

We Enchant the World with Chocolate





# Financial Year 2022

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## **Key Figures**

Lindt & Sprüngli achieved double-digit growth in FY 2022 +10.8%

Organic sales growth +8.4% in CHF



15.0%

EBIT margin

CHF 745 mn

4.97 bn
Group sales (CHF)



+17.9%

Increase in earnings per share to CHF 2,416



1,300 CHF

Dividend +8.3% vs. PY



10.6%
Free Cash Flow margin
CHF 526 mn



### Global Chocolate Markets and Trends in 2022



## Global chocolate markets continue to grow

Consumers longing for the comfort of a premium treat: Quality over Quantity

Gifting continues to develop strongly

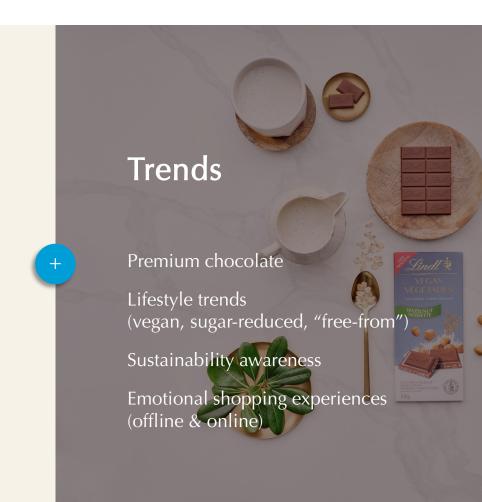
On festive occasions, consumers prefer premium chocolate for self consumption



#### Geopolitical situation, Energy Crisis & Inflation

Regional differences impacting European markets: consumers spending discretionary income more consciously

North America and most parts of Rest of the World remained more resilient







Market Insights & Highlights



# 4.97bn

TOTAL GROUP SALES CHF +10.8% organic growth



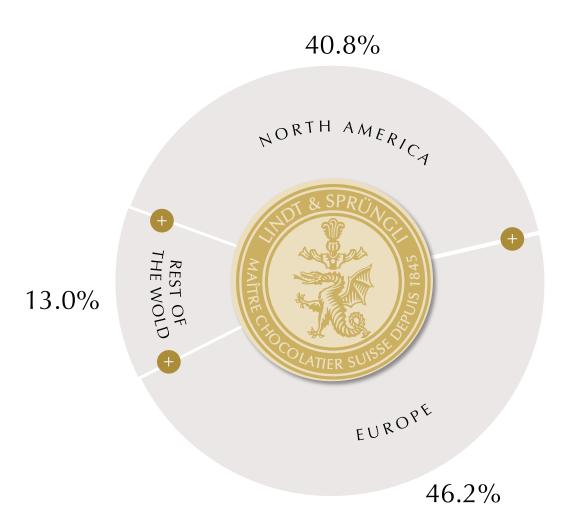






### Sales Analysis Markets

Lindt & Sprüngli achieves strong double-digit growth to CHF 4.97 bn, an increase of 8.4% in CHF



# Market Split Europe

46.2%

Largest region in the Group

2.30 bn

Total sales in CHF

+5.3%

organic growth

• 14.8% Germany

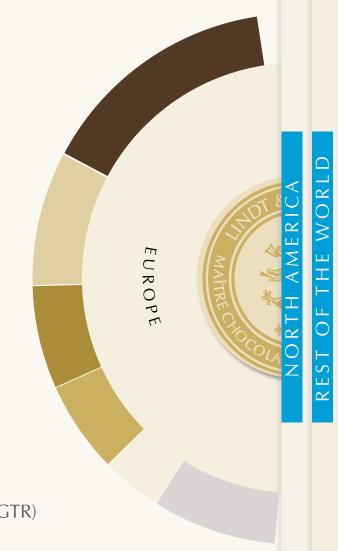
8.2% France

• 6.3%

5.6% Italy

3.7% CH (excl. DIS and GTR)

7.6%
Rest of Europe





## Key Facts Europe

#### Sales Growth in all markets (organic)

Switzerland	Germany	Italy	UK
(+7.1%)	(+6.1%)	(+6.4%)	(+5.5%)
France	Iberia	Austria	Nordics
(+2.6%)	(+9.3%)	(+7.2%)	(+11.7%)

- Strong seasonal performance of Lindor
- Post-Covid changes: increase in gifting products, normalization in self consumption
- Recovery of tourism
- Full closure of business in Russia affecting organic growth in Europe by 110 bp (6.4% vs. 5.3% effectively) and 60 bp on Group level (11.4% vs. 10.8% effectively)
- 5 70-year anniversary of Gold Bunny 🕞



### Market Split North America

40.8%
2nd largest region in the Group

2.03 bn
Total sales in CHF

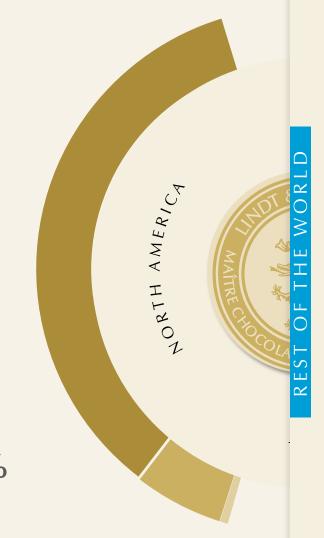
+15.7% organic growth

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• 34.8%

• 5.5% Canada

**0.5%**Mexico





### Highlights North America

#### Strong double-digit growth across all subsidiaries

Lindt USA	Ghirardelli	Russell Stove
(+21.4%)	(+13.9%)	(+10.2%)
Canada	Mexico	
(+14.4%)	(+19.3%)	

- Significant increase on EBIT-Level: 7.7% to 10.9% EBIT-Margin (rise by 320 bp)
- Significant investment in Lindt production facility in Stratham
- Lindt USA: Lindor the key growth driver with product launch Almond Butter and new emotional Christmas TVC
- Ghirardelli: growth driver Ghirardelli Squares; strong rebound of retail business
- Ghirardelli Chocolate Experience Store: brand equity investment at historic location in San Francisco
- 6 Russell Stover: supply chain problems resolved



### Market Split Rest of the world

NORTH AMERICA REST OF THE WORLD 13%
3rd largest region in the Group

0.65 bn
Total sales in CHF

+16.6% organic growth

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## Highlights Rest of the World

NORTH AMERICA REST OF THE WORLD

### High-potential markets with strong growth

Global Travel Brazil China Japan (+41.4%) (+18.3%) (+10.0%)

- Global Travel Retail: Strong rebound following return of global tourism; quick reaction by supply chain
- China: Above market average; strong share of online sales channels
- Brazil: New route to market, substantial increase of distribution network
- Japan: Further expansion of retail network and strong development of online marketplaces;
  Product innovation Lindor Sakura



### Global Retail

(NTS reported in countries)





**+21.6%** 

Sales growth



500

Physical shops in 19 countries



E-Shops connected in a global network

Lindt shops provide unique brand building opportunity

Providing seamless shopping experience to consumers across all channels

New e-shop platform optimizing user experience

Trend for personalization and gifting

Access to first party data for smart data analysis due to new loyalty program "MyLindt" connecting online and offline





Financial Results 2022

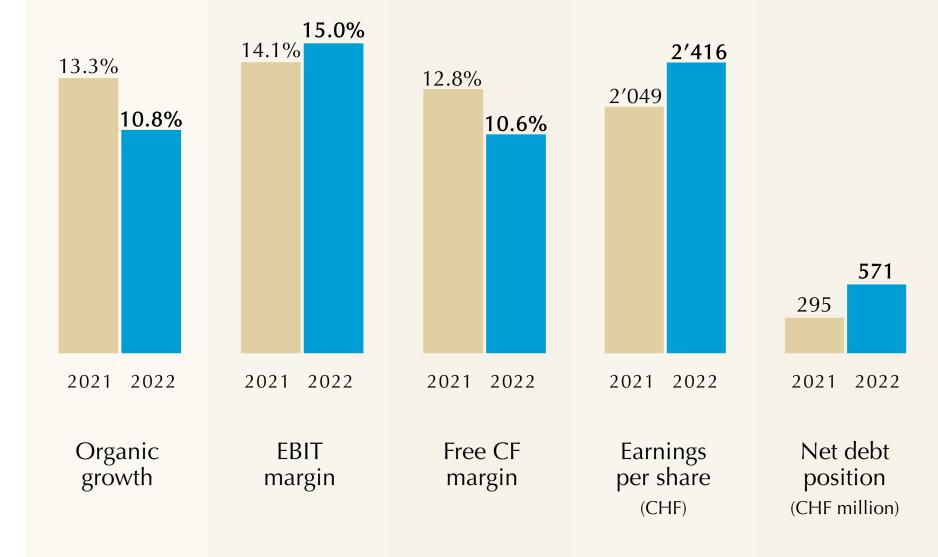
Martin Hug Group CFO





### Overview – Year 2022

Key performance indicators continue to develop positively





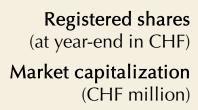
## Shareholder Return

Increase in shareholder return continues

		2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
F	Ordinary dividend reg. (CHF)	1,000	1,050	1,100	1,200	1,300*
(F)	Special dividend (CHF)	-	700	-	-	
	Dividend yield reg.	1.4%	2.0%	1.2%	1.0%	1.4%
<u></u>	Payout ratio	50.0%	83.2%	82.5%	59.3%	54.6%
	Share buyback (CHF million)	120	337	-	445	551



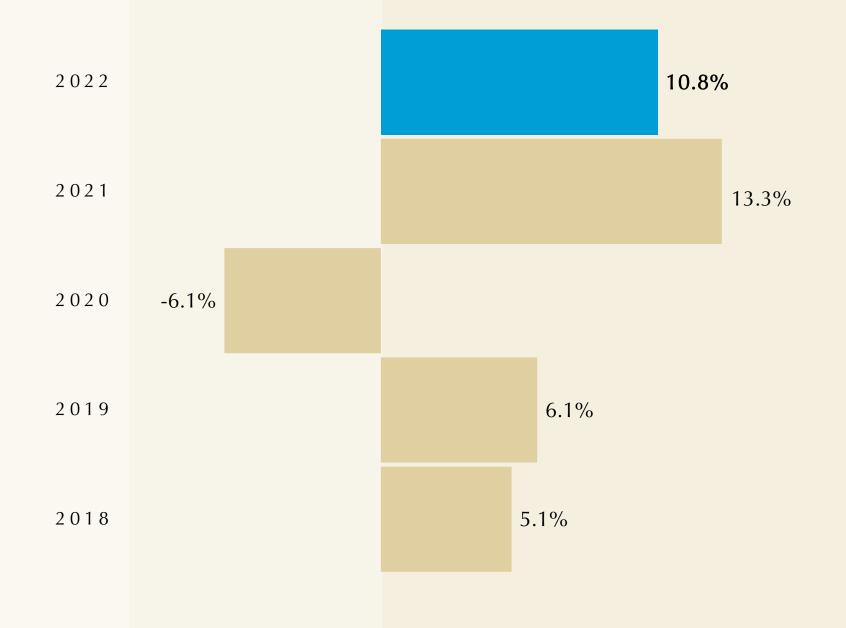
# Share Price & Market Capitalization







## Organic Sales Growth



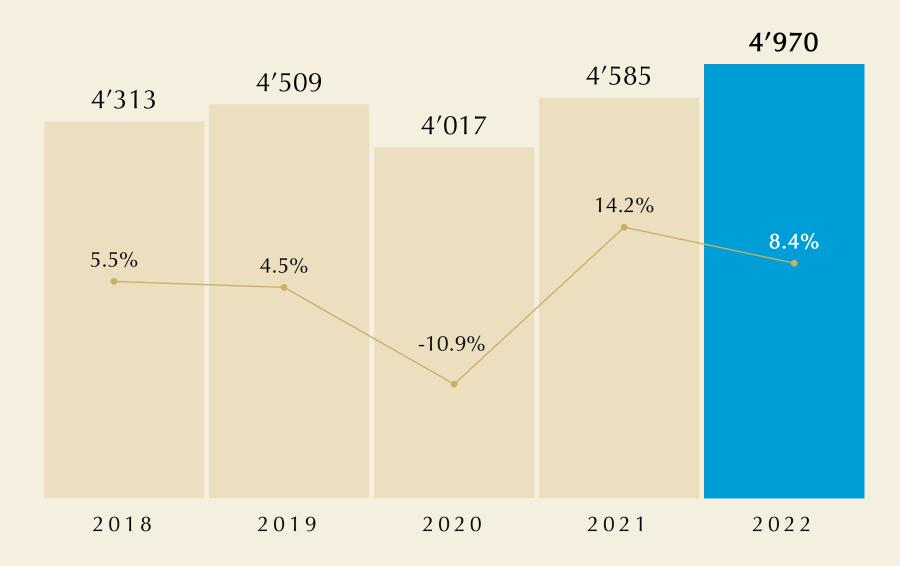
Absolute in CHF million (as published)

Growth rate in % (as published)



# Sales Growth in CHF

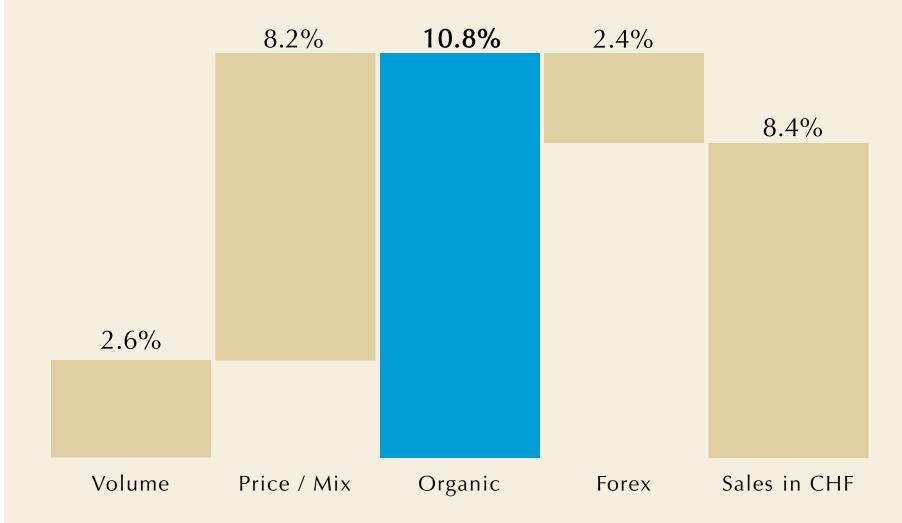
Sales reaching a new record high close to CHF 5 billion





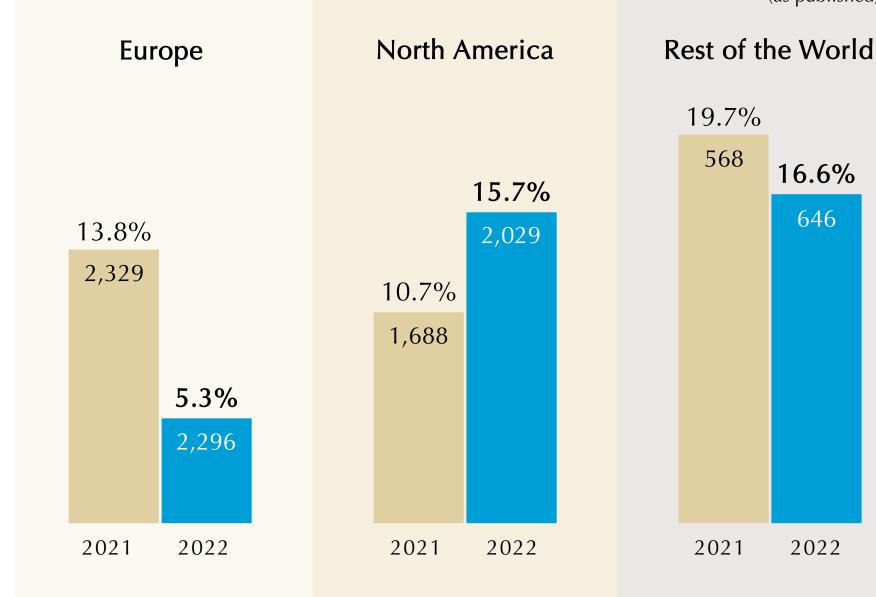
# Sales: Growth Factors

Organic growth of 10.8% driven by Price / Mix





## Sales Analysis: Segment Information



Growth rate in % (organic) Absolute in CHF million

(as published)

16.6%

646

2022



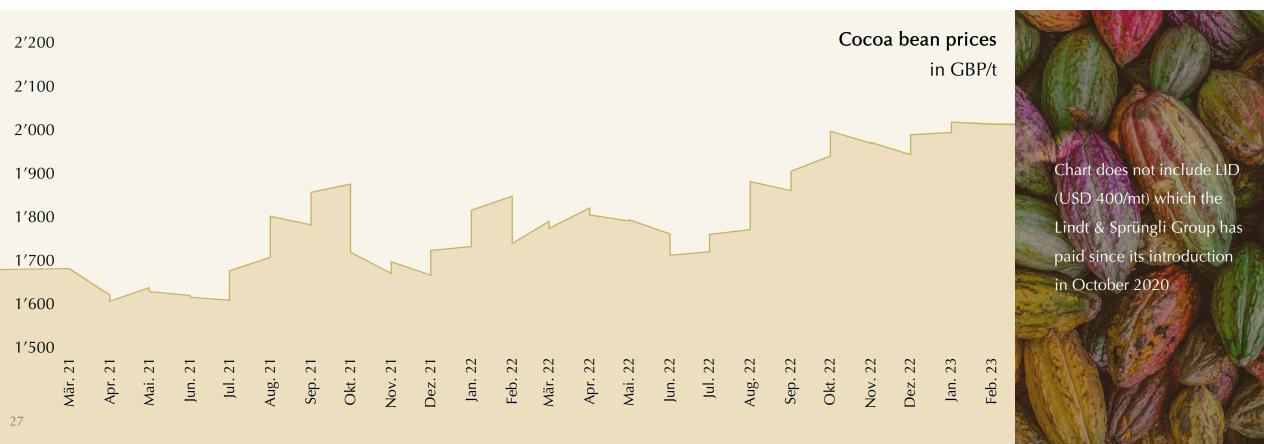
# Material Costs incl. Change in Inventories

Higher milk, sugar and packaging prices driving material costs



### **Cocoa Price**

Price of cocoa bean futures have been experiencing an increase in recent months

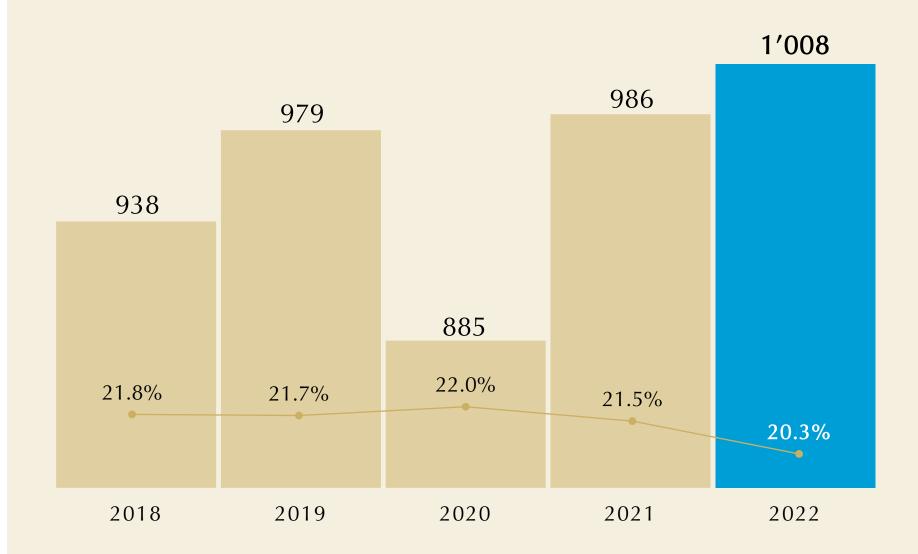






# Personnel Expenses

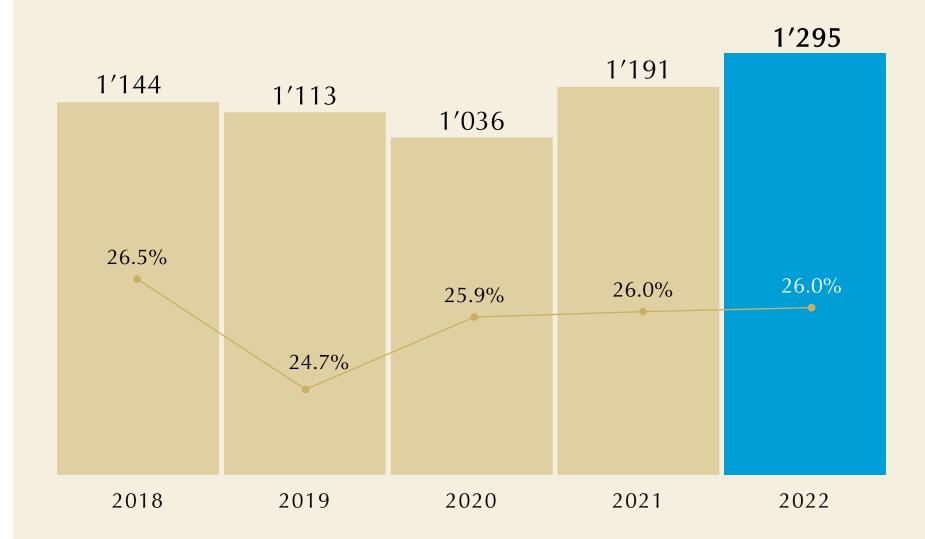
Economies of scale leading to improved cost ratio





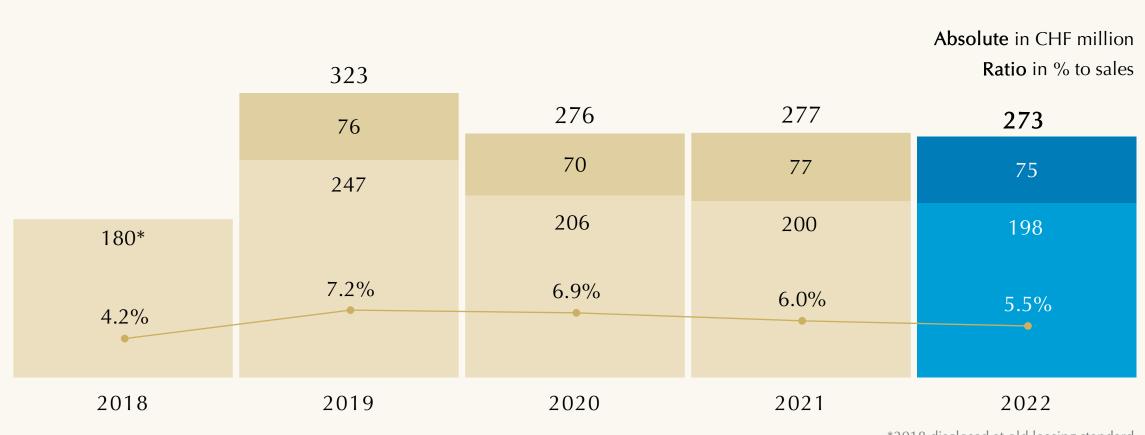
# Operating Expenses

Maintaining high advertising investments despite increasing supply chain costs



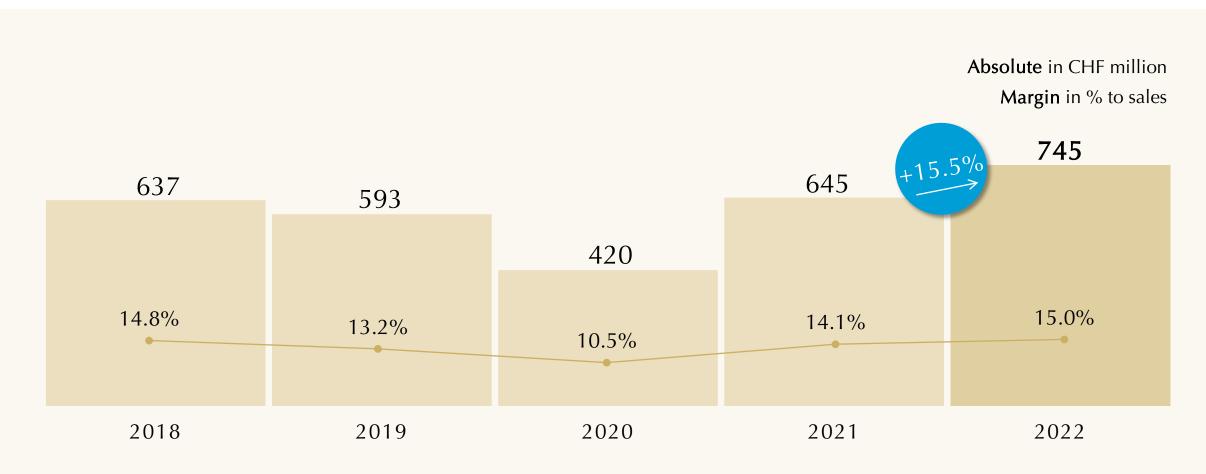
### **Depreciation and Impairments**

Slight decrease in percentage of sales driven by economies of scale



## **Operating Profit (EBIT)**

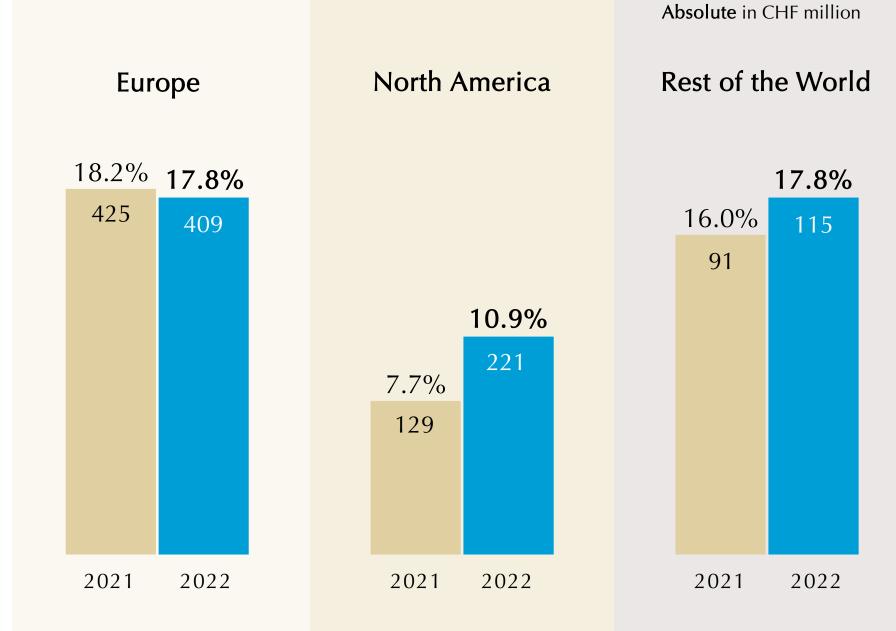
EBIT-margin improved by 90 bp despite significant headwinds



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## EBIT by Segment

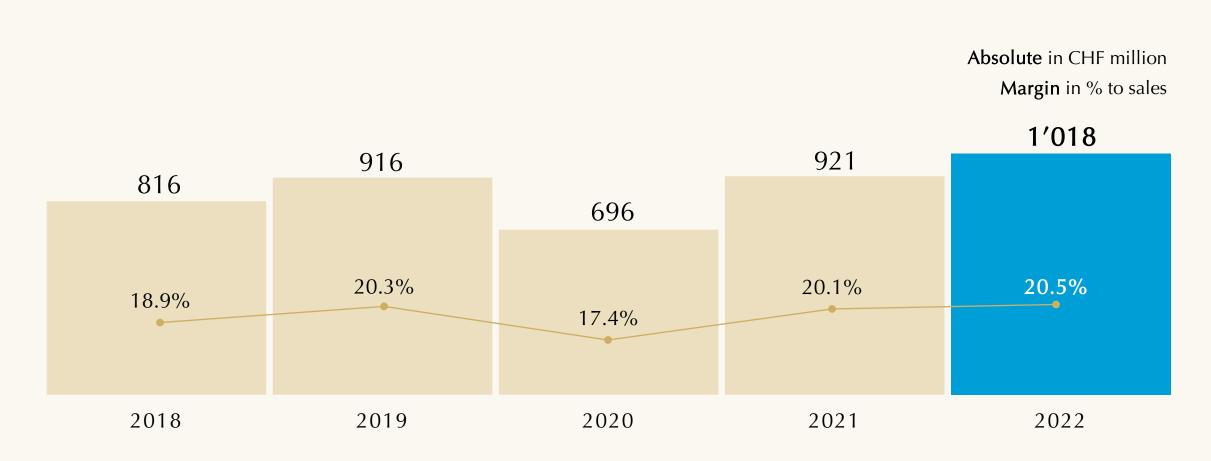
Strong increase of profitability in North America



EBIT-margin in %

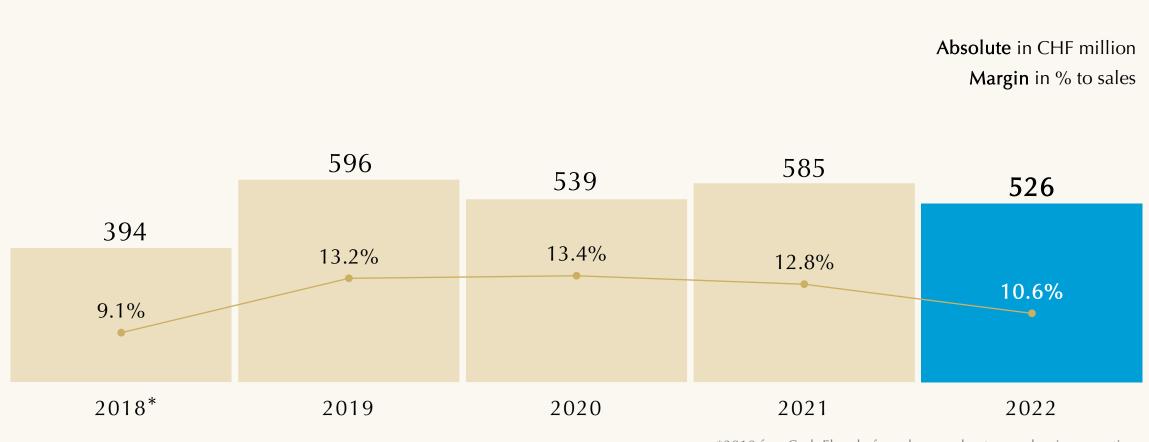
### **EBITDA**

Achieving record levels, exceeding CHF 1 billion for the first time



### **Free Cash Flow**

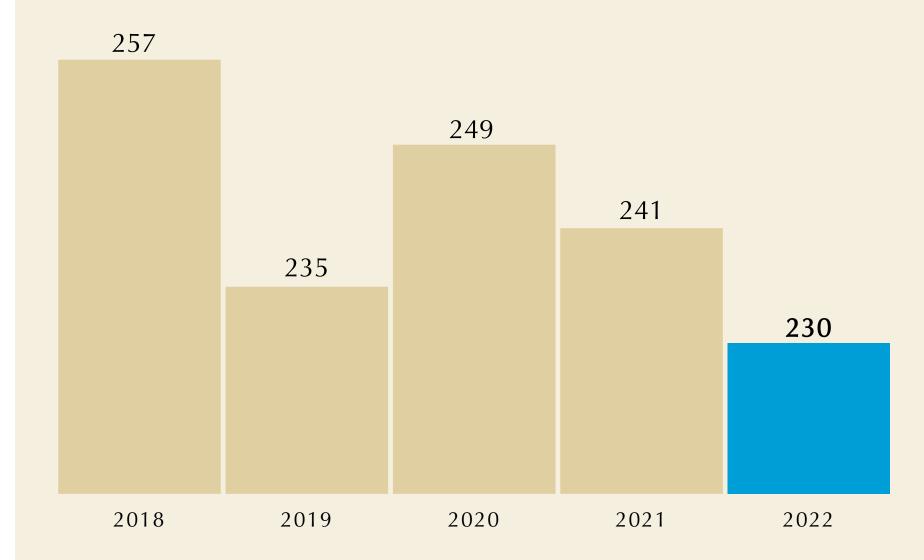
Strong Free Cash Flow despite higher inventories





# Capital Expenditure

Continued investments into growth and efficiency



### Tax Rate

Tax rate in line with 2021

21.5% 21.1% 21.0% 18.8%

2020\*

8.8%

2019\*

In % of income before taxes

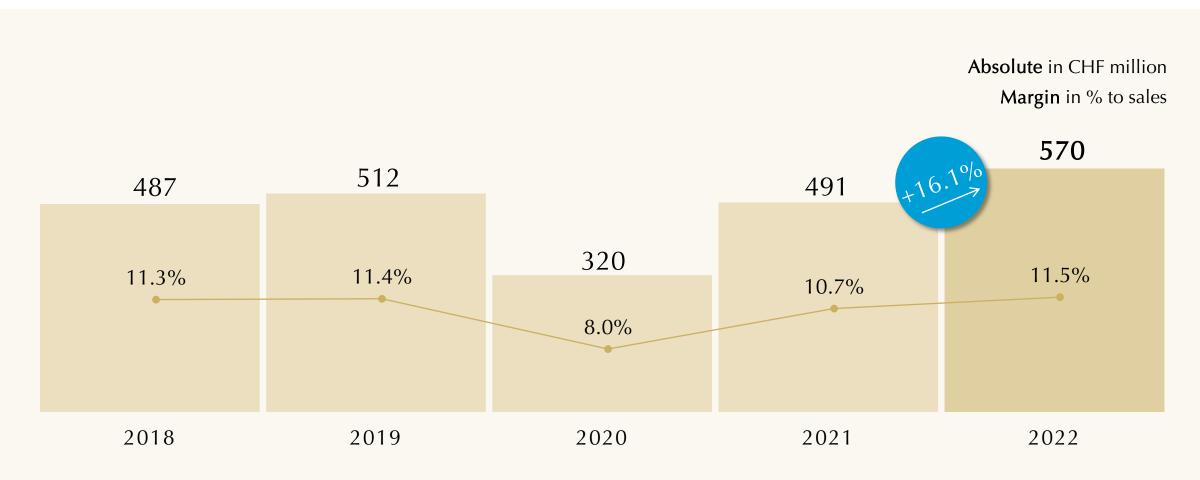
2021

2022

2018

#### Net Income

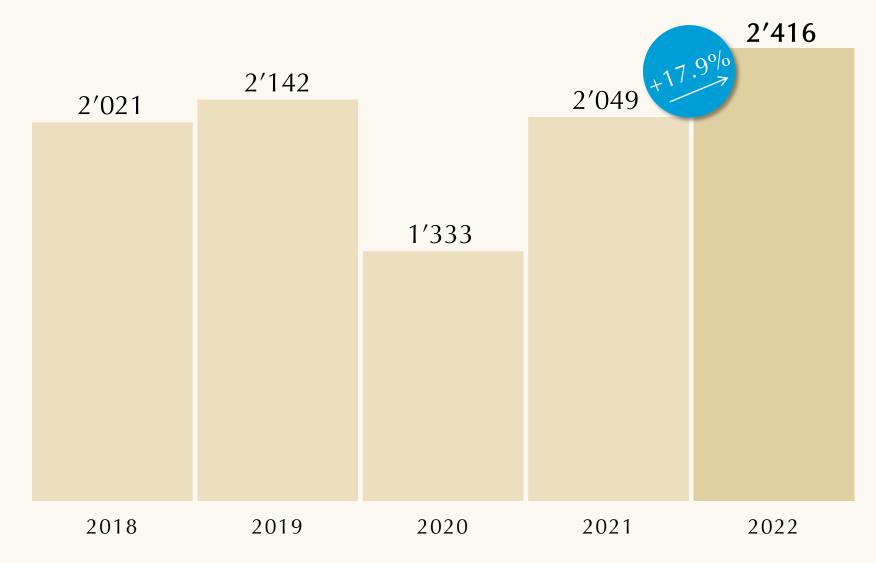
Back to pre-Covid levels





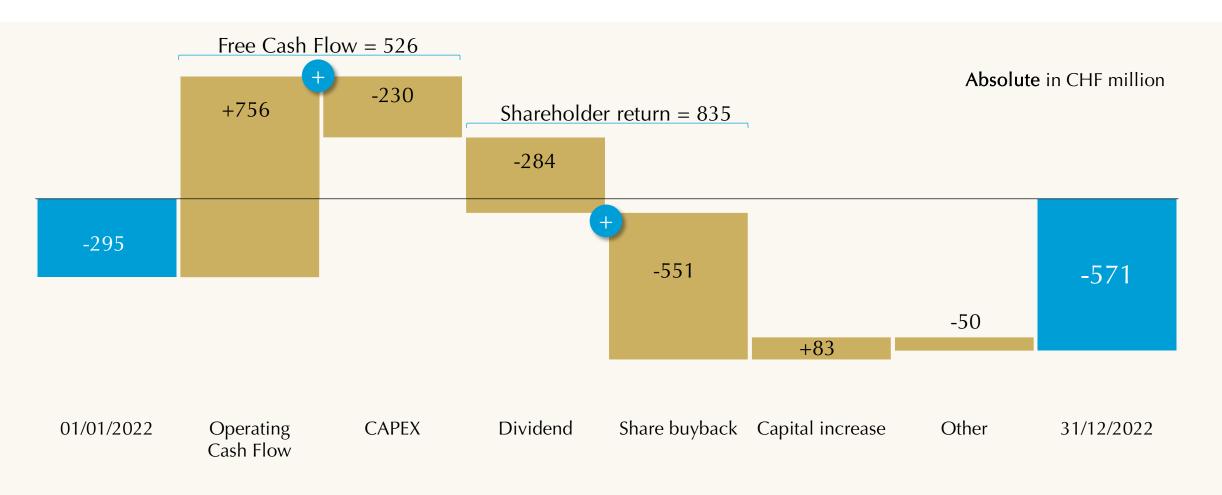
## Non-diluted Earnings per Share\*

Substantial increase of EPS



#### **Net Financial Position**

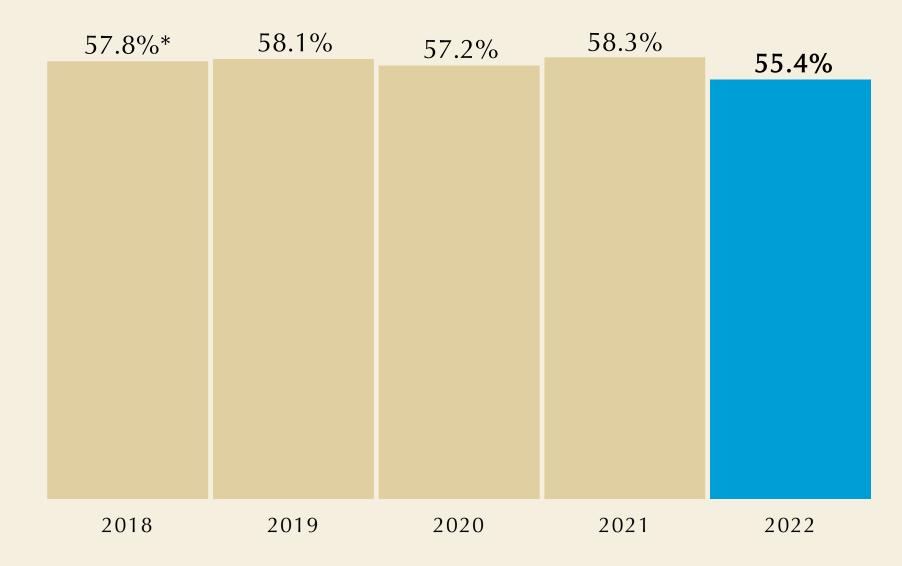
Slight increase in net debt despite share buyback - mainly driven by strong Free Cash Flow generation





## **Equity Ratio**

Strong balance sheet







Sustainability





# The Lindt & Sprüngli Sustainability Plan

Our commitment for a better tomorrow

Our Sustainability Plan centers around Lindt & Sprüngli's focus areas grouped under four pillars and objectives:

- improve the livelihoods of people in our supply chain
- contribute to an intact environment
- foster successful collaboration within the company and delight our consumers

Lindt & Sprüngli considers
business integrity and
human rights as crosscutting issues throughout our
Sustainability Plan and our
way of doing business.

### Delighting Consumers

Transparent and responsible communication

Product quality/Product

safety

### Improving Livelihoods

Rural development Responsible Sourcing

#### Contributing to an Intact Environment

Water and waste
Packaging
Climate
Bio-diversity and
ecosystems

## Performing Together

Enabling and motivating working environment
Occupational health and safety



## Sustainability Highlights



Complete

## Carbon Footprint

calculated (Scopes 1, 2, and 3) and our science-based targets (SBT) developed with roadmap

SBT validation and announcement in 2023

100% of cocoa sourced from farming households covered by Child Labor Monitoring and Remediation System (CLMRS) by 2025

## Tackling child labor risk

New member of Child Learning and Education Facility (CLEF), improving access to quality education 100%

of our cocoa beans and 64% of cocoa bean equivalents, sourced through sustainability programs in 2021

> 2.8 million

Shade trees distributed through cocoa sustainability programs between 2008 and 2021 New Group-wide

#### Human Rights Policy

formalizing our commitment to respecting human rights and establishing a commitment to conduct due diligence by 2025

Expand our Responsible Sourcing Roadmap which will include 12 raw and packaging materials



## Lindt & Sprüngli Farming Program

The Lindt & Sprüngli Farming Program aims to create decent and resilient livelihoods for cocoa farmers and their families and encourage more sustainable farming practices.

For further information see: Lindt & Sprüngli Farming Program Homepage: <a href="https://www.farming-program.com">www.farming-program.com</a>



## Four pillars of the Program based on a Theory of Change

- Tracing our beans
- 2 Training the farmers
- Investments for farmers and communities
- 4 Independently verifying our Program



#### **Objectives**

- Increased income of farming households
- Reduced risk of child labor
- Conservation of biodiversity and natural ecosystems



## Our pathway to Science Based Targets (SBT)

Committed to defining science-based targets (including Scopes 1, 2, and 3)

Goal of reaching net-zero emissions by 2050, to be announced in the second half of 2023.



MAY 2021

21

✓ Committed to define an SBT with long-term goal to reach net-zero emissions

2021

2

✓ Carbon footprint assessment (Scopes 1, 2, and 3)

 Continue emissions reduction actions

✓ Progress 2021: 20% reduction of emissions in production process per ton produced

2022

22

 Build roadmap of potential emissions reduction actions

✓ Assess potential impact of actions

2023

23

Verification of proposed targets by SBT initiative

 Announcement of SBTs in H2 of 2023

2023+

23

• Implement full SBT roadmap and action plan





Growth Agenda & Outlook

Adalbert Lechner Group CEO



#### **Building on our Strengths**

We have a proven recipe for success. By adapting to changing market requirements we will continue our growth story





## The Lindt & Sprüngli Way to Growth



#### Growth

Optimize brand support Free up funds via RGM / efficiency increase Capitalize potential of secondary franchises Strong focus behind gifting

#### Premium

Nurture brand equity Invest in quality and reputation Secure margins

#### **Innovation**

Enchant consumers
Increase penetration
Cover new demand moments

#### Sustainability

Live up to our ESG commitment

#### **Agile Culture**

Lean organization – Empowerment – Ownership Accountability – Consumer centricity – Speed to market



#### Outlook

Lindt & Sprüngli will continue to grow stronger than the market



Financial Year 2023

Medium to long term

6-8%

Organic sales growth

20-40

Operating profit margin 20-40 basis points above 2022

6-8%

Expected sales growth

20-40

Continuous improvement of operating profit margin of 20-40 basis points per year





## Q&A



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