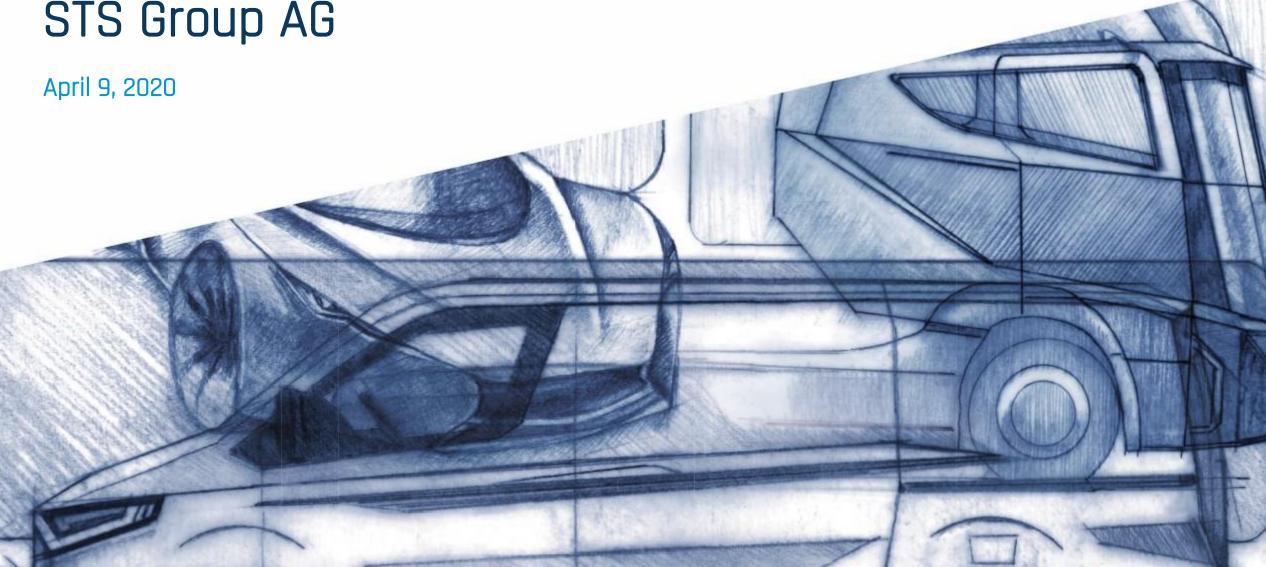


# Earnings Call - FY 2019 Results STS Group AG





### Andreas Becker and Ulrich Hauck will present 2019 FY results

#### ANDREAS BECKER, CEO (LEFT)

STS Board Member since 2013. 22 years of industry experience. He has been CEO of the STS Group since its foundation and occupied before several management positions within the Autoneum Group management in Italy as well as the Truck Business Worldwide division.

#### DR. ULRICH HAUCK, CFO (RIGHT)

STS Board Member and CFO of the STS Group since April 2019. 20 years of industry experience. Previously he was CFO of the Schaeffler Group, Corporate Senior Vice President at Bayer AG, heading global accounting and controlling of Bayer and Vice President at Rheinmetall.











### Achievement of key milestones in challenging markets



Downturn of global Light Vehicle and European Truck markets



Successful set up of Chinese production for further growth and award of > 130 mEUR order intake (life-time volume)



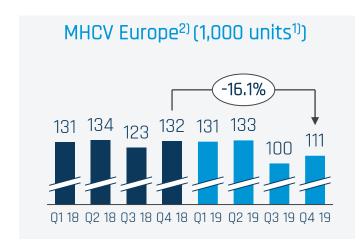
Successful market placement of new products (esp. battery cover) for E-Mobility in China and Europe



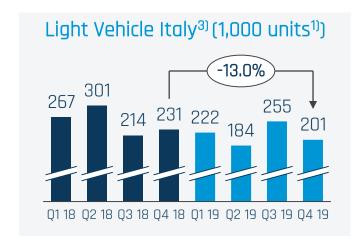
Major contract of ard. 230 mEUR from international commercial vehicle manufacturer – kick-off for local production site in USA



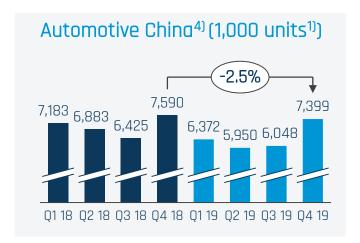
### Development of relevant automotive markets



— Medium- and Heavy-Commercial vehicle market dropped by 9% yearover-year



- Light vehicle market in central / west Europe decreased by 5% yearover-year
- Italian market decreased by 15% year-over-year
- Decline slowed down in 2HY 2019.



- Chinese automotive market dropped by 8% year-over-year.
- Decline slowed further down in 04 2019
- Strong commercial vehicle market within the last quarter 2019

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1)</sup> all values based on IHS Markit Data and Management assumptions for production output

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3)</sup> Light Vehicle: Passenger Car and Light Trucks

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> MHCV: Medium-Heavy commercial vehicles / Central and West Europe

<sup>4)</sup> Including passenger cars and all commercial vehicles

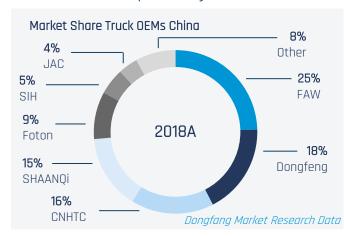


### Fully settled footprint to support aspired growth in China

STS currently operates 3 production sites located strategically in close proximity to Chinese OEMs in the North and in the South.

Thermocompression represents STS' technology focus in China. However, injection molding has been introduced as an additional technology in 2019.

This enables STS to maintain close relationships with 90% of the local client market in direct proximity.





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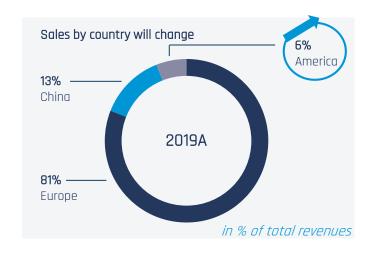


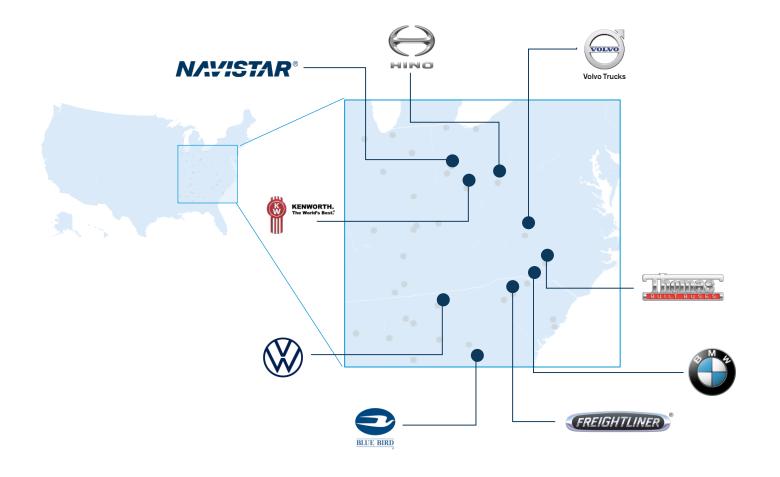
### Major contract allows set up of new plant in the USA

STS got awarded by a major international truck OFM.

Scope of the project will be the production of an exterior system made of SMC. The duration of the project will be over ten years, with a lifetime volume of around 230 mFIJR.

Actually, it is planned to set up a greenfield plant in middle east of the USA, to be ideally positioned to acquire further orders.





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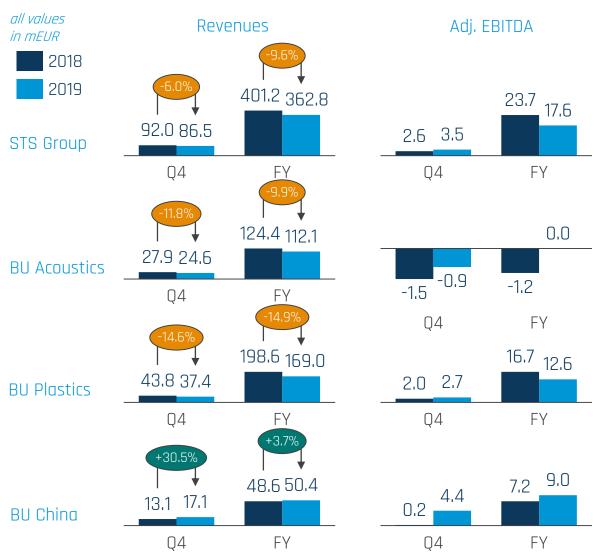


# Financial Highlights FY 2019





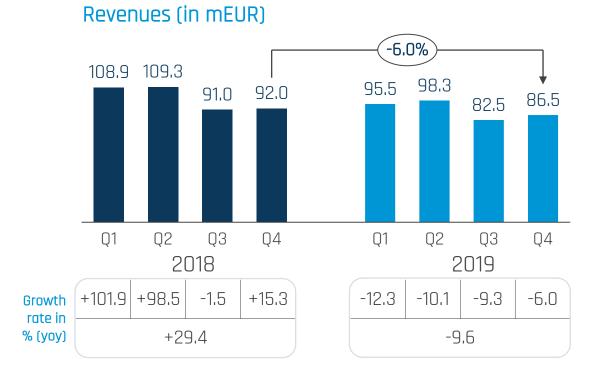
### Revenues and adjusted EBITDA on level of revised guidance



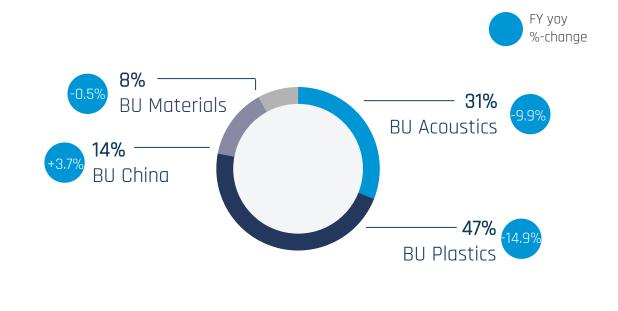
- ▶ Revenues decreased by 9.6% yoy in FY 2019
  - Significant sales decrease at BU Acoustics and
    Plastics due to weak European automotive markets
    (European truck market and Italian LV market)
  - BU China with ard. 4% increase of revenues in 2019, due to strong Q4 2019
- ▶ Adj. EBITDA 17.6 mEUR, -25.7% versus prior year:
  - Margin loss due to significantly lower volumes
  - BU Acoustics slightly improved, however still unsatisfactory; profitability of Polish plant improved, but still negative
  - BU Plastics with lower EBITDA contribution driven by volume losses
  - BU China with strong Q4 and excellent profitability (ca. 18% margin)
  - Adjustments of 3.0 mEUR, in particular for severance and reorganization



### Revenue decline slowed down quarter over quarter



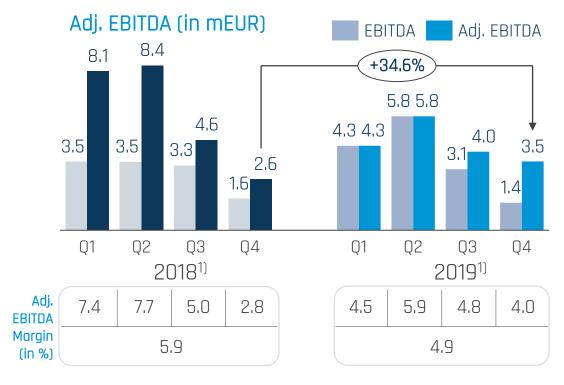
### Revenues by segment (in % of total revenues)



- Market-driven revenue decline within Business Unit (BU) Acoustics, Plastics and Materials
- ▶ BU China with outstanding topline growth in Q4 2019 (+30.5%) and 3.7% growth for full year 2019



### Adjusted EBITDA in Q4 2019 above prior-year quarter



### Adj. EBITDA Margin (in %)

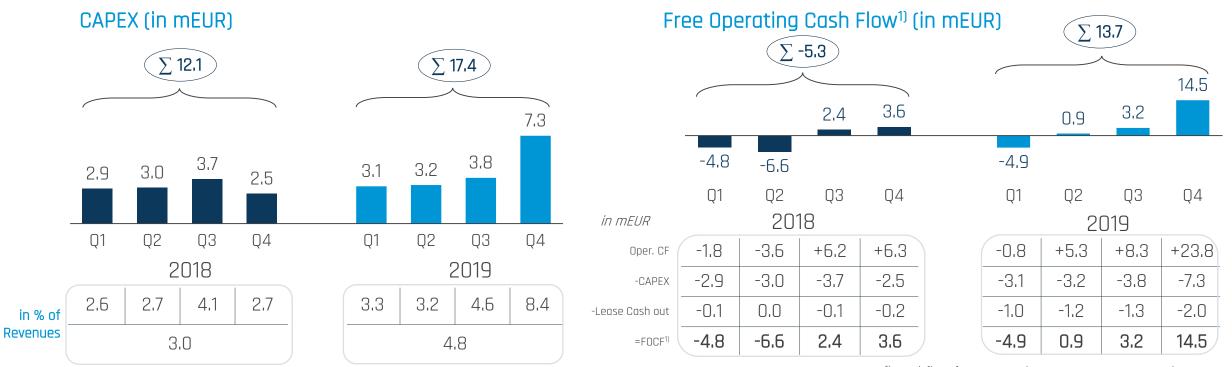
	Q4 18	Q4 19	FY 18	FY 19
Acoustics	-5.4%	-3.7%	-1.0%	0.0%
Plastics	4.6%	7.2%	8.4%	7.5%
China	1.5%	25.7%	14.8%	17.9%
Materials	4.3%	10.0%	4.8%	6.0%
STS Group	2.8%	4.0%	5.9%	4.9%

 $^{1)}$  2018: IPO & integration costs / 2019: adjustments for reorganization

- ▶ IFRS 16 impact of ard. 2.1 mEUR in Q4 2019 (FY 2019: 5.7 mEUR), t/o 0.4 mEUR BU Acoustics, 1.3 mEUR Plastics, 0.1 mEUR Materials and 0.2 mEUR China
- ▶ BU China with outstanding profitability in Q4 2019
- ▶ Adj. EBITDA of all BU benefitted in Q4 2019 from true up of management fees from holding



### Free Operating Cash Flow significantly improved versus prior-year



 $^{\mbox{\scriptsize 1]}}$  Cashflow from Operations – CAPEX - Lease cash outs

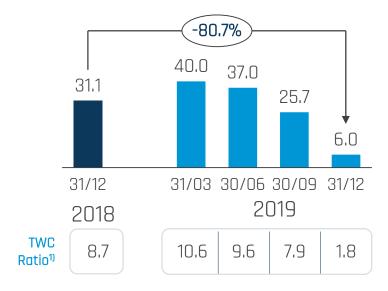
- CAPEX in Q4 2019 with 7.3 mEUR far above normal quarterly levels due to capitalization of intellectual property related to tooling projects
- Free Operating Cash Flow in Q4 2019 and FY 2019 significantly improved versus prior-year periods, mainly due to improved working capital performance



### Trade working capital (TWC) significantly reduced

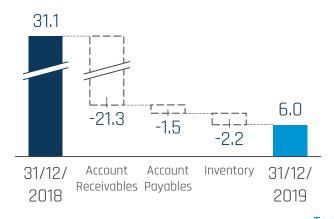
### TWC (in mEUR)

w/o Tooling Working Capital



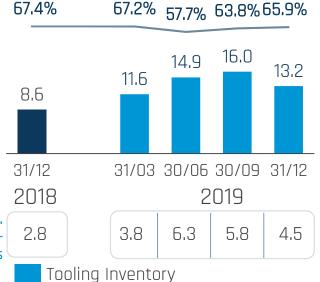
### TWC Bridge (in mEUR)

w/o Tooling Working Capital



### Tooling Working Capital (in mEUR) not included in TWC





Tooling invent. net of prepayments

— % of invent, financed by prepayments

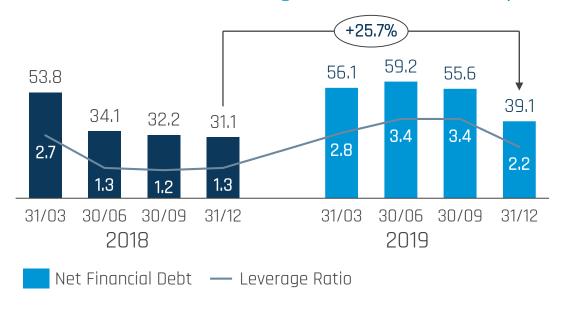
<sup>1)</sup> TWC Ratio (= Trade Working Capital Ratio) = TWC / (Revenue last 3 months x 4)

- Significant decrease of TWC since March 2019
- Built-up of tooling inventory for new projects in 2019, in particular in BU Plastics



### Leverage ratio of 2.2 as per end of Q4 2019 on a solid level

### Net financial debt and leverage ratio (in mEUR / multiple)



### Financial Debt (in mEUR)

	2018			2019				
	31/03	30/06	30/09	31/12	31/03	30/06	30/09	31/12
Bank loans	16.4	15.4	14.9	13.9	16.7	15.5	14.0	12.4
Third party loans	7.9	7.4	7.5	9.0	8.8	8.5	7.9	7.7
Recourse factoring	37.2	41.2	36.0	36.2	36.1	38.1	30.4	12.1
Leasing liabilities	0.9	1.0	2.7	3.2	22.7	25.8	24.8	24.1
Financial Debt	62.4	65.0	61.1	62.3	84.4	87.9	77.1	56.3
Cash & Cash equiv.	8.6	30.9	28.9	31.2	28.3	28.7	21.5	17.2
Net Financial Debt	53.8	34.1	32.2	31.1	56.1	59.2	55.6	39.1
LTM Ajd. EBITDA last 12 months	19.6	25.4	27.0	23.7	19.9	17.3	16.2	17.6

- Net Financial Debt (including leasing liabilities) as of December 31, 2019: 39.2 mEUR
- Leverage ratio as of December 31, 2019 on a solid level of 2.2



### Key Financials

in mEUR / %	Q4 2018	Q4 2019	var. in %	FY 2018	FY 2019	var. in %	
Revenues	92.0	86.5	-6,0%	401.2	362.8	-9,6%	_
EBITDA	1.6	1.4	-12.5%	11.9	14.6	+22.7%	
EBITDA Margin	1.7%	1.6%	-10 bps	3.0%	4.0%	+100 bps	
Adj. EBITDA	2.6	3.5	+34,6%	23.7	17.6	-25.7%	
Adj. EBITDA Margin	2.8%	4.0%	+120 bps	5.9%	4.9%	-100 bps	
EBIT	-1.6	-5.8	>-100%	-1.3	-6.5	>-100%	
EBIT Margin	-1.7%	-6.7%	-500 bps	-0.3%	-1.8%	-150 bps	
NET Income	-1.90	-7.20	>-100%	-4.8	-12.1	>-100%	
EPS (in EUR)	-0.48	-1.21	>-100%	-1.20	-2.03	-69.2%	
CAPEX	2.5	7.3	>+100%	12.1	17.4	+43,8%	
FOCF <sup>1)</sup>	3.6	14.5	>+100%	-5.4	13.7	>+100%	<sup>1)</sup> FO: CF -
Cash & Cash Equiv.	n/a	n/a	n/a	31.2 (as of 31/12)	<b>17.2</b> (as of 31/12)	-44,9%	
Net Financial Debt <sup>2)</sup>	n/a	n/a	n/a	31.1 (as of 31/12)	<b>39.1</b> (as of 31/12)	-25,7%	<sup>2)</sup> NF Third Leas

FOCF (= Free Operating Cash Flow) = Op F - CAPEX - Leasing Cash Out

<sup>2)</sup> NFD (=Net Financial Debt) = Bank Loans + Third Party Loans + Recourse Factoring + Leasing - Cash & Cash Equiv.

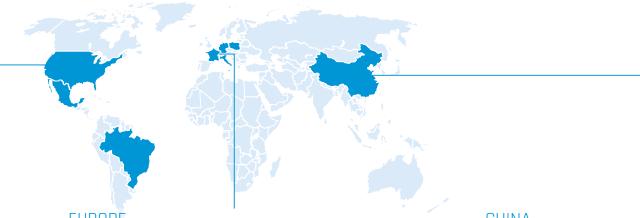
## Outlook 2020







### Current status in the COVID-19 crisis



#### AMFRICAS

COVID-19 pandemic reached also North and South America

Plant in Brazil currently closed and Mexico plant partially closed

No production in USA yet

#### FUROPE

All plants in Europe are closed since CW 12

Short-time work has been implemented in all plants in Italy, France and Germany

Expected reopening between CW17 and CW 18 with gradual ramp-up

#### CHINA

Wuhan lockdown has been fully released since April 8<sup>th</sup>

All plants reopened with currently high work load in China

Plants were closed from CW6 for two to six weeks

Several measures applied to counteract actual situation

- Short-time work has been applied in all plants (also for central functions)
- Use of various government support measures
- Application for government funded loans
- Preparation of reopening (insurance supply chain) and health insurance of employees
- Overall strict cost management



# High uncertainties due to COVID-19 - only comparative guidance for 2020

#### **FY 2020 Guidance** (April 9, 2020)



Due to high uncertainties because of actual developments related to COVID-19 pandemic, the management is only able to give a comparative guidance for FY 2020



Below previous year

(2019: 363 mEUR)



Decreasing Adj. EBITDA margin

(2019: 4.9%)









### Upcoming conferences and relevant publications in 2020

APRIL 28/29, 2020

MKK Munich Capital Market Conference, Munich

MAY 13, 2020

Publication of Quarterly Report (Q1)

JUNE 18, 2020

Quirin Champions Conference, Frankfurt am Main

JUNE 23/24, 2020

CF&B 15th Spring European Midcap Event, Paris

JUNE 30, 2020

Frühjahrskonferenz, Frankfurt am Main

JULY 14, 2020

**Annual General Meeting** 

AUGUST 6, 2020

Publication Half-yearly report

SEPTEMBER 2/3, 2020

Autumn Conference, Frankfurt am Main

SEPTEMBER 9, 2020

ZKK Zürcher Kapitalmarktkonferenz, Zürich

NOVEMBER 4, 2020

Publication of Quarterly Report (Q3)

NOVEMBER 16/18, 2020

German Equity Forum 2020, Frankfurt/Main



# **Q&A Session**





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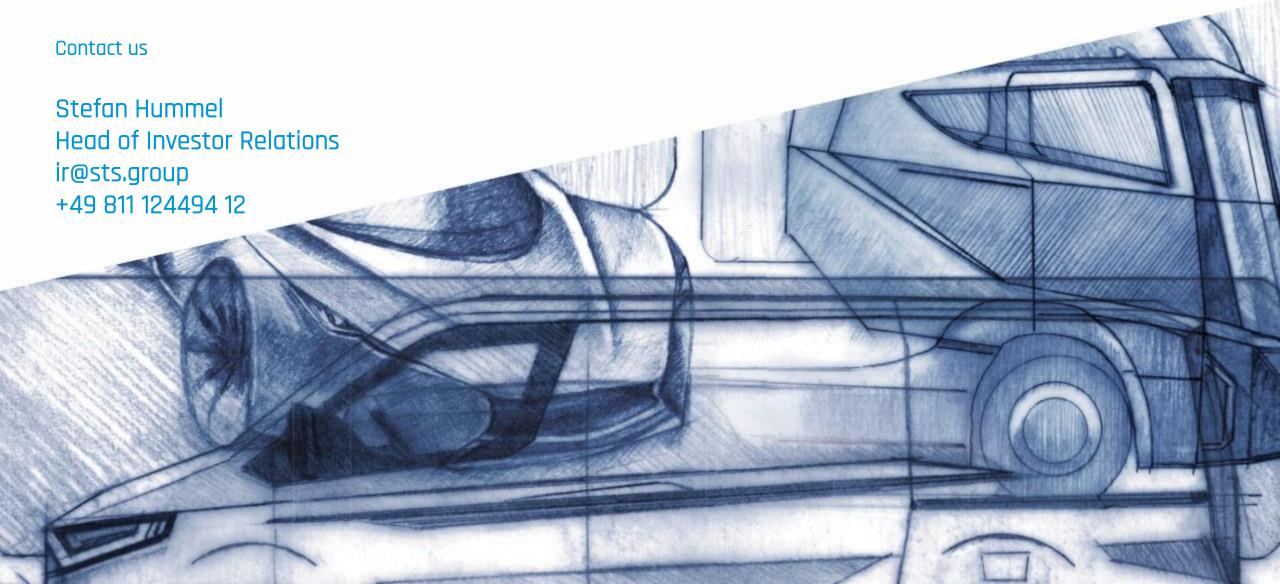
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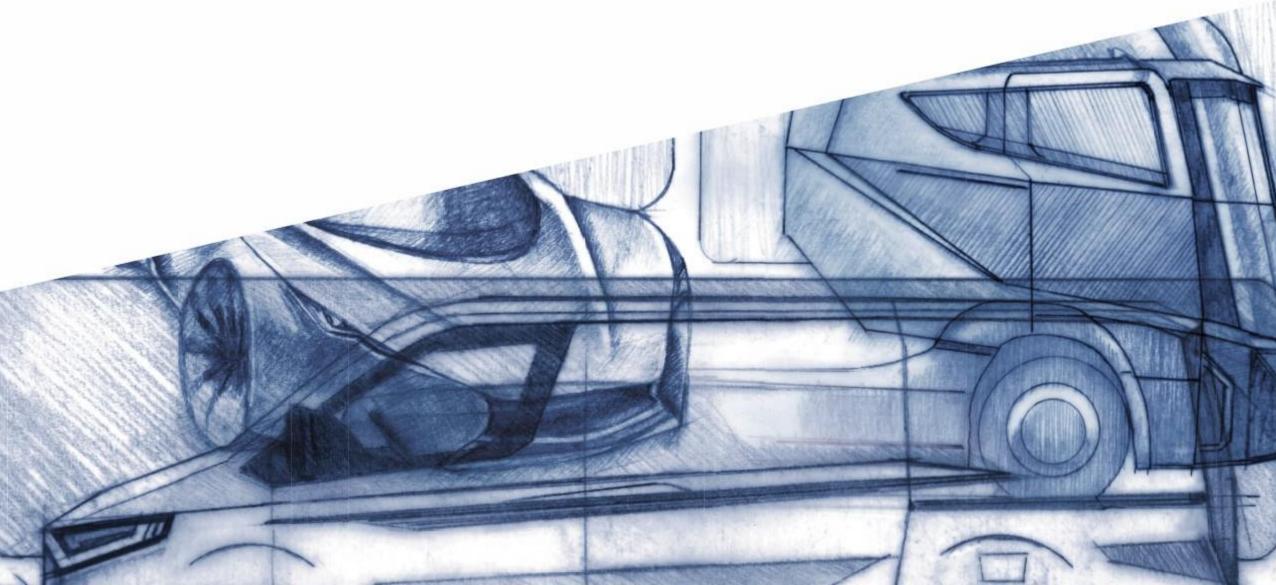


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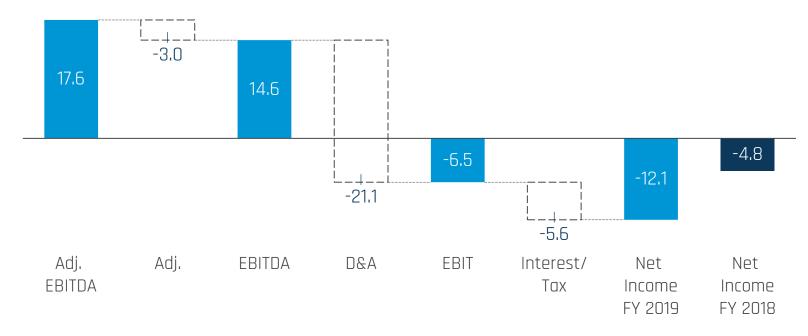






### Net income -12.1 mEUR in FY 2019 significantly below prior year

Adj. EBITDA / Net Income Bridge FY 2019 (in mEUR)



- ▶ D&A increased compared to previous year due to IFRS 16 impact and one-off depreciations
- Net income lower compared to prior-year period, particularly due to decline in EBIT and higher net financial expense



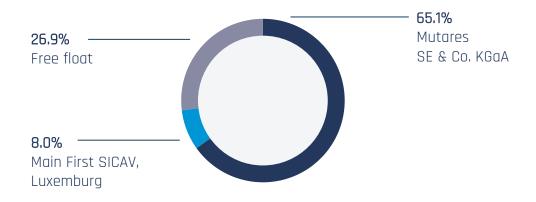
### Automotive market development puts pressure on share

### Share information

ISIN DE000A1TNU68 Number of 6,000,000 Shares Market Cap 13.4 mEUR (31/03/20)

Hauck & Aufhäuser Privatbankiers AG Designated **Sponsoring** mwb fairtrade Wertpapierhandelsbank AG

### Shareholder structure



### Share price last 12 months (Xetra)



### **Analyst Recommendations**

Date	Publ.	Target	Rec.
12/03/2020	SMC Research	7.50 EUR	Speculative Buy
10/03/2020	Kepler Cheuvreux	4.80 EUR	Reduce
20/08/2019	MainFirst	6.00 EUR	Neutral
05/08/2019	H&A	7.00 EUR	Hold
20/05/2019	Quirin Privatbank	6.50 EUR	Sell