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# **Analyst Call**

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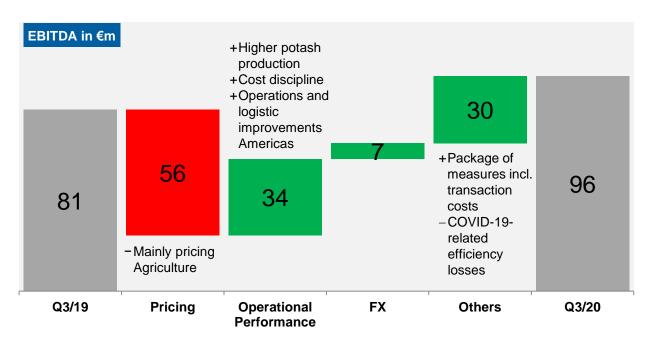
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# Q3/20 EBITDA significantly improved YoY

### Highlights

- Q3/20 EBITDA increased to €96m (Q3/19: €81m)
- COVID-19: Minor efficiency losses
- One-off benefit from package of measures in Q3/20
- Adj. net profit affected by non-cash impairment of ~€2bn

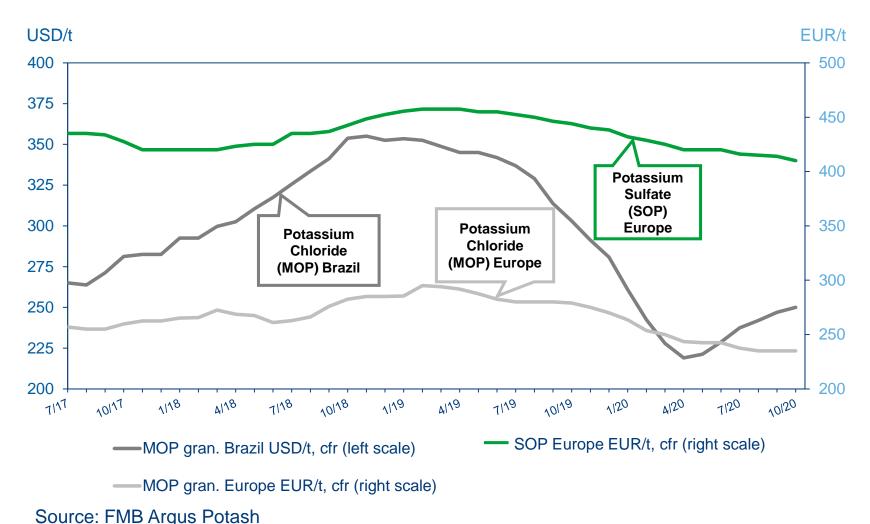


#### **Financials**

€ million	Q3/2019	Q3/2020	%
Revenues	905	822	-9
t/o Europe+	621	563	-9
t/o Americas	283	258	-9
D&A	107	102	-4
EBITDA	81	96	+19
t/o Europe+	67	85	+26
t/o Americas	25	24	-4
Adj. net profit	-42	-1,975	_
Adj. EPS (€)	-0.22	-10.32	_
Operating cash flow	-8	5	-
Adj. FCF	-131	-116	-11
CapEx	144	136	-6
NFD/EBITDA (LTM)	4.3x	5.7x	_

### **Customer Segment Agriculture**

Stable specialty business and regional diversification paying-off



#### Q3/2020

- Price recovery in Brazil continued on the back of very strong demand despite strong supply
- Improved demand in SEA
- This also alleviates pressure from European market

#### **Outlook**

- Price recovery in Brazil expected to continue
- Producers widely committed until at least the end of the year

## **Trading update: Communities**



#### **Pricing trends for next winter season**



#### Q3/20 update:

- Sales volume ~30% below previous year.
- Weak early-fills business due to high customer inventory levels
- However, multi-year contracts helped us prevent stronger price declines
- Some contracts in higher price regions (e.g. Canada) already settled end of 2019

#### **Outlook:**

- For Q4/20, we expect average prices to decline slightly to moderately YOY across all regions
- Expected sales volumes ~ 8 million tonnes for 2020
   (Ø-year: 12.5 13.0 million tonnes)

# **Current Trading Customer Segments Industry + Consumers**

Industry



- Stable demand of animal nutrition products.
- Demand for products for the oil and gas and chemical industries declined.
- Lower demand from the food service and food processing industries in the wake of the corona pandemic.

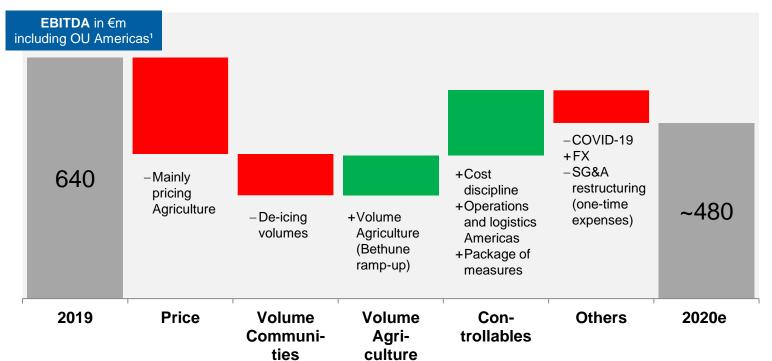
Consumers



- Strong demand for "stay-at-home products", e.g. table salt, water softening and pool salt on the back of the corona pandemic.
- Trend to premium products with higher margins
- Good progress in the rollout of the German premium table salt brand Saldoro®.

Robustness of the business proven during corona pandemic with categories balancing each other out

### **Outlook 2020 for EBITDA confirmed**



#### **Main assumptions**

- FY/20 Agriculture ASP expected to be slightly above Q3/20 level (€225/t)
- FY/20 Agriculture sales volume expected to be >7mt (2019: 6.3 mt)
- FY/20 Communities sales volume of 8 mt (normal year 12.5-13.0 mt); normal winter conditions in Q4
- COVID-19-related efficiency losses and project costs compensated by positive effects from package of measures; larger unforeseeable effects not assumed (e.g. shutdown)

We expect free cash flow to be at break even



### K+S Cleans Up Balance Sheet

- Potash prices expected to continue to rise in the short and medium term
- Long-term assumptions for potash prices and cost of capital were adjusted
- Higher market risk premium increasing WACC
- Non-cash impairment losses on assets of around EUR 2 billion

## Signing achieved for complete OU Americas sale





# Key data of the signed agreement:

Buyer: Stone Canyon Industries

Holdings LLC, Mark Demetree and

affiliates

Gross proceeds: USD 3.2 bn

EV/EBITDA: 12.5x 2019 EBITDA of USD 257m

Closing timeline: Summer 2021

• Exp. net proceeds: €~2.5bn after tax (currency risk fully

hedged)

### K+S investment case: Lean and more efficient K+S with solid financials

	Mega trends intact	→ Products to secure world nutrition
\$	Financial and administrative restructuring	→ More room to maneuver
	Focus on cash and value generation	→ Gain value for our shareholders
承	Optimized production footprint	→ Positive free cash flow at all sites
	Ambitious sustainability goals	→ Secure license to operate
	Sustainable growth with specialties	→ Less dependent on MOP

# Q&A

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### Housekeeping items / Financial calendar

#### Additional information on FY 2020 outlook

■ Tax rate: 3-5%

Financial result: ~€-140m-€-150m

■ CapEx: significantly up

■ D&A: ~€450m

Reconciliation (EBITDA): €-90m to €-110m

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