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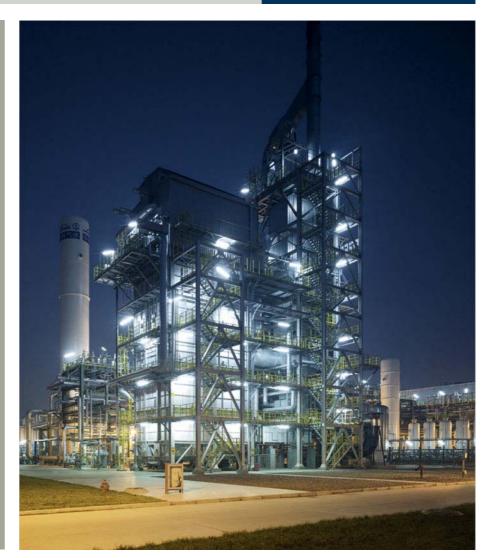
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# The Linde Group: 2010 financial year Linde achieves record levels and is set for further growth

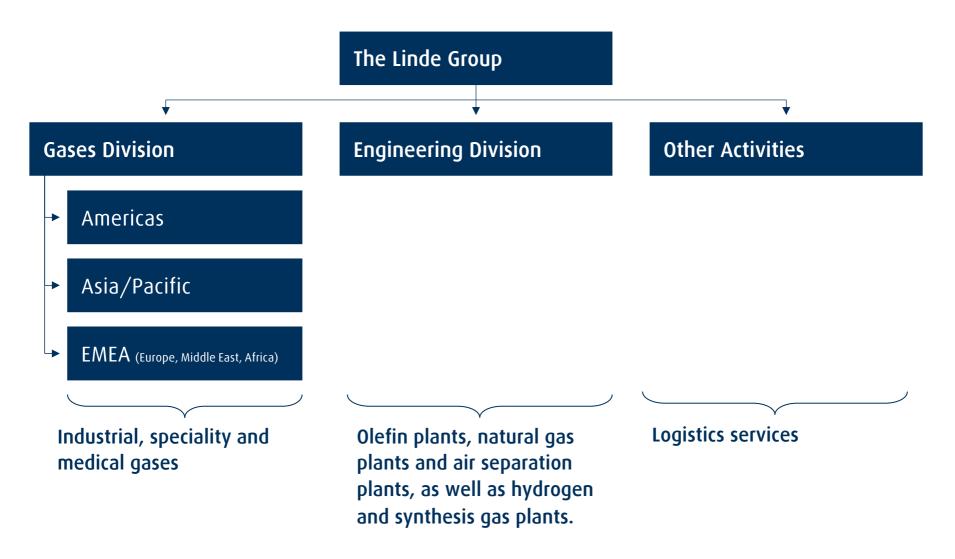


- Group sales up 14.8 percent to EUR 12.868 bn
- Group operating profit increases at a faster rate than sales, by 22.6 percent to EUR 2.925 bn
- Operating margin up by 140 bp to 22.7%,
   Gases operating margin further improved to 27%
- Medium-term targets for 2014: Group operating profit of at least EUR 4 bn and ROCE of at least 14 percent



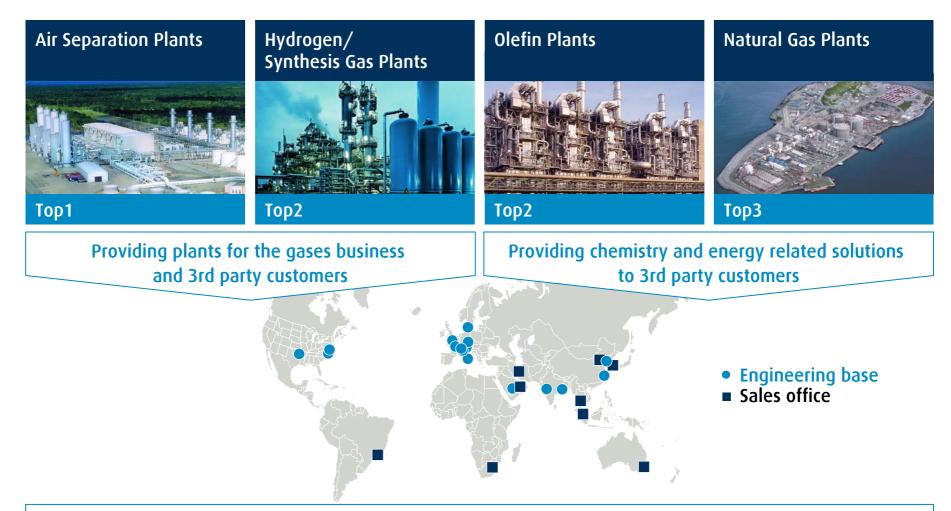
# **Group Profile** Organisational structure





# **Engineering Division** Global set-up with leading market position in all segments





Supporting the energy/environmental mega-trend and leveraging customer relations for gas projects

# **Gases Division** Various distribution mix served from one product source

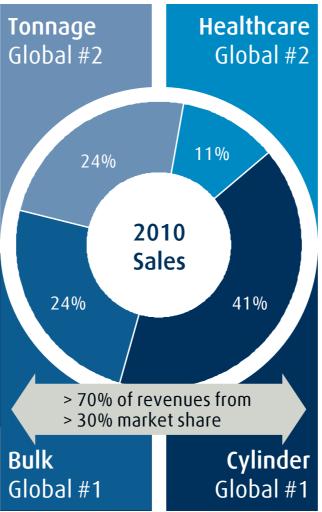




- 15-year take-or-pay contracts (incl. base facility fees)
- Add. growth in JVs & Embedded Finance Lease projects



- Multi-year contracts
- Application-driven





- Hospital care & Homecare
- Bulk & cylinder gases
- Structural growth



- High customer loyalty
- Includes specialty gases
- Cylinder rentals

# **Gases Division** Stability driven by a broad customer base



#### Chemistry & Energy Tonnage Bulk Metallurgy & Glass Food & Beverages Manufacturing Electronics Other Electronics Retail Metallurgy & Glass Other Food & Beverages Chemistry & Energy Metallurgy & Glass Chemistry & Energy Homecare Manufacturing Hospital Care 8% Healthcare Cylinder Electronics Other 5% Retail

2010: Split of product areas by major end-customer groups

## 2010: Split of sales by major end-customer groups



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## **Group** Performance – 9M 2011



#### Highlights

Group sales increased by 8.5% to € 10,209 m With an increase of 10.2% to € 2,363 m operating profit grew stronger than sales Continuous strong increase of reported EPS by 21.5% to € 5.02 and of adjusted EPS by 16.4% to € 5.68 Strong operating cash flow increases by 10.8% to € 1,699 m

#### Growth in all regions

Strongest momentum in growth markets Solid development in mature regions Operating margin of the Gases Division at 27.3% (+20 bp)

#### 2011 Outlook reinforced

Growth in sales and operating profit vs. record year 2010 HPO: € 650-800 m of gross cost savings in 2009-2012

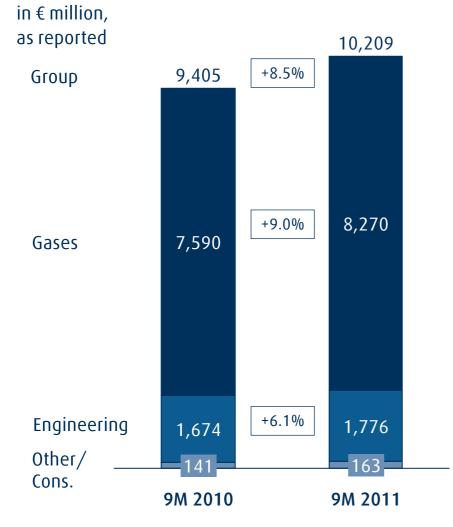
## **Group** Operating Cash Flow & Operating Profit



**Group Sales Operating Profit** € m, as reported € m, as reported 2,925 2,555 2,424 780 2,385 9M 12,868 12,306 2,053 11,211 10,803 3,463 9M 2,363 2,145 10,209 9,405 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2006 2007 2009 2010 2011

# **Group, sales by Divisions** Continued growth in all areas

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#### **Gases Division**

- Growth momentum continues: comparable\* sales up by 8.1%
- Growth in all product areas lead by product area Tonnage

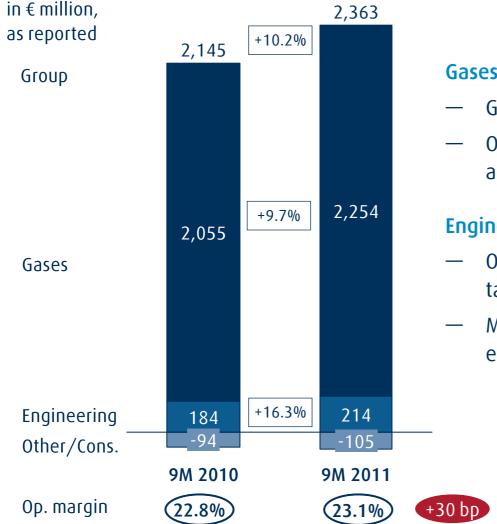
#### **Engineering Division**

- Order intake well balanced between growth markets and mature markets
- Order backlog remains on high level

\*excluding currency, natural gas price and consolidation effect

# **Group, operating profit by Divisions** Group margin improved

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#### **Gases Division**

- Growth of operating profit\* continues
- Operating margin of 27.3% further improved against previous year

## **Engineering Division**

on reported basis

- Operating margin of 12% again well ahead of target margin of at least 10% for the year 2011
- Margin development driven by successful execution of individual projects

## **Group, Cash Flow Statement** Operating Cash Flow increases by 10.8% to € 1,699 m

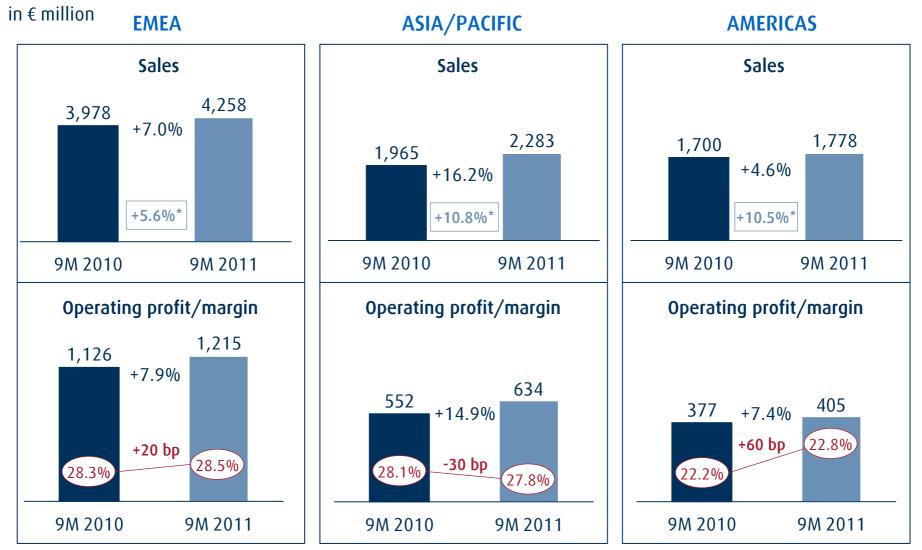


in € million	Q1 11	Q2 11	Q3 11	9M 11	9M 10
Operating profit	761	798	804	2,363	2,145
Change in Working Capital	-180	6	60	-114	-126
Other changes	-141	-267	-142	-550	-486
Operating Cash Flow	440	537	722	1,699	1,533
Investments in tangibles/intangibles	-237	-310	-346	-893	-764
Acquisitions/Financial investments	-13	-1	-41	-55	-35
Other	43	33	40	116	136
Investment Cash Flow	-207	-278	-347*	-832*	-663
Free Cash Flow before Financing	233	259	375	867	870
Interests and swaps	-45	-114	-123	-282	-240
Dividends and other changes	-2	-385	-7	-394	-308
Net debt increase (+)/decrease (-)	-186	240	-245	-191	-322

\* excluding strategic liquidity reserve of € 600m

## Gases Division, sales and operating profit by operating segment Growth momentum continues in all regions

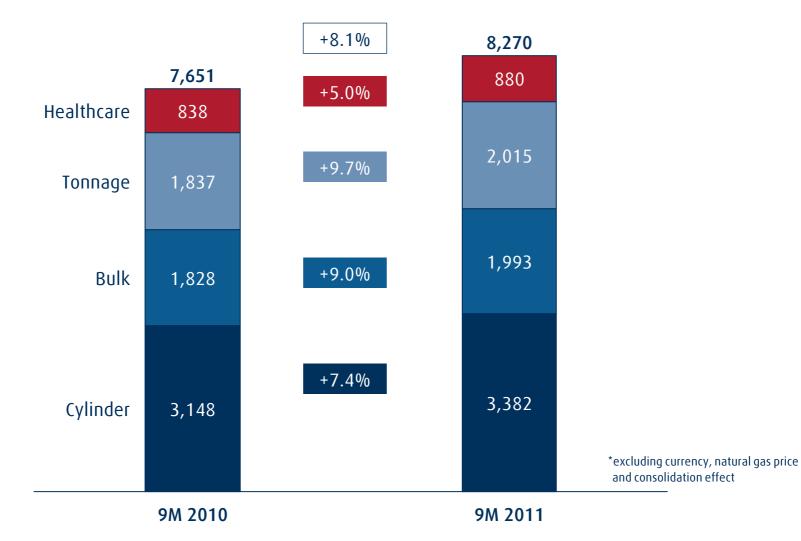




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# **Gases Division, sales by product areas** Growth accelerated in Bulk

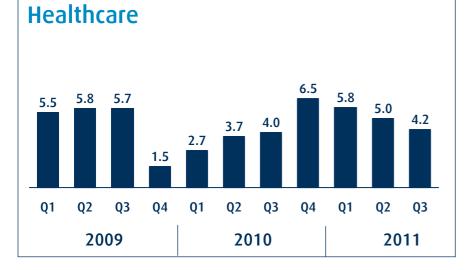
in € million, comparable\*, consolidated



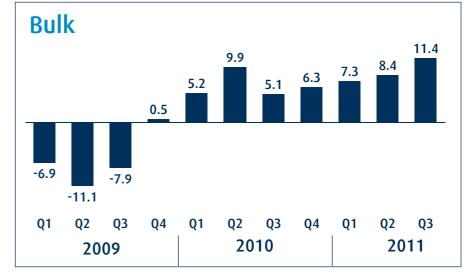
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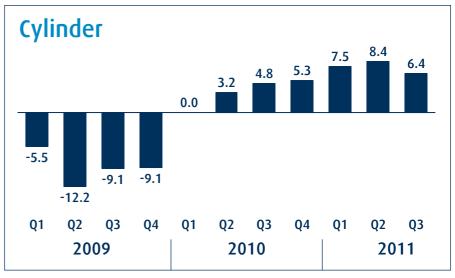
## Gases Division, product areas Comparable year-on-year growth in percent











## **Engineering Division, key figures** Order intake up by 9 %



- Order intake mainly driven by air separation units and well balanced between growth and mature markets and
- Order backlog stays strong at € 3,761 bn (year-end 2010: € 3,965 bn)
- Margin expectation for 2011 is at least 10%

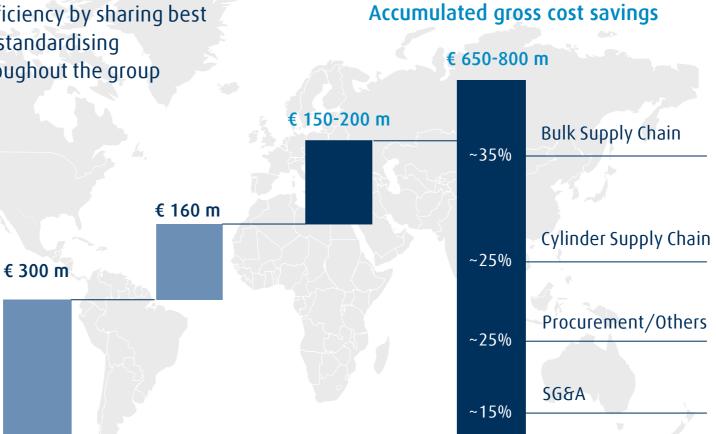
in € million	9M 10	9M 11	Δ ΥοΥ
Order intake	1,538	1,676	+9.0%
Sales	1,674	1,776	+6.1%
Operating profit*	184	214	+16.3%
Margin	11.0%	12.0%	+100 bp

\*EBITDA incl. share of net income from associates and joint ventures

# **HPO (High Performance Organisation)** Covering the full value chain in all regions



- Successful start and continuation with savings of ~€ 460 m
- Increase of efficiency by sharing best practices and standardising processes throughout the group



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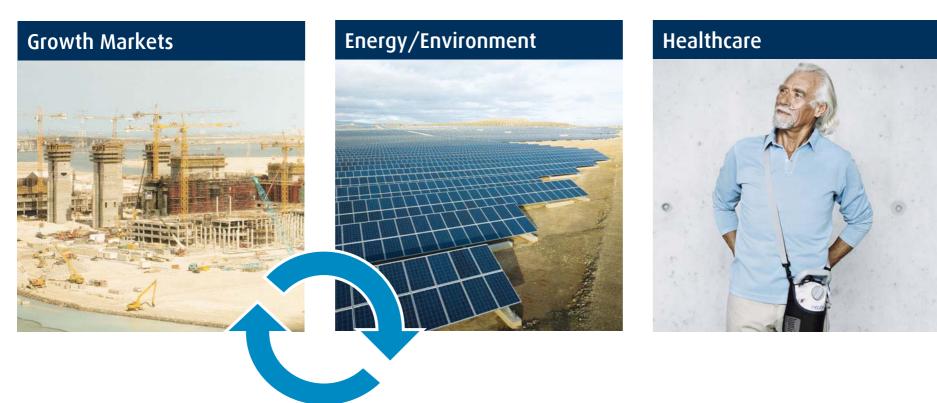


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# **Mega-trends** Leveraging growth with our Gas & Engineering set-up



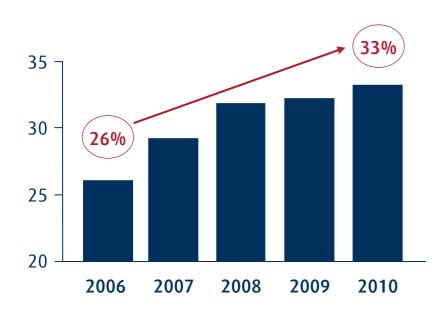


## Leveraging Gases & Engineering business synergies

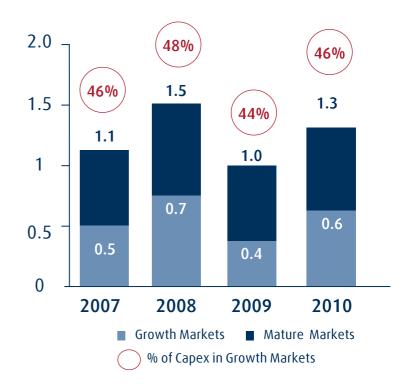
# Mega-trend Growth Markets Growth trend leveraged by strong investment decisions



# **Growth market sales, excl. JVs** (% of total Gases sales)



## Gases Capex 2007 – 2010 in € bn



## Further increasing footprint in Growth Markets

## Nearly half of Capex allocated to Growth Markets

## Mega-trend Growth Markets Additional industrial gases market 2010 vs. 2020 in € bn

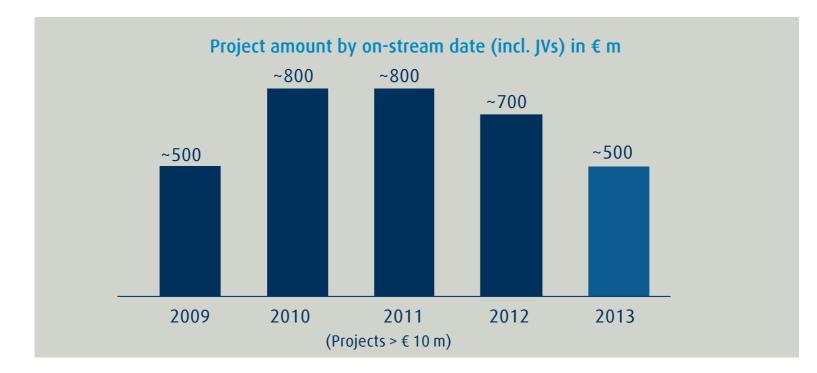




Source: Linde database, figures excl. Equipment, healthcare and major impact out of future growth markets of the energy/environment sector

## **Gases Division, project pipeline** Solid foundation for future growth

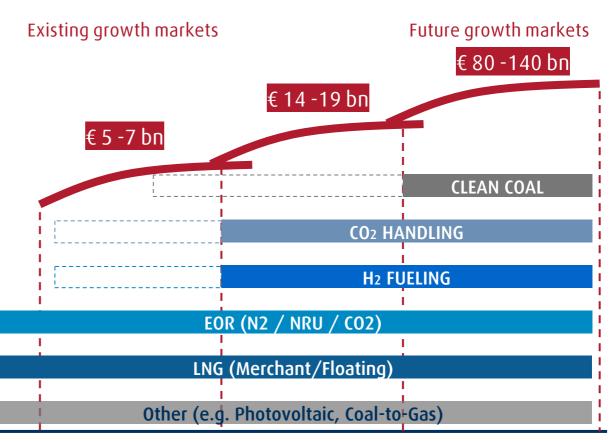
- Project amount for 2013 already at € 500 m
- Around € 3.3 bn investments between 2009-2013 (thereof € 0.6 bn in JVs @ share)
- Close to 70% of total project-capex allocated to Growth Markets
- Project opportunities 12 months forward as published in March 2011 around € 4 bn (primarily in Growth Markets)



# **Mega-trend Energy/Environment** Potential Energy/Environment market is huge



- Competitive advantage due to LeadIng
   Engineering know-how and in particular also development of equipment
- Better use of fossil resources, e.g. enhanced oil & gas recovery
- Renewable energy, e.g. hydrogen fueling
- Clean Energy,
   e.g. Clean Coal
- Other, e.g.
   Photovoltaic,
   Coal-to-Gas



\*Assuming 100% Build Own Operate and excluding sale of equipment and plants 2015 2020 Annual market revenue in the respective year Control Pilot projects and small volumes (Plea

(Please find assumptions for estimates on page 51)

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#### Energy/Environment annual market revenue estimates in € bn\*

# **Mega-trend Energy/Environment** OCAP project: Greenhouse CO<sub>2</sub> supply via pipeline



#### Description

- CO<sub>2</sub> is emitted by a vast number of processes that can be captured, re-distributed and made use of in other applications
- Essential part of many industrial processes and various application areas

#### Scope

- Supplying the captured carbon dioxide via pipeline to a network of customers (here: greenhouses)
- Used to increase growth from plants
- Storage, distribution, cleaning, liquefaction etc.

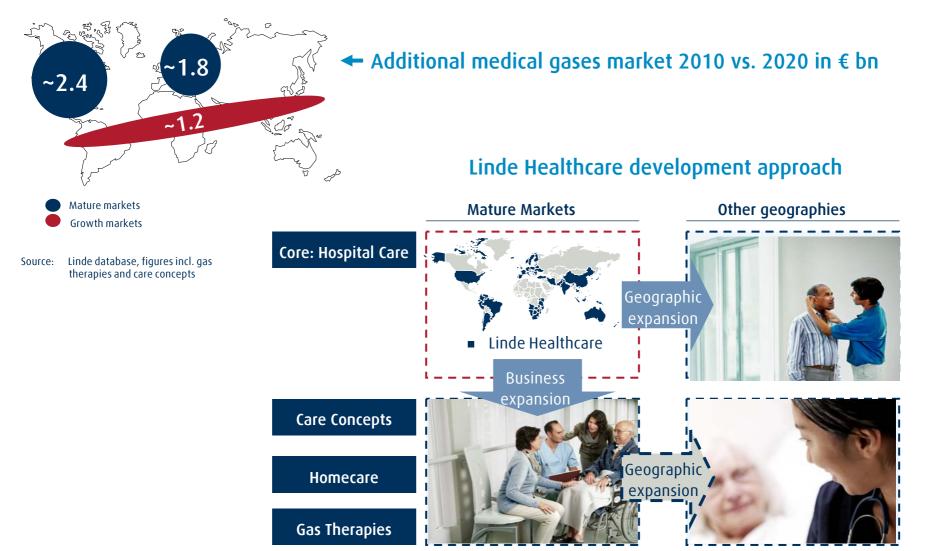
#### Reference project: OCAP (Organic CO2 for the Assimilation in Plants)

- 50-50 joint venture of Linde Benelux with Volker Wessels Co
- Provides CO<sub>2</sub> for some 550 greenhouses in the Netherlands
- CO<sub>2</sub> is captured at a refinery in Rotterdam; (300 km of pipeline)
- Avoids extra emissions of up to 190.000 tpa of CO2



## Mega-trend Healthcare Growth through innovation and regional expansion





#### Main Rationale

Strategic acquisition supporting sustainable growth in the mega-trend Healthcare Step up to a strong number 2 position in the European respiratory homecare market Scaling-up our product and service offerings Enhanced competencies support continuous innovations and development of new services Increased exposure to stable healthcare business Contribution to the Group's profitable growth strategy

#### **Key Parameters**

Enterprise Value of € 590 m

Sales in the last twelve months of 09/2011 of around € 210 m in Spain, Portugal, Germany, France and Belgium Approximately 850 employees deliver quality care to around additional 260,000 patients

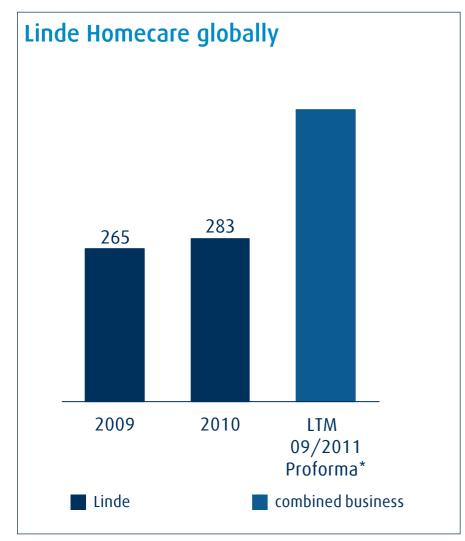
#### Financing

Transaction financed out of strategic cash reserves

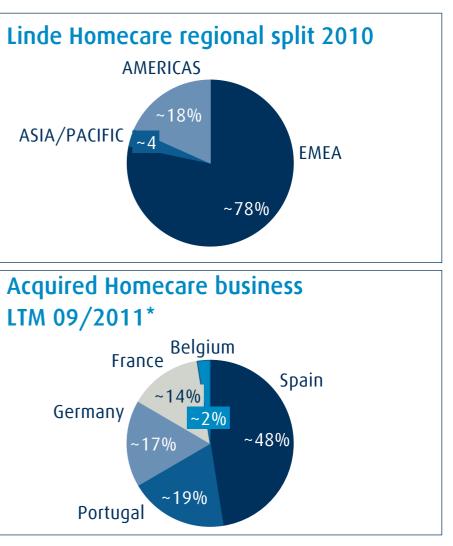
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## Mega-trend Healthcare Sales as reported in € million





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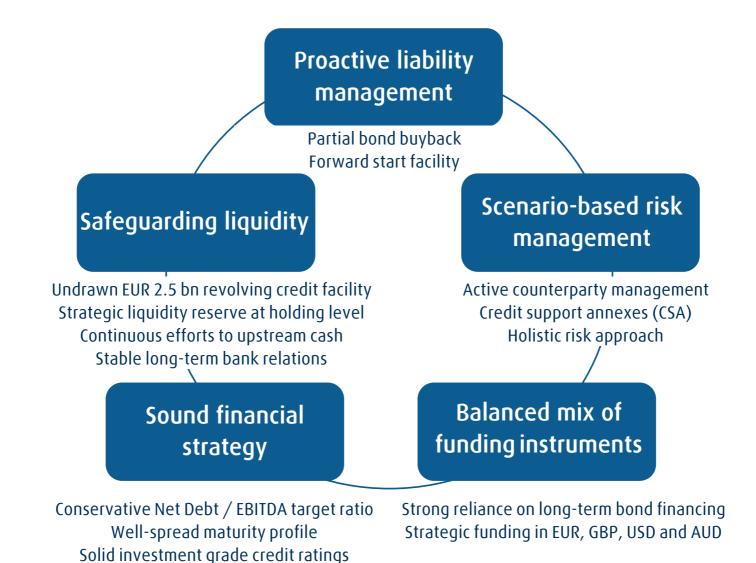


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# **Linde's debt story and financial policy** Key cornerstones





# **Linde's debt story and financial policy** Proactive liability management



## Early refinancing of existing financial debt

- 2009: Closing of a € 1.6 bn forward start facility
- May 2011: ~€ 360 m partial bond buyback and issuance of € 600 m 3.875 % (M/S+60 bps) notes due in 2021
- Dec 2011: Issuance of € 750 m 3.125 % (M/S+87 bps) senior notes due in 2018

Maturity profile of capital markets debt (nominal value as of 31 December 2011)

Nominal (EUR mn) 1.400 1.200 1.000 1.400 1.120 > 2023 

Senior Bonds Subordinated Bonds Other ECP

# **Linde's debt story and financial policy** Scenario-based risk management

## Active counterparty management

- Centralized credit risk assessment as well as country and customer specific risk premia for all
  regional capex projects
- Ongoing monitoring of banking partners with the help of market data (credit default swaps, market capitalization) and external credit ratings
- Comprehensive limit system for all kind of financial transactions

#### Credit support annexes (CSA)

- Central derivative business with banks mostly on the basis of credit support annexes
- Mutual cash depositing helps to limit counterparty risks and reduces transaction costs

## Holistic risk approach

- Monitoring and management of country risks
- Regular meetings with leading bank economists
- Monthly Treasury Committee
- Planning in scenarios: Base case and worst case

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# Linde's debt story and financial policy Balanced mix of funding instruments

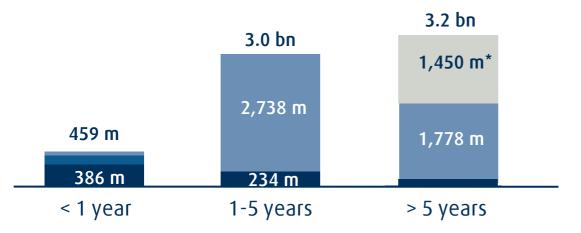
## Well-spread and long-dated maturity profile

- Regular issues have continuously lengthened our refinancing schedule
- More than 90% of total financial debt is due beyond 2011
- Approx. 50% of total financial debt has a longer maturity than 5 years

## Balanced mix of various financing instruments

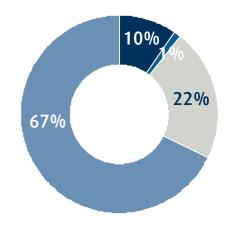
- Long-term bond financing covers approx. 90% of financial debt
- Strategic funding in EUR, GBP, USD and AUD

## Financial debt, by maturity (in € / FY 2010)



Financial debt, by instrument (FY 2010)

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- Senior Bonds
- Subordinated Bonds (\*callable in 2013/2016)
- Commercial Paper
- Bank Loans

# **Linde's debt story and financial policy** Sound financial strategy

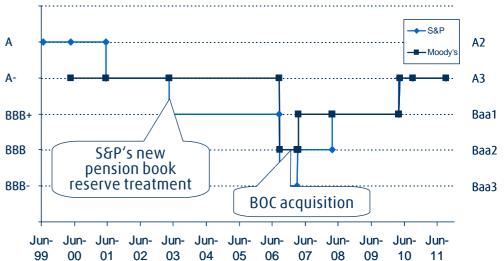


## Net debt/EBITDA



 Consistent deleveraging since BOC acquisition in 2006

## Linde's credit rating history current: A3 / A- (stable outlook)



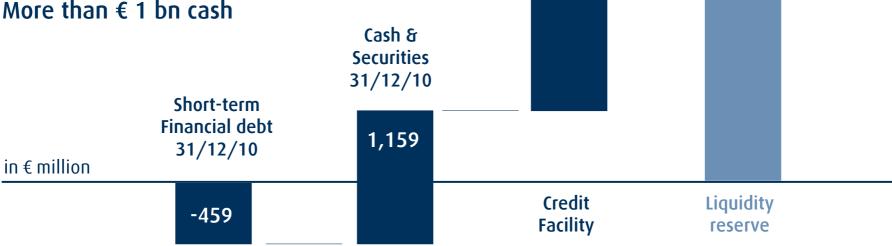
- Ongoing improvement in credit quality since
   2006 reflects conservative leverage policy
   and stable cash flow generation
- Published target credit rating: solid investment grade

# Linde's debt story and financial policy Safeguarding liquidity I

## € 2.5 bn committed revolving credit facility maturing in 2015

- Arranged with a broad spectrum of banks
- Replaced € 2 bn syn loan maturing in 2011 and € 1.6 bn forward start facility 2011/2013
- No financial covenants
- Fully undrawn

## More than € 1 bn cash



2,500



3,200

# Linde's debt story and financial policy Safeguarding liquidity II



## Stable long-term bank relations

#### Core banks

- International presence
- Broad product range
- Good and stable credit worthiness
- Comprehensive spectrum of financing instruments
  - Syndicated loans
  - Capital markets
  - Project financing

### **Ancillary banks**

- Special product know-how
- Local presence
- Cash collection
- Local financings
- Working capital financing

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# Outlook



2011	Group	<ul> <li>Growth in sales and operating profit vs. 2010</li> <li>Confirmation of HPO-program: € 650-800 m of gross cost savings in 2009-2012</li> </ul>
	Gases	<ul> <li>Sales increase vs. 2010</li> <li>Operating profit to grow at a faster pace than sales</li> </ul>
	Engineering	<ul> <li>— Sales at the same level as in 2010</li> <li>— Operating margin of at least 10%</li> </ul>

2014	Group	<ul> <li>— Operating profit of at least € 4 bn</li> <li>— Adjusted ROCE of 14% or above</li> </ul>
	Gases	<ul> <li>Average capex/sales ratio 13% plus</li> <li>Revenue increase above market growth</li> <li>Further increase in productivity</li> </ul>

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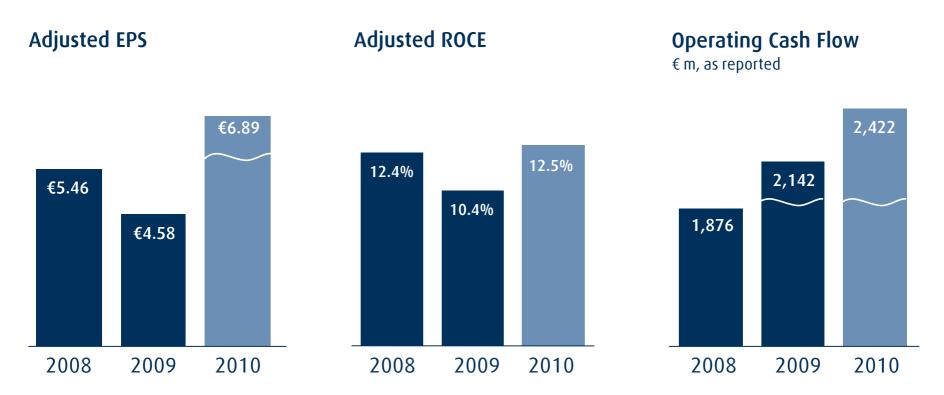
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## Further improvement in all our three key financial indicators

- Profitable growth for our shareholders: adjusted EPS and adjusted ROCE
- Strong cash flow generation further improved: OCF up by 13.1%



## **Group** Financial Highlights – FY 2010



in € million	2009	2010	Δ in %
Sales	11,211	12,868	14.8
Operating Profit	2,385	2,925	22.6
Margin (in %)	21.3	22.7	
EBIT before PPA depreciation	1,460	1,933	32.4
PPA depreciation	-293	-254	
EBIT	1,167	1,679	43.9
Financial Results	-329	-280	14.9
Taxes	-185	-335	81.1
Net income	653	1,064	62.9
Net income – Part of shareholders Linde AG	591	1,005	70.1
EPS in €	3.51	5.94	69.2
Adjusted EPS in €	4.58	6.89	50.4

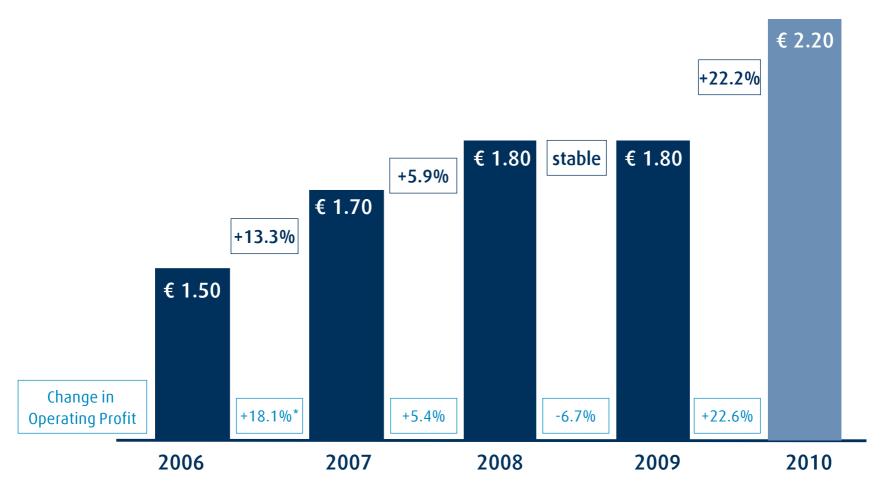


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Sales	9,405	10,209	8.5
Operating profit	2,145	2,363	10.2
Margin (in %)	22.8%	23.1%	30 BP
EBIT before PPA depreciation	1,424	1,580	11.0
PPA depreciation	-191	-181	-5.2
EBIT	1,233	1,399	13.5
Financial Result	-230	-215	-6.5
Taxes	-255	-281	10.2
Net income	748	903	20.7
Net income – Part of shareholders Linde AG	698	856	22.6
EPS in €	4.13	5.02	21.5
Adjusted EPS in €	4.88	5.68	16.4

# **Group** Dividend increased by 22.2% to € 2.20



## **Consistent dividend policy**

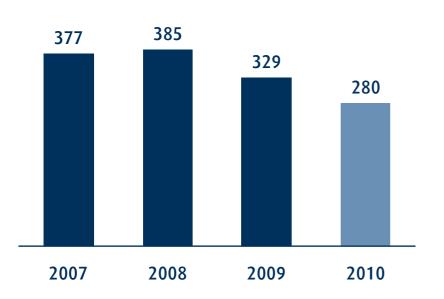


\* Comparable change: prior year figures including twelve months of BOC

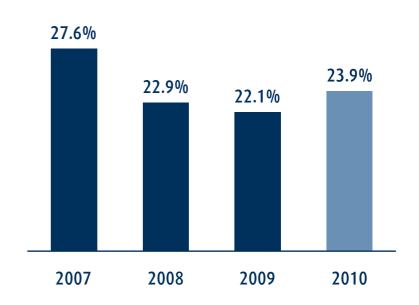
## **Group** Financial Result and Tax Rate



## Financial Result (in € million)



#### Tax Rate



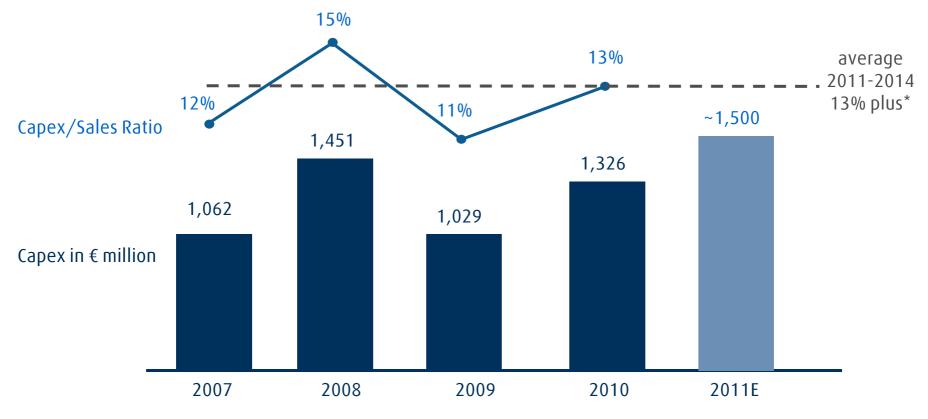
# **Group** Cash Flow – FY 2010



in € million	Q1/10	Q2/10	Q3/10	Q4/10	2010	2009
Operating Profit	641	755	749	780	2,925	2,385
Change in Working Capital	-98	-3	-25	210	84	160
Other changes	-146	-247	-93	-101	-587	-403
Operating Cash flow	397	505	631	889	2,422	2,142
Investments in tangibles / intangibles	-223	-280	-261	-428	-1,192	-1,104
Acquisitions / Financial investments	-6	-9	-20	-33	-68	-86
Other	38	44	54	59	195	200
Investment Cash flow	-191	-245	-227	-402	-1,065	-990
Free Cashflow before financing	206	260	404	487	1,357	1,152
Interests and swaps	-22	-120	-98	-58	-298	-301
Dividends and other changes	-1	-303	-4	28	-280	-329
Net debt increase (+) / decrease (-)	-183	163	-302	-457	-779	-522

## Gases, Capex Development Capex Sales Ratio 2007 - 2010





Data 2007-2010 @ actual average fx rates at the end of the respective year;

\* plus: additional potential for mega-projects

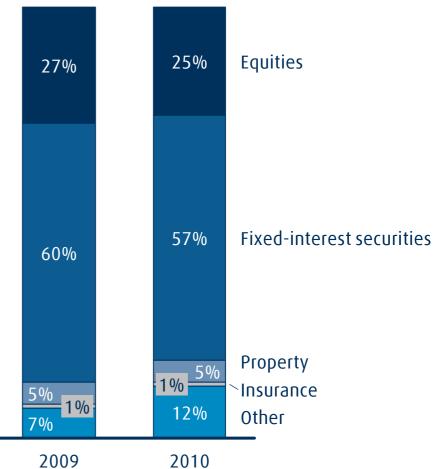
## **Group** Pensions – Key figures



#### Net obligation

	DBO	Plan	Net
in € million		asset	obligation
01.01.2010	4,744	3,896	848
Service costs	93		93
Net financing	265	246	19
Actuarial gains/losses	-92	141	-233
Contributions/payments	-217	-9	-208
FX	209	200	9
Other	-31	-7	-24
31.12.2010	4,971	4,467	504

#### Pension plan assets portfolio structure



# **Gases Division** Operating Segments – Historical data 2010



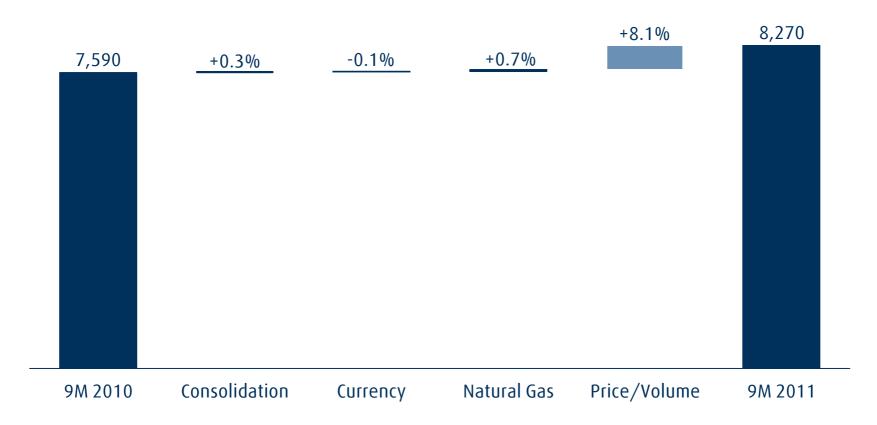
EMEA (€ m)	Q1 2010	Q2 2010	Q3 2010	Q4 2010	FY 2010
Sales	1,264	1,349	1,365	1,352	5,330
Operating profit <sup>*</sup>	351	386	389	387	1,513
Operating margin	27.8%	28.6%	28.5%	28.6%	28.4%
Asia/Pacific (€ m)	Q1 2010	Q2 2010	Q3 2010	Q4 2010	FY 2010
Sales	577	677	711	727	2,692
Operating profit <sup>*</sup>	162	190	200	202	754
Operating margin	28.1%	28.1%	28.1%	27.8%	28.0%
Americas (€ m)	Q1 2010	Q2 2010	Q3 2010	Q4 2010	FY 2010
Sales	514	581	605	579	2,279
Operating profit <sup>*</sup>	112	136	129	122	499
Operating margin	21.8%	23.4%	21.3%	21.1%	21.9%

\* EBITDA before non-recurring items, including share of net income from associates and joint ventures

## **Division Gases, sales bridge** 9M sales increase of 8.1% on comparable basis



in € million



## **Gases Division**, Joint Ventures



in € million

## Proportionate Sales

(not incl. in the Group top-line)

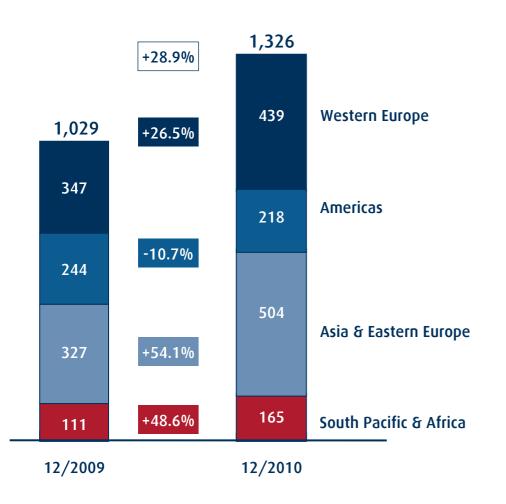
## **Share of Net Income** (contribution to operating profit)



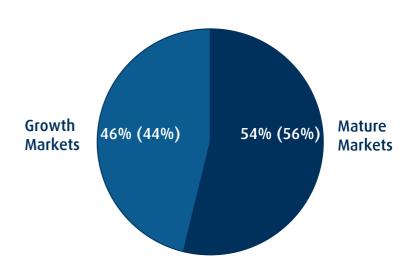
# **Gases Division** Split of Capex by operating segment



in € million

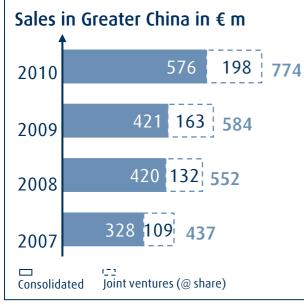


## Split Capex by markets 2010 (2009)



# Linde Gases Division in Greater China Important project wins in 2011







Jilin (Q4/2011)

- On-site supply contract with Evonik Industries and Jilshen
- Hydrogen plant (SMR): ~€ 42 m capex, on stream date 2013/2014

#### Wu'an (Q4/2011)

- On-site supply contract with Hebei Puyang Iron and Steel Ltd.
- Decaptivation of 7 ASUs of with energy efficiency upgrade and construction of a new ASU: ~ € 120 m capex, expected on stream date of the new plant is in 2014

#### Yantai (Q3/2011)

- On-site supply contract with Wanhua Polyurethanes Co., Ltd.
- Two large scale ASUs: ~€ 130 m capex, on stream date 2013/2014

#### Chongqing (Q2/2011)

- On-site supply contracts with CCPHC and BASF
- Large scale HYCO plant: ~€ 200 m capex, expected on stream date 2014

#### Chongqing:

- On-site supply contract with Sinopec
- ASU start-up in Q2/2011

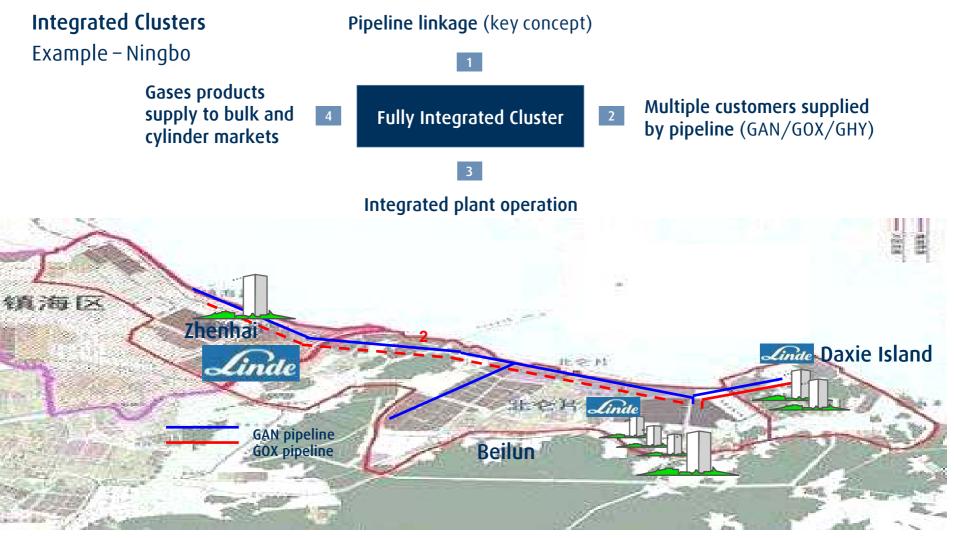
# Mega-trend Growth Markets Leading player in Greater China





# Gases Division in China Integrated offer in selected industrial poles





# Clean Energy market estimation 2020 & 2030 top down

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#### General assumptions:

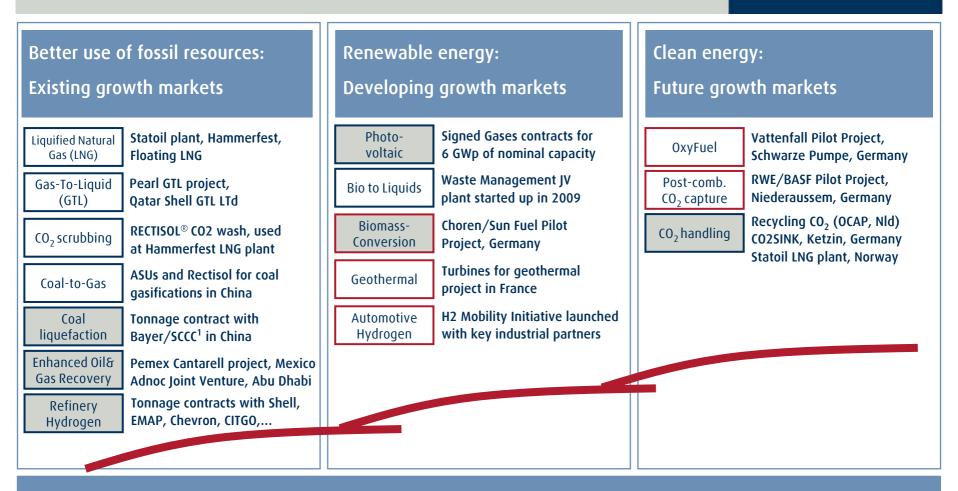
- Market numbers are directional only and w/o inflation or fx
- Oil price development at 80-100 USD/bll
- Outsourced gases market only (excl. captive market or equipment sales),

	Market size in € bn Assumptions for 2030	2015	2020	2030
LNG merchant/floating	<ul> <li>Based on penetration rate of LNG replacing existing fuels;</li> <li>Merchant LNG projects based on geographical set up and existing infrastructure</li> <li>Floating LNG projects</li> </ul>	3-4	6-10	11-23
Enhanced Oil Recovery Nitrogen Rejection Unit	<ul> <li>Single to double digit number of large N2 EOR/NRU projects</li> <li>Double digit number of large CO2 EOR projects including industrial CO2 capture and pipeline (overlapping w/CCS)</li> </ul>	1-1.5*	4-5*	18-35*
Carbon Capture & Clean Coal	<ul> <li>Triple-digit number of 1 GW Carbon Capture (1.5 Gt/a CO2 at EUR25-40/t)</li> </ul>			30-50
CO <sub>2</sub> networks	<ul> <li>Installation of significant pipeline network and corresponding compression (1.5 Gt/a handling fee CO2 at EUR 10-15/t)</li> </ul>	small	1	15-25
Hydrogen fuelling	<ul> <li>Installation of a significant fuel station infrastructure</li> <li>Corresponding annual H2 consumption of some bn tons p.a.</li> </ul>	small	1	10-15
Photovoltaic	- Includes all gases used for manufacturing of photovoltaic cells only	1	2	3
	Range	5-7	14-19	80-140

\* Assuming 100% Build Own Operate and excluding sale of equipment and plants

# Mega-trend Energy/Environment Current and future growth markets for Gases & Engineering

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**Higher efficiency in energy use: Sustained growth in traditional end markets** REBOX® oxy-fuel (steel), WASTOX® (aluminium), Oxygen burner (glass), Water Treatment, ...

<sup>1</sup> Shanghai Cooking & Chemical Corporation

# Linde Homecare product and service portfolio today and synergies between segments

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### Home Oxygen Therapy



Chronic respiratory diseases, patients need oxygen (COPD, Asthma)

Products: LOX, GOX and Concentrators

Services: Home delivery, assessment and rehab centers Sleep Therapy



**Obstructive Sleep Apnea**, patients need positive air pressure during sleep

**Products**: Positive Airway Pressure Devices, Masks

Services: Screening, Diagnostics, Home delivery, Therapy, Adherence monitoring

## **Ventilation Services**



Advanced respiratory diseases and congenital disorders, patients need mechanical ventilation support

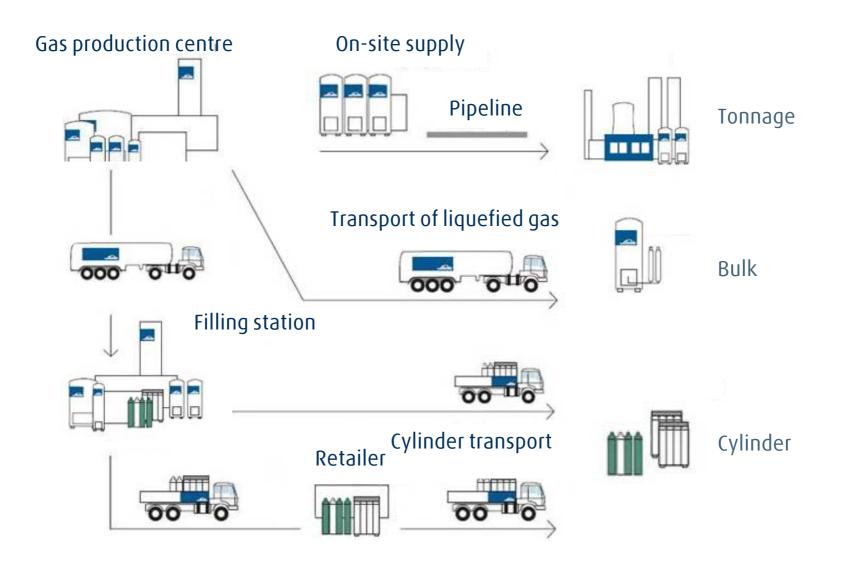
Products: Mechanical Ventilators, Equipment

Services: Home delivery, Care Centers (REMEO), Telemonitoring

**Synergies**: sales & marketing, logistics, integrated patient management, care center, adherence program, technology development

## **Gases Division** From source to customer





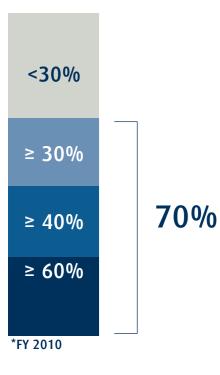


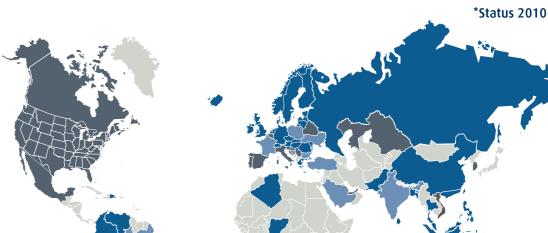
In bulk & cylinder: >70% of revenues from >30% market share positions

Sales split by market shares

Market leader in 47 of the 75 major countries, #2 Player in another 15



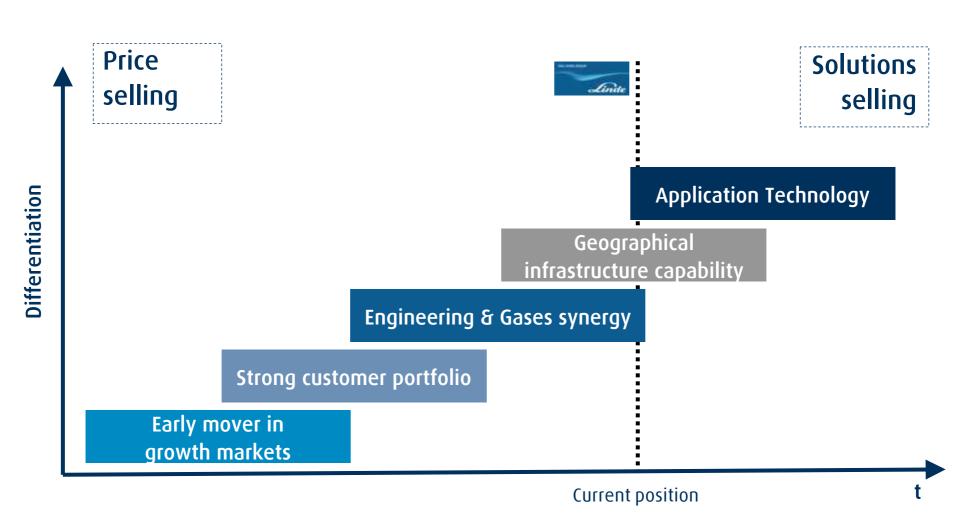




Market Leader #2 Player Others

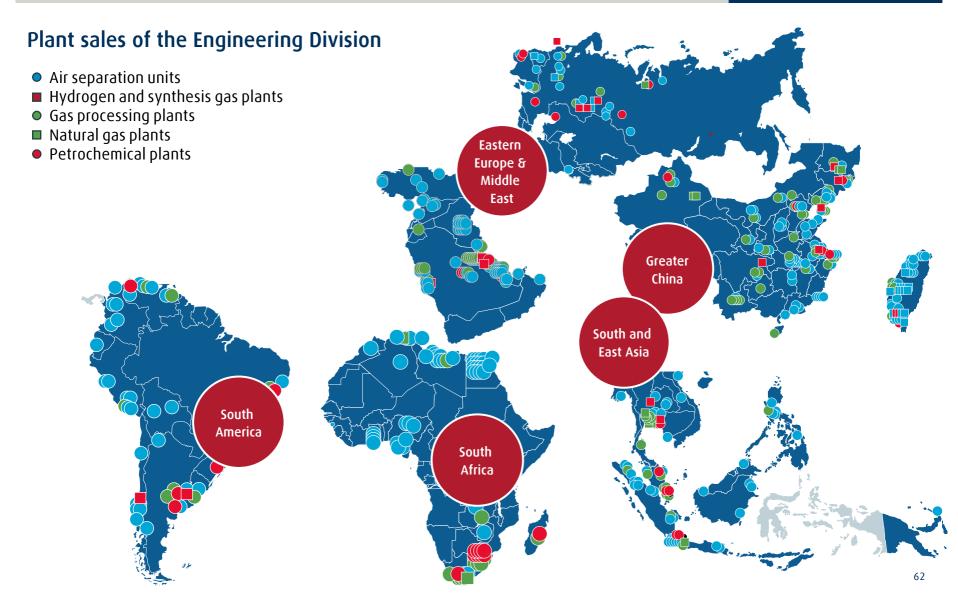
# Mega-trend Growth Markets Business approach in Growth Markets





# Mega-trend Growth Markets Strong customer relationships in Engineering

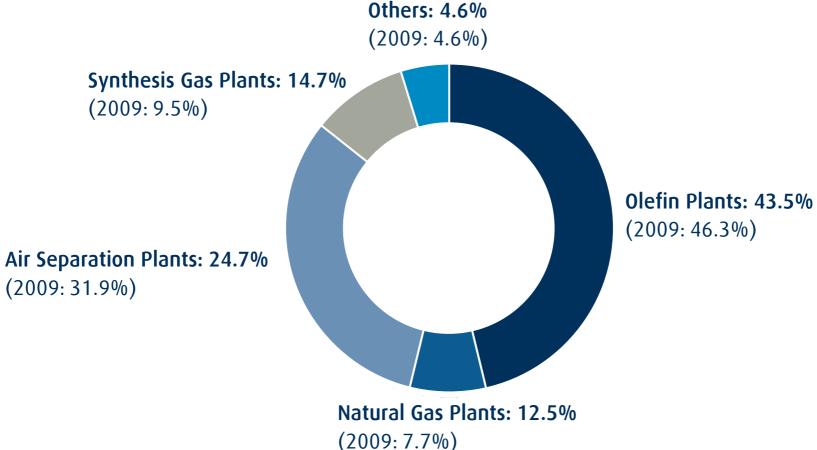




## **Engineering Division** Order backlog diversified and of high quality

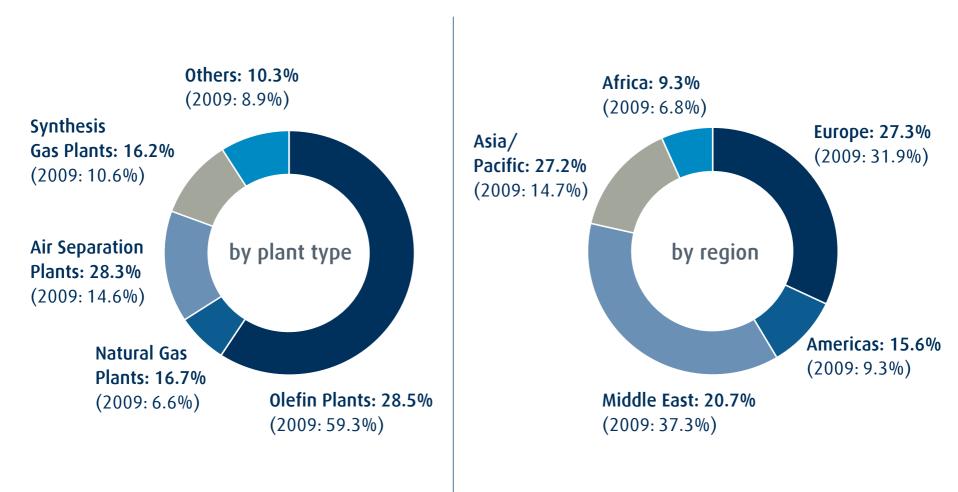


Order backlog by plant type (31/12/2010)



# **Engineering Division** FY 2010 order intake by plant type and region





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## The following factors help to limit regulation's negative repercussions

High share of capital market financing	Solid corporate credit rating
<ul> <li>10%</li> <li>Senior Bonds</li> <li>Subordinated Bonds</li></ul>	Moody's: A3
(*callable in 2013/2016) <li>Commercial Paper</li> <li>Bank loans</li>	S&P: A-
Credit support annexes with banks (CSA)	Banks' competitive situation
Standard	Stable
for derivative business	long-term bank relations

## Group, selected public bond issues



Issuer	Issue Rating	Volume (mn)	Interest in percent	Maturity	ISIN
Senior Bonds <sup>(1)</sup>					
Linde Finance B.V.	A3 / A-	EUR 723	4.375	04/24/2012	XS0297698853
Linde Finance B.V.	A3 / A-	EUR 216	5.375	09/12/2013	XS0387377756
Linde Finance B.V.	A3 / A-	USD 400	3.625	11/13/2014	XS0465484938
Linde Finance B.V.	A3 / A-	EUR 600	6.750	12/08/2015	XS0403540189
Linde Finance B.V.	A3 / A-	EUR 1,000	4.750	04/24/2017	XS0297699588
Linde Finance B.V.	A3 / A-	EUR 750	3.125	12/12/2018	XS0718526790
Linde Finance B.V.	A3 / A-	EUR 600	3.875	06/01/2021	XS0632659933
Linde Finance B.V.	A3 / A-	GBP 300	5.875	04/24/2023	XS0297700006
Subordinated Bonds <sup>(1)(2)</sup>					
Linde Finance B.V.	Baa2 / BBB	EUR 400	6.000	Perpetual / Call Right from 2013 on	XS0171231060
Linde Finance B.V.	Baa2 / BBB	EUR 700	7.375	07/14/2066 / Call Right from 2016 on	XS0259604329
Linde Finance B.V.	Baa2 / BBB	GBP 250	8.125	07/14/2066 / Call Right from 2016 on	XS025960777

(1) Guaranteed by Linde AG

(2) Not issued under the Debt Issuance Program

# **Group, Accounting considerations** Impact of PPA



## Purchase Price Allocation (PPA)

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Impact in 9M 2011: € 181 m (9M 2010: € 191 m)
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Expected impact FY 2011: ~ € 250 m (upper end of guidance due to enforced one-brand strategy)

## Background:

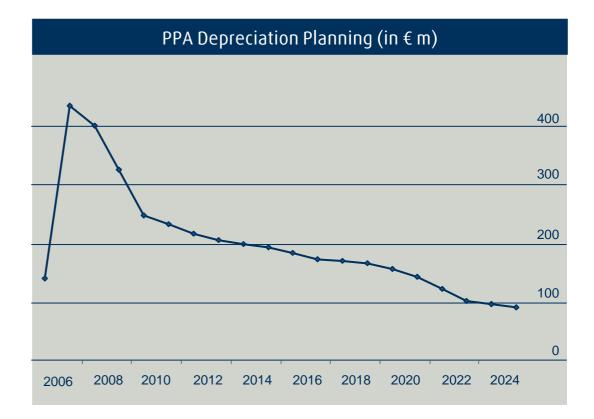
- The difference between the purchase cost of BOC and related acquisitions in Asia and their net asset value has been allocated to assets on the Linde balance sheet (for BOC, see Linde 2007 annual report, p. 99)
- The revaluation of these assets leads to additional depreciation and amortisation charges according to the useful life of the assets
- Goodwill is not amortised but subject to a yearly impairment test
- Depreciation & Amortisation from PPA is excluded from the calculation of Adjusted EPS

## **Group** PPA – Expected Depreciation & Amortisation



Development of depreciation and amortisation (in € million)
 Impact in 2010: € 254 million

Expected range				
2011	> 200 - 250			
2012	> 175 - 225			
2022	< 125			



## **Group** Definition of financial key figures



Operating Profit	Return	EBITDA (incl. IFRIC 4 adjustment) excl. finance costs for pensions excl. special items incl. share of net income from associates and joint ventures
adjusted ROCE	Return	Operating profit - depreciation / amortisation excl. depreciation/amortization from purchase price allocation
	Average Capital Employed	equity (incl. minorities) + financial debt + liabilities from financial services + net pension obligations - cash and cash equivalents - receivables from financial services
adjusted EPS	Return	earnings after tax and minority interests + depreciation/amortization from purchase price allocation +/- special items
	Shares	average outstanding shares

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### **Financial Calendar**

- FY 2011 Results: 09 March
- Q1 2012 Results:
- Annual General Meeting:

09 March 2012 04 May 2012 04 May 2012