m in Q4 2019).

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Cash flow statement Q4 2020

in EUR m	Q4 2020	Q4 2019
Profit after tax	115.2	110.2
Depreciation & amortization	74.4	75.4
Income taxes	32.9	37.5
Income tax payments	-37.3	-48.1
Interest result	13.3	22.7
Interest payments (net)	-11.6	-20.4
Changes in current assets and liabilities	181.3	125.7
Changes in provisions	-38.9	2.7
Other	0.2	-21.7
Cash provided by operating activities	329.5	284.0



Cash flow statement Q4 2020 (continued)

in EUR m	Q4 2020	Q4 2019
Purchases of intangible assets and property, plant & equipment (PPE)	-68.1	-77.9
Purchases of consolidated subsidiaries and other business units	-18.6	-77.5
Proceeds from the disposal of consolidated subsidiaries and business units	0.0	14.7
Other	12.3	3.6
Cash used for investing activities	-74.3	-137.1
Purchases of companies already consolidated	-	-
Profits distributed to non-controlling interests	-0.5	-0.5
Dividends paid to Brenntag shareholders	-	-
Repayment of (-)/proceeds from (+) borrowings (net)	-386.1	-67.3
Cash used for financing activities	-386.6	-67.8
Change in cash & cash equivalents	-131.4	79.1



Free cash flow Q4 2020

in EUR m	Q4 2020	Q4 2019	Δ	Δ
Operating EBITDA	254.1	233.6	20.5	8.8%
CAPEX	-74.8	-84.2	9.4	-11.2%
Δ Working capital	110.8	128.5	-17.7	-13.8%
Principal and interest payments on lease liabilities	-31.4	-31.9	0.5	-1.6%
Free cash flow	258.7	246.0	12.7	5.2%



Segments Q4 2020

in EUR m		EMEA	North America	Latin America	Asia Pacific	All other segments	Group
Operating gross profit	Q4 2020	301.1	261.9	49.5	80.9	5.3	698.7
	Q4 2019	275.6	292.3	45.1	70.7	4.7	688.4
	Δ	9.3%	-10.4%	9.8%	14.4%	12.8%	1.5%
	Δ FX adjusted	11.7%	-3.0%	25.9%	21.1%	12.8%	7.3%
Operating EBITDA	Q4 2020	109.8	97.2	19.3	40.2	-12.4	254.1
	Q4 2019	92.6	103.9	18.4	28.8	-10.1	233.6
	Δ	18.6%	-6.4%	4.8%	39.6%	22.8%	8.8%
	Δ FX adjusted	22.7%	1.3%	18.1%	47.7%	22.6%	15.9%