Bekaert Investor Presentation



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Introduction to Bekaert



OVERVIEW

- The global leader in steel wire transformation and coating technologies
- Leading market position across diverse markets and geographies
- Rich 140-year history of value creation and technological innovation
- · Global presence with deep understanding of local needs

STRATEGY

- Optimizing value by actively managing and renewing the core business portfolio
- Unlocking further growth through value-creating innovation, digital and sustainable opportunities, active portfolio management, and selective M&A in existing and adjacent markets

CAPITAL ALLOCATION

- Well-capitalized to invest in R&D, organic growth, and accretive M&A opportunities
- Net debt / underlying EBITDA has been reduced from 2.7x to 0.7x
- Dividend pay-out ratio policy targeted at 40% of net income

1800

patents and patent rights

120

countries with customers served

27000

engaged employees globally

Global presence across diverse end markets

Combined sales, including sales of joint ventures in Brazil of ~€0.7Bn in 2020

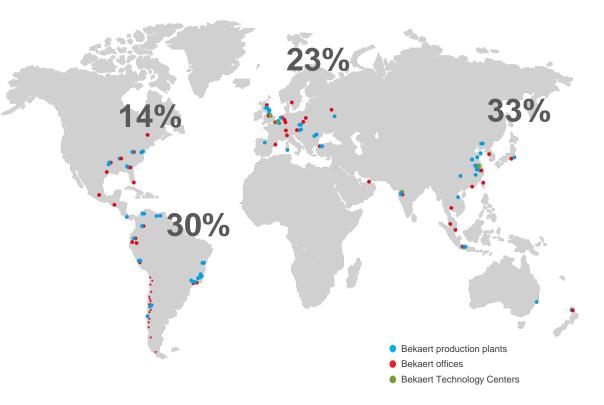


2020 SALES BY END MARKET



44%	Tire & Automotive		
19%	Construction - Infrastructure		
9%	Agriculture		

- 9% Basic materials
- 8% Energy & utilities
- 6% Equipment
- 5% Consumer goods



140+ years of innovation, growth and value creation



PIONEERING

Established in Belgium in 1880 as a small barbed wire manufacturer

First acquisition abroad in 1920 – first investment in Latin America in 1948



Pioneering in new technologies that address mega trends:

new mobility | urbanization | connected & smart | renewable energy | sustainability | reverse globalization

INNOVATING

First patent application in June 1881

Tire cord development 1952

In-house Engineering and R&D centers since 1960's



Preferred innovation partner of global technology leaders

1 800+ patents in portfolio

Services and adjacent solutions:

Creativity beyond steel

GROWING

Global expansion programs throughout history

Early presence in Latin America and China

Largest acquisition (Pirelli) and merger (Bridon): 2014-2016



Organic/inorganic growth plans in target markets:

Mobility | energy & utilities | lifting & hoisting | agri | construction & infrastructure

PERFORMING

Performance culture Delivery on priorities

€200 million paid in dividends since 2018



Significant performance improvement since 2019

Very strong balance sheet

Strong margin performance in all Business Units

Guidance revision 2021-2026

PURSUING

Partnerships and collaboration

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Operational and commercial excellence



Actions to unlock the company's full potential

Innovation, digital, and sustainability strategy

Value creation for all stakeholders

Bekaert Group Executive

Leading with a shared ambition





Oswald Schmid



Stijn Vanneste Divisional CEO Steel Wire Solutions



Arnaud Lesschaeve Divisional CEO Rubber Reinforcement



Taoufiq Boussaid Chief Financial Officer



Curd Vandekerckhove Divisional CEO Bridon-Bekaert Ropes Group



Kerstin Artenberg Chief HR Officer



YVES Kerstens Divisional CEO Specialty Businesses Chief Operations Officer

Juan Carlos Alonso Chief Strategy Officer

Technological leadership drives innovation





LEADERSHIP APPROACH

- Co-creation with customers and suppliers
- Internal and external ecosystem to power business engines
 - international team of technologists
 - cooperation with internationally renowned research centers & universities
 - venture capital and R&D partnerships
- Intellectual property protection
- Commitment to increase R&D investments significantly

STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS



Preferred partner

For the most challenging projects and the most innovative solutions



Dramix® steel fibers are a solution to low-carbon concrete: 30-40% reduction in CO₂ footprint compared to traditional steel.



ST/UT tire cord products of Bekaert save 1.5 billion kg of CO₂ exhaust per year and our TAWI® coating excludes the need for cobalt in rubber compounds.



Steel and synthetic mooring lines anchor windmills in the largest floating offshore wind farms.

Queensferry Crossing in Scotland, the world's longest three-tower, cablestayed bridge, was built with Bekaert strands.

The largest landside crane in the world uses Bridon-Bekaert ropes that can lift the heaviest construction modules.

Bekaert's lifting solutions move 1 million elevators in the world.

50% of global wiper systems

carry the Bekaert wiper blade solution.

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80µm is the diameter of a human hair - our field of play in thin metal fibers is 1µm to 50µm!



STRATEGY DISCUSSION

Growth strategy

Drive sustainable, value creating growth



Megatrends



Focus on key markets

- New mobility
- Renewable energy
- Urbanization
- Connected and Smart
- Reverse Globalization
- Sustainability

- Mobility
- Construction & infrastructure
- Lifting & hoisting
- Energy & utilities
- Agriculture



Leadership positions

- Partner of choice
- Technology competences
- Global scale with
 Local presence
- Responsive supply chain



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Moving beyond the core

- Closer to the end customer
- Differentiating services and solutions
- Increase value added
 profit pool

Bekaert's strategic imperatives





Strategic transformation of our business



2018	2019	2020	2021	Mid-term Target
Transformational business improvement	New organizational structure & leadership	Global & fast response to COVID-19 pandemic	Benefits of reverse globalization & supply chain	Portfolio management incl M&A
initiatives	team	Realizing benefits of	excellence with lasting impact	🐝 Organizational capabilities
Addressing startup issues in various	Acceleration of profit restoration programs in	restructurings and turnaround & profit	Price discipline aligned with	👰 Digital
expansion programs	weaker business areas	restoration activities	raw material price trends	
Divestment of non-core businesses	Manufacturing cost & overhead savings	Price discipline & mix improvement	Acceleration of commercial & operational excellence	
Full ownership & new leadership of BBRG and acceleration of profit restoration	Stringent focus on CAPEX and Working Capital	Strong debt de-leveraging	10%+	9-11%
4.9%	5.6%	7.2%		

2021 Q3 Highlights



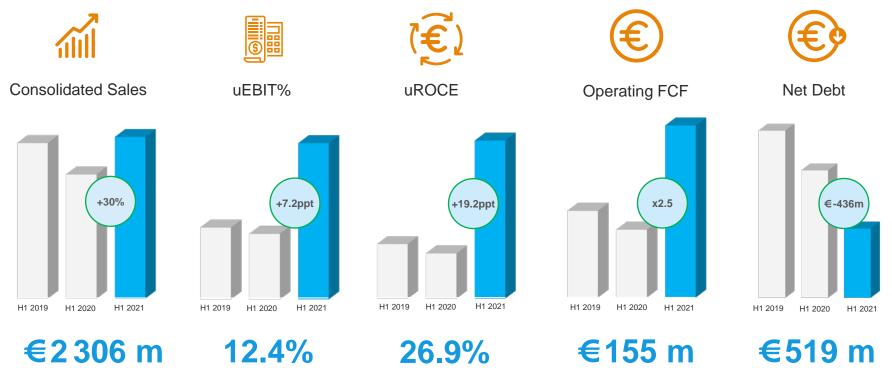
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2021 H1 results

Strong sales – vigorous margin growth – strong balance sheet



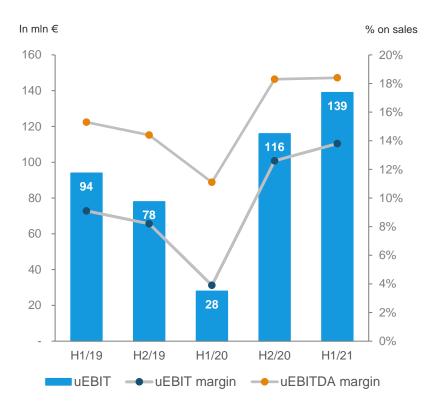


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Rubber Reinforcement

Market leading position with 30% share of global tire cord market; providing innovative solutions

that help our customers sustainably transform the industry





RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

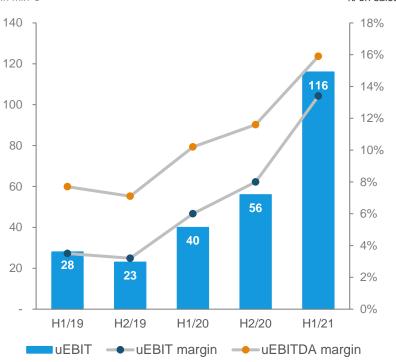
- Organic sales growth of 32.5% in the first 9 months of 2021 due to volume rebound and positive price-mix effects.
- uEBIT margin of 13.8% and uEBITDA margin of 18.4% in H1 2021 following efforts to lower the cost structure and improve the business mix. Positive impact from inventory valuation.
- Capex of € 12 million in H1 2021 mainly related to investments in EMEA and Asia



In mIn € % on sales

Steel Wire Solutions

strategic partnering in growth areas



GROWTH DRIVERS LOCAL SERVICE THROUGH OUR GLOBAL FOOTPRINT Image: Second sec

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

- Organic sales growth of 37.9% in the first 9 months of 2021 due to positive price-mix effects and strong volume growth
- uEBIT margin of 13.4% and uEBITDA margin of 15.9% in H1 2021 due to high volumes, improved mix, cost control, pricing discipline and positive inventory valuation
- Capex of €11 million in H1 2021, including investments in all regions

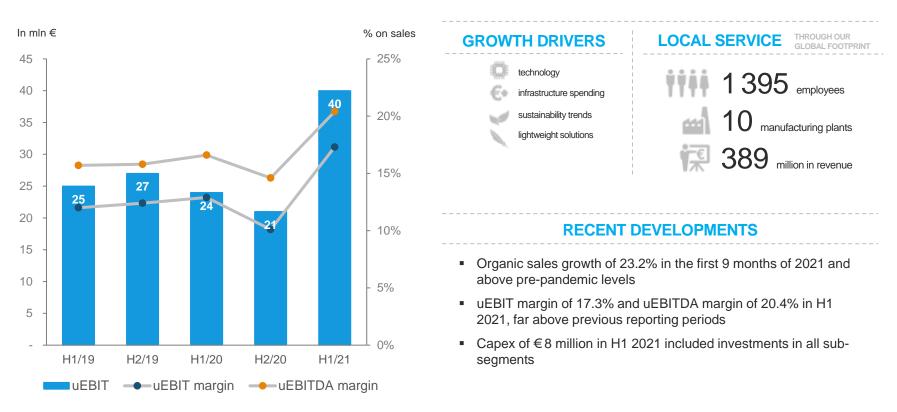
Solidifying our diversified portfolio through business optimization, technology leadership and



Investor presentation - Bekaert - employee numbers, manufacturing plants and revenue in the infographic are FY2020 figures

Specialty Businesses Expanding our technology leadership position in growth markets and pushing the boundaries

of application opportunities; 40% global market share for concrete reinforcement fibers and thin metal fibers

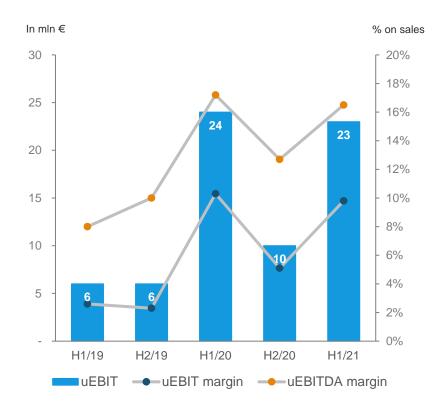




Bridon-Bekaert Ropes Group

The leading innovator and provider of the best performing ropes and advanced cords globally





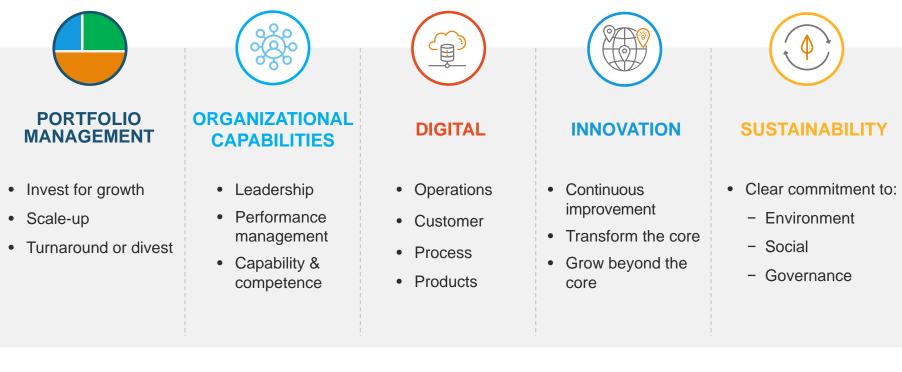
GROWTH DRIVERS	LOCAL SERVICE THROUGH OUR GLOBAL FOOTPRINT
floating wind turbine projects	2337 employees
oil & gas investments	ZOOT employees
Mining activity	17 manufacturing plants
Infrastructure spending	
synthetic ropes applications	424 million in revenue

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

- Organic sales growth of 8.7% in in the first 9 months of 2021 driven by higher volumes, both in Ropes and Advanced Cords.
- uEBIT margin of 9.8% and uEBITDA margin of 16.5% in H1 2021, slightly below H1 2020
- Closed plant in Pointe-Claire Canada, as all North American ropes activities have been consolidated in the US
- Capex of € 10.5 million in PP&E in H1 2021, mainly in the UK, US and in Advanced Cords Belgium

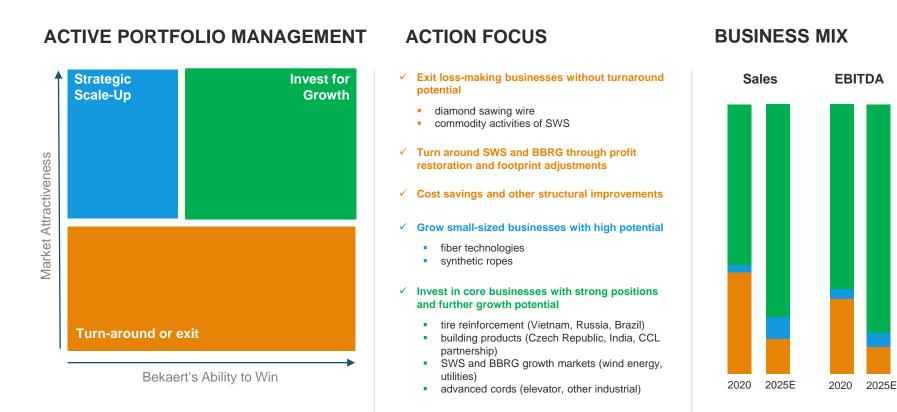
Key elements of our business strategy





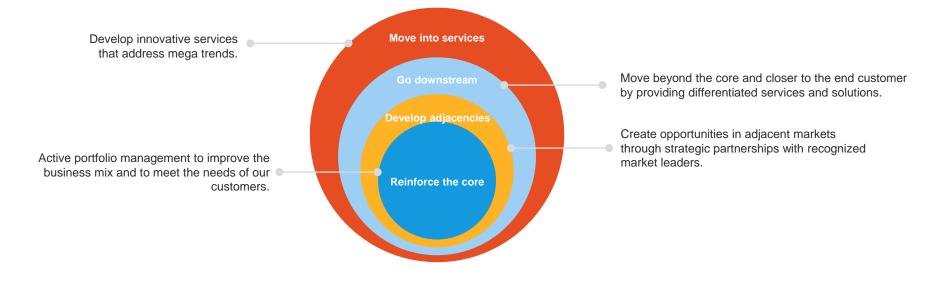
We are actively managing our business portfolio





Thoughtful approach to accretive growth



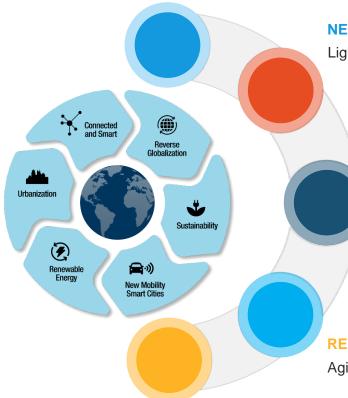




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Our business focus is aligned with mega trends





NEW MOBILITY

Light-weight, smart and green materials for tires

URBANIZATION

Advanced cords for vertical city requirements; smart glazing solutions with thin fiber technologies; low-carbon concrete reinforcement

RENEWABLE ENERGY

Light-weight mooring for offshore floating wind turbines; new fibers for hydrogen electrolysis

CONNECTED & SMART

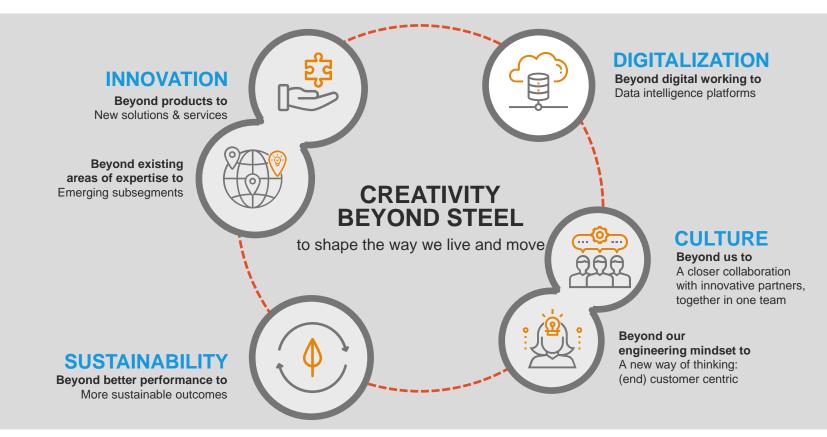
5G & data transmission technology for fiber optic networks

REVERSE GLOBALIZATION

Agile and digital supply chain; regional footprint

Creativity is at the center of our strategy





Investing in innovative solutions



STRONG INVESTMENTS TO INNOVATE



T&I Investments

+600

Experts



Patents

+50% Increased investment over next 5 years

REBALANCING OUR PIPELINE WITH THREE BUSINESS ENGINES

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E1

E2

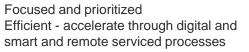
Cost and process improvements World-class operations

Product and solution development From incremental innovation towards offering elevation

Anticipation of major disruptions Develop smart products and solutions

Solutions for new growing markets





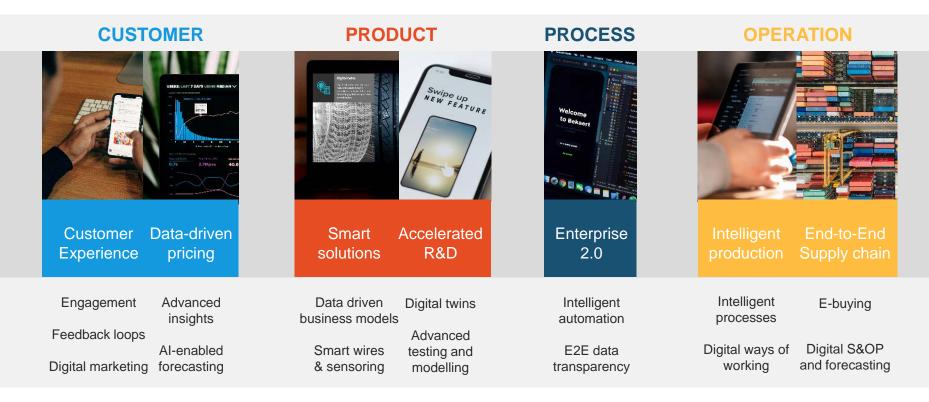
Driven by customer needs More ambitious platforms Stronger portfolio governance

Incubation in ring-fenced entrepreneurial teams External ecosystem collaboration and partnerships

+15% Sales from new solutions by 2025

Digitalization is employed across the organization





Focused on delivering sustainable solutions

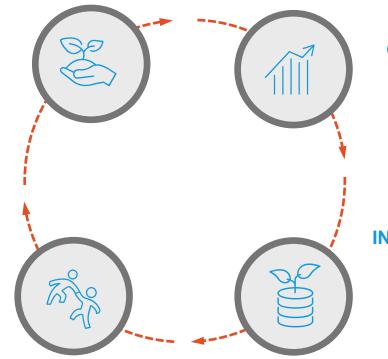


CUSTOMERS

- Increasing requirements on suppliers
- Sustainable solutions outgrow others
- End-industry disruptions

PEOPLE & COMMUNITIES

- Increase top talent attraction and engagement
- Positive impact on our local communities



COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE

- First mover advantage
- Significant cost savings
- Opportunity to differentiate

INVESTORS & REGULATORS

- ESG target investing
- Lower financing costs

• Expectation for Science-based targets and towards net-zero policies

Committed to ambitious sustainability goals

2030 goals vs. 2019 baseline



ENVIRONMENTAL



Towards Carbon Neutrality



Reduce GHG emissions in line with Science Based Targets Aim for Carbon Net Zero by 2050

Sustainable Solutions



of our sales to be from sustainable solutions

Water



relative freshwater intake in stressed regions

Working conditions



Strive for zero accidents

Diversity & Inclusion

40% Female managers/ white collars

Positive working environment for all our employees

Community relations

Actively engage with communities on priority sustainability themes





Highest Ethical Standards

Ethics and Code of Conduct Strict compliance management

Fair sourcing + transparency

100% ^{or} _E

of strategic suppliers EcoVadis listed

95%

of spend with suppliers who sign off Code of Conduct

Best in class governance & reporting

Transparent and integrated reporting

Innovation in action



DIGITALIZATION





NEW MOBILTY

CLEAN ENERGY



Together with VisionTek, BBRG developed the first mobile 3D rope measuring and visioning equipment to monitor, control, predict and optimize the lifecycle of ropes Bekaert invested in Cargo Sous Terrain and is technology advisor on the Board

Bekaert participates in a consortium to develop the next generation electrolysers for green Hydrogen production

Enabling new, sustainable solutions





ENERGY AND UTILITIES

Beyond current markets and solutions

Enabling the future

Digital Twin models



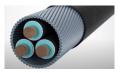
Synthetic & hybrid solutions



Strategic Partnerships



Bezinox® cable armoring



Reducing environmental impact



Dramix[®] solutions reducing input intensity





Heavy, labor-intensive traditional reinforcement

More efficient and easy to use steel fiber reinforced concrete

Construction Reinforcement Low Carbon concrete

Reducing material intensity

SigmaSlab[™], a new Dramix® solution co-developed with post-tensioning leader CCL



Typical transformation (SigmaSlab[™] example)

- 70% less steel reinforcement
- 20% less concrete
- **30-40%** reduction in CO₂ footprint

Better together

With our customers, employees, shareholders and communities





We make our customers succeed

Customer centricity is at the heart of everything we do.

Our aim is to be our customer's partner of choice by offering differentiated solutions and services, and by driving sustainable innovations.

We are truly better together

The true strength of Bekaert lies at the heart of every employee's passion to go the extra mile for our customers.

Our values are ingrained in our culture and connect us all as One Bekaert team.

We commit to high performance

Our commitment to high performance benefits all our stakeholders, including our shareholders.

We want to create value for our stakeholders by delivering on our high ambitions.

We care for the world around us

We develop solutions that contribute to a clean environment and raise our efforts to become a truly sustainable business.

We support initiatives that help improve the social conditions in the communities where we are active.



Financial Outlook

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Outlook for 2021



While we anticipate softening conditions in some of the demand tailwinds, remain cautious about supply chain disruption risks, and take into account the usual seasonality effects of the fourth quarter,

We project solid sales in most of our business areas for the remainder of the year and reconfirm our outlook:

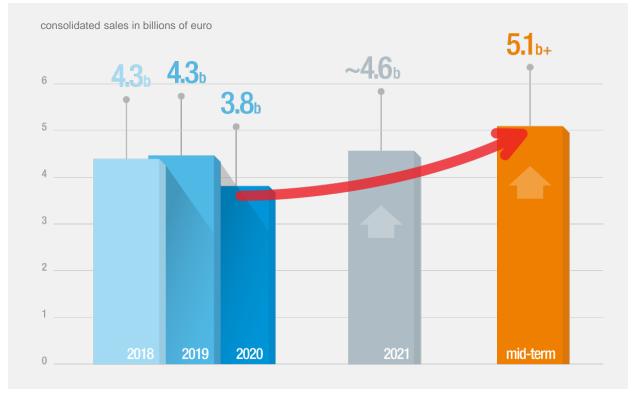
Barring unexpected events, Bekaert projects for FY 2021 an underlying EBIT margin on sales of 10% or better and sales of approximately €4.6 billion.

Sales growth driven by strategic focus



STRATEGIC FOCUS

- market positioning
- mix improvements
- pricing discipline
- customer success
- operational excellence



Increased profit from sales growth and stronger business model

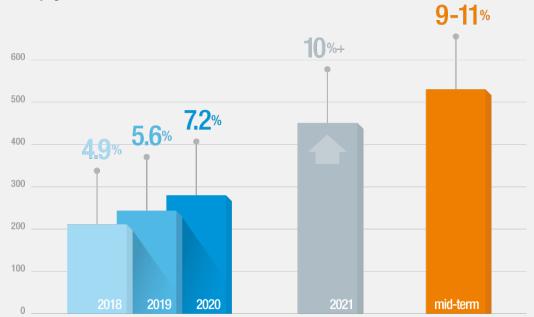


SALES GROWTH

- in the right markets
- with higher-end solutions
- with successful customers
- at the right price

BUSINESS MODEL

- Improved footprint
- structural savings
- high degree of resilience
- capital allocation strategy

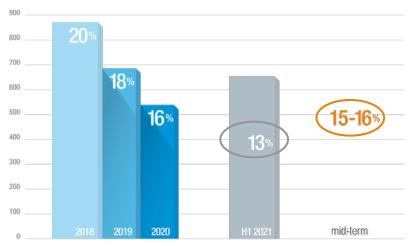


underlying EBIT in millions of euro and as a % on sales

Cash flow generation is at the center of our strategy

WORKING CAPITAL

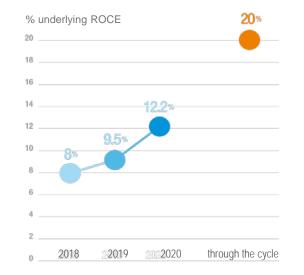
- Decreased by 40% in 2 years (YE 2020 vs YE 2018)
- Average working capital on sales decreased from 20% (FY 2018) to 13% (H1 2021)
- Objective is to maintain a level of 15-16%



Working capital in millions of euro and as a % on sales

CAPITAL ALLOCATION

- ROCE improved by +50% in 2 years (FY 2020 vs FY 2018)
- H1 2021: very high ROCE of 27%
- Objective is to reach a ROCE greater than 20% through the cycle

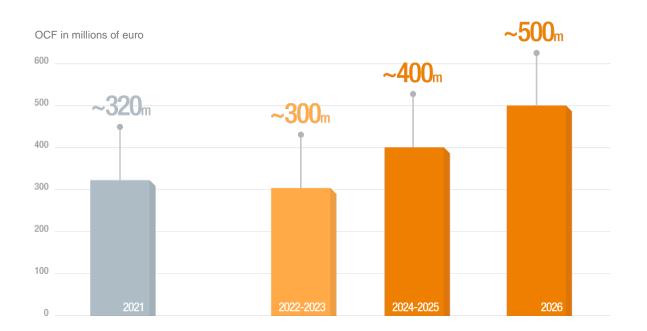


Solid cash generation from higher profitability

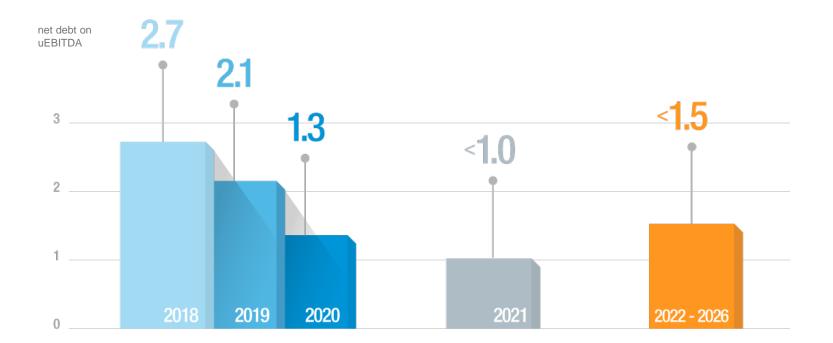


SOLID CASH GENERATION

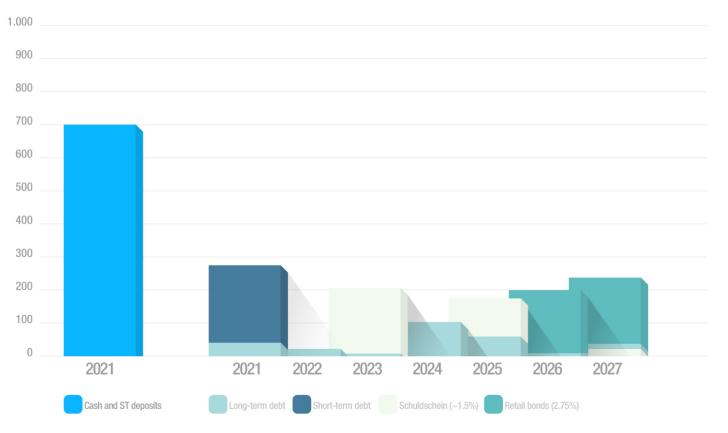
- Objectives:
 - step up OCF (1)
 - FCF yield $^{(2)}$ of ~100%
- Funding opportunities to grow:
 - organic and inorganic
 - investments in innovation, sustainability, digital
 - dividend



Continuous focus on maintaining conservative balance sheet



Liquidity position is strong and debt maturities are balanced



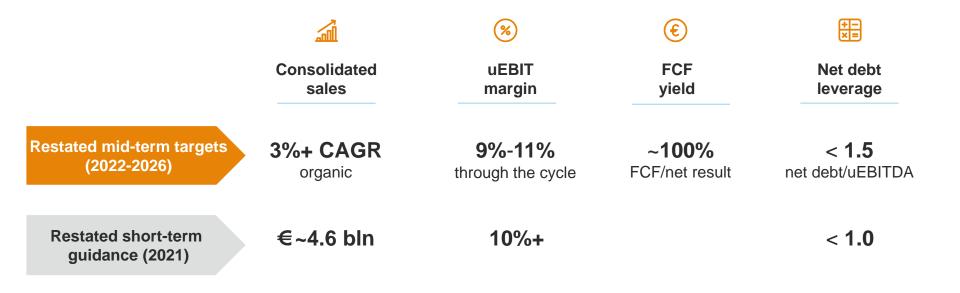
Focused on shareholder returns through dividend policy



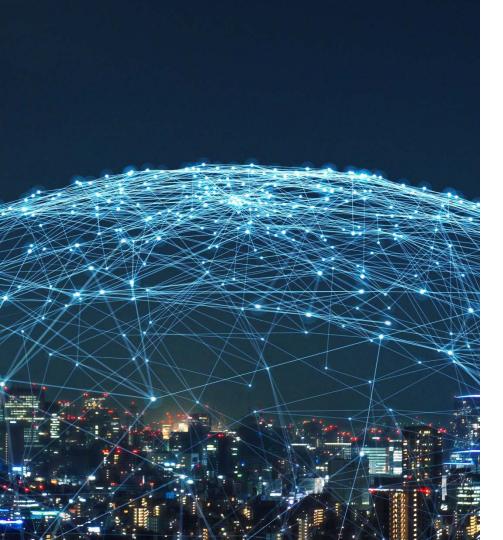
At the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in May 2021, a gross dividend of € 1.00 was approved, in line with the company's pay-out policy.

Value creation in our financial projections 2021-2026





Changes versus previous guidance: Mid-term underlying EBIT margin target: from 8-10% to 9-11% FY 2021 outlook: consolidated sales from $\ge \in 4.4$ billion to $\in \sim 4.6$ billion – underlying EBIT margin from $\ge 8\%$ (≥ 80 bps above FY 2020 level of 7.2%) to 10% or better.



Conclusion

Why invest in Bekaert



PERFORMANCE-DRIVEN MARKET LEADER

- Delivering on priorities and focused on higher value opportunities
- Global scale, partnerships and intellectual property to protect and enhance position in key end markets



FOCUSED EXECUTION OF STRATEGIC PLAN

- Strong track record of consistently improving business portfolio
- · Capabilities and ability to execute on investments in innovation, digitalization and sustainability



DELIVERING GROWTH THROUGH INNOVATION

- Clear capital allocation strategy to maximize return on investment
- Unlocking growth potential through R&D and focus on creative new applications
- Focused on creating value for all stakeholders, including our shareholders

Save the date



Third quarter trading update 2021	19 November 2021
Full year results 2021	25 February 2022
Integrated report 2021	22 March 2022

Capital Markets Day - See the content or watch the replay of the of 28 May 2021 on Our performance

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Recent publications: H1 2021 Results - Annual Report - Sustainability Report

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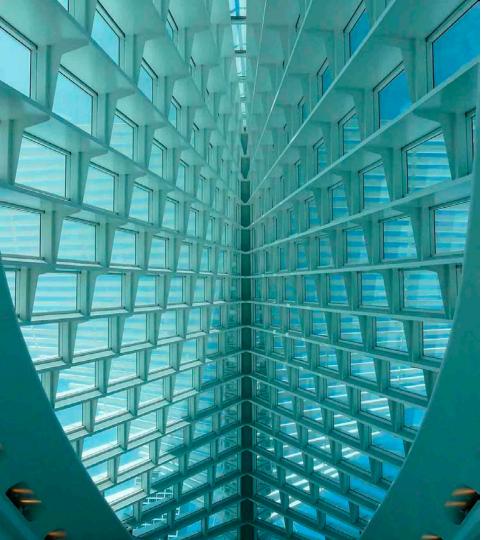


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Q3 2021 and H1 2021 Financial Supplement

Market developments in the three-month period July-Sept 2021





• Demand continued to benefit from the post-covid rebound and remained strong across many geographies, with the exception of China

The global supply chain remains constrained on the back of several headwinds associated with raw material shortages and freight bottlenecks

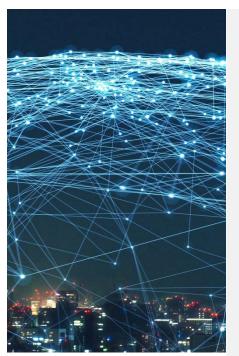
• Cost inflation has impacted various input costs including raw materials, transportation, and energy

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Q3 2021 achievements



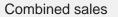
- Driving further agility of the supply chain management has allowed to:
 - Secure supply continuity to customers
 - Proactively capture the opportunities arising from reverse globalization
 - Keep the working capital under control
- Further improving the product and business mix, in line with our strategy to more efficiently segment and upgrade the business portfolio
 - Strong pricing discipline and execution, resulting in the mitigation of the raw material price increases and other cost inflation
- Further developing and deploying sustainability, innovation and digital initiatives



2021 sales over the first nine months

Consolidated sales	2020	2021	Variance	Organic	FX
Rubber Reinforcement	1 146	1 504	+31%	+33%	-1%
Steel Wire Solutions	982	1 338	+36%	+38%	-2%
Specialty Businesses	288	354	+23%	+23%	-0%
BBRG	330	358	+9%	+9%	-0%
Group	9	5	-	-	-
Total consolidated sales	2 755	3 559	+29%	+30%	-1%
Total combined sales	3 239	4 326	+34%	+36%	-3%

Consolidated sales



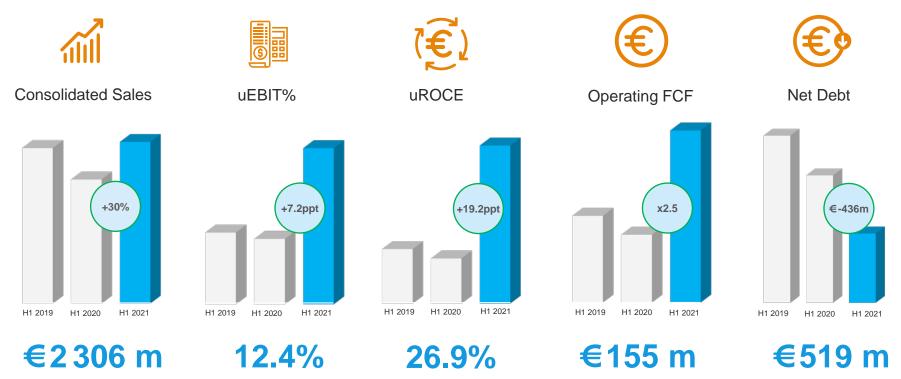


Combined sales are sales of consolidated companies plus 100% of sales of joint ventures and associates after intercompany elimination Investor presentation - Bekaert

2021 H1 results

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Consolidated income statement: key figures

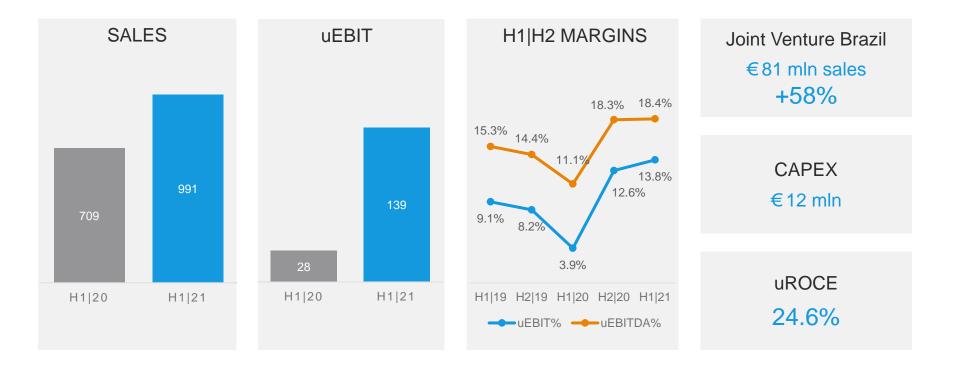


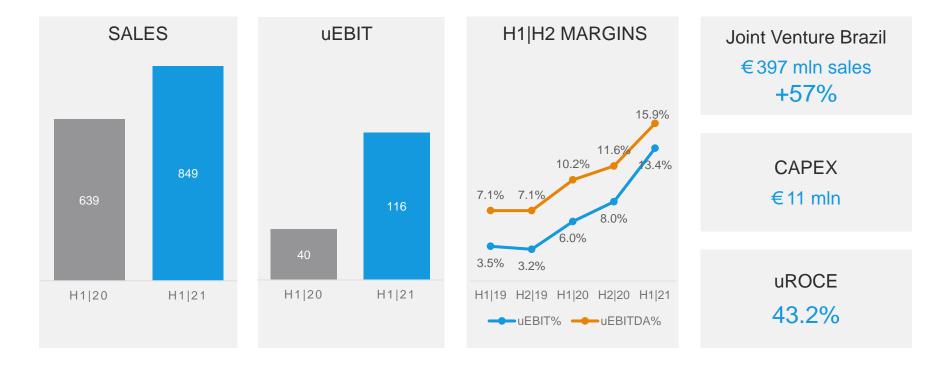
In millions of €	Underlying		Reported	
	H1 2020	H1 2021	H1 2020	H1 2021
Sales	1 770	2 306	1 770	2 306
Cost of sales	(1 518)	(1 833)	(1 521)	(1 847)
Gross profit	252	473		
Selling expenses	(81)	(88)	(81)	(87)
Administrative expenses	(59)	(78)	(60)	(76)
R&D expenses	(25)	(29)	(26)	(29)
Other operating revenue and expenses	4	9	4	21
EBIT	92	285	87	288

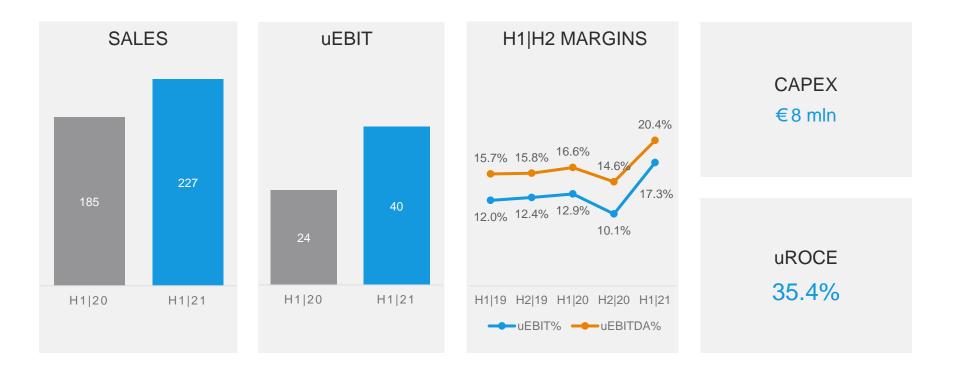
Overheads increase in absolute numbers but decrease as a % on sales: -80bps to 8.5%

EBIT-Underlying bridge: Consolidated view



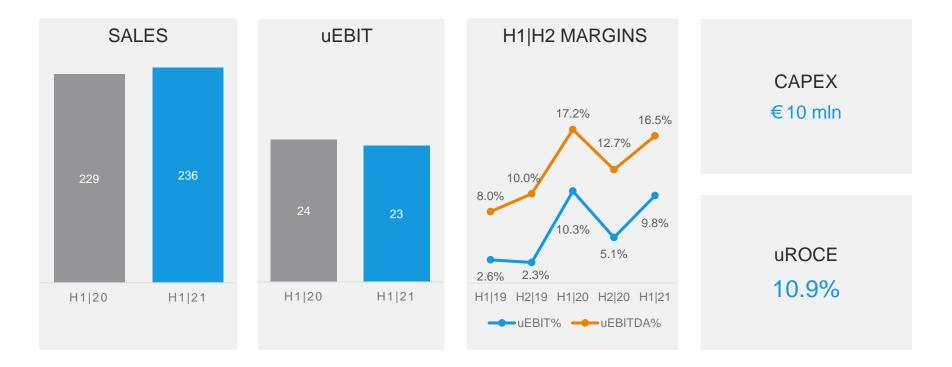






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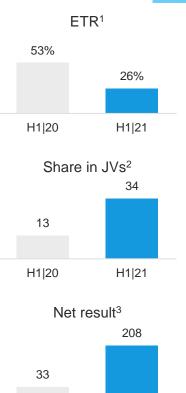




Consolidated income statement: key figures

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In millions of €	H1 2020	H1 2021
EBIT	87	288
Interest income / expense	(28)	(23)
Other financial income and expenses	(15)	4
Result before taxes	44	268
Income taxes	(23)	(71)
Result after taxes (consolidated companies)	21	197
Share in the results of joint ventures and associates	13	34
Result for the period	34	231
Attributable to non-controlling interests		23
Attributable to equity holders of Bekaert	33	208



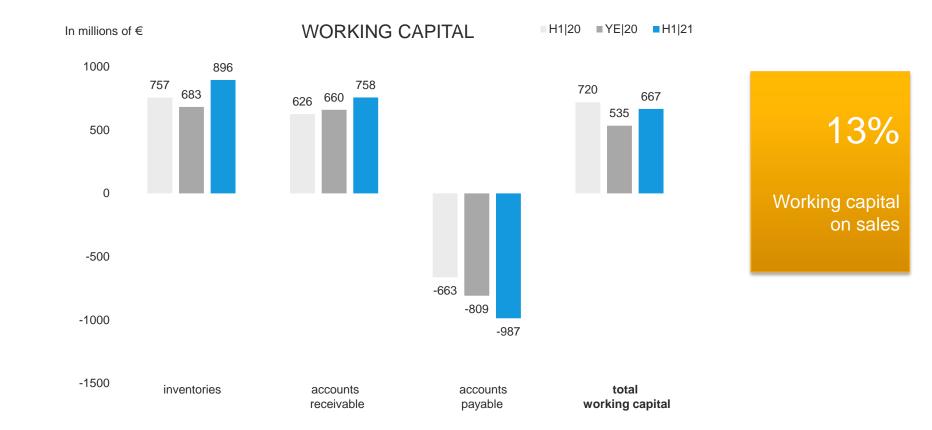
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(1) Effective tax rate / (2) Share in the results of JVs / (3) Result of the period attributable to equity holders of Bekaert Investor presentation - Bekaert

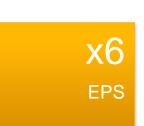
Working capital: key figures





Key figures per share

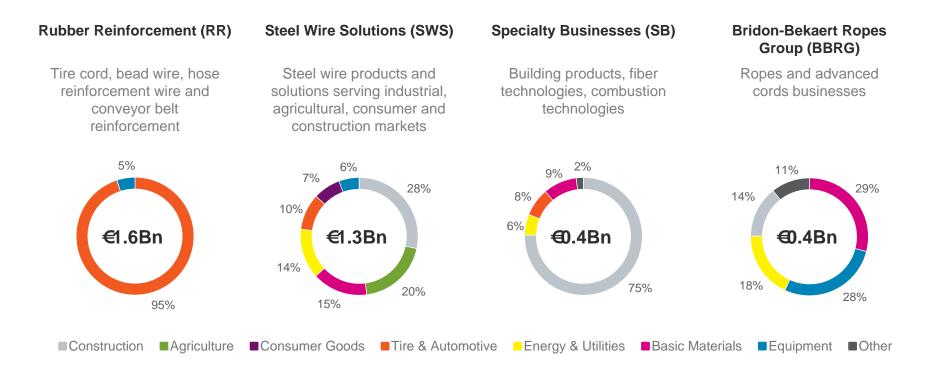
	H1 2020	H1 2021
Share price	17.45	37.58
Number of existing shares	60 408 441	60 414 841
Book value	22.61	28.23
Earnings per share (EPS)	0.59	3.66
Weighted average number of shares	56 543 997	56 813 437



Business units with multiple growth drivers

Consolidated sales by business unit (FY 2020)







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