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1.1 FUCHS at a glance

# **1.1 FUCHS at a glance**

**FUCHS Group** 

| Amounts in € million                    | Q1 2023 | Q1 2022 | Change<br>in % |  |
|---|---------|---------|----------------|--|
| Sales revenues <sup>1</sup>             | 936     | 808     | 16             |  |
| Europe, Middle East, Africa (EMEA)      | 552     | 481     | 15             |  |
| Asia-Pacific                            | 252     | 237     | 6              |  |
| North and South America                 | 181     | 141     | 28             |  |
| Consolidation                           | -49     | -51     | _              |  |
| Earnings before interest and tax (EBIT) | 103     | 93      | 11             |  |
| Earnings after tax                      | 73      | 67      | 9              |  |
| Investments                             | 17      | 11      | 55             |  |
| Free cash flow before acquisitions      | 52      | 13      | > 100          |  |
| Earnings per share (in €)               |         |         |                |  |
| Ordinary share                          | 0.54    | 0.48    | 13             |  |
| Preference share                        | 0.54    | 0.48    | 13             |  |
| Employees as at March 31                | 6,120   | 6,013   | 2              |  |

<sup>1</sup> By company location.

- Sales revenues, driven by prices, at €936 million (808), up 16% or €128 million year-on-year
- Earnings (EBIT) improve by 11 % or €10 million to €103 million (93)
- Confirmation of forecast for 2023, taking into account the continuing uncertainties regarding the further development of the economic environment as well as raw material and hence sales prices:
- Sales revenues: around €3.6 billion
- EBIT: around €390 million
- FVA: above prior year (€172 million)
- Free cash flow before acquisitions: around €250 million

"With EBIT at €103 million, we have started the new year very well. The necessary price adjustments in the course of 2022 due to sharply risen raw material costs and high inflation rates take effect and enable an increase in gross profit year-on-year and also cover the inflation-related cost increases, particularly in the area of energy, personnel and freight costs. In total, FUCHS improved its EBIT in the first quarter by €10 million or 11% year-on-year. The largest contribution to this increase in earnings was made by the EMEA region, with an increase of €6 million, or an impressive 14%. In addition, North and South America also saw business growth and an increase in earnings of €2 million or 12%. In the Asia-Pacific region, on the other hand, the pandemic-related difficult start to the year in China put a strain on the development of the region as a whole, resulting in a slight decline in earnings of  $\in 1$  million or 3%.

Based on the very good first quarter, we look forward to the coming months with confidence. At the same time, there are continuing uncertainties regarding the further development of the economic environment and of raw material prices. Overall, we confirm our forecast for the full year and continue to anticipate an EBIT of around €390 million."

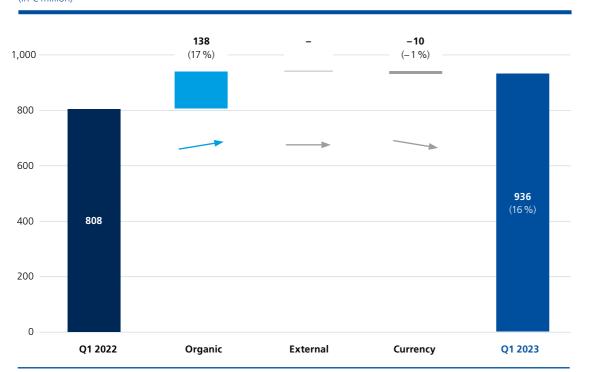
# Stefan Fuchs, Chairman of the Executive Board of FUCHS PETROLUB SE

1.2 Business development in the first three months of 2023

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### Development of sales revenues in the Group

**Development of sales revenues in the Group** (in € million)



Sales revenues in the **Group** after three months at €936 million (808), and thus price-driven up 16% yearon-year

- Organic growth in the first three months in the EMEA and Asia-Pacific regions driven exclusively by price
- Negative currency effects from both the EMEA and Asia-Pacific regions higher than positive effects from the North and South America region

(in € million)

600

500

400

300

200

100

481

Q1 2022

Europe, Middle East, Africa (EMEA)

80

(17%)

Organic

1.2 Business development in the first three months of 2023

### **Development of sales revenues by regions / segments**

-9

(-2%)

**EMEA** records significant price-driven increase in sales revenues of €71 million or 15% to €552 million

External Currency

- Organic growth price-driven
- Almost all companies with double-digit growth rates; particularly high absolute and relative increases in Germany, Great Britain, South Africa, Sweden and Poland
- Negative currency effects mainly from South Africa and Great Britain

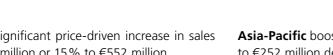
Asia-Pacific boosts sales revenues by 6% or €15 million to €252 million despite negative currency effects

- Organic growth driven by positive price developments
- Australia with highest contribution to growth; China still impacted by the repeal of its zero-Covid strategy
- General weakness of Asian currencies resulting in negative exchange rate effects of €6 million

North and South America significantly increase sales revenues by 28% or €40 million to €181 million

External

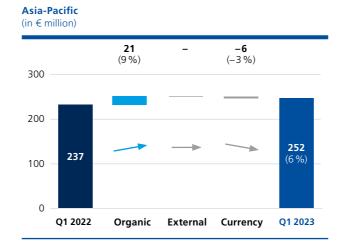
- High organic growth thanks to positive business development and significant price increases
- High growth in sales revenues in both North and South America
- Positive currency effects from North America outweighing negative effects from South America



552

(15 %)

Q1 2023





5

(3%)

Currency

181

(28%)

Q1 2023

North and South America

141

Q1 2022

35

(25%)

Organic

(in € million)

200

160

120

80

40

1.2 Business development in the first three months of 2023

#### Group results of operations

#### **Income Statement**

|  |         |         | Change   |               |
|--|---------|---------|----------|---------------|
| in € million   | Q1 2023 | Q1 2022 | absolute | relative in % |
| Sales revenues   | 936     | 808     | 128      | 16            |
| Cost of sales  | -647    | -546    | - 101    | 18            |
| Gross profit   | 289     | 262     | 27       | 10            |
| Selling and distribution expenses                        | - 122   | -110    | -12      | 11            |
| Administrative expenses                                  | -46     | -44     | -2       | 5             |
| Research and development expenses                        | - 19    | -17     | -2       | 12            |
| Other operating income and expenses                      | -1      | 0       | -1       | -             |
| EBIT before income from companies consolidated at equity | 101     | 91      | 10       | 11            |
| Income from companies consolidated at equity             | 2       | 2       | 0        | C             |
| Earnings before interest and tax (EBIT)                  | 103     | 93      | 10       | 11            |
| Financial result   | -3      | -1      | -2       | > 100         |
| Earnings before tax (EBT)                                | 100     | 92      | 8        | 9             |
| Income taxes   | -27     | -25     | -2       | 8             |
| Earnings after tax                                       | 73      | 67      | 6        | 9             |
| Thereof  |         |         |          |               |
| Non-controlling interests                                | 0       | 0       | 0        | C             |
| Profit attributable to shareholders                      |         |         |          |               |
| of FUCHS PETROLUB SE                                     | 73      | 67      | 6        | 9             |
| Earnings per share in €1                                 |         |         |          |               |
| Ordinary share   | 0.54    | 0.48    | 0.06     | 13            |
| Preference share   | 0.54    | 0.48    | 0.06     | 13            |

<sup>1</sup> Basic and diluted in both cases.

- Following price adjustments in the prior year, sales revenues in the first quarter of 2023 are up 16% or €128 million year-over-year, despite slightly negative currency effects
- Gross profit of €27 million or 10% up year-on-year; increase not proportionate to increase in sales revenues due to strong year-on-year rise in raw material prices
- Gross margin improves by 1.5 percentage points in the first quarter of 2023 compared to the fourth quarter of 2022, but is at 30.9% by 1.5 percentage points lower than in the prior-year quarter (32.4) due to inflated sales
- Increases in personnel, freight and energy costs, mainly driven by inflation, resulted in other function costs increasing by 10% or €17 million
- At equity income of €2 million (2) stable at prioryear level
- EBIT was up by €10 million or 11% to €103 million (93) compared to the first quarter of the previous year; EBIT relative to sales revenues is at 11.0% (11.5) as a result of the price-driven sales increase; sequential improvement in EBIT margin by 1.2 percentage points compared with the fourth quarter of 2022
- Increased interest rates and greater financing requirements as a result of stock buybacks and the inflationdriven build-up of net operating working capital
- Earnings after tax of €73 million up €6 million or 9% compared with the same period in the previous year (67)
- Earnings per ordinary share and per preference share each improved by 13% from €0.48 to €0.54

1.2 Business development in the first three months of 2023

### Results of operations of the regions/segments

| in € million  | EMEA  | Asia-Pacific | North and<br>South America | Holding/<br>consolidation | FUCHS Group |
|---|-------|--------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| Q1 2023   |       |              |                            |                           |             |
| Sales revenues by company location                          | 552   | 252          | 181                        | -49                       | 936         |
| EBIT before income from<br>companies consolidated at equity | 48    | 28           | 19                         | 6                         | 101         |
| in % of sales   | 8.7%  | 11.1%        | 10.5%                      |                           | 10.8%       |
| Income from companies<br>consolidated at equity             | 2     |              |                            |                           | 2           |
| Segment earnings (EBIT)                                     | 50    | 28           | 19                         | 6                         | 103         |
| Investments   | 5     | 3            |                            | 1                         | 17          |
| Number of employees as at March 31 <sup>1</sup>             | 3,849 | 1,016        | 1,104                      | 151                       | 6,120       |
| Q1 2022   |       |              |                            |                           |             |
| Sales revenues by company location                          | 481   | 237          | 141                        | -51                       | 808         |
| EBIT before income from companies consolidated at equity    | 42    | 29           | 17                         | 3                         | 91          |
| in % of sales   | 8.7%  | 12.2%        | 12.1%                      | _                         | 11.3%       |
| Income from companies<br>consolidated at equity             | 2     | _            | _                          | _                         | 2           |
| Segment earnings (EBIT)                                     | 44    | 29           | 17                         | 3                         | 93          |
| Investments   | 6     | 3            | 1                          | 1                         | 11          |
| Number of employees as at March 31 <sup>1</sup>             | 3,883 | 953          | 1,031                      | 146                       | 6,013       |

<sup>1</sup> Including trainees.

**EMEA (Europe, Middle East, Africa)** with strong first quarter; EBIT improved by €6 million or 14% to €50 million

- Significant earnings growth in almost all companies; encouraging developments in particular in Sweden, but as well in Germany, Great Britain and Poland high absolute and relative growth rates
- At equity income on par with prior-year period
- Minor negative exchange rate effects, mainly from Great Britain and South Africa

**Asia-Pacific** with slow start to year in China; EBIT at €28 million (29) slightly lower than prior year

- China down year-on-year after ending its zero-Covid strategy, while Southeast Asia and Australia posted earnings growth
- Slightly negative currency effects

**North and South America** convinced with  $\in 2$  million EBIT growth, or 12 % increase, to  $\in 19$  million (17)

- Both North and South America improved EBIT in light of positive business development
- Strong dollar with a noticeable positive impact on earnings

# **1.3 Employees**

Worldwide workforce increases to 6,120 (6,013), 107 employees more than at March 31, 2022. Compared to December 31, 2022, the workforce increased by 16 employees.

# 1.4 Outlook

In its current forecast, the IMF expects global economic growth to slow to 2.8% this year, after gaining 3.4% last year. Thus, the IMF slightly weakened its forecast for 2023 by 0.1 percentage points.

FUCHS therefore continues to operate in a highly volatile environment. Uncertainty with regard to the economic development as well as raw material and thus also sales prices must be taken into account. Based on a very good first quarter, we maintain our forecast for the full year:

- Sales revenues: around €3.6 billion
- EBIT: around €390 million
- FVA: above prior year (€172 million)
- Free cash flow before acquisitions: around €250 million

Our global position and solid financial base remain robust. FUCHS continues to focus on profitable growth and the implementation of FUCHS2025.

FUCHS PETROLUB SE

Mannheim, April 28, 2023

1.5 Balance sheet

# **1.5 Balance sheet**

|  |                |              | Chang    | ge            |
|--|----------------|--------------|----------|---------------|
| in € million                               | March 31, 2023 | Dec 31, 2022 | absolute | relative in % |
| Assets                                     |                |              |          |               |
| Goodwill                                   | 250            | 254          | -4       | -2            |
| Other intangible assets                    | 87             | 93           | -6       | -6            |
| Property, plant and equipment              | 741            | 751          | - 10     | - 1           |
| Shares in companies consolidated at equity | 57             | 54           | 3        | 6             |
| Other financial assets                     | 8              | 8            | 0        | 0             |
| Deferred tax assets                        | 37             | 38           | -1       | -3            |
| Other receivables and other assets         | 6              | 7            | -1       | -14           |
| Non-current assets                         | 1,186          | 1,205        | - 19     | -2            |
| Inventories                                | 628            | 635          | -7       | -1            |
| Trade receivables                          | 588            | 507          | 81       | 16            |
| Tax receivables                            | 7              | 8            | -1       | -13           |
| Other receivables and other assets         | 37             | 42           | -5       | -12           |
| Cash and cash equivalents                  | 130            | 119          | 11       | 9             |
| Assets held for sale                       | 5              | 7            | -2       | -29           |
| Current assets                             | 1,395          | 1,318        | 77       | 6             |
| Total assets                               | 2,581          | 2,523        | 58       | 2             |

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#### 1.5 Balance sheet

|   |                |       | Chang    | ge            |
|---|----------------|-------|----------|---------------|
| in € million                                | March 31, 2023 |       | absolute | relative in % |
| Equity and liabilities                      |                |       |          |               |
| Subscribed capital                          | 139            | 139   | 0        | 0             |
| Group reserves                              | 1,647          | 1,440 | 207      | 14            |
| Group profits                               | 73             | 259   | -186     | -72           |
| Equity of shareholders of FUCHS PETROLUB SE | 1,859          | 1,838 | 21       | 1             |
| Non-controlling interests                   | 3              | 3     | 0        | 0             |
| Total equity                                | 1,862          | 1,841 | 21       | 1             |
| Pension provisions                          | 7              | 7     | 0        | 0             |
| Other provisions                            | 8              | 9     | -1       | -11           |
| Deferred tax liabilities                    | 52             | 53    | -1       | -2            |
| Financial liabilities                       | 17             | 18    | -1       | -6            |
| Other liabilities                           | 3              | 1     | 2        | > 100         |
| Non-current liabilities                     | 87             | 88    | -1       | -1            |
| Trade payables                              | 286            | 231   | 55       | 24            |
| Other provisions                            | 15             | 15    | 0        | 0             |
| Tax liabilities                             | 20             | 18    | 2        | 11            |
| Financial liabilities                       | 158            | 161   | -3       | -2            |
| Other liabilities                           | 153            | 169   | -16      | -9            |
| Current liabilities                         | 632            | 594   | 38       | 6             |
| Total equity and liabilities                | 2,581          | 2,523 | 58       | 2             |

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1.6 Statement of cash flows

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| in € million  | Q1 2023 | Q1 2022     |
|---|---------|-------------|
| Earnings after tax  | 73      | 67          |
| Depreciation and amortization of non-current assets                               | 23      | 23          |
| Change in non-current provisions and in other non-current assets (covering funds) | 0       | -2          |
| Change in deferred taxes  | 0       | (           |
| Non-cash income from shares in companies consolidated at equity                   | -2      | -2          |
| Dividends received from companies consolidated at equity                          | 0       | C           |
| Gross cash flow   | 94      | 86          |
| Gross cash flow   | 94      | 86          |
| Change in inventories   | -4      | - 18        |
| Change in trade receivables   | -87     | -65         |
| Change in trade payables and remaining other liabilities <sup>1</sup>             | 52      | 16          |
| Change in other assets and other liabilities (excluding financial liabilities)    | 17      | 5           |
| Share-based remuneration  | 0       | C           |
| Net gain/loss on disposal of non-current assets                                   | -3      | (           |
| Cash flow from operating activities   | 69      | 24          |
| Investments in non-current assets   | -20     | <b>-1</b> 1 |
| Proceeds from the disposal of non-current assets                                  | 3       | (           |
| Cash paid for acquisitions  | -4      | (           |
| Cash acquired through acquisitions  | 0       | (           |
| Cash flow from investing activities   | -21     | -11         |
| Free cash flow before acquisitions <sup>2</sup>                                   | 52      | 13          |
| Free cash flow  | 48      | 13          |
| Dividends paid for previous year  | -1      | C           |
| Purchase of own shares  | -32     | (           |
| Changes in financial liabilities  | -5      | -3          |
| Cash flow from financing activities   | -38     | -3          |
| Cash and cash equivalents as at Dec 31 of the previous year                       | 119     | 146         |
| Cash flow from operating activities   | 69      | 24          |
| Cash flow from investing activities   | -21     | -11         |
| Cash flow from financing activities   | -38     | -3          |
| Effect of currency translations   | 1       | 2           |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period                                | 130     | 158         |

<sup>1</sup> Remaining other liabilities relate to advance payments received and liabilities from customer discounts.

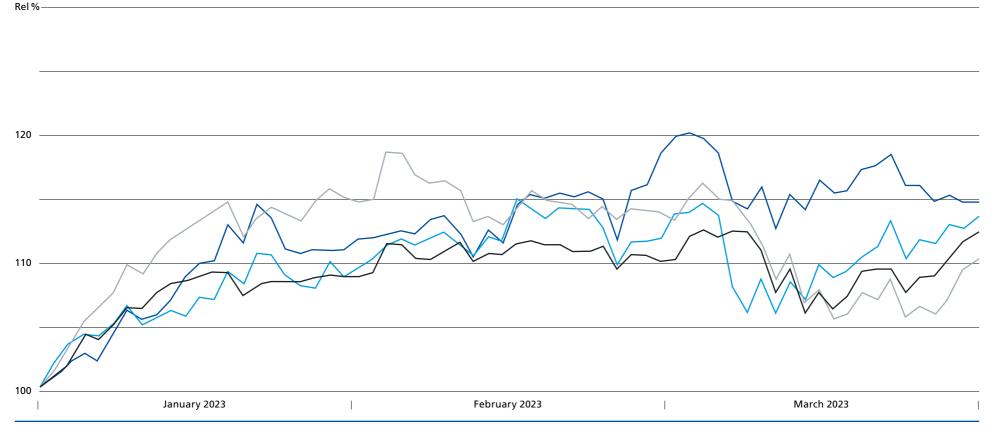
<sup>2</sup> Free cash flow before cash paid for acquisitions and before cash acquired through acquisitions.

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1.7 Share price development of FUCHS shares

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# **Performance\* of ordinary and preference shares in comparison with DAX and MDAX** (January 1, 2023 – March 31, 2023)



Preference share Ordinary share DAX MDAX

\* Price trend including dividends. Source: Bloomberg

## **Financial calendar**

#### **Dates 2023**

| May 3, 2023      | Annual General Meeting                         |
|------------------|--|
| July 28, 2023    | Half-year Financial Report as at June 30, 2023 |
| October 27, 2023 | Quarterly Statement as at September 30, 2023   |

The financial calendar is updated regularly. You can find the latest dates on the webpage at

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