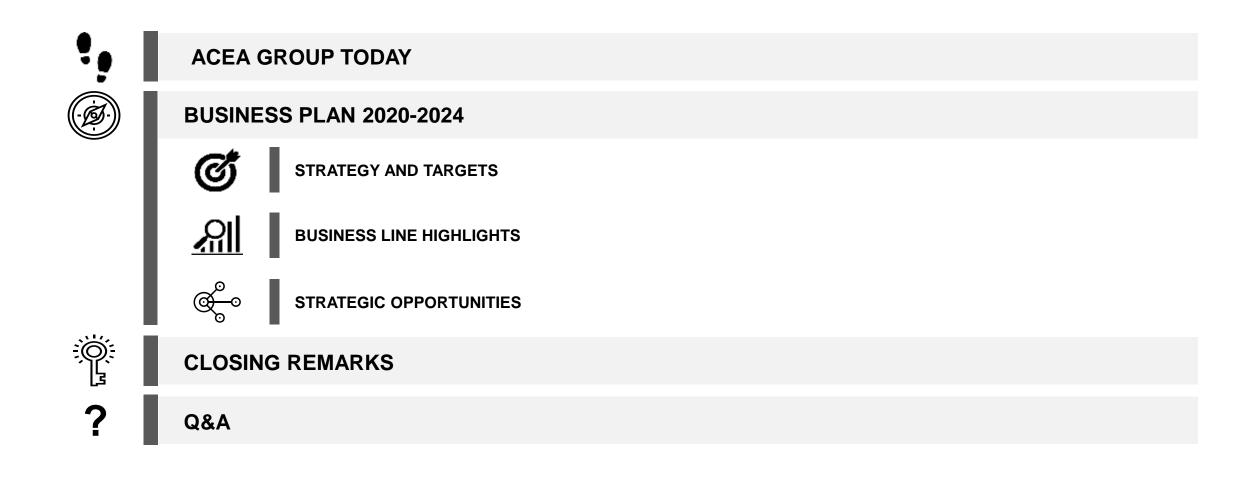
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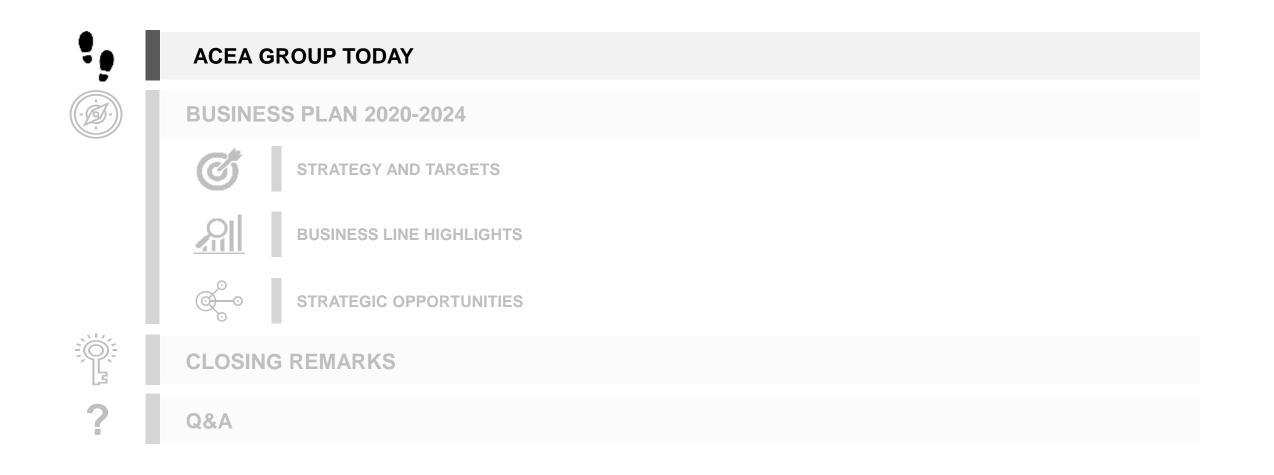
Acea Group Investor Presentation

Mediobanca " 7<sup>th</sup> Italian CEO Conference"

June 23, 2021

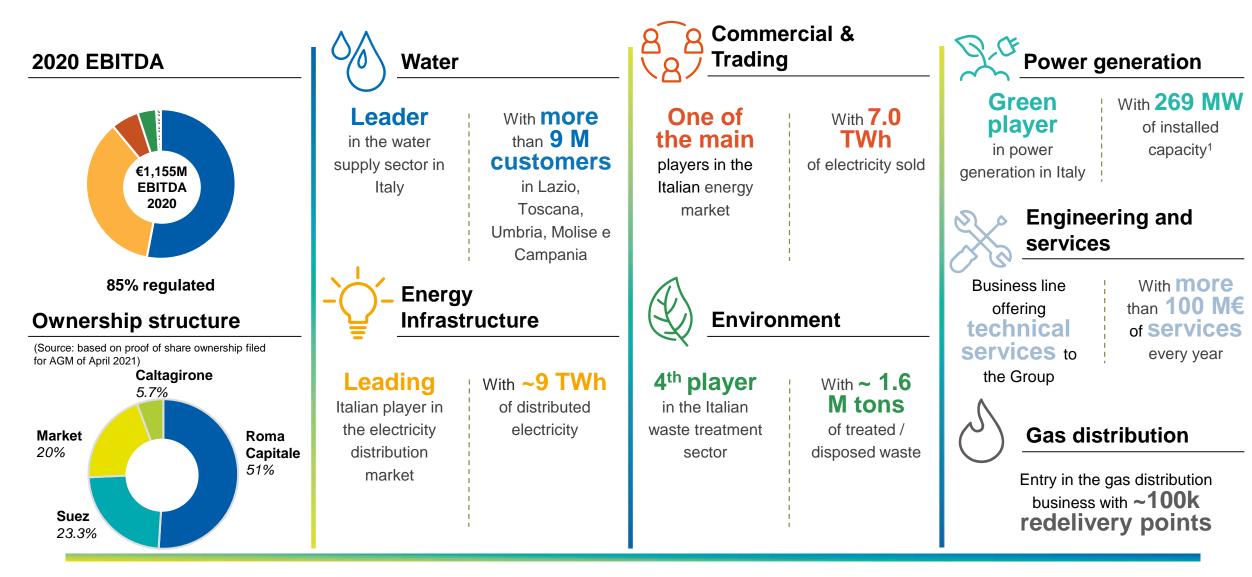




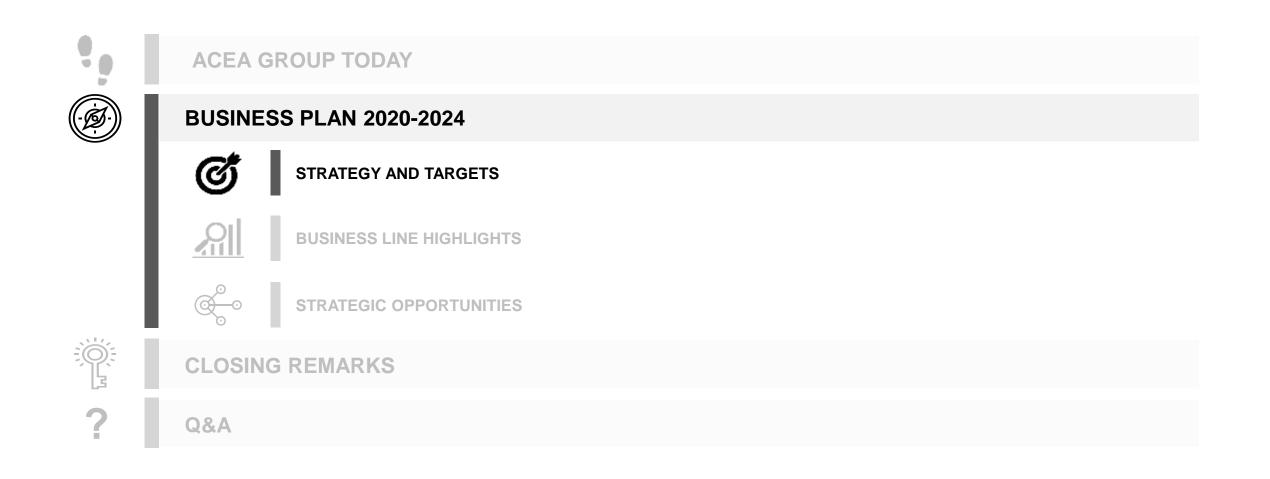




# Acea is a leading multi-utility player in the Italian market



Note: (1) ~120 from hydroelectric plants, ~97 from thermoelectric plants and 52 from photovoltaic plants



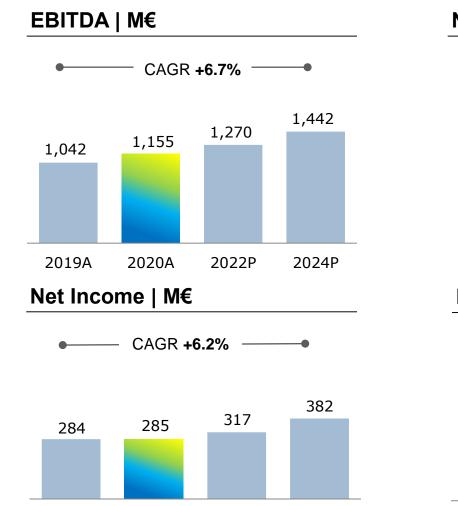


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Growth	Renewables	nnovation	Delivery	Sustainability
<b>Growth</b> driven by regulated businesses, with <b>significant</b> <b>investment</b> related to <b>RAB</b>	also supported by investments in RES, both industrial scale and consumer	together with investments for <b>new</b> innovative services (VAS)	proving a consistent track record of outperforming business plan targets	with increasing focus on environmental impact and circular economy
<b>6.7%</b> EBITDA CAGR 2019-24	<b>747 MW</b> Installed PV capacity in 2024	<b>0.6 B€</b> Innovation capex 2020-24	<b>&gt;5%</b> Avg. EBITDA outperformance vs. plan (last 3 years)	-11 pp Water losses in 2024
<b>5.9 B€</b> 2024 RAB	<b>~1000</b> Domestic PV plants in 2024	<b>2200+</b> EV charging stations in 2024	<b>4.7 B€</b> Capex and M&A 2020-24	<b>150+</b> «Smart Comp» composters in 2024

Acea as a leading player in infrastructure and sustainability



# Strategy and targets Key financials



2022P

2024P

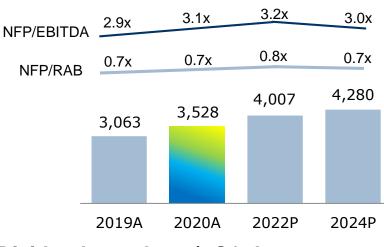
## 2021 GUIDANCE

EBITDA +6%/+8% versus 2020 CAPEX ~ €900M NET DEBT: €3.85÷€3.95B

2023P

2024P

## NFP | M€



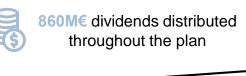
## Dividend per share | € / share

0.80

2020A

0.78

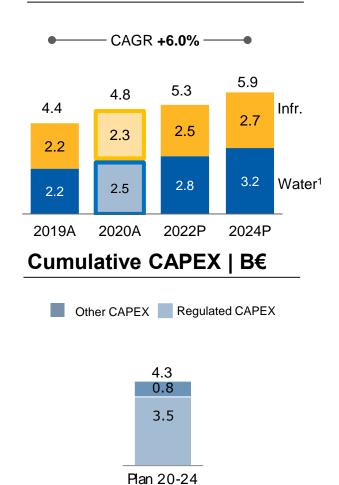
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2021P

2022P

### RAB | B€



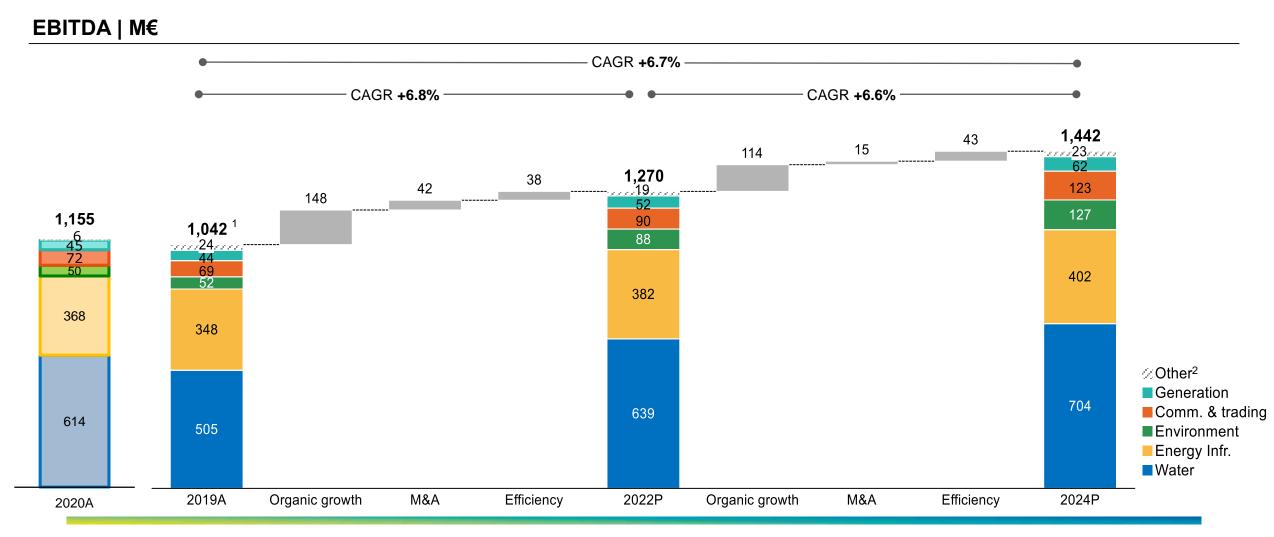


2019A

2020A

# Strategy and targets Key financials

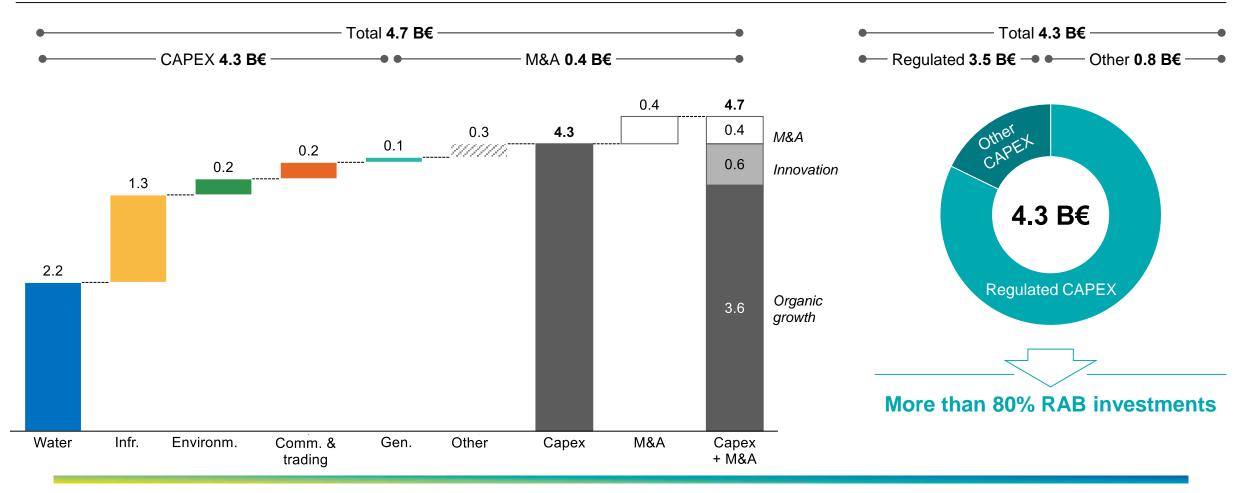
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Notes: (1) Does not represent –2M€ from the sum of Engineering & services, Overseas business and Corporate costs; (2) Includes Engineering & services, Overseas business and Corporate costs;

# Strategy and targets CAPEX and M&A

## CAPEX e M&A evolution | B€

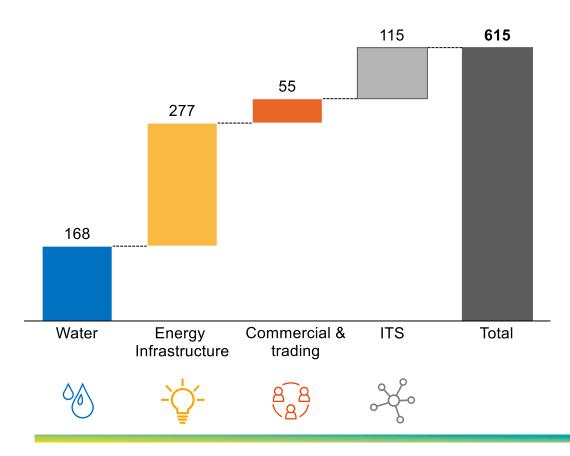




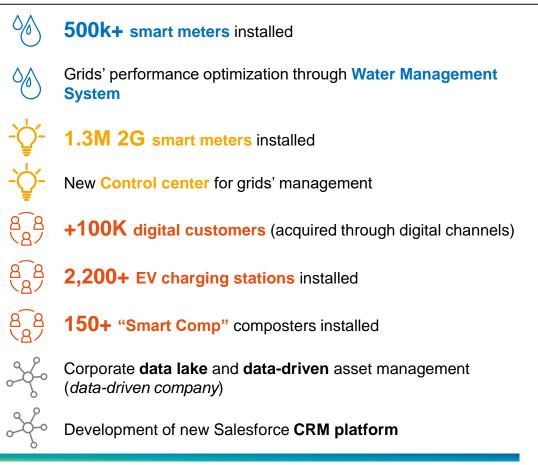
## Strategy and targets Innovation as a driver for growth

#### ΙΝΝΟΥΑΤΙΟΝ

## Capex related to Innovation | M€, 2020-2024

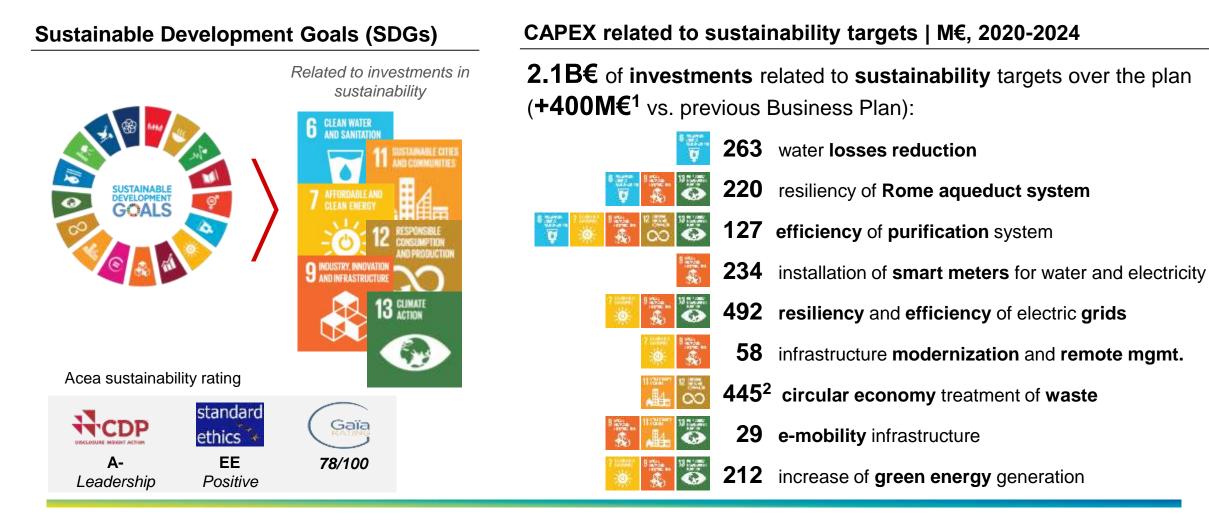


### **Selected initiatives**



More than 2B€ related to specific sustainability targets with highest relevance and priority to the Group

#### SUSTAINABILITY



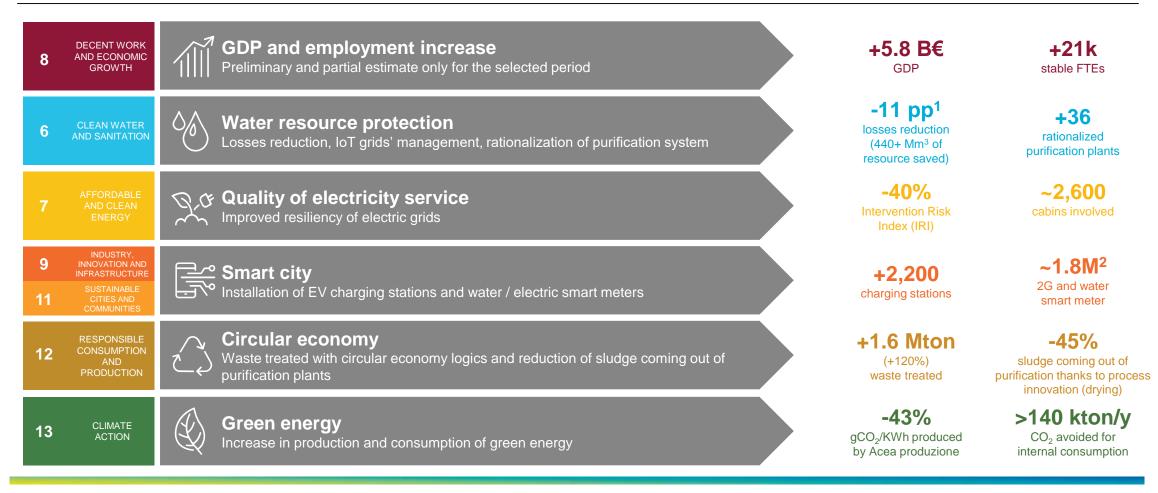
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Note: (1) +180M€ related to the installation of smart water and electric meters, +120M€ related to efficiency and resiliency of electric grids, +100M€ to improve the efficiency of the purification system; (2) Includes 206M€ of M&A capex

# New and more challenging targets vs previous business plan

#### SUSTAINABILITY

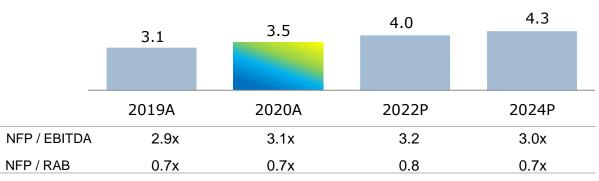
### Acea targets at 2024 (vs. 2019)



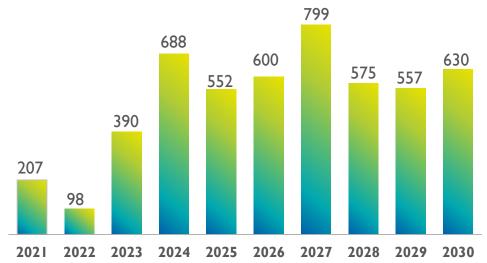
## Strategy and targets Solid financial structure Highlights

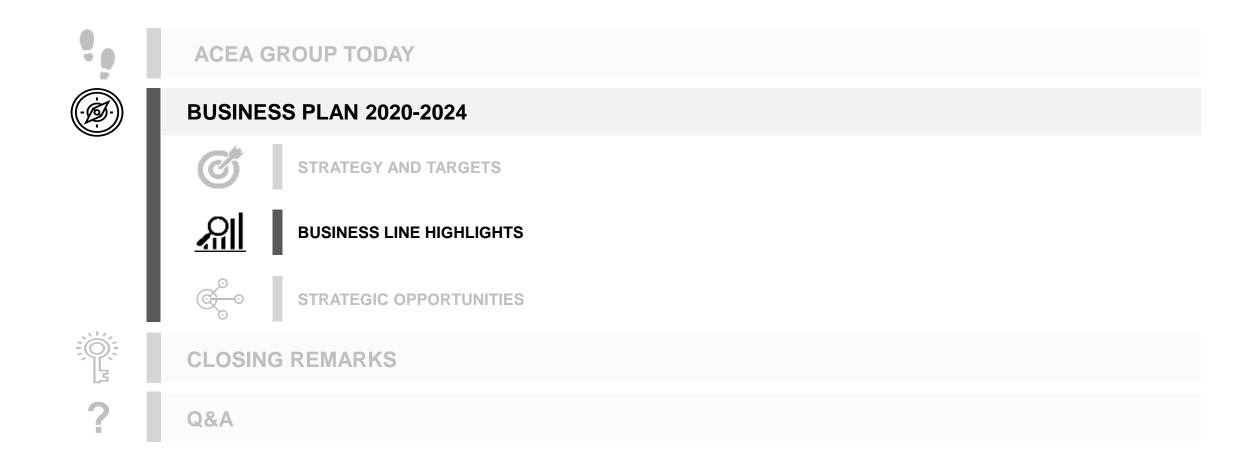
Rating	<b>Fitch</b> Ratings	Moody's		
	BBB+	Baa2		_
	Outlook stable	Outlook stable		
				NFP / EBITDA
Debt As of March 31, 2021				NFP / RAB
	<ul> <li>5.6 years average</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>1.44% average cost of debt</li> </ul>				Fi
	<ul> <li>84% fixed rate de</li> </ul>	ebt		
Green Bond	first green bond tranches, under the form part of €4bn E > first tranche of €3 September 28th,	300m, coupon 0%, ma	900m in two ramework and aturity	207
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## Net Financial Position | B€

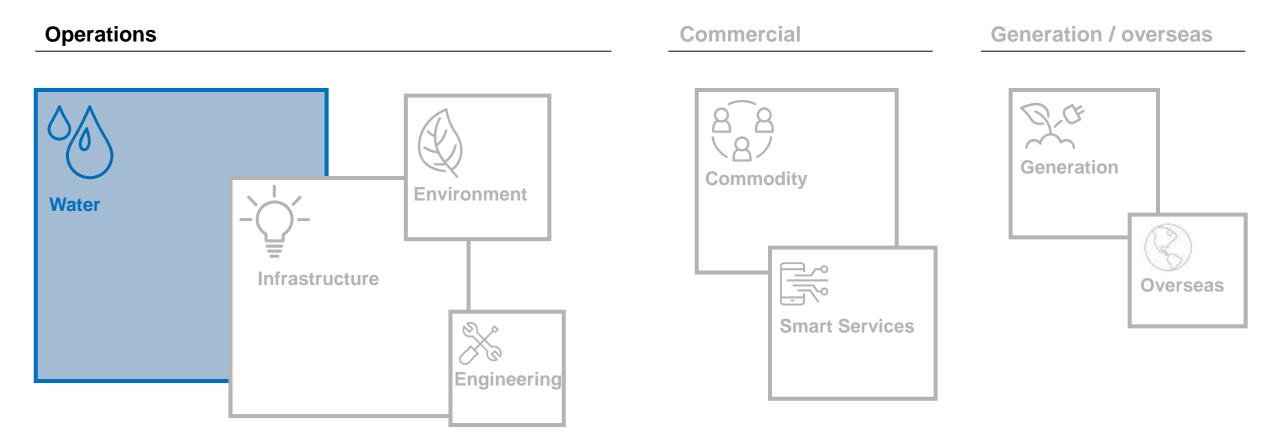


## Financial marurities as of March 2021 | M€

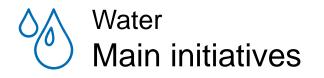








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Development of a Smart Water Company for the sustainability of the water resource through improved quality and efficiency

Expansion through tenders in new territories



Smart water meters installation plan and projects for grids' districtualization



On-going pursuit of water resource protection and losses reduction



Rationalization of small water purification plants



Grids' **performance optimization** through **Water Management System** 



Ensuring water supply continuity through the doubling of Peschiera and Marcio aqueducts



**SII Terni full consolidation** (32 municipalities in the Province of Terni; November 2020)

+500k Smart meters installed

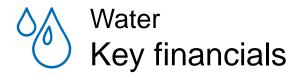
> -11 pp water losses<sup>1</sup>

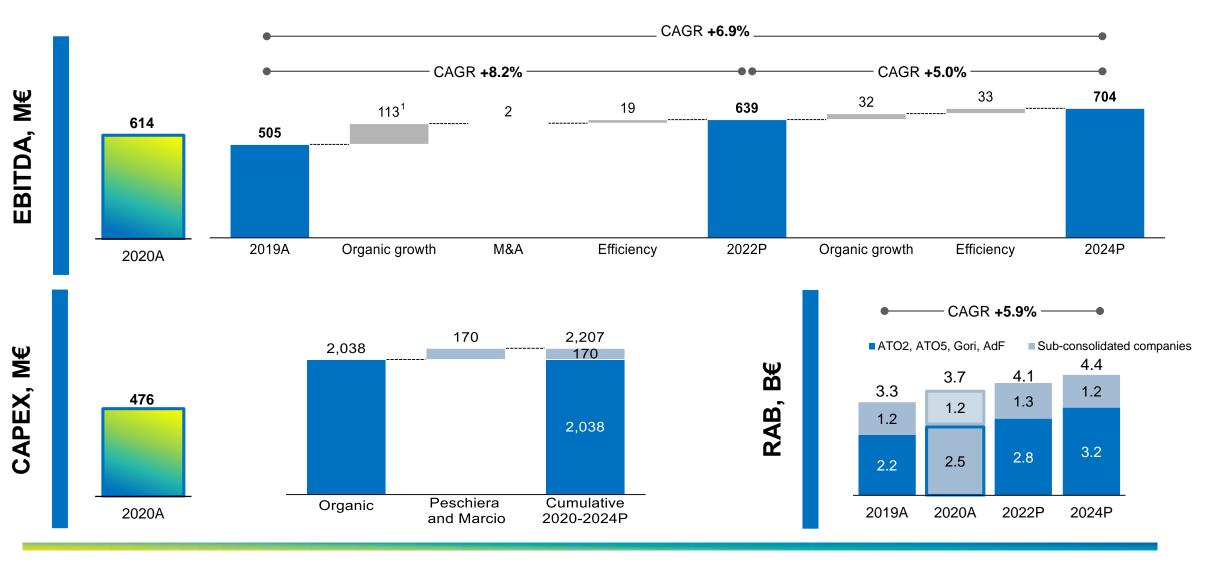
**36** Rationalized plants

-15 pp Failures incidence

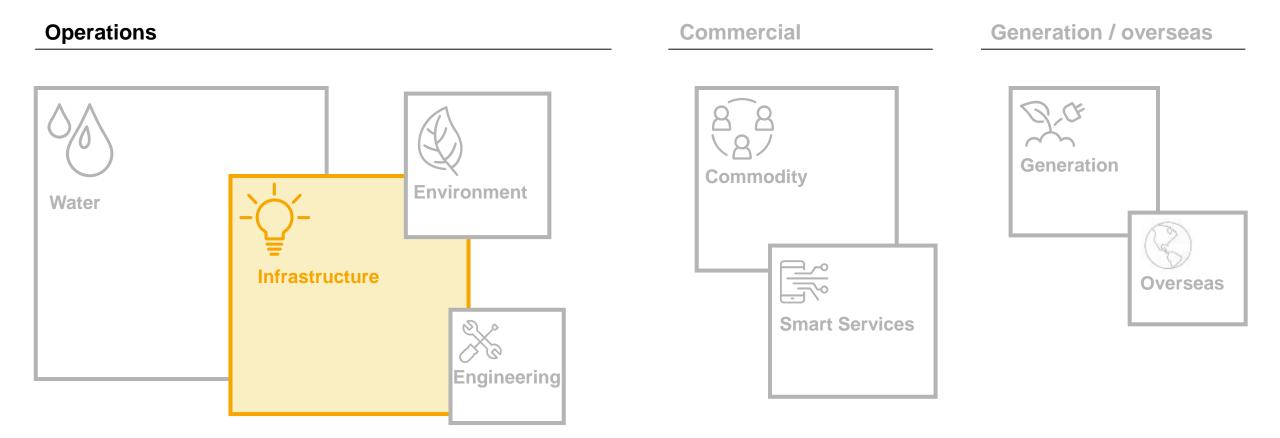
**170 M€** CAPEX

>220K CLIENTS SERVED

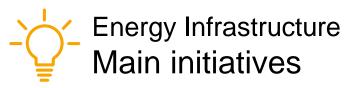












A leading player in the energy transition process through projects aimed at

increasing

electrification and

integration of the

distributed generation



**Investments in grids' resiliency** with upgrades on **specific cabins** rewarded with a premium vs. the reference WACC



**Digitalization** through remote control and **IoT solutions** on private and public grids



**Development work on grids** to reflect new regulation on **service continuity** (penalty suspension recognized)



Installation of **2G smart meters** 

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New Control center for grids' management

145+ M€ CAPEX

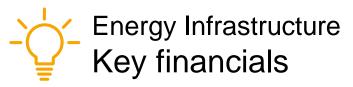
> 60%+ MV/LV cabins

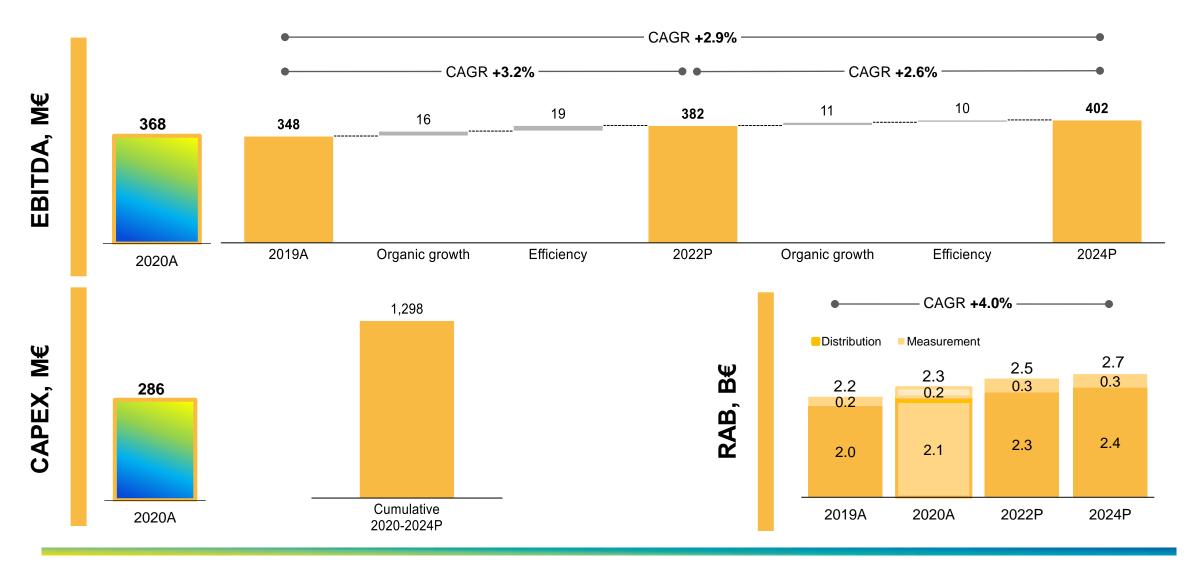
155+ M€ CAPEX

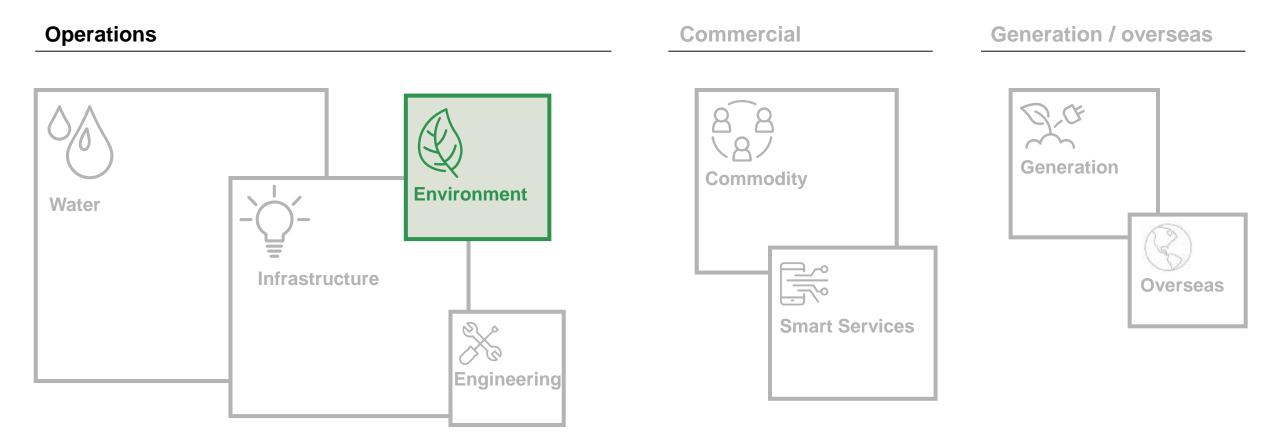
> **1.3 M** installed meters at 2024

13+ M€ CAPEX

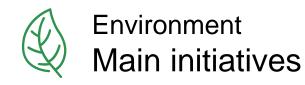












Market consolidation towards **circular economy** also with a **«one-stop-shop»** approach

Acceleration to **close the waste loop** in Central Italy



«Core business» consolidation in energy recovery (WtE), disposal of non-separated waste, and disposal / treatment of organic waste



Strengthening of the **Waste-to-Material** (WtM) chain **with circular economy approach** (e.g. plastic, paper, ...)

+0.5 Mt/y added capacity at 2024

+0.6 Mt/y added capacity at 2024



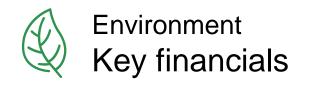
**Further development** of the **special waste segment** promoting synergies with Water (e.g. sludge) and WtE (e.g. ashes) segments

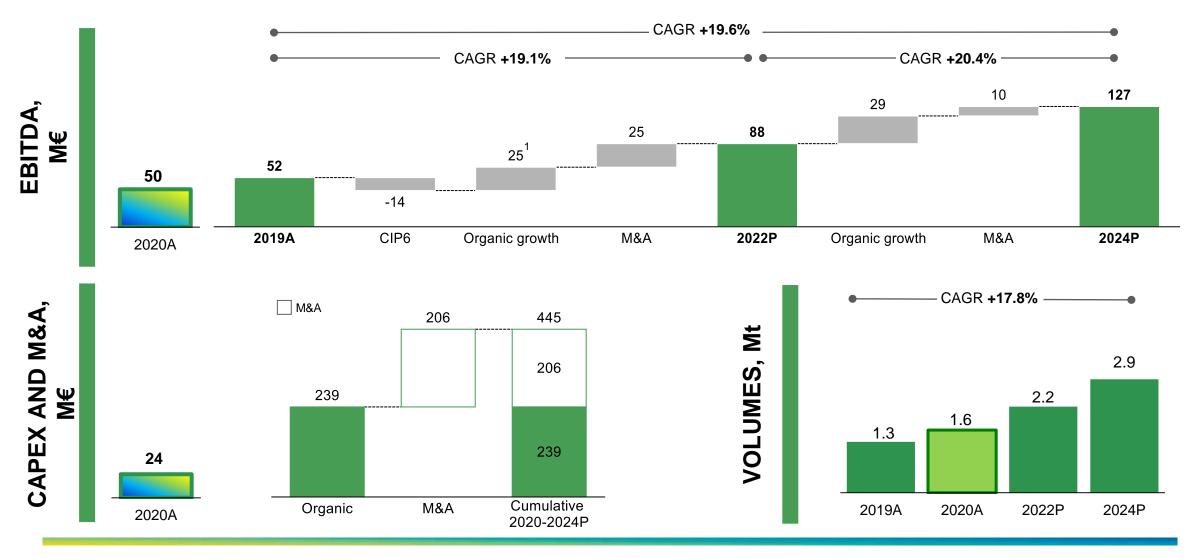


Value creation from the **post-merger integration** of acquired companies **and development of industrial synergies** through operating model commissioning and control systems integration +0.5 Mt/a added capacity at 2024

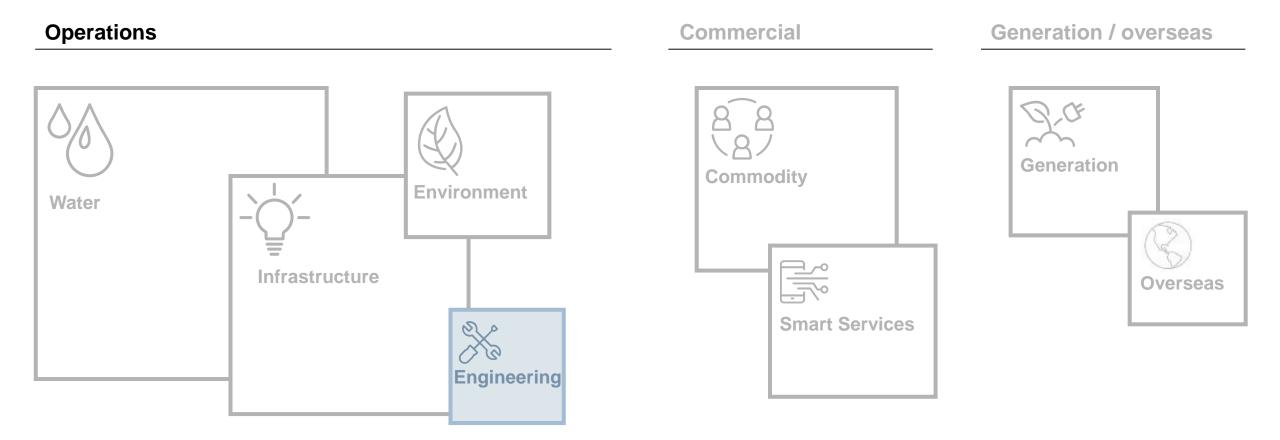
15+ acquired plants at 2024



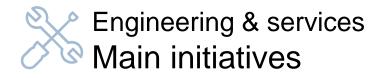




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Development of a

**building oriented** 

company tasked with

turnkey management

of construction and

engineering activities



Integration of the acquisition of SIMAM and focus on core engineering activities



Construction of plants through **internalization of construction activities** with an EPC view

+440 M€ realized plants at 2024

+10 M€

2024 EBITDA



Performance improvement to reduce unitary costs related to SII

+20% general contractor margin insourcing



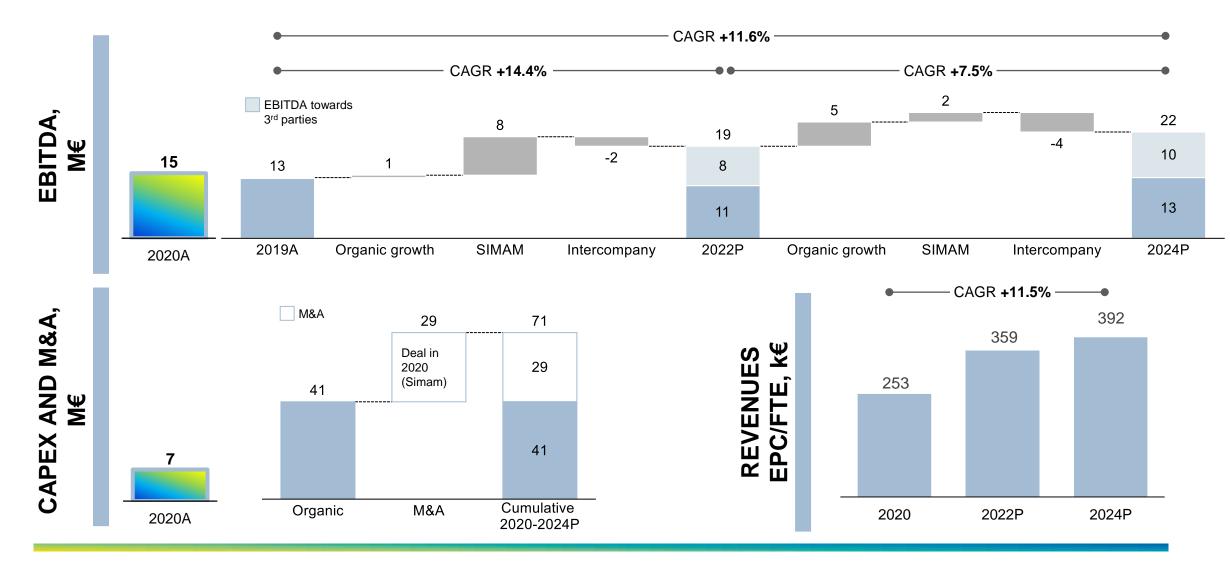
End-to-end management of investment with reduction of execution time and strengthening of laboratory activities

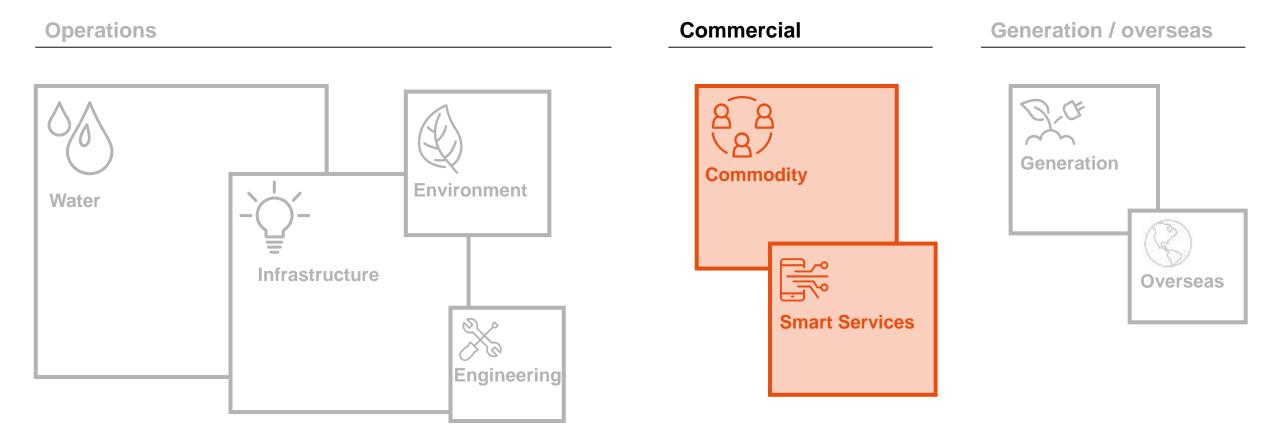


Development of a **commercial unit** to support growth and of a **research center** 











8 8 Commercial & trading: focus on energy commodity 8 Main initiatives

Commercial

expansion in the

**Center and South of** 

Italy, supported by

regulated market

phase-out and

«digital» offerings



Focus on **core territories** with growth in the **Center and South of Italy** 

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**Cross-selling and up-selling opportunities** thanks to regulated market phase-out in 2022 ~700k customers switching to free market

+74Nk

customers (net growth vs 2019)



**Boost of dual fuel penetration** (i.e. gas) on the existing customer base



Digital Attack through a new platform for customer journey management

+80k gas customers vs 2019

+100k digital customer vs 2019



8 8 Commercial & trading: focus on Smart Services 8 Main initiatives

> Development of a Services-Based **Company** to strengthen the relationship with customers and increase Acea Group brands franchise



Organic development of e-mobility segment with charging stations increase and value-added services

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Push on **energy efficiency services** leveraging on opportunities from **fiscal incentives** 

100+ condominiums at 2024

2,200+

charging stations at 2024



Installation of «Smart Comp» composters, managed remotely through an IoT platform developed by Acea

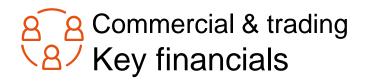


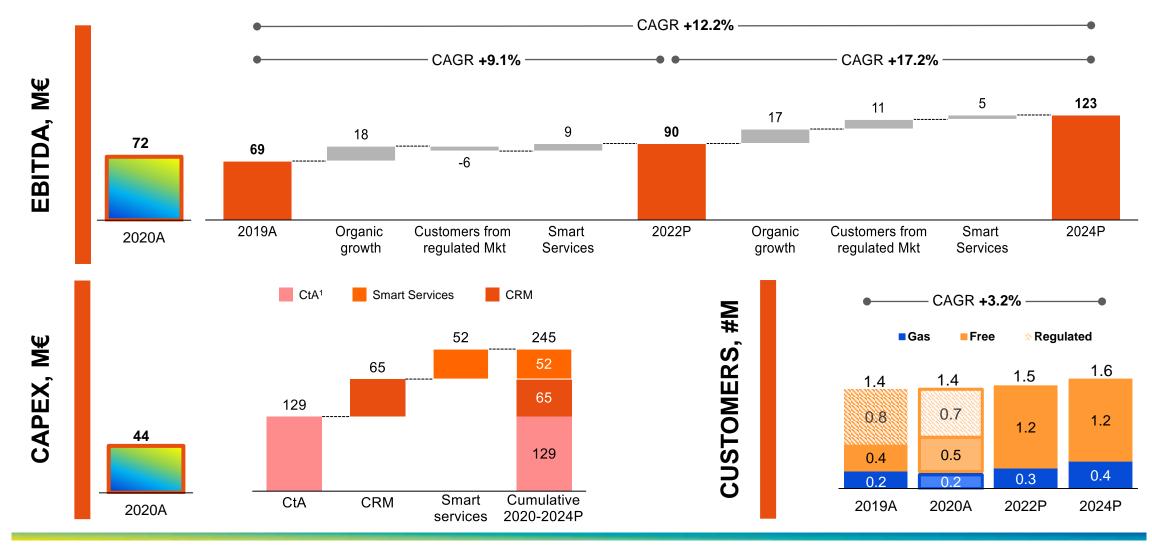
Installation of **residential PV and solar thermal plants** 

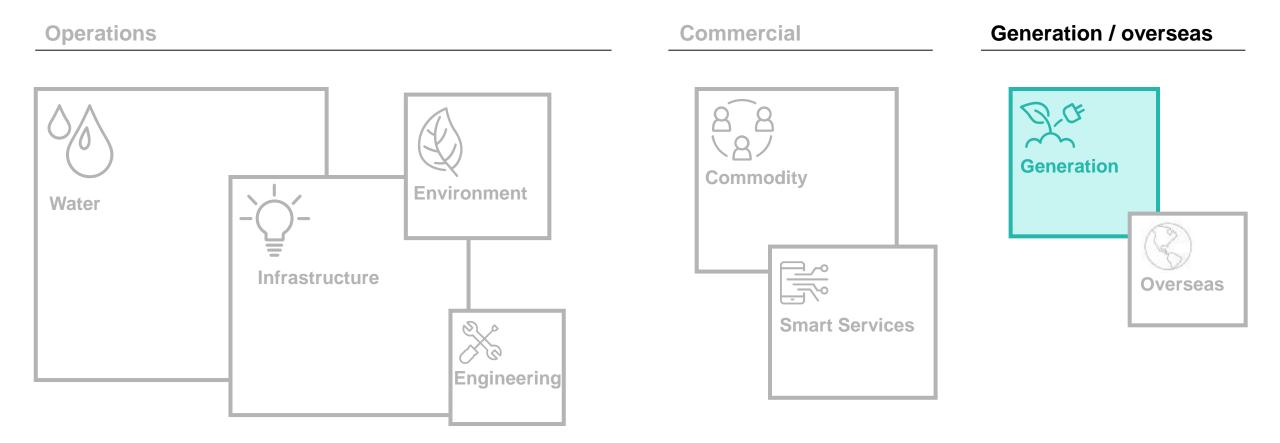
150+ composters installed at 2024

> ~1,000 plants installed at 2024

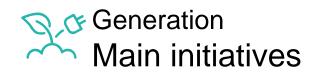












**Growth** of **PV** portfolio to exploit opportunities

from the energy

transition and

decarbonization

processes



RES growth to exploit **opportunities from the decarbonization process** 



Greenfield development of PV in industrial and and agricultural areas

569 MW installed at 2024

installed at 2024

747



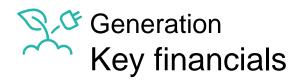
**M&A development** to accelerate PV portfolio growth

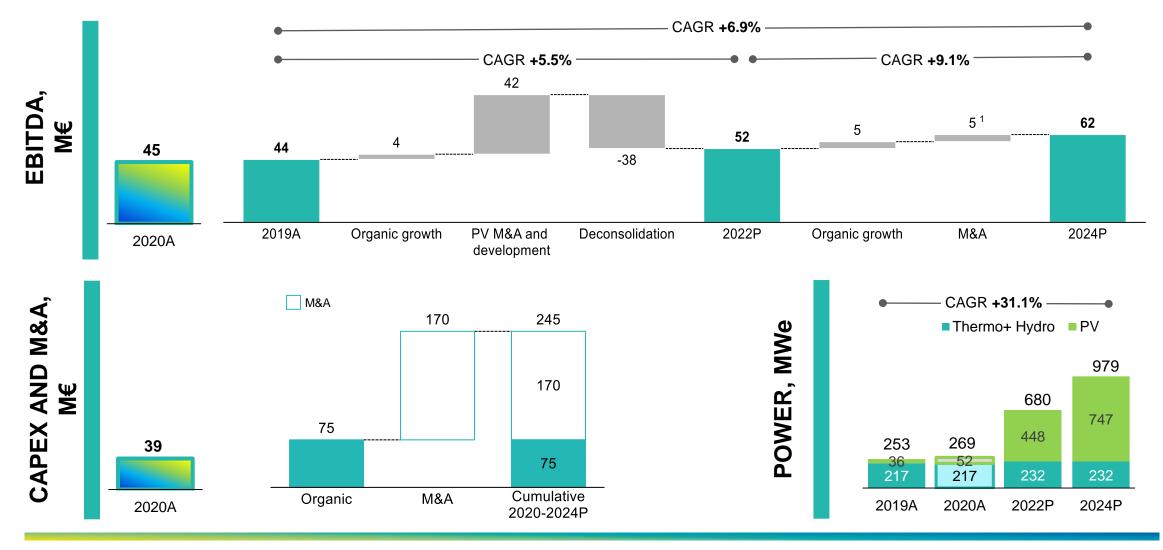
178 MW installed at 2024

**Deconsolidation** of **PV stake** to reduce financial exposure and focus on PV investments to become one of the **main players** in the sector

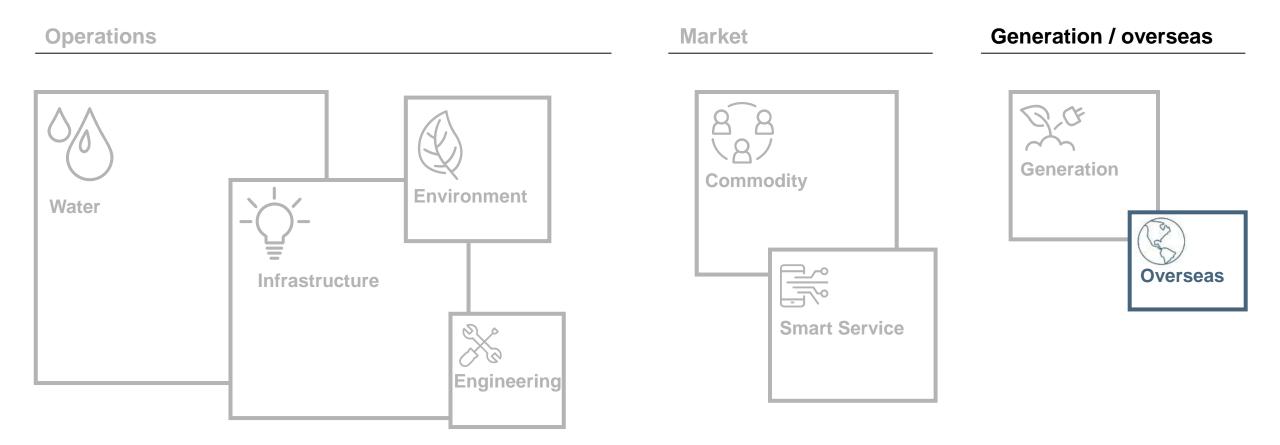
-150 M€ NFP deconsolidation







Fonte: (1) Post deconsolidation the EBITDA value is equal to the Net Income pertaining to the company

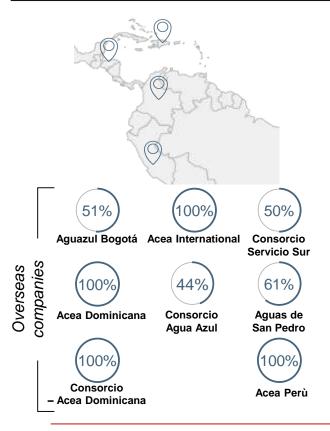






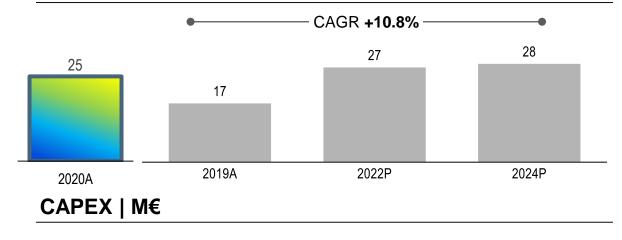
## Overseas Current positioning and key financials

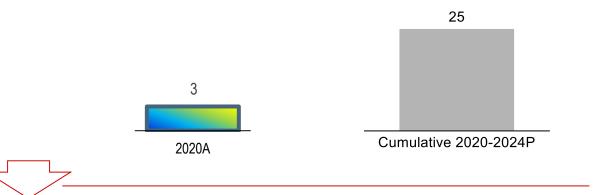
## **Current positioning**



- Acea International: overseas holding (management, scouting, tender monitoring)
- Acea Dominicana: management of commercial services for the north and east regions of Dominican Republic
- Consorcio Agua Azul: provision of water and discharge services in the city of Lima
- Agua de San Pedro: management of water services for the city of San Pedro Sula in Honduras
- Acea Peru: subsidiary established to scout and develop opportunities in the country

### EBITDA | 2019-2024, M€





## Organic growth on the same perimeter

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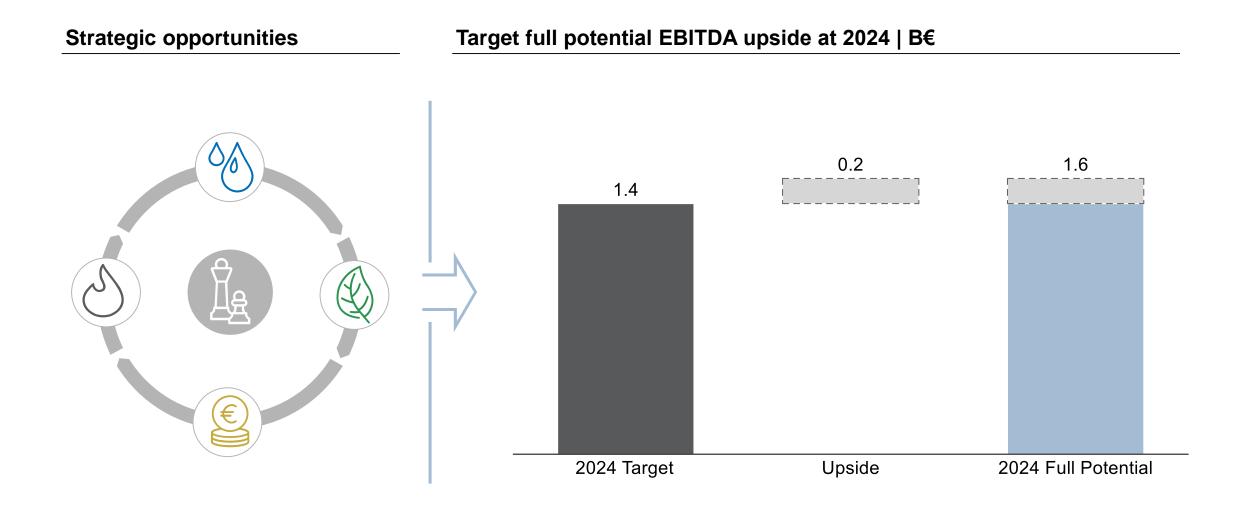




## Strategic opportunities Additional potential upsides

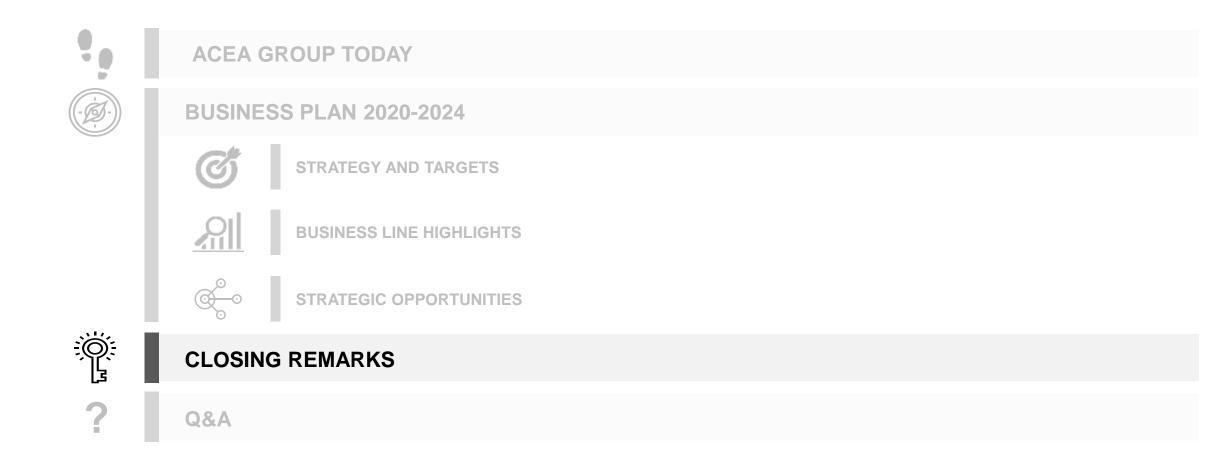
Selected strateg	gic opportuniti	ies	EBITDA 2024   M€	CAPEX 2020-24   M€	
Water consolida- tion		<ul> <li>Consolidation of existing concessions in which Acea has a minority stake</li> <li>Expansion within regions of interest</li> </ul>	+100	+400	
Gas portfolio expansion	S	<ul> <li>Growth in gas distribution through tender participation in relevant territories (big cities/ ATEM), leveraging on the first «tactical» acquisitions</li> </ul>	+10-20	+50-130	
Boost M&A - Waste		<ul> <li>Acceleration of market consolidation through further M&amp;A transactions on segments / geographies considered strategic for Acea</li> </ul>	+25-50	+200-400	
Recovery Fund	E	<ul> <li>Opportunity for Acea to play an active role in the development of major projects financed by the "Recovery Fund" to close the infrastructural gap in areas where it is not possible to invest with tariff incentives</li> </ul>	-	-	

## Strategic opportunities and upsides Full potential EBITDA





# Agenda





# Closing remarks Significant growth at 2024, while maintaining a balanced capital structure



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- 6.7% of EBITDA CAGR with a 2024 target of 1.4 B€
- Group **net profit** growing to **0.38 B€** in 2024



**4.3 B**€ of organic **CAPEX** (~850 M€ / year) and **0.4B**€ capex from M&A (~80 M€ / year)



**RAB** growing to **5.9 B€** in 2024



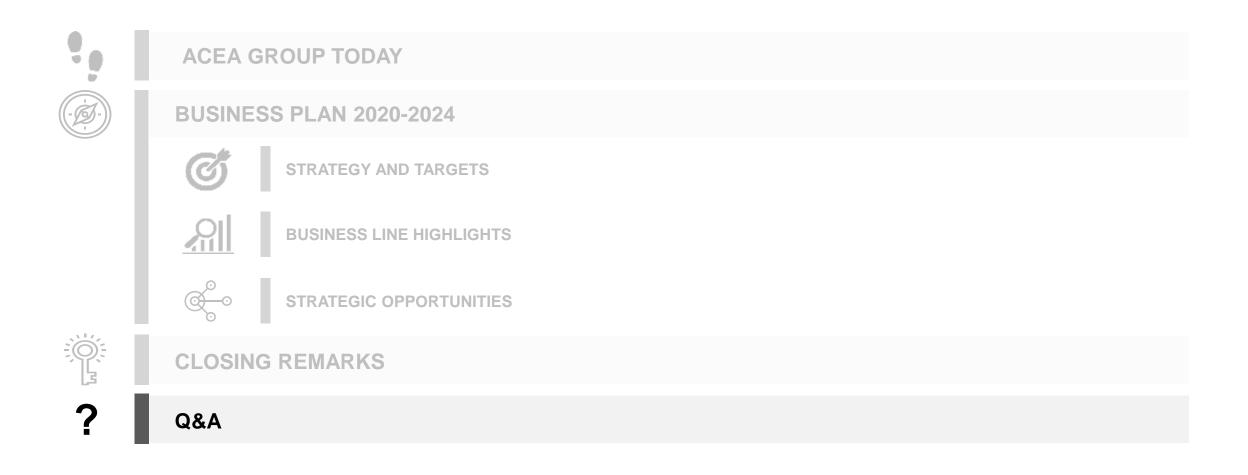
Balanced NFP / EBITDA ratio over the plan reaching 3.0x in 2024 and NFP/RAB of 0.7x in 2024



860 M€ of dividends to be distributed throughout the plan

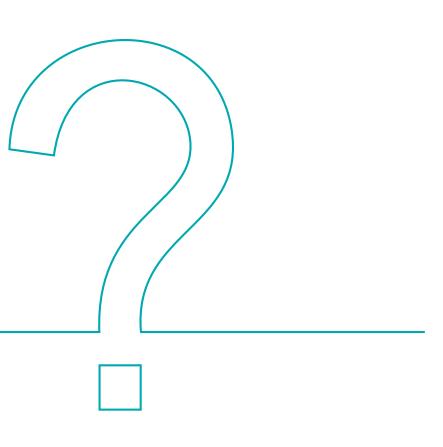


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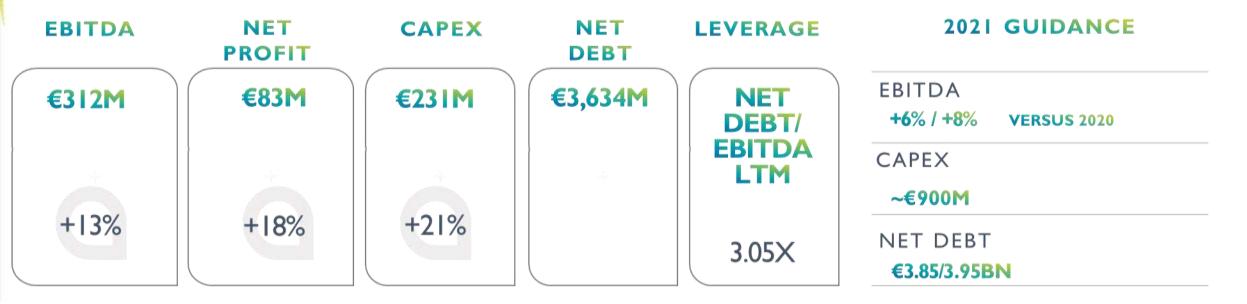
# Q1 2021 Results



## **CONTINUED FOCUS ON EFFICIENCY AND RESILIENCE**

THE FUTURE IS OUR ENVIRONMENT

#### THE FULL INTEGRATION OF SUSTAINABILITY IN OUR STRATEGY GUIDES THE MANAGEMENT OF OUR BUSINESSES





### **OPPORTUNITIES:** National Recovery and Resilience Plan – NRRP TO RELAUNCH ITALY'S ECONOMY IN A SUSTAINABLE WAY

- ✓ Investment in water infrastructure
- ✓ Development of renewable sources, decarbonisation and e-mobility

# DELIVERY





### **COVID-19 HEALTH EMERGENCY**

INVESTMENT IN DIGITALISATION ENABLED US TO ENSURE THE CONTINUITY OF ALL OUR PROCESSES

WE ARE CONTINUING TO TAKE ALL THE STEPS NECESSARY TO GUARANTEE THE SAFETY OF OUR PEOPLE AND THE CONTINUITY OF THE SERVICES PROVIDED TO OUR COMMUNITIES, WHILST MAINTAINING QUALITY AND EFFICIENCY.

WE HAVE OBTAINED BIOSAFETY TRUST CERTIFICATION FOR THE PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF THE SPREAD OF INFECTIONS.

ACEA IS HELPING TO ACCELERATE THE VACCINATION PROGRAMME, HAVING SET UP A VACCINATION HUB IN ROME TO DELIVER VACCINES TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC, AS WELL AS TO THE GROUP'S PERSONNEL

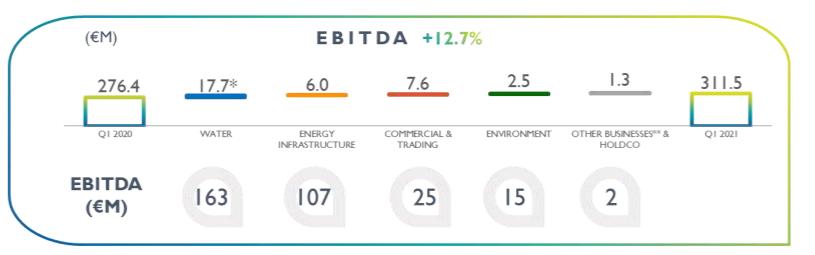


NET DEBT	3,634.1	3,528.0	3,184.4	+3.0%	+14.1%
(€M)	31 Mar 2021 (A)	3   Dec 2020 (B)	31 Mar 2020 (C)	% CHANGE (A/B)	% CHANGE (A/C)
CAPEX			230.5	190.0	+21.3%
GROUP NET	PROFIT		83.I	70.6	+17.7%
EBIT			155.5	138.5	+12.3%
EBITDA			311.5	276.4	+12.7%
REVENUE			930.0	833.5	+11.6%
(€M)		Q	I 2021 (A)	QI 2020 9 (B)	6 CHANGE (A/B)

RESILIENCE, OPERATIONAL FOCUS AND FINANCIAL STRENGTH CONFIRMED BY EXCELLENT QUARTERLY RESULTS

CONTINUING TO INVEST IN KEY SECTORS TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR OUR TERRITORIES AND COMMUNITIES





#### CHANGES IN SCOPE OF CONSOLIDATION

 WATER
 ENVIRONMENT
 COMMERCIAL &
 TRADING
 ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE OTHER BUSINESSES\*\* AND HOLDCO

EBITDA (€M) Change SII TERNI +3.0 ALTO SANGRO DISTRIBUZIONE +1.1GAS FERROCART/CAVALLARI +1.7SIMAM +1.7PHOTOVOLTAIC +1.2 CONSORCIO ACEA E LIMA NORTE +0.1 TOTAL +8.8

ORGANIC GROWTH IN EBITDA ~+10%

\* Line-by-line consolidation of SII Terni \*\*Overseas, Engineering & Services

(€M)	Q1 2021	Q1 2020	%change
	(A)	(B)	(A/B)
EBITDA	163.0	145.3	+12.2%
Acea Ato2	105.9	99.4	+6.5%
Acea Ato5	8.9	5.4	+64.8%
Gori	21.2	17.0	+24.7%
ADF	16.2	15.1	+7.3%
SII Terni	3.0	0	n/s
Equity-accounted water companies	4.6	6.9	-33.3%
Other consolidated water companies	1.6	1.0	+60.0%
Gas distribution	1.6	0.5	n/s
Capex	119.6	104.0	+15.0%

WATER INCLUDING GAS DISTRIBUTION BUSINESS

### **KEY HIGHLIGHTS**



EBITDA main drivers

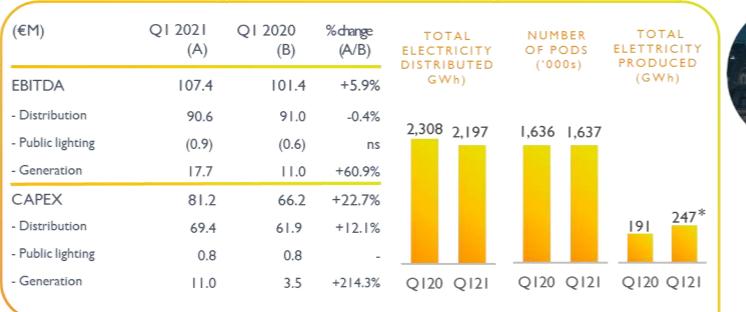


**EBITDA** GROWTH +12%

Application of tariff regime for third regulatory period 2020-2023 (ARERA Resolution 580/2019): • effect of increased investment

Line-by-line consolidation of SII Terni (November 2020) +€3.0M

Acquisition of Alto Sangro Distribuzione Gas (August 2020) +€1.IM



EBITDA main drivers



EBITDA

+6%

### GENERATION: +€6.7M

Price effect on energy market and increased volumes of hydroelectric energy produced +€5.5M

#### Photovoltaic +€1.2M

ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE (INCLUDING GENERATION **BUSINESS**) and the second second second

### **KEY HIGHLIGHTS**

NEW PHOTOVOLTAIC PLANTS:

- Secondary market total capacity of 52 MWp reached.
- Primary market construction of plants with capacity of ~60 MWp underway.

INSTALLATION OF 2G SMART METERS ONGOING

\* of which photovoltaic 13 GWh



### **KEY HIGHLIGHTS**

INCREASE IN FREE MARKET CUSTOMER **BASE WITH IMPROVED MARGIN** 

FREE MKT 🜔 EN. PROT. MKT **STRUCTURAL** EBITDA GROWTH

NUMBER OF

ELECTRICITY

CUSTOMERS ('000s)

+15.0%

1,215

739

476

0121

1,189

775

414

0120

QI 2021

(A)

24.7

16.1

TOTAL GAS SOLD

 $(Mmc^3)$ 

68 +32.4% 90

Q120

QI 2020

(B)

17.1

9.0

% change

(A/B)

+44.4%

+78.9%

NUMBER OF GAS

CUSTOMERS ('000s)

195 \*14.4% 223

Q121

Q120

(€M)

EBITDA

1.795

1.263

0120

**EBITDA** 

main

drivers

acea

532 12

TOTAL ENERGY SOLD

(GWH)

2.110

519

1.591

0121

+44%

Capex

**IMPROVEMENT IN** COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES. with acquisition of new customers leading to increased investment

Q121

#### **IMPROVED MARGIN ON FREE MARKET:**

increases in volume of electricity sold and number of customers +€5.7M



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(€M)		Q1 2021 (A)	Q1 2020 (B)	%change (A/B)
EBITDA		15.0	12.5	+20.0%
of which: Demap		0.8	1.2	-33.3%
Berg		0.8	0.6	+33.3%
Ferrocart/C	Cavallari	1.7	-	n/s
Capex		6.9	3.9	+76.9%
TREATMENT A (KTO)		ELECTRICI (GW		
384	428	87	83	
Q120	Q121	Q120	Q121	



### **KEY HIGHLIGHTS**

### ACQUISITION OF 60% STAKE IN FERROCART/CAVALLARI

CHANGE IN SCOPE OF CONSOLIDATION:

#### +€I.7M

Acquisition of Ferrocart / Cavallari (April 2020)

EBITDA main drivers

INCREASED VOLUMES (+11.5%) AND IMPROVED MARGINS ON LIQUID WASTE TREATMENT +€0.8M

EBITDA +€ GROWTH +20% (organic growth +6.4%)

# EBIT AND NET PROFIT QI 2021

# EBIT (€M)

## NET PROFIT (€M)



(€M)	QI 2021	Q1 2020	% CHANGE		
DEPRECIATION	130.4	7.	+  .4%	DEPRECIATION	Increased investment across all areas of business and changes in scope of consolidation
IMPAIRMENTS	23.4	18.3	+27.9%	IMPAIRMENTS	Primarily due to growth in Commercial & Trading business
PROVISIONS	2.2	2.6	-15.4%		<u> </u>

### CAPEX QI 2021 DELIVERY OF CAPEX PLAN CONTINUES



FOCUS ON IMPROVEMENTS TO WORKING CAPITAL

(€M) CASH FLOW	Q   202	QI 2020
EBITDA	3   2	276
CHANGE IN WORKING CAPITAL	( 29)	( 46)
CAPEX	(229)*	(190)
FREE CASH FLOW	(46)	(60)
FINANCE INCOME/(COSTS)	(23)	(22)
CHANGE IN PROVISIONS	(23)	(23)
INCOME TAX PAID	-	(4)
O T H E R	(6)	(7)
M&A AND FIRST-TIME CONSOLIDATIONS	(8)	(4)
IFRSI6	-	(2)
TOTAL CASH FLOW	(106)	(122)

### WORKING CAPITAL IMPROVES BY €16M

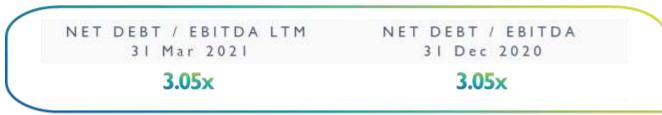
The positive performance of collections in the Water and Commercial & Trading segments has helped to improve working capital over LTM from -€73M at 31 March 2020 to -€22M at 31 March 2021 (~€51M)



FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE AHEAD OF GUIDANCE

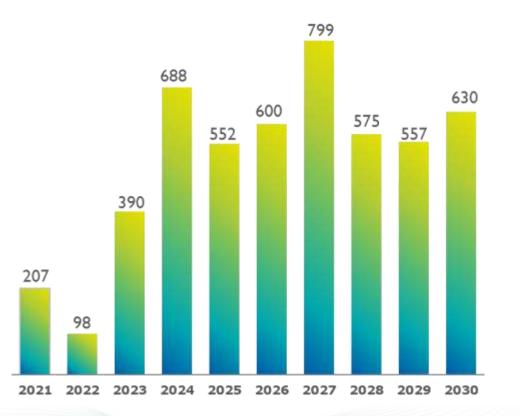
(€M)	31 Mar 2021 (A)	31 Dec 2020 (B)	31 Mar 2020 (C)	CHANGE (A-B)	CHANGE (A-C)
Net debt	3,634.1	3,528.0	3,184.4	106.1	449.7
Medium/long-term	4,929.1	4,130.2	4,026.5	798.9	902.6
Short-term	(1,295.0)	(602.2)	(842.1)	(692.8)	(452.9)

### LEVERAGE



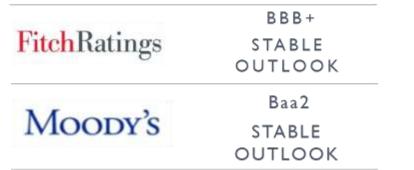
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**DEBT MATURITIES (€M)** 



#### FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE AHEAD OF GUIDANCE

### RATINGS

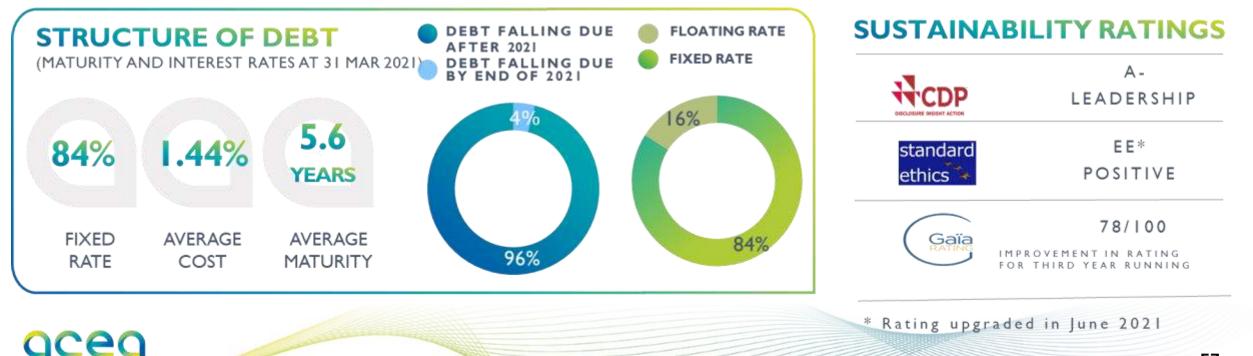


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# 2020 Results

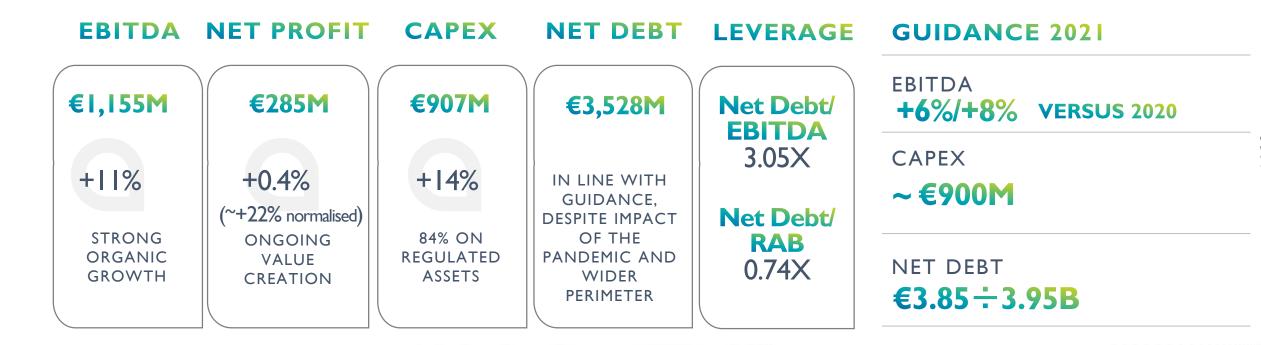


### **PERFORMANCE AND DELIVERY**

SUSTAINABILITY AS A DRIVER OF GROWTH AND VALUE CREATION

REGULATED BUSINESSES SHOW EXTRAORDINARY RESILIENCE IN A CHALLENGING ENVIRONMENT

LIMITED IMPACT ON ACTIVITIES MOST EXPOSED TO THE CRISIS



## **PERFORMANCE AND DELIVERY**

DEVELOPMENT OF THE BUSINESS MIX: ACQUISITIONS IN ENVIRONMENT AND PHOTOVOLTAIC SECTORS, CONSOLIDATION OF SILTERNI

2020



ACEA EXPANDS FURTHER IN PHOTOVOLTAIC SECTOR





ACEA CONSOLIDATES ITS POSITION IN WASTE MANAGEMENT AND TREATMENT SECTOR

> ACQUISITION OF PHOTOVOLTAIC PLANTS with total installed capacity of up to 52 MWp. Development of projects on primary market, 41 MWp already authorised out of a pipeline of > 300 MWp

> > 2020

ACQUISITION OF 70% OF SIMAM leader in design, construction and operation of liquid waste treatment plants, and in the delivery of environmental and remediation projects, offering integrated high-technology solutions

ACQUISITION OF 60% OF "FERROCART" AND "CAVALLARI" 4 waste storage, treatment and sorting plants (paper, steel, wood, plastic and metals), handling 145k tonnes per year



NOVEMBER

ACEA CONSOLIDATES SII TERNI ON LINE-BY-LINE BASIS

> LINE-BY-LINE CONSOLIDATION OF SERVIZI IDRICI INTEGRATI DI TERNI following changes to articles of association and

increase in interest held by Umbriadue (a subsidiary of Acea) from 25% to 40%

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BUSINESS PLAN 2020-2024

OCTOBER \_ 2020

CAPEX: €4.7bn in 2020-

2020

SUSTAINABILITY AT THE HEART OF BUSINESS AND OPERATIONAL STRATEGY

EBITDA CAGR: ~ 7%

2024 over €2bn linked to specific sustainability targets

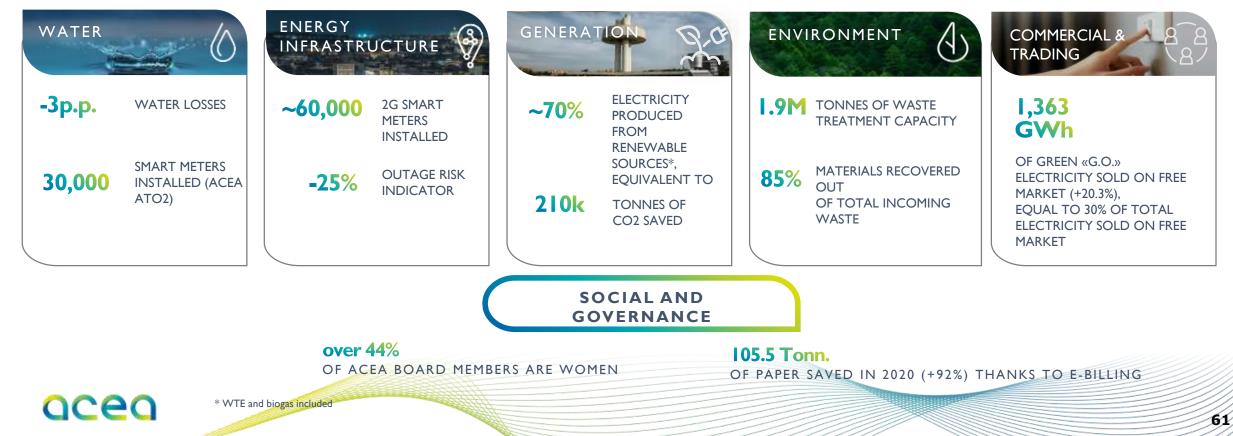


## 2020 KEY ESG HIGHLIGHTS

Fully on track to deliver on our ESG targets



## ACEA'S BUSINESSES ARE BY DEFINITION «STRUCTURALLY SUSTAINABLE»



# **COVID-19 HEALTH EMERGENCY**

EVERYDAY ESSENTIAL SERVICES TO OUR COMMUNITIES GUARANTEED DELIVERING CONTINUITY AND EFFICIENCY EVEN AT THE HEIGHT OF THE PANDEMIC



#### ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMITTEE TO MANAGE COVID-19 PREVENTIVE MEASURES

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#### ADOPTION OF **BIOSAFETY TRUST CERTIFICATION**, AN INNOVATIVE CERTIFICATION SCHEME AIMED AT PREVENTING AND CONTROLLING THE SPREAD OF INFECTIONS



REORGANISATION OF WORK WITH **EXPANDED USE OF DIGITAL TOOLS** AND THE LARGE-SCALE ADOPTION OF **REMOTE WORKING** ARRANGEMENTS (WITH OVER 85% OF STAFF WORKING FROM HOME)



INTRODUCTION OF **SPECIAL INSURANCE COVER** FOR THE GROUP'S EMPLOYEES AND THEIR FAMILIES

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GUARANTEED CONTINUITY AND EFFICIENCY OF ALL THE SERVICES PROVIDED

- Level I
- TWO ROUNDS OF SEROLOGICAL TESTING
   (OVER 4,000 CARRIED OUT)
- FLU VACCINATIONS PROVIDED (OVER 400)
- MOLECULAR, RAPID ANTIGEN AND SALIVA-BASED TESTS (OVER 1,000)



ONGOING DIALOGUE WITH LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND ALL THE GROUP'S STAKEHOLDERS



OVER **12,000 HOURS OF TRAINING** ON THE COVID EMERGENCY PROVIDED TO EMPLOYEES





EBITDA + 🛛 %
WELLAHEAD OF GUIDANCE
INITIAL GUIDANCE: +6%/+8%
GUIDANCE IN JULY 2020: ≥ +8%
ORGANIC GROWTH >+10%

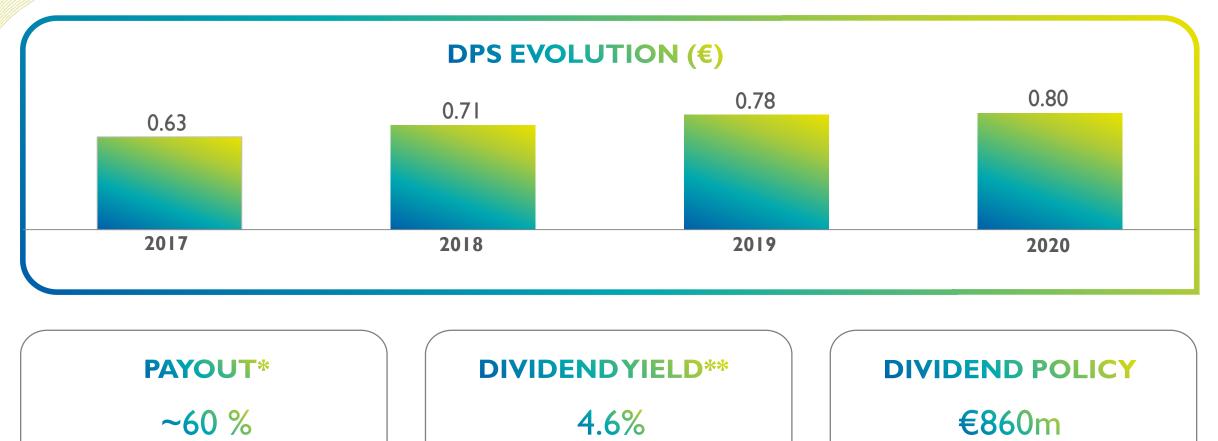
NET PROFIT NORMALISED ~ +22 %

### **NET DEBT**

IN LINE WITH GUIDANCE DESPITE IMPACT OF FIRST-TIME CONSOLIDATION OF SII TERNI

(€M)			)20 (A)	2019 (B)	% CHANGE (A/B)
CONSOLIDATE	D REVENUE	3,3	79.4	3,186.1	+6.1%
EBITDA	EBITDA		55.5	1,042.3	+10.9%
EBIT	BIT		35.0	523.2	+2.3%
GROUP NET P	GROUP NET PROFIT		284.9		+0.4%
DIVIDEND PER	SHARE (€)	(	0.80	0.78	+2.6%
CAPEX		90	07.0	792.8	+14.4%
(€M)	3 I Dec 2020 (A)	30 Sept 2020 (B)	3   Dec 20   9 (C)	% C H A N C ( A / B )	
NET DEBT	3,528.0	3,535.4	3,062.8	-0.2%	+15.2%

## SHAREHOLDER RETURN

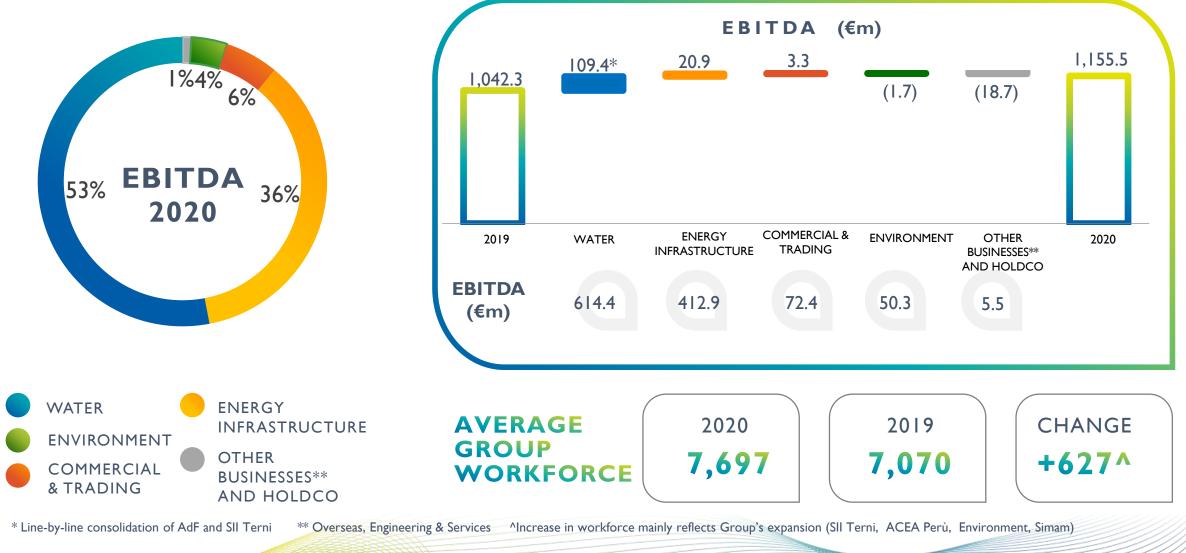


IN THE PERIOD 2020-2024

\* Based on consolidated net profit after non-controlling interests

\*\* Based on the average price for 2020

### RESULTS 2020 EBITDA BY BUSINESS AREA

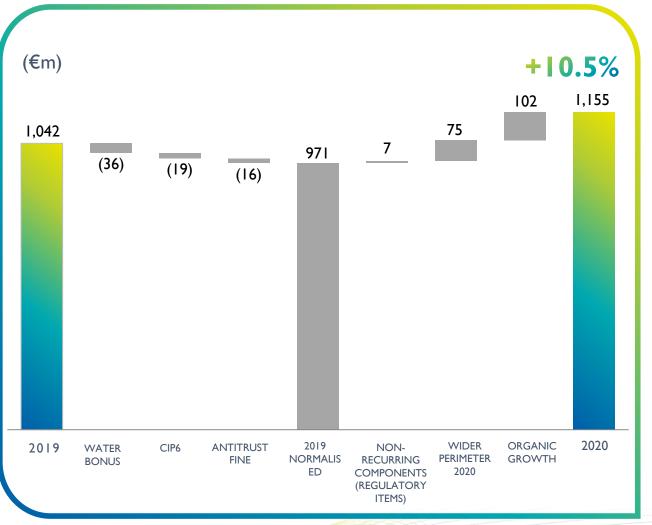


### **RESULTS 2020** ORGANIC EBITDA GROWTH

### WIDER PERIMETER OF THE GROUP

#### CONTRIBUTION TO EBITDA FOLLOWING CONSOLIDATION OF ADF, SII TERNI, CONSORCIO AGUA AZUL AND NEW ACQUISITIONS

(€m)	2020	2019	Change
ADF	60.4	8.	+42.4
SIITERNI	2.2	0.9	+1.3
CONSORCIO AGUA AZUL LIMA	8.9	1.1	+7.8
PESCARA DISTRIBUZIONE GAS	2.2	1.7	+0.5
ALTO SANGRO DISTRIBUZIONE GAS	1.7	-	+1.7
DEMAP	4.0	1.8	+2.2
BERG	2.0	0.5	+1.4
FERROCART/CAVALLARI	4.3	-	+4.3
SIMAM	5.2	-	+5.2
PHOTOVOLTAIC	12.1	3.6	+8.5
TOTAL	103.0	27.7	+75.3



FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS



### **KEY HIGHLIGHTS**

LINE-BY-LINE CONSOLIDATION OF ACOUEDOTTO DEL FIORA

LINE-BY-LINE CONSOLIDATION OF SII TERNI

**EBITDA** main drivers

(€m)

**EBITDA** 

Acea Ato2 Acea Ato5

Gori

ADF

SII Terni

Capex

Gas distribition

Equity-accounted water companies

Other consolidated water companies

**EBITDA** GROWTH +21.7% Application of tariff regime for third regulatory period 2020-2023 (Arera Resolution 580/2019):

% change (A/B)

+21.7%

+15.1%

+9.4%

+14.7%

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+25.2%

-22.8%

- effect of increased investment
- no award of bonus for commercial quality (€35.8m), offset by recognition of new cost components (including those relating to sludge disposal)

2020 (A)

614.4

410.0

26.7 78.7

60.4

2.2

28.7

3.8

3.9

476.0

2019

**(B)** 

505.0

356.1

24.4

68.6

18.1

0.9

37.2

(2.0)

1.7

380.1

Line-by-line Acquisition of Alto Sangro Line-by-line consolidation of SII Terni Distribuzione Gas (August consolidation of AdF (October 2019) (November 2020) 2020) +€1.3m

+€42.4m

+€1.7m

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(€m)	2020 (a)	2019 (b)	% change (a/b)	ELEC	DTAL TRICITY RIBUTED	NUMBER OF PODS ('000S)	TOTAL ELECTRICITY PRODUCED
EBITDA	412.9	39 2.0	+5.3%	(0	Wh)	( 0000)	(GWh)
- Distribution	369.6	345.4	+7.0%	9,849	9,096	1,641 1,644	
- Public lighting	(2,0)	1.9	N.S.		7,076	1,011	650 626*
- Generation	45.4	44.6	+1.8%				
CAPEX	325.1	287.8	+13.0%				
- Distribution	282.5	265.7	+6.3%				
- Public lighting	3.6	3.3	+9.1%				
- Generation	39.0	18.8	+107.4%	2019	2020	2019 2020	2019 2020



### **KEY HIGHLIGHTS**

ACQUISITION OF NEW PHOTOVOLTAIC PLANTS: total installed capacity of 52 MWp INSTALLATION OF 2G SMART METERS (~60,000 installed)

EBITDA main drivers

# DISTRIBUTION:+€24.2m

Tariff and regulatory factors Installation of 2G smart meters Reduction in electricity grid losses



### GENERATION: +€0.8m

Photovoltaic **+€8.5m** (twice the volumes of 2019)



Hydroelectric: decrease in prices and lower volumes -€6.4 m

\* Of which photovoltaic: 61 GWh

**EBITDA** 

GROWTH

+5.3%

68

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS



### **KEY HIGHLIGHTS**

INCREASED FREE MARKET CUSTOMER BASE WITH GREATER MARGIN

+4.8% 72.4 **69. EBITDA** Capex **44**.1 43.I +2.3% **TOTAL GAS** NUMBER OF GAS **NUMBER OF TOTAL ENERGY CUSTOMERS** SOLD (Mmc<sup>3</sup>) SOLD (GWH) ELECTRICITY **CUSTOMERS** ('000s) ('000s) 6,454 <del>\*9,2%</del> 7,046 1.185 1.186 1,995 2,219 192,10.4% 212 749 140 +17.9% 165 786 +9.5% 5,051 4,235 399 437 2019 2019 2020 2020 2019 2020 2019 2020 🛑 FREE MKT 🔘 EN. PROT. MKT

2020 (A)

EBITDA main drivers

(€m)



INCREASED FREE MARKET MARGIN: greater number of mass market customers and increased volumes of electricity sold

2019 (B)

% change (A/B)



#### REDUCED MARGIN IN ENHANCED PROTECTION MARKET:

lower number of customers and revised mechanism for compensating for delinquent accounts (ARERA Resolution 100/2020) PRICE EFFECT on energy purchased and not sold to customers ~ -€4m

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**EBITDA** 

GROWTH

69

(€m)		2020 (A)	2019 (B)	%change(A/B)
EBITDA		50.3	52.0	-3.3%
of which:	Demap	4.0	1.8	N/S
	Berg	2.0	0.5	N/S
	Ferrocart/Cavallari	4.3	-	N/S
Capex		23.6	51.9	-54.5%

TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL (KTONNES) ELECTRICITY SOLD (GWh)





### **KEY HIGHLIGHTS**

### ACQUISITION OF 60% OF FERROCART/CAVALLARI

EBITDA main drivers

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HIGHER TREATED VOLUMES (+27%) AND INCREASE IN DISPOSAL TARIFFS: +€I4m

### M&A: **+€7.9m**

Acquisition of Demap (July 2019):

#### +€2.2m

Acquisition of Berg (October 2019):

#### +€I.4m

Acquisition of Ferrocart/Cavallari (April 2020):

+€4.3m

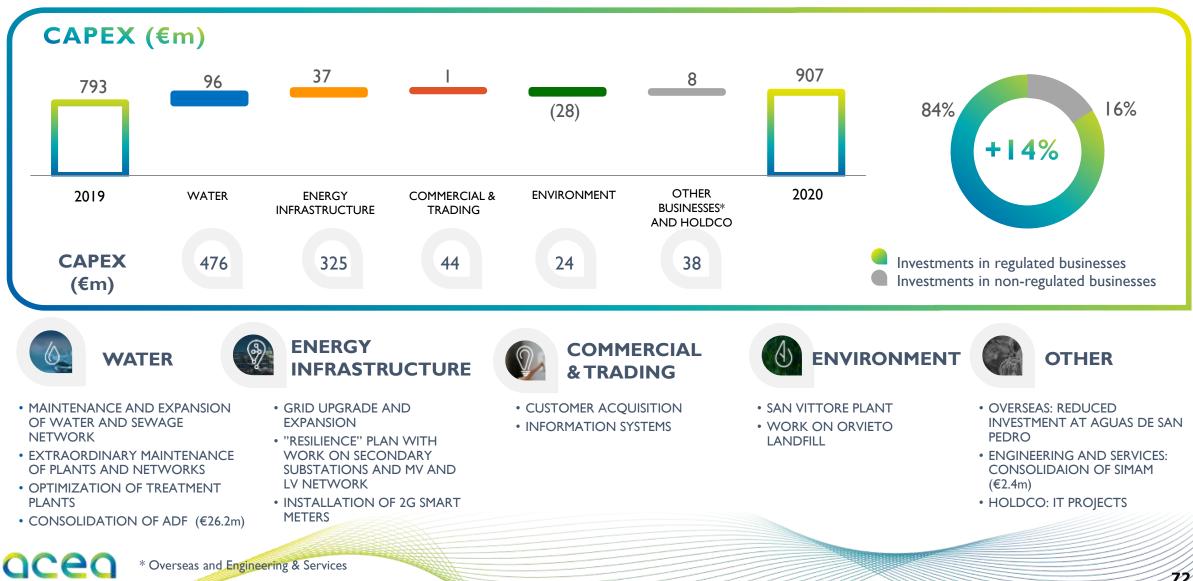
END OF CIP6 FEED-IN TARIFFS FROM I AUGUST 2019 -€19.6m -€4m

## **EBIT AND NET PROFIT**

EBIT (€m) NET PROFIT (€m) +22.2% 535.0 +2.3% 284 523.2 285 15 221 (25) (9) (13) (16)2019 Water Release of CIP6 Antitrust fine 2019 2020 Non-recurring Organic components 2020 bonus Gala provisions growth normalised (mainly due to 2019 2020 revaluation following consolidation of AdF) Increased investment across all areas of (€m) 2020 2019 % CHANGE DEPRECIATION business and first-time consolidations (primarily AdF +€20.8m) DEPRECIATION 498.3 409.6 +21.7% Release of provisions of €13.5m for Gala in **IMPAIRMENTS IMPAIRMENTS** 79.4 61.7 +28.7% 2019 PROVISIONS 42.8 47.8 -10.5% **NET PROFIT** 29.2% ~ +22% TAX RATE NORMALISED

(28.6% in 2019)

#### CAPEX FURTHER ACCELERATION IN INVESTMENTS FOCUSING ON REGULATED ACTIVITIES



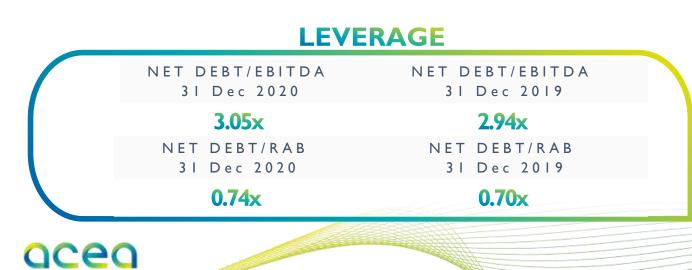
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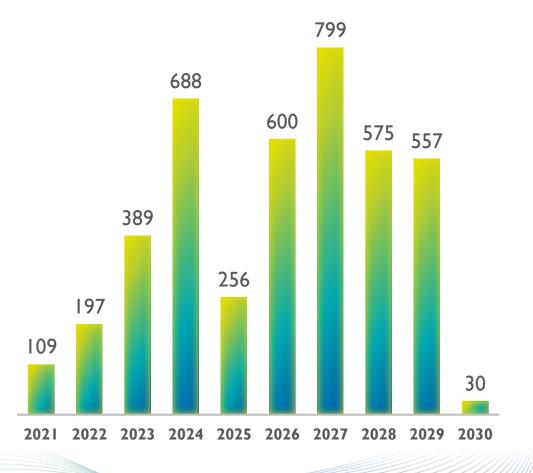
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(€m)		2020	2 (	) 9				
EBITDA		, 55	Ι,	042			INC	REASE €73N
CHANGE IN WORKING CAPITAL		(38)	(	16)				
CAPEX		(886)*	. (7	93)			REGULATOR	Y FACTORS: €63m
FREE CASH FLOW		231	2	233				
FINANCE INCOME/(COSTS)		(88)	( )	90)	IMPACT OF C		COVID-19 ON COLLECTIONS: €10m	
CHANGE IN PROVISIONS		(  2)	(	07)				
INCOME TAX PAID		( 23)	(	34)			REDUC	TION ~€501
DIVIDENDS		( 66)	(	51)				
OTHER M&A AND FIRST-TIME CONSOLIDATIONS		(47)	7) (12) INCREASED CAPITAL EXPENDITU		DITURE IN Q4 20	-		
		( 54)	(	71)		202		
IFRS I6		(7)	( (	64)	INCREASE	D FACTORING OF	RECEIVABLES (I	INSTALMENT PLAN
TOTAL CASH FLOW		(465)	( 4	95)				
							INCREASED R	REVERSE FACTORIN
BITDA 2020 CHANGE CAPEX	FINANCE	CHANGE IN	INCOME	DIVIDENDS	OTHER	M&A	IFRS 16	TOTAL
	COSTS	PROVISIONS	TAX PAID					CASH FLOW
1,155								
(38)								
(886)*	(88)	(112)	(123)		(47)			
				(166)	(47)	(154)	(7)	(465)
* Net of financed capex and other non	-cash items				and the second se			

### **RESULTS 2020** NET DEBT BETTER THAN GUIDANCE

(€m)	31 Dec 2020 (a)	30 Sept 2020 (b)	31 Dec 2019 (c)	Change (a-b)	Change (a-c)
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Medium/long-term	4,130.2	4,116.9	3,523.3	13.3	606.9
Short-term	(602.2)	(581.5)	(460.5)	(20.7)	(141.7)



DEBT (€m)



### **RESULTS 2020**

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE AHEAD OF GUIDANCE

### **GREEN BOND**

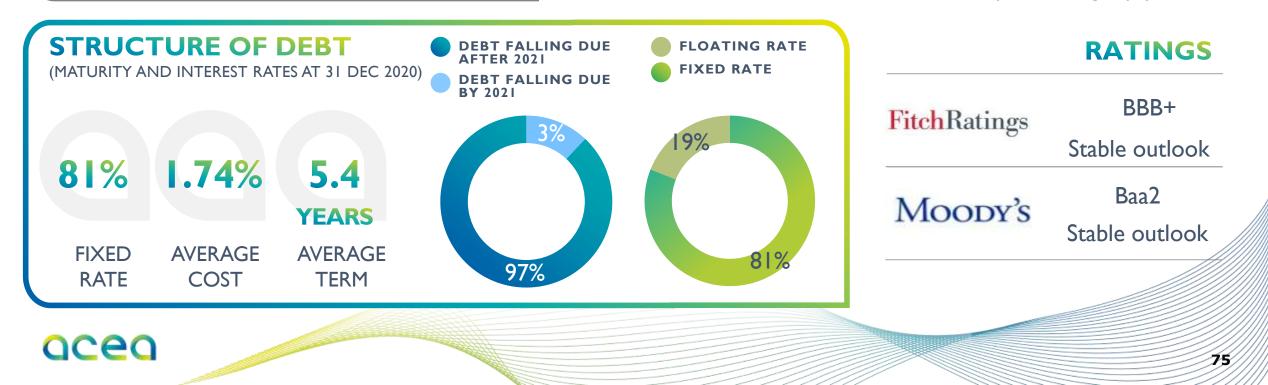
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### BONDS

### 29 JANUARY 2020

Placement of bonds worth €500m under EMTN programme. Bonds have a 9-year term and pay a fixed rate of 0.50%





# Regulatory framework

- Water
- Electricity distribution
- Environment



## Regulation Water (1/2)

#### TARIFF REGIME FOR THE THIRD REGULATORY PERIOD (2020-2023)

#### Delibera ARERA 580/2019

- ➢ WACC: 5.24% (previously 5.3%)
- WACC on fixed assets in progress: 3.92% (provision amended by ARERA in Resolution 235/2020/R/idr of 23 June 2020)
- Increase in inflation rate (from 1.5% to 1.7%)
- The limits on annual growth of the tariff multiplier linked to classification in the matrix of regulatory frameworks have been reduced
- Reduction in standard coverage for late payments in Central Italy from 3.8% to 3%

EXPIRY OF CONCESSIONS				
ATO2 Lazio Centrale (Acea ATO2)	2032			
ATO5 Frosinone (Acea ATO5)	2033			
ATO3 Regione Campania (Gori)	2032			
ATO4 Alto Valdarno (Nuove Acque)	2027			
ATO2 Basso Valdarno (Acque)	2031*			
ATO3 Medio Valdarno (Publiacqua)	2024**			
ATO6 Ombrone (Acquedotto del Fiora)	2031*			
Municipality of Lucca (Geal)	2025			
ATOI Perugia (Umbra Acque)	2027			
ATI4 Umbria (Umbriadue Servizi Idrici)	2032			



\* Extension of the concession approved by the concession authority at the time of the biennial review 2018-2019 (also approved by ARERA). \*\* Extension of the concession approved by the concession authority at the time of the biennial review 2018-2019, yet to be approved by ARERA.

## Regulation Water (2/2)

#### **ARERA RESOLUTION 235/2020**

«Adoption of urgent measures for the integrated water service, in response to the Covid-19 emergency»

- > Deferral of deadlines for meeting tariff and technical quality requirements.
- Recognition in allowed costs of 0.6% of turnover to cover late payments caused by restrictions linked to the spread of Covid-19
- > Assessment of quality performance based on cumulative data for the two-year period 2020-2021
- Amendment of cost recognition criteria (on a forecast basis, with any gaps to be made up through back-billing) linked to the Covid-19 emergency
- Selective measures for financial sustainability of concessions during the emergency (advance payments to be applied for to CSEA – Cassa Servizi Energetici e Ambientali only for concessions where tariffs are approved by 30 September 2020)
- Increase in returns on WIP (Work In Progress): 3.73% in the first two years of the regulatory cycle and 2.77% in the subsequent years (previously 3.58%, 3.31%, 3.04% and 2.77%)



## Regulation Electricity distribution (1/2)

#### ARERA RESOLUTION:

- 568/2019 tariffs for electricity distribution (TIT) and metering (TIME) revised for the sub-period 2020-2023
- 646/2015 "Quality of electricity distribution and metering services and output-based regulation" (TIQE) amended and supplemented by RESOLUTION 566/2019/R/eel for the sub-period 2020-2023
- 534/2019 Initiatives designed to boost the resilience of electricity distribution networks, Areti plan for 2019-2021.
- 467/2019 experimental regulation for the upgrade of aging plumbing risers in buildings
- 306/2019 Revision for the three-year period 2020-2022 of the recognition of 2G smart metering costs
- 583/2015 TIWACC supplemented by resolutions 639/2018/R/com and 570/2019/R/gas

**<u>REGULATORY PERIOD: EIGHT YEARS 2016-2023</u>** divided into two sub-periods, each lasting four years:

- 2016-2019
- 2020-2023

**REGULATORY PERIOD WACC: SIX YEARS 2016-2021** 

- WACC for 2016-2018 5.6%
- WACC for 2019-2021 5.9%

ARERA RESOLUTION 380/2020: "Launch of the process of adopting provisions regarding the methods and criteria for determining and revising the rate of return on invested capital in the electricity and gas sectors for the second regulatory period".

Areti's concession expires in 2030

#### WACC FOR OTHER ACTIVITIES

#### ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION

Electricity transmission WACC for 2019-2021 : 5.6%

#### GAS NETWORKS

Gas transport	WACC for 2019: 5.7%	WACC for 2020-2021: 5.7%
Gas distrib	WACC for 2019: 6.3%	WACC for 2020-2021: 6.3%
Gas metering	WACC for 2019: 6.8%	WACC 10F 2020-2021: 0.3%
Gas storage	WACC for 2019: 6.7%	WACC for 2020-2021: 6.7%

### Regulation Electricity distribution (2/2)

#### MAIN REGULATORY CHANGES IN 2020

#### Urgent measures linked to the COVID-19 epidemic

The regulator urgently issued a serious of resolutions designed to mitigate, as far as possible, the difficulties faced by final consumers and certain businesses connected with the rules governing the response to non-payment by customers, with specific regard to the process for cutting off the supply of electricity.

#### ARERA Resolution 60/2020/R/com – Managing non-payments

In this Resolution, the regulator suspended application of the procedure for managing non-payments set out in supply contracts with final customers until 17 May of the current year.

#### Resolution ARERA 116/2020/R/com – Billing for transmission services

In Resolution 116/2020/R/com, ARERA suspended the application of default procedures in the event of non-payment by traders of transmission service charges due for payment in April 2020. This reflects potential for non-payment by customers who have benefitted from the above Resolution 60/2020/R/com.

More specifically, the regulator has suspended the above procedures where the transmission service user has paid at least 70% of the total amount billed for LV withdrawal points. At the same time, given the fact that the measures introduced could make it difficult for distributors to pay general system charges to the CSEA and GSE, the regulator has given distributors the option of making a payment in proportion to the amount effectively collected. This payment must, in any event, be within the minimum amount (80%) needed to ensure the system is fully funded.

#### Resolution ARERA 248/2020/R/com – Procedures for recovering unpaid amounts

The measures introduced by Resolution 116/2020/R/com were extended on a number of occasions by the regulator, up to and including bills falling due in June 2020. As a result, the later Resolution 248/2020/R/com det out the procedures for recovering unpaid amounts payable to distributors by transmission users and general system charges not paid by the former to the CSEA and GSE.

#### Resolution ARERA 213/2020/R/eel – Temporary changes to the 2G directives

Within the above context, Resolution 213/2020/R/eel introduced, for 2020, a series of changes to the regulations governing the rollout of 2G smart metering systems with the aim of avoiding penalties to be paid by distribution companies as a result of factors beyond their control linked to the epidemic.

The main changes introduced regard the preparation of detailed plans for the mass phase of the rollout, the suspension of penalties for falling behind the schedule set out in the plan and a halt to application of the "Information Quality Incentive" matrix.

The regulator has reserved the right to extend, in full or in part, the measures adopted in this Resolution into 2021 depending on how the health emergency evolves.

### Regulation Environment

#### **ARERA RESOLUTION 443/2019**

- Regulatory period 2018-2021, structured in line with the previous tariff regulation (Presidential Decree 158/99), with the
  introduction of certain elements such as sharing arrangements for revenue from the sale of material and energy derived
  from waste and the related CONAI revenue.
- Real pre-tax WACC: 6.3% for the period 2020-2021, with an additional 1% for the 2-year time lag between capex being carried out and its recognition in RAB.
- Determination of four different regulatory frameworks, limiting the annual rise in the tariff to reflect the quality of service provided and changes in the scope of operations.
- Cost recognition on the basis of accurate ex post data based on reliable accounting records for the previous two years and no longer on forecasts.
- Identification of efficient costs and subsequent adjustments for 2018 and 2019 (introduced on a progressive basis and recognisable over no more than 4 years).
- Whilst awaiting determination of the tariffs for incoming waste (to be determined by 31 December 2020), the charges covering the costs of disposal and treatment and of treatment and recovery are determined on the basis of approved and/or negotiated tariffs.

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