

# 2012 Results

Growth in Revenue and Profit Investments in the most dynamic markets

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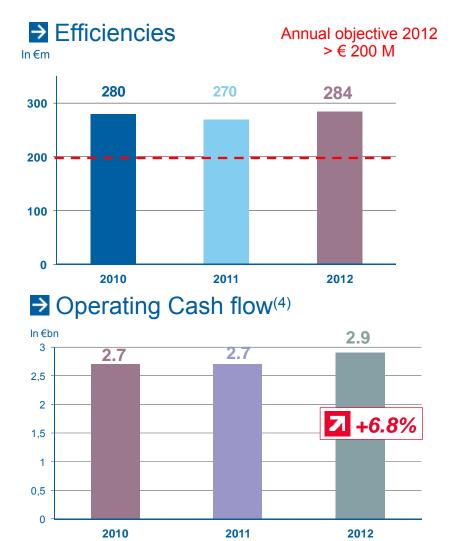




# Performance delivered

→ Gas & Services sales<sup>(1)</sup>





(1) 2011 figure revised for integration of Seppic in Gas and Services.
(2) Published growth.
(3) Financial investments including transactions with minorities net of divestitures.

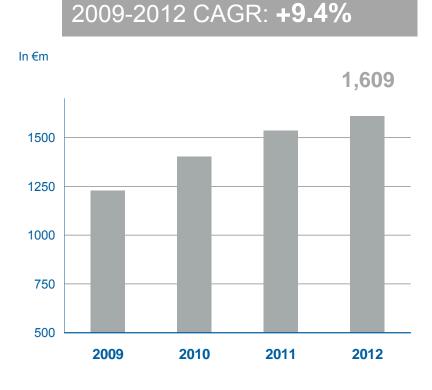
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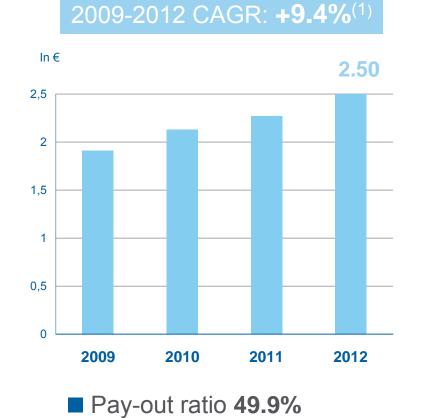
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#### Continuous growth in net profit and dividend

→ Net profit (Group Share): +4.9%



#### $\rightarrow$ Dividend per share<sup>(1)</sup>: +10.3%



(1) Subject to approval at the General Shareholder Meeting to be held on May 7, 2013, detached on May 16 and paid on May 22. Historical data adjusted for free share attributions



# 2012 Results

- Performance delivered
- Investment and solid balance sheet



# Key figures

Sales in €m	FY 11 revised <sup>(1)</sup>	FY 12	FY 12/11 as published	FY 12/11 excl Nat gas and forex
Gas & Services	13,064	13,912	+6.5%	+3.0%
Engineering & Construction	705	785	+11.3%	+9.4%
Other Activities	688	629	-8.4%	<b>-9.8%</b>
Group Total	14,457	15,326	<b>+6.0%</b>	+2.7%

(1) 2011 figures revised for integration of Seppic in Gas and Services.



# Sound activity level

#### → Quarterly G&S activity indicator<sup>(1)</sup>

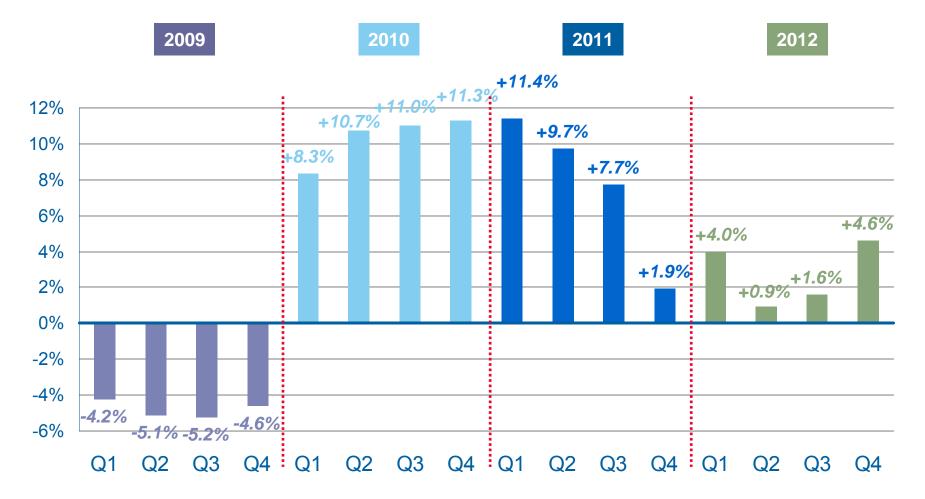


(1) Revenue (excluding currency and natural gas), adjusted for the number of days per month. Q4 2012 includes LVL Médical and Gasmedi activities.



# Positive signs in Q4

→ G&S comparable growth<sup>(1)</sup>

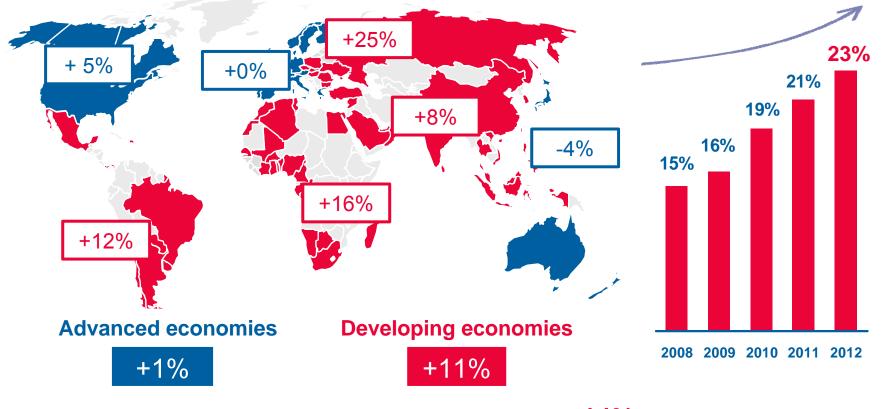


(1) excluding currency, natural gas and significant scope impacts. 2009, 2010 and 2011 growth rates are not revised for the integration of Seppic into the G&S activity.



#### In particular in Developing economies

Comparable G&S sales growth<sup>(1)</sup> (2012/ 2011) → G&S sales share in developing economies

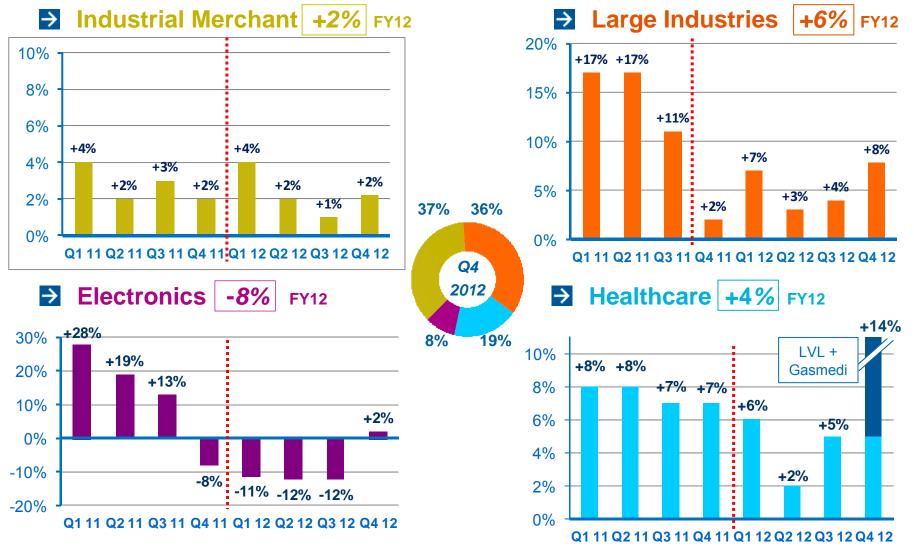


#### Developing economies in Q4 2012: +14%.

(1) excluding currency, natural gas and significant scope impacts.



#### ... and in all business lines



Comparable growth: excluding currency, natural gas and significant scope impacts, relative to the same period in preceding year.



# Record order intake in Engineering & Construction



#### → Third party E&C sales





#### (1) Comparable growth

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# Net Profit up +4.9%

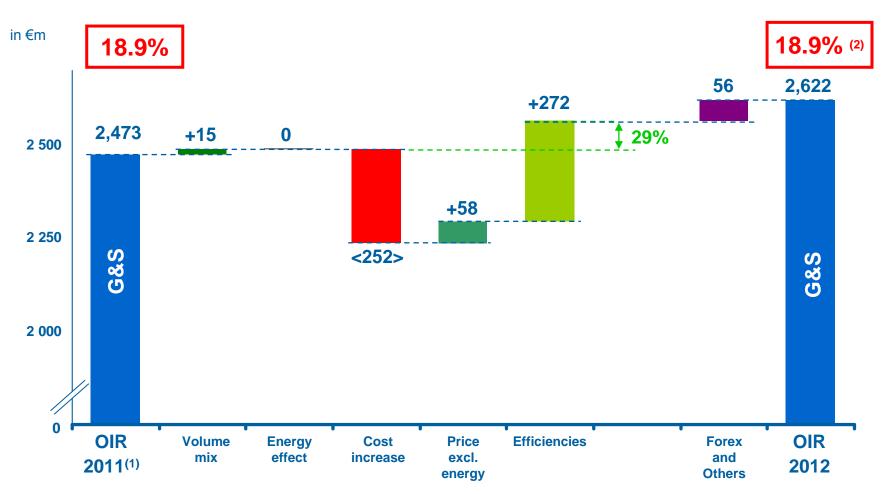
Revenue Operating Income Recurring Other non-recurring operating income & expenses $14,457$ $2,409$ $28$ $15,326$ $2,560$ $(27)$ $+6.0\%$ $+6.3\%$ Operating Income OIR margin $2,409$ $28$ $2,533$ $16.7\%$ $+4.0\%$ $16.7\%$ Net financial costs and other net financial expenses $(298)$ $(312)$ $(576)$ $25.5\%$ $(312)$ $25.5\%$ Net profit (Group share) $1,535$ $1,609$ $+4.9\%$	In €m	2011	2012	Change 12 vs 11
Other non-recurring operating income & expenses   28   (27)     Operating Income   2,437   2,533   +4.0%     OIR margin   16.7%   16.7%   16.7%     Net financial costs and other net financial expenses   (298)   (312)     Income taxes   (576)   (566)   25.5%     Net profit (Group share)   1,535   1,609   +4.9%	Revenue	14,457	15,326	+6.0%
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Earnings per share (in $\in$ ) 4.93 (i) 5.17 $\downarrow$ 4.93 (ii)	Earnings per share (in €)	4.93 <sup>(1)</sup>	5.17	+4.9%

(1) adjusted for the free share attribution in May 2012.



# ... supported by close to 30% efficiency retention

#### → G&S OIR margin



(1) OIR = Operating Income Recurring, revised for integration of Seppic in G&S

(2) Excluding natural gas. As published: 18.8%.

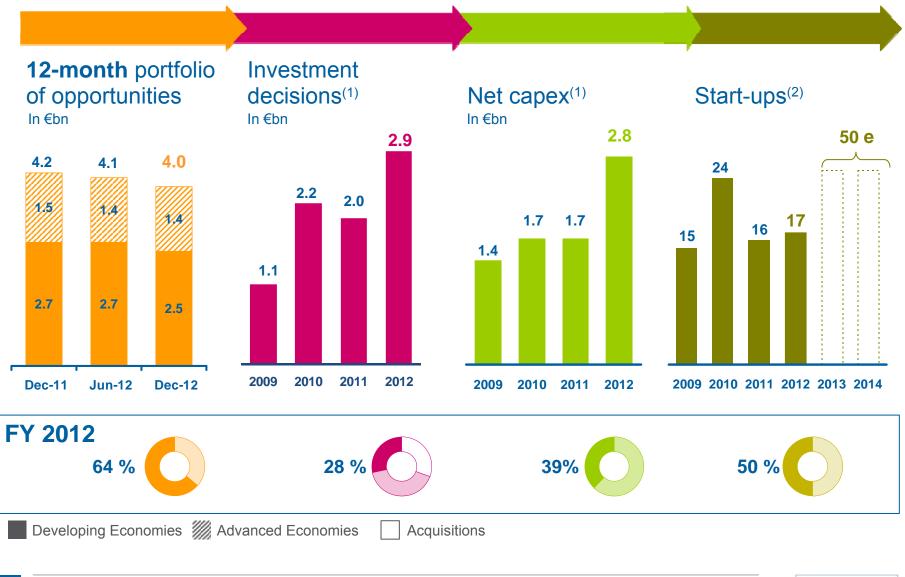




- Performance delivered
- Investments and solid balance sheet



# Confidence in the medium term

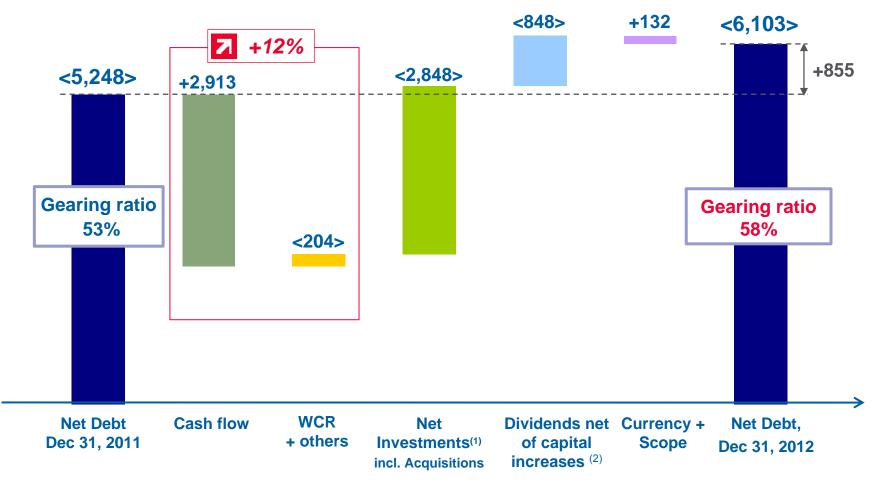




# Net debt stable excluding acquisitions

#### → Net debt

In €m

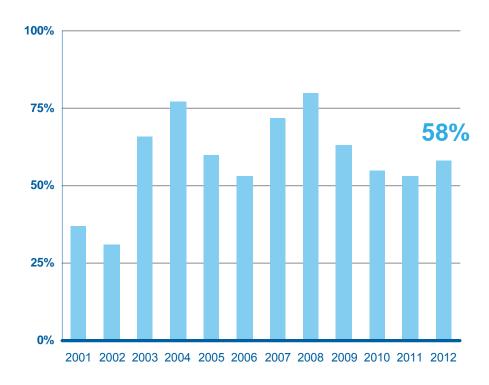


(1) Including transactions with minority shareholders, net of divestitures (2) incl. share purchases €104m.

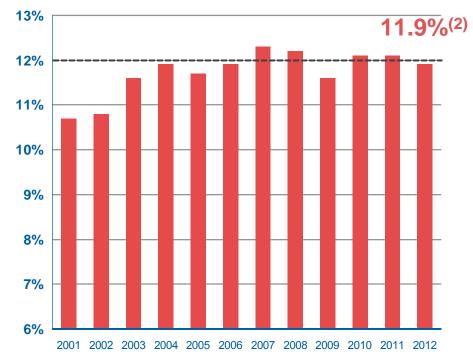


# Solid Balance sheet

#### → Net debt to equity



#### → ROCE<sup>(1)</sup>



(1) Reminder : Return On Capital Employed after tax: (Net profit before deduction of the minority interests – net finance costs after taxes) / weighted average for the year of (shareholders' equity + minority interests + net indebtedness).

(2) pro-forma, including annualized profit impact of LVL Médical and Gasmedi acquisitions.

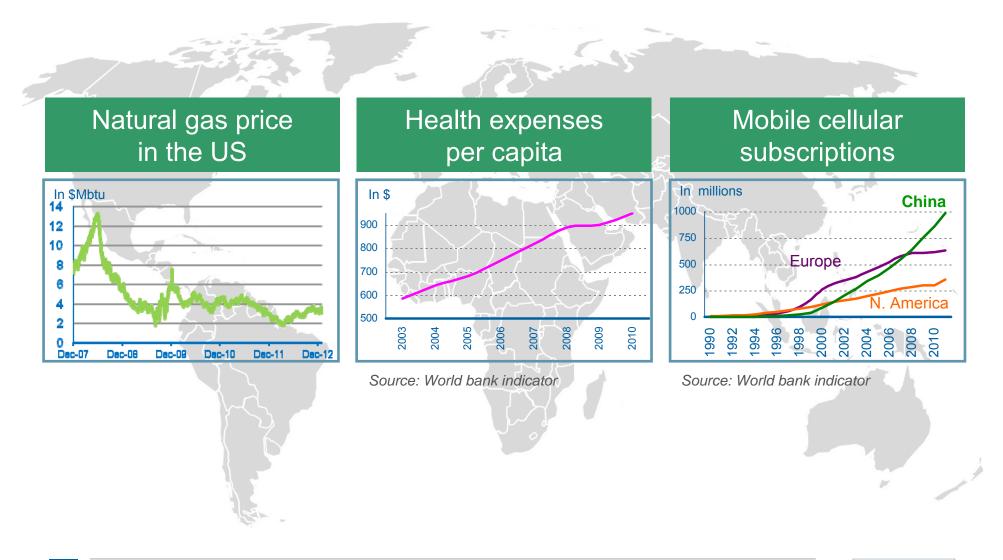
# Strengthening for growth



- Major trends
- Updating ALMA to meet new challenges



# Changing macroeconomics





# Major trends are shaping our markets

# Industrial production<br/>Natural resourcesDemography<br/>UrbanizationAppetite for<br/>InnovationImage: Demography<br/>UrbanizationImage: Demography<br/>Urbanization



#### Updating ALMA to meet new Challenges



⇒	Ambition	"To be the leader of our industry through <b>performance</b> and <b>responsibility</b> over the long term."

Strategic objective "Strengthening our competitiveness and innovation for profitable growth over the long term"



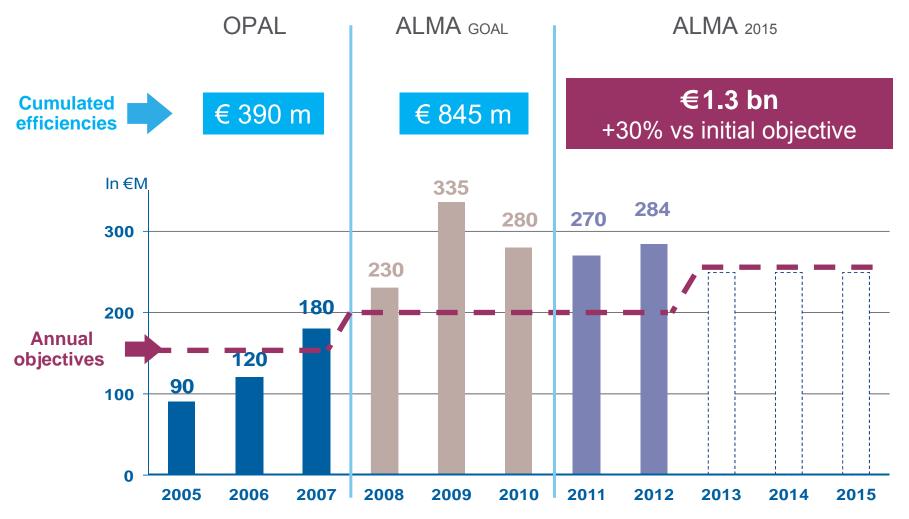
#### Competitiveness





# **Boosted efficiency objective**

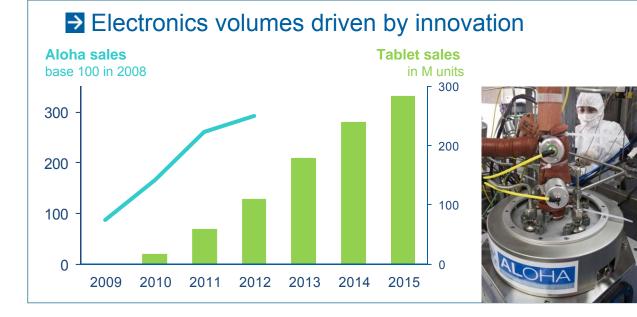
→ Efficiencies





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#### Innovation



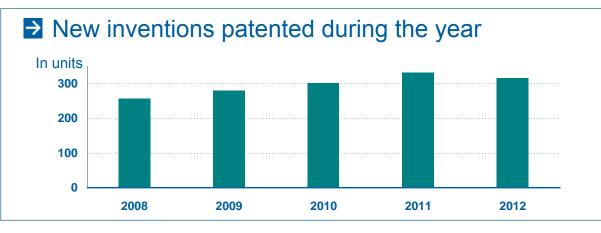
#### New H₂ mobility market

*"Key world manufacturers joining forces on fuel cell vehicles" - Jan 24 & 28, 2013* 

"**1.6m** H<sub>2</sub> powered vehicles on UK roads in 2030 " - UK H<sub>2</sub> mobility estimates Feb. 3, 2013



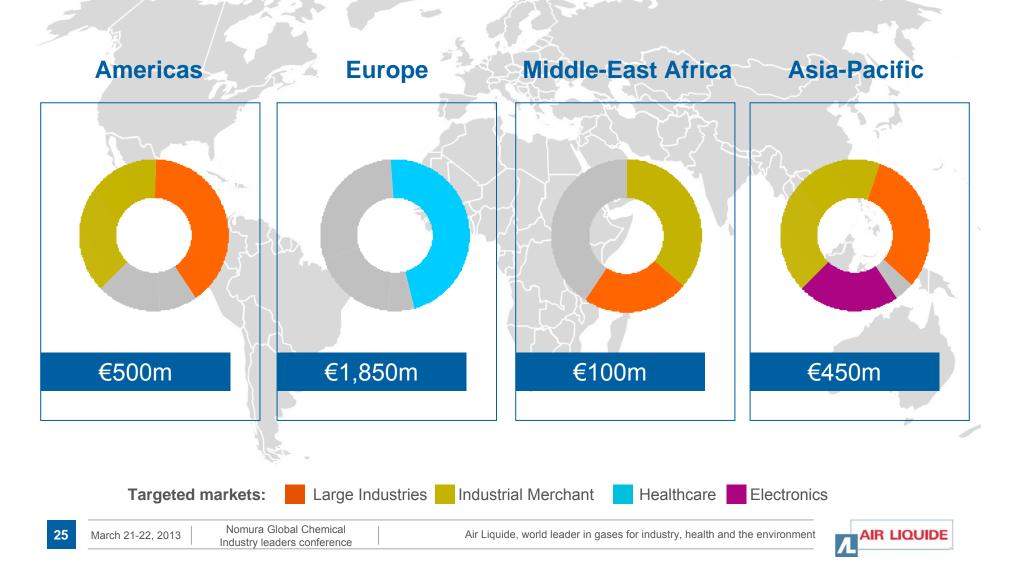
Public H<sub>2</sub> filling station in Germany





#### Investment decisions focused in growing markets

#### ⇒ 2012 G&S investment decisions (industrial + financial)



# Growth aligned with major trends

# → Air Liquide 2012 growth







# H<sub>2</sub> volumes

1 million Home Healthcare patients +38%

New Top cylinders rentals growth

+34%



#### Market focused organization



Technology and R&D

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# 2013 Outlook

# 2013

- Accelerating momentum in new markets
- Moderate growth in historical markets
- Reinforced competitiveness and innovation



# **2013 objective**

Barring a degradation of the environment, Air Liquide is confident in its ability to deliver another year of net profit growth in 2013

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# Back to more robust growth in all zones...

#### → G&S sales in Q4 2012



(1) Comparable growth, excluding currency, natural gas and significant scope impacts



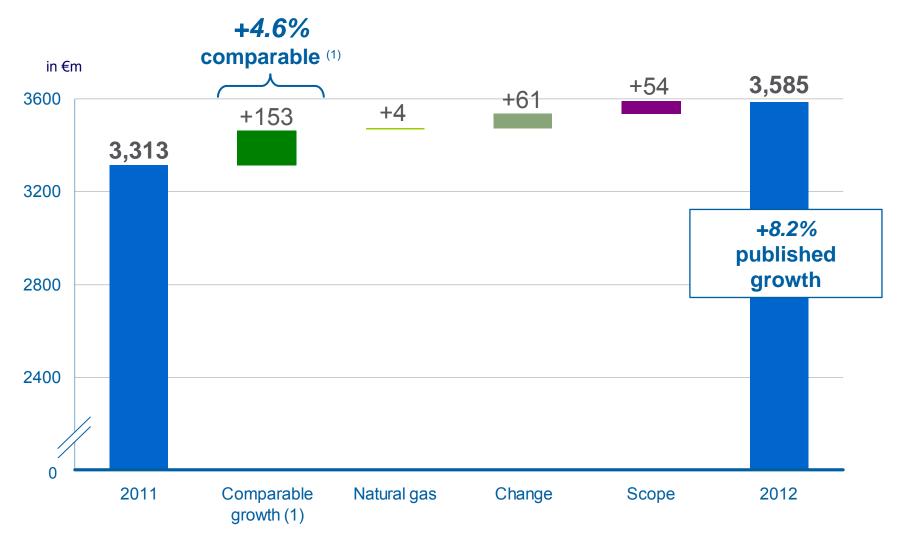
# Steady contribution from growth initiatives

#### → G&S annual growth analysis



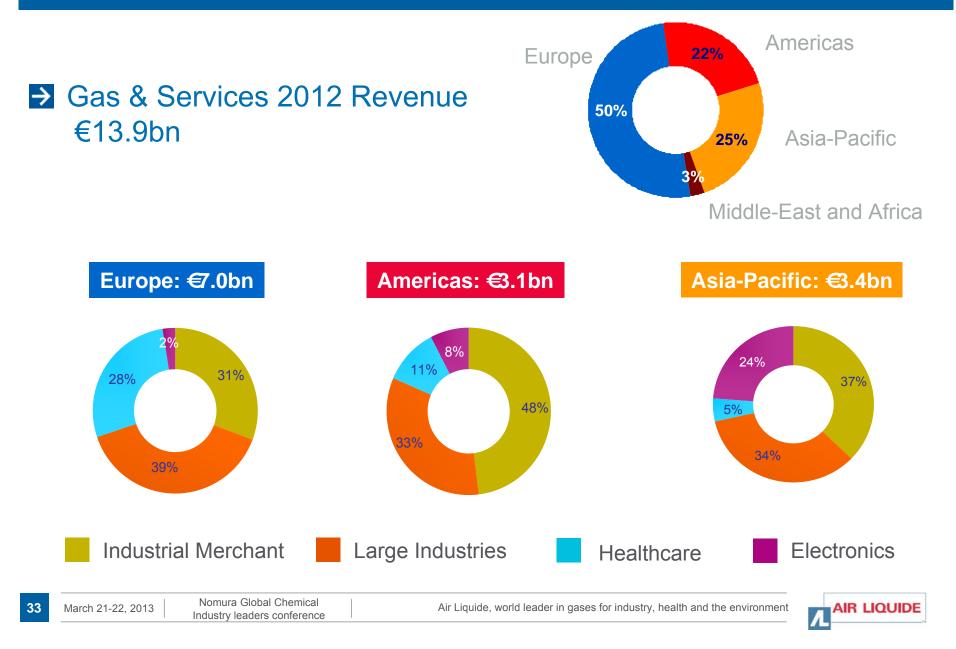


# Growth in Q4 2012 G&S revenue



(1) excluding currency, natural gas and significant perimeter impacts.

#### 2012 Revenue breakdown by region



#### Europe in Q4

#### Q4 Gas & Services sales: €1,827m

#### Industrial Merchant

- Continued weakness in Southern Europe
- Acquisitions in UK and Eastern Europe
- Pursued pricing actions

#### Large Industries

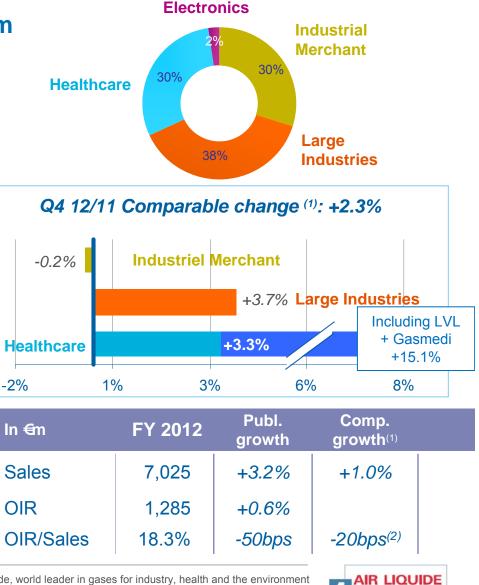
- Steel still low
- Solid H<sub>2</sub> demand
- Site takeover in Turkey

#### Healthcare

- Acquisitions
- Home Healthcare demand growth
- Tariff reductions

(1) excluding impact of currency, natural gas and significant scope.

excluding impact of natural gas. (2)



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#### Americas in Q4

#### Q4 Gas & Services sales: €797m

- Industrial Merchant
  - Sustained activity across the region
  - Acquisitions
  - Solid pricing effect

#### Large Industries

- Strong H<sub>2</sub> demand
- Lower cogen sales due to decline in electricity tariffs

#### Healthcare

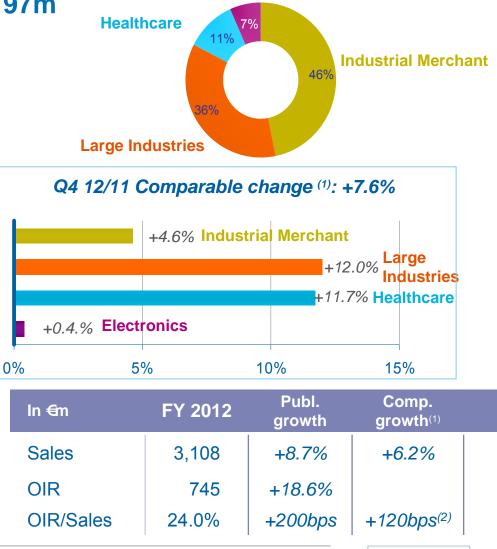
 Strong growth in developing economies

#### Electronics

#### New E&I sales

(1) excluding impact of currency, natural gas and significant scope.

(2) excluding impact of natural gas.



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Electronics

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#### Asia-Pacific in Q4

→ Q4 Gas & Services sales: €868m

#### Industrial Merchant

- Still weak in Japan
- Back to double digit growth in China

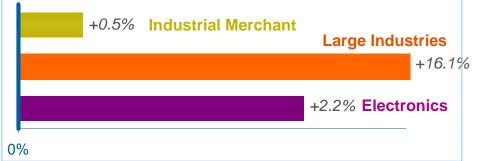
#### Large Industries

- Strong growth and start-ups in China
- Very strong growth in H<sub>2</sub>

#### Electronics

- Japanese industry under restructuring
- Positive growth in E&I
- Weak ESG pricing

Healthcare 5% 34% Industrial Merchant



In €m	FY 2012	Publ. growth	Comp. growth <sup>(1)</sup>
Sales	3,416	+10.8%	+2.2%
OIR	516	+2.8%	
<b>OIR/Sales</b>	15.1%	-120bps	-120bps <sup>(2)</sup>

(1) excluding impact of currency, natural gas and significant scope.

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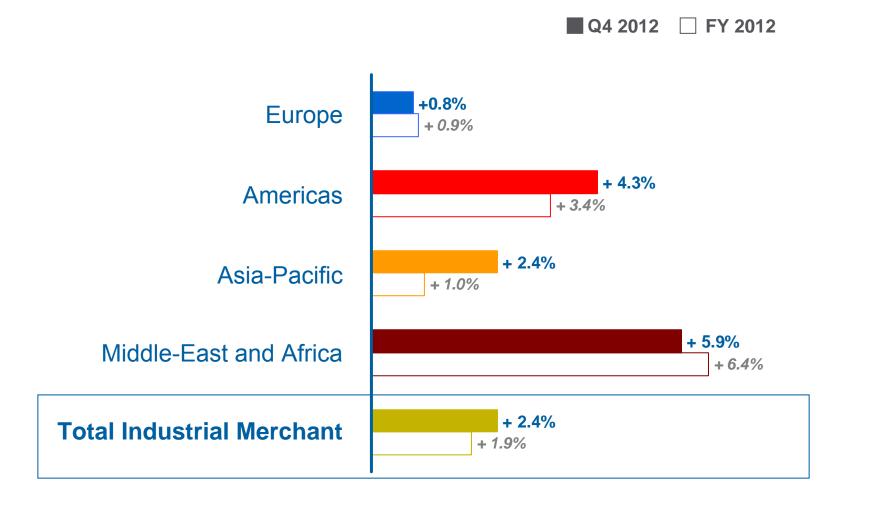
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# Industrial Merchant pricing

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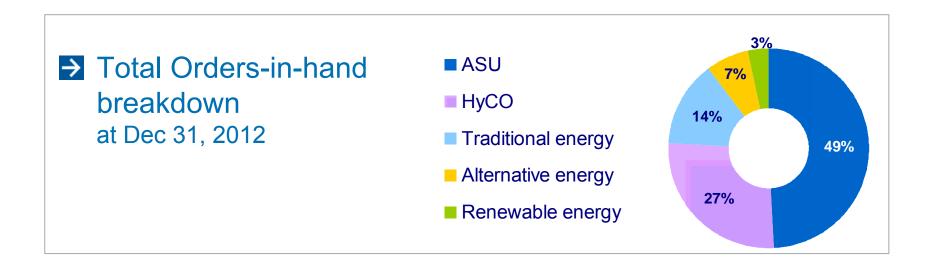
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# **Engineering & Construction**

In €m	2011	2012
Consolidated revenues	705	785
OIR <sup>(1)</sup> margin	10.6%	10.0%
Total order intake	1,010	1,704
Total orders-in-hand	3,200	4,000



(1) includes financial income generated by customer advances.



# Pricing and efficiency more than offset cost inflation





# Operating margin – natural gas effect

<b>Group,</b> in €m	2011	2012
Revenue	14,457	15,326
Incl. Natural gas effect		+17
Operating income recurring	2,409	2,560
Operating margin	16.7%	16.7%
Operating margin excluding natural gas		16.7%

Gas and services, in €m	2011 revised <sup>(1)</sup>	2012
Revenue	13,064	13,912
Incl. Natural gas effect		+17
Operating income recurring	2,473	2,622
Operating margin	18.9%	18.8%
Operating margin excluding natural gas		18.9%

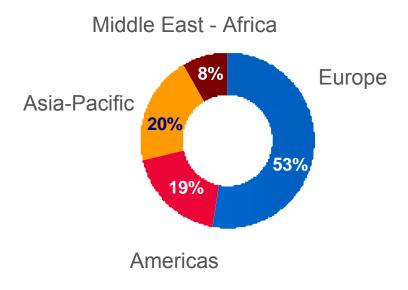
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# Gas & Services capex by geography

#### G&S 2012 Investments<sup>(1)</sup> €2.8bn





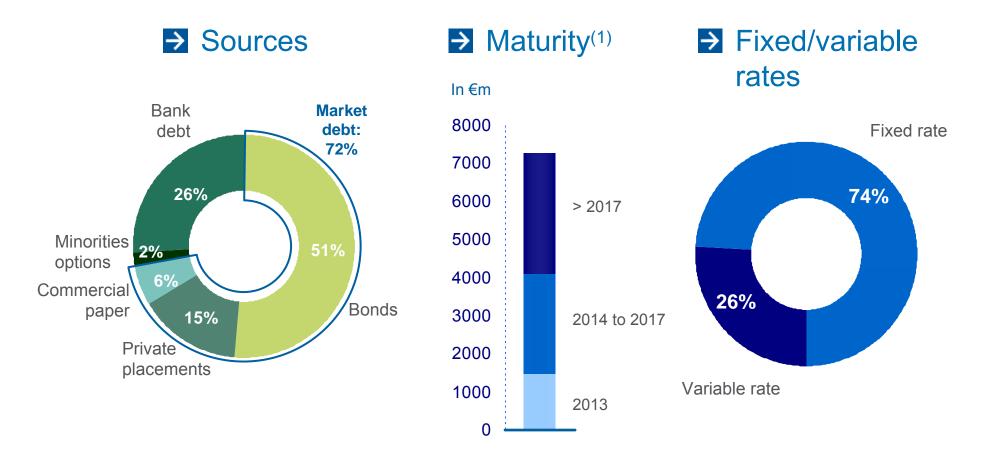
-	2011	2012
Europe	11.0%	21.3%
Americas	14.8%	16.8%
Asia-Pacific	17.1%	17.0%
Middle East and Africa	46.2%	64.2%
Total	14.2%	20.4%

(1) Industrial and financial investments, including transactions with minority shareholders.



# Financing structure

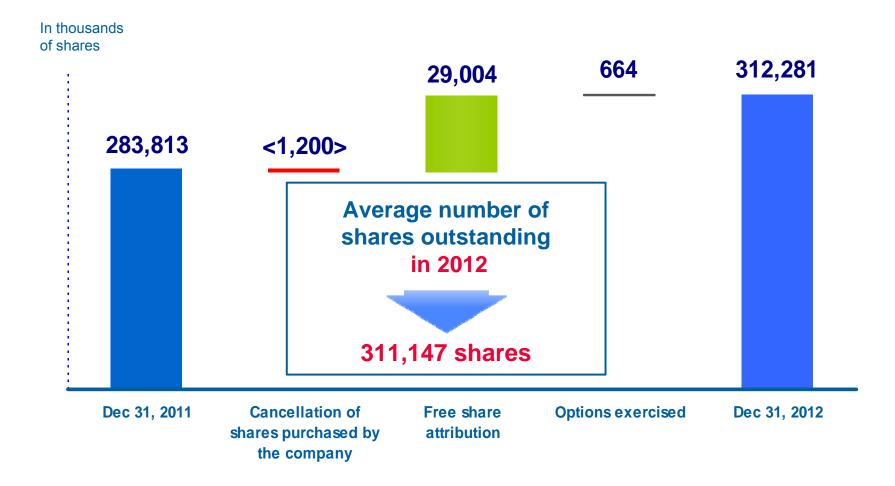
At 31 December 2012



(1) The maturity date for commercial paper coincides with that of confirmed credit lines.

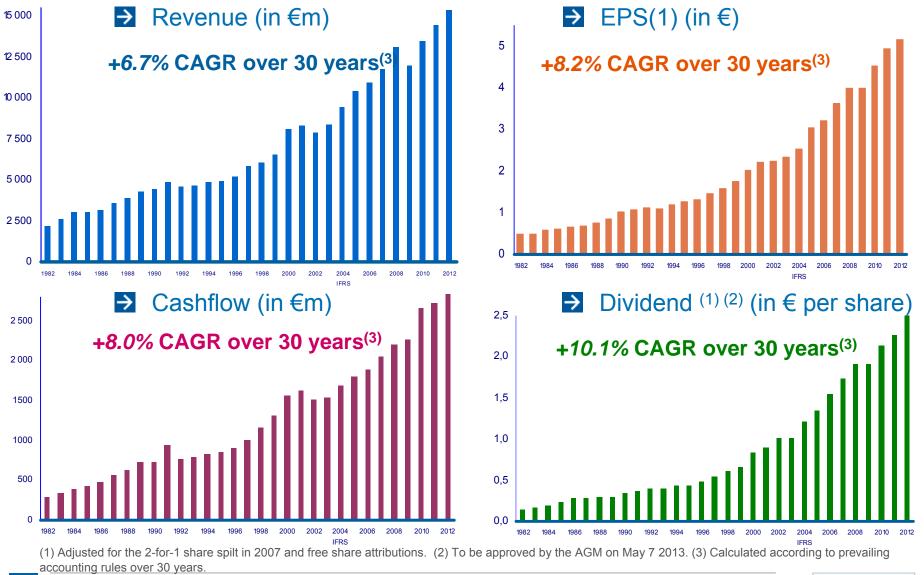


# Evolution of number of shares





# Regular and sustained performance



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