

Raising the outlook

Financial Highlights Q2 2018



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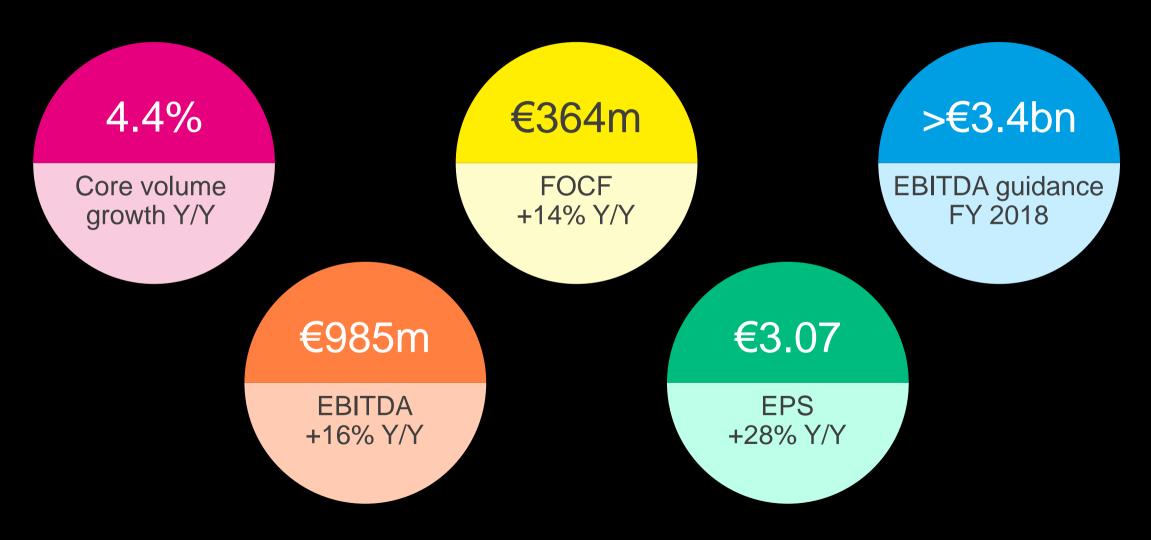
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Q2 2018 Key Highlights





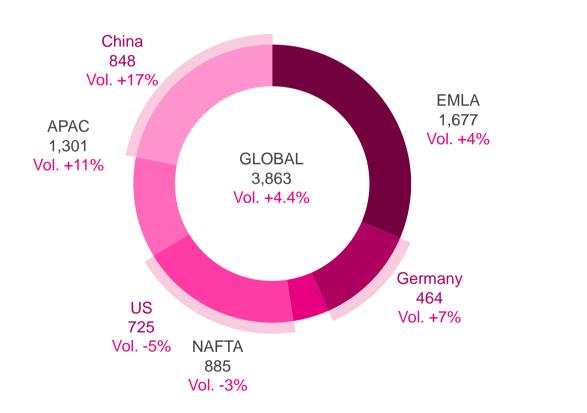
Above GDP growth

Q2 2018 – Sales and core volume growth per region



Split by regions

Sales in € million Core volume growth Y/Y in %

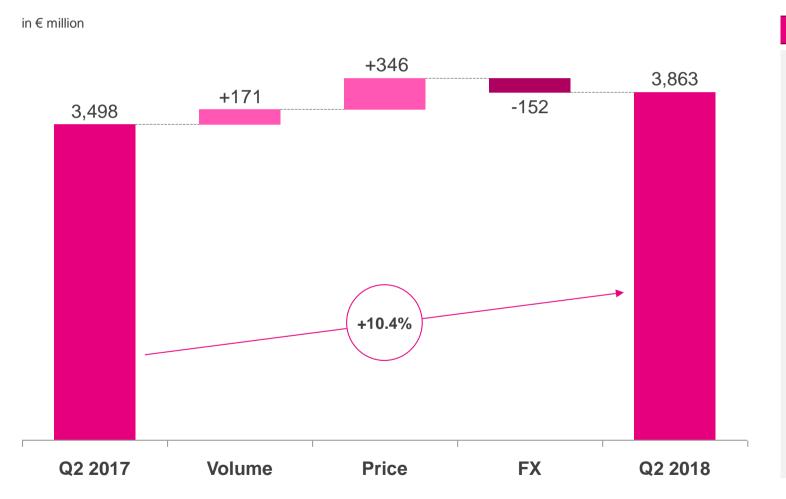


- Above GDP core volume growth of 4.4% driven by all segments
- APAC: double-digit growth in China, as well as in the Philippines, Thailand and Malaysia
- EMLA: double-digit growth in Spain;
 Germany driven by PUR and double-digit growth in PCS
- NAFTA: positive development in CAS and Mexico
- High single-digit growth in automotive, driven by APAC and EMLA
- Slight increase in construction, driven by EMLA and APAC
- Double-digit growth in medical and other industries

Dynamic volume development and strong pricing



Q2 2018 – Sales bridge



Highlights

Dynamic volume development

Sales volume expansion (in €) by 4.9% Y/Y

Strong pricing

 Higher selling prices positively impacted sales by 9.9% Y/Y

Negative FX impact

 FX burdened sales by 4.4% Y/Y mainly due to weaker USD, CNY and emerging market FX rates

High volume leverage and positive pricing delta

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Q2 2018 – EBITDA bridge



Highlights

High positive volume leverage

- Broad-based in all three segments
- EBITDA volume leverage^(a) at 58%

Improving cash margin

- Positive pricing delta in all segments, mainly driven by PUR and PCS
- Selling prices increased significantly more than raw material prices

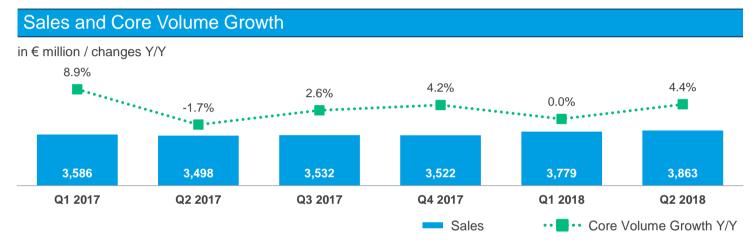
Other items

- Prior year benefited from one-time items of €74m
- Higher maintenance and logistics costs as well as diverse items

Covestro - continuing profitable growth

Q2 2018 – Group results





Highlights

- Above GDP core volume growth (in kt) of 4.4% Y/Y driven by all segments
- Sales increased by 10.4% Y/Y driven by price (+9.9%) and volume (+4.9%)

EBITDA and Margin in € million / margin in percent 28.1% 24.4% 25.0% 25.5% 23.6% 24.2% 846 848 862 879 1,063 985 Q1 2017 Q2 2017 Q3 2017 Q4 2017 Q1 2018 Q2 2018 EBITDA EBITDA Margin

- EBITDA increased by 16.2% Y/Y driven by all segments
- EBITDA margin on continuously high level, excluding TDI fly-up contribution at c.22%
- Q2 2018 represents 14th consecutive quarter with Y/Y EBITDA increase

Polyurethanes – normalizing earnings

Q2 2018 – PUR segment results







Highlights

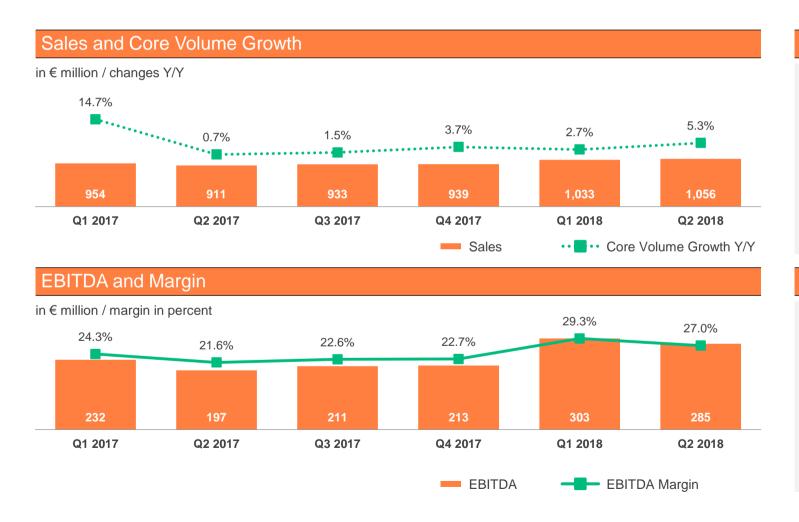
- Solid core volume growth of 3.9% Y/Y driven by strong MDI, whereas TDI and polyols increased low single digit
- Sales increased by 8.1% Y/Y driven by price (+9.2%) and volume (+3.3%)
- Negative FX impact of 4.4% Y/Y

- EBITDA increased by 6.2% Y/Y due to positive pricing delta and volume leverage
- Underlying EBITDA margin excluding TDI flyup contribution and one-time items expanded to c.23% vs. c.21% in Q2 2017

Polycarbonates – driven by price, volume and product mix



Q2 2018 – PCS segment results



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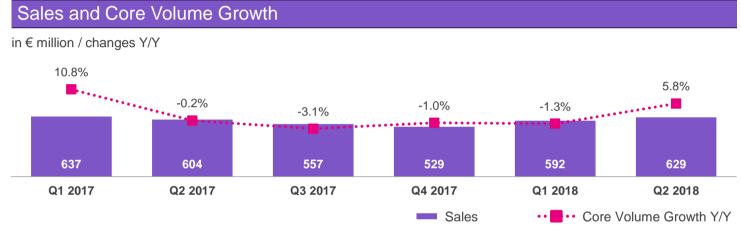
- Solid core volume growth of 5.3% Y/Y driven by APAC and EMLA
- Sales increased by 15.9% Y/Y driven by price (+15.2%) and volume (+5.6%)
- Negative FX impact of 4.9% Y/Y

- EBITDA increased by 44.7% Y/Y due to positive pricing delta and volume leverage
- EBITDA margin expanded to 27.0% vs. 21.6% in Q2 2017

Coatings, Adhesives, Specialties – back to growth

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Q2 2018 – CAS segment results





EBITDA

Highlights

- Strong core volume growth of 5.8% Y/Y with all regions contributing
- Sales increased by 4.1% Y/Y driven by volume (+6.3%) and price (+1.7%)
- Negative FX impact of 3.9% Y/Y

Highlights

- EBITDA increased by 14.9% Y/Y mainly due to positive volume leverage
- Price increases balanced out negative raw material impact
- EBITDA margin expanded to 22.1% vs. 20.0% in Q2 2017

EBITDA Margin

Covestro strengthens its global film production

High-growth business – Specialty Films



- Industry growth expectation of 6-7% p.a. driven by product innovations
- Covestro as leading supplier in all key regions for PC- and TPUfilms
- Around 10% of total CAS sales, with core volume growth of 6% CAGR 2015-2017
- Strong technology background in extruded films production, surface modification and coatings technology
- Leading innovation pipeline offering solutions to future industry trends
- Total investment of more than €100 million for capacity expansion at four sites between 2018 and 2020

Applications

TPU films









PC films

- Automotive
- Security





Holographic films

- Electronics
- Automotive

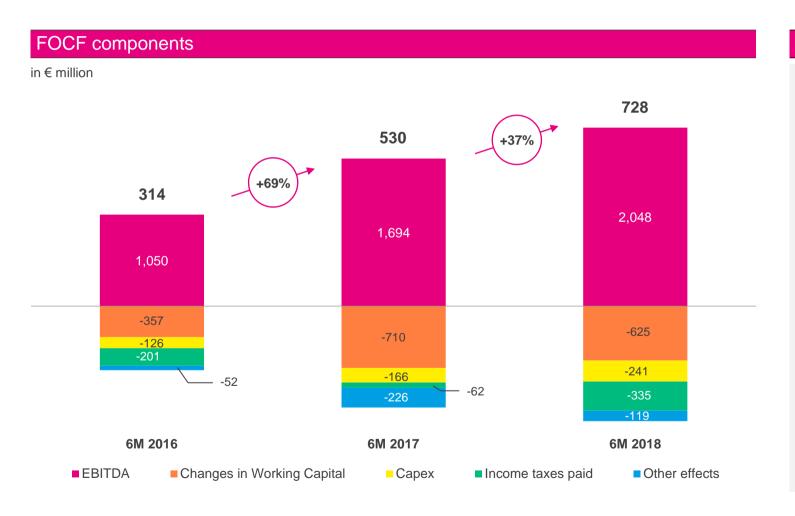




Strong FOCF generation

6M 2018 – Free Operating Cash Flow

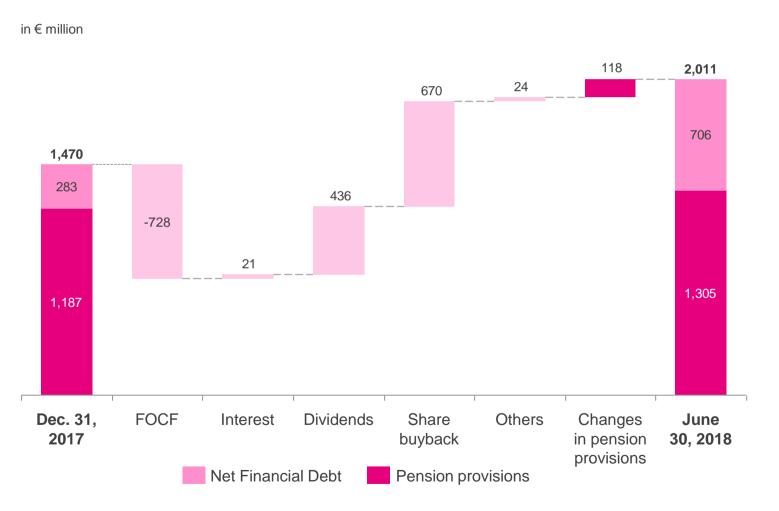




- FOCF follows EBITDA development: Cash conversion rate increased to 35.5% vs. 31.3% in 6M 2017
- Working capital to sales ratio^(a) at 19.1%, slightly above the targeted range of 15-17%
- Capex of €241m up Y/Y with focus on debottlenecking projects, on track for full year guidance
- Low cash tax rate of 20% below effective tax rate mainly due to phasing of tax payments
- Effective tax rate of 25.4% within the guided range

Above €1bn cash returned to shareholders

June 30th 2018 – Total net debt



Note:

- Total net debt to EBITDA ratio^(a) slightly increased to 0.5x end of Q2 2018
- Increase of net financial debt by €423m mainly due to share buyback and dividend payout
- Repayment of a €500m bond out of cash in Q1 2018
- Pension provisions increased by €118m partly due to lower interest rates in Germany
- Equity ratio further improved to 50%

FY 2018 EBITDA guidance raised

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Summary

	FY 2017	Guidance FY 2018
Core Volume Growth	+3.4%	Low- to mid-single-digit percentage increase Y/Y
FOCF	€1,843m	>€2bn
ROCE	33.4%	Around previous year's level (previously: approaching)
Additional financial expectations	FY 2017	Guidance FY 2018
EBITDA FY	€3,435m	Above previous year's level (previously: around)
EBITDA Q3	Q3 2017: €862m	Around Q3 2017
D&A	€627m	€620-640m (previously: €600-620m)
Financial result	€-150m	€-100 to -120m
Effective tax rate	24.1%	25-27%
Capex	€518m	€650-700m

Attractive growth fuels solid cash generation

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Strategic highlights



Attractive volume growth above global GDP



Strong earnings growth
driven by volume leverage and positive pricing delta



Continued strong cash generation along with increasing capex



High cash return to shareholders with an ongoing share buyback program



New guidance for FY 2018 EBITDA above previous year's level after FOCF guidance upgrade at CMD in June 2018

Upcoming IR events



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Broker conferences		
 August 28, 2018 September 12, 2018 September 24-25, 2018 September 26, 2018 September 27, 2018 October 2, 2018 	Commerzbank, Sector Conference, Frankfurt Credit Suisse, 31st Annual Basic Materials Conference, New York Berenberg & Goldman Sachs, 7th German Corporate Conference, Munich, Baader Bank, Investment Conference 2018, Munich JP Morgan, Milan Investor Forum, Milan Kepler Cheuvreux, One-stop shop, Copenhagen	
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• April 12, 2019	Annual General Meeting, Bonn	