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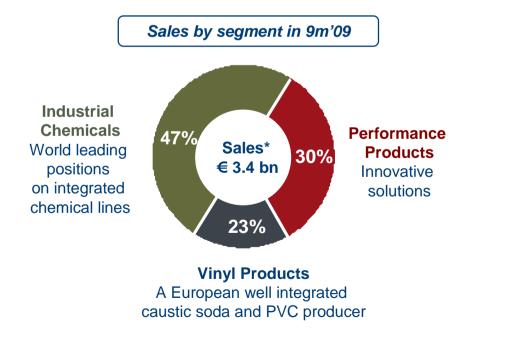
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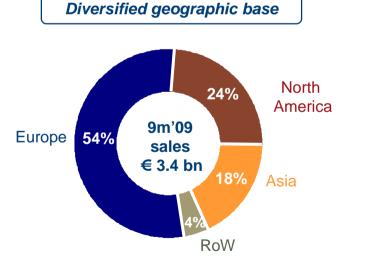
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# Arkema at a glance

- Strong leading positions in most businesses
- > Diversified end markets
- > Growing exposure to Asian markets
- > Unique R&D know-how
- > Very solid balance sheet







# A step by step transformation

profitability gap with peers





# A transformation strategy based on four axes

#### > Reduce fixed costs

- → € 600m fixed cost savings in 2010 vs 2005
- → Target increased twice in past 12 months

#### > Reinforce presence in Asia

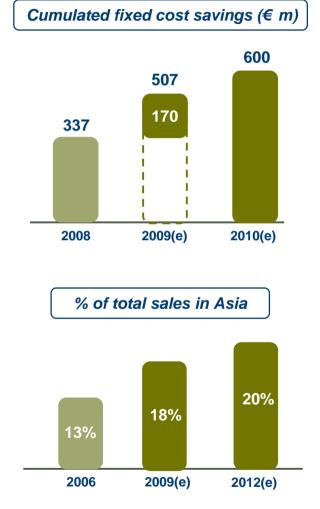
→ 20% sales in Asia in 2012

#### Focus R&D on two main long term orientations

- Sustainable development
   & high performance polymers
- → Over € 400m of new sales in next 5 years

#### Manage portfolio to speed up transformation

- → € 480m sales divested
- → € 230m sales acquired and ~€ 300m announced\*





\* Project to acquire a part of US acrylic assets from Dow subject to the approval by FTC. Closing planned for 4Q'09.

# €600m fixed cost savings in 2006-2010

Cumulated fixed cost savings (in  $\in$  m)



\* Subject to the legal information/consultation process of Central Works Councils



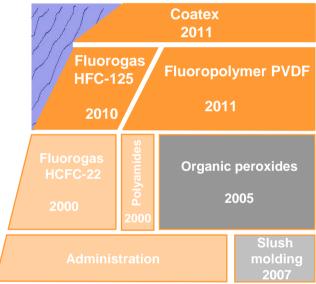
# Maintain capex efforts in China

#### € 260m CAPEX in 2009 (€ 330m in 2008)



• Coatex starting mid-2011

# Changshu: Arkema's future 3<sup>rd</sup> worldwide industrial site



18% of total sales in Asia in 2009(e) and 20 % in 2012(e)



# **Continue to leverage R&D unique opportunities**

#### > Over 2.5% of sales invested in R&D

- >40% in Performance Products
- 10% in corporate R&D for breakthrough projects

#### > Two main R&D long term orientations

- Sustainable development
- Very High Performance Polymers
- > Selectivity in R&D projects
- > High quality partnerships

#### Acquisition of Oxford Performance Materials

- Founded in 2000
- Based in Enfield (USA)
- Development and marketing of high end of the range performance polymers (PEKK)

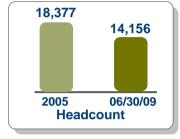


Over €400m of new sales in next 5 years



# Key initiatives since spin-off

- Fluorochemicals at Pierre-Bénite (Fr)
- MMA/PMMA in Europe
- Vinyls at Saint-Auban (Fr)
- North American reorganization
- Functional Additives restructuring
- $H_2O_2$  in Shanghai (China)
- Fluorochemicals JVs with Daikin
- Fluoropolymers in Changshu (China)
- Coatex in Changshu (China)
- New energy (photovoltaic, lithium-ion battery)
- Carbon nanotube pilot plant in Mont (Fr) by 2011
- Acquisition of OPM (PEKK)
- Bio-sourced polyamide (PA11)
- Acquisition of Coatex
- Dow's acrylics deal\*
- Divestments of Cerexagri & UF resins









# Fixed costs

#### > R&D

> Asia

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#### > M&A





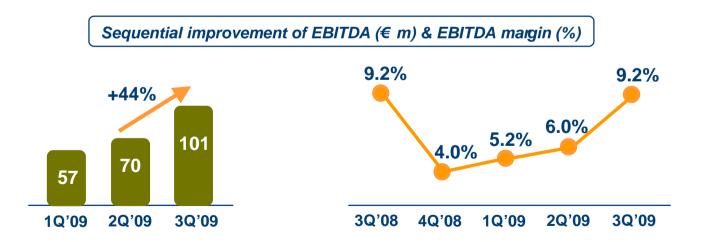
# Q3'09 results Solid results in challenging market conditions



## Solid results delivered in 3Q'09

#### > +44% EBITDA versus 2Q'09

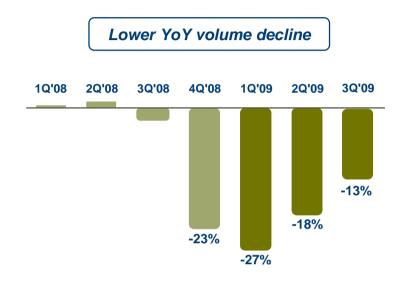
- > EBITDA margin increased at 9.2%, at the level of 3Q'08
  - → Excellent performance in Industrial Chemicals: EBITDA margin >15%
  - Significant improvement in Performance Products: EBITDA margin >10%
- > Positive adjusted net income
- > +€ 71m Free Cash Flow\* generated in 3Q'09
- > Net debt reduced at € 359m end of September and gearing at 20%



\* Cash flow from operating and investment activities excluding M&A and before dividends



# Several improvements in challenging market conditions overall



- + Overall strong volumes in September
- + Good volumes in Asia
- + End of de-stocking in Europe and North America in most end markets
- Volumes far lower than before the crisis
- Usual weak seasonality in August in Europe



- + Price increase in PVC and Acrylics vs 2Q'09
- Resilient prices in most other businesses vs 2Q'09
- + Lower energy costs
- Higher raw material costs versus 2Q'09
- Sharp decrease of caustic soda prices



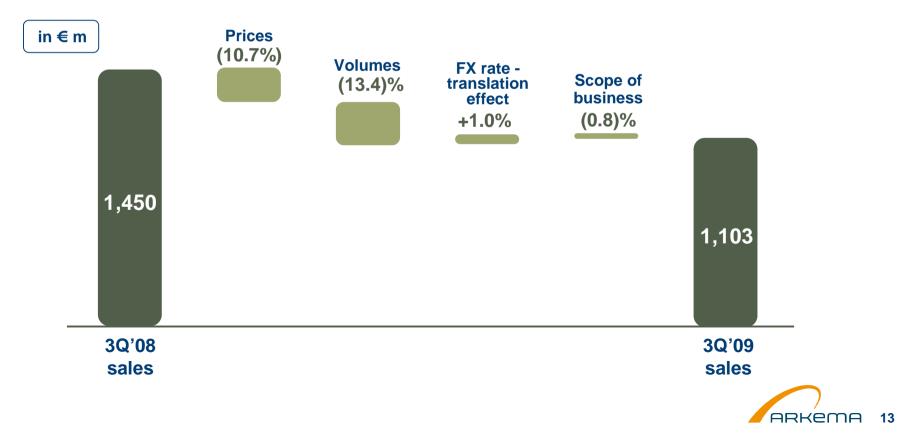
# Strong sequential improvement of EBITDA

| <b>in € m</b> (except EPS) |        |        |       |       |            |
|----------------------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|------------|
|                            | 1Q'09  | 2Q'09  | 3Q'09 | 3Q'08 | Variation* |
| Sales                      | 1,092  | 1,167  | 1,103 | 1,450 | (23.9)%    |
| EBITDA                     | 57     | 70     | 101   | 134   | (25)%      |
| EBITDA margin              | 5.2%   | 6.0%   | 9.2%  | 9.2%  |            |
| Recurring operating income | (12)   | 2      | 36    | 72    | (50)%      |
| Net income (group share)   | (35)   | (114)  | (3)   | 40    | n.m        |
| Adjusted EPS (diluted)     | (0.50) | (0.41) | 0.13  | 0.78  | (83)%      |



## **Stabilized volumes at lower level**

- > End of de-stocking in most end-markets in Europe and in the US
- > Volumes lower than before the crisis
- > Raw material costs at a peak in 3Q'08
- > Resilient prices in polymers in most businesses

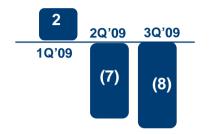


## Successful adaptation to tough market conditions

- +44% EBITDA in 3Q'09 vs 2Q'09 despite usual weak seasonality in Europe in August
- > 9.2% EBITDA margin at the level of 3Q'08
- > Ongoing restructuring plans and G&A reductions in line with €170m fixed cost savings full year target
- Benefits from increased presence in Asia in Industrial Chemicals and Performance Products
- Successful development in renewable energy and high performance polymers (photovoltaic, lithium-ion batteries, high-temperature polyamides, etc)



# **Results by segment**



#### **Vinyl Products: Weak results**

- > Volumes lower than before the crisis
- > Low unit margins (higher ethylene costs and low caustic soda prices)
- > PVC price increased in 3Q'09 vs 2Q'09 in order to offset higher ethylene costs



Industrial Chemicals: EBITDA margin at its highest since spin-off

- > Excellent performance still confirmed
- > Good resilience of Thiochemicals, Fluorochemicals and Coatex
- > Benefits from growth projects in Asia (H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, fluorogases)
- > Very low unit margins in Acrylics
- > Productivity gains in Europe and the US in Methacrylates



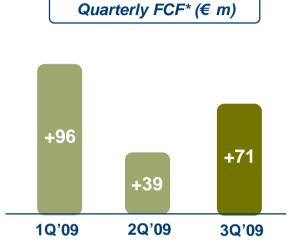
Performance Products: better performance on higher volumes and lower cost base

- End of de-stocking in automotive and construction but volumes still lower than before the crisis
- Significant contribution from productivity gains and restructuring plans in Technical Polymers and Functional Additives
- > Successful development in renewable energy & high performance polymers

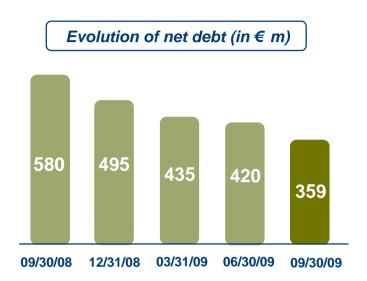


EBITDA [€m) & EBITDA margin

# +€206m free cash flow\* in 9 months 2009



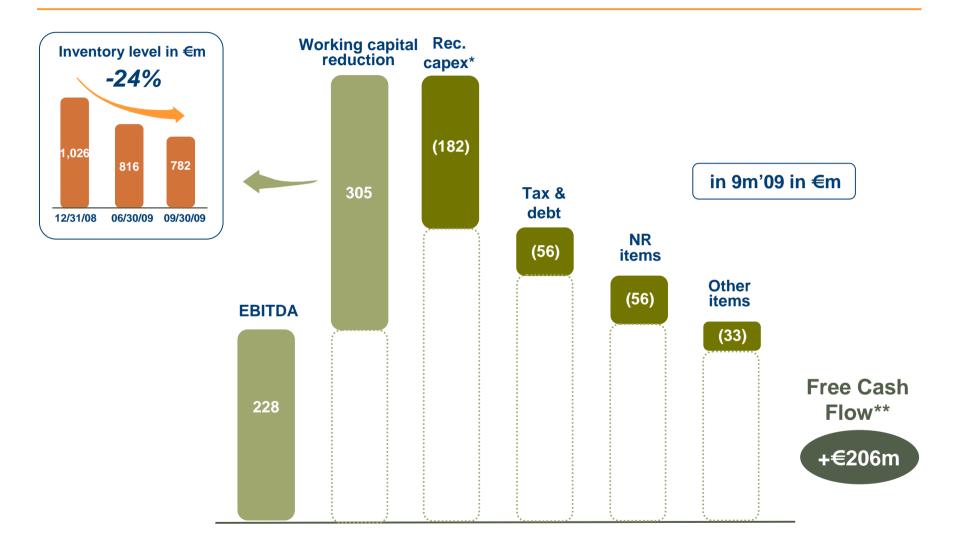
- Continued focus on the optimization of working capital
- Further reduction of quantities in stocks in 3Q'09
- Capex in line with € 260m FY target including growth capex in China



- Net debt decreased by € 136m since beginning of year
- Net debt at 1.3xEBITDA\*\*
- > Gearing at 20%



# Strong benefit from reduction in working capital



\* Recurring capex excluding capex related to the acquisition of assets (included in M&A)

\*\* Cash flow from operating and investment activities excluding M&A and before dividends



# Outlook

#### > 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2009

- → Traditional weaker seasonality in December
- Asia should maintain good momentum
- → Visibility still limited in Europe and North America

#### > Full year 2009 targets

- → Increase Free Cash Flow\* target to around +€ 140m
- → Confirm fixed cost saving target of € 170m
- → Capex below € 260m

#### > Continue in-depth transformation and long-term projects

- Dow acrylics deal\*\* expected to close in 4Q'09
- Construction of fluorogas and fluoropolymers units in China
- Promising opportunities in sustainable development and high performance polymers

#### > Well prepared and positioned for 2010

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# A major milestone in Arkema's transformation\*

#### Arkema's long term strategy in acrylics >

- Secure competitive world-scale monomer production base in each geographical area
- Strengthen downstream integration

#### Highlights of the deal >

- Asset deal: Monomer & polymer businesses
- 2009(e) sales: ~US\$ 450m
- Enterprise value = US\$ 50m

#### Benefits from the deal >

- Strengthening Arkema's worldwide position in acrylic monomers
- Increasing downstream integration
- A platform for future development

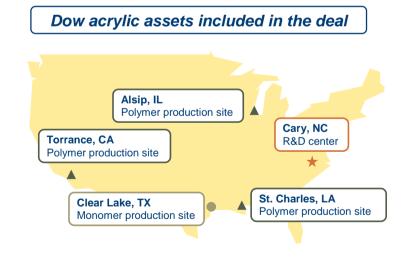
#### Significant potential for EBITDA margin >

- Positive contribution to net income in 2010
- 12% EBITDA margin after 3 years
- 14 to 15% EBITDA margin after 5 years

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#### Arkema's current position in acrylics







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