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23<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting of voestalpine AG Linz, July 1, 2015





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#### Agenda item 1

#### **Presentation**

- of the adopted Annual Financial Statements of voestalpine AG,
- of the Management Report, which has been combined with the Consolidated Management Report,
- of the recommendation for appropriation of net profit,
- of the Consolidated Annual Financial Statements,
- of the Corporate Governance Report, and
- of the Report of the Supervisory Board





# Business year 2014/15 of the voestalpine Group

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### Business environment, highlights

#### Business year 2014/15 Economic environment

#### Global economic development uneven

- Europe (euro zone): overall volatile and subdued development, moderate economic revival in the last quarter ("quantitative easing" by ECB, EU investment offensive)
- North America: continuing growth; consolidation phase in early 2015
- China: high growth rates at stable level (+7%)
- Brazil and Russia: between stagnation and recession
- Deflationary raw materials prices (ore, oil); shifts in rates of exchange (esp. US dollar vs. euro)







### Business year 2014/15 voestalpine Group – Highlights (1)

- Despite negative price trends (iron ore, oil), revenue slightly up to EUR 11.2 billion
- EBITDA rose to EUR 1.53 billion (+11.4%), EBIT increased to EUR 886 million (+12.4%)
- Positive non-recurring effects (EBITDA EUR 61.9 million, EBIT EUR 45.2 million)
- Profit before tax and profit for the period rose disproportionately from EUR 641 million to EUR 741 million and EUR 503 million to EUR 594 million respectively
- Gearing ratio at 58.4% higher than previous year (46%) → special effects in statement of financial position
- Proposed dividend: EUR 1.00 per share (previous year: EUR 0.95)







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Figures for business year 2013/14 retroactively adjusted.

### Business year 2014/15 voestalpine Group – Highlights (2)

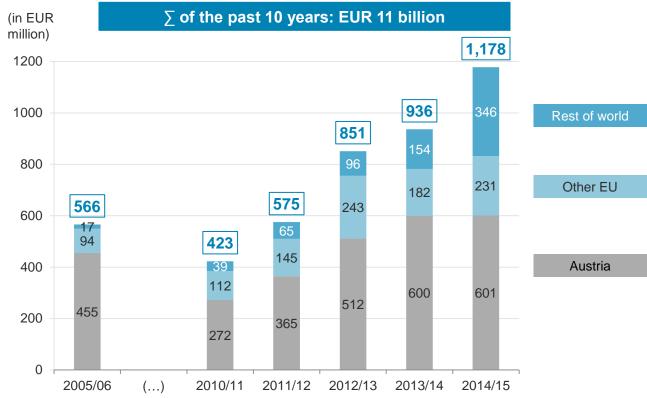
- Efficiency improvement and cost optimization program shows first effects on earnings
- Employment stable at high level:
  - More than 52% of core staff outside of Austria
  - At around 23,000 employees, employment record in Austria
- Direct reduction plant in Texas to 60% completed;
   largest ever Austrian foreign investment in the USA
- Investment at record high:
  - Increase from EUR 936 million to nearly EUR 1.2 billion
  - For the first time, approx. 50% of investments outside of Austria







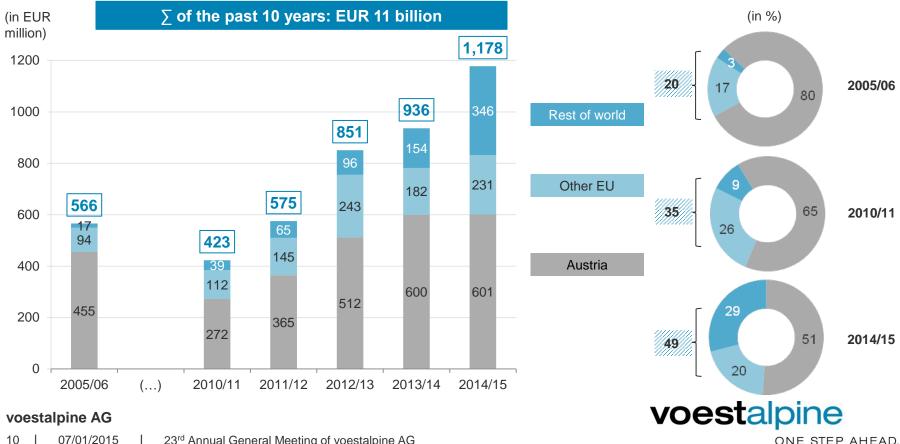
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### Overview of key figures

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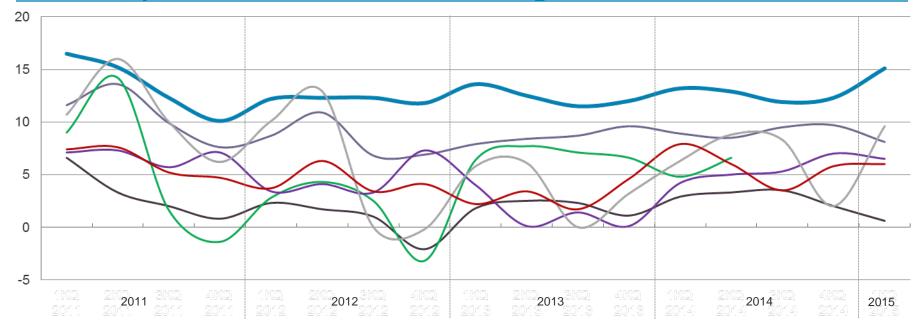
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Quarterly comparison: EBITDA in % of revenue; Sources: Bloomberg, company reports

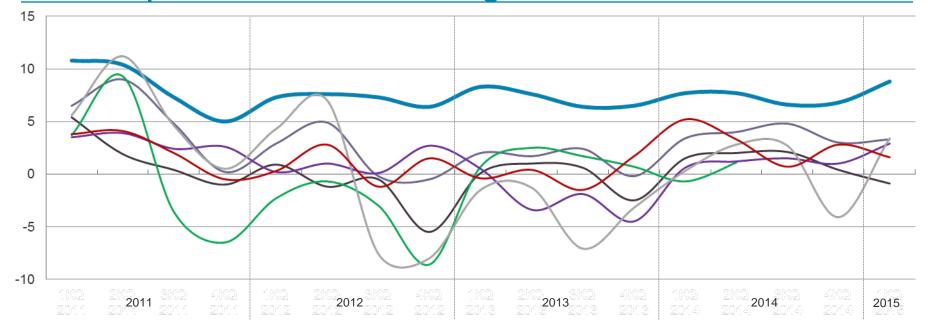
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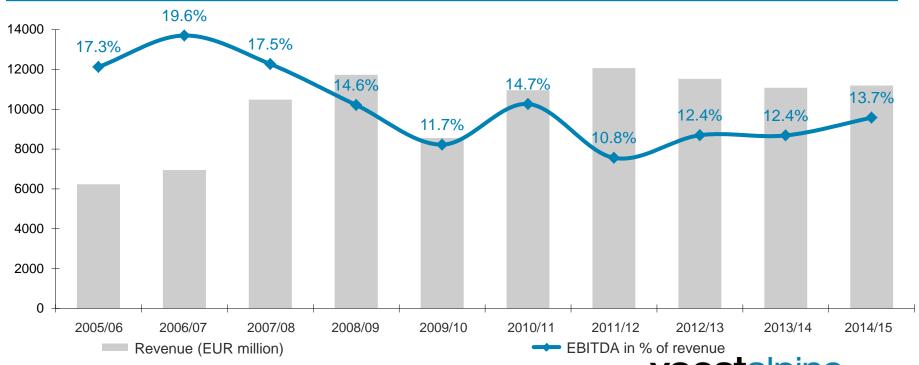


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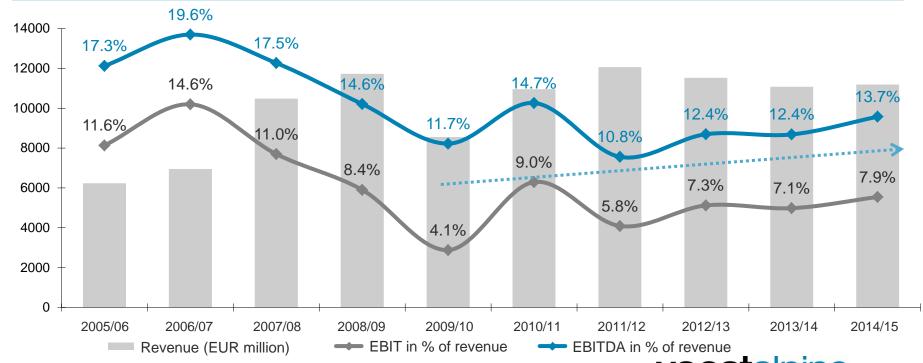


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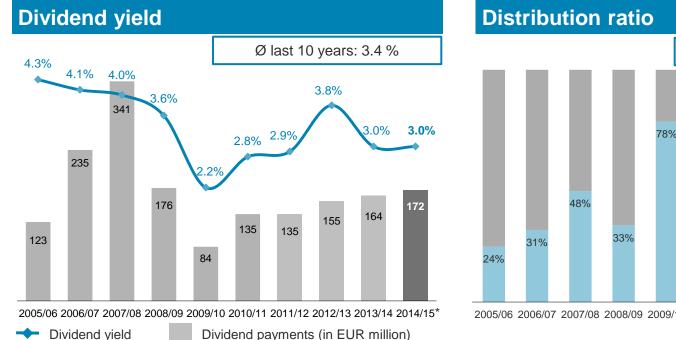
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Profit for the period **	EUR million	503.4	594.2	+18.0

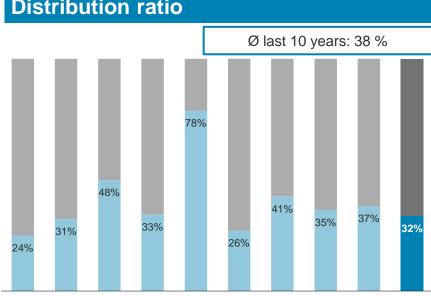


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Dividend per share**	EUR	0.95	1.00	+5.3

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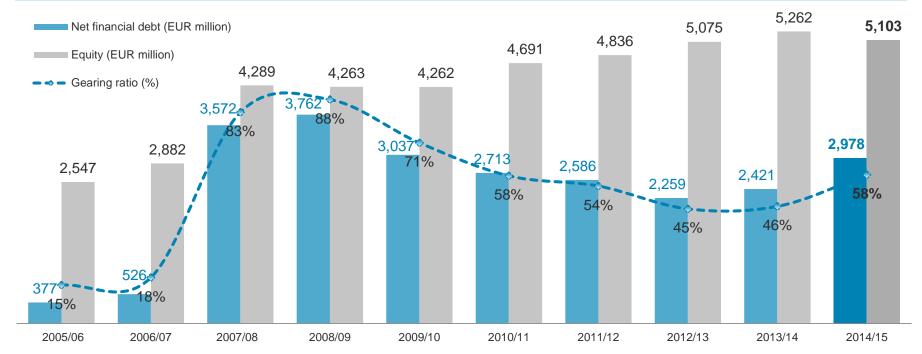


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Continuous dividend payments since IPO in 1995 - total: EUR 2.2 billion

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## voestalpine Group Development of gearing ratio



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#### R&D expenses

(in EUR million)

R&D expenses

R&D budget

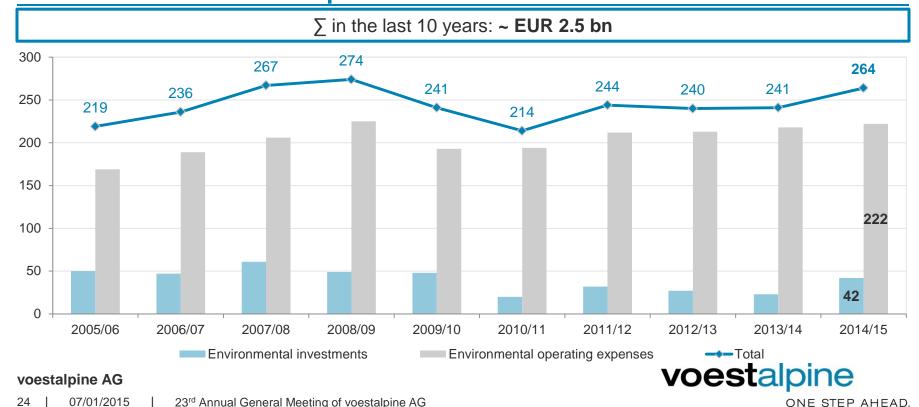
#### Ø annual increase in the last 10 years: 8.5%



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#### voestalpine Group Environmental expenses

(in EUR million; based on Austrian Group locations)



### Overview of divisions



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EBIT (EUR million)	208.0	253.7	292.1	220.7	886.3
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Employees (FTE)	11,103	13,490	11,685	10,328	47,418

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#### Business year 2014/15 Steel Division – Highlights



- Market environment continues to be difficult
- Massive overcapacity and concurrently, falling raw materials prices → continuing price pressure on commodities
- Slight pick-up in demand beginning in last quarter of business year
- voestalpine:
  - Stable, good level of demand from all important customer industries
  - Record production and delivery volumes
  - Steel Division continues to be profitability benchmark for the steel industry in the EU
  - Investments 61% above previous year's figure focus on direct reduction plant in the USA



#### Project in Texas on schedule Absolute environmental benchmark

#### **■** Construction

- Completion by the end of 2015
- Currently, 1,300 construction workers
- 137-meter-high reduction tower 2/3 completed, loading port completed

#### Customers

■ 80% of sales volume already contractually fixed

#### Suppliers

Full supply of pre-material (iron ore pellets) ensured

#### Environment

- Zero waste due to recycling of iron dust and iron slurry
- Maximum raw material efficiency by pressing dust into briquettes
- Closed water piping system









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### Business year 2014/15 Special Steel Division



- Regionally inconsistent, but overall improved market environment
  - Subdued development in Europe
  - USA and China continue to be dynamic
  - Automotive and consumer goods segments drive solid demand for tool steel;
     strong development in the aerospace industry
- Energy: power plant construction (esp. in Europe) continues to be weak; situation in oil and natural gas exploration still satisfactory in 2014
- Continuing expansion of global market leadership due to value-added strategy in technologically sophisticated product segments



## Business year 2014/15 Metal Engineering Division



- Again robust performance with regard to operating results and earnings in all business segments due to strong demand in the most important customer industries
  - High demand for rails, primarily for European railway infrastructure projects
  - Turnout technology maintains high momentum worldwide
  - Solid business performance in the Wire segment (automobile industry)
  - No major consequences of the low oil price on the seamless tube segment in 2014
  - Stable development in the Welding Consumables (welding technology) business segment



## Business year 2014/15 Metal Forming Division



- Successful start-up of operations at new production sites in China, South Africa, and the USA; further expansion is being implemented ("phs-ultraform®")
- Divestment of Flamco and Plastics Group results in portfolio optimization
- Development of individual business segments:
  - Strong performance in the Automotive Body Parts segment
  - Inconsistent market environment for Tubes & Sections; aerospace industry is strong, construction industry shows only tentative recovery; commercial vehicles segment continues to be weak
  - Precision Strip segment holds its own against new capacities in Asia
  - Warehouse & Rack Solutions segment demonstrates very strong performance



### Climate and energy

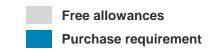


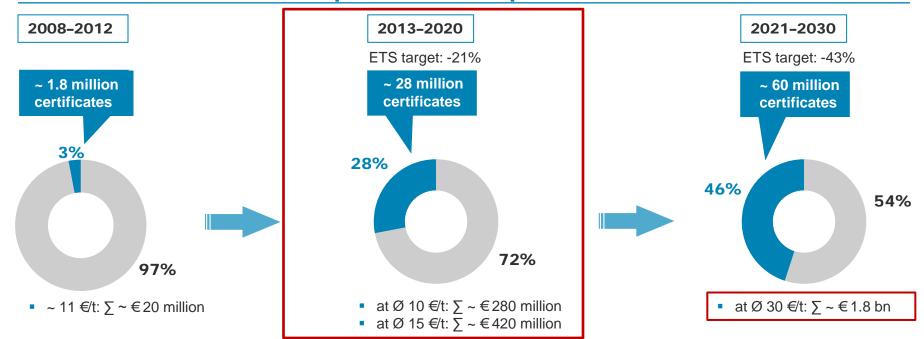
## Climate and energy Current developments

- Intervention in the current emissions trading scheme resolved starting already in 2019
  - Increase of CO<sub>2</sub> price by marked and permanent reduction of emission trading certificates already prior to 2020
- Reform of EU emissions trading (for the period from 2021 to 2030)
  - Will protective measures for the most environmentally friendly companies also be defined or only the burdens?
  - Recently, negative indications from the Commission (benchmark allocation and carbon leakage measures insufficient and clearly contradictory to guidelines set forth by the Council)
- UN Climate Conference in Paris, November 30 December 11, 2015
  - Uniform and binding global regulations or continued unilateral pioneering role of the EU?
- EU energy union
  - Affordable and available energy through coordinated EU policies or a patchwork of national regulations?



### CO<sub>2</sub> emissions trading Effects on voestalpine Group



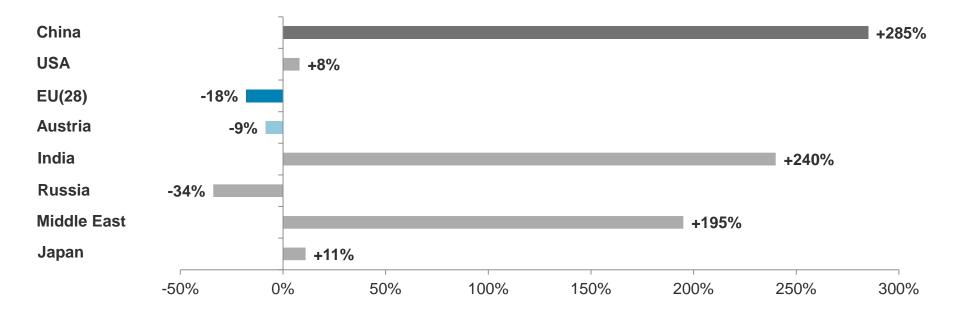


Basis: voestalpine's CO<sub>2</sub> emissions/real emissions and forecasts at current carbon leakage protection levels

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#### CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by regions Development 1990 – 2013

Sources: WV Stahl, United Nations Statistics Division (Millennium Development Goals Indicators)



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#### voestalpine Group: Outlook 2015/16

- North America: solid growth aside from seasonal fluctuation
- China/Southeast Asia: unchanged, stable development (with the exception of commodities)
- India: increasing revival of economy
- Brazil, Russia: continuing economic problems cannot be solved in the short term
- EU: trend reversal in the "crisis countries"; weak euro and economic measures by EU Commission and ECB stimulate economic development in 2015; effects of situation in Greece??
- Oil price development: negative, direct impact on oil and natural gas sectors, but positive for broad-based consumer behavior
- Automobile and mechanical engineering sectors, railway infrastructure, aerospace industry: strong development







#### **Expectation 2015/16: further improvement of EBITDA and EBIT**



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