

## **EVONIK GROUP DEVELOPMENT**

### Positive start into the year – FY guidance confirmed

- Further earnings increase vs already good 2024 level:
  Adj. EBITDA in Q1 at €560 m up +7% yoy
- Further Free Cash Flow increase vs already good 2024 level: FCF in Q1 at €195 m up >50% yoy
- Guidance range for FY 2025 adj. EBITDA confirmed at €2.0 to 2.3 bn ... underpinned by positive Q1 as well as solid start and several supporting factors for Q2
- Confidence in delivering on FY guidance through own strengths:
  Strong and differentiating portfolio, cost programs in execution, high share of local production

#### **Income Statement**

- Sales largely stable at €3,777 m (Q1 2024: €3,796 m)
  - Positive volume growth continuing (+2% yoy); all three divisions with positive volumes yoy, especially strong Nutrition & Care (+11% yoy; mainly Animal Nutrition and Health Care)
  - o Price -2%; FX +1%; negative "Other" (-2%) due to sale of Superabsorber business last year
- Adj. EBITDA up by +7% yoy to €560 m (Q1 2024: €522 m)
  - o Continued strict cost discipline and ongoing business optimization programs
  - o Animal Nutrition with clearly higher volumes; Health Care with improving performance
  - Continued strength in Specialty Additives
  - o Supported by low double-digit m € one-time effect in Nutrition & Care (ACA business)
- Adj. EBITDA margin increased yoy by 100bp to 14.8% (Q1 2024: 13.8%) despite challenging environment
- Adj. EBIT of €299 m (Q1 2024: €252 m)
- Adj. EPS of €0.59 (Q1 2024: €0.42); supported by lower adj. tax rate of ~11%

### **Cash Flow Statement**

- Q1 2025 FCF of €195 m; clearly ahead of last year's level of €127 m
  - Higher EBIT, lower cash outflow for NWC yoy (including positive cash effect from CO<sub>2</sub> certificates) and lower capex

### **Balance Sheet**

- Net financial debt (€3,058 m) decreased vs. end of Q4 (€3,253 m), mainly driven by positive FCF in Q1
- Pension provisions of €1,449 m; decreased vs year-end (€1,662 m) due to higher discount rate of 4.0% (up from 3.6% in Q4)
- Leverage of 2.0x at end of Q1 2025 (end of last year: 2.3x)



## **DIVISIONAL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**

# Specialty Additives (SP)

- Sales, earnings and margin solid on good prior year level
- Volumes robust, esp. in coating additives and crosslinkers
- No noticeable pre-buying ahead of tariffs, but visibility remains low with order frequency higher at smaller amounts
- US stable yoy in Q1; cautiously monitoring the situation
- EU stable, APAC improving yoy

### Nutrition & Care (NC)

- Health & Care
  - o Recovery of Health Care from lower level in Q1 2024
  - Care Solutions with slightly lower volumes yoy
- Animal Nutrition
  - Strong volumes & solid pricing in Animal Nutrition
  - o Veramaris continues on a strong and profitable growth path at improved cost position
  - Supported by low double-digit m € one-time effect in acrolein cyanohdryinacetate (ACA) business (agreement with customer to terminate take-or-pay-contract)

### Smart Materials (SM)

- Moderate start into the year: Stable sales yoy (volumes and prices stagnating on prior year level)
- High Performance Polymers with solid volume growth
- Solid demand for Precipitated Silica
- Adj. EBITDA lower -7% yoy; fully explained by license income in H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> in Q1 last year

#### Infrastructure / Other

- Infrastructure / Other combined slightly below last year
- Supported by strong cost discipline and Evonik Tailor Made savings
- Lower earnings yoy in C4 business due to weak market conditions
- Last year's numbers still including Superabsorber business



### **OUTLOOK FY 2025**

#### Basis for outlook

- Global GDP growth: +2.2% (previously: 2.5%, last year: 2.7%)
- Slightly falling energy costs
- EUR/USD: 1.10 (previously: 1.08)

#### Group outlook (all unchanged)

- FY adj. EBITDA 2025 confirmed: between €2.0 and 2.3 bn (FY 2024: €2.1 bn)
- **ROCE**: above level of 2024 (FY 2024: 7.1%)
- FCF: again targeting ~40% conversion (FY 2024 cash conversion: 42%; FCF €873 m)
- Capex: ~€850 m (FY 2024: €840 m)

#### New: Outlook in new segment structure

Historic financials for FY 2019 – 2024 in new structure see IR-website (under "Q1 reporting")

- Custom Solution: "Considerably above prior-year level"
  - Continued benefit from customized solutions, however volume growth less pronounced than strong prior year
  - Above-average growth in active cosmetic ingredients and increasing utilization in new biosurfactants plant
  - Recovery in Health Care from low levels
- Advanced Technologies: "On prior-year level"
  - Weak end market demand to remain
  - o Ramp-up of PA12 in growing market
  - Assumption of slight normalization in Methionine prices in H2 however better-than-expected H1 with strong market demand and tighter supply
  - o Cost optimization in various businesses
- Infrastructure (incl. C4) / Other: "Below prior-year level"
  - Positive effects of cost savings measures
  - Overcompensated by weak demand in Performance Intermediates (C4)

#### Additional indications for FY 2025 (all unchanged)

- Sales: between €15 and 17 bn (FY 2024: €15.2 bn)
- EUR/USD sensitivity: +/-1 USD cent = -/+ ~€7-8 m adj. EBITDA (FY basis)
- Adj. D&A: around prior-year level (FY 2024: €1,038 m)
- Adj. net financial result: around prior-year level (FY 2024: -€143 m)
- Adj. tax rate: around long-term sustainable level of ~30% (2024: 23% due to treatment of deferred tax assets in Germany in 2024)



# Key Financials Q1 2025

	Evonik Group						
							Q1 2025
in € million	Q1 2024	Q1 2025	yoy <b>∆</b> %	Q4 2024	Q1 2025	qoq Δ%	Consensus
external sales	3,796	3,777	-1%	3,599	3,777	5%	3,818
Volumes (%)	-,	-,	2%		<b>-</b> ,		3%
Prices (%)			-2%				0%
Exchange Rates (%)			1%				1%
Other (incl. M&A %)			-2%				-4%
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Adjusted EBITDA	522	560	7%	388	560	44%	543
Adjusted EBITDA Margin (%)	13.8%	14.8%	1.0 pp	10.8%	14.8%	4.0 pp	14.4%
Adjusted EBIT	266	309	16%	111	309	>100%	289
Adjustments	-14	-10	14,4	-202	-10		-17
BIT	252	299	19%	-91	299	>400%	266
Adjusted net income	197	275	40%	74	275	>200%	209
Adjusted earnings per share in €	0.42	0.59	.070	0.16	0.59	, 200,0	0.45
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Capex (cash-out)	251	190	-24%	266	190	-29%	
Net financial position	-3,212	-3,053		-3,253	-3,053		
Cash flow from operating activities, cont. ops.	378	385	2%	438	385	-12%	
Free cash flow, cont. ops.	127	195	54%	172	195	13%	
	Specialty Additives						
External sales	915	923	1%	836	923	10%	949
Volumes (%)	310	320	1%	000	320	1070	545
Prices (%)			-1%				
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Exchange Rates (%)			1%				
Other (incl. M&A %)		201	0%	400	004	===:	
Adjusted EBITDA	200	201	0%	130	201	55%	207
Adjusted EBITDA Margin (%)	21.9%	21.8%	-0.1 pp	15.6%	21.8%	6.2 pp	21.6%
	Nutrition & Care						
External sales	900	1,007	12%	962	1,007	5%	957
Volumes (%)			2%				
Prices (%)			1%				
Exchange Rates (%)			-1%				
Other (incl. M&A %)			0%				
Sales Animal Nutrition	483	554	15%	489	554	13%	
Sales Health & Care	417	452	8%	473	452	-4%	
Adiusted EBITDA	146	197	35%	128	197	54%	167
Adjusted EBITDA Margin (%)	16.2%	19.6%	3.4 pp	13.3%	19.6%	6.3 pp	17.0%
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External sales	1,094	1,098	0%	1,114	1,098	-1%	1,136
Volumes (%)			1%				
Prices (%)			0%				
Exchange Rates (%)			1%				
Other (incl. M&A %)			-2%				
Sales Inorganics	790	785	-1%	806	785	-3%	
Sales Polymers	302	313	4%	307	313	2%	
Adjusted EBITDA	160	149	-7%	106	149	41%	166
Adjusted EBITDA Margin (%)	14.6%	13.6%	-1.0 pp	9.5%	13.6%	4.1 pp	14.5%
	Infrastructure / Other (incl. Performance Materials)						
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xternal sales	887	749 13	-16%	687 24	749	9%	799
Adjusted EBITDA	16		19%		13	46%	12

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