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### Q4 2021 results

Strong demand, increased earnings and margin support a robust cash flow



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# **Strong progress towards 2023 margin ambition** 2021 highlights





Strong progress towards ≥15% margin target in 2023

Improved profit and margin as divisions successfully mitigated cost inflation and supply chain imbalances

Increased targets for revenue growth and Operational EBITA margin at CMD 2021



Mechanical Power Transmission (Dodge) divestment completed for \$2.9 bn in cash

Turbocharging and E-mobility processes expected to be completed during H1 2022

Acquisition of ASTI to expand in Autonomous Mobile Robots

Improved portfolio management process to build up acquisition pipelines in the divisions **B** CAPITAL ALLOCATION

Very strong uplift in cash generation Net cash positive at the end of 2021 Accelerated R&D investments in focus areas

Proposed 2021 DPS of CHF 0.82

Returned \$2.7 bn of PG proceeds during 2021

### **Strong demand and revenues** Q4 2021 results

#### Notable orders developments

(comparable % YoY, unless otherwise indicated)



**Short-cycle** Steep growth across most businesses



Service



Orders +16%<sup>1</sup> and revenues +10%<sup>1</sup>



#### Discrete

Strong in machine building, F&B and general industries overall; automotive increased due to accelerating EV investments



#### Process

Improvement across most of the customer segments

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#### **Transport & infrastructure**

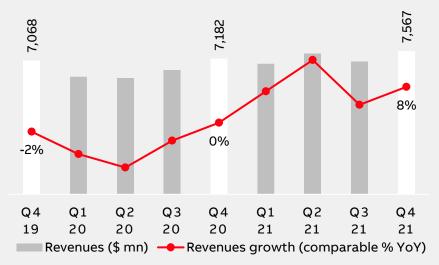
Very strong in renewables and e-mobility; improvement in buildings; continued recovery in marine including cruise

### Very high order backlog of \$16.6 bn vs. \$14.3 bn at the end of 2020

**Orders** +21%<sup>1</sup>

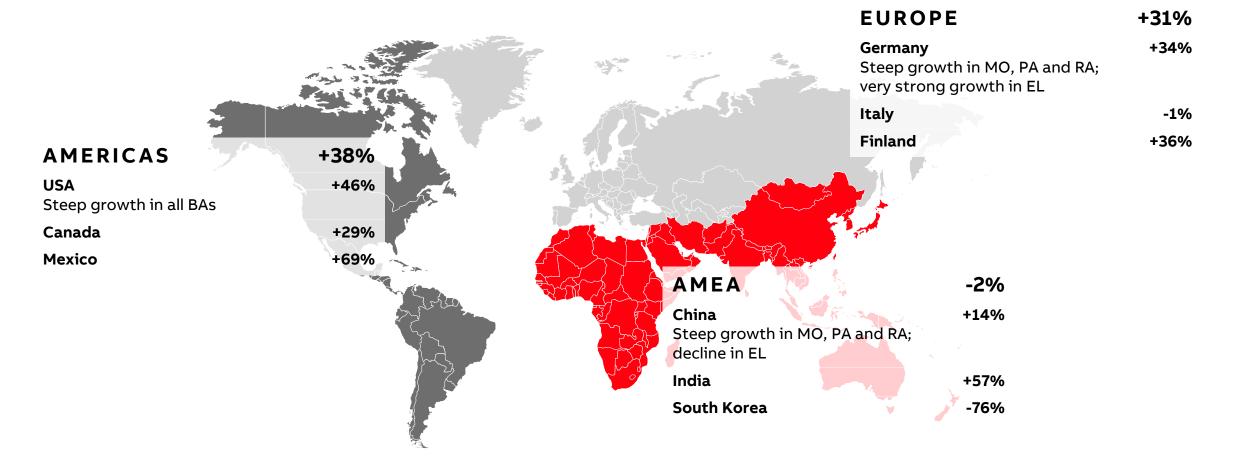


#### **Revenues** +8%<sup>1</sup>



### Book-to-bill 1.09

### **Strong Europe and Americas; AMEA impacted by high comp** Q4 2021 regional, country orders



Slide 5 All data presented on a YoY comparable basis; all growth comments refer to comparable growth trends. Performance highlighted for largest 3 countries in \$ mn terms in each region. EL = Electrification , MO = Motion, PA = Process Automation, RA = Robotics & Discrete Automation. LO = Large orders.

## Q4 profitability improvement driven by PA and RA

#### **Profitability drivers**

(comparable % YoY, unless otherwise indicated)



#### Gross margin

+180 bps, driven by strong improvement in PA; lower project charges



#### SG&A expenses

+9%<sup>1</sup> SG&A expense in % of revenues increasing from 17.7% to 17.9%



### R&D expenses

+\$1.38

-3%<sup>1</sup>, full-year up +4%<sup>1</sup>



#### Corporate and Other Operational EBITA

-\$108 mn, \$36 mn lower YoY, primarily due to the reduction of losses incurred in non-core businesses Ongoing corporate costs run-rate largely at \$300 mn

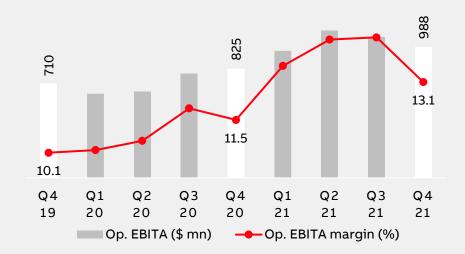
1. Constant currency.



#### Cash flow from operating activities in continuing operations \$1,033 mp

#### **\$1,033 mn** -\$192 mn

#### **Operational EBITA** +20%

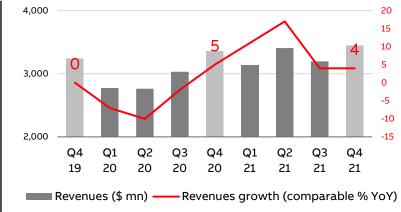


### **Operational EBITA margin** +160 bps

	Q4 20	Q4 21
Op. EBITA margin	11.5%	13.1%
Incl. following impacts within period:		
Non-core	-35 bps	0 bps
Kusile	-45 bps	n.a.
	-80 bps	0 bps

## **Strong demand, but cost inflation impacts margin** Q4 2021 Electrification





#### Orders \$3,638 mn

Positive development in all customer segments, particularly good momentum in buildings, F&B, infrastructure, renewables and e-mobility

Americas and Europe very strong, stable in AMEA, including -6% decline in China on high comparable

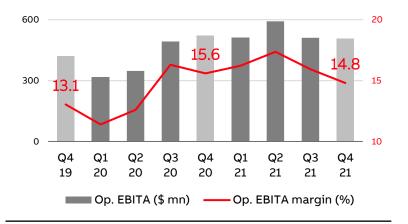
Backlog \$5.5 bn (prior Q-end \$5.2 bn) Slide 7

#### Revenues \$3,445 mn

Strong pricing execution as volumes were hampered by supply chain disruptions including component shortages and tight labor market; challenges expected to persist near-term

All regions noted stable to positive growth

Book-to-bill 1.06x



#### Operational EBITA \$507 mn, -3% YoY

Margin -80 bps YoY

Margin was positively impacted by price development and efficiency gains

This was, however, more than offset by impact from component shortages and higher input costs particularly in the Distribution Solutions division

### **Strong demand across all divisions** Q4 2021 Motion

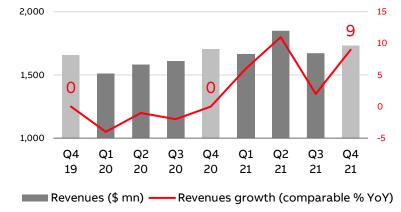


#### Orders \$1,843 mn

Strong demand across the board with double-digit growth in short- and longcycle business as well as service

Very strong growth in Europe and Americas outpaced high-single-digit improvement in AMEA including slight growth in China

Backlog \$3.7 bn (prior Q-end \$3.7 bn) Slide 8

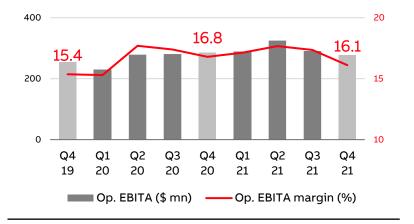


#### Revenues \$1,735 mn

Most divisions saw revenues growing yearon-year

Focused efforts to ease the impact from component shortages starting to pay off in some areas

Book-to-bill 1.06x



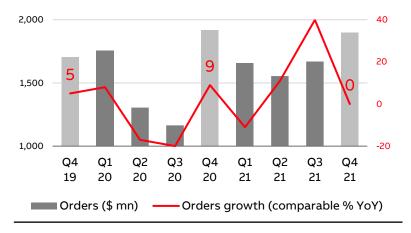
#### Operational EBITA \$278 mn, -2% YoY

Margin -70 bps YoY; approximately -50bps impact from Dodge divestment

Slight pressure due to increased material and freight costs and divisional mix, offsetting positive volume and efficiency measures

Dodge divestment completed for \$2.9 bn in cash, generating non-operational gain of \$2.2 bn included in income from operations

# **Strong profitability improvement** Q4 2021 Process Automation



#### 19 2,000 20 1.500 1.000 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q4 19 20 20 20 21 21 21 20 21 Revenues (\$ mn) -— Revenues growth (comparable % YoY)

#### Orders \$1,898 mn

Strong demand across most segments, including positive investment momentum in oil & gas

Positive market development in all regions, AMEA order growth impacted by very high large orders comparable

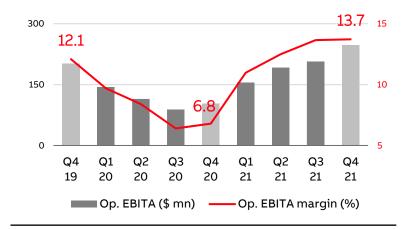
Backlog \$6.1 bn (prior Q-end \$6.0 bn)

#### Revenues \$1,805 mn

Strong revenues generation including double-digit growth in services

Still limited impact of component shortages and customer acceptance delays; impacts expected to increase in the coming quarter

Book-to-bill 1.05x



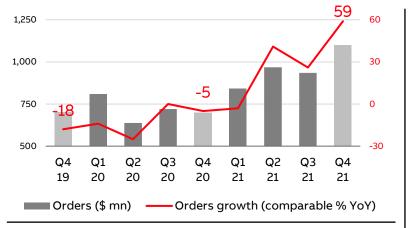
#### Operational EBITA \$247 mn, +140% YoY

Margin +690 bps YoY; approximately +270 bps impact from Kusile project and India legacy projects in Q4 20

Profitability improvement driven by volume and continued benefit from initiated cost measures, slightly offset by mix

New president for Turbocharging division appointed

## **Profitability improvement despite flat revenues** Q4 2021 Robotics & Discrete Automation

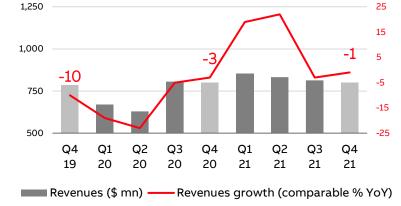


#### Orders \$1,100 mn

Broad-based strength in all customer segments

Auto benefitting from investments in EV, especially in China; continued stellar growth in general industry, supporting future profitability; machine builders very strong, despite extended delivery times

Backlog \$1.9 bn (prior Q-end \$1.6 bn) Slide 10

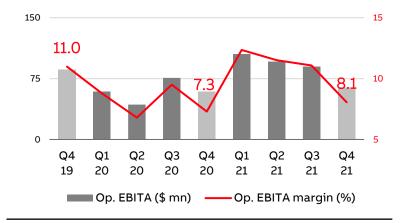


#### Revenues \$799 mn

Component shortages slowed pace of customer deliveries in both divisions

Supply constraints primarily related to semis, but increasing impact due to a tight labor market; impacts expected to remain tangible in the coming quarter

Book-to-bill 1.38x



#### Operational EBITA \$64 mn, +8% YoY

Margin +80 bps YoY, despite lack of revenue growth

Increased efficiency and favorable mix more than offset adverse impacts from increased freight and input costs

Growth in Robotics offset the decline in Machine Automation where supply chain disruptions were more tangible

### **Revenues and Operational EBITA bridge**

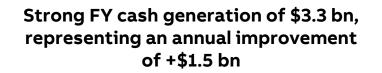
(\$ million, unless otherwise indicated)	Q4 2020	∆ Comparable (core)	∆ Non-core business	∆ Acquisitions /divestments	ΔFX	Q4 2021
Revenues	7,182	531	5	-65	-86	7,567
Operational EBITA	825	161	23	-17	-4	988
Op. EBITA margin (%)	11.5					13.1
Margin accretion/ dilution (%)			+0.3	-0.1		

### **Cash generation analysis** Q4 2021 cash flow drivers

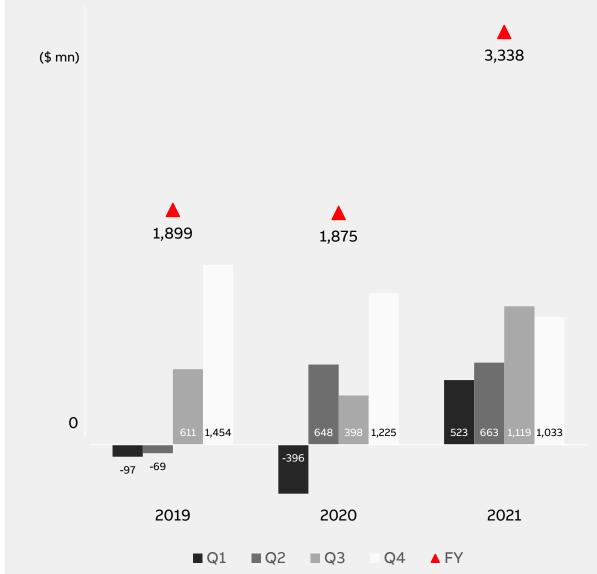
#### Cash flow from operating activities<sup>1</sup>

\$1,033 mn, -\$192 mn YoY

- Stronger operational performance driven by Process Automation
- Balanced by less positive movement in trade working capital, mainly from inventory
- Cash flow reflected ~\$300 mn of cash paid for income taxes relating to the sale of Mechanical Power Transmission business, while Q4-20 included ~\$200 mn due to the Kusile settlement and pension plan transfers



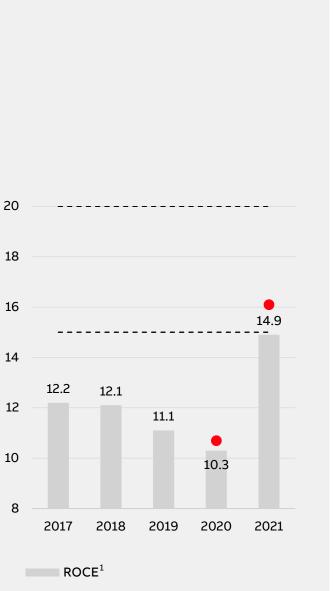
#### **Cash flow from operating activities**<sup>1</sup> \$1,033 mn



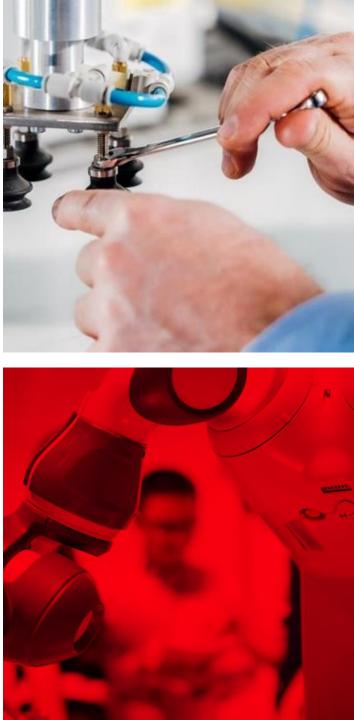
### Strong recovery in Return on Capital employed

#### **Return on Capital employed (ROCE)**

- Strong ROCE improvement in 2021 towards the 15 20% target range
- Improvement driven by higher Operational EBITA and lower adjusted group effective tax rate compared to last year
- Approximately 120 bps negative impact of 19.9% ownership interest in Hitachi Energy which will reverse after a sale of this investment



- Impact of PG JV ownership interest
- ---- Target range 15-20%



### Q1 2022 outlook

#### Orders and revenues

Underlying market activity to remain overall stable compared with Q4; revenues in Q1 tend to be seasonally softer in absolute terms **Operational EBITA %** 

Remain broadly stable or slightly up compared with Q4



#### UNDERLYING MARKET

	% of 2021 revenues <sup>1</sup>	Previous outlook Q4, YoY	Outlook Q1, YoY		% of 2021 revenues <sup>1</sup>	Previous outlook Q4, YoY	Outlook Q1, YoY
Non-resi buildings	~12%	•••	••	Power distribution utilities	~6%	••	••
Oil & gas, chemicals	~10%	•••	••	Conv. power generation	~6%	٠	•
Mining & metals	~9%	•••	•••	Food & beverage	~5%	•••	••
Residential buildings	~7%	•••	••	Automotive	~5%	•••	••
Marine & ports	~6%	•••	••	Renewables	~3%	•••	•••



# **Cement performance Focus on growth** Improve profitability culture

- All divisions to take ownership of performance
  - Accountability, transparency & speed
  - Transparent reviews
  - Exposure to EC & Board
- Good leaders cooperate

- Focused R&D spend driven by divisions
- Efficient growth through increasing channel sales
- Building M&A pipeline
- Grow software and embedded digital sales

- Improve underperforming divisions
- Focus on quality of revenues
  - Better gross margin
  - Less tail risks
  - Reduced earnings volatility
- Continuous improvements

 Progress with already announced exits and IPO

Portfolio management

- Inside divisions: review of product group portfolio
- Work towards increased pace of acquisitions
- Strong balance sheet to support acquisitions

- **Reward shareholders**
- Value creation through improved performance
- Create value by adding know-how/exposure through acquisitions
- Proposed 2021 DPS of CHF 0.82, in line with dividend policy
- Plan to continue share buybacks, also in excess of the PG capital return program

# we expect support from an anticipated positive market

2022 in focus

momentum and our strong order backlog as well as a steady margin improvement towards the 2023 target of at least 15%

manage interruptions in supply chain

continuous improvements

strong focus on performance culture







### 2022 framework

\$ mn unless otherwise stated	Q4 21	Q1 22 framework	2022 <sup>1</sup> framework
Corporate and Other Operational EBITA	(108)	~(80)	~(330)
Non-operating items			
Restructuring and restructuring-related	(79)	~(40)	~(150)
GEIS integration costs	(14)	-	_
Separation costs <sup>2</sup>	(36)	~(70)	~(180)
ABB Way transformation	(28)	~(30)	~(150)
PPA-related amortization	(59)	~(60)	~(230)
Certain other income and expenses related to PG divestment <sup>3</sup>	(25)	~(15)	~(20)

	Q4 21	Q1 22 framework	2022 framework
Net finance expenses	(26)	~(25)	~(100)
Non-operational pension (cost) / credit	36	~35	~140
Effective tax rate	9.4%	~20%	~25%
Capital expenditure	(361)	~(140)	~(750)

 Excludes 2 main exposures estimated to a total of ~\$300 million, that are ongoing in the non-core business. Exact exit timing is difficult to assess due to legal proceedings etc. however ABB currently expects \$150-\$200 million to come through in non-operating items during 2022.
Costs relating to the announced exits and the potential E-mobility listing
Excluding share of net income from JV

### **Operational EBITA bridge**

