Sustainability at Evonik.

2023







Sustainability as backbone of Evonik's purpose and strategy

Setting the frame

CHANGE IN MINDSET



INCREASING DEMAND, ABOVE-AVERAGE GROWTH, HIGHLY PROFITABLE

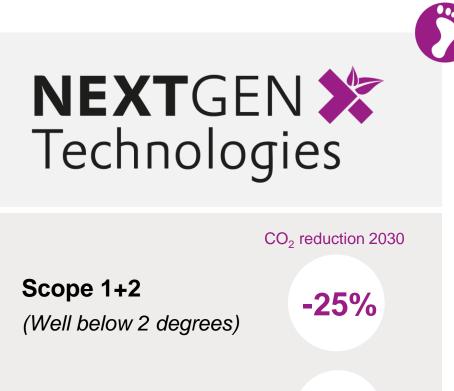
AMBITIOUS SUSTAINABILITY TARGETS AND COMMITMENTS



Ambitious commitments on handprint and footprint

In line with Science Based Targets





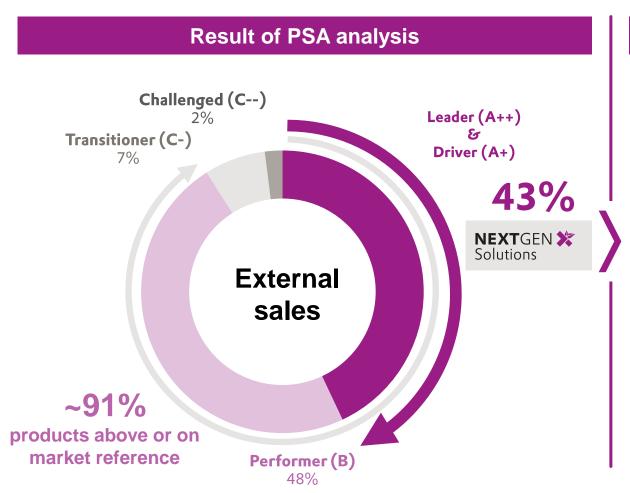
Scope 3



-11%

Handprint: "Next Generation Solutions"

43% of Evonik's portfolio with superior sustainability benefits



Best-in-class products in Evonik's portfolio which...

...deliver aboveaverage growth ...address increasing customer demand for sustainable solutions



...deliver superior sustainability benefits to our customers

NGS: "Next Generation Solutions" include "Leader" (A++) and "Driver" (A+) products and solutions



Handprint: "Next Generation Solutions" to grow beyond 50% by 2030

Market-driven transformation

Increase "Next Generation Solutions"



€3 billion of growth investments until 2030

Three levers to increase the share of NGS

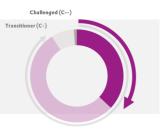
Superior sales growth rates of existing "Next Generation Solutions"



New sales from innovations becoming "Next Generation Solutions"



"Challenged" and "Transitioner" products exiting or with new formulations





Handprint: Superior sales growth rates of existing "NGS"

Portfolio circled around our four "Sustainability Focus Areas"





Footprint: Our commitments to reaching the Paris Climate Agreement

Site-driven transformation





€700 million of investments until 2030



3 Process Efficiency

Green energy

- 4 Sustainability Data Management



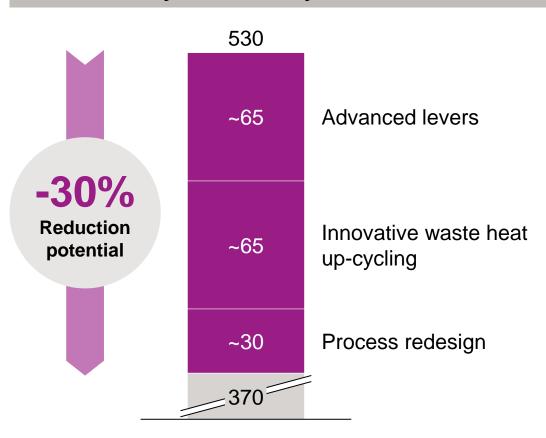


Footprint: "Next Generation Technologies"

Example Antwerp as blueprint for other sites

Reduction¹ by economically attractive measures

"Next Generation Technologies" (selected examples)



Advanced Process Control (APC) ensuring production at ideal operating point

Heat exchangers for improved heat integration

High temperature heat pumps for valorization of waste heat

Mechanical vapor recompression

CO₂ reuse in production processes

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Adaptation of reaction conditions for increased energy efficiency

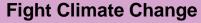
^{1.} Gross emissions in kt CO₂e

EVONIKLeading Beyond Chemistry

Footprint: Reduction targets in all our sustainability focus areas

Measurable set of KPIs in place

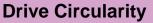
Footprint reduction

















Safeguard Ecosystems







Ensure Health & Wellbeing







KPI



Ambitions 2030¹

-25%

reduction of Scope 1 and Scope 2 emission

- Targeting 100% share of renewable sourced electricity
- -11% reduction of Scope 3
- Be climate neutral for all emission scopes by 2050

-10%

Reduce specific² production waste

- Reduce amount of nonhazardous waste sent to landfill
- Significant increase in biobased and circular raw materials

-3%

Reduce specific² freshwater intake

- Site-specific action plans for water-stress production sites
- 100% RSPO MB³ certified palm oil and derivatives by 2025

-20%

reduction of other emissions to air

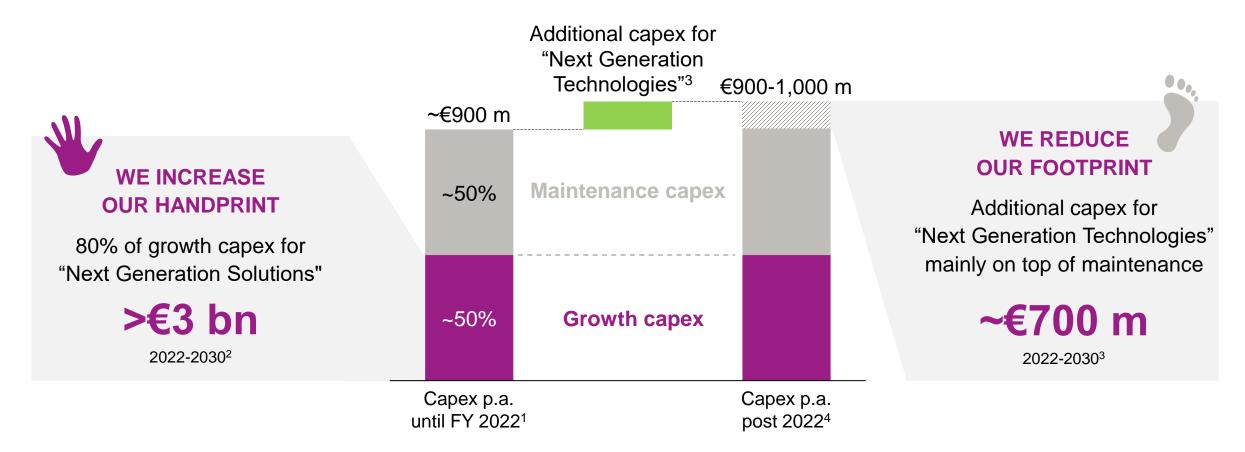
 Maintain low risk exposure to "Hazardous Chemicals of High Concern"



^{1.} Reference year 2021; 2. Corresponding to the production volume; 3. RSPO MB: Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil Mass Balance

Ambitious sustainability targets backed by financial commitment

Capex as key element for investments into handprint & footprint



^{1.} Incl. ~€50 m p.a. for Performance Materials | 2. ~€350 m p.a. | 3. ~€80 m p.a. on average incl. ~€15 m p.a. for PM, ramping up gradually over the coming years | 4. Incl. ~€65 m p.a. for PM

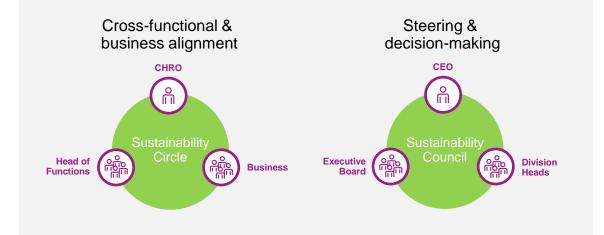


Complementing the governance on ESG

Reflected in organizational set-up and remuneration

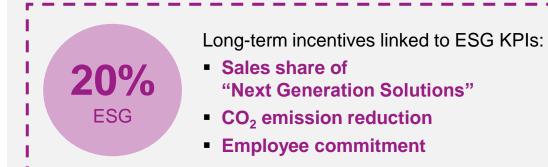
Clear responsibilities

- Executive Board has overall responsibility for sustainability
- Setting strategic framework and executing measures in close cooperation with operating divisions



Part of remuneration

- Occupational safety part of remuneration of the executive board since more than a decade
- New ESG goals integrated in remuneration schemes of Executive Board





Sustainability strategy - Key take-aways

To improve life, today and tomorrow.

Sustainability is an **integral part of our purpose** – four Evonik focus areas as guiding framework for Evonik

Sustainability is fully integrated into strategic management processes: portfolio & innovation steering, capital allocation

Handprint: increase NGS¹ sales share to >50% by 2030

Footprint: reduce CO₂ emissions by 25% by 2030²

Driving Next Generation Culture & complementing governance

- 1. NGS: "Next Generation Solutions"
- 2. Commitment letter signed and handed in for SBTi, 25th April 2022, gross emissions reduction with reference year 2021, target year 2030



>50%



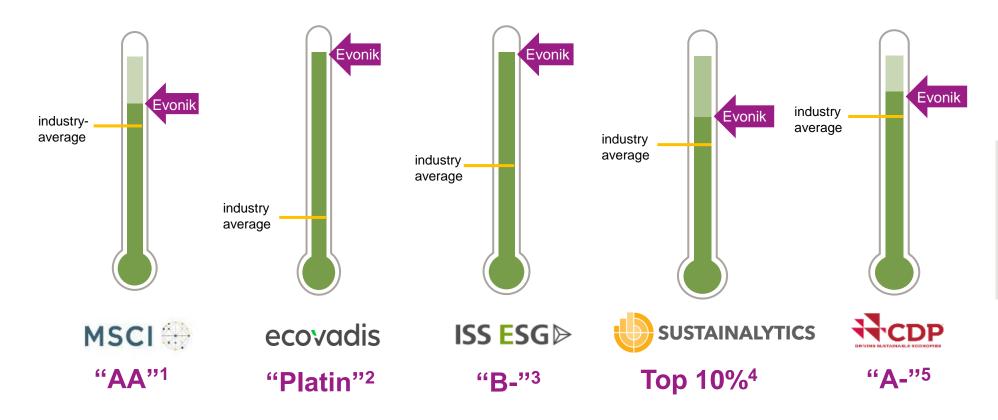
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Sustainability Rankings

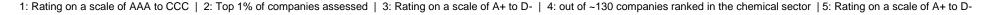
Evonik best-in-class within chemicals sector





2022 recognitions:

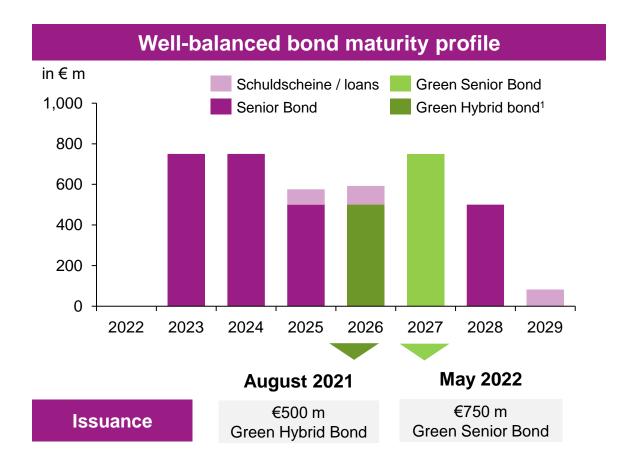
- ecovadis "Platin" awarded for 2nd time
- CDP Climate Change "A –" confirmed





Green Finance supporting Evonik's sustainability strategy

Green bonds as financial instrument firmly established



Use of proceeds...

- ...according to Green Finance Framework, mainly allocated to NextGen Solutions capex
- In addition, green RD&I opex for NextGen Solutions and expenses for energy efficiency (e.g. for NextGen Technologies) and renewable energy (e.g. Green PPA)

Green Finance firmly established

- Sustainability strategy well accepted by reputable ESGinvestors
- Green Finance can be an important differentiating factor, especially in difficult market situations
- Contribution to achieving sustainability targets, e.g. increase sales share of Next Generation Solutions to >50%



^{1:} Formal lifetime 60 years; first redemption right for Evonik in 2026

Our top ESG targets

			Status 2022	Target
C.S.	Ctuata and an analytic	 Sales share to be generated from "Next Generation Solutions" by 2030 	43%	>50%
	Strategy and growth	 Generate >€1 bn in additional sales¹ in our six innovation growth fields by 2025 	>€600 m	>€1 bn
	Value chain and products	■ TfS assessments of all raw materials suppliers (with annual procurement volume >€100k) by year-end 2025	66%	100%
	value chain and products	 >€350 m additional sales from solutions for the circular plastics program from 2030 		>€350 m
3	The environment	Reduce green house gas emissions		
	The environment	 absolute scope 1 and scope 2 emissions by 2030 (reference: 2021) 	-6%	-25%
		 absolute scope 3 emissions by 2030 (reference: 2021) 	-7%	-11%
		 Reduce specific freshwater intake² by 2030 (vs. 2021) 	+6%	-3%
		 Reduce specific production waste by 2030 (vs. 2021) 	+2%	-10%
	Employees	■ Intercultural mix³ in top management by 2023	15.8%	20%
	Employees	 Women in top and senior management by 2023 	20.3% / 17.1%	23%
	Cofoty	■ Safety		
	Safety	 Accident frequency rate (LTI-R)⁴ 	0.25	≤0.26
		 Incident frequency rate (PSI-R)⁵ 	0.49	≤0.40
		 Occupational health performance index 	5.6	≥5.0
	Governance and compliance	Sustainability Council reporting directly to CEO		✓
	Governance and compliance	 20% of Long-Term Incentive linked to Sustainability targets 		\checkmark

^{1.} With products introduced in or after 2015 | 2. See table T12 in Sustainability Report | 3. Non-German Employees |



^{4.} New reference parameter from 2021 | 5. Modified calculation basis from 2021

Sustainability fully integrated in corporate strategy

Next phase of transformation in all three strategic levers

Three major strategic levers...

... with sustainability fully integrated ...

... delivering on ambitious targets

Next Generation Portfolio

- + Exit Performance Materials
- + Full focus on three attractive growth divisions

Next Generation Innovation

- + €1 bn new sales well on track
- + Growth areas beyond 2025 already launched

Next Generation Culture

- + Diversity as key to successful strategy execution
- + ESG targets integrated into mgmt. compensation



ESG Targets

- + >50% sales share of **NEXT**GEN Solutions **X**
- + -25% CO₂ emission reduction, e.g. via **NEXT**GEN Technologies

Financial Targets

- + Organic growth >4%
- + EBITDA margin 18-20%
- + ROCE ~11%
- + FCF Conversion >40%



Agenda

Sustainability fully integrated into all three strategic levers

Portfolio

- Handprint: "Next Generation Solutions"
- Footprint: CO₂ emission reduction as key KPI

Innovation

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Culture

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- Strengthen diversity to lead in a complex world

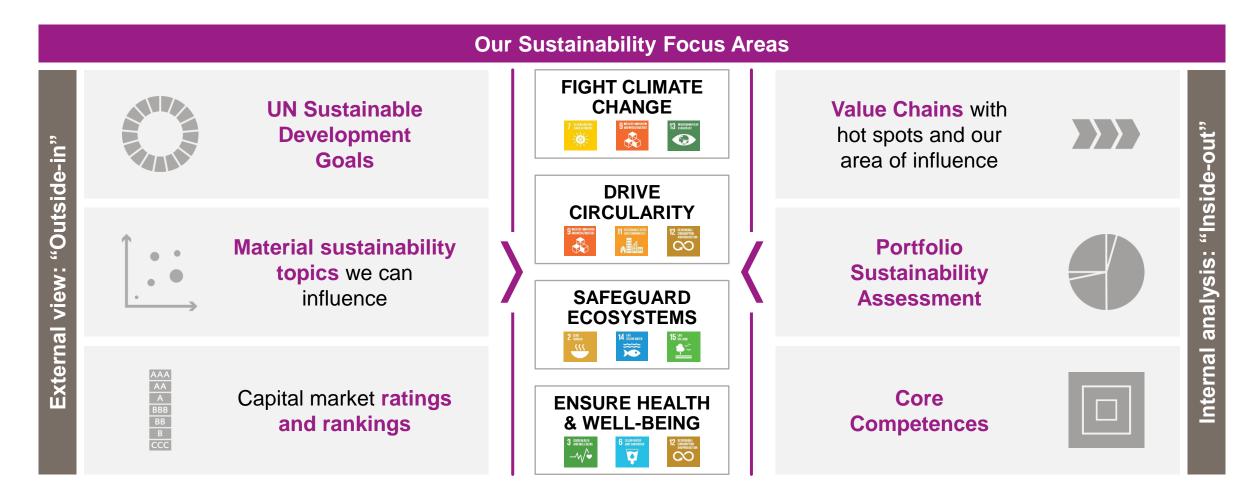
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Our Sustainability Focus Areas defining footprint & handprint measures

Result of external views and Evonik portfolio and competencies

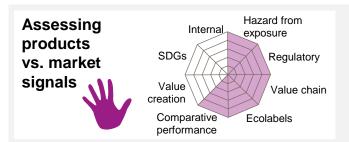




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PSA and Emission Data Cube: core tools for strategic management process

"Portfolio Sustainability Analysis" (PSA)



Categorization of product portfolio

- >500 PARC¹s analyzed
- Classification into 5 product sustainability clusters with ranking from C-- to A++

"Emissions Data Cube" (Evonik GHG summary)



3-dimensional emission data

- By business lines and divisions
- By type: scope 1-3 emissions, up- & downstream
- By site and region

Outcomes for Strategic Management Process

- Clear strategic roles of product groups acc. to sustainability cluster, managing "Next Generation Solutions"
- Portfolio guidelines for product and innovation steering



- Reduction targets considered in asset strategy and accounted for in resource planning
- Simulation of scenarios in all dimensions (e.g. portfolio moves, regional choices)

Portfolio management

Innovation management

Capital allocation

1. PARC: product-application-region combinations



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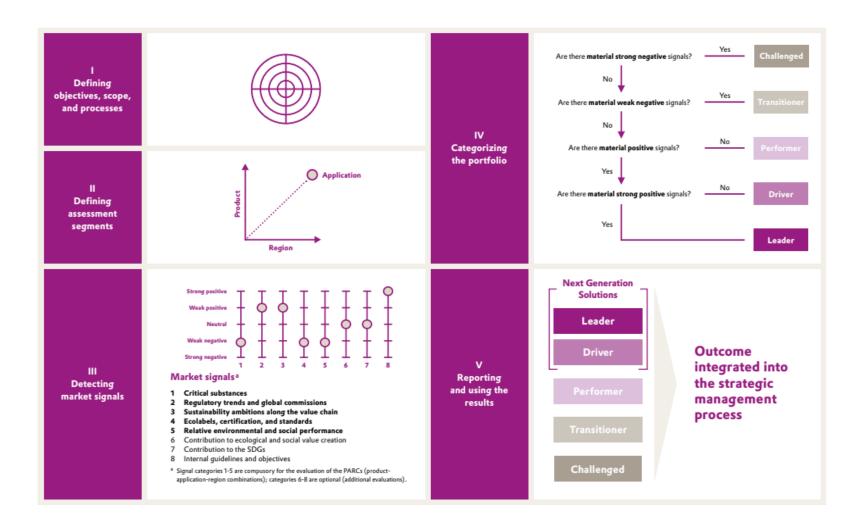
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Portfolio Sustainability Analysis (PSA)

Categorization of product portfolio, integrated in Strategic Management Process

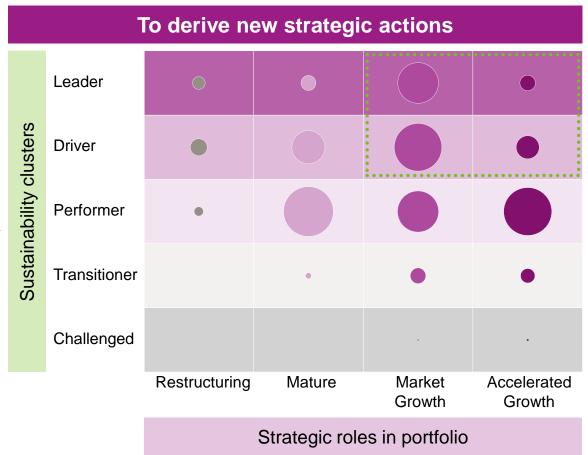




Portfolio management: Adding sustainability as integral dimension

Alignment of sustainability clusters and strategic roles in strategy dialogues



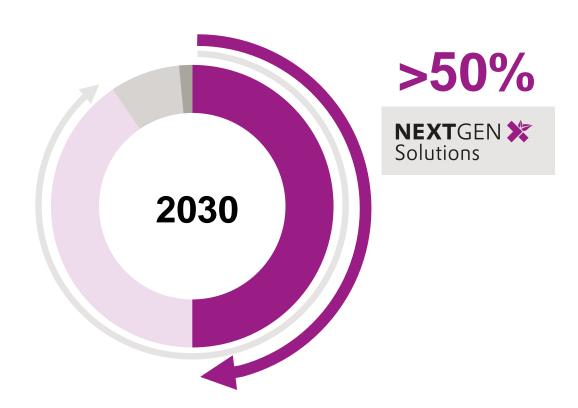




Handprint: "Next Generation Solutions" to grow beyond 50% by 2030

Ambitious new sales share target to be achieved through three levers

Increase "Next Generation Solutions"



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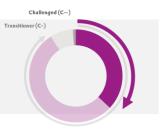
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Superior sales growth rates of existing "Next Generation Solutions"

Selected examples addressing our four Sustainability Focus Areas

Future Mobility solutions

+11%

Drug Delivery Systems

Additives for durability in construction

+9%

- Lightweight applications: PA12 portfolio
- Batteries: additives for electrodes / separators
- "Green tire" technology
- Global development partner delivery systems for effective
- Evonik as pioneer in Lipid Nano Particle (LNP) field for mRNA technology

& solutions provider for

drugs and vaccinations



Modern aquaculture solutions

% values: Target CAGR 2021-2030 defined in Strategy Dialogue



Water-repellents for building

protection and self-healing of

Additives for integrated

concrete structures

High-quality proteins with

Production of omega-3 fatty

methionine source for shrimp

essential amino acids

acids from microalgae

AQUAVI® Met-Met as

and prawns

materials

Handprint: Fight Climate Change

Focus "Future mobility"

Cooling and A/C



Lightweight through metal / rubber replacement

- Weight reduction supports
 CO₂ and NO_x reduction
- Smart battery temperature management

Materials for Li-Ion-Batteries



Nanostructured high-quality metal oxide and silicon particles improve safety, lifetime and energy density

Metal oxides extend cathode lifetime by ~50%

Silica / Silane "green tires"



First Silica/Silane system for naturalrubber-based truck tires

- Fuel savings as high as 8%
- Pilot plant quantities available Q1/2022



Handprint: Drive Circularity

Focus "Durability"

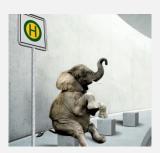
TEGOVISIN®



Water-repellents for building materials:

- Strong reduction of water uptake and efflorescence
- Long lasting stability and aesthetics reduce the need for resource and emission intensive maintenance

SITREN®



Additives for integral protection of concrete structure:

- Durability for new and renovated concrete surfaces by protection against environmental influences
- Less emissions and reduced resource use by longer lifetime of constructions

WallCraft – Upcoming launch



Self-healing concrete:

- Bacteria-based additive extends the longevity of concrete by stimulating its self-healing properties
- Cracks can grow together again resulting in a durable construction



Handprint: Drive Circularity

MECHANICAL RECYCLING



- During separation/washing,
 our additives help to make recycling processes more
 efficient resulting in higher quality of recyclates
- During compounding, our additives improve processing leading to competitive costs and quality





- Technologies & additives to enable chemical recycling
- Additives enabling for example
 - use of recycled polyurethanes
 - silicone recycling

> €350 m

sales potential of Evonik Circular Plastics Program by 2030



Handprint: Safeguard Eco-systems

Focus "Aquaculture"

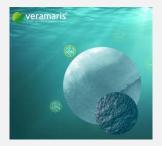
Essential amino acids



The key to high quality proteins

 Modern, environmentally sound formulation techniques based on nutrient value, on supplementation with crystalline EAAs, and on animal nutrient requirement

Veramaris



Production of omega-3 fatty acids from microalgae

- Potential to reduce the fish-in-fish-out ratio to zero
- 1 ton EPA DHA replaces 60 Tons wildcaught fish

AQUAVI® Met-Met



Ideal solution for precision protein dosing, especially for bottom feeders

- Higher nutritional value than any other Methionine source available today
- Reduces fishmeal use; reduction of overfishing



Handprint: Ensure Health & Well-Being

Focus "Drug Delivery Systems"

Drug Delivery Systems



- Global development partner & solutions provider for delivery systems for effective drugs and vaccinations
- Evonik as pioneer in Lipid nanoparticles (LNP) field for mRNA technology

Next generations of LNP-based gene therapies

Vaccines

Cancer immunotherapy expected to be the next breakthrough of mRNA therapeutics

Protein therapeutics mRNA-based therapies can potentially treat hereditary diseases

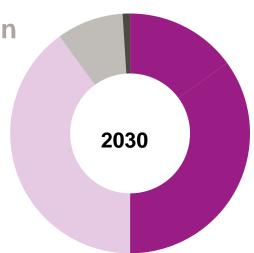
Gene editing **In-vivo modification of genes** to prevent diseases expected to be commercial within the next years



Actively managing "Transitioners" & phase-out "Challenged" products Either improvement or exit

Exit plans for CHALLENGED

TRANSITIONER trigger innovation



"Challenged" products addressed with exit strategies

- Alternative, new product solutions without any negative signals are offered
- "Challenged" products included in financial riskmanagement

"Transitioners" as driver for innovation

- Early identification of negative sustainability signals
- Valuable trigger for innovation and customer engagement in reformulation

Further products will be exposed to negative signals as higher sustainability requirements develop



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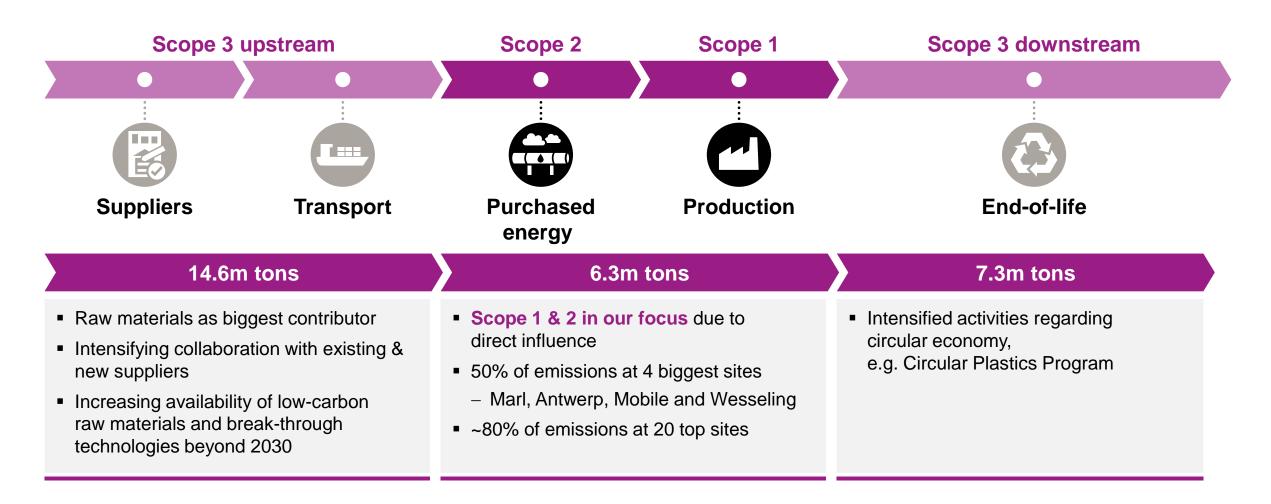
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Footprint: Evonik Carbon Footprint 2021

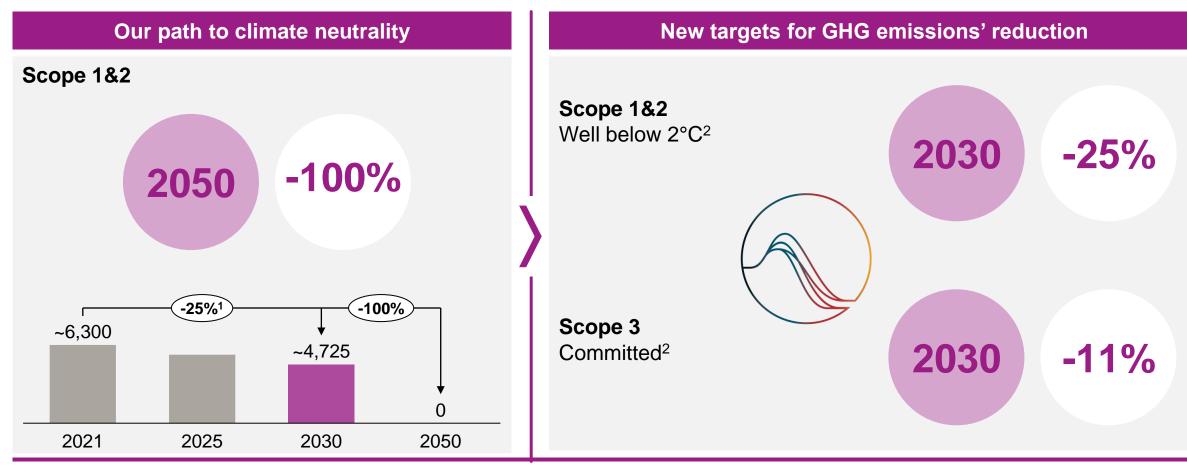
Focus on Scope 1&2, intensifying efforts on Scope 3





Our commitments to reaching the Paris Climate Agreement

Evonik will be climate neutral by 2050. Committed to SBTi.



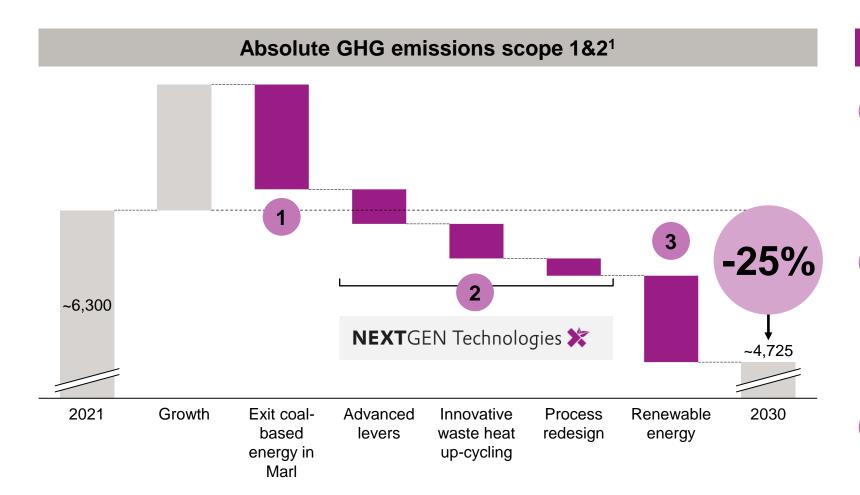
^{1.} Gross emissions; reference year 2021, target year 2030



^{2.} Commitment letter signed and handed in for SBTi, 25th April 2022

Footprint: Clear roadmap to achieve Scope 1 & 2 targets by 2030

Three clusters with economically attractive measures defined



Reduction measures

Exit coal-based energy in Marl

"Next Generation Technologies"

- a. Advanced levers,e.g. Adv. Process Control
- b. Innovative waste heat upcycling, e.g. heat pumps
- c. Process redesign
- Renewable energy, e.g. procuring green electricity



^{1.} Gross emissions in kt CO₂e

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Exit coal-based energy in Marl





Modernization of Evonik's power plant park with two new power plants

Plan to replace the last coal-fired power plant at Marl Chemical Park by a **flexible** combined cycle gas and steam power plant

Global scope 1 GHG emissions to be cut by ~20%, mainly due to annual reduction of up to 1 million metric tons

Additional turbine plant connected to the grid end of 2022, replacing an old reserve gas-fired power plant

Total power output of 270¹ megawatts with an efficiency exceeding 90%

Flexibility due to current energy market situation:

Temporary prolongation of runtime of coal-fired power plant in order to increase security of supply, before readopting initial plan to replace coal with gas



^{1. 2}x blocks in first power plant, 1x block in second plant, each generating 90 MW electricity and 220 tons of steam per hour

2 New EAGER program to assess main CO₂ emitting sites

Definition of 2030 implementation plan with reduction measures

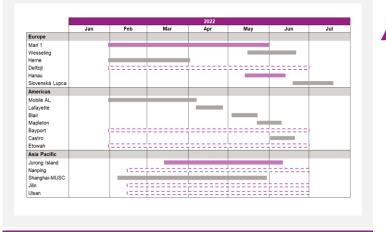
2021: Starting point

- Detailed analysis of options for Antwerp and Rheinfelden sites
- Definition of most important reduction levers with necessary investments
- Blueprint for other sites



2022/2023: On-going

- Project EAGER¹ to develop a clear perspective for top sites to collect and prioritize suitable reduction measures
- New data collection on waste & water



2022-2030

- "Next Generation Technologies" implementation plan
- Investment into selected projects
- Execution of CO₂ reduction measures



IMPLEMENTATION PLAN





2 EAGER to support sound decision making on site investments

Program EAGER¹

Setup



Organization

Cross-functional approach allows for fast and flexible execution



Methodology

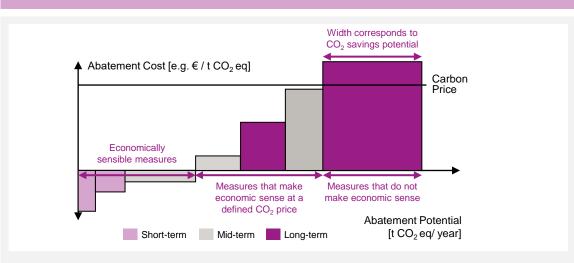
Holistic assessment of top 20 sites, incorporating existing ideas, analyses and measures



Calibrated Point of Truth

Ensuring a harmonized approach to allow for cross-site comparison

Results



- Abatement Cost Curve: Specific measures on site level
- Validated CapEx/OpEx requirements considering real values and typical estimate accuracy
- Additional findings on water and waste data



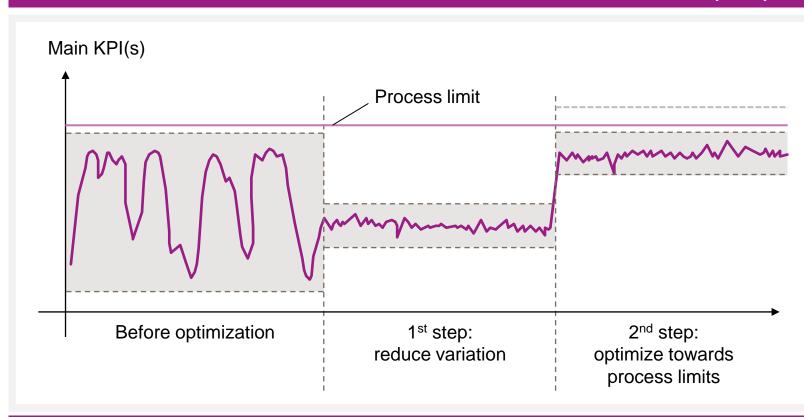




2a "Next Generation Technologies": Advanced levers

Example

Advanced Process Control (APC)



APC optimizes complex production processes under consideration of many process parameters and ensures production at the ideal operating point

- Before optimization: High fluctuation
- 1st step: Reduce variation up to 50%
- 2nd step: Optimize towards process limits, typical benefit 5 % (throughput increase, specific energy/raw material consumption)



2b "Next Generation Technologies": Innovative waste heat up-cycling Example

Heat Pump deployment to switch entire site to renewable steam generation High-temperature heat **Today** pumps for steam Heat source of multiple plants Site steam boiler generation out of waste at 97°C (e.g. condensers) heat at chemical multi-user sites **Natural Gas** Cooling water (e.g. Cooling water send 6 bar steam • 65% energy saving by to canal (e.g. 24°C) 20°C) heat recovery Heat lost Substantial CO₂ reduction through total avoidance of **Future** Heat pump natural gas boiler Heat sources at 97°C 6 bar steam to supply site Central step for CO₂ (e.g. condensers) neutral production site Project under discussion Green with Siemens Energy electricity added

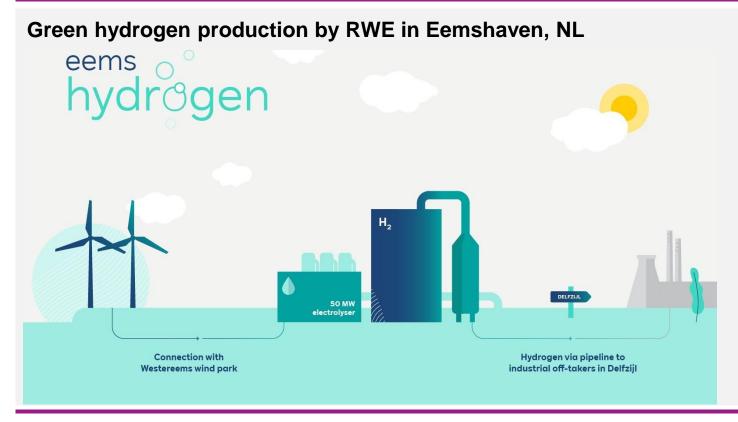




2c "Next Generation Technologies": Process redesign

Example

Partnering with RWE in order to replace steam methane reforming by electrolysis



- Evonik currently uses steam methane reforming for (grey) hydrogen production at its site in Delfzijl, Netherlands
- MOU¹ signed with RWE for (green) hydrogen supply from their 50 MW electrolyzer, largest to have been granted a license in the Netherlands
- Powered by RWE's Westereems, NL, wind farm
- RWE received environmental permit in January 2022
- Electrolyzer planned to be operational in 2024

Picture from https://benelux.rwe.com/en/press/2020-11-06-rwes-innovative-electrolysis-project-eemshydrogen-enters-next-phase



^{1.} MOU: Memorandum Of Understanding



2c "Next Generation Technologies": Process redesign Example

Sustainable processes via electrochemical pH-shift



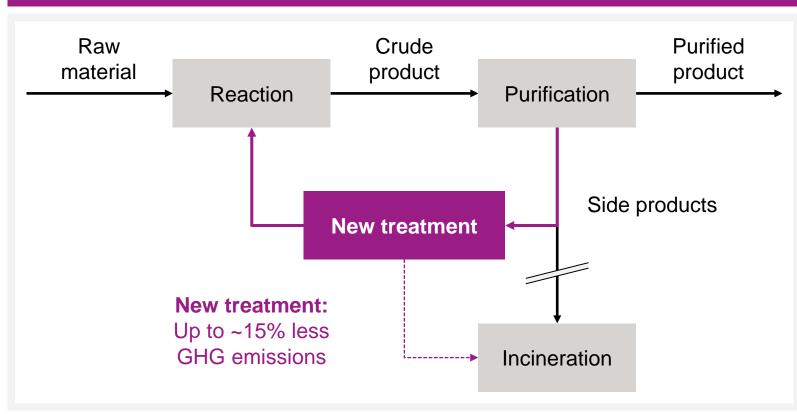
- Development of sustainable processes avoiding acids, bases and salt containing waste streams
- pH induced reactions by applying electrochemical process steps -"electrons replace chemicals"
- Technology as enabler to minimize carbon footprint



2c "Next Generation Technologies": Process redesign

Example

Increased re-use of side products at our Herne site



- In the current process, all side products are incinerated
- A new side product treatment as experimentally demonstrated for a single stream – would lead to GHG emission reduction of up to ~15 % in this process step
- Further CO₂ reduction potential by holistic network optimization



3 Renewable energy

Targeting 100% renewable sourced electricity until 2030

Increase share of renewable grid electricity



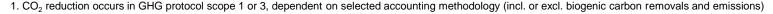
- First PPA (100 MW) concluded in Q4 2022
- Second long-term agreement (50 MW) in February 2023
- Covering 33% European electricity needs of Evonik with wind energy (~150 kt CO2 emission reduction p.a.)
- Increasing electrification of processes e.g. by heat pumps leading to increasing demand of green electricity

Other renewable energy sources

Other options for renewable energy include:

- Biomethane or biomass for selfgeneration of steam and electricity¹
- Green hydrogen supplementing or replacing natural gas







Evonik's Scope 3 approach

Different levers to deliver outcome that matters to our customers

Incremental Improvement

- Supplier engagement for raw materials and services investing in energy efficiency and use of renewable energy
- Turn electricity trading green
- Water stewardship and avoiding of production waste in alignment with scope 1&2 emission reduction pathway

Green Opportunities

- For existing products access renewable raw materials and energy to deliver green(er) products for high market pull applications
- New products based on renewable carbon and green energy without significant harm to other environmental or social sustainability topics

Back-Integration

- Backwards integration levering efficiency, green energy, carbon capture opportunities
- Reduce storage and transport of toxic chemicals
- Sites & technologies without high-carbon lock-in risk
- Access to raw materials with competitive green future

Asset Transformation

- Identify lock-in risks (portfolio / technology / site / raw material) and ensure that capital allocation and innovation are steered towards climate-neutrality, circularity and "safe & sustainable by design" chemicals
- Collaborate with, or transfer of business to best owner for an asset-heavy business model

Continuous reduction of product carbon footprints based on certified, market-based data

Evonik able to serve market segments with high demand for credible green solutions

Improve resilience, profitability and competitiveness along the path to climate neutrality

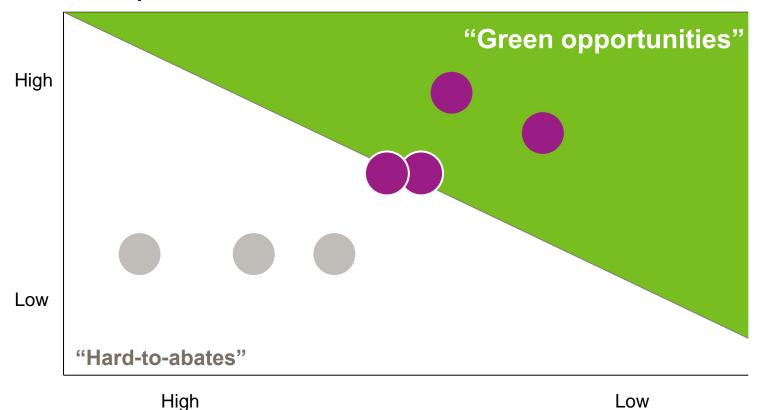
Secure financial resources, technology, and raw materials for products, the world will need



Evonik's Scope 3 approach

Take a selective approach on GHG reductions

End market pull¹



Cost to abate (relative increase of product cost)



¹⁾ Reflecting willingness -to-pay and relevance of products

Sustainable use of palm oil

- Evonik member of Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) and cross-industry industry platform Action for Sustainable Derivatives (ASD)
- Our annual demand for palm-based derivatives is approx. 100 kilo tons, primarily used by Business Lines Care Solutions and Oil Additives
- For Evonik employees, we developed recommendations for action for the responsible handling of palm oil, palm kernel oil and their derivatives
- Target: By 2025, Evonik aims to ensure only RSPO-certified palm oil and palm kernel oil are used in its products.



Evonik's Personal Care Business

- ~60% of our cosmetic ingredients are made up of at least 50% renewable feedstocks
- Palm oil raw materials basket contains 65% RSPO-MB palm-based feedstocks
- Production of >40 cosmetic ingredients using CO₂-optimized processes



Promotion of sustainable palm oil production in Malaysia

Evonik and Beiersdorf support WWF project

- Beiersdorf and Evonik committed to a sustainable palm oil economy for many years, being both members of RSPO¹⁾ and ASD²⁾
- Conservation and sustainable development project launched in Sabah's Tabin landscape in late 2020
- Goal is to certify local palm-oil farmers for sustainable production (RSPO), restore ecological connectivity and protect wildlife habitats
- Tabin's wildlife reserve safeguards many threatened species such as orangutans or Borneo elephants

Tabin's ecosystem faces enormous challenges











Highlight – Water

Methodology

- Distinction between water Scarcity Sites and Water Intensive Sites
- Development of Contextual Water Targets
- Introduction of the Sustainable Baseline Water Stress methodology in addition to AWARE¹
- Assessment according to Physical, Regulatory and Reputational Risks

Understand water as a place dependent and shared resource (Basin risks) Understand Evonik's impact on local basins (Operational risks)

Assess and prioritize water-related risks Optimize water governance, improve water efficiency and reduce pollution and footprint Reduce water demand in water-stress areas to a sustainable level

Example

Multi-User Site Shanghai (MUSC) - Implementation for 2022



- Demineralization of purge water from a cooling unit
- Usage in chemical processes
- Replacement of 250.000m³ freshwater

Potential targets depending on the results of the EAGER analysis

water-stress sites

Minimize freshwater intake in water-stress production sites

water-intensive sites

Reduce water intake in water-intensive sites



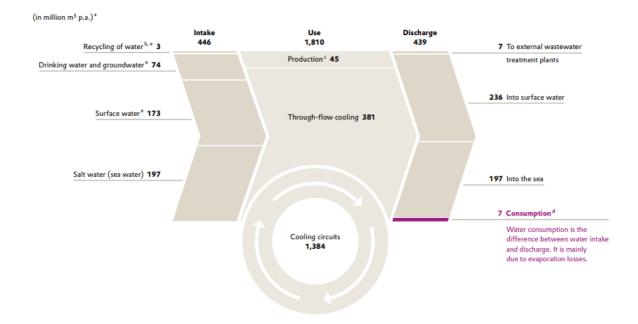


Water data 2022

Only 2% used for production

- Total water intake was 446 m m3 in 2022, while discharges amounted to 439 million m3
 - Difference of 7 m m3 mainly comprises water used to replace evaporation losses
- ~98% of our total water use (including water consumption) was for cooling purposes in energy generation and production
- Only ~2% used for production purposes

Evonik's water data 2022





Highlight – Waste

Methodology

Alignment with two of our sustainability focus areas

DRIVE CIRCULARITY







ENSURE HEALTH & WELL-BEING







Goal for waste management:

 Promote the environmentally sound treatment of waste generated by Evonik

Goal for waste reduction:

 Reduction of waste generated at Evonik

Example

Hanau-Wolfgang



- Recycling of solvent from a chemical process
- Usage in other chemical processes
- Adapted by other Evonik site in China

Potential targets depending on the results of the EAGER analysis

Non-hazardous waste

Reduce amount of non-hazardous waste sent to landfill

Hazardous-waste

Minimize hazardous production waste



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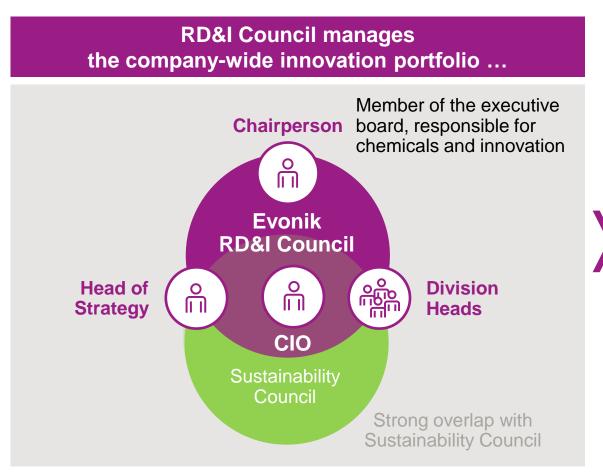
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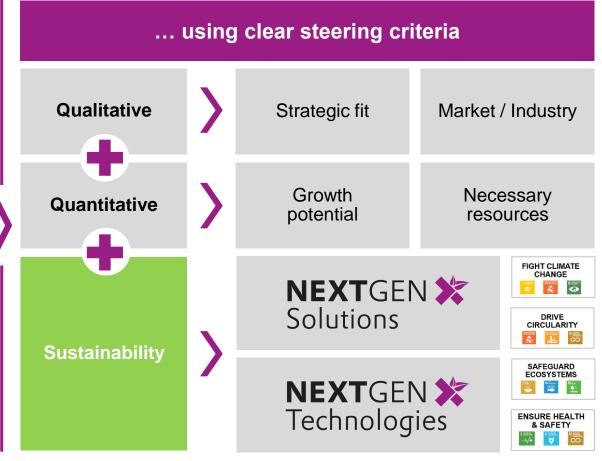
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Sustainability is fully integrated into innovation portfolio steering







RD&I at a glance

Facts & Figures

RD&I AT EVONIK

FIGHT CLIMATE CHANGE







>€460 m SPENT

>€600 M SALES IN 2022 FROM INNOVATION GROWTH FIELDS

DRIVE CIRCULARITY







~24,000 PATENTS¹

>€2,700 EMPLOYEES

SAFEGUARD ECOSYSTEMS







100% SUSTAINABILITY-INTEGRATED

ENSURE HEALTH & SAFETY







1. Patents and patents pending



Leading in Innovation – Growth fields and sales target

On track to achieve target of >€1 bn sales from innovation

Innovation Growth Fields



Advanced Food Ingredients



Additive Manufacturing



Sustainable Nutrition



Cosmetic Solutions



Membranes

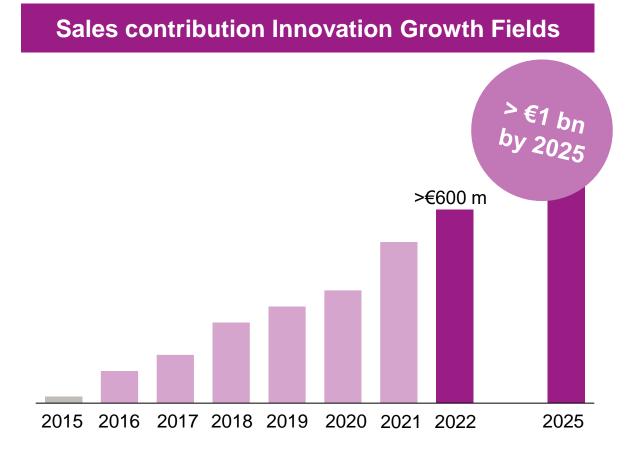


Healthcare Solutions



Sizeable sales base established in all growth fields

Above-average margin contribution





New sales from innovations becoming "Next Generation Solutions"

Innovation with clear focus on Sustainability Focus Areas

FIGHT CLIMATE Hydrogen Economy **CHANGE Membranes** 13 HASSAUHRENZUM Renewable Carbon DRIVE Circularity **CIRCULARITY** Cosmetic Solutions **New Formulation Business** >€1 bn/ sales **Evonik Innovation Growth Fields Creavis New Growth Areas** by 2025 **SAFEGUARD** Farm to Fork **ECOSYSTEMS** Sustainable Nutrition 15 LIFE ON LAND **New Data Business ENSURE HEALTH** Healthcare Solutions **Novel Therapeutic Concepts & SAFETY Advanced Food Ingredients Prevention & Wellbeing**



Example for New Growth Area: Hydrogen Economy

Tapping into a major opportunity with our DURAION® membrane

Challenge

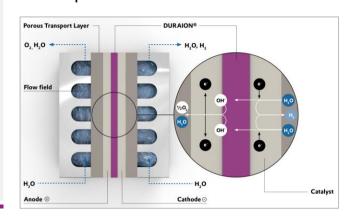
Currently two major technologies in place for hydrogen electrolysis – both with major downsides:

- State of the art Proton Exchange Membrane (PEM) electrolysis requires rare precious metals and expensive materials
- Established Alkaline Electrolysis (AEL) does not require precious metals, but is not very flexible

Evonik Proposition

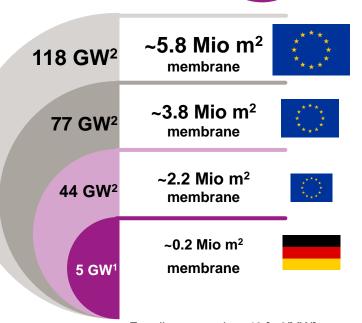
Evonik's novel Anion Exchange Membrane (AEM) is the most cost-efficient way to ramp-up green hydrogen with key advantages:

- High production rates
- Dynamic operation
- Pressurized H₂ production
- Inexpensive materials & electrodes



Market potential scenarios





Evonik assumption: 49 [m²/MW] membrane area required for 1MW



^{1.} Study IndWEDe-NOW GmbH, 2018 2 Green Hydrogen for a European Green Deal A 2 x 40 GW Initiative, Hydrogen Europe; Translation with internal assumptions (Creavis)

Example for New Growth Area: Circularity

Novel PU additives enabling chemical recycling of flexible foam

Challenge **Evonik Proposition** Solution 40 million mattresses are discarded in Vita EVONIK Europe per year \rightarrow 300 kt/a of PU waste **Evonik offering is twofold:** an components Tailored Evonik PU additives to allow for high use level of recycled PU components Landfill Incineration Downcycling 50 % 33 % 17 % Recycling **New proprietary hydrolysis** process providing high quality Retailers, OEMs & EU pushing for recycled raw material for circular solutions of flexible PU foam re-use in polyurethane foam PU industry threatened if PU foam production cannot be recycled Disposal



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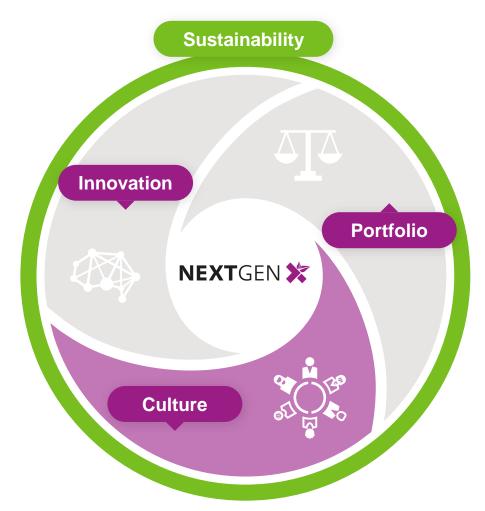
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Driving "Next Generation Culture"

Shifting mindset in the entire organization



Safety first as foundation:

- Accident frequency as part of management compensation
- Low level secured over the last years¹

Diversity as basis of our economic success:

- Ambitious targets defined
- Inclusive mindset and behavior foster diversity

Attractive employer:

- Employee commitment with increase of 5pp in latest employee survey
- Integrating sustainability stronger into HR core processes



^{1.} below upper limit of 0.26 (number of accidents per 200,000 working hours)

Our sustainability commitments

External



UN Global Compact

Aligning companies' operations and strategies with 10 universally accepted principles in the areas of human rights, labor, environment and anti-corruption



Responsible Care

The global chemical industry's initiative to improve health, environmental performance, enhance security, and to communicate with stakeholders about products and processes

Chemie³



An alliance of VCI, IG BCE and BAVC underpinning sustainability as a guiding principle of the chemical industry in Germany and providing inspiration for the international community

Internal



Global Social Policy

Evonik's internal commitment to human rights, core labor standards, international standards and principles of conduct



ESHQ Values

Protecting people and the environment, treating partners fairly, and focusing on the needs of customers as core beliefs for everyone at Evonik



Code of Conduct

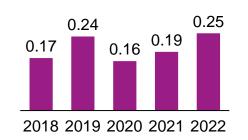
Containing corporate values and principles, governing conduct of all Evonik employees; externally operated whistleblower system

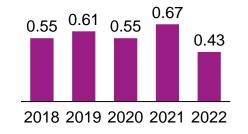


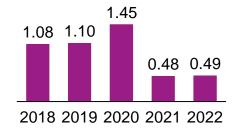
Safety is at the top of our agenda



Occupational safety & plant safety







Lost time injury rate¹
for Evonik employees
low level helped by
home office;
no fatal accident.
Upper limit: ≤0.26

for contractors
above previous year level;
caused by workers tripping,
slipping, or falling;
no fatal accident.

Process safety
incident rate²
increased due to
incidents involving the
release of substances.
Target: ≤0.40

Incorporation of safety performance in remuneration systems. Culture initiative "Safety at Evonik" firmly established. Roll-out of new global server-based platform ESTER³



¹⁾ This indicator contains all work-related accidents (excluding traffic accidents) resulting in absences of at least one full shift per 200,000 working hours.

²⁾ Number of incidents per 1 million working hours up to 2020, Number of incidents per 200,000 working hours as from 2021 in acc. with Cefic 2016 3) ESTER = Evonik Standard Tool ESHQ and Reporting

Diversity goes far beyond quantitative targets

We approach diversity with diversity

Diversity is key to economic success

 Evonik ranks among top European companies in terms of diversity



- We address diversity strategically, culturally and with an eye toward our business processes
- Top management as prominent role model in embracing diversity, e.g. in Diversity Council

Specific goals with highest priority (by 2023)

- Gender diversity: e.g. 23% of executive & senior management positions and 30% on manager level (2022: 20%/17%/29%)
- Intercultural mix: e.g. 20% of executive and 35% of senior management positions (2022: 15.8%/25.5%)

Diversity goes far beyond quantitative targets!

- Diversity is not only a numeric game but a matter of culture
- An inclusive mindset and behavior ultimately determine if we can utilize diversity successfully

Diversity creates growth

Diversity creates innovation

Diversity brings us closer to our customers

Diversity is our future



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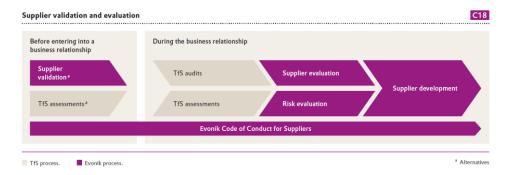


Taking a broad view on human rights throughout our value chains

- Evonik commits to respecting human rights in line with the "Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights" of the United Nations across its complete value chain.
- Our policy statement on human rights is based on
 - the International Bill of Human Rights,
 - the International Labor Organization's Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work
 - the ten principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- We also respect the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises.
- Evonik complies with applicable laws and regulations wherever it operates. In countries where local laws and regulations conflict with internationally recognized human rights, we seek ways to honor the above-mentioned international standards while not violating local law.









Responsible supply chain management



Evonik **founding member** of "Together for Sustainability" (TfS) initiative of chemical industry driving transparency and sustainability along the supply chain.

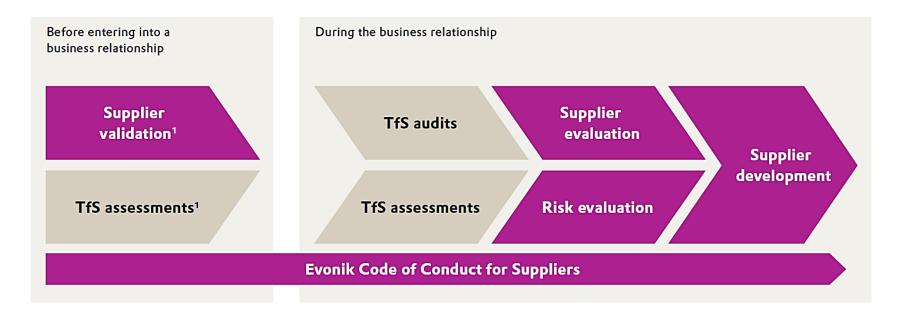


Minimizing efforts Official Setting a global for suppliers and partnership standard customers European for sustainable by replacing **Chemical Industry** supply chains in multiple individual Council (Cefic) and the chemical assessments by a **TfS** industry single evaluation Cooperation with Shared supplier Third party assessments CPCIF1: 2019 and audits managed by engagement Wanhua Chemical selected partner EcoVadis. program as first China-based Shared results on of leading global member company chemical web-based collaborative TfS currently counts companies platform showing the 43 member companies with suppliers' scorecard global spend of >€400 bn²

1) CPCIF = Chinese Petroleum and Chemical Industry Federation 2) estimated figure for the chemical industry



Responsible supply chain management





Our target

100% of raw materials suppliers² to be covered by TfS assessments by 2025 (2022: 66%)

~90% (~80%) of Evonik's direct (indirect) purchasing volume covered by TfS assessments



Compliance: Watching responsible business practices

Executive Board Compliance Committee										
Antitrust	Fighting Corruption, Money Laundering, and Fraud	Code of Conduct	Foreign Trade and Customs Law	Capital Market Law	Data Protection	Taxes	Human Resources	Corporate Audit		
Compliance Management System										

	Responsibility of Management							
A de quacy, Effectiveness	Values and Objectives							
	Prevention	Detection	Response					
	 Risk Analysis Standards Processes Training Sensitization/Communication Advice & Support 	 Whistleblower System Investigations Monitoring & Audits 	Corrective MeasuresSanctionsLessons Learned	Continuous Improvement				
	Compliance Reporting							
	Compliance Organization							

House of compliance

- The House of Compliance has been established to define minimum Group-wide standards for the relevant compliance management systems in relation to the topics specified above and to ensure that these standards are implemented
- Decision-making, exchange of experience, and coordination of the joint activities all take place in the Compliance Committee, which is comprised of the heads of the individual departments, who are independently responsible for their subject area, and the head of Corporate Audit

Compliance management system

 The compliance management system comprises, on the basis of defined values and objectives, the instruments shown in the chart and any measures to be taken accordingly



Compliance. Whistleblower hotline.

- All employees are required to report possible or actual violations of the code of conduct to the responsible department or compliance officer without delay
- In addition to internal reporting channels, electronic whistleblower hotlines operated by independent external providers are available group-wide
- Both employees and external stakeholders such as business partners and their employees, local residents near our sites, and employees' families can report suspected compliance violations
- Reports are possible on all key compliance issues and are automatically forwarded to the department responsible for the relevant compliance topic
- The whistleblower hotline is certified as conforming with European data protection legislation
- Evonik takes up all allegations and investigates them
- To protect whistleblowers, the general principles set out in the policy on internal investigations include security measures such as forbidding putting them at any disadvantage



a External Whistleblower System. Guarantees anonymity, if desired by whistleblower.



Sustainability integrated into management compensation scheme

20% of long-term incentive based on strategic ESG KPI's

Fixed salary

~1/3

To be paid in cash for each financial year

Bonus

~1/3

KPIs aligned to mid-term strategic targets

- 1. Progression towards EBITDA margin target
- 2. EBITDA growth (yoy)
- 3. Contribution to FCF target

and integrating Safety First mindset:

4. Accident performance

Long-term incentive plan

~1/3

80% share price

- Granted LTI target amount calculated in virtual shares (4-year lock-up)
- Absolute performance: Real price of the Evonik share
- Relative performance against external index benchmark (MSCI Chemicals)



LTI based on strategic ESG KPI's, e.g.:

- Sales share of "Next Generation Solutions"
- CO₂ emission reduction



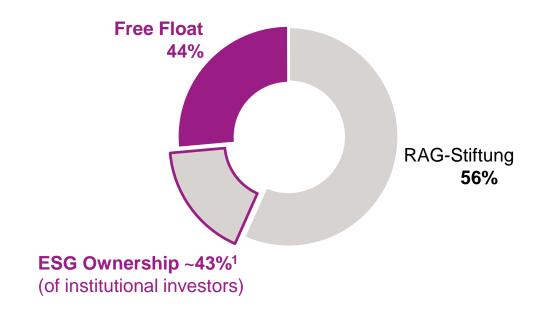
Shareholder structure

"RAG-Stiftung", long-term shareholder with focus on total shareholder return

RAG Stiftung

- RAG-Stiftung manages a portfolio of ~€19 bn assets under management, one of the biggest foundations in Europe
- Portfolio consists of publicly traded securities, private equity, direct holdings, real estate and bonds of various types
- RAG-Stiftung focuses on investments with high total shareholder return and strong cash/distribution profiles
- Underlying goal is to finance/cover the perpetual liabilities arising from hard-coal mining in Germany
- >60% of total portfolio invested in assets other than Evonik
- RAG-Stiftung with strong interest in Evonik's profitable growth, resulting in significant shareholder returns
- Clear intention to remain significant shareholder

Ownership structure







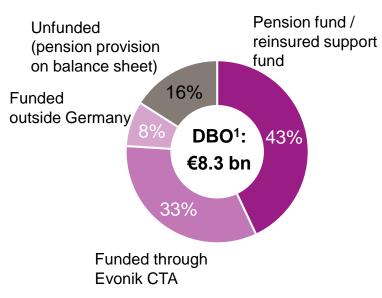
Sustainability embedded in pension asset management

Evonik Pensionstreuhand e.V. (CTA)

Sustainability process initially developed for portfolio held directly by Evonik Industries AG and thus directly under Corporate control (Contractual Trust Agreement, **CTA**)

- CTA: >80% of total plan assets under management supervised by managers committed to UN Principles for Responsible Investment (UN PRI)
- CTA: >50% of liquid assets overlapping with renowned sustainability indices such as FTSE4Good etc.

Funding level at ~85%



Pensionskasse Degussa VVaG (Pension fund)

As one of the first pension funds in Germany, Pensionskasse Degussa VVaG (PKD) with own ESG strategy since April 2019

- Main focus on Governance requirements (compliance, audits, risk management, cyber security etc.)
- From 2020 on, 50% women in PKD Board of Management
- Investment criteria: managers required to have signed UN PRI; focus on democratic countries, respect for human rights, anti-corruption etc.
- Asset Class Specific: Suitable ESG factors taken into account in investment process



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