

## **WACKER – Accelerating Proven Successes**

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### **WACKER: At a Glance**

## Facts & Figures

€6.4bn 15,725

Sales in 2023 Employees

€824m 27

EBITDA in 2023 Production Sites

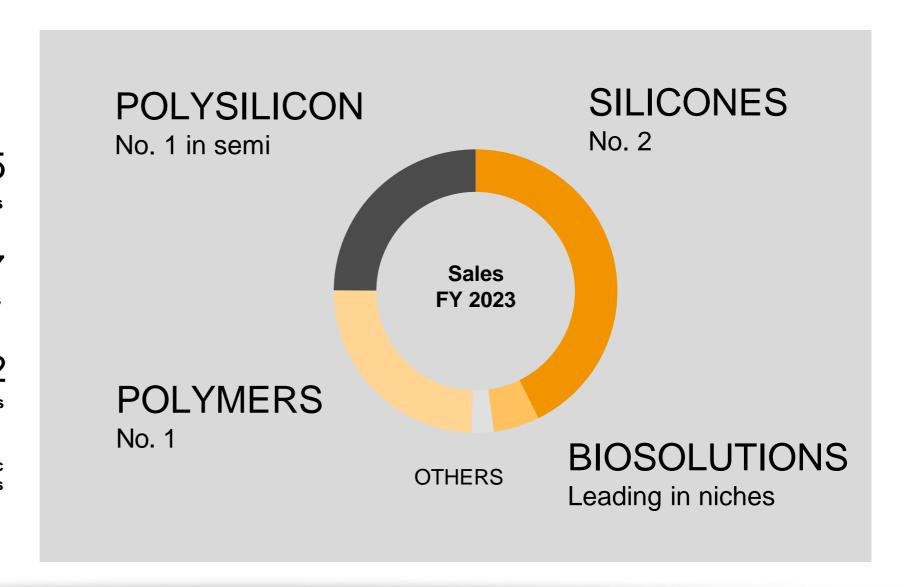
13% 22

EBITDA margin Technical Centers

in 2023

4 Business Segments

45 Scientific collaborations



#### **SILICONES: At a Glance**



# The Fully Integrated Specialty Supplier

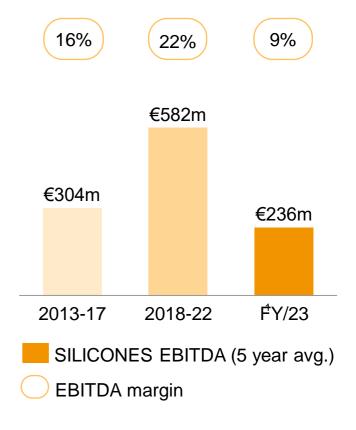
- Customer's first choice for innovative and customized solutions in all regions
- Benchmark production and service close to customers



# **Sustainability Pull For Specialty Solutions**

- Silicones with unmatched performance & versatility
- Smart Construction, E-mobility, Renewable Energy, Sustainable Raw Materials

#### **Financial Performance**



#### **POLYMERS: At a Glance**



## VAE/DPP<sup>1</sup> Capacity Leader with World Class Tandems

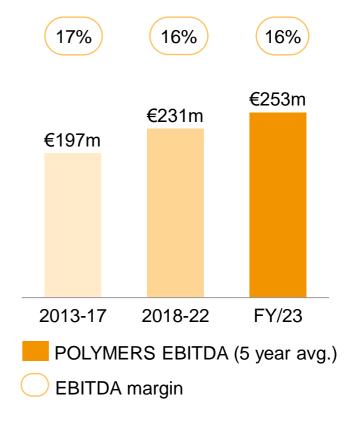
- Customized service to key accounts and local champions in the regions
- Addressing individual market requirements
- Innovation and in-depth formulating expertise



## **Pull from Sustainability and Smart Construction**

- Performance-based substitution in construction and binder markets
- Lead transformation to high construction standards
- Sustainability driven "plastic to paper" trend

#### **Financial Performance**



1) DPP = <u>Dispersible Polymer Powders</u> VAE= <u>Vinyl acetate-ethylene</u>

#### **BIOSOLUTIONS: At a Glance**



## **Fast Growing Biotechnology Business**

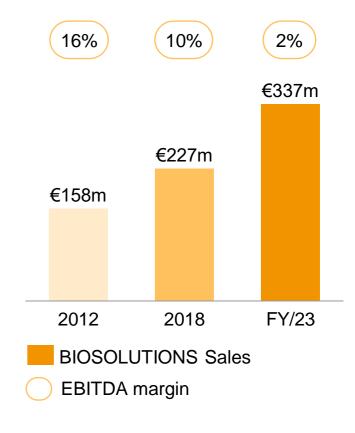
- Leading microbial manufacturing technologies
- Jump-started into advanced medicines (mRNA, pDNA)
- Successfully acquired and integrated biotech sites



# **Pull from Advanced Medicine and Clean Food**

- CDMO outsourcing trend with high potential
- Consumer focus on health and well being trend

#### **Financial Performance**



#### **POLYSILICON: At a Glance**



# **Leadership in High End Applications Established**

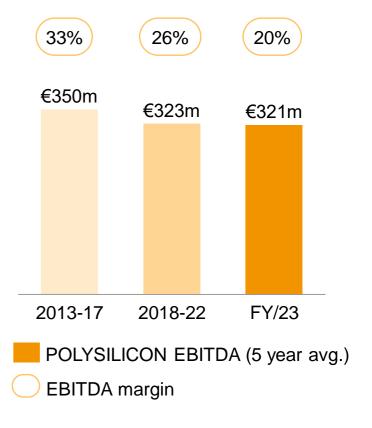
- #1 Position in Semi doubled volumes sold in past 5 years
- Market leader for high-end n-type solar
- Strong long-standing cooperation with customers



# **Pull from Rapidly Growing Semi and Solar Markets**

- Strong growing chip demand
- High efficiency modules require high quality polysilicon
- Best-in-class sustainability

#### **Financial Performance**



## **Committed to Achieve 2030 Group Targets**



# Faster Growth, Bolder Moves, High Profitability

Sales: >€10bn

▶ EBITDA Margin: >20%

▶ Volume/Mix CAGR: 1.5 – 2x historic

▶ ROCE: 2x Cost of Capital



### **Strategic Growth Projects**

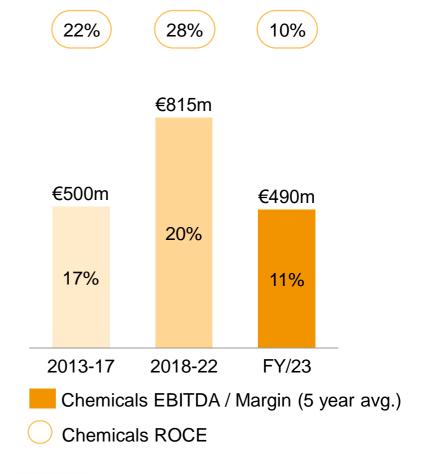
▶ SILICONES: Specialties

▶ POLYMERS: Tandems (VAE+DPP)

▶ BIOSOLUTIONS: Biologics

POLYSILICON: Semi

#### **Chemicals Financial KPIs**



## **2030 Targets - Capital Allocation Priorities**

#### **GROWTH**

CapEx and M&A

#### **High-Return Growth CapEx**

- Accelerate chemical capacities in all regions, diversified portfolio of downstream projects
- Early-stage assets, create synergies in BIOSOLUTIONS; strengthen market position

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### SHAREHOLDER RETURNS

Dividends

### **Strong Commitment to Shareholders**

- ▶ Continued policy of ~50% payout of net income from continuing operations
- ▶ For FY 2023, dividend proposal of €3 per share in-line with policy



#### **PENSIONS**

Reform

## **Initiatives Underway to Reduce Pension Deficit**

Modernization of our system to a fully funded defined contribution system, relevant for all new employees and everybody willing to switch over to it



## **Ambitious Sustainability Targets for 2030**



## Value Up

**100%** Products meet sustainability criteria



## **Footprint Down**

**50%** Reduction in absolute GHG<sup>1</sup> emissions (vs. 2020)

**15%** Reduction in specific water withdrawal (vs. 2020)

**15%** Reduction in specific energy consumption (vs. 2020)

Accidents



## **Collaboration Beyond**

**100%** Key suppliers meet sustainability standards

25% Reduction in absolute upstream GHG emissions (vs. 2020)

Extend World-class "Verbund" sites and circular economy





Clear Commitment to 1.5°C Paris Agreement

Net Zero

1) GHG = Greenhouse gas

## **Progress Made on Achieving Ambitious Group Sustainability Targets**

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2030 Target	
Net Zero	100%	93%	87%	72%	100% reduction by 2045	
Value Up						
Sustainable products	83%	89%	90%	94%	100% of products meet defined sustainability criteria	
Diversity: Woman in management	17%	19%	21%	21%	33% of management positions held by woman	
Regionalization: Management	27%	29%	30%	32%	50% management positions outside Germany	
Footprint Down						
CO <sub>2</sub> e (Scope 1+2) emissions	100%	101%	89%	86%	50% reduction in absolute CO <sub>2</sub> e emissions	
Energy consumption	100%	98%	99%	103%	% 15% reduction in specific energy consumption	
Water withdrawal	100%	98%	102%	104%	15% reduction in specific water withdrawal	
Collaboration Beyond						
CO <sub>2</sub> e (Scope 3) emissions	100%	86%	80%	62%	25% reduction in absolute CO <sub>2</sub> e emissions	
Sustainable supply chain	57%	60%	72%	79%	100% of key suppliers meet defined TfS criteria	
Health & Safety						
Chemical accidents with missed workdays <sup>1</sup>	3	4	10	2	0 days – reoccurring annual target	
Severe process safety incidents	1	3	3	0	0 incidents – reoccurring annual target	

1) 2023: incidents per million work hours: 3.3 Target: <2

## **Guidance FY 2024**

In €m	FY 2023	Outlook 2024
Sales	6,402	€6,000 – 6,500m
EBITDA	824	€600 – 800m
EBITDA margin (%)	12.9	Substantially lower than last year
Net cash flow	166	Negative, substantially lower than last year
CapEx	710	Slightly lower than last year
Net Debt	84	Higher than last year
Net Income	327	Substantially lower than last year
Depreciation	419	Around €450m
ROCE (%)	6.9	Substantially lower than last year
Tax Rate (%)	15.4	Around 20%

# Q1 Trading Update Sales of about €1.5bn with an EBITDA at the Level of Q4/23 at about €135m

#### **SILICONES**

- Sales and EBITDA sequentially higher
- Continued low ASP for Standards
- Improved order intake so far
- Preparations underway for turnaround in Q2

#### **POLYMERS**

- Sales and EBITDA sequentially higher
- Q1 benefits from seasonality
- Demand from construction with a slow start to the year

#### **BIOSOLUTIONS**

- Profitability in Q1/24 still burdened by upfront costs for future growth
- Biopharma with sequentially lower customer project finalizations
- Growth in sales and earnings in H2/24

#### **POLYSILICON**

- Sales comparable, EBITDA sequentially higher
- Benefits from lower energy costs

# **Appendix FY 2023 Results – Breakdown by Business**

	ı	FY 2023		FY 2022		
In €m / %	SALES	EBITDA	EBITDA MARGIN	SALES	EBITDA	EBITDA MARGIN
Chemicals	4,321	490	11.3	5,449	1,165	21.4
SILICONES	2,741	236	8.6	3,453	876¹	25.4
POLYMERS	1,580	253	16.0	1,996	289	14.5
BIOSOLUTIONS	337	7	1.9	331	17	5.0
POLYSILICON	1,599	321	20.0	2,287	826	36.1
Others	162	8	4.6	171	73	42.7
Consolidation	-18	-1	-	-29	1	-
WACKER Group	6,402	824	12.9	8,209	2,081¹	25.4

	Q4 2023			Q4 2022			
SALES	EBITDA	EBITDA MARGIN	SALES	EBITDA	EBITDA MARGIN		
952	69	7.3	1,128	168	14.9		
610	37	6.1	706	123 <sup>1</sup>	17.4		
342	32	9.3	421	45	10.6		
93	12	12.6	81	5	5.9		
303	21	6.8	574	197	34.3		
39	34	87.1	50	-14	-		
-4	0	-	-7	-1	-		
1,383	135	9.8	1,827	355¹	19.4		

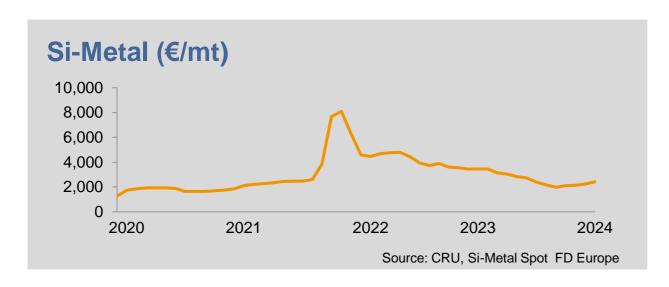
1) includes €72m exceptional non-cash revaluation of JV in China (SILICONES)

# **Appendix Strong Growth of Global PV Markets in 2024 Expected**

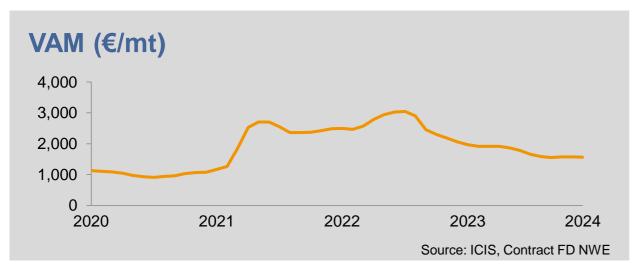
Country	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Germany	5	5	8	14	14 - 18
Spain	3	4	8	8	8 - 10
Europe other	13	20	30	35	38 - 52
Europe total	21	29	45	57	60 - 80
USA	19	25	19	33	35 - 55
Japan	8	8	7	7	6 - 8
China	48	55	87	217	230 - 250
India	4	12	14	10	15 - 20
Rest of World	41	42	79	86	104 - 117
Total	140 GW	170 GW	250 GW	410 GW	450 - 530 GW

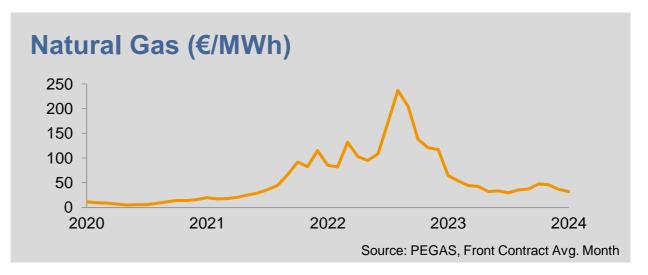
Sources: market surveys, industry announcements, WACKER estimates

# **Appendix Key Raw Materials, Power and Gas**









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#### **Financial Calendar**

04/25/24 Q1 2024 Results

05/08/24 Annual General Meeting, Munich

07/26/24 Q2 2024 Results 09/18+19/24 CMD Burghausen 10/29/24 Q3 2024 Results

#### **Publications**









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