

# YEAR END REPORT 1 APRIL 2022 – 31 MARCH 2023

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### QUARTER 4

# **HIGHLIGHTS**

Net sales **SEK 5,267 m, +34%** 





14.4%
From 13.2%

- Very strong quarter with solid contributions from all business areas
- Continued high customer activity
- Organic sales growth of 21%
- Order backlog remains at a high level and is of good quality
- EBITA growth of 47%
- Profit margin increased despite continued inflationary pressure
- The highly uncertain macro situation remains

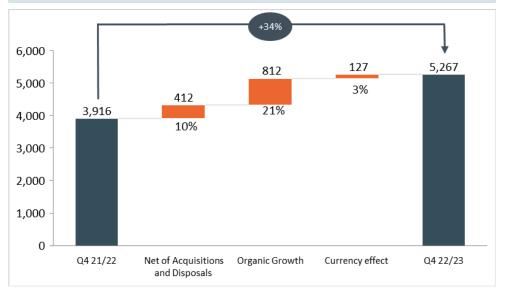


## QUARTER 4: NET SALES DEVELOPMENT

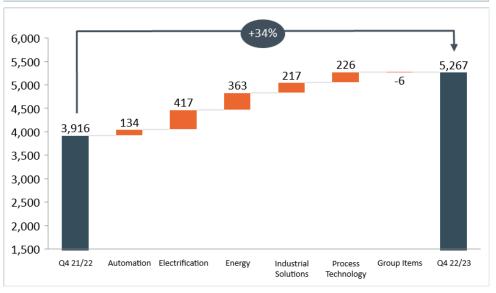
# HIGH CUSTOMER ACTIVITY

- Net sales increased by 34% of which 21% was organic growth
  - High customer activity in most customer segments and geographies
  - Overall good delivery capacity
  - Order backlog remains at a high level despite strong invoicing in the quarter
  - Currently no clear signs of a general slowdown in demand

## Net Sales Growth, SEK m



## Net Sales Growth per Business Area, SEK m



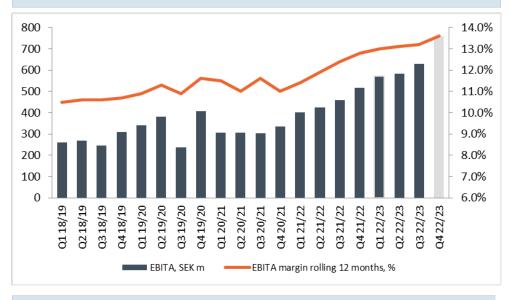


#### **QUARTER 4: EBITA DEVELOPMENT**

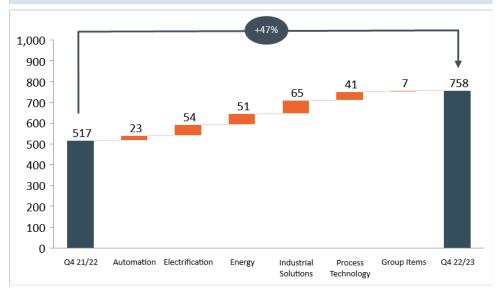
# STRONG QUARTERLY RESULT

- 47% EBITA growth with a margin of 14.4%
  - Solid contribution from, and margins increased, in all business areas
  - Continued focus on cost control and active customer and supplier dialogue
  - Operating cash flow strengthened over the quarter
  - P/WC remained at a high level

## EBITA, SEK m and EBITA margin rolling 12 months, %



## EBITA Growth per business area, SEK m





#### **QUARTER 4: BUSINESS AREA DEVELOPMENT**

# SOLID CONTRIBUTION ACROSS THE BOARD



Net sales SEK 962 m (828) **+16%** EBITA SEK 126 m (103) **+21%** EBITA-margin **13.1%** 

- Favourable business situation with a good sales trend
- Strong demand in defense and medical technology segments - stable in process industry and mechanical industry
- Good margins on organic growth



#### **ELECTRIFICATION**

Net sales SEK 1,149 m (732) **+57%** EBITA SEK 143 m (89) **+62%** EBITA-margin **12.5%** 

- Good sales growth both organically and from acquisitions
- Strongest development within the electronics, special vehicles, defense and medical technology segments
- High demand for specially adapted battery modules
- Stable demand in energy and telecoms



Net sales SEK 1,355 m (992) **+37%** EBITA SEK 176 m (125) **+40%** EBITA-margin **12.9%** 

- Strong sales growth in both business units
- Sales of infrastructure products for electric transmission continued to be very good
- The business situation for building and installation products, products for electric power distributions and fiber optic networks continued to be positive



#### INDUSTRIAL SOLUTIONS

Net sales SEK 937 m (720) +30% EBITA SEK 190 m (125) +52% EBITA-margin 20.2%

- Highly favourable business situation
- Very good sales to forest and sawmill industry – completion of a large number of projects had a positive impact on the operating margin
- Lower demand for long projects – order backlog remained at a very good level
- Stable business situation in waste and recycling - positive development in special vehicles



#### PROCESS TECHNOLOGY

Net sales SEK 875 m (649) +35% EBITA SEK 125 m (84) +51% EBITA-margin 14.4%

- Very strong quarter
- The demand for projects as well as after-market components and services in the energy- and process industry was particularly favourable
- Forest- and mechanical industry remains stable
- The positive trend within the marine segment continued



## FULL YEAR 2022/2023

# **HIGHLIGHTS**

Net sales **SEK 18,714 m, +33%** 





**13.6%** From 12.8%

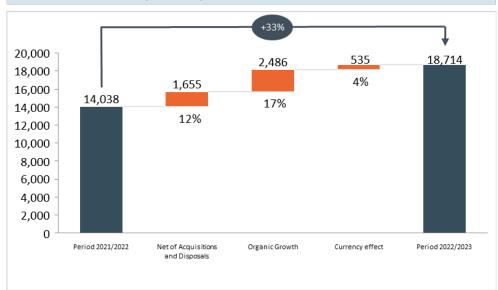
- Very strong year with a high level of growth and profitability in all business areas
- Strong demand and favourable order situation in all key customer segments
- Record high organic sales growth of 17%
- Very satisfying EBITA growth of 41%
- Ten carefully selected acquisitions to strengthen and complement our niche strategies
- Science Based Targets initiative

## FULL YEAR 2022/2023

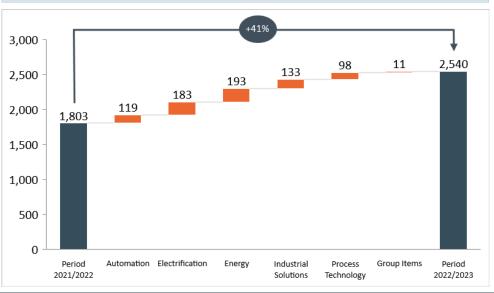
## RECORD YEAR

- Net sales increased by 33% to SEK 18,714 m (14,038)
- The organic growth amounted to 17% and acquired growth amounted to 12%
- EBITA increased by 41% and amounted to SEK 2,540 m (1,803) corresponding to an EBITA margin of 13.6% (12.8)
- Operating profit increased by 44% and amounted to SEK 2,167 m (1,501) corresponding to an operating margin of 11.6% (10.7)
- Profit after tax increased by 39% and amounted to SEK 1,554 m (1,117)
- Cash flow from operating activities amounted to SEK 1,911 m (1,121)
- Earnings per share before dilution amounted to SEK 5.55 (4.00)
- Board proposes dividend of 2.50 SEK (1.80)

### Net Sales Growth, SEK m, 12 months



## EBITA Growth per business area, SEK m, 12 months



#### **AUTOMATION**

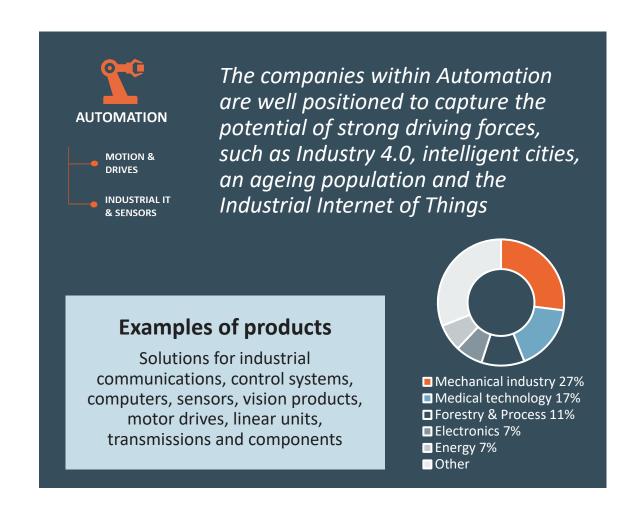
# CUTTING-EDGE EXPERTISE IN AUTOMATED PROCESSES

## Very solid year with improved margins

- Net sales increased by 26%
  - High customer activity
  - Positive impact from value chain disruptions easing
- EBITA growth of 38%
  - EBITA-margin 12.5% (11.4)
- Acquisitions:

Strengthen the position within the fast-growing segment of Industrial IoT wireless connectivity





#### **ELECTRIFICATION**

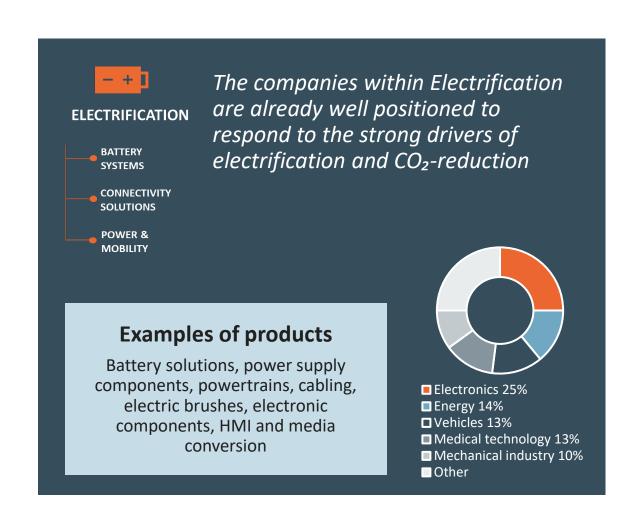
# BROAD OFFERING FOR CUSTOMERS' TECHNICAL LEAP

## Strong growth in all business units

- Net sales increased by 54%
  - High demand in all customer segments
  - Mix of both organic and acquired growth
- Record high EBITA growth of 58%
  - EBITA-margin 12.4% (12.1)

## Acquisitions:

Focus on integration of last years large acquisitions



#### **ENERGY**

## TECHNICAL EXPERTISE FOR THE ELECTRIFICATION OF SOCIETY

## High customer activity in key segments

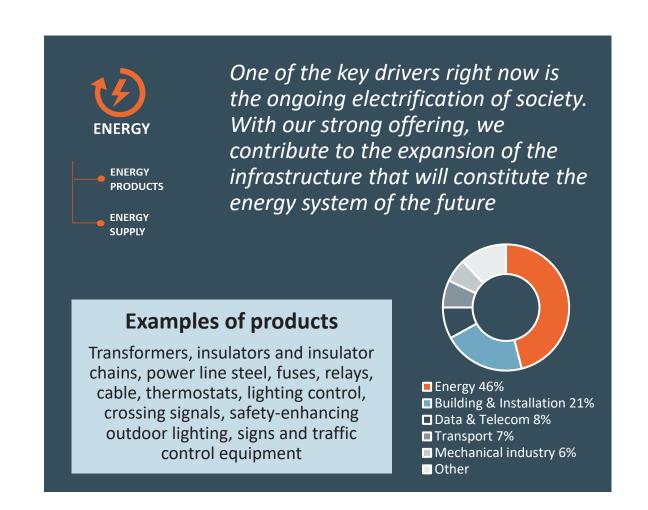
- Net sales increased by 37%
  - The will to invest among grid owners remains the positive trend expected to continue
- EBITA growth of 41%
  - EBITA-margin 12.9% (12.5)
- Acquisitions:

The acquisitions of Arruti Group and Allied Insulators elevated Addtech from being a Nordic, to becoming a global player, in material for high-voltage transmission lines and substations









#### INDUSTRIAL SOLUTIONS

## EXPERTISE THAT MITIGATES SOCIETY'S ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

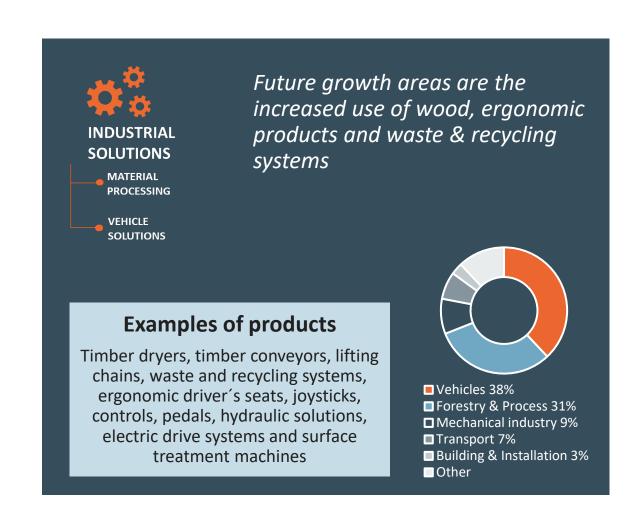
## Strong growth despite challenging comparisons

- Net sales increased by 21%
  - Solid growth across segments
  - Large number of project deliveries
- EBITA growth of 29%
  - EBITA-margin 18.1% (16.9)
- Acquisitions:

Two acquisitions completed that strengthen the value proposition within electric drive systems as well as the infrastructure segment



**DrívHuset AB** 



#### PROCESS TECHNOLOGY

## FOR A REDUCED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT FROM INDUSTRY

## **Another strong year**

- Net sales increased by 27%
  - High activity across the board
  - Solid recovery in the marine segment
- EBITA growth of 33%
  - EBITA-margin 13.5% (12.9)
  - Improved margins despite high inflationary pressure
- Acquisitions:

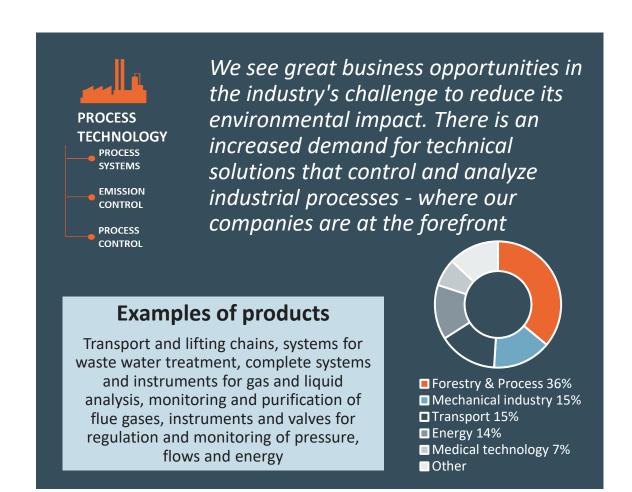
Four important acquisitions to further strengthen the offering that supports the industry in reducing its environmental impact and switching to green technology







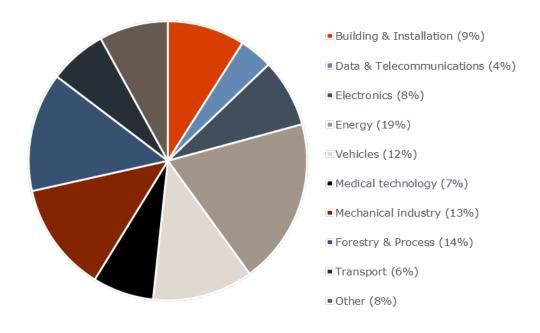
K. ENVIRONMENT



# STRONG DEMAND IN KEY SEGMENTS AND GEOGRAPHIES

- Sales of input components and solutions to manufacturing companies in special vehicles, electronics and medical- and mechanical industry remains highly favourable
- Continued strong demand situation for our companies active in the expansion of regional and national grids
- The demand for electricity-related products for building and installation, defense, rail and marine industries have had a positive development throughout the year
- The favourable market situation in the process industry remains while the will to invest in large projects within the sawmill industry have come down

## Stable and well-diversified customer segments



# 10 COMPANIES ACQUIRED – ANOTHER FOUR AFTER CLOSING

	Acquisition	Business area	Access	Net sales, SEKm*	Employees*
+	Intertrafo Oy	Energy	April 2022	30	15
#	Electric Control Systems Automation AS	Process Technology	April 2022	75	31
+	Impulseradar Sweden AB	Industrial Solutions	April 2022	80	27
	C.K. Environment A/S	Process Technology	May 2022	40	14
	Arruti Group	Energy	June 2022	280	90
+	Gotapack International AB	Process Technology	July 2022	25	5
	Allied Insulators Ltd.	Energy	August 2022	75	15
	Advanced Valve Solutions B.V.	Process Technology	December 2022	140	27
	MCS Europe Group B.V.	Automation	January 2023	75	19
+	Drivhuset AB	Industrial Solutions	January 2023	35	7
	INDAG Maschinenbau GmbH	Process Technology	April 2023	55	40
	Clyde Holding Ltd.	Process Technology	April 2023	150	49
	Feritech Global Ltd.	Industrial Solutions	May 2023	55	21
+	Electrum Automation AB	Electrification	June 2023	80	22

- In total, all fourteen adding SEK 1,200 m and 382 new employees to the Group
- Clear focus on companies with high added value and a clear sustainability profile
- Increased number of acquisitions outside the Nordics



Allied Insulators

















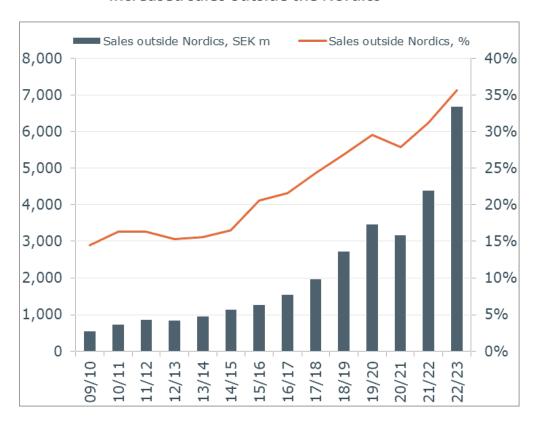




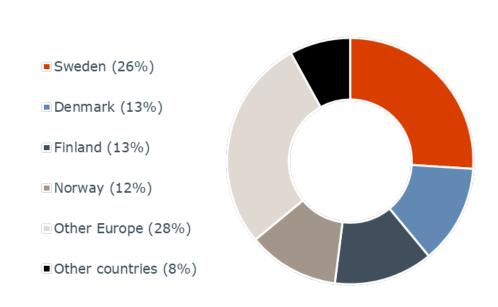


# ACCELERATED INTERNATIONAL EXPANSION

#### **Increased sales outside the Nordics**

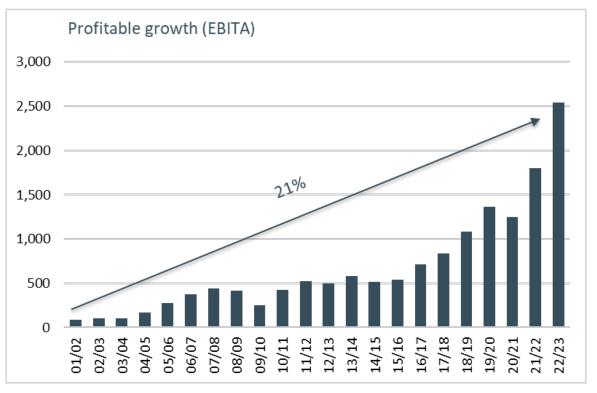


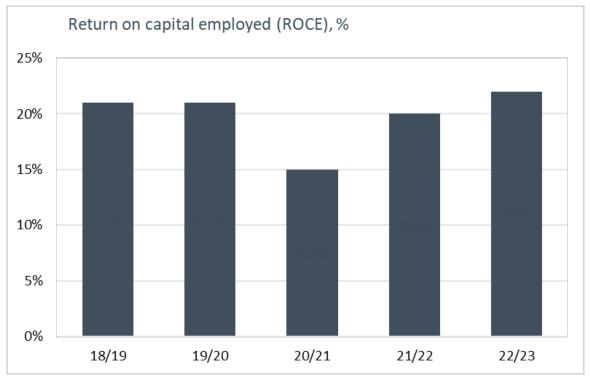
## Sales per geographic market 2022/2023



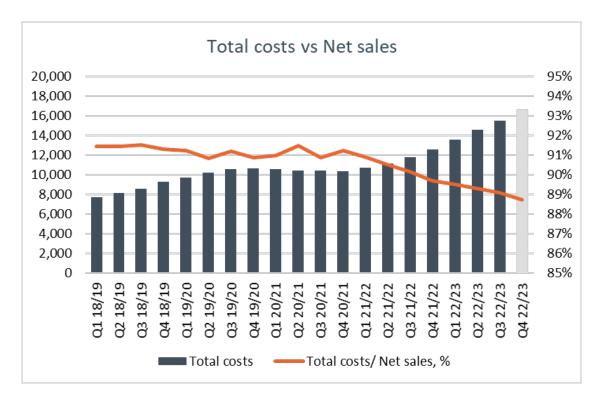
- As a whole, the Nordic markets developed strongly over the year
- Our important markets, DACH, the UK and Benelux strengthened over the year

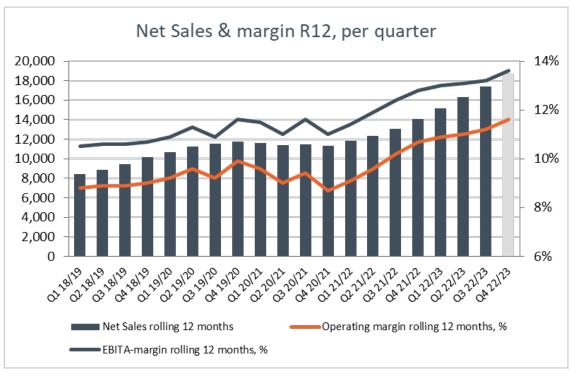
# CONTINUED STRONG SHAREHOLDER VALUE CREATION



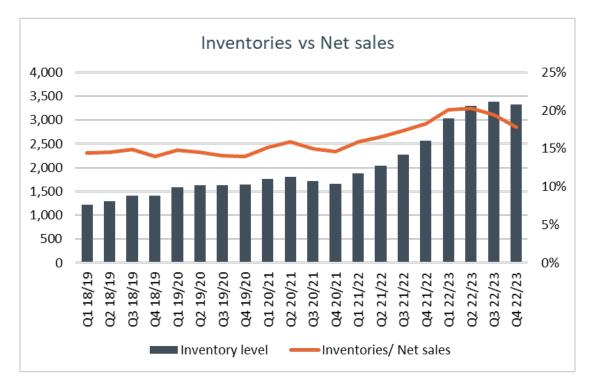


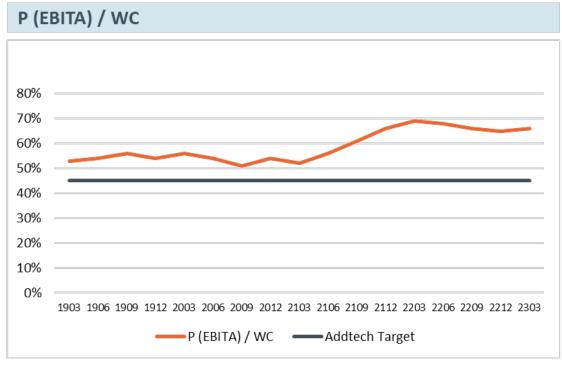
# STRICT COST CONTROL AND GOOD LEVERAGE ON ORGANIC GROWTH AND ACQUISITIONS



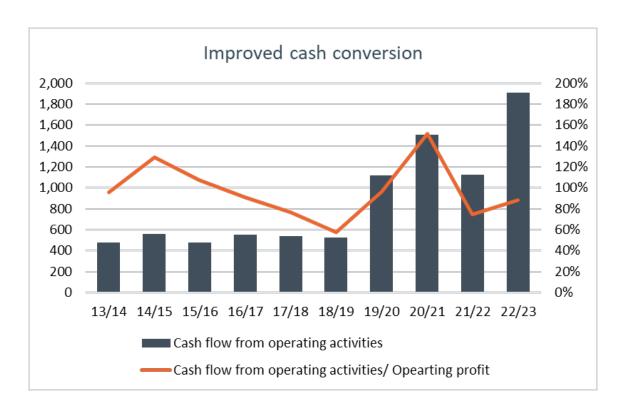


# IMPROVED INVENTORY LEVELS



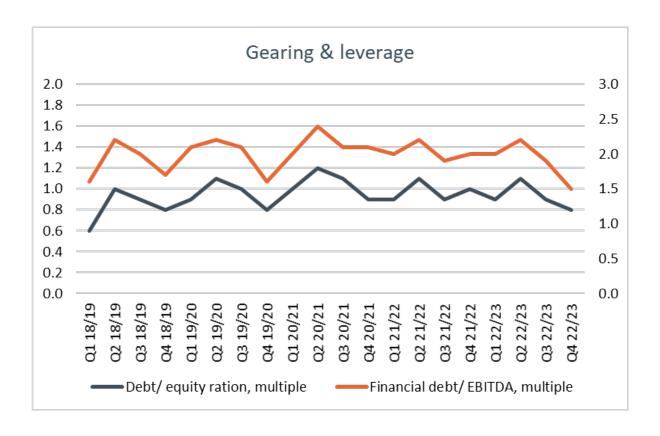


# IMPROVED CASH CONVERSION



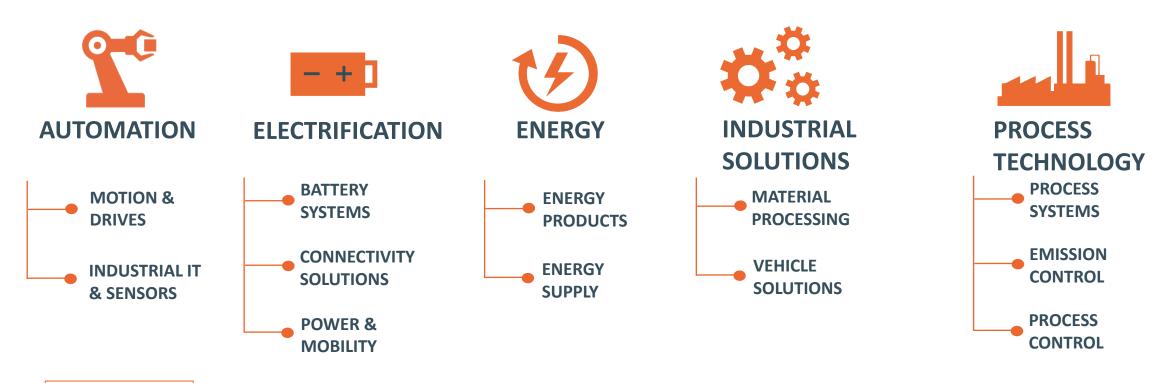
- Cash flow per share 7.10 SEK (4.15)
- Strong growth <u>and</u> improved cash conversion

# LOW RISK BALANCE SHEET



- Equity ratio 36% (34%)
- Leverage 1.5 (2.0)
- Gearing 0.8 (1.0)

# WELL POSITIONED FOR FUTURE GROWTH



**KEY GROWTH DRIVERS** 

- Industry 4.0
- Smart cities
- Internet of Things

- Decarbonisation
- Energy storage batteries
- Increased production of renewable energy
- Grid development
- Safety products

- Resource efficiency recycling systems
- Increased focus on ergonomy
- Increased use of fiber-based materials

- Increased regulations emissions air and water
- Efficiency and optimisation of industrial flows

## **SUMMARY**

- A very strong Q4 concludes a successful year with high growth and profitability in all business areas
- Record-high full year organic sales growth of 17%
- The high customer activity remains in all key segments and geographies no clear signs of a general slowdown in demand
- Despite high invoicing in Q4 orderbooks remain well filled and of high quality
- Very strong earnings growth with improved margins
- Strengthened cashflow and continued strong financial position
- Strong start of the new year in M&A activities and the international expansion continues
- Highly uncertain macro situation