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## Built on Polymers and Chemicals



Performance Rubber



Engineering Plastics



Chemical Intermediates



Performance Chemicals



Independence. Cost Reduction. Portfolio Management.

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## Entrepreneurial and Experienced Board Directly Connected to BUs

### Board of Management

Butyl Rubber

Styrenic Resins

Basic Chemicals

Material Protection Products

Polybutadiene Rubber

Semi-Crystalline Products

Fine Chemicals

Functional Chemicals

Technical Rubber Products

Fibers

Inorganic Pigments

Leather

Performance Rubber

Engineering Plastics

Chemical Intermediates

Textile Processing Chemicals

Paper

RheinChemie

Rubber Chemicals

Ion Exchange Resins

Performance Chemicals

■ Sales: > €500 m

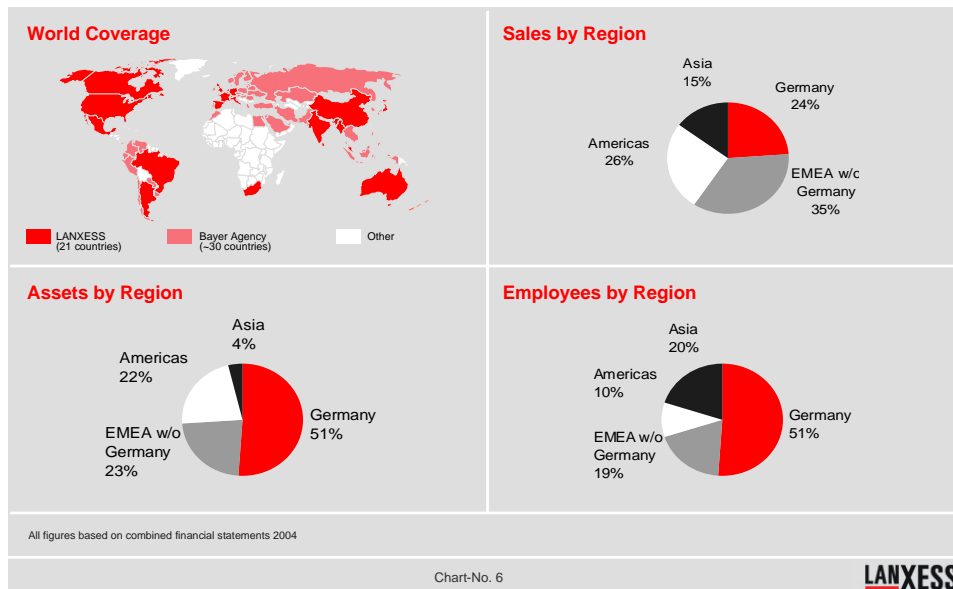
■ Sales: €200 m – 500 m

■ Sales: < €200 m

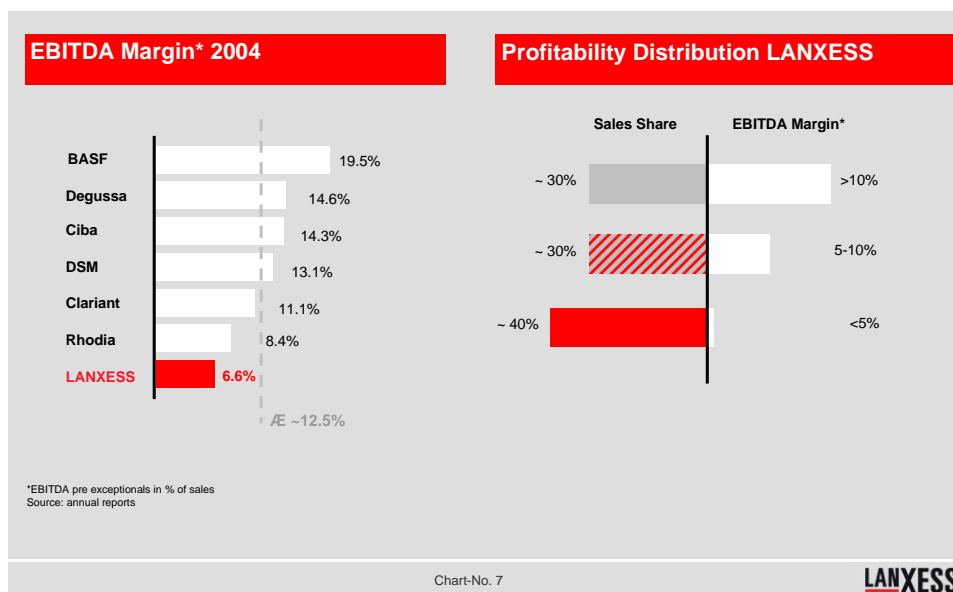
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## Global Presence



## Strong Foundation, but Unsatisfactory Profitability in 2004



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## Step-by-Step Approach to Creating Value

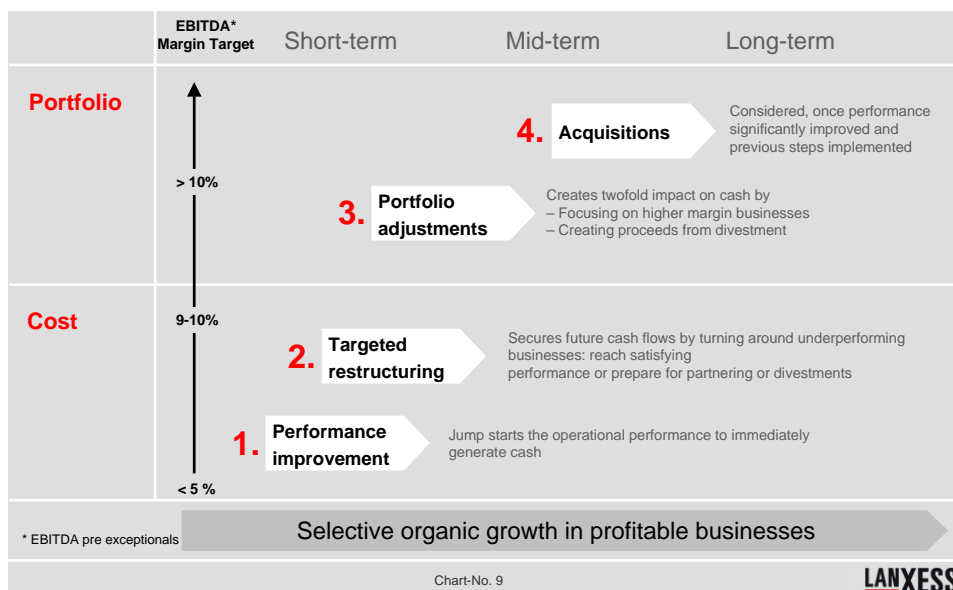


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## Restructuring 1<sup>st</sup> Phase

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## 1<sup>st</sup> Phase: €100 m Savings with €150 m One-Time Costs

### 1<sup>st</sup> Phase: Characteristics

- Restructuring with focus on Germany and Spain
- Headcount reduction of 960
- FCH: Implementation of new business model and asset consolidation
- STY: Realignment of Dormagen and Tarragona sites
- Solidarity agreement supports implementation of measures

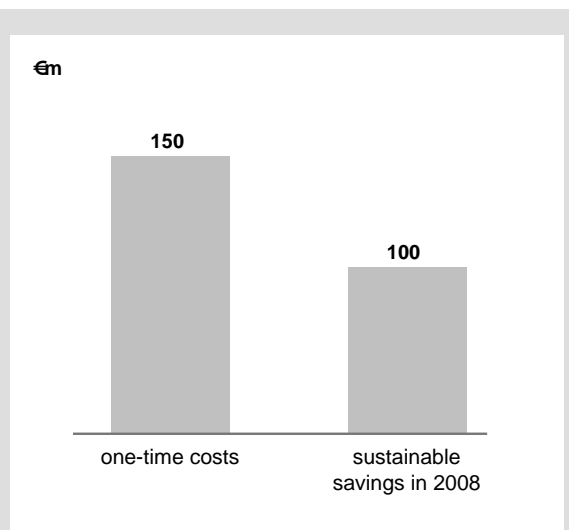


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## Immediate Action Taken for FCH and STY

- Agreement with works representatives / unions settled
- Implementation started

### Fine Chemicals

- Independent legal entity
- Closure of two unprofitable plants already finalized
- Consolidation of several plants
- Investments to achieve competitiveness

### Styrenic Resins

- Realignment of Dormagen and Tarragona sites
- Capacity adjustments in Tarragona and focus on profitable specialties
- Capacity reduction in Dormagen and focus on exclusive production for BayerMaterialScience
- New regional management in place

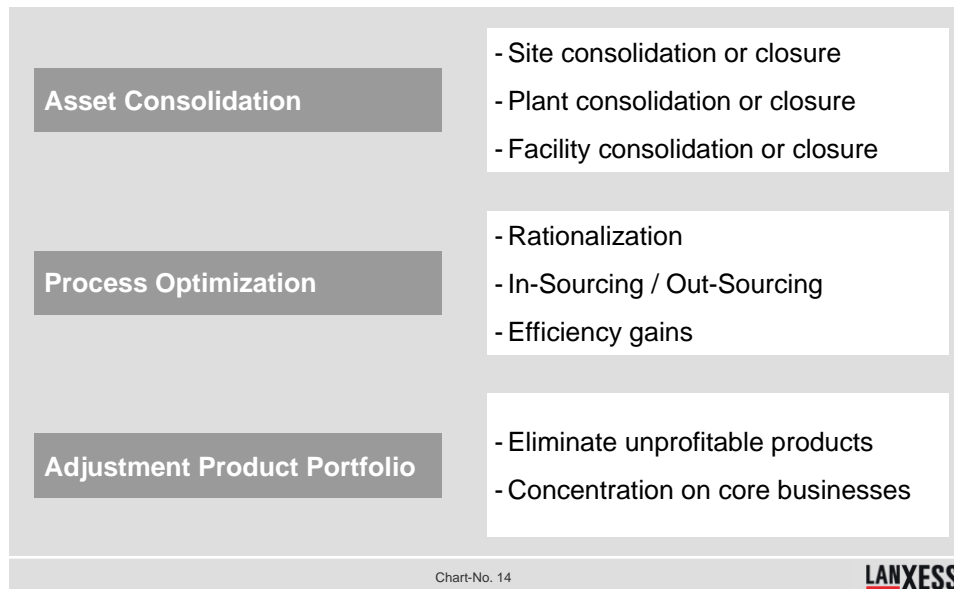
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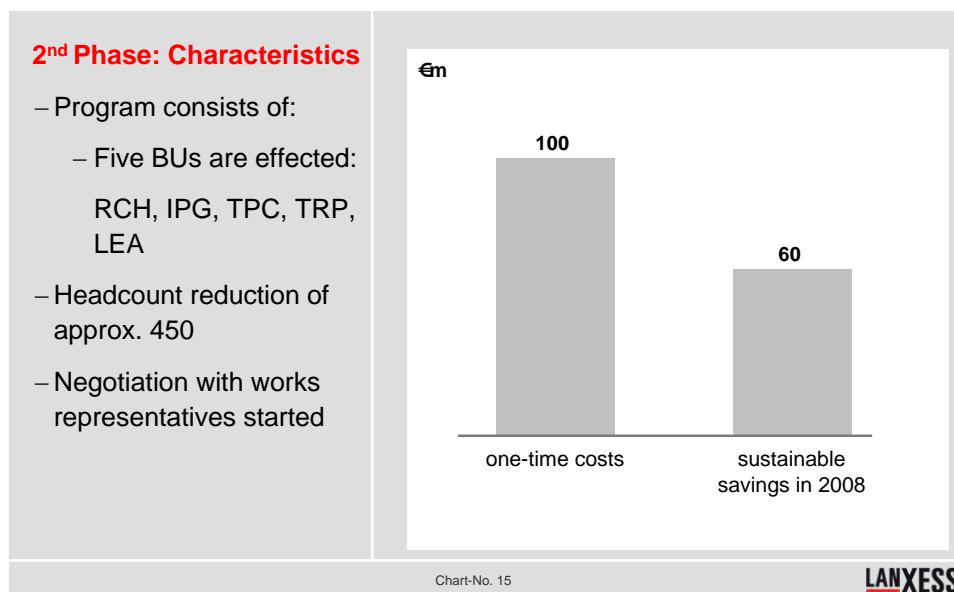
Restructuring 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase: Aggressive Restructuring to be Continued

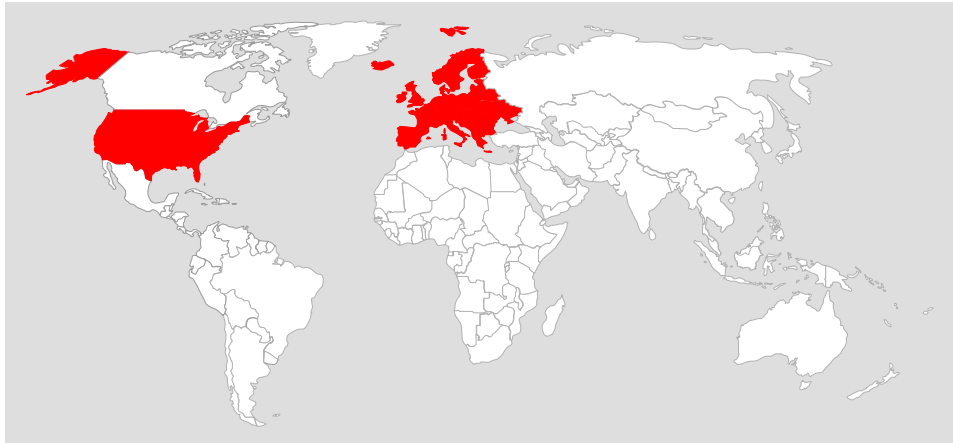


## 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase: €60 m Savings with €100 m One-time Costs





## 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase Restructuring in U.S. and Europe



### USA

Focus on Asset Consolidation

### Europe

Focus on Process Optimization

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## Small U.S. Production Sites to be Closed

### Asset Consolidation

- Approx. 20% of LANXESS sales are in the U.S. market
- Some production sites of under-critical size with unfavourable cost structure
- Closure of three out of ten production sites

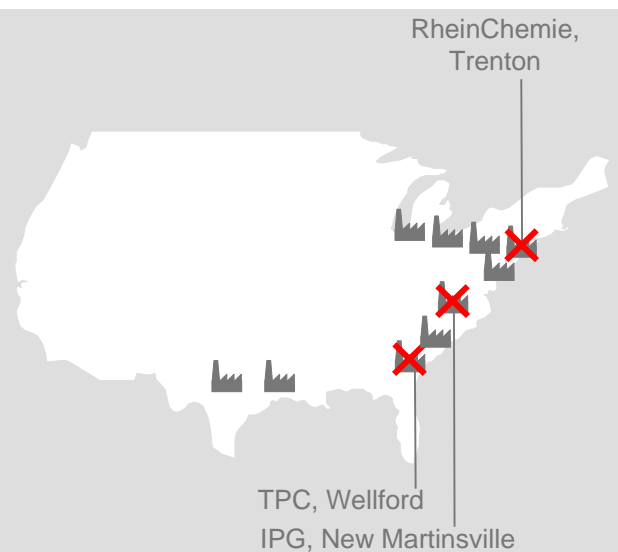


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## Technical Rubber Products: Process Optimization and Aggressive Cost-Cutting

### La Wantzenau; TRP

- NBR-business has been unprofitable for 10 years
- Despite investments of €150 m, losses of €200 m were incurred
- Double-digit million euro saving is necessary to ensure sustainable profitability



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## Leather: Closure of Outdated Plant and Shift of Production to Other Facilities

### Uerdingen; LEA

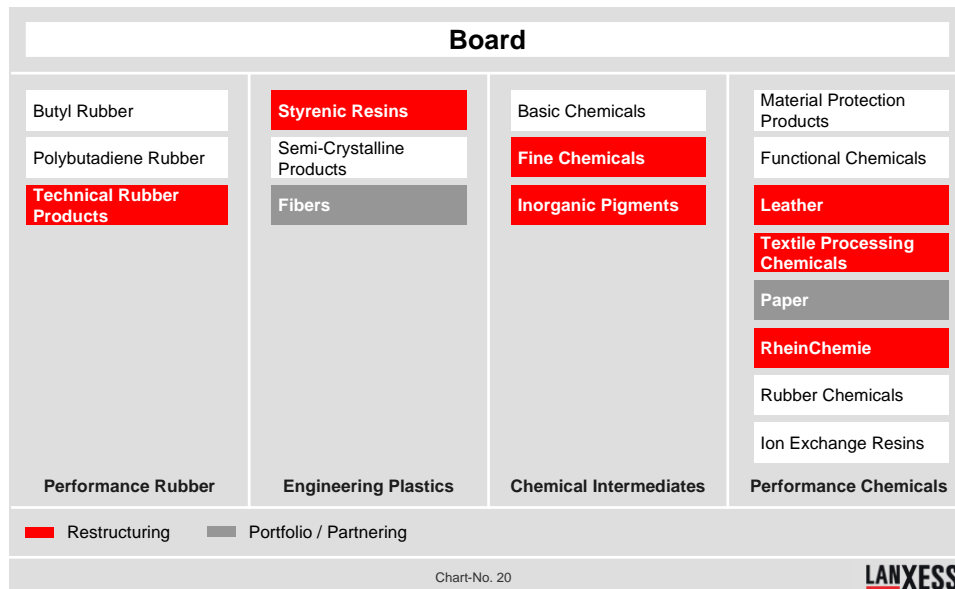
- Eroding European market
- Outdated plant design
- Capacities underutilized
- Plant closure and shift to other facilities improves profitability



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## For More than Half of all BUs Significant Restructuring and Portfolio Initiatives Underway



Restructuring Financials

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## Major Restructuring initiated - despite given constraints

Phase I+II (€ m)	2005	2006	2007	2008
P&L Expenses	-145	-35	-30	-15
Cash outs	-40	-95	-75	-40
<b>Cost reduction</b>		<b>40</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>160</b>
<b>EBITDA improvement</b>		<b>40</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>120</b>
Headcount reduction	~340	~670	~400	

### Key Take-Aways:

- €225 m total P&L expense
  - €250 m total cash costs
  - €160 m annual savings as of 2008 with EBITDA improvement of ~€120 m
  - Majority of expense already in 2005
  - Total Headcount reduction: ~1,400
- ➔ "Solidarity agreement" on top of above numbers give positive "one-time" effect of €60 m (€15 m, €20+ m and €20+ m in 2005 to 2007)

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## Financial Highlights: Necessary Performance Improvement Achieved

(€m)	Q2 2004	Q2 2005	Δ in %	
Sales	1,673	1,859	11.1%	– Sales growth on the basis of strong pricing (+8%) and risen volumes (+4%)
EBITDA pre except. Margin	115 6.9%	163 8.8%	41.7%	
EBIT	10	77	>100%	– Strategy changes and improving cost structures yielding results
Net Income	-29	24	n.m.	– Margin expansion despite high raw material costs
Net Financial Debt	1,135 <sup>1</sup>	1,250	10.1%	– Net financial debt increased mainly on higher business volume and risen working capital, however on stable level versus Q1 2005
Capex	54	48	-11.1%	
Employees	19,659 <sup>2</sup>	18,725 <sup>3</sup>	-4.8%	

<sup>1</sup> per 12/31/2004

<sup>2</sup> per 12/31/2004; including ~600 agency employees

<sup>3</sup> excluding 600 agency employees who were not transferred to LANXESS

**Q2 constitutes important building block for targeted full year performance**

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## On Track to Start Closing the Gap

(€m)	Q2 2004	Q2 2005	Δ absolut	Δ in %	
Sales	1,673	1,859	186	11%	– Sales increase mainly due to higher selling prices and strong volumes
Cost of goods sold	-1,301	-1,419	118	9%	
SG&A	-290	-292	2	1%	– COGS increase under-proportional to rising sales
R&D	-31	-28	-3	-10%	
Other op. expense	-41	-43	2	5%	– Over-proportional EBITDA increase versus sales growth
EBIT	10	77	67	>100%	
thereof exceptionals	-31	-23	-8	26%	
Net Income	-29	24	53	n.m.	
EBITDA	97	160	63	65%	
thereof exceptionals	-18	-3	-15	83%	
EBITDA pre exceptionals	115	163	48	42%	

•n.m.: not meaningful

•Exceptionals in Q2 2004 include: €21m RHC goodwill impairment, €18 m anti-trust litigation, €14 m Net reversal of STY impairment, €2 m Capex write-off and €4 m impairment in FCH

•Q2 2004 based on Combined Financial Statements

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## Earnings Fluctuation - Items to Bear in Mind

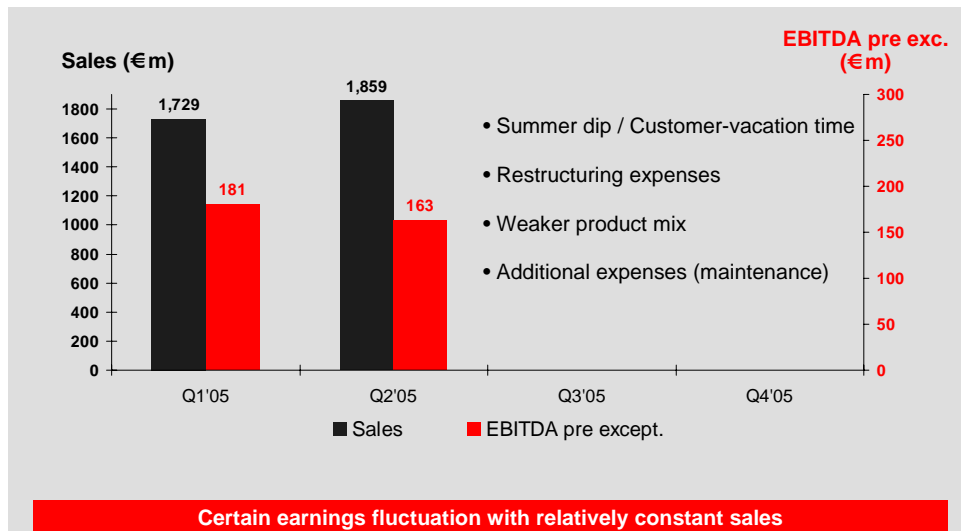


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## Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet

(€m)	Dec 31, 2004	Mar 31, 2005	June 30, 2005	(€m)	Dec 31, 2004	Mar 31, 2005	June 30, 2005
<b>Non-current Assets</b>				<b>Stockholders' equity</b>	1,365	1,185	1,225
Intangible assets	65	62	60	thereof Minority interest	14	14	15
Property, plant & equipment	1,521	1,518	1,517	<b>Provisions</b>			
Investments	85	87	90	Pension & post empl. provisions	418	431	449
<b>Current Assets</b>				Other provisions	481	548	583
Inventories	1,151	1,279	1,319	<b>Liabilities</b>			
Trade receivables	1,137	1,191	1,212	Financial obligations	1,207	1,364	1,428
Other receivables & assets	363	404	395	thereof Mandatory Convertible	200	200	211
Liquid assets	72	130	178	Trade accounts payable	820	756	735
<b>Deferred taxes</b>	172	34	18	Other liabilities	190	210	189
<b>Deferred charges</b>	11	12	18	<b>Deferred taxes</b>	55	174	152
<b>Total assets</b>	4,577	4,717	4,807	<b>Deferred income</b>	41	49	46
				<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Equity</b>	4,577	4,717	4,807

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## Improved Operating Cash Flow: Remains Weak - Predominantly due to Working Capital

(€m)	H1 2004	H1 2005	
<b>EBIT</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>193</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cash flow improved mainly on higher operating result</li> <li>- Strong improvement of operating Cash flow</li> <li>- Capex on comparable level</li> <li>- Working Capital increase due to planned maintenance shutdowns</li> <li>- ~€30 m cash out expected in Q3 for earlier payment term adjustment with Bayer</li> </ul>
Income Taxes	-37	-39	
Depreciation & Amortization	182	148	
Change in Pension Provision	-16	6	
Gain/ Loss from Sale of Assets	4	-1	
Change in Working Capital*	-189	-263	
Change in Other Net Current Assets	-19	76	
<b>Cash provided by Operating Act.</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>120</b>	
<b>Capex</b>	<b>-104</b>	<b>-99</b>	
Cash Flow used in Investing Activities**	-112	-91	
Cash Flow used in Financing Activities	162	72	
Cash at End of Period	69	178	

**Restructuring expected to impact cash flow from Q3 onwards**

\* Working Capital : Inventory plus trade accounts receivable less trade accounts payable  
 \*\* including Capex

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## Outlook

### Underlying assumptions

- Exchange rate €1.0 = ~USD1.25
- Continuous supportive economic environment
- Q3 somewhat weaker versus Q2 due to summer vacation in customer industries („summer dip“)
- Restructuring expenses expected predominantly in Q3 2005

### 2005 Guidance based on above assumptions

- Moderate sales growth in H2 2005 vs. previous year
- FY 2005 EBITDA pre exceptionals expected €550 - €560 m
- Capex at lower end of €250 - 270 m range
- Depreciation and Amortization ~€250 m
- P&L tax rate for full year 2005 expected below 30%

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## LANXESS - Promise and Delivery

### Status and Way Forward

#### Independence

- Clear roles and responsibilities and committed management
- Price-before-Volume Strategy with positive results
- Strengthened finance structure

#### Restructuring

- 1<sup>st</sup> Phase: Immediate action taken for largest loss makers
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase: Continued Restructuring in U.S. and Europe
- EBITDA improvement of €120 m by 2008 p.a.

#### Portfolio

- BU Paper: Structured process underway
- BU Fibers: Negotiations ongoing

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