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# Solid end to challenging year 2020 highlights

Implemented ABB Way

Decentralized model – mandate and accountability for operating decisions to business areas and divisions

~\$500 mn p.a. net savings from simplification, 1 year ahead of plan

2030 Sustainability targets and updated financial framework

Agile response to COVID challenges

#1 priority Health & Safety

Preserved and extended customer relationships, operations kept running Strong cost mitigation efforts

Cultural change gained momentum

Better understanding of roles, responsibilities, accountability and purpose Improved employee engagement







# **Q4 affirms upward momentum from Q2 lows** Q4 highlights

**ORDERS** 

\$7.0 bn

**-1%**<sup>1</sup>

**CASH FLOW** 

From operating activities in continuing operations

\$1,225 mn

-16%

after \$115 mn Kusile settlement, \$85 mn pension impacts **REVENUES** 

\$7.2 bn

 $0\%^{1}$ 

**Basic EPS** 

-0.04

n.a

after debt and pension optimization costs, book gain adjustments

Op. EBITA margin

11.5%

+140 bps

after -80 bps Kusile settlement and non-core charges

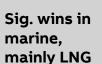
Operational EPS continuing operations

0.26

+20%

### Notable developments







Short-cycle products Up mid-

single-digits



New year-end high for automation design wins



GEIS integration 2/3<sup>rds</sup> complete



-11% +3% SG&A<sup>2</sup> R&D<sup>2</sup>



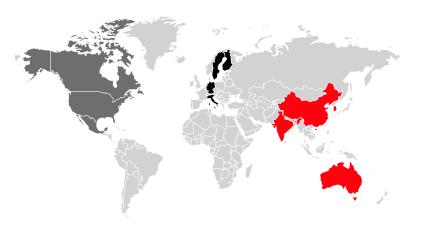
Pension, debt optimization Progress on legacy issues

# China buoyant, COVID-19 impacts evident in Americas and Europe

Q4 2020 orders

### Order development yoy

Growth by region and largest country markets in \$ terms



AMEA	Europe
36%	36%
	Americas 28%

Americas	-6%
USA	-12%
Canada	-2%
Mexico	-3%

Europe	-12%
Germany	-26%
Italy	+16%
Finland	+13%
Sweden	-21%

AMEA	+23%
China	+21%
S. Korea	+368%
India	-9%
Australia	+4%

### **Americas**

Decline correlated to COVID-19
USA difficult:

- MO and RA broadly flat
- Tough for EL, IA

### Europe

All BAs challenged Germany:

- EL and MO very strong
- IA and RA stable when excluding LOs

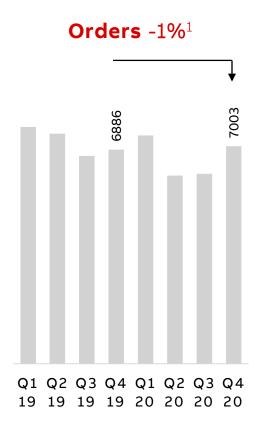
### **AMEA**

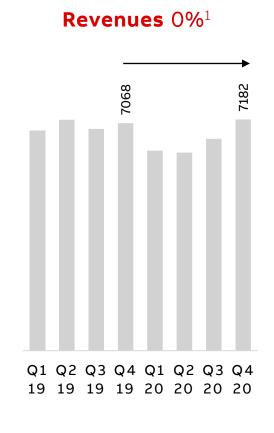
LOs strong, short-cycle solid. All BAs up China:

- Excellent growth in RA (up ~90%), EL
- MO solid, IA soft

### Stable top-line, margin higher

### Q4 2020 results





# Operational EBITA margin +140 bps

(% or bps)	Q4 19	Q4 20
Op. EBITA margin	10.1	11.5
Stranded costs	-60	n.a.
Non-core	-110	-35
Kusile (IA)	n.a.	-45
	-170	-80

### Operational EBITA \$825 mn +16%

### **Operational EPS**

continuing operations \$0.26

+20%

### **Basic EPS**

-\$0.04

n.a.

after debt, pension optimization costs, book gain adjustments

### Cash flow

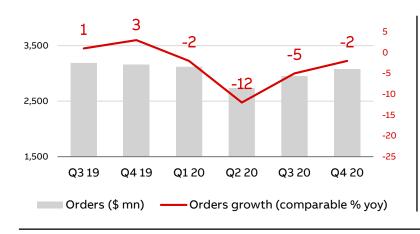
from operating activities in continuing operations<sup>2</sup>

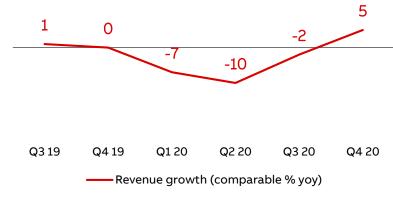
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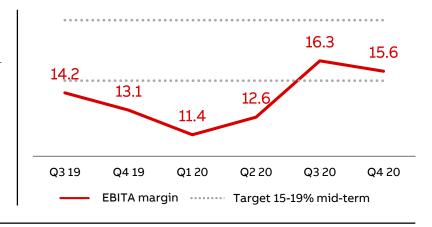
after \$115 mn Kusile settlement, \$85 mn pension impacts

### **Q4 2020 Electrification**

### Strong operational momentum







### **Orders \$3,074 mn**

Data centers, renewables, rail, F&B, e-mobility Strong backlog execution healthy

**Buildings** mixed

Oil & Gas challenged

Backlog \$4.4 bn (prior Q-end \$4.5 bn)

### Revenues \$3,356 mn

Solid short-cycle business

Book-to-bill 0.92x

### **Operational EBITA \$522 mn**

Margin yoy +250 bps

Ongoing cost savings

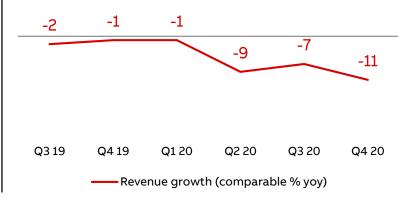
Better volumes, supportive pricing

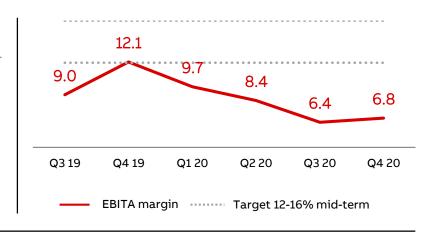
GEIS, ELIP progressed well

### **Q4 2020 Industrial Automation**

### Significant wins in LNG vessels, Kusile settlement







### **Orders \$1,918 mn**

Significant LOs, mainly LNG vessels

Wins in mining, water and wastewater

Oil, chemicals, power gen. remained challenged

Backlog \$5.8 bn (prior Q-end \$5.2 bn)

### Revenues \$1,545 mn

Broad based decline, services challenged

Book-to-bill 1.24x

### Operational EBITA \$103 mn

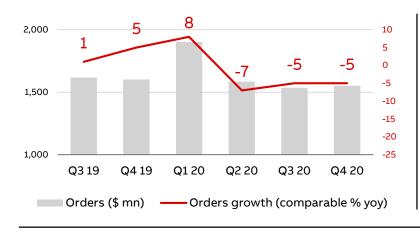
Margin yoy -530 bps

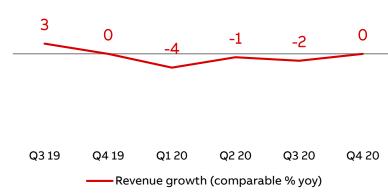
Combined -270 bps from final Kusile settlement, legacy projects in India

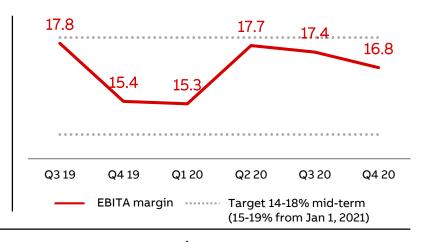
Lower volumes, unfavorable mix predominantly services

### Q4 2020 Motion

### Steady delivery







### **Orders \$1,552 mn**

Tough LO comparison

Rail, water and wastewater healthy

Oil & Gas challenged

Backlog \$3.3 bn (prior Q-end \$3.3 bn)

### Revenues \$1,705 mn

Solid short-cycle products business

Strong backlog execution

Book-to-bill 0.91x

### Operational EBITA \$285 mn

Margin yoy +140 bps

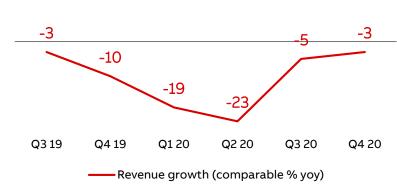
Stable volumes, supportive mix

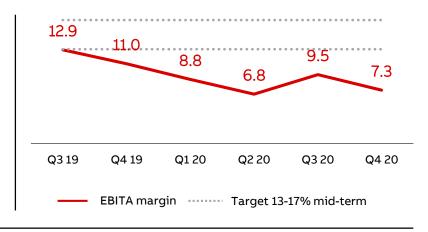
Good cost mitigation

### **Q4 2020 Robotics & Discrete Automation**

### Machine Automation prospers







### Orders \$699 mn

3C, machine builders strong

Select investments in EV autos

Sharpened approach in system business

Backlog \$1.4 bn (prior Q-end \$1.4 bn)

### Revenues \$801 mn

Machine Automation up

Good backlog execution

Book-to-bill 0.87x

### Operational EBITA \$59 mn

Margin yoy -370 bps

Unfavorable mix, particularly backlog revenues from robotics' automotive segment

Continued cost mitigation

Management change in Machine Automation

### **Operational EBITA analysis**

	Q4 2018	Q4 2019	Q4 2020	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Group operational EBITA margin	7.9%	10.1%	11.5%	10.9%	11.1%	11.1%
Negative basis points impact within period:						
Stranded costs	-100	-60		-110	-80	-15
Non-core	-260	-110	-35	-100	-50	-50
Kusile project (Industrial Automation)			-45		<i>-</i> 20	-40
	-360	-170	-80	-210	-150	-105

### 2021 onwards:

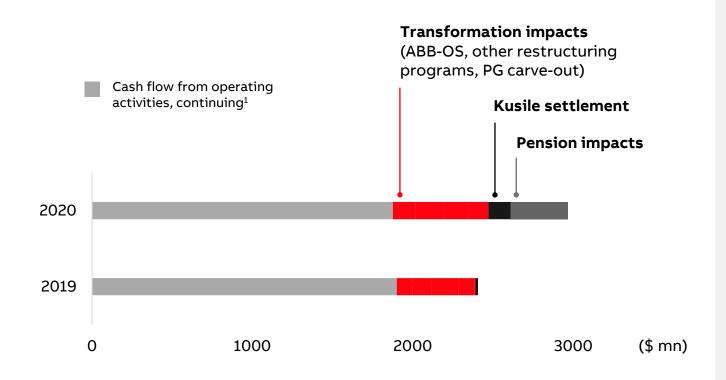
<10 projects in execution

2 main operational exposures ongoing, below ~\$300 mn<sup>1</sup>. Timing of exit depends on legal proceedings.

Final settlement with Eskom in S. Africa in Q4 2020. Regulatory proceedings outside S. Africa not estimable

### **Cash generation analysis**

### Historic development in cash flow from operating activities



### 2020 cash drivers

Cash flow from operating activities in continuing operations (CO)

+\$1,875 mn

~\$1 bn negative transformation, one-time impacts<sup>2</sup>
Lower income from businesses

~\$400 mn better trade NWC vs. prior year

Free cash flow (CO) +\$1.3 bn

**\$694 mn capex** (CO), non-essential projects postponed

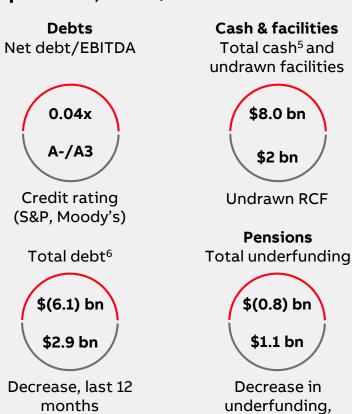
Resilient cash performance, inline with guidance

<sup>1.</sup> Excludes cash flow from operating activities in discontinued operations. 2. Management estimates. ~\$1 bn impact in 2020 compares to ~\$500 mn negative impact in 2019 period.

### Capital structure optimization largely concluded Improved financial flexibility

### Debt and credit facilities Share buyback **Pension structures** ~5% of share capital, Significant repayments Certain plans transferred \$2.9 bn to date to 3<sup>rd</sup> party insurers<sup>1</sup> actions 59.3 mn shares ~\$320 mn cash contribution<sup>2</sup> and €2 bn short-term revolving credit facility (RCF) ~\$850 mn plan assets transferred repurchased (fully repaid Jun-Jul) Removes ~\$1.3 bn obligations, \$2.8 bn commercial paper underfunded by ~\$450 mn<sup>3</sup> Q4 actions 49.5 mn shares €1 bn bond at maturity ~\$35 mn cash contribution and further (fully repaid early Oct) repurchased ~\$910 mn plan assets transferred \$1.2 bn bonds retired early<sup>4</sup> Removes further ~\$1.2 bn obligations, underfunded by ~\$320 mn<sup>3</sup> Subsequently, €0.8 bn bond issued, 9 yrs, zero percent

# Balance sheet and liquidity position, end Q4 2020



last 12 months

<sup>1.</sup> As a result, ABB recorded \$379 mn and \$141 mn non-operational pension charges in its income statement in Q3 and Q4 respectively. 2. Of which, \$273 mn paid in Q3, remainder in Q4. 3. Management estimates. 4. Transactions generated finance expenses of \$162 mn in Q4's income statement.

# Robust financial performance despite COVID-induced challenges

2020 highlights

ORDERS REVENUES Op. EBITA margin

\$26.5 bn \$26.1 bn 11.1%

-6%<sup>1</sup> -5%<sup>1</sup> +0 bps

CASH FLOW Basic EPS Operational EPS

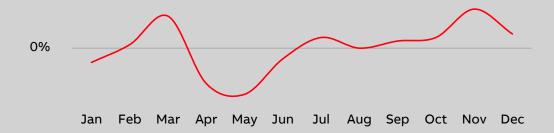
from operating activities

\$1,693 bn 2.44 0.98

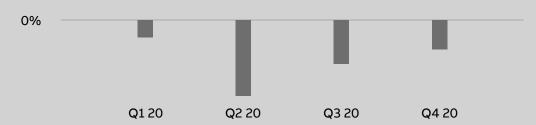
**-27% +261% -21%** 

**Proposed DPS** CHF 0.80

## Short-cycle order development, 2020, monthly<sup>2</sup>



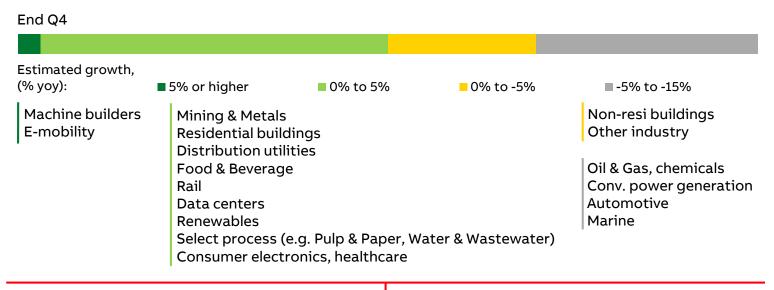
# Base order development, 2020, quarterly



### Forward visibility limited

Base case for gradual recovery as 2021 progresses

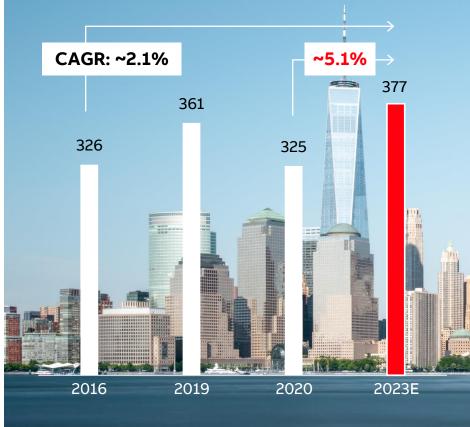
### ABB's end-market outlook, 3-6 months view



Return to order growth from Q2, tough Q1 comparison Q1 revenue growth resilient, margins to improve

FY21 comparable revenue growth in line with target range, clear margin and EPS accretion<sup>1</sup> as well as solid cash delivery

### Long-term market fundamentals remain intact Estimated addressable market (\$ bn)



### Improved performance in the making

Key priorities in 2021

### Cement Culture of accountability - transparency - speed

Steady progress towards improved profitability



Further efficiency measures, including footprint reduction
Manage rising raw material costs
Increased focus on value-based pricing
#1 priority, Health & Safety



Portfolio consolidation with 3 divisions to be divested, no fire sales
Increased focus on M&A activities
Portfolio reviews within divisions



Meaningful uplift in cash generation as from 2021

Steady capex, ~\$750 mn and focused growth investments in R&D

Continue ongoing return of PG proceeds, as planned

Proposed 2020 DPS CHF 0.80

# Appendix

### Cost mitigation efforts yield results

### 2020 Business Area results

\$ mn and change yoy, unless otherwise stated	Group	Electrification	Industrial Automation	Motion	Robotics & Discrete Automation	Corporate and Other
<b>Orders</b> Comparable	26,512 <b>-6%</b>	11,884 - <b>6%</b>	6,144 <b>-4%</b>	6,574 <b>-2%</b>	2,868 <b>-12%</b>	(958)
Revenues Comparable	26,134 <b>-5%</b>	11,924 - <b>3%</b>	5,792 <b>-7%</b>	6,409 <b>-2%</b>	2,907 <b>-13%</b>	(898)
Operational EBITA	2,899 -7%	1,681 +0%	451 -38%	1,075 -1%	237 -40%	(545)
Operational EBITA margin	11.1% +0 bps	14.1% +80 bps	7.8% (390) bps¹	16.8% <b>+20 bps</b>	8.2% <b>(370)</b> bps	

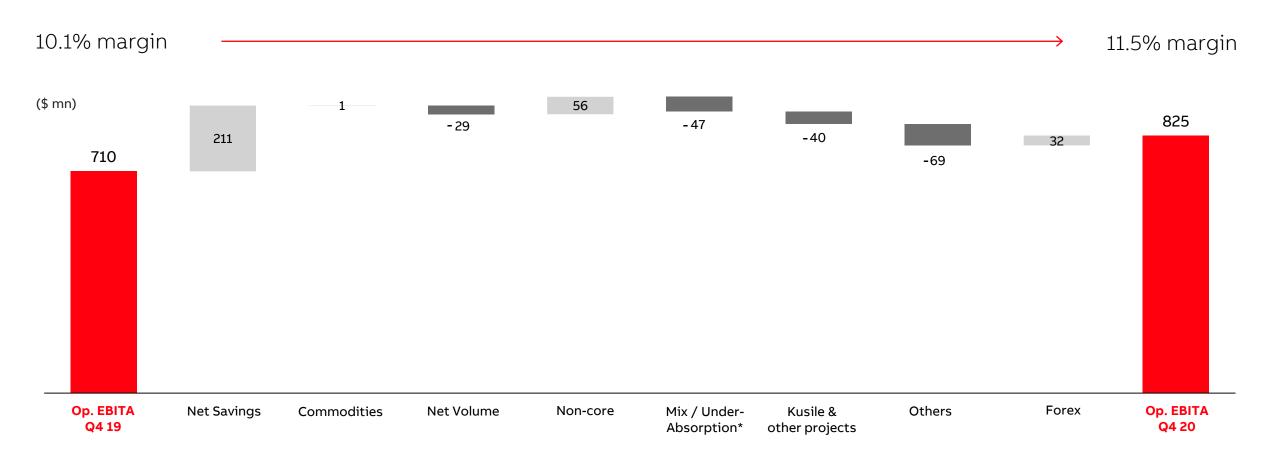


Focused growth investment across BAs: SG&A -9%, R&D +1%<sup>2</sup>

Note: \$ millions reported orders and revenues are impacted by foreign exchange and changes in the business portfolio. Corporate and Other orders and revenues primarily represent intersegment eliminations. BA = Business Area.

1. Including impacts from Kusile project of -190 bps. 2. Management estimates. SG&A and non-order related R&D expenses on a comparable basis, for business areas only.

### Q4 2020 operational EBITA bridge



### 2021 framework

\$ mn unless otherwise stated	FY 2020	2021 framework	Q1 21 framework
Corporate and Other operational EBITA	(545)	~(425)¹	~(110)
Non-operating items			
Restructuring and restructuring- related (incl. ABB-OS in FY20)	(410)	~(200)	~(30)
GEIS integration costs	(48)	~(30)	~(10)
PPA-related amortization	(263)	~(254)	~(64)
Certain other income and expenses related to PG divestment <sup>2</sup>	(46)	~(40)	~0

	FY 2020	2021 framework	Q1 21 framework
Net finance expenses	(351)	~(130)	~(30)
Non-operational pension (cost) / credit	(401)	~180	~45
Effective tax rate	59% (adjusted 25.2%)	~26%	~27%
Capital expenditure	(694)	~(750)	~(150)

<sup>1.</sup> Excluding 2 main operational exposures that are ongoing in the non-core business and for which exit timing is dependent on circumstances beyond ABB's control such as Slide 20 legal proceedings. 2. Excluding share of net income from JV.

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