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

#### **2021 EBITDA**



82% regulated

### **Ownership structure**

(Source: based on proof of share ownership filed for AGM of April 2022)

Caltagirone
5.9%

Free Float
19,8%

Roma
Capitale
51%



#### Water

#### Leader

in the water supply sector in Italy

### With more than 9 M customers

in Lazio, Toscana, Umbria, Molise and Campania



### Energy Infrastructure

### Leading

Italian player in the electricity distribution market

### more than 9 TWh

of distributed electricity

### 8 8

### Commercial & Trading

### One of the main players in the

Italian energy market

### with more than 8 TWh

of electricity sold



#### **Environment**

### One of the main players in

the Italian waste treatment sector

### more than 1.7 M tons

of treated / disposed waste



### **Power generation**

### **Green** player

in power generation in Italy

With **300 MW** of installed capacity<sup>1</sup>



### Engineering and services

Business line
offering
technical
services to
the Group

With ~ 450k tests of drinking water >193k tests of waste water



#### **Gas distribution**

Entry in the gas distribution business with ~127k redelivery points





### **G**rowth

Growth driven by regulated businesses, with significant investment in RAB...

**6.7%**EBITDA CAGR 2019-24

**5.9 B€** 2024 RAB



### Renewables

...also supported by investments in RES, both industrial scale and consumer

### **747 MW**

Installed PV capacity in 2024

~1000
nestic PV plants

Domestic PV plants in 2024



### nnovation

...together with investments for new innovative services (VAS)

0.6 B€

Innovation capex 2020-24

2200+

EV charging stations in 2024



### **D**elivery

...proving a consistent track record of outperforming business plan targets

+9.8%

EBITDA CAGR 2019 - 2021

4.7 B€

Capex and M&A 2020-24



### Sustainability

...with strong focus on environmental impact and circular economy

-11 pp

Water losses in 2024

150+

«Smart Comp» composters in 2024

Acea as a leading player in infrastructure and sustainability



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

#### SUSTAINABILITY

### **Sustainable Development Goals** (SDGs)



Related to investments in sustainability



#### Acea sustainability rating









**CAPEX** related to sustainability targets | M€, 2020-2024

**2.1B€** of **investments** related to **sustainability** targets over the plan (**+400M€**<sup>1</sup> vs. previous Business Plan):



water losses reduction



resiliency of Rome aqueduct system



efficiency of purification system



234 installation of smart meters for water and electricity



492 resiliency and efficiency of electric grids



infrastructure **modernization** and **remote mgmt**.



445<sup>2</sup> circular economy treatment of waste



e-mobility infrastructure



increase of green energy generation



<sup>1 +180</sup>M€ 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;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Includes 206M€ of M&A capex



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### Performance and delivery

SOLID, EFFECTIVE AND SUSTAINABLE STRATEGY

### SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT ACROSS ALL AREAS OF BUSINESS

#### **EBITDA**

**€1,256M** +9%

INITIAL GUIDANCE :+6%/+8% REVISED GUIDANCE: >+8%

#### **NET DEBT**

**€3,977M** +13%

GUIDANCE FOR 2021: €3.85/3.95BN



#### **NET PROFIT**

**€313M** +10%

VALUE CREATION FOR SHAREHOLDERS AND TERRITORIES

#### **LEVERAGE**

NET DEBT/ EBITDA 3.17x NET DEBT/RAB 0.71x

### POSITIVE TREND FOR ALL KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

#### **CAPEX**

€931M\* +5%

SELECTIVE ACCELERATION OF INVESTMENTS

**DPS** 

**0.85€** +6.3%

#### **GUIDANCE FOR 2022**

**EBITDA** 

+2%/+4% VERSUS 2021 CAPEX

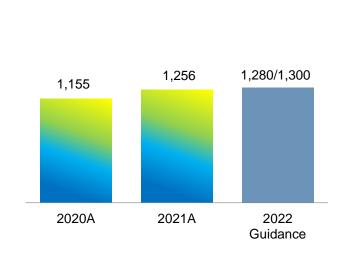
BROADLY IN LINE WITH 2021 NET DEBT

€4.2/4.3B

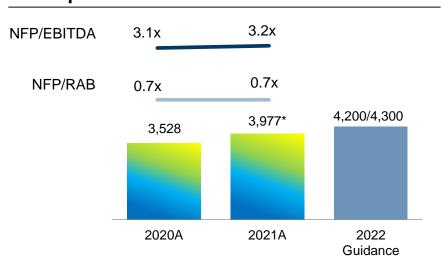


### Key financials

### EBITDA | M€



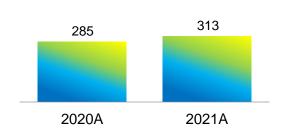
### NFP | M€



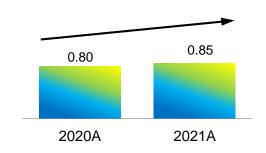
### RAB | B€

Water 1       3.1^       2.5         ATO2       2.2       1.7         ATO5       0.2       0.1         SII TERNI       0.1       0.1         AdF       0.3       0.2         GORI       0.3       0.3
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Electricity distribution 2.3 2.1
Measurement 0.2 0.2

### Net Income | M€



### Dividend per share | € / share



### **2022 GUIDANCE**

EBITDA +2%/+4% versus 2021= €1,256M

CAPEX broadly in line with 2021= €931M

NET DEBT: €4.2B/€4.3B

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Water RAB value does not consider RAB of sub-consolidated companies

<sup>^</sup> RAB "accounting" which includes capex until 2021
\* Net Debt in accordance with the new ESMA guidance amounts to €3,988M

### Results 2021

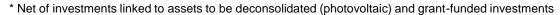
KEY FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(€M)		2	1021 (A)	2020 (B)	%CHANGE (A/B)
CONSOLIDATED REVENUE		3,	,972.0	3,378.9	+17.6%
EBITDA		1,256.1		1,155.5	+8.7%
EBIT		581.1		535.0	+8.6%
GROUP NET PROFIT			313.3		+10.0%
DIVIDEND PER SHARE			0.85	0.80	+6.3%
CAPEX			931*	886*	+5.1%
(€M)	31 Dec 2021 (A)	30 Sept 2021 (B)	31 Dec 2020 (C)	CHANG (A/B	
NET DEBT	3,977.2	3,998.3	3,528.0	-0.5	% +12.7%
NET DEBT (ESMA)	3,988.4		3,552.0		+12.3%

STRONG PROFITABILITY AND OPTIMAL CASH FLOW MANAGEMENT

#### **EVOLUTION OF DPS (€)**



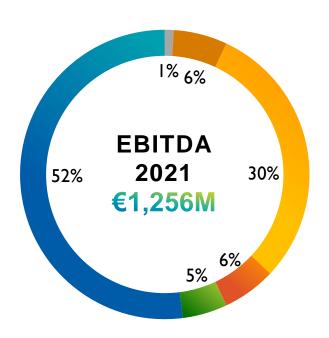


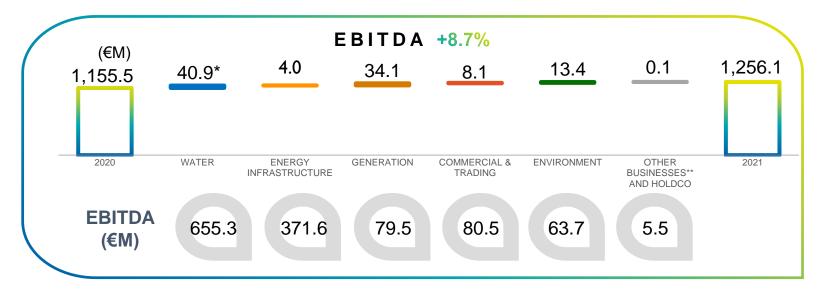
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Based on consolidated net profit after non-controlling interests

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Based on the share price at 11 March 2022.



### Results 2021







ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE

ENVIRONMENT

GENERATION

COMMERCIAL & TRADING

OTHER BUSINESSES\*\*
AND HOLDCO

#### **CHANGE IN SCOPE OF CONSOLIDATION**

EBITDA (€M)	Change
SII TERNI	+     . 6
A D I S T R I B U Z I O N E G A S ^	+ 3 . 1
FERROCART/CAVALLARI	+ 2 . 8
SIMAM	+ 3 . 0
MEG	+ 0 . 5
DECO/ECOLOGICA SANGRO	+1.1
PHOTOVOLTAIC	+ 2 . 8
ACEA AND LIMA NORTE CONSORTIUM	+ 1 . 0
TOTAL	+ 25.9

GROWTH ON COMPARABLE PERIMETER

EBITDA

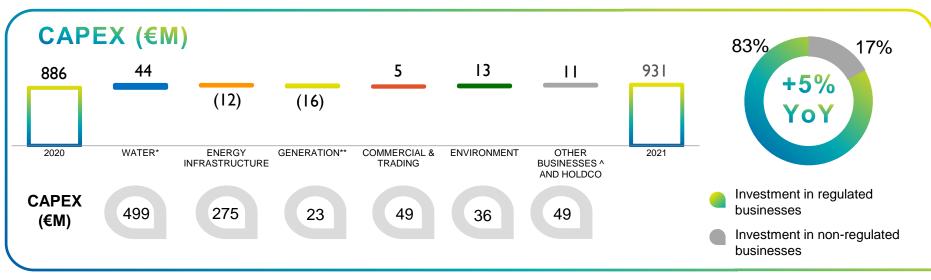
+6.5%

<sup>\*</sup> Line-by-line consolidation of SII Terni

<sup>\*\*</sup> Overseas, Engineering & Services

<sup>^</sup> Resulting from the merger of Pescara Distribuzione Gas with Alto Sangro Distribuzione Gas

#### SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENTS IN INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADE







#### **WATER**



### ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE



#### **GENERATION**



### COMMERCIAL & TRADING



#### **ENVIRONMENT**



#### **OTHER**

- REPAIR AND EXPANSION OF WATER AND SEWER PIPES
- EXTRAORDINARY
   MAINTENANCE OF PLANTS
   AND NETWORKS
- WORK ON TREATMENT PLANTS
- CHANGE IN SCOPE OF CONSOLIDATION (SII TERNI €8.3M ADISTRIBUZIONEGAS €2.5M

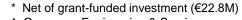
- UPGRADE OF THE GRID
- "RESILIENCE" PLAN WITH WORK ON SECONDARY SUBSTATIONS AND THE MV AND LV NETWORK
- INSTALLATION OF 2G METERS



- OF PRODUCTION PLANTS
- CONSTRUCTION OF PHOTOVOLTAIC PLANTS

- CUSTOMER ACQUISITION
- E-MOBILITY PROJECTS
- WORK ON ORVIETO LANDFILL
- WORK ON SAN VITTORE PLANT
- REVAMPING OF APRILIA COMPOSTING PLANT
- CHANGE IN SCOPE OF CONSOLIDATION (FERROCART/CAVALLAR I, MEG AND DECO €2.0M)
- BERG: CONSTRUCTION OF A CONCENTRATOR

- OVERSEAS: INCREASED INVESTMENT AT THE ACEA LIMA NORTE AND ACEA LIMA SUR CONSORTIA
- ENGINEERING AND SERVICES: CONSOLIDATION OF SIMAM
- HOLDCO: IT PROJECTS



<sup>\*\*</sup> Net of investment linked to assets to be deconsolidated (photovoltaic, €16.0M)

<sup>^</sup> Overseas, Engineering & Services

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Water RAB value does not consider RAB of sub-consolidated companies

<sup>°</sup> RAB "accounting" which includes capex until 2021

### Key ESG Highlights

ACEA: A GENERATOR OF ESG VALUE IN THE AREAS IN WHICH WE OPERATE

### SUSTAINABILITY: AT THE HEART OF OUR STRATEGIC DECISIONS AND OUR OPERATIONS

### SUSTAINABILITY

WE HAVE BEGUN THE PROCESS OF IDENTIFYING SUSTAINABLE PROJECTS LINKED TO THE ECOLOGICAL TRANSITION.

THESE WILL FORM THE BASIS FOR OUR NEXT BUSINESS PLAN



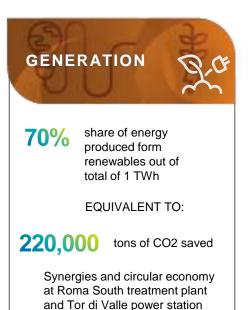
reduction of volume of water losses compared with 2020;

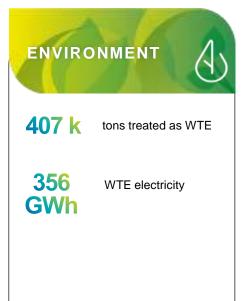
Water loss in Rome is 28.6%

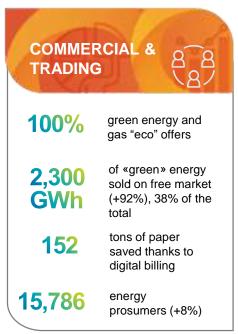
tons of sludge produced (ATO2, ATO5, Gori, Gesesa, Adf) of which 67% recovered (44% in 2020) ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE

316 k smart meters installed in 2021

201,000 lighting points managed in Rome, 92% using LED lamps









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> ACEA vaccination hub



➤ "social bonus" discounts to help support financially distressed customers with both their electricity/gas and water bills, with savings of €8.8m and €2.4m, respectively



- ➤ 80% of **qualified suppliers** have completed a self-assessment questionnaire on aspects relating to sustainability, further rollout of Ecovadis rating
- > 15,444 inspections of work sites conducted



- ➤ Quality employment: 84% of new hirings on permanent contracts; 39% aged under 30. 98% of employees are permanent
- > ~170 thousand hours of training provided
- > Certification «Top Employers Italia 2022» (Jan 2022)



➤ Diversity & Inclusion Plan

### **GOVERNANCE**

> 10% of short and medium/long-term remuneration linked to quantitative sustainibility goals

### **GREEN FINANCING & RATINGS**

- > First Green bond of €900m issued in January 2021
- > Sustainability ratings:



CDP

confirmed «A-», leadership



Standard Ethics

upgrade to «EE», «positive» outlook



Bloomberg GEI improved to 80.67



Gaia Ratings

improved to 82/100

> First TCFD report to be published in May 2022





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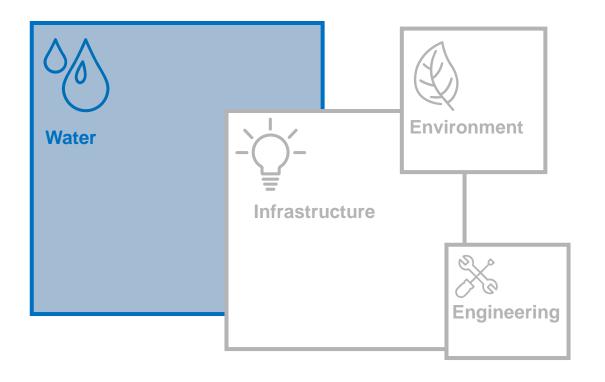
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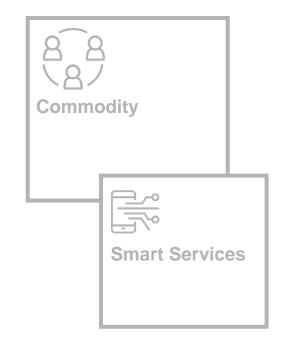
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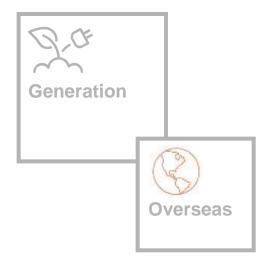


### **Operations**



### Commercial







### Water Main initiatives

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** 



+500k Smart meters installed



On-going pursuit of water resource protection and losses reduction



water losses1



Rationalization of small water purification plants

36

Rationalized plants



Grids' performance optimization through Water Management System

-15 pp
Failures incidence



170 M€



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

>220K
CLIENTS SERVED



The Consortium established by ACEA, Ascopiave and Iren won bid for gas distribution assets of A2A The assets of interest to ACEA consist of concessions in 5 ATEM,

30,700 POINTS OF REDELIVERY

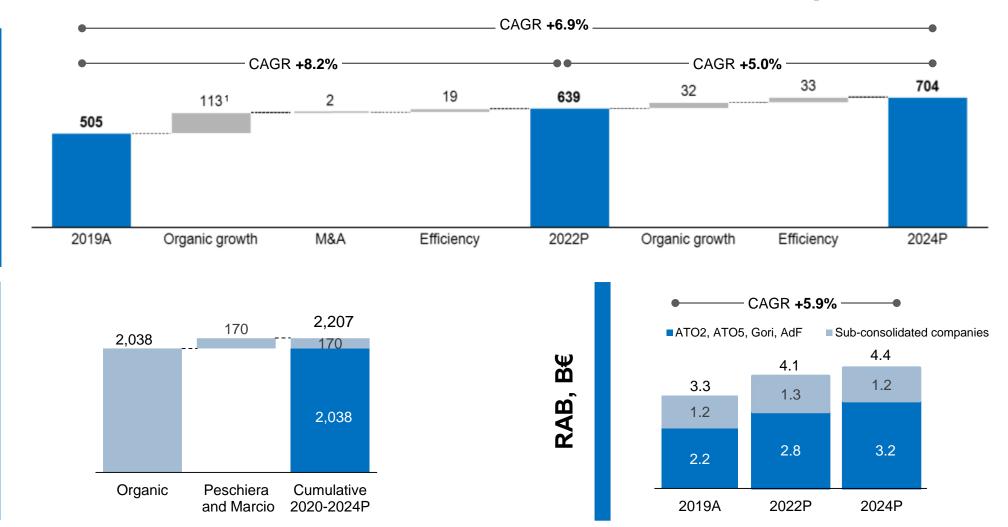
including 2 in Abruzzo, 2 in Molise and 1 in Campania.

• EV: €35.8M

Closing: April 2022



### Water **Water Key financials**





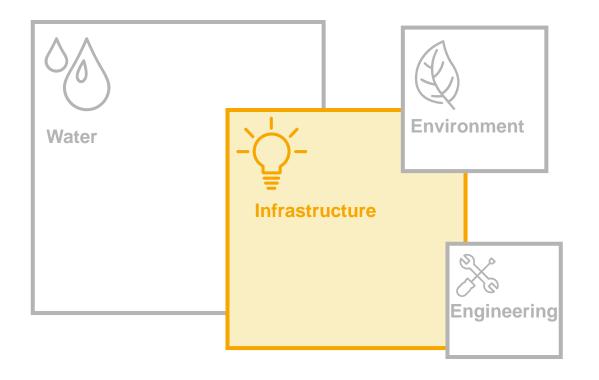
CAPEX, M€

EBITDA, M€

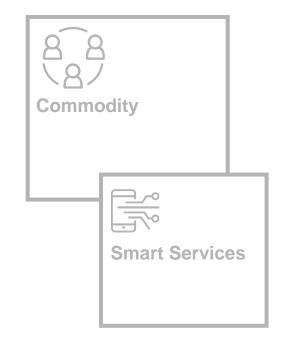
Notes: Key financial also include numbers from the gas distribution business;

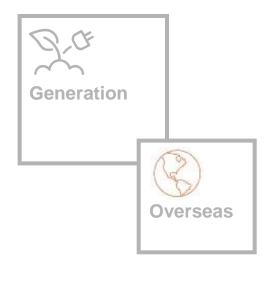
¹ ~50 M€ related to the changes in the consolidation perimeter of AdF

### **Operations**



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### Energy Infrastructure Main initiatives

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

145+ M€ CAPEX



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

60%+
MV/LV cabins



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

155+ M€ CAPEX



Installation of 2G smart meters

1.3 M installed meters at 2024



New Control center for grids' management

13+ M€
CAPEX

Areti and RSE-Ricerca Sistema Energetico have renewed their partnership agreement for grid modernisation, in line with the decarbonisation goals set in the 2030 Agenda. (March 2022)

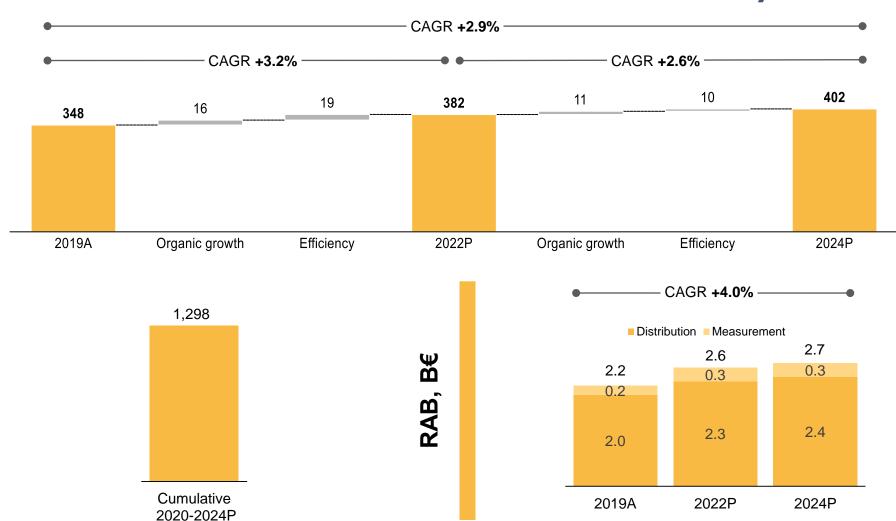


### Energy Infrastructure Key financials



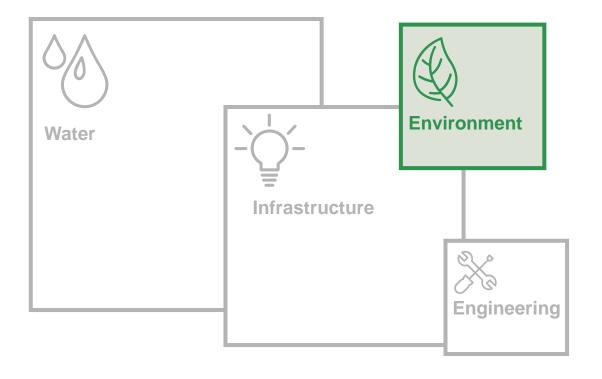


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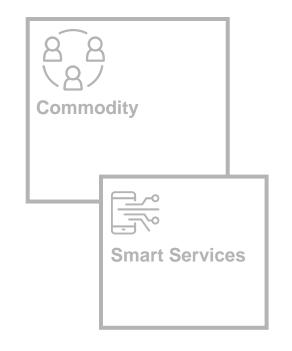


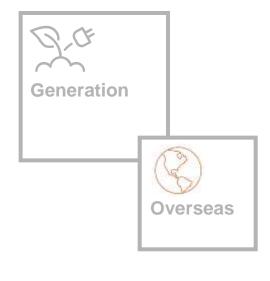


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### Environment Main initiatives

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

+0.5 Mt/y
added capacity at
2024



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

+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

+0.5 Mt/a added capacity at 2024



Value creation from the **post-merger integration** of acquired companies **and development of industrial synergies** through operating model commissioning and control systems integration

15+
acquired plants at 2024



### Environment 2021 acquisitions







Agreement for the acquisition of a 70% stake in Serplast (Abruzzo) and a 60% stake in Meg (Veneto), companies operating in the plastic recycling sector. EV (100%): €12M

• EBITDA 2021E: €3M

EV/EBITDA: ~4x

Volumes treated: ~70,000 Tonnes/year



This acquisition marks a further expansion of ACEA's plastic waste treatment capability, with the entry into a new sector, recycling, which is expected to deliver strong growth in the coming years.

Closing for Meg: October 2021 - Closing for Serplast: February 2022



Agreement for the **acquisition of a 65% stake in Deco (Abruzzo)**, company that operates in the designing, building and operating facilities used in the treatment, disposal and recovery of solid urban waste.

• EV (100%): €68M

• EBITDA 2020: €11M

• EV/EBITDA: 6,2x

Volumes treated (authorized): ~270,000 Tonnes/year



The transaction enables ACEA to further consolidate its extensive presence in Central Italy

**Closing: November 2021** 

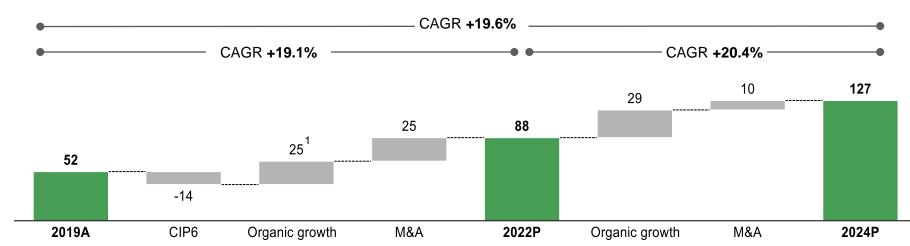


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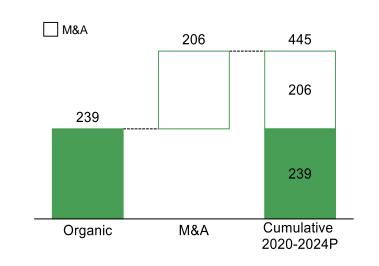


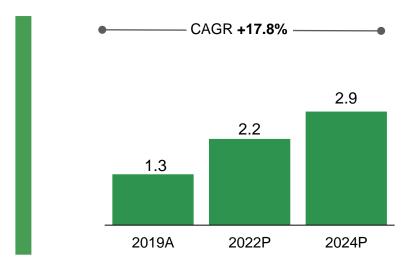


## CAPEX AND M&A, M€



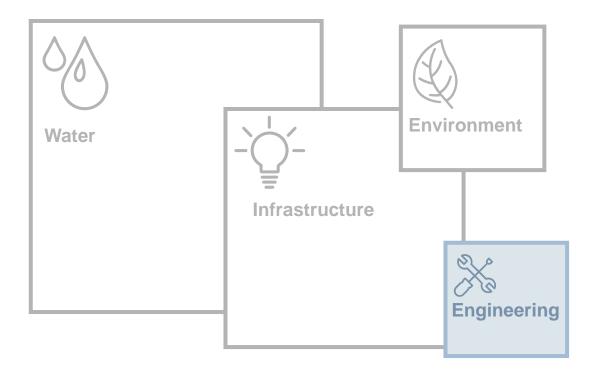
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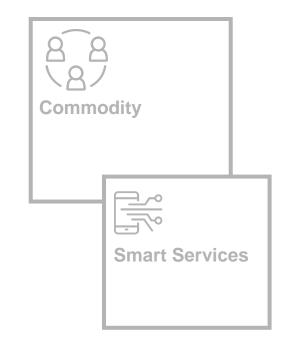


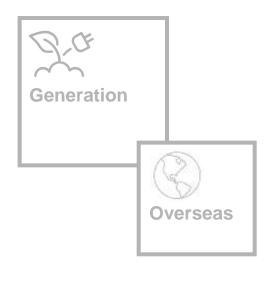


### **Operations**



### Commercial







### Engineering & services Main initiatives



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





**Performance improvement** to reduce unitary costs related to SII





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** 

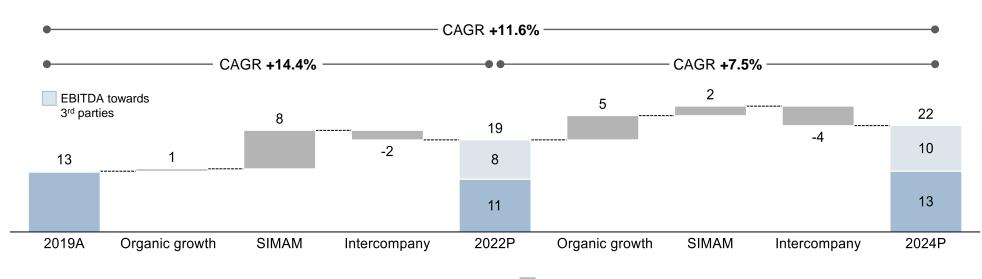


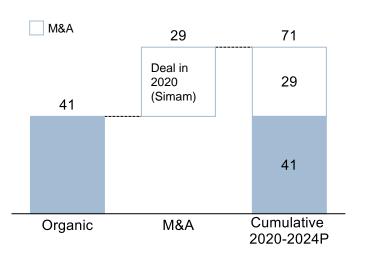
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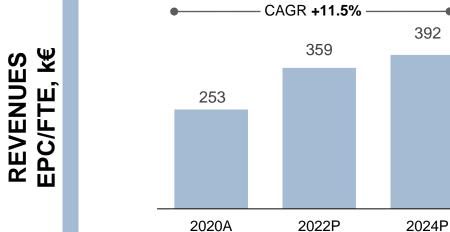


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# CAPEX AND M&A, M€



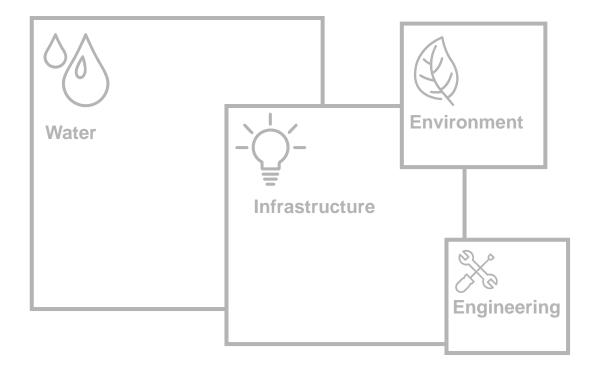




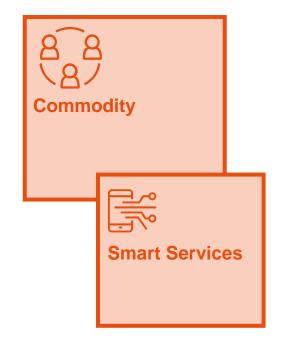


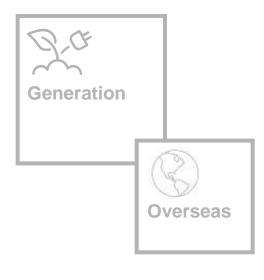
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### Commercial







### Commercial & trading: focus on energy commodity 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** 





Cross-selling and up-selling opportunities thanks to regulated market phase-out in 2022



customers switching to free market



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



gas customers vs 2019



**Digital Attack** through a **new platform** for **customer journey** management

+100k digital customer

vs 2019

ACEA launches its LUCE 100% GREEN and GAS 0% CO2 offers (June 2021)



Partnership between Acea Energia and Windtre to promote and market the ELECTRICITY AND GAS OFFERING, initially through telecom company's retail outlets in Italy (January 2022)



### Commercial & trading: focus on Smart Services 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

2,200+
charging stations
at 2024



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

100+

condominiums at 2024



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

150+
composters installed

at 2024



Installation of residential PV and solar thermal plants

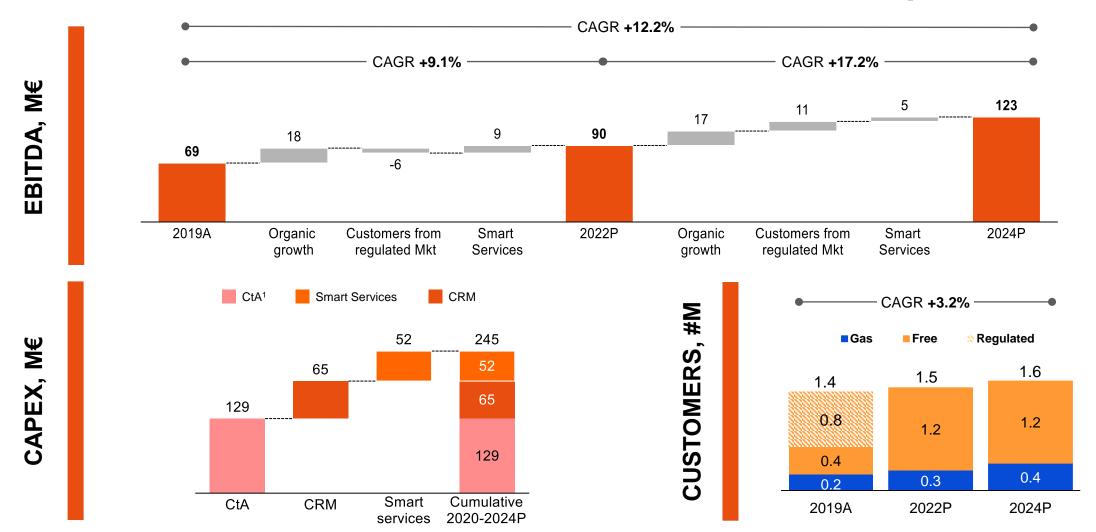
~1,000
plants installed at 2024

ACEA begins to offer charging services for ELECTRIC-POWERED VEHICLES with the launch of "ACEA E-MOBILITY" app (April 2021)



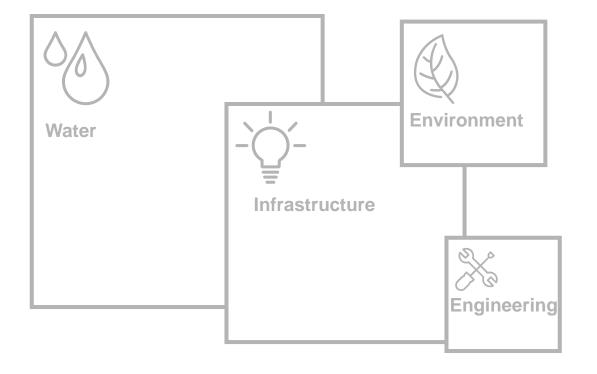
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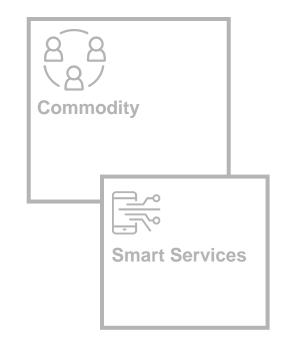


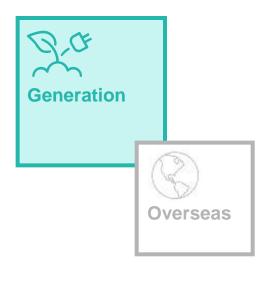


### **Operations**



### Commercial







### Generation 5.09 Main initiatives

Growth of PV portfolio to exploit opportunities from the energy transition and decarbonization processes



RES growth to exploit opportunities from the decarbonization process

747 MW

installed at 2024



**Greenfield** development of PV in **industrial and** and agricultural areas

**569 MW** 

installed at 2024



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

178 MW

installed at 2024



Photovoltaic plants (as of December 2021)

• Total capacity of 73 MWp.



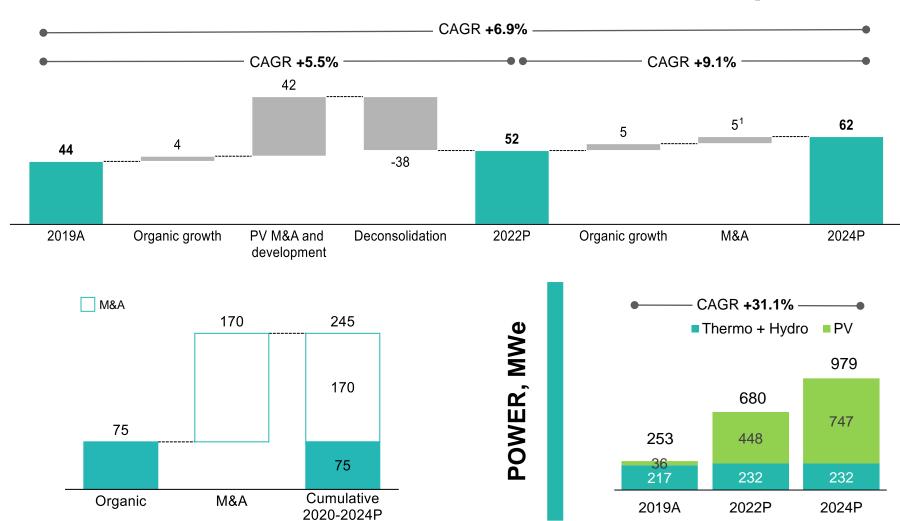
Agreement with Equitix for the sale of a majority stake in NewCo set to manage photovoltaic assets.

The newly established company, AE Sun Capital, 60% owned by Equitix and 40% owned by ACEA Produzione, has acquired the ACEA Group's photovoltaic holding company from ACEA Produzione. The holding company is the owner of photovoltaic plants with total installed capacity of 105 MW, including 46 MW qualifying for various feed-in tariffs and 59 MW represented by newly built plants already connected or in the process of being connected to the national grid

• EV (100%): €220M • EV/EBITDA 2022: 10x Closing: March 2022



### Generation Scr Key financials

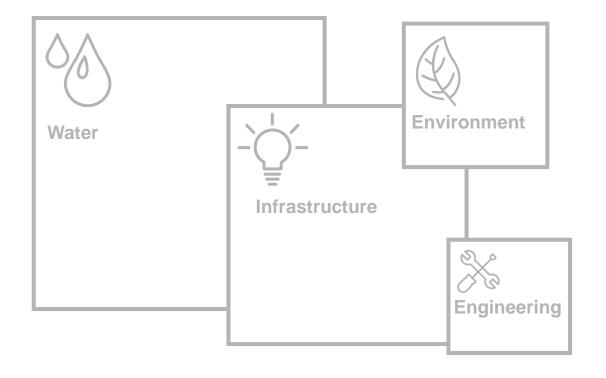




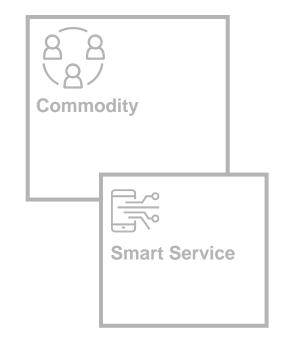
CAPEX AND M&A, M€

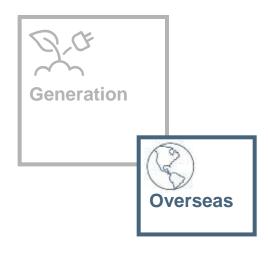
EBITDA, M€

### **Operations**



### Market







# Overseas Current positioning and key financials



#### **Current positioning**



100%

Overseas sompanies

Acea Dominicana





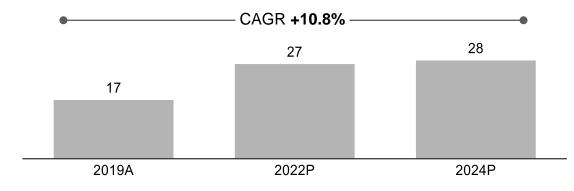
Consorcio Aguas de Agua Azul San Pedro



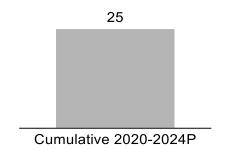
61%

- 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 Perù: subsidiary established to scout and develop opportunities in the Country

#### EBITDA | 2019-2024, M€



#### CAPEX | M€



In 2021, Acea entered into three-year contracts to manage fresh water pumping stations and maintain the fresh and waste water network in the city of Lima in Perù.



# **Agenda**



**ACEA GROUP** 



2021 RESULTS



**BUSINESS PLAN 2020-2024** 



BUSINESS LINE HIGHLIGHTS



**BUSINESS PLAN 2020-2024 KEY TARGETS** 



# Business Plan 2020-2024 Key Targets Significant growth at 2024, while maintaining a balanced capital structure



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







# APPENDIX

Q1 2022 RESULTS

# REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

- Water
- Electricity distribution
- Environment

### PERFORMANCE AND DELIVERY

A STRONG, RESILIENT BUSINESS MODEL

**EBITDA** 

€318M +2%

**NET PROFIT** 

**€99M\*** +20%

CAPEX

**€222M** -3%

**NET DEBT** 

**€3,890M** -3%

**LEVERAGE** 

**NET DEBT/ EBITDA LTM** 3.08×



2022 GUIDANCE CONFIRMED

**EBITDA** 

+2%/+4% VERSUS 2021 CAPEX

BROADLY IN LINE WITH 2021 NET DEBT

€4.2/4.3B

ARERA Resolution 183/2022 (26 April 2022)

Incentive mechanism for technical quality in the integrated water service (years 2018/2019): the water companies fully consolidated in the Acea Group have received ~€26m



# RESULTS 1Q 2022 KEY FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(€M)		IQ 2	0 2 2 I (A)	Q 2021 (B)	% CHANGE (A/B)
CONSOLIDATED R	REVENUE	1,1	92.5	929.9	+28.2%
EBITDA		318.2		311.5	+2.1%
EBIT		153.8		155.5	-1.1%
GROUP NET PROF	IT	9	9.4*	83.1	+19.6%
CAPEX**		22	22.4	228.7	-2.8%
(€M)	31 Mar 2022 (A)	3 I Dec 202 I (B)	31 Mar 2021 (C)	% CHANGE (A/B)	% CHANGE (A/C)
NET DEBT	3,890.3	3,988.4	3,654.1	-2.5%	+6.5%

KEY FINANCIAL INDICATORS CONFIRM CONSTANT GROWTH TREND

#### AVERAGE GROUP WORKFORCE^

1Q 2022 7,197 1Q 2021 7,004 CHANGE +193^^

<sup>^^</sup> Increase primarily due to wider scope of consolidation in the Environment segment.



<sup>\*</sup> Includes the capital gain on the sale to Equitix of a majority stake in ACEA's photovoltaic assets (~€21M).

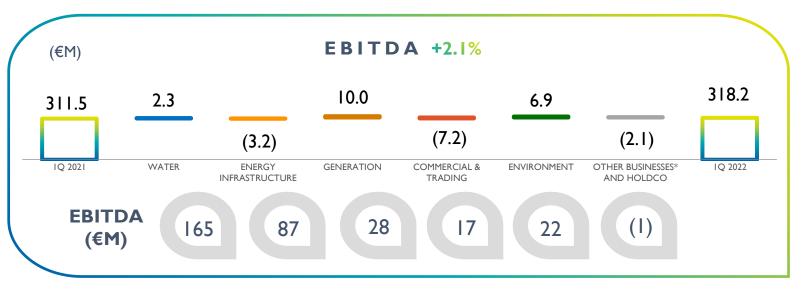
<sup>\*\*</sup> Net of grant-funded investment

<sup>^</sup> Excludling employees in the Overseas segment.

# **RESULTS IQ 2022**

EBITDA





#### **CHANGES IN SCOPE OF CONSOLIDATION**

EBITDA (€M)	Change
M E G	+0.5
S.E.R.PLAST	+0.1
DECO	+1.8
ECOLOGICA SANGRO	+1.1
PHOTOVOLTAIC	+1.2
CONSORCIO ACEA LIMA SUR	+0.1
TOTAL	+4.8



**TRADING** 

WATERENERGY INFRASTRUCTUREENVIRONMENTGENERATIONCOMMERCIAL &

### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS 1Q 2022

HIGHLIGHTS

(€M)	IQ 2022 (A)	IQ 2021 (B)	% change (A/B)
EBITDA	165.2	163.0	+1.3%
ACEA ATO2	109.9	105.9	+3.8%
ACEA ATO5	8.6	8.9	-3.4%
Gori	17.7	21.2	-16.5%
Adf	16.3	16.2	+0.6%
SII Terni	3.4	3.3	+3.0%
Equity-accounted water companies	6.7	4.6	+45.7%
Other consolidated water companies	1.1	1.3	-15.4%
Gas distriibution	1.5	1.6	-6.3%
CAPEX*	119.4	117.9	+1.3%



✓ Closing of agreement between the Consortium established by Ascopiave, Acea and Iren and the A2A Group for the acquisition of certain gas distribution concessions.

Concessions of interest to ACEA: concessions in 5 ATEMs, including 2 in Abruzzo, 2 in Molise and 1 in Campania (April 2022).



**EBITDA GROWTH** 

+1.3%

EBITDA main drivers

**GROWTH AT ACEA ATO2** 

Higher capex
Operational efficiency

+€4.0M

DECLINE AT GORI

Increased maintenance costs and regulatory effects

-€3.5M

INCREASED CONTRIBUTION FROM EQUITY-ACCOUNTED COMPANIES

+€2.IM

Technical quality reward (years 2018/2019): ~€26m for the water companies fully consolidated in the Acea Group (including ~€24m to ATO2)

HIGHLIGHTS

				TOTAL ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTED (GWh)	NUMBER OF PODs ('000s)
(€M)	IQ 2022 (A)	IQ 2021 (B)	% change (A/B)	2,197 2,317	1,637 1,646
EBITDA	86.5	89.7	-3.6%	2,177	
- areti	87.1	90.6	-3.9%		
- Public lighting	(0.6)	(0.9)	n/s		
CAPEX	68.7	70.1	-2.0%	IQ 21 IQ 22	IQ 21 IQ 22





# EBITDA main drivers

# ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION ARETI

Negative impact of 70 bps reduction in WACC by from 5.9% to 5.2% (down €6.7m), partially offset by improved operational efficiency -€3.5M 2G ELECTRICITY SMART METERS

installed as of 31 March 2022 ~ 450.000

INSTALLATIONS OF CHARGING POINTS CONNECTED TO THE GRID

653



HIGHLIGHTS

				TOTAL ELECTRICITY PRODUCED (GWh)
(€M)	IQ 2022 (A)	IQ 2021 (B)	% change (A/B)	
EBITDA	27.7	17.7	+56.5%	244 * 209
CAPEX	8.4	11.0	-23.6%	IQ 21 IQ 22



Closing of agreement with Equitix for the sale of a majority stake in the holding company to which Acea's photovoltaic assets have been transferred (total installed capacity of 105 MW, including 46 MW eligible for feed-in tariffs and 59 MW newly built) (March 2022).



EBITDA GROWTH +56.5%

# EBITDA main drivers

# PRICE AND VOLUME EFFECTS

Effect of energy prices, partially offset by reduction in volume of hydroelectricity produced due to low rainfall (-35%)

+€8.4M

#### **PHOTOVOLTAIC**

Change in scope of consolidation+€1.2M

#### PHOTOVOLTAIC PLANTS PIPELINE

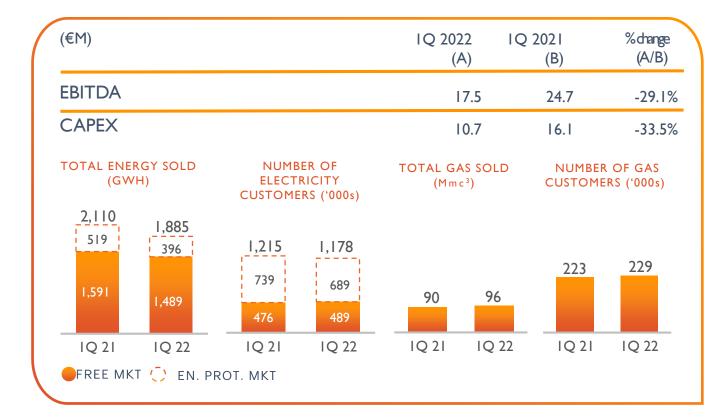
Totale pipeline 640 MW

- ➤ 190 MW approved (under construction & ready to build)
- > 450 MW awaiting approval



Of which photovoltaic: 21 GWh in 1Q 2022 and 14GWh in 1Q 2021

HIGHLIGHTS







**CHANGE IN EBITDA** 

**-29.1%** 

The reduction in EBITDA reflects exceptional circumstances, marked by high levels of energy price volatility.

The general drop in electricity consumption is due to the higher proportion of consumers in the customer mix.

The performance also reflects the challenging comps vs the particularly strong results achieved in IQ 2021.

# EBITDA main drivers

#### FREE MARKET EBITDA

-€1.3M

Lower consumption and decline in unit margin on sales to retail and business customers

ENHANCED PROTECTION MARKET EBITDA



-€I.IM

#### **GAS SALES EBITDA**

Reduced unit margin on sales to retail and business customers

-€2.7M



HIGHLIGHTS

(€M)		IQ 2022 (A)	IQ 2021 (B)	%drange (A/B)
EBITDA		21.9	15.0	+46.0%
CAPEX		8.5	6.9	+23.2%
TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL (KTONNES)			CITY SOLD	
428	525	83	83	
IQ 21	IQ 22	IQ 21	IQ 22	



- Acquisition of 70% of S.E.R.Plast and 60% of Meg, companies operating in the plastic recycling sector volumes handled ~70k tonnes per year. Closing for Meg in October 2021, closing for S.E.R.Plast in February 2022.
- ✓ Acquisition of 65% of Deco, a company that designs, builds and operates plants involved in treatment, disposal and recovery of solid urban waste – volumes handled ~270k tonnes per year. Closing November 2021.



**EBITDA GROWTH** 

+46.0%

# EBITDA main drivers

INCREASED EBITDA FOR WTE PLANTS

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Higher prices received for electricity produced

+€6.0M

+€3.5M

CONSOLIDATION

CHANGE IN SCOPE OF

#### REDUCED EBITDA AT DEMAP

Lower volumes handled and higher costs, partly due to plant stoppage in December 2021 (plant restarted in February 2022)

-€1.7M



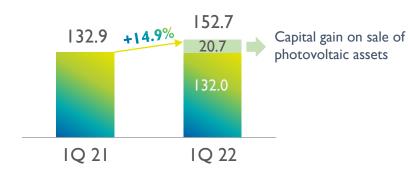
## **EBIT AND NET PROFIT 1Q 2022**

EBIT (€M)

PRE-TAX PROFIT (€M)

NET PROFIT (€M)







TAX RATE 30% (in line with IQ 2021)

(€m)	IQ 2022	IQ 2021	% CHANGE
DEPRECIATION	140.7	130.4	+7.9%
IMPAIRMENTS	21.9	23.4	-6.4%
PROVISIONS	1.8	2.2	-18.2%
TOTAL	164.4	156.0	-5.4%

HIGHER CAPEX AND CHANGES IN SCOPE OF CONSOLIDATION



## CAPEX IQ 2022

#### INVESTMENT IN INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE





#### **WATER**

- REPAIR AND WIDENING OF WATER AND SEWER PIPES
- EXTRAORDINARY MAINTENANCE OF PLANTS AND NETWORKS
- WORK ON TREATMENT PLANTS



### INFRASTRUCTURE

• UPGRADE OF THE GRID

**ENERGY** 

- "RESILIENCE" PLAN WITH WORK ON PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SUBSTATIONS AND THE MV AND LV NETWORK
- INSTALLATION OF 2G METERS



#### **GENERATION**

- EXTRAORDINARY MAINTENANCE OF PRODUCTION PLANTS
- CONSTRUCTION OF PHOTOVOLTAIC PLANTS



# COMMERCIAL & TRADING

- CUSTOMER ACQUISITION
- E-MOBILITY PROJECTS



#### **ENVIRONMENT**



**OTHER** 

- WORK ON SAN VITTORE, TERNI AND MONTEROTONDO MARITTIMO PLANTS
- CHANGE IN SCOPE OF CONSOLIDATION

• HOLDCO: IT PROJECTS



<sup>^</sup> Overseas, Engineering & Services

<sup>\*</sup> Net of grant-funded investments

# **CASH FLOW 1Q 2022**

CASH FLOW (€M)	IQ 2022	IQ 2021
EBITDA CHANGE IN WORKING CAPITAL	3   8 (80)	3 I 2 ( I 2 8 )
FREE CASH FLOW	(222)	(229)
FINANCE INCOME/(COSTS)	(22)	(23)
CHANGE IN PROVISIONS	(29)	(23)
O T H E R	(7)	(6)
M & A	1 4 5 *	(8)
IFRS 16	(4)	-
TOTAL CASH FLOW	9 8	(105)

POSITIVE FREE CASH FLOW: €15M
IMPROVED WORKING CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

TOTAL CASH FLOW: €98M

BENEFITTING FROM IMPACT OF

PHOTOVOLTAIC ASSETS TRANSACTION





#### 31 Mar 2022 31 Dec 2021 31 Mar 2021 CHANGE **CHANGE** (€M) (C) (A-B) (A) (B) (A-C)Net debt/(funds) 3,890.3 3,988.4 3,654.1 (98.1)236.2

4,792.0

(803.6)

4,949.2

(1,295.1)

307.4

(209.3)

# RESULTS 1Q 2022

SOLID FINANCIAL STRUCTURE

#### **LEVERAGE**

3.08x	3.17x	
3 I Mar 2022	3 I Dec 2021	
EBITDA LTM	EBITDA	
NET DEBT/	NET DEBT/	

#### **RATINGS**

# SUSTAINABILITY RATINGS



(464.6)

700.8

B B B +

Stable Outlook



Baa2 Stable Outlook 44.CDE

«A-», leadership confirmed

CDP



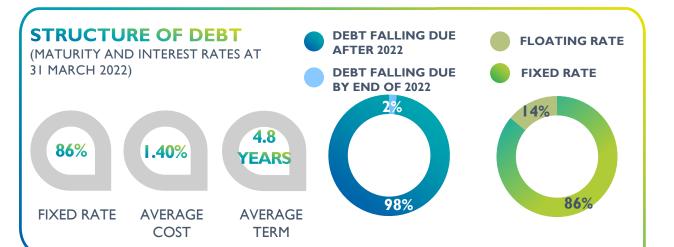
Standard Ethics upgrade to «EE», «positive» outlook



Bloomberg GEI improved to 80.67



Gaia Ratings improved to 82/100



4,484.6

(594.3)



Medium/long-term

Short-term





## REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

- Water
- Electricity distribution
- Environment



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

#### ARERA Resolution 639/2021 - 2022/2023 period

- WACC: 4.8% (previously 5.2%)
- > Real risk-free rate cut from 0.5% to 0.13%.
- Water Utility Risk Premium held at 1.7%.
- > Cost of Debt reduced from 2.8% to 2.4%.
- Level of inflation to be applied to allowed costs in 2021 equal to 0.1% and in 2022 equal to 0.2%.
- > RAB deflator for 2021 is 0.5% and 0.4% for 2022.

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)	2031
ATI4 Umbria (Umbriadue Servizi Idrici)	2031



# Energy Infrastructure Electricity distribution: regulation



ARERA Resolution 614/2021 - "Rate of return on invested capital for infrastructure services in the electricity and gas sectors for the period 2022-2027»

- Confirmation of regulatory period of 6 years (2022-2027), with an interim review after 3 years.
- Increase in Beta for electricity distribution and transmission and gas transmission.
- Increase in taxation from 28% to 29.5%.
- Reduction in weight of new Debt in the period 2022-2024 from 50% to 33.3% and from 2025 from 75% to 66.6%.
- · Revised method for calculating Risk-Free Rate.

Areti's concession expires in 2030

# ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION REGULATORY PERIOD WACC: SIX YEARS 2022-2027

• WACC FOR 2022-2024: **5.2**%

REGULATORY PERIOD WACC: SIX YEARS 2016-2021

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

#### **WACC FOR OTHER ACTIVITIES**

#### **ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION**

Electricity transmission WACC 2019-2021: 5.6% WACC 2022-2024: 5.0%

#### **GAS NETWORKS**

 Gas transport
 WACC 2020-2021: 5.7%
 WACC 2022-2024: 5.1%

 Gas distribution
 WACC 2020-2021: 6.3%
 WACC 2022-2024: 5.6%

 Gas storage
 WACC 2020-2021: 6.7%
 WACC 2022-2024: 6.0%

#### **MAIN ARERA RESOLUTIONS:**

614/2021 Rate of return on invested capital for infrastructure services in the electricity and gas sectors for the 2022-2027

635/2021 Determination of tariff components for general system costs for 2022 + Warm home discount scheme and related additional component Jan-Mar 2022

536/2021 Work on improving the resilience of distribution networks eligible for rewards and penalties (2021-2023 Plan)

537/2021 Rewards and penalties for work on improving the resilience of electricity distribution networks completed in 2020

604/2021 Method of compensating for settlement items deriving from objections to two-year statute of limitations raised by final users and sellers

**358/2021** Confirmation of cap of €250 per EEC and additional payment of €10 per EEC.

**547/2021** Determination of the additional one-off component of €7.26 per EEC for each certificate handed over at the end of the year of obligation 2020



# **Environment Regulation**



#### ARERA RESOLUTION 363/2021 (MTR-2) - REGULATORY PERIOD 2022-2025

- The earlier method has been confirmed for the regulatory period 2022-2025, after a number of changes designed to encourage its application, promote economic and environmental efficiency targets and limit discretionary behaviour by local authorities. The changes have introduced an **initial attempt** to regulate access plants involved in closure of the cycle.
- The scope of application covers **treatment plants used in the «recovery and disposal»** of **all urban waste**, regardless of how it is subsequently classified. **Recycling chains**, managed by recycling consortia and other entities, are, on the other hand, **not addressed**.
- Regional planning has been given a decisive role in defining plants involved in closure of the cycle, operating in structurally rigid markets (insufficient capacity to meet demand for treatment), as «minimum». These plants will subject to revenue caps: the prices applied in 2021 (which will form the basis for the entire regulatory period) will be adjusted on the basis of allowable costs in accordance with ARERA's method. A cap on annual tariff increases has also been introduced.
- Vice versa, plants not classified as «minimum» as part of the planning process will be considered **«additional»**: these plants **will not be subject to regulated tariffs**, but will only be subject to disclosure requirements.
- In order to drive development of the circular economy, MTR-2 also introduces a number of **environmental components targeting waste producers**, with incentives to reduce waste flows and penalties for waste sent to landfill.
- In a later resolution (68/2022/R/rif dated 22 February 2022), ARERA determined, in line with the approach adopted when setting the TIWACC for the energy sectors, the WACC for the regulatory period 2022-2025 save for any intra-period adjustments as 6% for facilities not integrated into the waste cycle (the WACC for the integrated cycle is instead 5.6%).



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