

BRIEF MEDIA INFORMATION

EMS Group: Half-year results 2022 (January - June 2022)

Course of business

- **Successful new business with innovative specialties**
- **Net sales and net operating income exceed previous year**
- **Significant worsening of the global economy**
- **Massively higher raw material and energy prices**

The EMS Group, with its companies combined in the EMS-CHEMIE HOLDING AG and globally active in the business areas **High Performance Polymers** and **Specialty Chemicals**, achieved **net sales** amounting to CHF 1,284 million (1,166) and a **net operating income (EBIT)** of CHF 324 million (322) in the first half-year of 2022.

While the first quarter of 2022 was characterized by a positive consumer mood and generally high demand, the global economy worsened significantly in the second quarter. Particularly in Europe, the Ukraine conflict caused great uncertainty among consumers and companies. Massively increased energy costs caused raw material prices to rise abruptly and triggered additional surges in inflation. In China, rigorous lockdown measures forced customers to production shutdowns. Overheated demand in the USA was slowed by rising interest rates. As expected, the continuing shortage of semiconductors prevented any recovery by the global automotive industry.

EMS had already prepared for unstable economic developments at the beginning of the year. Innovative new business was realized successfully and new energy and cost-saving products were introduced into the market. Meanwhile, continual expansion of production capacity, together with local inventory stocks, safeguards delivery reliability. EMS was able to show overproportional growth compared to its markets. Rising inflation, in particular with regard to raw materials and energy costs, made corresponding sales price increases for customers inevitable.

Consolidated **net sales** rose compared to the previous year by 10.1% to close at CHF 1,284 million (1,166). **Net operating income (EBIT)** reached CHF 324 million (322) which is 0.8% above previous year. The operational cash flow (EBITDA) amounted to CHF 354 million (350) which is 1.2% above previous year. The EBIT margin reached 25.2% (27.6%), the EBITDA margin 27.6% (30.0%). Due to sales price increases, made necessary by higher raw material costs, net sales developed more strongly than the net operating income.

At the ordinary Annual General Meeting of the EMS-CHEMIE HOLDING AG on August 13, 2022, the current members of the board, Bernhard Merki (as Chairman of the Board and Member of the Remuneration Committee), Magdalena Martullo (as Member of the Board), Dr. Joachim Streu (as Member of the Board and Member of the Remuneration Committee) and Christoph Mäder (as Member of the Board and Member of the Remuneration Committee) will be proposed for re-election. BDO AG, Schiffbaustrasse 2, 8031 Zurich, will be proposed for election as Statutory Auditor. At the Annual General Meeting, the Board of Directors will propose a dividend payment of total CHF 21.00 (17.00) per share.

Despite the currently adverse environment, EMS continues to expect net sales and net operating income (EBIT) for 2022 to be slightly above previous year.

Provisional key figures *)

EMS Group January - June 2022

In million CHF	2022 (Jan-Jun)	2021 (Jan-Jun)
Net sales	1,284	1,166
Change to previous year	+10.1%	
In local currencies	+12.7%	
Operational Cash Flow (EBITDA) ¹⁾	354	350
Change to previous year	+1.2%	
In % of net sales	27.6%	30.0%
Net operating income (EBIT) ²⁾	324	322
Change to previous year	+0.8%	
In % of net sales	25.2%	27.6%

1) EBITDA = Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortisation
= Operational Cash Flow

2) EBIT = Earnings Before Interest and Taxes
= Net operating income

*) EMS provides provisional key figures regarding the first half of the year at the beginning of July and publishes the definite half-year report at the end of August. The following gives the provisional key figures for the period ending June 30th. It may be assumed that these will not deviate significantly from the definitive figures.

From today the Annual Report 2021/2022 of the EMS Group can be found on the homepage of the EMS Group at www.ems-group.com/annualreports.

On Friday, July 15, 2022 at

09.15 a.m. the Media Conference

and at

2.15 p.m. the Financial Analysts' Conference

will take place at EMS-CHEMIE AG, 7013 Domat/Ems, Switzerland.
You will be provided with a detailed media information following the
media conference at around 12.00 a.m.

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