

# **LANXESS Q2 2012 Financial Summary for Investors and Analysts**

- Sales growth of 8.1% against strong prior-year quarter
- Price adjustments almost fully offset drop in volumes
- EBITDA pre exceptionals improves from €339 million to €362 million
- EBITDA margin steady at 14.9%
- Net income and earnings per share level with previous year at €176 million and €2.11, respectively
- Business-related increase in net financial liabilities to €1.738 million
- Second-half EBITDA pre exceptionals expected on the level of the prior-year period
- Guidance for 2012 confirmed: EBITDA pre exceptionals to grow by 5%-10% Page 1 of 7

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#### **Overview Financials**

#### **Q2 Financial Overview**

- Good results with stable margins
- Sales up on pricing and portfolio with volume declines mitigated by currency effects
- "Price-before-volume" intact, reflected in strong EBITDA and stable margin
- EPS lower due to exceptionals and risen D&A
- Capex increase in line with growth strategy
- Higher net debt driven by working capital increase, cash outs for dividends, interest and bonus payments
- Q2 performance further important step towards full-year guidance

### **Q2 Profit and Loss Statement:**

- Strong P&L amid slowing volumes
- Sales increase due to pricing (+4%), currency (+6%) and portfolio effects (+3%), while lower volumes mitigate (-5%) (approximate numbers)
- Inventory devaluation of ~€15 m digested (raw material driven)
- G&A influenced by adverse currency effects and portfolio
- Planned increase in R&D reflects innovation efforts
- Strong results, despite burden of ~€20 m exceptionals mainly in BU RUC
- Strong strategic positioning reflected in financials

#### Q2 2012 Balance Sheet:

- Balance sheet reflects higher raw material prices and financing
- Increase in working capital to be reduced in H2 with upcoming maintenance turnarounds
- Net debt/EBITDA slightly up to ~1.4x driven by increase in working capital and payments for interest and dividends
- €402 m bond redemption in June 2012 reduces financial liabilities and near cash assets
- Increase of pension provision on interest rate reduction



#### H1 2012 Cash flow statement:

- · Cash flow mirrors growth mode
- Larger asset base drives D&A
- Change in other assets and liabilities contains among others cash outs related to hedging
- Working capital increases in preparation of planned maintenance turnarounds in H2 and due raw material inflation
- Investing cash flow mirrors inflow from financial assets
- Financing cash flow reflects redemption of maturing bond and issuance of new bonds

### **Q2 Business Overview**

# **Performance Polymers**

- Strong results in an increasingly demanding environment
- Sales deviation yoy: Price +6%, Volume -6%, Currency +8%, Portfolio +3% (approximate numbers)
- While operationally stable, segment benefits from positive currency and portfolio effects
- Inventory devaluation of ~€15 m digested in EBITDA
- BU BTR continued its strong performance
- BU PBR strong on HP-grades; standard grades weakening
- BU TRP benefits from portfolio\*, but with weaker demand
- BU HPM\*\* with good contribution but marginally weaker demand for high-tech plastics, especially in Europe

#### **Advanced Intermediates**

- Resilient agro business
- Sales deviation yoy: Price +2%, Volume -5%, Currency +3%, Portfolio 0% (approximate numbers)
- Strong currency and pricing effects offset lower volumes
- BU All with brisk demand from agro, more than offset by weakening demand in construction and coatings industry
- BU SGO equally benefits from megatrend agro
- Q2 performance benefits from differing timing of expenses (mainly maintenance) between quarters
- Quarterly margin fluctuation levels off in year-to-date comparison

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<sup>\*</sup> Inventory step-up of ~€15 m in Q2 2011 resulting from Keltan-EPDM acquisition

<sup>\*\*</sup> Formerly Semi-Crystalline Products (SCP)



#### **Performance Chemicals**

- Reduced capacity utilisation burdens EBITDA
- Sales deviation yoy: Price +1%, Volume -4%, Currency +5%, Portfolio +3% (approximate numbers)
- Almost all BUs with maintenance turnarounds leading to lower utilisation beyond demand decline; respective idle costs burden
- BU IPG with lower demand in EMEA and Asia, but stable in NA, vs exceptionally strong Q2 2011
- BU LEA declines on lower chrome ore prices and CO<sub>2</sub> shortage
- Exceptionals of ~€20 m mainly due to realignment in BU RUC
- BU MPP result burdened by higher registration costs
- Capex up with new growth projects in BU LEA (ZA and China)

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#### **Business environment:**

#### Current macro view:

- Demand differs regionally:
  - BRICS with ongoing solid growth rates Brazil softening
  - US with ongoing growth, while positive signals for macro development may weaken
  - Europe with slowing to negative growth rates
- Ongoing uncertainties: high national deficits, volatile FX, raw material price volatility and cautiousness among European customers

### LANXESS well positioned for a more challenging environment:

- H2 2012 EBITDA pre expected similar to the level of H2 2011
- Strict adherence to "price-before-volume" strategy key for the future
- We reiterate our guidance of 5-10% EBITDA pre growth in FY 2012

## LANXESS reiterates guidance in more challenging times

### Additional financial expectations for 2012

Capex\* 2012 : ~€650 - €700 m DαA : ~€350 - €370 m Tax rate -2200′

Hedging 2012 : ~50% at 1.25-1.35 USD / EUR Hedging 2013 : ~30% at 1.25-1.35 USD / EUR

# Leverkusen, August 7, 2012

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

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<sup>\*</sup>without projects financed by customers, finance leasing and capitalized borrowing costs



# **Financial Overview Q2 2012**

in € million	LANXESS			Perf. Polymers			Advanced Intermed.			Performance Chem.			Others/ Cons.		
			Chg.			Chg.			Chg.			Chg.			Chg. in
	Q2 '11	Q2 '12	in %	Q2 '11	Q2 '12	in %	Q2 '11	Q2 '12	in %	Q2 '11	Q2 '12	in %	Q2 '11	Q2 '12	%
Sales	2243	2424	8%	1281	1427	11%	395	399	1%	561	585	4%	6	13	>100%
Price*			4%			6%			3%			1%			0%
Volume*			-5%			-6%			-5%	1		-4%			>100%
Currency*			6%			8%			3%			5%			0%
Portfolio*			3%			3%			0%			3%			0%
EBIT	255	251	-2%	191	206	8%	47	62	32%	76	40	-47%	-59	-57	3%
Deprec. & amortizat.	79	93	18%	38	50	32%	18	17	-6%	19	23	21%	4	3	-25%
EBITDA	334	344	3%	229	256	12%	65	79	22%	95	63	-34%	-55	-54	2%
exceptionals in EBITDA	5	18	>100%	0	1	n.m.	0	0	0%	0	15	n.m.	5	2	-60%
EBITDA pre excep.	339	362	7%	229	257	12%	65	79	22%	95	78	-18%	-50	-52	-4%
normalized D&A	79	91	15%	38	50	32%	18	17	-6%	19	21	11%	4	3	-25%
EBIT pre excep.	260	271	4%	191	207	8%	47	62	32%	76	57	-25%	-54	-55	-2%
exceptionals in EBIT	5	20	>100%	0	1	n.m.	0	0	0%	0	17	n.m.	5	2	-60%
Capex	109	137	26%	72	85	18%	20	17	-15%	14	21	50%	3	14	>100%
Net financial debt**	1515	1738	15%												

<sup>\*</sup> approximate numbers

<sup>\*\*</sup>previous year value as per Dec. 31



# **Financial Overview H1 2012**

in € million	LANXESS			Perf. Polymers			Advanced Intermed.			Performance Chem.			Others/ Cons.		
			Chg.			Chg.			Chg.			Chg.			Chg. in
	H1 '11	H1 '12	in %	H1 '11	H1 '12	in %	H1 '11	H1 '12	in %	H1 '11	H1 '12	in %	H1 '11	H1 '12	%
Sales	4316	4812	11%	2365	2818	19%	811	828	2%	1117	1143	2%	23	23	0%
Price*	-		6%			10%			3%			2%			0%
Volume*			-4%			-4%			-3%			-6%			0%
Currency*			4%			6%			2%			3%			0%
Portfolio*			5%			7%			0%			3%			0%
EBIT	501	528	5%	356	412	16%	106	116	9%	148	102	-31%	-109	-102	6%
Deprec. & amortizat.	150	181	21%	72	98	36%	34	33	-3%	37	44	19%	7	6	-14%
EBITDA	651	709	9%	428	510	19%	140	149	6%	185	146	-21%	-102	-96	6%
exceptionals in EBITDA	10	22	>100%	0	2	n.m.	0	0	0%	0	15	n.m.	10	5	-50%
EBITDA pre excep.	661	731	11%	428	512	20%	140	149	6%	185	161	-13%	-92	-91	1%
normalized D&A	150	179	19%	72	98	36%	34	33	-3%	37	42	14%	7	6	-14%
EBIT pre excep.	511	552	8%	356	414	16%	106	116	9%	148	119	-20%	-99	-97	2%
exceptionals in EBIT	10	24	>100%	0	2	n.m.	0	0	0%	0	17	n.m.	10	5	-50%
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# Income Statement Q2 2012 and H1 2012

	Q2	Q2	Chg. in	H1	H1	Chg. in
in €million	2011	2012	%	2011	2012	%
Sales	2243	2424	8%	4316	4812	11%
Cost of sales	-1704	-1833	8%	-3255	-3629	11%
Gross profit	539	591	10%	1061	1183	11%
Selling expenses	-187	-195		-357	-381	7%
Research and development expenses	-34	-53		-65	-98	
General administration expenses	-74	-84	14%	-144	-156	8%
Other operating income	58	50	-14%	101	84	-17%
Other operating expenses	-47	-58	23%	-95	-104	9%
Operating result (EBIT)	255	251	-2%	501	528	5%
Income from investments accounted for using the equity method	7	3		12	6	-50%
Interest income	3	2	-33%	5	4	-20%
Interest expense	-25	-26	4%	-47	-51	9%
Other financial income and expense	-8	-2	75%	-20	-10	-50%
Financial result	-23	-23	0%	-50	-51	-2%
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Income before income taxes	232	228	-2%	451	477	6%
Income taxes	-51	-51	0%	-103	-107	-4%
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Income after income taxes	181	177	-2%	348	370	6%
of which attributable to non-controlling interests	0	1	n.m.	1	1	0%
of which attritbutable to LANXESS AG stockholders (net income)	181	176	-3%	347	369	6%



## **Abbreviations:**

All Advanced Industrial Intermediates

BTR Butyl Rubber

**FCC** Functional Chemicals

**HPM\*** High-Performance Materials

ION Ion Exchange Resins

**IPG** Inorganic Pigments

**LEA** Leather

**MPP Material Protection Products** 

**PBR** Performance Butadiene Rubbers

**RCH RheinChemie** 

**RUC Rubber Chemicals** 

SGO Saltigo

**TRP** Technical Rubber Products

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