



# LANXESS Q4/FY 2013 Financial Summary for Investors and Analysts

#### Summary FY 2013

- Substantial and largely price-driven sales decline of 8.7%
- All regions below prior-year level
- EBITDA pre exceptionals down some 40% to €735 million
- EBITDA margin pre exceptionals at 8.9%
- Net loss of €159 million due especially to write-downs totaling
  €279 million, €257 million of which were following impairment testing
- Earnings per share dropped sharply from €6.11 in 2012 to minus €1.91
- Q1 2014 EBITDA pre expected around €200 m against the backdrop of lower price levels, currency burden and a strike at our BTR site in Belgium
- For FY 2014 we expect a slightly improved EBITDA pre due alone to the absence of one-off items, even if selling prices remain at low levels

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#### **Overview Financials**

#### **Q4 Financial Overview**

- Extraordinary burdens reflected in P&L
- Sales decrease on lower prices (-8%) and negative currency effects (-3%), while positive volumes mitigate (+6%)
- COGS decrease disproportionately, reflecting higher fixed cost base (BTR SGP), lower margins and higher idle costs (inventory reduction)
- SG&A lower due to cost containment measures and lower variable compensation
- Earnings burdened by impairment of €257 m

#### Q4 2013 Balance Sheet:

- Ratios burdened by impairment working capital ratios improved
- Total assets and equity reflect amongst others impairment of €257 m
- Impairment charges burden equity ratio (down to 28% from 31%)
- Net financial debt under control, but with 2.4x EBITDA pre currently not in targeted corridor (for net financial debt/EBITDA pre of 1.0x – 1.5x through a normal business cycle)
- Working capital and net financial debt reduced, as announced
- All working capital ratios improved

# FY 2013 Cash flow statement:

- Positive free cash flow driven by working capital management and reduced capex
- Profit before tax burdened by weak business performance and one-time charges (€381 m exceptional items)
- Depreciation increased with higher asset base and impairment
- Tax payments are down in line with reduced profit before tax
- Successful working capital management and reduced capex, even though still at high levels, support free cash flow





#### **Q4 2013 Business Overview**

#### **Performance Polymers**

- Burdened by impairment
- Sales deviation yoy: Price -15%, Volume +11%, Currency -3%, Portfolio 0% (approximate numbers)
- Nearly all BUs with positive volumes but raw material-driven price declines and lower market price levels (mainly BU KEL)
- BU HPM with positive volumes and high utilization rates in compound business;
  Caprolactam however still weak
- Strong pressure in EPDM (BU KEL) with regional competitive disadvantage in raw material and energy costs
- Lower capex due to completion of BTR (SGP) plant and targeted capex reduction

#### **Advanced Intermediates**

- Good profitability compared to a very strong base
- Sales deviation yoy: Price 0%, Volume -4%, Currency -2%, Portfolio 0% (approximate numbers)
- Prices remain stable, however lower volumes compared to a high base, due to softer demand from paints & coatings and automotive in BU AII
- Demand for agrochemicals remains good in both business units
- Negative currency effects in sales and earnings
- Capex comparably stable

#### **Performance Chemicals**

- Impairment and currency headwind weigh on earnings
- Sales deviation yoy: Price 0%, Volume +4%, Currency -4%, Portfolio +1% (approximate numbers)
- Price stability with higher volumes in nearly all BUs mitigated by negative currency effects
- BU LEA with stable CO<sub>2</sub> supply from new plant in ZA, BU LPT developed well in resin and membrane business
- Inventory reduction and higher maintenance weigh on EBITDA
- Capex at lower levels as major projects are finished (LEA in ZA and China)
- Impairment charges of €29 m (BU RUC) reflected in D&A and EBIT

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### **Outlook:**

# Cautious for 2014 - but slight earnings improvement targeted

#### **Macro expectations 2014**

- Global tire production is expected to grow yoy with a continued impetus from Asia but negative rates in Europe
- Automotive industry may reach the trough in Western Europe, while Asia/Pacific will continue to grow
- Agro demand growth continues to be robust but below previous year's high level
- Construction industry will grow more dynamically especially in North America and Asia/Pacific
- US Dollar expected volatile in 2014; political uncertainties remain a risk

#### **LANXESS** expectations 2014

- Ongoing challenges of more competitive environment (e.g. capacities, prices)
- Currently no impetus from our rubber businesses in Q1 2014
- Q1 2014 EBITDA pre expected around €200 m against the backdrop of lower price levels, currency burden and a strike at our BTR site in Belgium
- For FY 2014 we expect a slightly improved EBITDA pre due alone to the absence of one-off items, even if selling prices remain at low levels

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# Housekeeping items for consideration Additional financial expectations for 2014

Capex\* 2014: around previous year's level (2013: €624 m)

D&A 2014: ~€400-€420 m
 Reconciliation 2014: ~€190 m

Annual tax rate: - mid-term: In normalized business environment and after completion of

efficiency program ~22-25% - 2014: tax rate will be higher

Hedging 2014: ~40% at 1.25 -1.35 USD/EUR
 Hedging 2015: ~15% at 1.25 -1.35 USD/EUR

# Cologne, March 20, 2014

#### Forward-Looking Statements

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





# **Financial Overview Q4 2013**

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in € million	LANXESS			Perf. Polymers			Advanced Intermed.			Performance Chem.			Others/ Cons.			
	Q4 '12	Q4 '13	Chg. in %	Q4 '12	Q4 '13	Chg. in %	Q4 '12	Q4 '13	Chg. in %	Q4 '12	Q4 '13	Chg. in %	Q4 '12	Q4 '13	Chg. in %	
Sales	2.123	2.014	-5%	1.166	1.082	-7%	443	418	-6%	505	505	0%	9	9	0%	
Price*			-8%			-15%			0%			0%			0%	
Volume*	_		6%			11%			-4%			4%			0%	
Currency*	-		-3%			-3%			-2%			-4%			0%	
Portfolio*	-		0%			0%			0%			1%			0%	
EBIT	126	-262	<-100%	89	-211	<-100%	70	46	-34%	21	-32	<-100%	-54	-65	-20%	
Deprec. & amortizat.	102	385	>100%	58	301	>100%	17	21	24%	22	57	>100%	5	6	20%	
EBITDA	228	123	-46%	147	90	-39%	87	67	-23%	43	25	-42%	-49	-59	-20%	
exceptionals in EBITDA	11	53	>100%	6	9	50%	-6	3	>100%	2	16	>100%	9	25	>100%	
EBITDA pre excep.	239	176	-26%	153	99	-35%	81	70	-14%	45	41	-9%	-40	-34	15%	
normalized D&A	102	121	19%	58	66	14%	17	21	24%	22	28	27%	5	6	20%	
EBIT pre excep.	137	55	-60%	95	33	-65%	64	49	-23%	23	13	-43%	-45	-40	11%	
exceptionals in EBIT	11	317	>100%	6	244	>100%	-6	3	>100%	2	45	>100%	9	25	>100%	
Capex	315	226	-28%	193	156	-19%	38	26	-32%	74	34	-54%	10	10	0%	
Net financial debt**	1.483	1.731	17%			ı			1			•			l	

<sup>\*</sup> approximate numbers

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





# **Financial Overview FY 2013**

in € million	LANXESS			Perf. Polymers			Advanced Intermed.			Performance Chem.			Others/ Cons.		
	FY 2012	FY 2013	Chg. in %	FY 2012	FY 2013	Chg. in %	FY 2012	FY 2013	Chg. in %	FY 2012	FY 2013	Chg. in %	FY 2012	FY 2013	Chg. in %
Sales	9.094	8.300	-9%	5.176	4.486	-13%	1.674	1.647	-2%	2.203	2.132	-3%	41	35	-15%
Price*			-8%			-15%			1%			0%			0%
Volume*	_		2%			4%			-1%			-1%			-15%
Currency*	_		-2%			-2%			-1%			-3%			0%
Portfolio*	_		0%			0%			0%			0%			0%
EBIT	808	-93	<-100%	599	-117	<-100%	244	210	-14%	177	54	-69%	-212	-240	-13%
Deprec. & amortizat.	378	717	90%	209	489	>100%	67	77	15%	87	127	46%	15	24	60%
EBITDA	1.186	624	-47%	808	372	-54%	311	287	-8%	264	181	-31%	-197	-216	-10%
exceptionals in EBITDA	37	111	>100%	9	17	89%	-6	-1	83%	17	50	>100%	17	45	>100%
EBITDA pre excep.	1.223	735	-40%	817	389	-52%	305	286	-6%	281	231	-18%	-180	-171	5%
normalized D&A	376	447	19%	209	254	22%	67	77	15%	85	92	8%	15	24	60%
EBIT pre excep.	847	288	-66%	608	135	-78%	238	209	-12%	196	139	-29%	-195	-195	0%
exceptionals in EBIT	39	381	>100%	9	252	>100%	-6	-1	83%	19	85	>100%	17	45	>100%
Capex	696	624	-10%	434	385	-11%	92	96	4%	135	111	-18%	35	32	-9%
Net financial debt**	1.483	1.731	17%			•			ı						l

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# Income Statement Q4 and FY 2013

in € million	Q4 2012	Q4 2013	Chg. in %	FY 2012	FY 2013	Chg. in %
Sales	2.123	2.014	-5%	9.094	8.300	-9%
Cost of sales	-1.659	-1.654	0%	-6.988	-6.752	3%
Gross profit	464	360	-22%	2.106	1.548	-26%
Selling expenses	-199	-180	10%	-763	-755	1%
Research and development expenses	-45	-52	-16%	-192	-186	3%
General administration expenses	-103	-71	31%	-339	-301	11%
Other operating income	57	44	-23%	186	128	-31%
Other operating expenses	-48	-363	<-100%	-190	-527	<-100%
Operating result (EBIT)	126	-262	<-100%	808	-93	<-100%
Income from investments accounted for using the equity method	-2	0	100%	1	0	-100%
Interest income	0	1	n.m.	5	2	-60%
Interest expense	-25	-26	-4%	-101	-108	-7%
Other financial income and expense	-31	-14	55%	-53	-40	25%
Financial result	-58	-39	33%	-148	-146	1%
Income before income taxes	68	-301	<-100%	660	-239	<-100%
Income taxes	-18	90	>100%	-151	71	>100%
Income after income taxes	50	-211	<-100%	509	-168	<-100%
of which attributable to non-controlling interests	0	-7	>100%	1	-9	>100%
of which attritbutable to LANXESS AG stockholders (net income)	50	-204	<-100%	508	-159	<-100%





# **Abbreviations:**

All Advanced Industrial Intermediates

BTR Butyl Rubber

**FCC** Functional Chemicals

**HPE**\* High Performance Elastomers

**HPM** High-Performance Materials

**IPG** Inorganic Pigments

KEL\* Keltan Elastomers

**LEA** Leather

**LPT**\*\* Liquid Purification Technologies

MPP Material Protection Products

**PBR** Performance Butadiene Rubbers

**RCH** Rhein Chemie

**RUC Rubber Chemicals** 

SGO Saltigo

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<sup>\*</sup> As of January 1st 2013 BU TRP split into BU KEL (Keltan Elastomers) and BU HPE (High Performance Materials)

<sup>\*\*</sup> As of April 1<sup>st</sup> 2013 BU ION (Ion Exchange Resins) renamed to BU LPT (Liquid Purification Technologies)