

LANXESS Q1 2012 Financial Summary

- Q1 2012: Strong start in a challenging year
- Strong sales improvement (+15.2%) with stable EBITDA margin (15.5%)
- EBITDA at €369 Mio (+14.6% year-on-year)
- "Price-before-volume" strategy continued
- New projects announced in Q1 2012:
 - CO2 plant for upstream integration in BU LEA
 - Debottlenecking of aromatic network in BU All
 - Acquisition of US bladder producer TCB in BU RCH
- Net financial debt down slightly to €1,503 Mio
- Guidance: EBITDA pre growth of 5-10% expected

Overview Financials

Q1 Financial Overview

- Strong EBITDA performance with stable margin
- Sales improvement driven by pricing and portfolio
- "Price-before-volume" strategy key to stable EBITDA margin
- Capex increases as organic growth projects proceed according to plan
- Net debt stable in Q1 despite rise of working capital due to sequentially increased business activity
- Headcount increase reflects growth strategy

Q1 Profit and Loss Statement:

- Business performance beats strong Q1 2011
- Solid sales increase due to strong pricing (+9%), portfolio effects (+7%) and support from currency (+2%), while volumes remain slightly below very strong Q1 2011 (-3%)
- R&D increase in line with focus on technology initiatives and premium products
- Top-line increase translates into bottom-line performance
- Strong EBITDA based on competency for price-setting

Q1 2012 Balance Sheet:

- Balance sheet remains strong
- Net debt to EBITDA ratio slightly improved at ~1.26x
- Lower PPE and intangibles related to currency effects due to stronger Euro vs. year-end
- Working capital increase in line with sequential business development

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Q1 2012 Cash flow statement:

- Improved results reflected in stronger cash flow
- Increased business performance leads to higher pre-tax profit
- Larger asset base drives D&A
- Raw material inflation drives increase of working capital in both quarters
- Higher capex reflects growth mode
- Investing cash flow mirrors inflow from financial assets
- Financing cash flow contains dim-sum bond of ~€60 m

Q1 Business Overview

Performance Polymers

- EBITDA growth with strong margin
- Sales deviation yoy: Price +14%, Volume -1%, Currency +3%, Portfolio +12% (approximate numbers)
- Sales increase due to strong pricing and portfolio contribution
- Price increases successfully offset raw material inflation
- BUs BTR and High-Performance-Materials (HPM*) with price and volume increases in tandem
- BU PBR with continued shift to high performance rubbers
- BU TRP with strong contribution from Keltan EPDM business, other products with lower volumes (HNBR, EVM)
- Shift to new Keltan EPDM grades (BU TRP) adds to portfolio effect, while burdening volume effect
- Capex increase in line with announced growth projects

* Formerly named Semi-Crystalline-Products (SCP)

Advanced Intermediates

- Solid agro performance vs. strong basis in previous year
- Sales deviation yoy: Price +3%, Volume -1%, Currency +1%, Portfolio 0% (approximate numbers)
- Sales increase due to solid pricing, compensating slight volume decline
- Raw material inflation offset by price increases
- BU All with strong demand in aromatic network (agro), slightly weaker in benzyl products and polyols (coatings, construction)
- BU SGO with strong demand from healthy agro business; continued pharma softening
- Solid margin compares to very strong previous year
- Capex increases due to growth projects (e.g. Menthol)

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Performance Chemicals

- Lower volumes vs. strong Q1 2011
- Sales deviation yoy: Price +3%, Volume -7%, Currency 2%, Portfolio +3% . (approximate numbers)
- Stable sales as positive pricing combined with acquisition contributions • mitigate volume declines
- BU IPG with sequential recovery (construction), yoy however weaker; . maintenance shutdowns additionally burden volumes
- BU LEA contribution impacted by unstable CO2 supply .
- BU RUC with lower volumes (Antioxidants), BU FCC with ongoing weakness in colorants (E&E)
- Positive yoy contribution from BUs MPP, RCH and ION .
- EBITDA margin burdened by lower volumes

Business environment:

Current macro view:

- Less dynamic growth rates in emerging markets; • but on a more sustainable level
- Positive signals for US macro development .
- Solid agro end market trend to continue •
- Gradual recovery of construction market expected •
- Ongoing uncertainties: high national deficits, volatile FX, raw material price volatility and some cautiousness among European customers

LANXESS well positioned for growth:

- Several capacity expansions to come on stream •
- Tire labeling regulation in EU and South Korea end of 2012 •
- Strong start in 2012 we expect FY EBITDA pre growth of 5-10%

LANXESS is confident for 2012

Housekeeping items:

Additional financial expectations for 2012

- Capex* 2012 : ~€600 m •
- → A : ~€330 €350 m Tax rate ~220′ .
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- Hedging 2012 : ~45% at 1.30-1.40 USD / EUR
- Hedging 2013 : ~20% at 1.30-1.40 USD / EUR

*without projects financed by customers, finance leasing and capitalized borrowing costs

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Forward-Looking Statements

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in € million	LANXESS			Perf. Polymers			Advanced Intermed.			Performance Chem.			Others/ Cons.		
			Chg.			Chg.			Chg.			Chg.			Chg. in
	Q1 '11	Q1 '12	in %	Q1 '11	Q1 '12	in %	Q1 '11	Q1 '12	in %	Q1 '11	Q1 '12	in %	Q1 '11	Q1 '12	%
Sales	2073	2388	15%	1084	1391	28%	416	429	3%	556	558	0%	17	10	-41%
Price*	- · · ·		9%			14%			3%			3%			0%
Volume*			-3%			-1%			-1%			-7%			-41%
Currency*			2%			3%			1%			2%			0%
Portfolio*			7%			12%			0%			3%			0%
EBIT	246	277	13%	165	206	25%	59	54	-8%	72	62	-14%	-50	-45	10%
Deprec. & amortizat.	71	88	24%	34	48	41%	16	16	0%	18	21	17%	3	3	0%
EBITDA	317	365	15%	199	254	28%	75	70	-7%	90	83	-8%	-47	-42	11%
exceptionals in EBITDA	5	4	-20%	0	1	n.m.	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	5	3	-40%
EBITDA pre excep.	322	369	15%	199	255	28%	75	70	-7%	90	83	-8%	-42	-39	7%
normalized D&A	71	88	24%	34	48	41%	16	16	0%	18	21	17%	3	3	0%
EBIT pre excep.	251	281	12%	165	207	25%	59	54	-8%	72	62	-14%	-45	-42	7%
exceptionals in EBIT	5	4	-20%	0	1	n.m.	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	5	3	-40%
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Capex	68	92	35%	40	63	58%	13	15	15%	14	11	-21%	1	3	>100%
Net financial debt**	1515	1503	-1%												

* approximate numbers

**previous year value as per Dec. 31



Income Statement Q1 2012

	Q1	Q1	Chg. in
in €million	2011	2012	%
Sales	2073	2388	15%
Cost of sales	-1551	-1796	16%
Gross profit	522	592	13%
Selling expenses	-170	-186	9%
Research and development expenses	-31	-45	45%
General administration expenses	-70	-72	3%
Other operating income	43	34	-21%
Other operating expenses	-48	-46	-4%
Operating result (EBIT)	246	277	13%
Income from investments accounted for using the equity method	5	3	-40%
Interest income	2	2	0%
Interest expense	-22	-25	14%
Other financial income and expense	-12	-8	33%
Financial result	-27	-28	-4%
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Income before income taxes	219	249	14%
Income taxes	-52	-56	-8%
Income after income taxes	167	193	16%
of which attributable to non-controlling interests	1	0	-100%
of which attritbutable to LANXESS AG stockholders (net income)	166	193	16%



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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