REPORT ON THE 1ST QUARTER OF 2012

NEW DIMENSIONS

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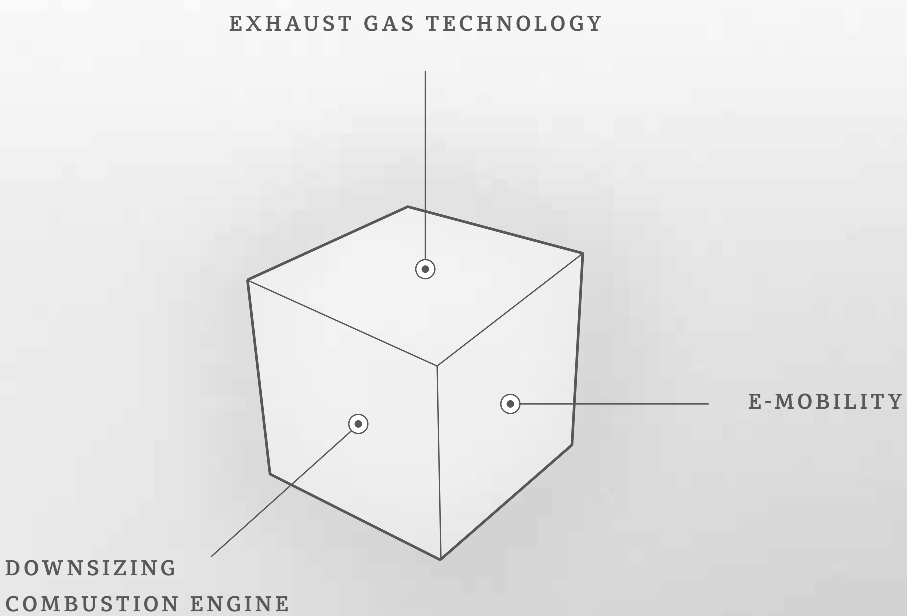
Whether the focus is on the combustion engine or e-mobility, ElringKlinger is one of just a handful of suppliers in the world that develop technologically sophisticated components for all drive systems – for conventional combustion engines optimized by downsizing as well as for hybrid and electric vehicles using battery-powered electric motors or fuel cells. With its acquisition of the Hug Group, ElringKlinger has now added a third dimension to its business model – that of exhaust gas purification.

As a development partner and original equipment manufacturer with a global presence, we supply cylinder-head and specialty gaskets, plastic housing modules, shielding components for engine, transmission and exhaust systems, exhaust gas purification technology as well as battery and fuel cell components to almost all of the world's vehicle and engine manufacturers. To round off our portfolio, the ElringKlinger Kunststofftechnik supplies products made of high-performance PTFE plastics also to manufacturers outside the automotive industry. We harness our innovative strengths to achieve the company's goals of environmentally compatible mobility and profit-driven growth. These efforts are supported by our committed workforce of almost 6,200 people at 41 ElringKlinger Group locations worldwide.



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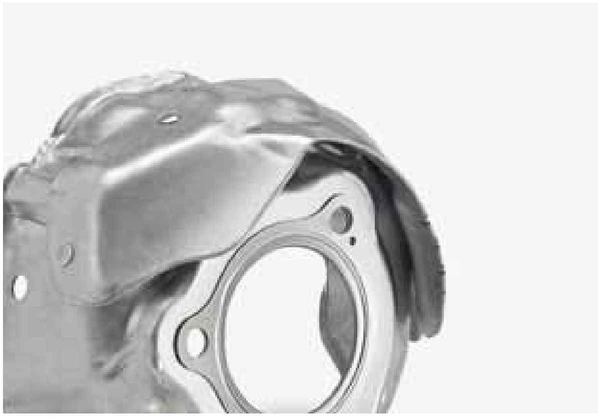


Macroeconomic Conditions and Business Environment

Global economy shows a mixed picture

After a substantial cash injection made by the European Central Bank (ECB), the level of uncertainty surrounding Europe's sovereign debt crisis has diminished slightly in recent weeks. Having said that, the problem as such remains unresolved. Although leading economic indicators for the euro area improved slightly, the employment market showed no signs of recovery. The gross domestic product (GDP) for Europe as a whole is likely to have contracted by 0.4 % in the first three months of 2012. In Germany, meanwhile, the economy regained its footing at the beginning of 2012, having shrunk slightly in the final quarter of 2011. GDP increased by a marginal 0.7 % in the first three months of 2012. Lackluster demand within the eurozone prevented more buoyant growth. However, in its role as an exporting nation, Germany nevertheless benefited from the solid economic performance of the United States and Asia.

The US economy maintained its forward momentum in the first quarter of 2012, albeit at a rate of growth that remained relatively modest; its GDP rose by 1.9 %. Both the labor and the real estate market developed favorably in the period under review. The South American economy also remained on track for expansion. Brazil, the largest economy of the subcontinent, saw its GDP rise by 2.1 % in the period from January to March 2012.

China continues to act as the driving force behind the world economy. The country's restrictive monetary policy together with spiraling wages and lower global demand have had a dampening effect on growth. Despite this, however, the Chinese economy expanded by around 8 % in the first quarter of 2012. Elsewhere, there were tangible signs of Japan bouncing back from the natural disaster that had shook the country in 2011, with redevelopment efforts contributing to solid economic growth of 1.3 % in the first few months of 2012.

Global demand for cars remains robust

While the American and Asian vehicle markets recorded solid demand for new cars, most of the markets in Europe reflected the anemic state of the economy in this region. Despite these conditions, global car production rose by 4.7 % year on year in the first quarter of 2012.

Stability in Germany's car market

The German vehicle market proved relatively robust in the first quarter of 2012, stagnating at the high levels achieved in the record year of 2011. Domestic car production remained at 1.5 (1.5) million units. Of this total, 1.2 (1.2) million vehicles were exported, mainly to Asia and the United States. Starting from a high base, new car registrations rose by 1.3 % in this period, taking the figure to 773,636 (763,403) million units.

Western Europe with anticipated downturn – Eastern Europe and Russia generate growth

Affected by the difficult economic situation in a number of European countries, new registrations within the Western European car market were down markedly by 8.1 %. The number of new vehicles registered fell from 3.6 million units in the first quarter of 2011 to 3.2 million units in the first three months of 2012. France and Italy, the largest markets behind Germany and Great Britain, were faced with a slump by more than 20 %.

By contrast, demand in Eastern Europe and Russia was buoyant. At 197,306 (181,033) units, Eastern Europe saw new registrations rise by 9.0 %, while Russia recorded impressive growth of 18.5 %, taking the number of new cars registered to 614,273 (518,266) units.

US market with strong start to the year

Picking up from where it had left off in 2011, the US car market continued on its route to recovery in the first few months of 2012. Recording significant growth of 13.3 %, the United States saw sales of cars and light trucks rise to 3.5 (3.1) million units. In March alone, the number of new cars and light trucks sold in the US totaled 1.4 million units, the best result for the month of March since 2007.

In Brazil, meanwhile, vehicle sales dipped slightly by 0.7 %, but from a high base. In the first quarter of 2012, the number of light vehicles sold stood at 772,283 (777,671) units.

Asia remains growth driver

Although the rate of growth throughout Asia has lost some of its dynamism in recent months, the positive trend remained intact in the first quarter of 2012. China recorded car sales of 3.1 (3.1) million, thus maintaining the high level of new registrations seen in the previous year. In March 2012, the Chinese car market expanded by 5.0 %. In India, the number of cars sold in the first three months of 2012 rose by 13.8 % to 814,072 (715,383) units.

Fueled by pent-up demand, vehicle sales in Japan surged by 50.3 % to 1.4 (1.0) million units.

Downturn in Europe’s commercial vehicle markets

Having already been faced with a downturn in orders towards the end of 2011, the commercial vehicle markets across most of Europe again had to contend with faltering demand in the first quarter of 2012.

Overall, the number of registrations for medium and heavy trucks contracted by 1.7 % in Western Europe as a whole, i.e. the number of new commercial vehicle registrations fell to 117,779 (119,805). In Germany, the number of commercial vehicles sold declined by 3.8 % to 36,224 (37,670) units. Of all the major vehicle markets, only the United Kingdom and France recorded growth in new truck registrations, up 23.3 % to 18,211 respectively 1.4 % to 22,487 units.

After a strong performance in 2011, with gains of around 70 %, Eastern Europe also saw a slight downturn in volumes. At 17,276 (18,520) units, the number of medium and heavy trucks sold was down 6.7 %.

The trend in the US, by contrast, was more encouraging, with sales of heavy trucks (Class 8) rising by 46.5 % to 46,845 (31,978).

Significant Events

In the first quarter of 2012, ElringKlinger acquired metal-housing producer ThaWa GmbH Thaler Warenautomaten, based in Thale, Saxony-Anhalt, as well as AGD Group Entwicklungs- und Vertriebs GmbH, Gütersloh. The purchase consideration (after debt) was EUR 1.4 million.

In making this acquisition, the company is looking to strengthen its activities in the field of exhaust gas purification technology. ThaWa operates primarily as a supplier and production partner to Hug Engineering AG, a Swiss exhaust treatment specialist acquired by ElringKlinger AG in 2011. The plan is for ThaWa GmbH Thaler Warenautomaten as well as AGD Group Entwicklungs- und Vertriebs GmbH to be merged into ElringKlinger AG and for the Thale site to be retained as an operating plant of ElringKlinger AG.

Based in Elsau, Switzerland, Hug Engineering AG is being further developed into a center of excellence for system technology and a production site for filter substrates, coating technology and systems within the ElringKlinger Group. The plant in Thale is to be used in particular for the production of housings as well as for the so-called canning of diesel particulate filters and catalytic converters. Services previously outsourced to Swiss suppliers operating within this area are to be performed within the Group at the more cost-efficient site in Thale. ThaWa will be expanded in order to accommodate the automated manufacture of larger volumes at serial production level. As part of the measures implemented for the purpose of integrating the exhaust treatment business of Hug Engineering AG into the ElringKlinger Group, significant cost items will thus be transferred to the euro area. This will help to reduce foreign exchange losses attributable to the euro/Swiss franc exchange rate.

Together, ThaWa GmbH Thaler Warenautomaten and AGD Group Entwicklungs- und Vertriebs GmbH employ 53 people. In fiscal 2011, sales revenue stood at EUR 4.5 million. Inclusion in the scope of consolidation of the ElringKlinger Group occurred as at January 1, 2012.

Sales and Earnings Performance

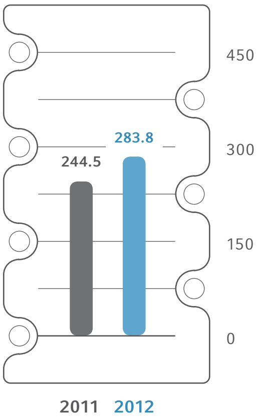
Structural expansion and new products remain key growth drivers

The ElringKlinger Group continued to expand at a more pronounced rate than the global vehicle markets in the first quarter of 2012, calculated on the basis of growth in car production figures at an international level.

In this context, significant structural growth with regard to products such as turbocharger and exhaust gaskets, control plates for automatic transmission systems and thermal shielding components contributed to the Group's forward momentum, complemented by newly developed products. Cell contact systems for lithium-ion batteries, which have now entered into serial production, as well as lightweight plastic housing components used in trucks are contributing more substantially to revenues in 2012.

Sales revenue generated by the Group in the first three months of 2012 rose by 16.1 % to EUR 283.8 (244.5) million, thus even outperforming the final quarter of fiscal 2011, which had been particularly buoyant.

SALES 1ST QUARTER
in EUR million



First-time consolidation of acquired entities contributes EUR 9.2 million to Q1 revenue

The inclusion of the Hug Group, the Hummel-Formen Group as well as ThaWa GmbH in the scope of consolidation of the ElringKlinger Group contributed a total of EUR 9.2 million in sales revenue during the first quarter of 2012. The overall contribution to Group earnings was in negative territory in the first quarter of 2012, primarily due to the financial performance of the Hug Group. When comparing the latest figures to those of the first quarter of the previous year, it should be taken into account that the aforementioned entities had not yet been included in the consolidated sales and earnings of the Group at that time. The Swiss exhaust gas specialist Hug was included in the scope of consolidation of the ElringKlinger Group as at May 1, 2011, and the mold and tool manufacturer Hummel-Formen Group as at October 1, 2011. The takeover of Thawa GmbH occurred as at January 1, 2012 (Significant Events, page 4).

Excluding the sales revenues attributable to the acquired entities mentioned above, revenue increased by 12.3 % to EUR 274.6 million.

Hug Group affected by strong Swiss franc and sluggish domestic economy

The revenue contribution of the Hug Group totaled EUR 7.0 million in the first quarter of 2012. The loss before taxes stood at EUR 2.0 million. Within this context, EUR 0.5 million of the total loss was attributable to the purchase price allocation.

The sustained strength of the Swiss franc continued to exert pressure on the operating activities of the Hug Group. The Hug Group generates a large proportion of its sales revenue within the eurozone, whereas costs are primarily incurred in Swiss francs. The situation was compounded by very weak demand for exhaust gas purification systems within the Swiss domestic market.

In order to improve the company's earnings performance, production processes are being automated to the largest extent possible. The additional acquisition and expansion of ThaWa GmbH, a supplier to Hug, will gradually help to scale back foreign exchange risk and improve internal cost structures (Significant Events, page 4).

Hug achieved a key technological milestone in the United States, having received approval from the California Air Resources Board (CARB) for its diesel particulate filter for on-road vehicles. The company has already secured its first serial contract from a US truck manufacturer to retrofit several hundred vehicles.

Recently acquired ThaWa GmbH contributed EUR 1.1 million to consolidated sales of the ElringKlinger Group in the first quarter of 2012. Earnings before taxes were slightly negative.

Hummel-Formen Group adds to its expertise in lightweight design

The Hummel-Formen Group, a mold and tool manufacturer, has been part of the ElringKlinger Group since October 1, 2011. In the first three months of 2012, Hummel-Formen contributed EUR 1.1 million to Group revenue. It should be noted that a significant proportion of its operating activities is performed for ElringKlinger AG. Earnings before taxes amounted to EUR minus 0.1 million. This figure included a negative component of EUR 0.1 million attributable to the purchase price allocation. In future, ElringKlinger Abschirmtechnik (Schweiz) AG will source part of the tools required for the production of shielding components from the Hummel-Formen Group on the basis of intragroup transactions.

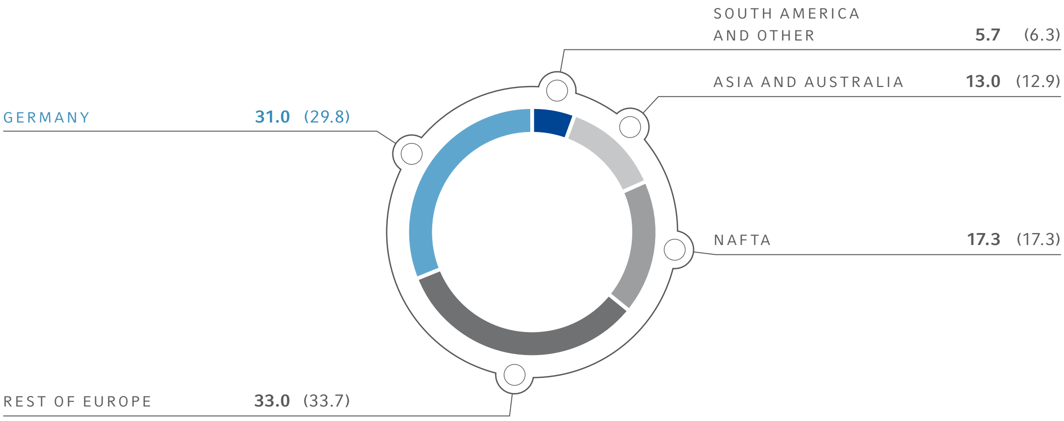
Improvement in earnings performance at former Freudenberg companies

Integration of the metallic flat gaskets business acquired from the Freudenberg Group effective from January 1, 2011, was taken to the next level in the first quarter of 2012. Improvements to cost structures as well as measures aimed at raising operational efficiency in production began to have a positive impact on earnings performance. Key measures in the form of production process automation and the introduction of state-of-the-art tooling and manufacturing technology have already been implemented to a large extent.

Earnings recorded by the German site in Gelting as well as the plant in Settimo-Torinese, Italy, were well within positive territory. Although the French site in Nantiat was unable to break even in the first quarter of 2012, it did improve markedly compared to the previous quarter.

In total, the former Freudenberg sites contributed EUR 13.7 million to Group sales and EUR 0.2 million to Group earnings before taxes, having previously recorded a negative earnings contribution of EUR 0.7 million in the fourth quarter of 2011.

GROUP SALES BY REGION 1ST QUARTER 2012 (prior year) in %



Growth in all regions worldwide – Percentage of foreign sales down slightly

The ElringKlinger Group recorded sustained revenue growth in all of its sales regions around the globe during the first quarter of 2012.

At a domestic level, sales revenue expanded by 20.9 % to EUR 88.1 (72.9) million in the period under review. This was attributable mainly to the significant expansion of business with German vehicle manufacturers and new product ramp-ups. Domestic car production within the premium vehicle segment of the market continued to be fueled by buoyant overseas demand from the US and Asia. What is more, revenue contributions from recently acquired ThaWa GmbH and the Hummel-Formen Group were attributable to the German sales region. Correspondingly, domestic sales in relation to Group revenue stood at 31.0 % (29.8 %).

Despite the challenging situation within the Southern European car markets, the Rest of Europe (excluding Germany) saw regional sales expand by 13.7 % to EUR 93.7 (82.4) million in the first three months of 2012. Thus, it retained its position as the strongest revenue-generating region within the ElringKlinger Group. It should be taken into account that the sales revenues of the Hug Group acquired in May 2011 were attributable mainly to this region and that this entity had not yet been included in the scope of consolidation in the first quarter of 2011. Furthermore, engines produced in Europe and equipped with components supplied by ElringKlinger are often exported to other countries.

The surprisingly buoyant performance of the US car market in terms of vehicle sales in the election year of 2012 to date is also reflected in revenue generated by the ElringKlinger Group. The company managed to expand its sales revenue to EUR 48.9 (42.3) million in the NAFTA region in the period under review. This represents growth of 15.6 % compared with the first quarter of 2011.

Recording sales revenue of EUR 16.2 (15.3) million, ElringKlinger also generated growth in South America during the first quarter of 2012.

Within the Asian markets, meanwhile, ElringKlinger saw its revenue grow to EUR 36.7 (31.6) million in the first quarter of 2012. Gains achieved by the Chinese subsidiaries of the ElringKlinger Group in particular, but also more expansive revenue from ElringKlinger Marusan Corporation, Japan, provided fresh impetus. On this basis, Asia accounted for 13.0 % of total Group revenue, up from 12.9 % in the same period a year ago. It should be noted that a sizeable proportion of vehicles and engines produced in Europe – particularly in Germany – and equipped with components supplied by ElringKlinger are exported to Asia. If this factor is taken into account, the proportion of Group sales attributable to Asia would actually be around 21 %. In response to the sustained and substantial increase in order intake, production space and capacities at the Chinese plant in Suzhou are currently being expanded. At present, a new facility is being established in Indonesia together with the joint-venture partner ElringKlinger Marusan Corporation.

Overall, the percentage share of foreign sales in relation to total Group revenue declined slightly to 69.0 % (70.2 %).

Original Equipment with disproportionately large growth

The largest proportion of revenue growth generated by the Group in the first quarter was again attributable to the Original Equipment segment. Against the backdrop of sustained buoyancy in car demand at a global level, together with numerous product ramp-ups and the first-time contribution of revenues from the acquired entities, segment revenue rose by 18.1 % to EUR 225.8 (191.2) million in the period under review. Sales attributable to the acquisitions outlined above, totaling EUR 9.2 million in the first quarter of 2012, were allocated to the Original Equipment segment.

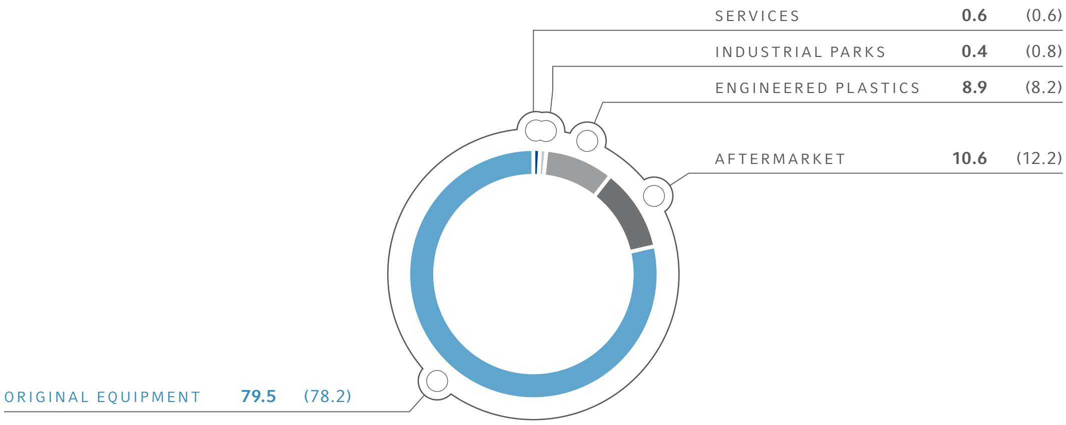
Earnings before taxes for the segment rose at a slightly less pronounced rate than sales, totaling EUR 21.9 (18.8) million. Within this context, segment earnings were adversely affected by the first-time inclusion of earnings from the aforementioned acquisitions, which as yet were in negative territory in the first quarter of 2012.

Moderate growth in Aftermarket segment

The noticeable reduction in the average age of vehicles in operation in Germany as well as many other European markets as a result of scrappage incentive schemes implemented in recent years continued to impact on Aftermarket sales in the period under review. However, this was more than offset by growth generated in the Eastern European markets. Despite ongoing political volatility and a visible downturn in demand among wholesalers within the region, revenue from Aftermarket sales in North Africa and the Middle East was maintained at a high level. In total, revenue generated from sales in the Aftermarket segment edged up slightly to EUR 30.1 (29.7) million in the first quarter of 2012.

In acquiring the metallic flat gaskets unit from the Freudenberg Group, ElringKlinger has added to its portfolio of cylinder-head and specialty gaskets for the French and Italian market. Thus, ElringKlinger is now looking to expand its product range significantly, with the express purpose of unlocking the considerable sales potential of these markets as effectively as possible. Earnings before taxes amounted to EUR 6.5 (5.8) million in the Aftermarket segment.

SALES REVENUES BY SEGMENT 1ST QUARTER 2012 (prior year) in %



Accelerated growth in Engineered Plastics segment

The Engineered Plastics segment managed to sustain its significant forward momentum in sales achieved over the course of 2011. Strong demand from the automotive, mechanical engineering and medical devices industry, in particular, prompted a surge in sales revenue by 25.2 % to EUR 25.3 (20.2) million in the first three months of 2012.

Within this context, new product geometries and applications achieved with the help of Moldflon, a pioneering melt-processable high-performance plastic, are playing an increasingly important role. Additionally, business is gradually being positioned for international expansion, having previously been focused almost entirely on Central Europe.

Despite the significant raw material costs associated with PTFE, earnings before taxes expanded faster than revenue growth in the first quarter of 2012, rising to EUR 5.0 (3.0) million.

Significant decline in earnings from Industrial Parks after major disposal

The first-quarter performance of the Industrial Parks segment in 2012, compared with that in the same period a year ago, was influenced to a large extent by the sale of the Ludwigsburg site effective from October 1, 2011. Rental income fell to EUR 1.1 (2.0) million in the first quarter of 2012 as a result of the disposal of the Ludwigsburg industrial park. Earnings before taxes in the Industrial Parks segment declined by EUR 0.6 million to EUR 0.2 (0.8) million in the first quarter of 2012. A major international vehicle manufacturer has opened a production plant in close proximity to the site of the Technik-Park Heliport Kft. industrial park in Kekskemét-Kádafalva, Hungary, as a result of which this location has gained considerably in appeal and value.

Sustained demand for engineering services from ElringKlinger

The Services segment, which provides engineering and testing services for OEMs within the automotive industry as well as other suppliers, saw its sales revenue expand to EUR 2.8 (2.4) million in the first quarter of 2012.

The focus of activities within this area continued to be on exhaust gas technology, particularly on SCR technology for the reduction of nitrogen oxides. Segment earnings before taxes remained unchanged at EUR 0.5 (0.5) million.

Proportion of staff employed abroad rises to 53.5 %

As at March 31, 2012, the ElringKlinger Group employed 6,181 (5,045) people worldwide. Thus, the overall headcount increased by 22.5 % year on year, which is more pronounced than revenue growth within the Group. This was attributable to the expansion in capacity levels in response to a significant increase in production volumes, but also in particular to the acquisitions transacted in 2011.

Compared to December 31, 2011 (6,076 employees), the ElringKlinger Group saw its headcount expand by 105 as at March 31, 2012. The additional expansion of the workforce by 1.7 % in the first quarter of 2012 was mainly due to the takeover of ThaWa GmbH (Significant Events, page 4). As a result, the headcount of the ElringKlinger Group rose by 53.

As at March 31, 2012, around half of the ElringKlinger workforce continued to be employed in Germany. The domestic headcount stood at 2,876, which corresponds to a share of 46.5 % (49.7 %) of the Group's total workforce. Therefore, the proportion of personnel employed at the international subsidiaries and investees rose to 53.5 % (50.3 %).

Gross profit margin improves despite weaker performance by acquired entities

The financial performance of the ElringKlinger Group remained solid in the first quarter of 2012. Compared with the previous quarter, the Group's gross profit margin improved by an additional 0.5 percentage points to 29.5 % (27.3 %).

Following the peaks in commodity prices recorded in the first half of 2011 with regard to the majority of raw materials required by ElringKlinger, material prices trended lower from the second half of 2011 onward. There were signs of prices accelerating again in the first weeks of 2012. However, particularly alloy surcharges payable for high-grade steel in the first quarter of 2012 were lower than in same period a year ago. By contrast, purchase prices for plastic granules remained high. For the purpose of counteracting the rise in material costs, ElringKlinger generally agrees supply contracts that are as long term as possible and optimizes its product designs on a continual basis, introducing more cost-effective materials and implementing measures aimed at raising efficiency levels in production.

The staff profit-sharing bonus of EUR 1,150 per employee for members of ElringKlinger AG, ElringKlinger Kunststofftechnik GmbH and Elring Klinger Motortechnik GmbH workforce, as agreed for the financial year 2011, were accounted for as other liabilities as early as the first quarter of 2012. This resulted in additional staff costs of EUR 3.3 (2.5) million in total.

Furthermore, the as yet weaker gross profit margins generated by the acquired entities had a dilutive effect. The Hug Group, the Hummel-Formen Group as well as ThaWa GmbH had not yet been included in the consolidated financial statements for the first quarter of 2011. Additionally, the former Freudenberg companies, which had been included in the scope of consolidation for the full annual period in 2011, were still well short of the Group level, thus exerting downward pressure on the Group's gross profit margin. In total, the dilutive effect on the Group's gross profit margin was equivalent to approx. 1.0 percentage point.

Regardless of this situation, the cost of sales rose at a less pronounced rate than revenue, up 12.5 % to EUR 199.9 (177.7) million.

R&D costs account for 5.3 % of sales revenue

In the first quarter of 2012, research and development expenses were EUR 3.0 million up on last year's first-quarter figure. ElringKlinger's R&D costs rose to EUR 15.0 (12.0) million. The R&D ratio increased to 5.3 % (4.9 %). ElringKlinger AG received government grants of EUR 0.6 million in the first quarter of 2012. However, these funds were offset by corresponding expenses relating to prototyping and development activities.

Alongside several new product developments in the company's core business, the main emphasis was on expanding R&D capacities in the area of E-Mobility. The focus on development activities is on cell connectors for lithium-ion batteries, which are used mainly in hybrid vehicles, but also in purely electric cars. In addition to the systems for which serial production has already commenced, ElringKlinger is currently working on numerous development projects and prototype contracts for several European vehicle manufacturers and one battery producer. At present, around 60 engineers and technicians are involved in the development of additional applications for cell contact systems to be used in next-generation cylindrical and prismatic cell structures.

With the first series production system now in place for industrial-scale manufacturing within this area, ElringKlinger has established a significant lead in terms of production technology. Additional automated systems were purchased over the course of the first quarter of 2012. ElringKlinger has thus significantly improved the level of automation and the overall flexibility of existing production lines. While this area has incurred considerable start-up costs, it has yet to generate corresponding revenue contributions.

Of the total R&D costs, an amount of EUR 1.2 (1.2) million was capitalized. In parallel, systematic depreciation/amortization totaled EUR 1.1 (1.1) million, as a result of which there was no significant effect on earnings in the first quarter of 2012.

Both selling expenses and general and administrative expenses rose at a faster rate than revenue in the period under review. Selling expenses increased by 31.1 % to EUR 19.4 (14.8) million, while general and administrative expenses rose by 44.0 % to EUR 12.1 (8.4) million. This was attributable to the first-time inclusion of acquisitions as well as the above-mentioned charge in connection with the staff profit-sharing program.

Other operating income. which rose by EUR 0.7 million year on year to EUR 2.6 million, includes a non-recurring gain of EUR 0.1 million relating to the first-time consolidation of ThaWa GmbH.

Operating result up 19.3 %

Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) totaled EUR 57.0 (53.3) million in the first quarter, which corresponds to year-on-year growth of 6.9 %. Within this context, depreciation and amortization was slightly lower in the first quarter of 2012, due in part to the changes regarding the interpretation of supply contracts for tools. Depreciation accounted for EUR 19.8 (21.3) million. The purchase price allocation relating to recent acquisitions had a negative effect of EUR 0.6 million in total.

Despite the negative earnings contribution made by the acquired entities and the significant outlays associated with the E-Mobility division, the Group's operating result increased to EUR 39.0 (32.7) million. In this context, the above-mentioned acquisitions, including the former Freudenberg companies, had a dilutive effect of minus EUR 1.3 million on the Group's operating result. In spite of this, the operating result rose by 19.3 %, i.e. at a more pronounced rate than sales revenue. The operating margin was 13.7 % (13.4 %) in the first quarter of 2012.

Earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT), which in contrast to the operating result includes foreign exchange gains and losses, rose by 16.6 % to EUR 37.3 (32.0) million. Foreign exchange losses of EUR 1.7 (0.7) million had a negative impact on the Group's earnings before interest and taxes in the first quarter of 2012. The EBIT margin was 13.1 % (13.1 %). Adjusted for the dilutive effects attributable to the acquisition of the Hug Group, the Hummel-Formen Group and ThaWa GmbH, as well as the as yet significantly lower margins contributed by the former Freudenberg companies relative to the Group, the EBIT margin would have increased to 14.8 % within the core business.

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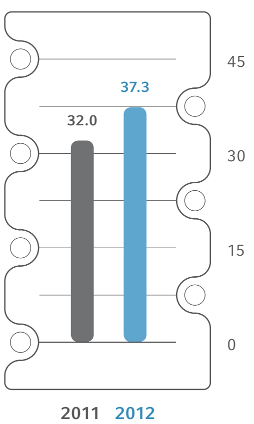

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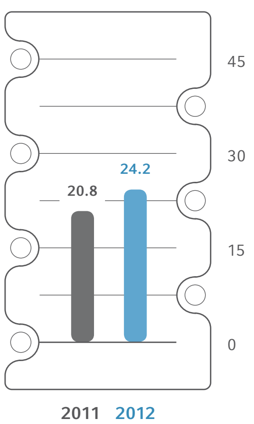


Net finance costs up due to foreign exchange effects

In 2008, ElringKlinger AG had financed the purchase consideration for the SEVEX Group, Switzerland, in Swiss francs. In the first quarter of 2011, the positive foreign exchange effects associated with this loan, or more specifically the reduction in liabilities due to foreign exchange movements, totaled EUR 1.5 million. Thus, foreign exchanged losses incurred elsewhere were partially offset, as a result of which total foreign exchange losses reported in the first quarter of 2011 amounted to just EUR 0.7 million. By contrast, the first quarter of 2012 produced much higher net foreign exchange losses of EUR 1.7 million. In this context, EUR 0.5 million of these foreign exchange losses were attributable to the valuation of existing SEVEX financing arrangements. Net interest expense rose by EUR 0.2 million to EUR 3.3 (3.1) million. In total, net finance costs increased to EUR 5.0 (3.8) million in the first quarter of 2012.

The ElringKlinger Group saw its earnings before taxes expand by 17.6 % to EUR 34.0 (28.9) million.

Profit attributable to shareholders of ElringKlinger AG rises by 16.3 %

As a result of more expansive earnings before taxes, the Group also incurred higher tax expenses. In total, they amounted to EUR 9.4 (7.4) million in the first quarter of 2012. The tax rate rose to 27.6 % (25.6 %), which was attributable mainly to the earnings contributions of Group companies with a particularly high tax rate.

The ElringKlinger Group recorded net income of EUR 24.6 million in the period under review, compared to EUR 21.4 million in the first quarter of 2011 – a year-on-year increase of 15.0 %.

ElringKlinger AG scaled back minority interests over the course of 2011 in line with corporate planning by acquiring additional ownership interests. As a result, profit attributable to non-controlling interests was down to just EUR 0.4 (0.7) million in the first quarter of 2012. Correspondingly, profit attributable to the shareholders of ElringKlinger AG grew at a more pronounced rate than net income, rising by 16.3 % to EUR 24.2 (20.8) million.

As at March 31, 2012, the number of ElringKlinger AG shares outstanding remained unchanged year on year at 63,359,990. Basic and diluted earnings per share stood at EUR 0.38 (0.33) in the first quarter of 2012.

Financial Position and Cash Flows

The ElringKlinger Group remained solid with regard to its financial position and cash flows, recording an equity ratio of around 51 % together with positive operating cash flow as at March 31, 2012.

Total assets up 2 %

As at March 31, 2012, the Group's total assets stood at EUR 1,242.9 (March 31, 2011: EUR 1,020.3) million. Compared to December 31, 2011 (EUR 1,217.6 million), this represents a slight increase by 2.1 %, which was attributable mainly to a growth-induced expansion of working capital.

When comparing this year's figure with that reported as at March 31, 2011, it should be taken into account that the Swiss exhaust gas specialist Hug as well as the Hummel-Formen Group had not been included in the scope of consolidation of the ElringKlinger Group at the time. The recently acquired entity ThaWa GmbH was included in the consolidated group as at January 1, 2012. The effects of this acquisition on the assets and liabilities of the ElringKlinger Group are presented in the notes on page 38.

Compared to December 31, 2011, property, plant and equipment increased by EUR 3.7 million to EUR 541.3 million. This was due primarily to the first-time inclusion of recently acquired ThaWa GmbH, which accounted for EUR 3.0 million of the increase. As at March 31, 2011, property, plant and equipment had stood at just EUR 469.7 million in total.

Intangible assets remained largely unchanged in the first quarter of 2012. As at March 31, 2012, they totaled EUR 134.0 million, compared to EUR 134.1 million as at December 31, 2011. The acquisition of ThaWa GmbH had no significant effect on intangible assets.

In the first quarter of 2012, the Hummel-Formen Group disposed of securities previously held by the entity. As at March 31, 2012, this resulted in a decline in financial assets to EUR 1.6 million, down from the figure reported as at December 31, 2011 (EUR 2.6 million). As at March 31, 2011, financial assets had amounted to EUR 1.5 million.

In total, non-current assets rose from EUR 713.4 million as at December 31, 2011, to EUR 716.0 million as at March 31, 2012.

Inventories grow at a slower rate than revenue in first quarter of 2012

Having totaled EUR 216.5 million at the end of December 2011, inventories were up EUR 7.5 million at EUR 224.0 million as at March 31, 2012. Owing to a reinterpretation of supply contracts, the treatment of tools changed in 2011. Until the transfer of economic ownership, they are now accounted for as inventories, rather than being recognized as property, plant and equipment. As a result of this, inventories rose by EUR 5.3 million in the first quarter of 2012. Additionally, ThaWa was responsible for an expansion in inventories by EUR 0.5 million.

At 3.5 %, total inventories increased at a less pronounced rate than sales revenue generated by the ElringKlinger Group in the first three months of 2012 (16.1 %). The share of inventories in total assets edged up to 18.0 % (December 31, 2011: 17.8 %).

Trade receivables increased to EUR 205.9 million as at March 31, 2012. As a result, capital tied up in trade receivables rose by EUR 18.7 million or 10.0 % compared to December 31, 2011. This was attributable primarily to revenue growth. At EUR 0.2 million, the overall effect of the acquisition of ThaWa GmbH on trade receivables was insubstantial.

As at March 31, 2012, cash held by the ElringKlinger Group totaled EUR 60.1 million, largely unchanged on the figure reported in the previous year (EUR 59.8 million). Compared to December 31, 2011 (EUR 65.2 million), cash declined slightly by EUR 5.1 million.

Equity ratio at 51 %

As a result of higher net income, the Group was able to allocate a larger amount to revenue reserves. They increased by EUR 24.3 million to EUR 401.1 million compared to the figure reported as at December 31, 2011 (EUR 376.8 million). Compared to March 31, 2011 (EUR 324.9 million), revenue reserves were up by EUR 76.2 million.

Group equity totaled EUR 631.7 million as at March 31, 2012, an increase of EUR 21.6 million or 3.5 % compared to December 31, 2011. As a result, the Group's equity ratio rose slightly to 50.8 % (50.1 %). As at March 31, 2011, the equity ratio had stood at 52.3 %.

Rise in net debt

No substantial loans were taken out by the Group in the first quarter of 2012. Non-current financial liabilities were extinguished, bringing this item down by EUR 1.7 million to EUR 159.6 million compared to December 31, 2011.

Growth at Group level was financed primarily with short-term instruments, as a result of which current financial liabilities rose by EUR 14.7 million to EUR 140.8 (December 31, 2011: EUR 126.1) million in the reporting period.

Financial liabilities totaled EUR 300.4 (December 31, 2011: 287.5) million as at March 31, 2012. The first-time consolidation of ThaWa GmbH contributed EUR 0.8 million to financial liabilities.

Thus, net financial debt (current and non-current financial liabilities less cash) stood at EUR 240.3 (December 31, 2011: 222.3) million. It will gradually decline over the course of fiscal 2012.

Trade payables were scaled back during the first three months of 2012 – primarily due to the completion of the new plant for plastic housing modules in Dettingen/Erms. As at March 31, 2012, trade payables amounted to EUR 54.7 million, down from EUR 65.0 million as at December 31, 2011. As at March 31, 2011, trade payables had totaled EUR 53.7 million.

Other current and non-current liabilities amounted to EUR 89.5 million as at March 31, 2012. While the first quarter of 2012 saw a payment of EUR 5.0 million being made in connection with a warranty incident (Notes, page 37), with a corresponding reduction in this item attributable to other liabilities, increases elsewhere in other liabilities, e. g. staff bonuses, had a contrary effect.

Compared to December 31, 2011 (EUR 89.5 million), the amount of other current and non-current liabilities thus remained unchanged. In total, the share of liabilities in total equity and liabilities fell slightly to 49.2 % (49.9 %).

Positive operating cash flow

In the first quarter of 2012, the ElringKlinger Group generated net cash from operating activities of EUR 5.9 (22.3) million.

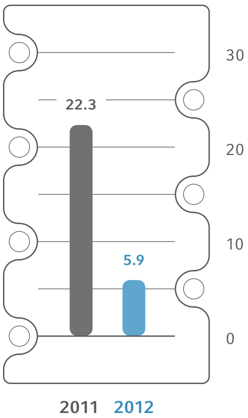
At EUR 34.0 million, earnings before taxes were up EUR 5.1 million compared to the same period a year ago (EUR 28.9 million). By contrast, depreciation, amortization and write-downs fell by EUR 1.5 million. This was attributable mainly to the above-mentioned changes in the treatment of supply contracts for tools.

Higher working capital also exerted downward pressure on cash flow. Inventories, trade receivables and other assets not attributable to investing or financing activities increased by EUR 27.7 million in the first three months of 2012. A year earlier, it had been EUR 24.6 million. Within this context, tools now accounted for as inventories pushed the figure up by EUR 5.3 million in the first quarter of 2012. Trade receivables rose by EUR 18.7 million.

Trade payables and other liabilities not attributable to investing or financing activities were reduced by EUR 15.8 million. By contrast, these items had been brought down by just EUR 1.0 million in the first quarter of 2011. This significant year-on-year change was attributable to two factors. First, trade payables were scaled back, particularly following the completion of the new plant for plastic housing modules in Dettingen/Erms. Second, other liabilities of EUR 5.0 million were paid during the first quarter of 2012 in connection with the warranty incident outlined above.

In the first quarter of 2012, ElringKlinger recognized provisions of EUR 0.2 million. In the same period a year ago, by contrast, the Group had used or reversed EUR 1.6 million in provisions.

NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES 1ST QUARTER
in EUR million



Significant reduction in investment ratio

Capital expenditure relating to property, plant and equipment as well as investment property and intangible assets was scaled back significantly in the first quarter of 2012, down to EUR 20.9 (24.7) million. The investment ratio (payments for property, plant and equipment, investment property and intangible assets in relation to sales revenue) thus stood at 7.4 % (10.1 %).

Investments were directed mainly at the newly built factory for plastic housing modules in Dettingen/Erms. Additionally, new machines and equipment were purchased for this division in connection with production start-up during the first quarter of 2012.

As regards the company's international subsidiaries and investees, the main emphasis was on investments in machinery and systems aimed at raising capacity levels.

The Chinese production site in Suzhou is currently being expanded by a further 5,000 m² in response to significant order intake.

The purchase consideration agreed for the acquisition of ThaWa GmbH was paid during the first quarter of 2012. Cash outflows for the acquisition of subsidiaries (less cash) amounted to EUR 1.3 million. In the previous year, payments for acquisitions had been substantially higher at EUR 34.5 million.

The proceeds from the disposal of financial assets of EUR 1.2 (0) million were attributable primarily to the sale of securities previously held by the Hummel-Formen Group.

In total, net cash used in investing activities amounted to EUR 20.9 (59.1) million in the first three months of 2012. ElringKlinger recorded operating free cash flow (cash flow from operating activities less cash flow from investing activities, adjusted for payments in respect of acquisitions) of minus EUR 13.7 (-2.3) million.

Expansion of current financial liabilities

In total, the ElringKlinger Group extended its current financial liabilities by EUR 15.6 million in the first quarter of 2012. In the previous year, they had been scaled back by EUR 0.8 million. By contrast, a net amount of EUR 3.9 (2.0) million in non-current financial liabilities was repaid in the period under review.

Thus, net cash from financing activities amounted to EUR 11.5 million in the first quarter of 2012, compared to EUR 2.8 million in net cash used in the same period a year ago.

In total, cash held by the ElringKlinger Group increased slightly to EUR 60.1 (59.8) million in the period from January to March 2012.

Opportunities and Risks

As regards the assessment of opportunities and risks for the ElringKlinger Group in respect of the first quarter of 2012, there were no significant changes to the details discussed in the 2011 Annual Report of the ElringKlinger Group (pages 85 to 97).

There are currently no identifiable risks that might jeopardize the future existence of the Group as a going concern, either in isolation or in conjunction with other risk factors.

The report on opportunities and risks can be accessed on the website of ElringKlinger at www.elringklinger.de/ar2011/report-on-opportunities-and-risks.

Outlook

Outlook – Market and Sector

Global economy sustains growth momentum

Economic performance is expected to diverge significantly between the various regions in 2012. On the whole, however, the world economy is likely to expand over the course of 2012, despite the international debt crisis. The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has recently revised upwards its growth forecast by 0.2 percentage points to 3.5 %.

The Asian countries will remain the key growth drivers, with China expected to achieve GDP growth of 8.2 % and India likely to record a gain of 6.9 %. Economic output in Japan, which is benefiting from an upturn as its markets recover from the devastating natural disaster in 2011, is projected to grow by 2.0 %.

Elsewhere, the eurozone will continue to be dominated by fundamental concerns over the sovereign debt crisis. Although the situation appears to have improved slightly, essentially there is no sign of a lasting solution to the problem. Within this climate, the risk of a downturn continues to loom large. The possibility of a mild recession cannot be ruled out entirely for the euro area in 2012. GDP is expected to contract by 0.3 %.

Germany is unlikely to emerge completely unscathed from the general malaise afflicting Europe. On a more positive note, however, it will continue to reap the rewards of buoyant export-driven demand from the Asian markets and North America. Against this background, Germany is expected to see its GDP grow by 0.6 % in 2012.

The United States will remain on track for recovery. After a solid start in the first quarter of 2012, the year as a whole is expected to produce growth of 2.1 % in the country's economic output. The Brazilian economy will maintain its forward momentum, with projected GDP growth of 3.0 %.

International car markets with visible regional differences in 2012

As the year progresses, demand within the car market will continue to develop along different lines in the respective regions, thus mirroring the divergent economic trends. Within this context, the emerging countries and the United States will provide the main stimulus for growth. They are expected to compensate for the projected downturn in new car registrations in Western Europe. Overall, the majority of forecasts concerning global vehicle production in 2012 point to percentage growth towards the lower end of the single-digit range.

The ElringKlinger Group's own forecast for global vehicle production remains unchanged, with growth expected to be between 1 and 2 % in 2012.

Germany's car manufacturers continue to benefit from significant foreign demand, particularly within the premium vehicle segment. Domestic car production is expected to total around 5.9 million units in 2012 as a whole, thus matching the substantial volumes recorded in the previous year. The majority of these vehicles, some 4.6 million units, are likely to be exported to North America and Asia. Sales figures in Germany are expected to remain more or less stagnant over the course of 2012. The projection for new car registrations stands at 3.1 million units, after sales of 3.2 million vehicles in 2011.

There are no signs of a near-term improvement in the sluggish demand levels seen in some markets across Europe. Therefore, Western Europe as a whole is expected to see vehicle sales contract by around 5 % in 2012. However, there is also the possibility of a more severe downturn in sales figures.

Given the level of momentum gained within the US car market in the first few months of 2012, it would appear that the upturn in domestic demand will be even more pronounced than originally anticipated at the beginning of the year. Indeed, some of the forecasts have been revised upwards. Depending on the direction taken by the economy, the US market for passenger cars and light trucks may see sales expand to more than 14 million units in 2012 (previously: more than 13 million units). As regards car production figures in the United States, ElringKlinger's projections point to growth towards the upper end of the single-digit range.

Despite a slight lull in the first quarter of 2012, annual vehicle sales in Brazil are expected to increase further compared to 2011. The forecast for vehicle production in 2012 as a whole points to percentage growth towards the lower end of the single-digit range.

In contrast to the outlook for the United States, projections for the Chinese car market are slightly more modest than at the beginning of the year. Forecasts have been revised downward marginally, with growth now expected to be somewhere in the region of 5 to 8 % (previously: 8 to 10 %). Given the current size of the market – China was the world's largest vehicle market in 2011, with sales of cars and light trucks totaling 18.5 million units –, the figure projected still represents solid growth. India is expected to see a further rise in demand for new cars, with projected growth at the upper end of the single-digit range in percentage terms. The effects of Japan's catch-up growth after 2011 are likely to continue over the course of the year. In total, the domestic vehicle market is expected to undergo solid expansion. Vehicle production in Japan looks set to rise by more than 10 %.

Diverging trends in commercial vehicle markets

With large parts of Europe remaining in the economic doldrums, freight forwarders and fleet operators have become more cautious when it comes to purchasing new vehicles.

Against this backdrop, Western Europe is likely to see a significant decline in truck sales over the course of the remaining year, down by around 10 %. While countries on the southern periphery of Europe, in particular, are expected to be impacted by a substantial downturn in demand, the number of new trucks (in excess of 6 tons) registered in Germany looks set to rise slightly.

Contrary to the negative trend in Western Europe, the outlook for the US truck market is more favorable. Demand for heavy trucks (Class 8) could increase by as much as 20 % year on year. The Asian markets are also expected to see growth in truck sales. Overall, global demand for trucks is expected to remain largely stagnant or grow only moderately in 2012.

During the first quarter of 2012, the first production systems at ElringKlinger's new plant for plastic housing modules, based in Dettingen/Erms, came into operation. The main emphasis of ElringKlinger's manufacturing activities at this site is on cam cover modules and oil pans for customers in the truck industry. Sales revenues from lightweight components used in trucks are to rise significantly in the coming years.

Outlook – Company

Further expansion in order intake

The Group's situation in terms of orders placed by customers remained solid as at March 31, 2012. From a strong base in the first three months of 2011, order intake again pointed upward in the first quarter of 2012. It rose by 3.4 % to EUR 269.4 (260.5) million. Compared with the previous three months (EUR 272.6 million), order intake dipped slightly in a quarter-on-quarter comparison, but nevertheless remained at a high level.

Order backlog for the ElringKlinger Group totaled EUR 434.0 (369.0) million as at March 31, 2012. This represents an increase of 17.6 % on the same quarter a year ago.

Performance by acquired companies

The dilutive effects on the Group's profit margin due to the inclusion of the entities acquired in 2011, which in total produced a negative contribution to earnings before taxes in the first quarter, will gradually become less pronounced over the course of fiscal 2012.

The measures already initiated for the purpose of raising efficiency levels and adjusting internal structures will help to streamline costs and improve earnings performance at the acquired entities formerly belonging to Freudenberg as well as within the Hug Group. The emphasis is on extensive automation and an alignment of production processes and product designs.

By further expanding the low-cost facility in Thale, Saxony-Anhalt, Germany, as an extended workbench of Hug Engineering AG, the adverse effects that a strong Swiss franc has on Hug's operating margin will be reduced and staff costs will be scaled back. Construction work on a new production facility and the introduction of fully automated systems for the precision welding and canning of particulate filters as well as end-to-end exhaust gas purification systems is to be completed in the second half of 2012.

Cost situation

ElringKlinger will continue to optimize its production processes in 2012, achieving cost savings mainly by focusing on efforts to expand the level of automation. The aim is to improve efficiency by at least 3 % per annum. Within this context, the emphasis of streamlining programs will be on the subsidiaries and investees.

The price of some of the key materials used by the Group declined from the peaks observed in mid-2011, particularly in the case of alloy surcharges for high-grade steel. The positive effects generally trickle through to ElringKlinger's purchasing prices with some delay. By contrast, the prices for polymer granules increased in the period under review. Overall, ElringKlinger expects the price situation to remain relatively stable in 2012.

On the back of a moderate expansion planned in the Group's headcount, together with foreseeable wage increases, staff costs are expected to rise. However, at present ElringKlinger anticipates that the total percentage increase in staff costs will be less pronounced than the rate of growth achieved in sales revenue. Given the fact that almost half of ElringKlinger's workforce are employed in Germany, there is some uncertainty as to the future direction taken by wage costs in respect of staff subject to collective agreements, particularly in view of the collective pay negotiations currently underway.

Slight dip in investment ratio

Following substantial capital expenditure on property, plant and equipment in recent years, driven primarily by large-scale projects, investment requirements look set to return to more normal levels as from 2012. Thus, the investment ratio, i.e. capital expenditure as a percentage of Group sales, will be lower than in 2011. After EUR 112.7 million in capital expenditure on property, plant and equipment as well as investment property in 2011, ElringKlinger AG has earmarked a total of EUR 95.0 to 100.0 million for investments in 2012 as a whole. These funds will be directed primarily at machinery and operating systems required for scheduled production ramp-ups as well as for streamlining projects. Within this context, the emphasis will be on the international subsidiaries and investees.

Some of this capital expenditure is attributable to the new factory – completed at the beginning of 2012 – for plastic housing modules at the site in Dettingen/Erms. In 2012, additional production machinery will be purchased for this plant. Additionally, ElringKlinger AG plans to expand the production of cell contact systems for lithium-ion batteries at its site in Dettingen/Erms. Within this context, the level of automation of the first serial production line is to be increased, allowing the manufacture of larger quantities.

Further growth targeted for revenues and earnings (adjusted for one-time income)

Based on the economic projections outlined above and assuming that global vehicle production will continue to expand slightly, the ElringKlinger Group anticipates that it will be able to achieve organic revenue growth of 5 to 7 % in 2012. Within this context, it should be noted that the level of revenue growth achieved in fiscal 2011 was significantly higher than originally forecast.

The Group also expects to see a revenue contribution of around EUR 20 million from the consolidation of recently acquired Hug Engineering AG, Hummel-Formen Group and ThaWa GmbH, which in 2012 will be included in the consolidated group for a full annual period for the very first time. In 2011 the Hug Group was included in the scope of consolidation of the ElringKlinger Group on a pro-rata basis from May 1, 2011, in the case of Hummel-Formen Group as of October 1, 2011.

The EBIT margin of the Group's core business will be diluted to some extent in 2012 as a result of the weaker margins recorded by the acquired entities and the purchase price allocations associated with these acquisitions as well as the lead costs incurred in the E-Mobility division. Despite these effects, ElringKlinger anticipates that earnings before interest and taxes, adjusted for non-recurring items, will expand at a faster rate than sales revenue. Adjusted earnings before interest and taxes for the Group (EUR 126.0 million in 2011) as a whole are expected to be in the range of EUR 145 to 150 million.

In summary, the financial performance, financial position and cash flows of the ElringKlinger Group remain solid. On this basis, the company finds itself in a favorable position when it comes to achieving the corporate goals outlined above.

Events after the Reporting Period

No significant events requiring disclosure occurred after the reporting period.

Dettingen/Erms, May 10, 2012

The Management Board

Dr. Stefan Wolf | Theo Becker | Karl Schmauder

ElringKlinger and the Capital Markets

Bullish stock markets

Stock markets around the globe were buffeted by severe turbulence over the course of 2011, sending them into a tailspin that produced hefty losses. Against this backdrop, market performance at the beginning of 2012 was all the more impressive.

With the sovereign debt crisis having calmed down in Europe, confidence among investors gradually began to return, buoyed also by a policy of low interest rates as well as solid economic data from the US and Germany. The DAX trended upwards significantly over the course of the first quarter of 2012. By the end of March 2012, it had reached 6,946 points, thus closing the quarter with a gain of 17.8 %. This was the best first quarter for Germany's blue chip index since 1998. During the same period, the MDAX surged to 10,703 points, a gain of 20.3 %.

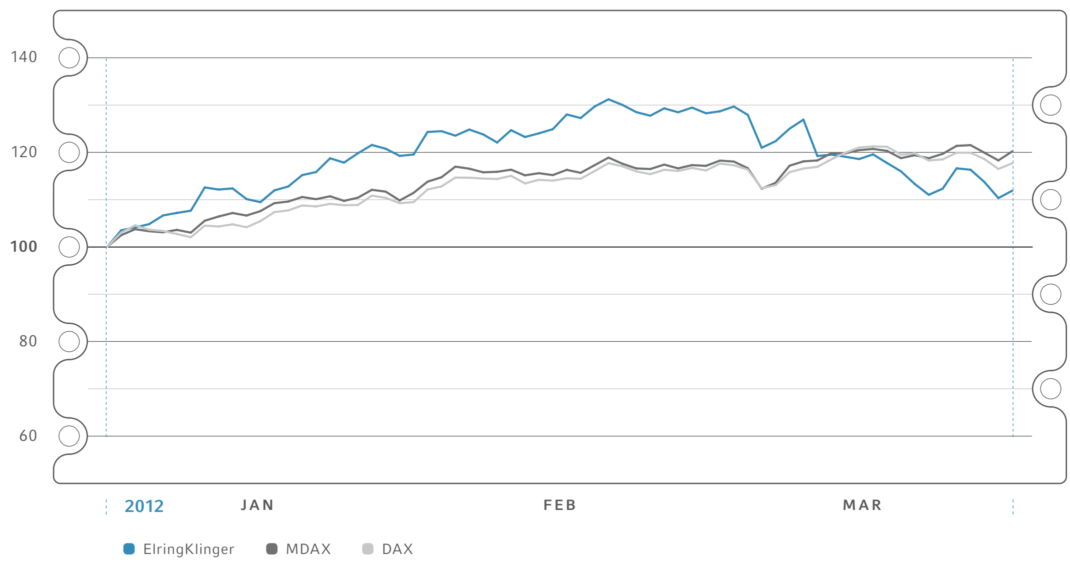
Demand for automotive stocks was particularly buoyant. Operating in this favorable climate, ElringKlinger's shares also made solid gains in the period under review. At the beginning of 2012, the company's stock climbed beyond the EUR 20 mark again, eventually reaching EUR 25.20 in mid-February as its high for the annual period to date. In doing so, it offset almost the entire loss recorded in 2011. The subsequent weeks were dominated by profit-taking. On March 30, ElringKlinger's share price stood at EUR 21.47. This corresponds to a gain of 11.9 % in the first quarter of 2012.

Trading volumes remain high

The daily volume of ElringKlinger shares traded on the stock exchange remained buoyant in the first quarter of 2012. On average, 189,700 (218,400) shares were traded on a daily basis. The daily trading value was EUR 4,340,000 (5,200,000) million.

ELRINGKLINGER'S SHARE PRICE PERFORMANCE (XETRA) SINCE JAN. 1, 2012

compared to MDAX and DAX



Transparency and sustainability: Investor Relations

Our Investor Relations activities embrace an approach to capital market communication that is built on openness and continuity. ElringKlinger is fully committed to maintaining this close dialog.

Within this context, the company focuses in particular on personal communication with its private investors. An award presented by Börse Online in January 2012 is a tribute to the company's efforts within this area. ElringKlinger was ranked in third place as part of this prestigious survey among private investors, with a particular emphasis on the commitment, credibility and intelligibility associated with the company's communication activities. The survey encompassed the 160 largest exchange-listed corporations included in the DAX, MDAX, SDAX and TecDAX.

ElringKlinger staged its annual financial results press conference in Stuttgart on March 29, 2012, and an analysts' meeting in Frankfurt a.M. on March 30, 2012, for the purpose of outlining its performance in the fiscal year 2011. Under the heading "New Dimensions", Dr. Stefan Wolf, CEO of ElringKlinger AG, presented the financial results for the fiscal year just ended. Additionally, he informed those attending the meetings about the company's recent acquisitions and provided details of the latest developments in the E-Mobility division, as well as presenting an outlook for fiscal 2012. Both events were well attended. Representatives of the press and the capital markets used the occasion to put their questions to the Management Board on a one-to-one basis.

Annual General Meeting 2012: special bonus on dividend

ElringKlinger AG allows its shareholders to participate in the company's success at an appropriate level. The Management Board will propose a regular dividend of EUR 0.40 (0.35) per share for fiscal 2011. In addition, shareholders are to benefit from the one-time gain achieved from the disposal of the Ludwigsburg industrial park. This is to be implemented in the form of an additional special bonus of EUR 0.18 per share.

Thus, the Management Board and Supervisory Board will put forward a proposal to the Annual General Meeting on May 16, 2012, for a dividend of EUR 0.58 (0.35) per share, which represents an increase of 65.7 %. The total dividend payment will therefore amount to EUR 36.7 (22.2) million.

ELRINGKLINGER STOCK (ISIN DE 0007856023)

	1st Quarter 2012	1st Quarter 2011
Number of shares outstanding	63,359,990	63,359,990
Share price (daily closing price in EUR)[1]		
High	25.20	26.45
Low	19.85	19.53
Closing price on March 31	21.47	22.26
Average daily trading volume (German stock exchanges; no. of shares traded)	189,700	218,400
Average daily trading value (German stock exchanges; in EUR)	4,340,000	5,200,000
Market capitalization at March 31 (EUR m)	1,360.3	1,410.4

[1] XETRA trading

Group Income Statement

of ElringKlinger AG, January 1 to March 31, 2012

	1st Quarter 2012 EUR k	1st Quarter 2011 EUR k
Sales revenue	**283,762**	**244,450**
Cost of sales	-199,919	-177,689
Gross profit	**83,843**	**66,761**
Selling expenses	-19,400	-14,843
General and administrative expenses	-12,113	-8,367
Research and development costs	-14,963	-11,978
Other operating income	2,556	1,857
Other operating expenses	-928	-756
Operating result	**38,995**	**32,674**
Finance income	2,603	2,611
Finance costs	-7,598	-6,435
Net finance costs	**-4,995**	**-3,824**
Earnings before taxes	**34,000**	**28,850**
Income tax expense	-9,389	-7,432
Net income	**24,611**	**21,418**
of which: attributable to non-controlling interests	406	664
of which: attributable to shareholders of ElringKlinger AG	**24,205**	**20,754**
Basic and diluted earnings per share in EUR	**0.38**	**0.33**

Group Statement of Comprehensive Income

of ElringKlinger AG, January 1 to March 31, 2012

	1st Quarter 2012 EUR k	1st Quarter 2011 EUR k
Net income	**24,611**	**21,418**
Currency translation difference	-2,893	-10,010*
Changes recognized directly in equity	**-2,893**	**-10,010**
Total comprehensive income	**21,718**	**11,408**
of which: attributable to non-controlling interests	704	434
of which: attributable to shareholders of ElringKlinger AG	**21,014**	**10,974**

* Prior-period figure adjusted; see disclosure in the consolidated notes of the annual report 2011

Group Statement of Financial Position

of ElringKlinger AG, as at March 31, 2012

	March 31, 2012 EUR k	Dec. 31, 2011 EUR k	March 31, 2011 EUR k
ASSETS			
Intangible assets	134,014	134,133	106,717*
Property, plant and equipment	541,261	537,545	469,658
Investment property	13,512	13,071	26,388
Financial assets	1,617	2,621	1,544
Non-current income tax assets	3,352	3,355	3,432
Other non-current assets	1,578	1,730	1,225
Deferred tax assets	20,632	20,991	17,935
Non-current assets	**715,966**	**713,446**	**626,899***
Inventories	224,022	216,467	152,573
Trade receivables	205,930	187,279	165,643
Current income tax assets	859	1,539	941
Other current assets	36,059	33,706	14,454
Cash	60,051	65,153	59,811
Current assets	**526,921**	**504,144**	**393,422**
	1,242,887	1,217,590	1,020,321*

* Prior-period figure adjusted; see disclosure in the consolidated notes of the annual report 2011

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	March 31, 2012 EUR k	Dec. 31, 2011 EUR k	March 31, 2011 EUR k
Share capital	63,360	63,360	63,360
Capital reserves	118,238	118,238	118,238
Revenue reserves	401,052	376,847	324,902
Other reserves	19,017	22,208	11,424*
Equity attributable to the shareholders of ElringKlinger AG	**601,667**	**580,653**	**517,924***
Non-controlling interest in equity	30,022	29,458	15,774
Equity	**631,689**	**610,111**	**533,698***
Provisions for pensions	79,518	79,132	68,985
Non-current provisions	7,250	7,402	14,267
Non-current financial liabilities	159,629	161,348	118,638
Deferred tax liabilities	45,463	44,900	33,407
Other non-current liabilities	17,451	21,069	28,579
Non-current liabilities	**309,311**	**313,851**	**263,876**
Current provisions	16,228	15,499	11,135
Trade payables	54,721	65,019	53,703
Liabilities to affiliated companies	0	0	2
Current financial liabilities	140,766	126,145	76,939
Tax payable	18,120	18,546	11,238
Other current liabilities	72,052	68,419	69,730
Current liabilities	**301,887**	**293,628**	**222,747**
	1,242,887	1,217,590	1,020,321*

* Prior-period figure adjusted; see disclosure in the consolidated notes of the annual report 2011

Group Statement of Changes in Equity

of ElringKlinger AG, January 1 to March 31, 2012

	Share Capital EUR k	Capital-reserve EUR k	Revenue reserves EUR k
Balance as of Dec. 31, 2010/Balance as of Jan. 1, 2011	**63,360**	**118,238**	**304,148**
Dividend distribution			
Total comprehensive income			20,754
Net income			20,754
Changes recognized directly in equity			
Balance as of March 31, 2011	**63,360**	**118,238**	**324,902**
Balance as of Dec. 31, 2011	**63,360**	**118,238**	**376,847**
Dividend distribution			
Total comprehensive income			24,205
Net income			24,205
Changes recognized directly in equity			
Balance as of March 31, 2012	**63,360**	**118,238**	**401,052**

Other reserves						
Revenue reserves from SoRIE/OCI EUR k	Equity impact of controlling interests EUR k	Currency translation differences EUR k	IAS 8 adjustment EUR k	Equity attributable to the shareholders of ElringKlinger AG EUR k	Non-controlling interests in equity EUR k	Group equity EUR k
-4,255	**-946**	**16,448**	**9,957**	**506,950**	**15,340**	**522,290**
				0		0
		-7,907	-1,873	10,974	434	11,408
				20,754	664	21,418
		-7,907	-1,873	-9,780	-230	-10,010
-4,255	**-946**	**8,541**	**8,084**	**517,924**	**15,774**	**533,698**
-8,287	**-1,484**	**31,979**	**0**	**580,653**	**29,458**	**610,111**
				0	-140	-140
		-3,191		21,014	704	21,718
				24,205	406	24,611
		-3,191	0	-3,191	298	-2,893
-8,287	-1,484	28,788	0	601,667	30,022	631,689

Group Statement of Cash Flows

of ElrinKlinger AG, January 1 to March 31, 2012

	1st Quarter 2012 EUR k	1st Quarter 2011 EUR k
Earnings before taxes	34,000	28,850
Depreciation/Amortization (less write-ups) of non-current assets	19,762	21,307
Net interest	3,262	3,116
Change in provisions	191	-1,635
Gains/losses on disposal of non-current assets	-145	296
Change in inventories, trade receivables and other assets not resulting from financing and investing activities	-27,749	-24,572*
Change in trade payables and other liabilities not resulting from financing and investing activities	-15,792	-984*
Income taxes paid	-5,566	-5,060
Interest paid	-2,011	-1,900
Interest received	43	40
Other non-cash expenses/income	-126	2,885*
Net cash from operating activities	**5,869**	**22,343***
Proceeds from disposals of intangible assets and of property, plant and equipment and investment properties	87	59
Proceeds from disposals of financial assets	1,181	5
Payments for investments in intangible assets	-1,459	-1,360
Payments for investments in property, plant and equipment and investment properties	-19,422	-23,356
Payments for investments in financial assets	-8	-8
Payments for the acquisition of consolidated entities, less cash	-1,315	-34,488
Net cash from investing activities	**-20,936**	**-59,148**
Proceeds from the issue of shares	0	0
Contributions from capital increases from minority shareholders	0	0
Payments to minorities for the purchase of shares	0	0
Dividends paid to shareholders and minorities	-140	0
Changes in current financial liabilities	15,564	-787*
Additions to non-current financial liabilities	425	1,084
Repayment of non-current financial liabilities	-4,315	-3,074*
Net cash from financing activities	**11,534**	**-2,777***
Changes in cash	-3,533	-39,582
Effects of currency exchange rates on cash	-1,569	-1,848
Cash inflow from the acquisition of consolidated entities	0	51
Cash at beginning of period	65,153	101,190
Cash at end of period	60,051	59,811

* Prior-period figures adjusted; see disclosure in the consolidated notes of the annual report 2011

Group Sales by Region

	1st Quarter 2012 EUR k	1st Quarter 2011 EUR k
Germany	88,141	72,877
Rest of Europe	93,722	82,410
NAFTA	48,947	42,269
Asia and Australia	36,706	31,562
South America and other	16,246	15,332
Group	**283,762**	**244,450**

Segment Reporting

of ElringKlinger AG, January 1 to March 31, 2012

Segment	Original Equipment 2012 EUR k	Original Equipment 2011 EUR k	Aftermarket 2012 EUR k	Aftermarket 2011 EUR k	Engineered Plastics 2012 EUR k	Engineered Plastics 2011 EUR k
Segment revenue	**232,007**	**197,840**	**30,063**	**29,701**	**25,289**	**20,227**
- Intersegment revenue	-6,232	-6,629	0	0	0	0
Sales revenue	**225,775**	**191,211**	**30,063**	**29,701**	**25,289**	**20,227**
EBIT[1]	**24,765**	**21,153**	**6,860**	**6,006**	**4,934**	**3,340**
+ Interest income	38	45	4	7	104	20
- Interest expense	-2,943	-2,404	-342	-241	-82	-394
Earnings before taxes	**21,860**	**18,794**	**6,522**	**5,772**	**4,956**	**2,966**
Depreciation and amortization	-18,394	-19,890	-274	-159	-748	-698
Capital expenditures[2]	19,132	23,064	456	638	1,056	761

[1] Earnings before interest and taxes
[2] Investments in intangible assets and property, plant and equipment and investment property

	Industrial Parks		Services		Consolidation and other		Group	
	2012 EUR k	2011 EUR k	2012 EUR k	2011 EUR k	2012 EUR k	2011 EUR k	2012 EUR k	2011 EUR k
	1,096	**2,030**	**2,759**	**2,446**	**-1,220**	**-1,165**	**289,994**	**251,079**
	0	0	0	0	0	0	-6,232	-6,629
	1,096	**2,030**	**2,759**	**2,446**	**-1,220**	**-1,165**	**283,762**	**244,450**
	231	**985**	**472**	**482**			**37,262**	**31,966**
	1	0	2	0	-103	-5	46	67
	-40	-139	-4	-10	103	5	-3,308	-3,183
	192	**846**	**470**	**472**			**34,000**	**28,850**
	-98	-276	-248	-284			-19,762	-21,307
	24	151	213	102			20,881	24,716

Notes to the First Quarter of 2012

ElringKlinger AG is an exchange-listed stock corporation headquartered in Germany.

The accompanying condensed consolidated interim financial statements of ElringKlinger AG and its subsidiaries as of March 31, 2012, have been prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) promulgated by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and the Interpretations issued by the IFRS Interpretations Committee, as adopted by the European Union (EU).

As the consolidated interim financial statements are presented in a condensed format, the financial statements accompanying the report on the first quarter of the financial year do not include all information and disclosures required under IFRS for annual consolidated financial statements.

The consolidated interim financial statements have not been audited. They were authorized for issue based on a resolution passed by the Management Board on May 10, 2012.

Basis of Reporting

The accounting policies applied to the consolidated interim financial statements for the first three months of 2012 correspond to those used in the consolidated financial statements for the financial year ended December 31, 2011. For a detailed description of the basis of preparation and accounting policies, please refer to the notes to the consolidated financial statements of the 2011 Annual Report published by ElringKlinger AG.

The cost-of-sales (also referred to as function-of-expense) method has been applied when preparing the Group income statement. The presentation currency of the ElringKlinger Group is the euro.

Alongside the financial statements of ElringKlinger AG, the interim financial statements as of March 31, 2012, include the financial statements of nine domestic and 26 foreign entities in which Elring-Klinger AG holds 50 % of the interests, either directly or indirectly, or over which, for other reasons, it has the power to govern the financial and operating policies (“Control”). Inclusion in the consolidated group commences on the date on which control is obtained; it ceases as soon as control no longer exists.

The two joint-venture companies ElringKlinger Korea Co., Ltd., Changwon, South Korea, and Elring-Klinger Marusan Corporation, Tokyo, Japan, with both of their subsidiaries, were included in the interim report on the basis of proportionate consolidation in accordance with IAS 31. In the case of proportionate consolidation, all assets and liabilities as well as expenses and income of the joint ventures are included in the consolidated financial statements at the proportionate interest held (50 %).

In connection with a warranty incident, ElringKlinger AG and the customers concerned concluded a settlement agreement in 2011 for the payment of an amount totaling EUR 24.4 million. The warranty case relates to gaskets supplied at the beginning of 2008. A partial amount of EUR 17.4 million was paid in 2011. Another part payment of EUR 5.0 million was made in the first quarter of 2012. Payment of the remaining amount of EUR 2.0 million will be distributed over 2012 and 2013. In parallel, Elring-Klinger AG has a claim against its insurers for the same amount, of which EUR 10.0 million was settled in July 2011. Settlement of the remaining amount claimed has not yet occurred. Therefore, ElringKlinger has filed suit. ElringKlinger anticipates that this claim will be settled in full.

As at March 31, 2012, the ElringKlinger Group employed 6,181 (5,045) people. The leased personnel attributable to two international subsidiaries have been eliminated from this figure and the prior-year figures have been adjusted accordingly.

Corporate acquisitions

Effective from January 1, 2012 ElringKlinger AG acquired 100 % of the interests in the metal-housing producer ThaWa GmbH Thaler Warenautomaten, Thale, as well as 100 % of the interests in AGD Group Entwicklungs- und Vertriebs GmbH, Gütersloh. In making the acquisition, the company is looking to strengthen its activities in the field of exhaust gas purification technology. ThaWa operates primarily as a supplier and production partner to Hug Engineering AG, a Swiss exhaust treatment specialist acquired by ElringKlinger AG in May 2011.

The plan is for ThaWa GmbH Thaler Warenautomaten and AGD Group Entwicklungs- und Vertriebs GmbH to be merged into ElringKlinger AG with economic effect as of January 1, 2012. The purchase price agreed with regard to the acquisition was EUR 1,449 k. The acquisition-related costs amounted to EUR 10 k up to the end of the reporting period and were recognized in general and administrative expenses.

The acquisition contributed EUR 1,126 k to the sales revenue and EUR -62 k to earnings before taxes of the ElringKlinger Group.

At the date of acquisition, the acquisition had the following effects on the Group's assets and liabilities:

EUR k	Fair Value
Intangible assets	17
Property, plant and equipment	2,954
Inventories	526
Trade receivables	236
Current income tax assets	10
Other assets	47
Cash	134
Provisions	-17
Deferred tax liabilities	-417
Liabilities	-1,951
Net assets	**1,539**
Negative consolidation difference recognized in profit or loss	90
Purchase price	**1,449**

The negative consolidation difference of EUR 90 k was recognized directly in profit or loss. It is presented in the income statement as a component of other operating income.

No contingent liabilities were identified during the acquisition procedure.

No impairments were recognized in respect of trade receivables.

The fair values presented for the respective assets and liabilities are provisional. A definitive valuation of the assets and liabilities has yet to be made.

Exchange rates

Exchange rates developed as follows:

Currency	Abbr.	Rate on the closing date March 31, 2012	Rate on the closing date Dec. 31, 2011	Average rate Jan. – Mar. 2012	Average rate Jan.–Dec. 2011
US Dollar (USA)	USD	1.33320	1.29320	1.33150	1.39887
Pound (United Kingdom)	GBP	0.83260	0.83670	0.83667	0.87124
Swiss Franc (Switzerland)	CHF	1.20460	1.21650	1.20473	1.23198
Canadian Dollar (Canada)	CAD	1.32940	1.31920	1.32450	1.38082
Real (Brazil)	BRL	2.43060	2.41370	2.33240	2.33703
Mexican Peso (Mexico)	MXN	17.03300	18.07250	17.06713	17.43407
RMB (China)	CNY	8.39740	8.14350	8.39020	9.02397
WON (South Korea)	KRW	1,510.75000	1,499.59000	1,494.54000	1,542.59167
Rand (South Africa)	ZAR	10.24700	10.47630	10.15690	10.15627
Yen (Japan)	JPY	109.41000	100.07000	106.05333	111.32833
Forint (Hungary)	HUF	295.27000	312.82000	292.84000	280.84250
Turkish Lira (Turkey)	TRY	2.37510	2.44600	2.34987	2.35696
Leu (Romania)	RON	4.38250	4.33090	4.35790	4.23938
Indian Rupee (India)	INR	67.92750	68.58550	66.23120	65.47647

Contingencies and related party disclosures

The contingencies and related-party relationships disclosed in the consolidated financial statements for 2011 were not subject to significant changes in the first three months of 2012.

Government grants

As a result of government grants for development projects, other operating income rose by EUR 600 k in the first three months of 2012.

Events after the reporting period

There were no significant events after the end of the interim reporting period that necessitate additional explanatory disclosure.

Responsibility Statement

To the best of our knowledge, and in accordance with the applicable reporting principles for interim financial reporting, the interim consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Group, and the interim management report of the Group includes a fair review of the development and performance of the business and the position of the Group, together with a description of the principal opportunities and risks associated with the expected development of the Group for the remaining months of the financial year.

Dettingen/Erms, May 10, 2012

The Management Board

Dr. Stefan Wolf　　Theo Becker　　Karl Schmauder

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Financial Calendar 2012

MAY 16, 2012
107th Annual General Shareholders' Meeting, Stuttgart
Cultural and Congress Centre Liederhalle, 10:00 a.m. CEST

MAY 17, 2012
Dividend distribution

AUGUST 3, 2012
Interim Report on the 2nd Quarter and 1st Half of 2012

NOVEMBER 7, 2012
Interim Report on the 3rd Quarter of 2012

MAY 16, 2013
108th Annual General Shareholders' Meeting

Calendar Trade Fairs

SEPTEMBER 11 – 16, 2012
Automechanika, Frankfurt/Main

SEPTEMBER 20 – 27, 2012
64th IAA Commercial Vehicles, Hannover

OCTOBER 8 – 10, 2012
21st Aachen Colloquium Automobile and Engine Technology, Aachen

DECEMBER 4 – 5, 2012
11th International CTI Symposium & Exhibition
Innovative Automotive Transmissions and Hybrid & Electric Drives, Berlin

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