

# HELLA Investor Update 9 months FY 2015/16

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#### Financial Highlights 9 months 2015/16

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

**HELLA Group sales up 10.3% YoY to 4.7 bill. EUR**, thereof **2.4%-points FX** effects (mainly USD and CNY)

Third party sales development per segment compared to previous year:

- Automotive: +11.0% driven by product launches in innovative LED technologies and electronic components for industry megatrends
- Aftermarket: +7.1% driven by positive development of independent aftermarket in Europe as well as positive wholesale (Nordic Forum) and workshop equipment business with demand for high-end diagnose and camera calibration tools
- Special Applications: +2.0% driven by stabilization in the agricultural, still under pre-crisis level

Gross Profit margin at 26.6% (-0.4%-pointsYoY) due to supplier default, excluding one-offs margin at 27.2% (+0.2%-points YoY) due to continued productivity gains in automotive and decreasing launch costs for new technologies mainly in Eastern Europe

**Structural cost development** without major impact on 9 months profitability: **R&D** cost ratio remained at **9.6%**. **Distribution** and **administrative expenses -0.1%-points YoY** each. R&D absolute increase due to developing costs for newly acquired business and investments in the international R&D network

EBIT at 290 mill. EUR (- 20 mill. EUR), EBIT margin at 6.2% (-1.1%-points YoY) Adj. EBIT at 345 mill. EUR, adj. EBIT margin at 7.4%

Operative Cash Flow at 35 mill. EUR compared to -19 mill. EUR 9 months FY14/15

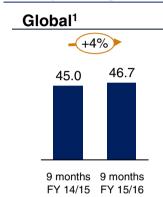
Sales

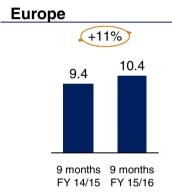
**Profitability** 

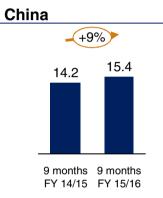


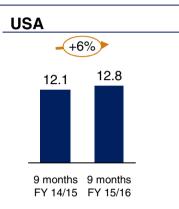
## Sales – Outperforming the market in the first 9 months of FY 2015/16

#### New passenger car registrations (in millions)

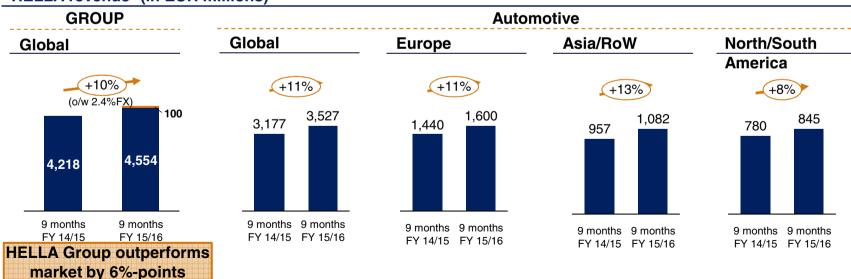








#### **HELLA revenue<sup>2</sup> (in EUR millions)**





## P&L (I) - 9 months 2014/15 to 9 months 2015/16

EUR millions and % sales **Gross Profit and adi.\* Gross Profit** 1.264 1.237 Gross +125 **Profit** +98 and 1.140 1.140 adi.\* Gross **Profit** adi.\* GP 9 months 9 months GP FY14/15 FY15/16 Margins 27.2 27.0 27.0 26.6 **Margins** 

9 months

FY15/16

adj.\* GPM

**GPM** 

Gross Profit 9 months FY 15/16 increased by 98 mill. EUR (+9%) to 1,237 mill. EUR after deduction of 27 mill. EUR one-off expenses for the supplier default

Excluding supplier default, Gross Profit increased by 125 mill EUR (+11%) to 1,264 mill. EUR

Extraordinary expenses for supplier default increased COGS by 24 mill EUR in Q1 FY 15/16, by 3 mill. EUR in Q2 FY 15/16, no effect in Q3 FY15/16

Excluding supplier default, the Gross Profit margin improved by 0.2%-points to 27.2% driven by

- increased productivity in the automotive segment and contrarily
- decreasing launch cost for new high-tech products mainly in EE
- positive product mix in Automotive, Aftermarket and SOE segment

Including charges for supplier default GPM decreased by 0.4%-points YoY

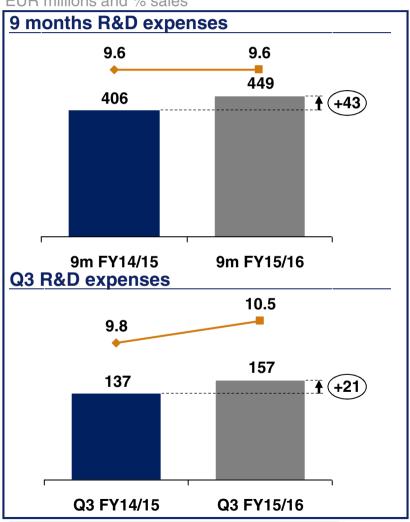
\*adjusted for one-off charges for supplier default

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FY14/15

## P&L (II) – 9 months 2014/15 to 9 months 2015/16, R&D expenses

EUR millions and % sales



**R&D** ratio 9 months FY15/16 stable at 9.6% driven by increase of ratio in Q3 FY15/16 by 0.7pp to 10.5% after over-proportional increase in absolute development costs

Absolute R&D expenses increased 9 months FY 15/16 by 43 mill. EUR to 449 mill. EUR, in Q3 FY 15/16 by 21 mill. EUR to 157 mill. EUR

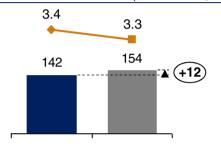
Newly acquired businesses need more development efforts than expected as international R&D network is not as its targeted efficiency level

Absolute increase driven by strategic growth projects in automotive electronics esp. energy management/fuel efficiency, EPS, automated driving (radar) and in automotive lighting due to big project wins in complex LED technologies



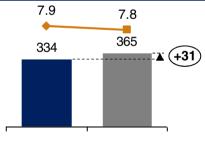
#### P&L (III) – 9 months 2014/15 to 9 months 2015/16

#### Administrative (in mill. EUR, % of sales)



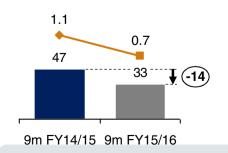
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#### Distribution (in mill. EUR, % of sales)



9m FY14/15 9m FY15/16

#### JV income (in mill. EUR, % of sales)



#### Comment

9 months FY15/16 ratio decreased by 0.1%-points to 3.3% driven by strong top line growth compared to 9 months previous year

Q3 FY15/16 ratio remained at 3.4% driven by weaker top line growth compared to Q3 previous year, absolute expenses increased by 3 mill. EUR to 50 mill. EUR

**Absolute administrative** expenses with a rather stable development. Increase by 12 mill. EUR to **154 mill. EUR** due to **growth-related investments** in corporate functions

9 months FY15/16 ratio decreased by 0.1%-points to 7.8% driven by strong top line growth compared to 9 months previous year

Q3 FY15/16 ratio increased by 0.1%-points to 8.1% driven by weaker top line growth compared to Q3 previous year, absolute expenses increased by 9 mill. EUR to 121 mill. EUR

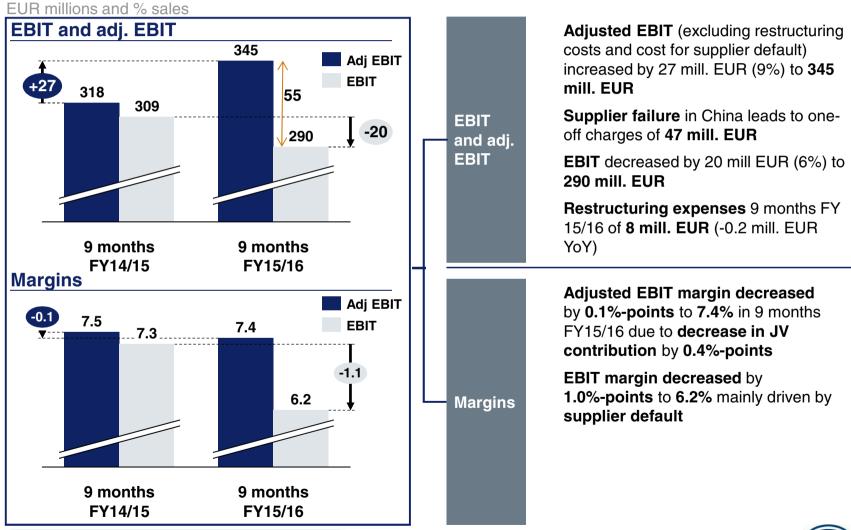
**Absolute distribution** expenses increased by 31 mill. EUR to 365 mill. EUR due to higher Aftermarket sales and **ramp-up of e-commerce** as well higher rental and transport costs in Eastern Europe due to **increased level of operations** 

**9 months FY15/16 ratio decreased** by **0.4%-points** to **0.7%.** Decline in absolute contribution by 14 mill EUR to **33 mill. EUR** due to **high comparable basis** FY15/16, **additional tax-burden** and **weaker Asian markets** 

Q3 FY15/16 ratio decreased by 0.8%-points to 0.6% after absolute decline by 10 mill. EUR to 9 mill EUR. Decline driven by one-offs (~5 mill EUR) and operational weakness in Asia.

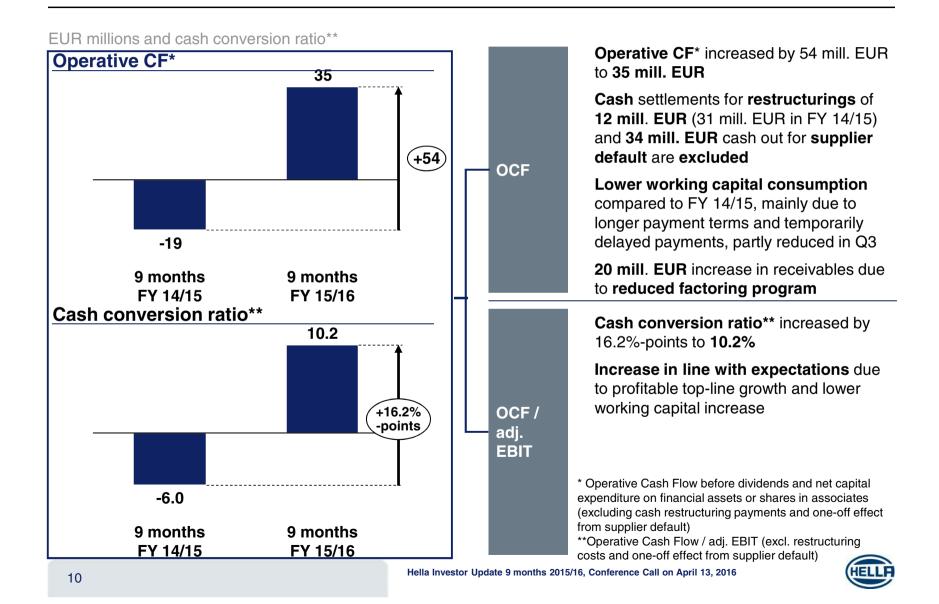


## P&L (III) - 9 months 2014/15 to 9 months 2015/16

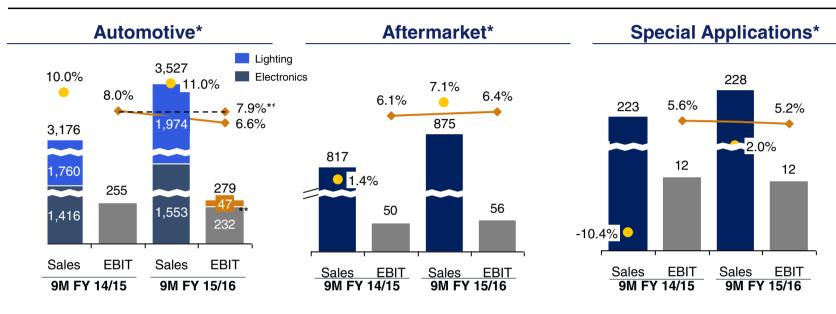




## Operative CF - 9 months 2014/15 to 9 months 2015/16



#### Segment Highlights – 9 months 2014/15 to 9 months 2015/16



Strong demand for innovative electronics and lighting products based on megatrends
Positive demand in Europe,

Positive demand in Europe, NAFTA and in China

Roll-out of complex products with

LED technology still affects margin

Non-recurring charges after supplier failure decrease EBIT by

47 mill. EUR

Independent aftermarket catching up after market recovery

Positive demand for high-end diagnose and camera calibration tools

Higher EBIT margin due to positive product mix and increasing sales

Positive product mix in SOE with increasing sales
Stabilization in the agricultural sector, still under pre-crisis level

Reduced industry sales and EBIT contribution

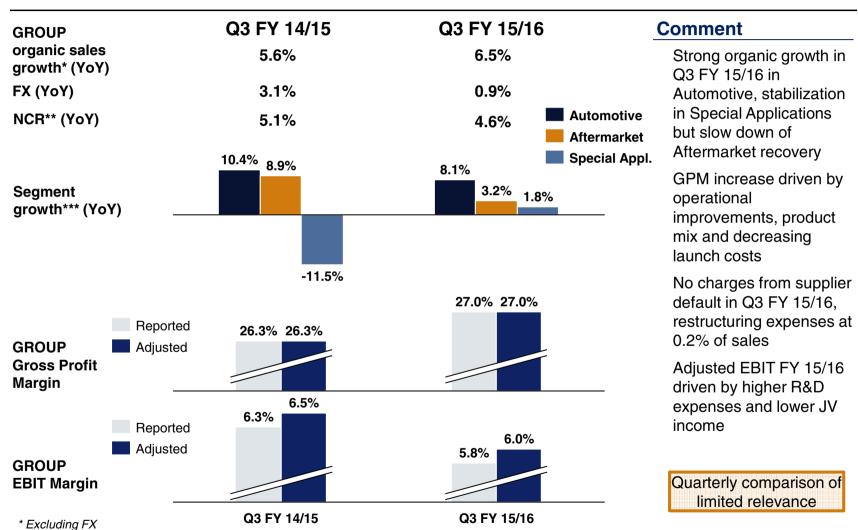




<sup>\*</sup> External sales

<sup>\*\*</sup> Supplier failure effect; 7.9% margin ex. supplier failure

## Quarterly Comparison - Q3 FY 15/16 vs. Q3 FY 14/15

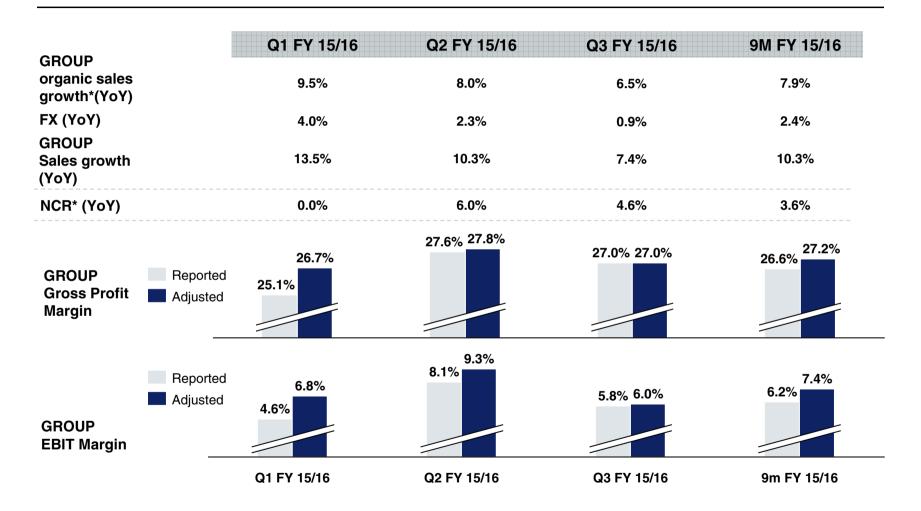


<sup>\*\*</sup>New Car Registrations according to HELLA fiscal year, does not include all regions due to limited data availability, source: VDA, HELLA analysis



<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Third party sales only

## Quarterly Comparison – 9 months 2015/16



<sup>\*</sup>Excluding FX

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# Market specific outlook

Region	Outlook Automotive Sales (in m pieces)	Comment
Germany	3.2 3.2 2015 2016	<ul> <li>Positive development of new car registrations in 2015</li> <li>Modest expected growth of approx. 1% for 2016</li> </ul>
Western Europe incl. Germany	13.2 13.3 2015 2016	<ul> <li>Strong growth to above pre-crises levels in most Western European countries in 2015</li> <li>Modest growth in 2016 expected after strong 2015, low interest rate level and low fuel prices supportive</li> </ul>
USA	17.4 17.5 2015 2016	<ul> <li>Positive growth in the calendar year 2015 of around 6% due to favorable economic environment</li> <li>Modest growth of 1% in 2016 after strong 2015 expected</li> </ul>
China	<b>20.0 21.3 2016</b>	<ul> <li>Declining demand in first half 2015, government supported accelerated growth in last 3 months of 2015</li> <li>Positive growth in 2016 expected but instable forecast</li> </ul>
TOTAL	78 ~80 CY 2015 CY 2016	<ul> <li>Overall growing expectations with significant regional differences. Uncertainty with respect to political tensions and economic conditions</li> </ul>



#### **Outlook**

#### Company specific outlook FY 2015/16

Presuming no serious economic turmoil, we assume a further positive development of the operative HELLA business, however a decline in EBIT due to one-off charges in the FY 2015/16:

#### Guidance Comment Sales still expected to grow in the Growth in medium to high onemiddle to high single-digit Sales digit percentage range percentage range over the full financial year **One-off charges** Already booked in 9 months FY 47 mill. EUR 15/16, no further burden in Q4 (supplier failure) Drag on EBIT due to supplier default cannot be offset by strong **EBIT** Below previous year sales development. EBIT margin will decrease relative to the prior year **EBIT** No change in guidance without Mid to high single-digit adjusted by one-offs supplier case (as stated in Q1 & Q2) percentage growth for supplier default



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# Thanks for your attention

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