



# LANXESS – Q3 2007 Results Call

## Persisting operational momentum

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- 1. Business highlights Q3 2007**
- 2. Financial review Q3 2007**
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## Highlights Q3 2007

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**Strongest operational growth (+6%) since spin-off**

**EBITDA pre exceptionals raised by 6.7% to €175 m, margin raised to 10.3%**

**EBIT pre exceptionals raised by 9.8% to €112 m**

**BU LUP JV transaction closed on Sept. 30th**

**Credit facility refinanced and increased to €1.5 bn (maturity now: 2014)**

**Share buyback of 1.418 million shares completed**

**Net debt remains low at €491 m despite €50 m share buyback in Q3 2007**

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## Q3 2007 financial overview: A firm quarter with strong volume growth and price increases

(€m)	Q3 2006	Q3 2007	Δ in %	
Sales	1,691	1,705	0.8%	– Organic sales growth based on strong pricing and higher volumes offsets portfolio change (TPC) and unfavourable currency effects
EBITDA pre except. margin	164 9.7%	175 10.3%	6.7%	
Net Income	36	75	>100%	– Rise of Net Income based on sound operations and extraordinary results from BIS and the sale of sideline operations (ARG, Borchers)
Net Financial Debt	511*	491	-3.9%	
Working Capital	1,531	1,282	-16.3%	
Capex	66	59	-10.6%	– Capex for Q4 expected to rise significantly and reach foreseen FY level
Employees	16,481*	14,659	-11.1%	– Headcount reduction due to portfolio adjustment and restructuring

\* as per Dec. 31, 2006

**On track to achieve full year EBITDA and margin targets**

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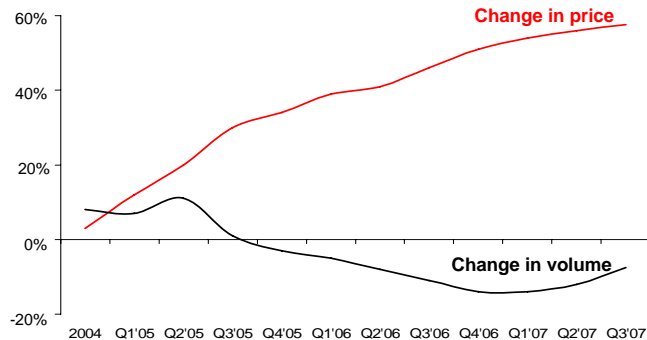
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## Q3 continues on the new path of price and volume growth

% cumulated changes of prices and volumes\*



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Price increases to pass on rising costs of raw materials

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Internal cost reductions were not passed on

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Firstly, minor volume reduction to support pricing strategy

\* Cumulated price and volume changes vs. 2003

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## Performance improvement strengthens bottom-line

(€m)	Q3 2006	Q3 2007	Δ in %	
<b>Sales</b>	<b>1,691</b>	<b>1,705</b>	<b>1%</b>	– Price increases of 1.6% and higher volumes of 4.4% more than offset unfavourable currency (-3.0%) and portfolio changes (-2.2%)
Cost of sales	-1,329	-1,335	1%	
SG&A	-240	-241	0%	
R&D	-23	-24	4%	
Other op. income / expense	-14	-1	-93%	– Other operating result includes restructuring and M&A expenses, as well as positive one-offs due to the sale of sideline operations (Borchers) and foreign currency gains
thereof exceptionals	-17	-8	-71%	
<b>EBIT</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>22%</b>	
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>&gt;100%</b>	
EBITDA	148	174	18%	
thereof exceptionals	-16	-1	-94%	
<b>EBITDA pre exceptionals</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>7%</b>	

Second successive quarter with volume growth and risen profitability

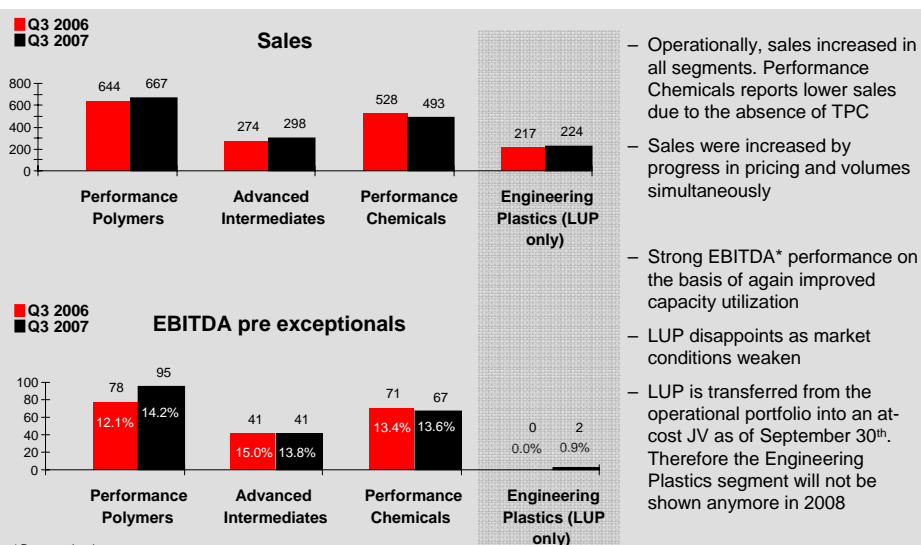
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## A quarter of strong operational performance



– Operationally, sales increased in all segments. Performance Chemicals reports lower sales due to the absence of TPC

– Sales were increased by progress in pricing and volumes simultaneously

– Strong EBITDA\* performance on the basis of again improved capacity utilization

– LUP disappoints as market conditions weaken

– LUP is transferred from the operational portfolio into an at-cost JV as of September 30<sup>th</sup>. Therefore the Engineering Plastics segment will not be shown anymore in 2008

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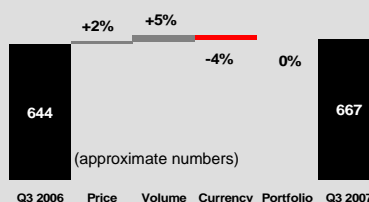
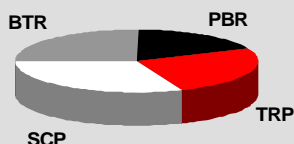
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## Performance Polymers: strong performance due to product quality and market momentum

(€m)	Q3 2006	Q3 2007
<b>Sales</b>	<b>644</b>	<b>667</b>
EBIT	53	69
Depr. / Amort.	25	26
EBITDA	78	95
<b>EBITDA pre except.</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>95</b>
Margin	12.1%	14.2%
<b>Capex</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>24</b>

- Sales rise on the basis of increased prices and volumes in almost all BUs, more than offsetting adverse currency effects
- Additional BTR and SCP volumes from capacity expansions were again well absorbed by the market
- PBR with continuing strategic shift of sales to Asia, accepting slightly lower pricing. EBITDA margin improved on higher capacity utilization
- Healthy demand in TRP and SCP. Both units achieved price increases alongside with stronger volumes

Sales by BU:



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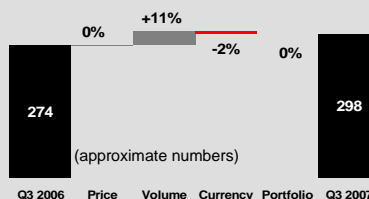
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## Advanced Intermediates: strong demand in both business units

(€m)	Q3 2006	Q3 2007
<b>Sales</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>298</b>
EBIT	33	32
Depr. / Amort.	8	9
EBITDA	41	41
<b>EBITDA pre except.</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>41</b>
Margin	15.0%	13.8%
<b>Capex</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>

- Sales increased mainly on higher volumes in both business units, more than offsetting unfavourable currency effects
- BAC demonstrates stability on a high level, based on a stronger agro market and product differentiation
- SGO with expected change of product mix: stronger sales to the agrochemical and specialty chemical end markets, where margins are comparably lower than in pharma end markets – therefore mix-related reduction of average pricing

Sales by BU:



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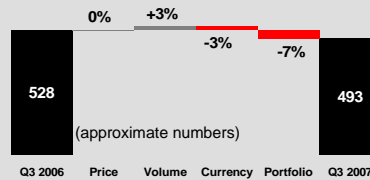
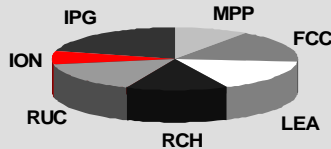
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## Performance Chemicals: sound performance of specialty businesses

(€m)	Q3 2006	Q3 2007
<b>Sales</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>493</b>
EBIT	49	41
Depr. / Amort.	22	22
EBITDA	71	63
<b>EBITDA pre except.</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>67</b>
Margin	13.4%	13.6%
<b>Capex</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>15</b>

- Reduced sales mainly due to the absence of TPC. Unfavourable currency effects were offset by increased sales volumes
- IPG managed to almost maintain the high profitability level of previous year as EMEA momentum compensates for sluggish US construction industry
- MPP expects customer de-stocking, expenses from sales force increases and additional registration costs to weigh on results in the forthcoming three quarters
- Specifically LEA, RCH and RUC provided improved contribution mainly by splendid volume increases and partly better pricing

Sales by BU:



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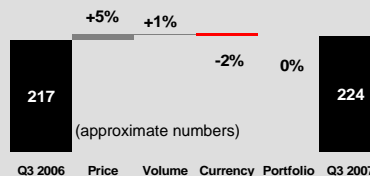
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## Engineering Plastics: now only consisting of LUP

(€m)	Q3 2006	Q3 2007
<b>Sales</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>224</b>
EBIT	0	-8
Depr. / Amort.	0	7
EBITDA	0	-1
<b>EBITDA pre except.</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
Margin	0.0%	0.9%
<b>Capex</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>

- Sales slightly higher as increased prices were only partly offset by adverse currency effects
- LUP performance improved from last year's level, however remains significantly below our expectations
- As per Sept. 30th, LUP will be accounted for as financial investment. The reporting for the Segment Engineering Plastics will therefore be ceased by year-end



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## Balance Sheet: LUP JV now shown as financial asset since closing at the end of September

(€m)	Dec 31, 2006	Sept 30, 2007	(€m)	Dec 31, 2006	Sept 30, 2007
<b>Non-current Assets</b>	<b>1,730</b>	<b>1,785</b>	<b>Stockholders' Equity</b>	<b>1,428</b>	<b>1,526</b>
Intangible assets	41	38	thereof minority interest	25	18
Property, plant & equipment	1,465	1,418	<b>Non-current Liabilities</b>	<b>1,554</b>	<b>1,516</b>
Equity investments	5	43	Pension & post empl. provisions	520	504
Other investments	4	2	Other provisions	271	269
Financial assets	37	82	Financial liabilities	632	609
Deferred taxes	84	98	Tax liabilities	38	43
Other non-current assets	94	104	Other liabilities	36	29
			Deferred taxes	57	62
<b>Current Assets</b>	<b>2,475</b>	<b>2,345</b>	<b>Current Liabilities</b>	<b>1,223</b>	<b>1,088</b>
Inventories	1,047	964	Other provisions	354	315
Trade accounts receivable	924	834	Financial liabilities	50	36
Financial assets	113	198	Trade accounts payable	602	516
Other current assets	220	195	Tax liabilities	36	72
Liquid assets	171	154	Other liabilities	181	149
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>4,205</b>	<b>4,130</b>	<b>Total Equity &amp; Liabilities</b>	<b>4,205</b>	<b>4,130</b>

**Strong backbone in turbulent financial markets**

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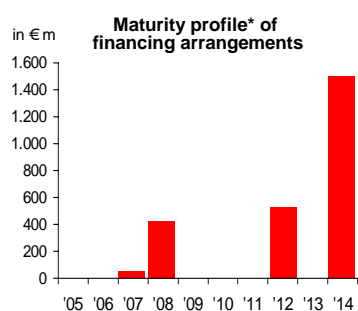
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## Debt maturity profile extended to 2014

- Early refinancing of syndicated credit facility, to extend and diversify maturity profile
- Facility increased by €250 m to €1.5 bn
- Maturity now November 2014
- Improved terms & conditions
- Despite credit market turbulences, new tenor of 7 years, which reflects strong commitment of bank consortium



Net financial debt: €491 m as per Sept. 30, 2007

\* Major instruments

**Another proof of LANXESS' strong bank relationships**

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## Good cash generation

(€m)	9M 2006	9M 2007	
<b>Profit before Tax</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>196</b>	– Profit before tax burdened mainly by exceptional expenses of €211 m in connection with the LUP JV and for restructuring
Depreciation & amortization	188	236	
Gain from sale of assets	-1	0	– Changes in other assets / liabilities mainly mirror non-cash character of expenses related to the LUP JV
Result from investment in associate	-7	-16	
Financial result	17	7	– Lower increase of working capital
Cash tax payments	-34	-78	
Changes in other assets and liabilities	9	123	– Operating cash flow 2007 contains ~€55 m restructuring cash out
<b>Operating Cash Flow before changes in WC</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>468</b>	
Changes in Working Capital	-218	-158	– Investing cash flow comprises
<b>Operating Cash Flow</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>310</b>	
<b>Investing Cash Flow</b>	<b>-47</b>	<b>-212</b>	– In 2006: Cash-in for sale of BU FIB, PAP and iSL in 2006
thereof Capex	-147	-170	– In 2007:
<b>Financing Cash Flow</b>	<b>-150</b>	<b>-115</b>	- Cash-in for sale of BU TPC
			- Payout for CISA
			- Cash infusion to BIS for previous year's loss

### Cash generation from a healthy business

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## LANXESS manages its currency exposure

### Economic Environment – Foreign Currencies

- The current weakness of the U.S. Dollar is considered in our FY 2007 guidance
- Generally, a weak U.S. Dollar burdens our results
- Sensitivity: Based on our annual net exposure, a change of 1 cent of the exchange rate of the U.S. Dollar to the Euro affects our EBITDA by €5-6 m
- However, the actual impact may be significantly lower due to our rolling hedging approach



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## LANXESS has significantly reduced its volatility

### Peak to trough fluctuation is significantly reduced since spin-off

- Most volatile businesses divested
- Sales and purchasing contracts re-negotiated
- Restructuring has led to a leaner and more efficient organization
- Cost structures have been changed to a higher portion of variable costs

**There is no reason why LANXESS' margins\* should be more volatile compared to its peers**

**The market expects chemical companies' margins\* to fluctuate by 3%-4% peak to trough**



\* EBITDA pre exceptionals

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## LANXESS is well on track to achieve its FY targets

### Guidance update for 2007

- FY 2007 EBITDA\* guidance reiterated:  
€700 - €720 m, despite LUP performance shortfall in Q3 of ~€10 m and an expected adverse FX effect in Q4
- Capex expectation: ~€300 m
- Underlying P&L tax rate seen around 30%, excluding effects from LUP JV. Reported tax rate will however be distorted due to LUP-divestment
- D&A around €300 - €310 m (increase vs. 2006, mainly due to impairments in LUP of ~€50 m)
- Reminder: majority of restructuring exceptionals to be booked in Q4 2007



\* Pre exceptionals

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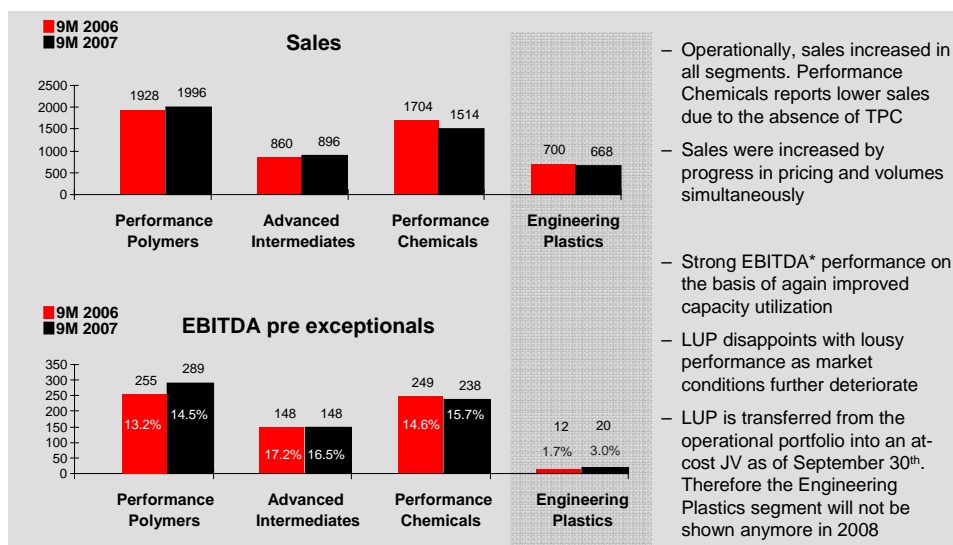
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## Appendix

### Nine months of firm operational performance



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## Exceptional items incurred in Q3 2006 and 2007

	Q3 2006		Q3 2007		
	Exceptional	thereof D&A	Exceptional	thereof D&A	
Performance Polymers	0	0	0	0	
Advanced Intermediates	0	0	0	0	
Performance Chemicals	0	0	4	0	Restructuring
Engineering Plastics	0	0	10	7	Write off BU LUP
Reconciliation	17	1	-6	0	Restructuring / M&A
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	

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## Exceptional items incurred in 9M 2006 and 2007

	9M 2006		9M 2007		
	Exceptional	thereof D&A	Exceptional	thereof D&A	
Performance Polymers	1	0	0	0	
Advanced Intermediates	0	0	0	0	
Performance Chemicals	1	0	4	0	Restructuring
Engineering Plastics	0	0	196	51	Write off BU LUP
Reconciliation	44	1	11	1	Restructuring / M&A
<b>Total</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>52</b>	

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## 9M 2007 financial overview: operational business fully on track

(€m)	9M 2006	9M 2007	Δ in %	
Sales	5,278	5,143	-2.6%	– Organic sales growth based on strong pricing (+2,2%) and higher volumes (+2,1%) does not fully offset portfolio change (-3,6%) and unfavourable currency effects (-3,3%)
EBITDA pre except. margin	570 10.8%	605 11.8%	6.1%	
Net Income	195	107	-45.1%	– Net income is distorted by exceptional write-offs in LUP and restructuring expenses
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**Sounds improvements throughout the first nine months**

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## Restructuring savings to be adjusted

Phase I+II+III+IV (€m)	2005	2006	2007e	2008e	2009e
P&L Expenses	-166	-31	-40	-30	-10
Cash outs	-10	-89	-120	-65	-10
Headcount reduction	~540	~650	~280	~40	0
<b>Cost reduction vs. prior year</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>40</b>
Cost reduction cumulative	10	65	115	165	205
<b>EBITDA improvement vs. prior year</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>25</b>
EBITDA improvement cumulative	10	60	95	130	155

All future figures are adjusted for the exit of Lustran Polymers. The main respective cumulative effects are:

- Reduction of expected cost reduction : -€45m by 2009
- Reduction of expected EBITDA improvement: -€35m by 2009
- Lower expected cash outs: -€50 m by 2009

**Restructuring implementation continues according to plan**

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## Abbreviations

### Performance Polymers

BTR	Butyl Rubber
PBR	Polybutadiene Rubber
TRP	Technical Rubber Products
SCP	Semi-Crystalline Products

### Advanced Intermediates

BAC	Basic Chemicals
SGO	Saltigo
IPG	Inorganic Pigments

### Performance Chemicals

MPP	Material Protection Products
IPG	Inorganic Pigments
FCC	Functional Chemicals
LEA	Leather
RCH	Rhein Chemie
RUC	Rubber Chemicals
ION	Ion Exchange Resins

### Engineering Plastics

LUP	Lustran Polymers
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## Financial Calendar 2007 / 2008

### Financial Calendar

<b>FY Results 2007</b>	<b>March 11, 2008</b>
<b>Q1 Results 2008</b>	<b>May 14, 2008</b>
<b>Annual General Meeting</b>	<b>May 29, 2008</b>
<b>Q2 Results 2008</b>	<b>August 13, 2008</b>
<b>Q3 Results 2008</b>	<b>November 13, 2008</b>

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