

REPORT ON THE 2ND QUARTER AND 1ST HALF

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Which way is the automotive industry heading? What technology will be driving our cars in the future? These questions concern us all in a society characterized by almost unrestricted mobility. The answers will bring about fundamental changes in terms of resource management and infrastructure.

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# Macroeconomic Conditions and Business Environment

## Large economies continue to drift apart

Economic performance in the various regions around the globe remained divergent during the second quarter of 2013. While the sovereign debt crisis in Europe continued to exert pressure on domestic economies, conditions in the United States and Asia were much more favorable.

The economies of Europe's peripheral member states appear to have gradually reached the trough of recession, whereas the region's core markets have seen more pronounced economic risks. Of the core member states only Germany managed to achieve any forward momentum during the second quarter of 2013: its gross domestic product (GDP) rose by 0.2% compared to the same quarter a year ago. By contrast, the eurozone as a whole recorded a decline in GDP by 0.8%.

The United States, meanwhile, are slowly but surely emerging from the crisis. The overall number of unsold homes was scaled back to more normal levels and the country's unemployment rate decreased on a quarter-to-quarter basis. Against this backdrop, the US economy recorded an increase in GDP of 1.8% in the period from April to June 2013. Brazil, by contrast, felt the effects of sluggish investment spending – among other factors – and achieved growth of just 2.4% in the second quarter.

China saw its economy advance at a less dynamic pace, with economic growth standing at 7.4% in the second quarter. Economic output in India rose by 4.8% during the same period, while Indonesia recorded growth of 5.8%.

In Japan, the weaker yen provided fresh impetus for exports, thus helping to further cement economic recovery in the second quarter of 2013. The country's GDP increased by 1.0%.

## Global automobile markets develop along divergent lines

There continued to be wide disparity between the various car markets around the globe during the second quarter of 2013. Whereas Western Europe had to contend with all-time lows, the world's two single largest markets, China and the United States, recorded growth. This helped to compensate for the anemic state of the Western European market. In the second quarter of 2013, global production of passenger cars and light commercial vehicles rose by 3.5% compared to the same period a year ago.

## Western European car market continues to bring up the rear

The protracted recession in Europe resulted in a further decline in car sales over the course of the first half of 2013. At 6.1 (6.5) million units, new car registrations fell by another 6.6% year on year in the period from January to June 2013. The UK market proved to be surprisingly buoyant. Recording a 10.0% increase, it was the only one among the five largest European markets to generate growth.

In the second quarter of 2013, however, the rate of decline slowed down significantly compared to the first quarter, at minus 3.5% as opposed to minus 9.8%. Car production in the second quarter also remained lower than in the same quarter a year ago.

Germany has been unable to isolate itself completely from the crisis-ridden markets, despite the fact that strong overseas demand from Asia and the United States continues to provide sufficient support for domestic production. New car registrations declined by 8.1% to 1.5 (1.6) million units in the first six months of 2013. At the same time, vehicle exports fell to 2.1 (2.2) million units, as a result of which German car production contracted by 3.4% to 2.7 (2.8) million units.

The repercussions of the sovereign debt crisis also became increasingly apparent in Eastern Europe, where new registrations stood at 374,363 (403,497), i.e. down on the previous year's figure. The Russian automobile market also developed unfavorably. In the first half of 2013 it recorded a 5.8% downturn in the number of cars and light commercial vehicles sold, taking the figure to 1.3 (1.4) million units.

#### Positive performance in the US continues

Supported by favorable financing conditions and low energy costs, the US car market remained on track for growth. In the first half of 2013, the total number of cars and light trucks sold in the US stood at 7.8 (7.3) million units, which was up 7.5% on the same period a year ago.

Brazil saw vehicle sales rise in the months of April and May 2013. Against this backdrop, the number of cars and light trucks sold increased by a solid 4.8% to 1.7 (1.6) million units in the period from January to June 2013.

#### Asia remains growth driver

China again generated dynamic double-digit growth in the first six months of 2013. The number of new cars sold reached 7.7 (6.4) million in total, 20.6% more than in the same period a year ago. Thus, China retains its ranking as the world's biggest car market ahead of the United States.

India, by contrast, failed to generate forward momentum. Against the background of high financing costs, the number of new vehicles sold fell to 1.3 (1.5) million units. At 2.3 (2.5) million vehicles, Japan also saw a decline in the number of cars registered. Having said that, the previous year's comparative figure was relatively high.

#### No visible turnaround for the European commercial vehicle markets

Business within the truck market is directly connected to economic performance, which explains the pressure exerted on this segment of the automotive industry in Europe. ElringKlinger generates around 13% of its original equipment revenue from truck components and would benefit accordingly from an upturn in commercial vehicle demand.

However, there are still no signs of an immediate turnaround in Europe. Although the contraction in truck sales was less pronounced during the year to date, the market for mid-sized and heavy trucks still remained at minus 12.7% in the first half of 2013, taking the figure to 250,340 (235,274) in total. None of the five biggest markets in Europe produced growth in the period under review. Also Germany recorded a decline of 13.3%.

In the United States, sales of Class 8 trucks edged up slightly in the second quarter of 2013. Despite this, the decline in truck sales recorded for the first half of 2013 still stood at 13.5%, taking the figure to 85,892 (99,246) units.

Truck sales in China totaled around 350,000 units in the first half of 2013.

## Sales and Earnings Performance

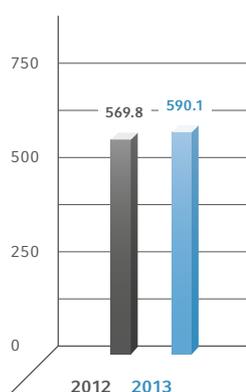
### Revenue grows despite extreme weakness of European car markets

In spite of the difficult market situation in Europe, the ElringKlinger Group managed to grow at a faster rate in percentage terms than the global vehicle markets over the first six months of 2013.

Thanks to structural growth in a large number of its product groups and the introduction of many new products, the Group was able to boost revenue by 3.6% to EUR 590.1 (569.8) million despite extremely weak demand for cars in Western Europe. The pace of revenue growth picked up even further in the second quarter, with a year-on-year rise of 6.0% for the period, taking the total figure to EUR 303.3 (286.0) million.

The forward momentum generated by ElringKlinger with components such as turbocharger and exhaust gaskets as well as heat shields was again underpinned by the trend towards lighter, more fuel-efficient and encapsulated engines. The number of parts such as these required in modern vehicles has increased. ElringKlinger has also been benefiting from a steady increase in demand for control plates used in automatic transmissions and for lightweight plastic housing modules.

GROUP SALES 1<sup>ST</sup> HALF  
in EUR million



In the second quarter, exchange rate movements had a negative effect on revenue, equivalent to EUR 4.6 million. If exchange rates had remained unchanged, the Group's organic growth would have amounted to 7.2%.

The full acquisition of the former joint venture ElringKlinger Korea Co., Ltd., Changwon, South Korea, effective from February 1, 2013, contributed EUR 2.3 million to revenue and EUR 0.1 million to earnings before taxes in the first half of 2013.

#### Performance of acquired companies – Turnaround at Hug

At EUR 29.2 (15.4) million, first-half sales were up at the exhaust technology specialist Hug Group, which was acquired by ElringKlinger in 2011. Revenue for the second quarter alone more than doubled to reach EUR 18.2 (8.4) million.

The gradual improvement in earnings performance at the Hug Group was largely due to restructuring measures and the deployment of state-of-the-art production technology. It also acquired a large number of new projects. While the first half of the previous financial year had produced a loss of EUR 2.9 million before taxes, the company achieved a tangible improvement in earnings over the course of 2013.

Despite the negative impact of a purchase price allocation totaling EUR 0.5 (-0.5) million, at EUR 1.0 (-2.0) million, Hug's pre-tax result in the first quarter was nevertheless well within positive territory. The second quarter brought a further improvement in earnings before taxes to EUR 3.8 (-0.9) million. This figure included the negative impact of a purchase price allocation equivalent to EUR 0.2 (-0.5) million. In line with targets, the Hug Group was thus able to match and even slightly exceed ElringKlinger's aggregate Group profit margin for the first time.

The company's retrofit business in the United States has become a key pillar of its operations. In 2012, Hug's combined catalyst-diesel particulate filter systems were approved by the CARB (California Air Resources Board) for use in buses and heavy trucks with a vehicle weight of over 6.34 metric tons. This provided a considerable boost to its sales in the first half of 2013. Hug now has share of around 35% of the core market in California. Additionally, its nauticlean™ exhaust purification systems are showing great promise in the shipping industry. Hug also received several attractive new orders for exhaust purification systems for use in gas- and light-oil-fired power stations. The company is also working on prototypes for OEM applications.

Based in Thale in the German federal state of Saxony-Anhalt, ThaWa GmbH, a Hug supplier acquired in 2012, has been merged into ElringKlinger AG and integrated into the parent company as a production site. The new production facility in Thale for precision welding, diesel particulate filter canning and the manufacture of housings used in complete exhaust gas purification systems was completed in the second quarter of 2013. The process of migrating elements of production as well as logistics from Hug's sites in Switzerland was also finalized. Production has now commenced and is helping to reduce costs and exchange-rate risks in the Exhaust Gas Technology division.

### Restructuring of former Freudenberg site in France

With new car registrations down a further 11.2% in the first half of 2013, the ongoing slump in France's vehicle market has also had an impact on capacity utilization at ElringKlinger Meillor SAS, France, a former Freudenberg Group company. At EUR 26.3 (27.0) million in total, revenue of all former Freudenberg entities for the first half of 2013 was down on the previous year.

Whereas earnings at the two former Freudenberg sites in Gelting, Germany, and Settimo Torinese, Italy, were well within positive territory, earnings before taxes at ElringKlinger Meillor SAS remained negative in the first half of the year. ElringKlinger has implemented restructuring measures at the French site and is downsizing the local workforce in order to adapt its capacity levels to persistently low demand within the market. In this context, other liabilities of EUR 1.8 million were recognized in the first quarter. These had a non-recurring impact on earnings.

Parallel efforts are being made to improve earnings through further process automation and the introduction of small-scale production in the Aftermarket business.

All together, with first-quarter sales at EUR 13.4 (13.7) million, the three former Freudenberg sites posted earnings before taxes of minus EUR 1.5 (0.2) million, which includes the above-mentioned restructuring costs. Second-quarter revenue stood at EUR 12.9 (13.3) million, with improved pre-tax earnings of EUR 0.3 (0.3) million.

### Hummel-Formen Group adds to expertise in lightweight design

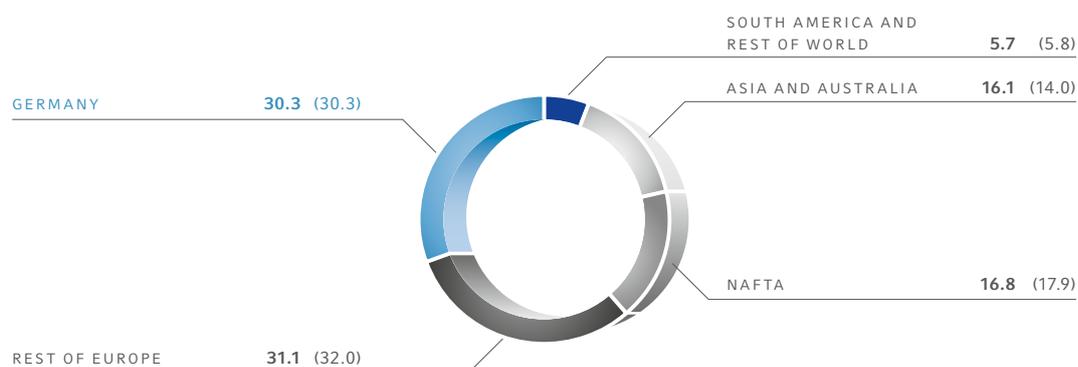
Die and tool maker Hummel-Formen generated sales of EUR 4.0 (4.7) million in the first six months of 2013. Out of this total, EUR 2.1 (3.6) million were attributable to the second quarter.

Earnings before taxes for this period stood at minus EUR 0.3 (-0.4) million. This figure includes the negative impact of a EUR 0.1 (-0.2) million purchase price allocation. Pre-tax earnings showed an improvement in the second quarter, moving just into positive territory compared to the figure of minus EUR 0.3 million for the same period in 2012.

It should be noted that a large proportion of the operating output of Hummel-Formen, a specialist in the design and development of tools used in the production of lightweight plastic components, is now supplied to the ElringKlinger Group's Plastic Housing Modules/Elastomer Technology division. Shielding technology tools that were previously bought in from external suppliers are now developed and made by Hummel.

Hummel's development teams are working on a number of lightweight construction projects with a view to using new, highly resistant plastic/fiber-reinforced composite structures to replace vehicle components currently made of metal. Additionally, Hummel-Formen has now begun to offer its services to external customers and to develop innovative metal-polymer composite products.

GROUP SALES BY REGION 1<sup>ST</sup> HALF 2013 (prior year) in %



All together, the Hug Group, the Hummel-Formen Group and the former Freudenberg companies generated sales of EUR 59.5 (47.1) million in the first six months of 2013. Of this total, an amount of EUR 33.2 (25.3) million was attributable to the second quarter. The same companies reported earnings before taxes for the first half of EUR 3.3 (-2.8) million, with the second quarter accounting for EUR 4.3 (-0.9) million of the total.

#### Rapid growth in Asia – Sales in Europe well above market as a whole

The marked downturn in German car production during the first half of 2013 also had an impact on ElringKlinger’s sales performance in the period under review. Although domestic revenue fell slightly in the first quarter, a general improvement in business performance in the second quarter allowed ElringKlinger to achieve modest overall growth of 3.4% for the first half. A relatively high proportion of ElringKlinger’s sales comes from German car makers and suppliers that have benefited from strong demand for their products in Asia and North America. Revenue generated from sales within the German market rose accordingly to EUR 178.7 (172.9) million. At 30.3% (30.3%), Germany’s contribution to the Group’s total sales revenue was unchanged on the previous year.

While the continued slump in Western European automobile markets also acted as a drag on sales growth at ElringKlinger, new product launches and a modest improvement in demand on the customer side in the second quarter helped ElringKlinger to achieve a small increase in sales even in its “Rest of Europe” (excluding Germany) region. Here, with revenue up 0.5% at EUR 183.1 (182.1) million, the company outperformed the wider market by a significant margin.

The region again accounted for the biggest share of the Group’s total sales in the first half of 2013. However, it should be noted that a large proportion of the engines manufactured in Europe (particularly Germany) for which ElringKlinger supplies parts are destined for export markets in North America and Asia.

Compared to the strong sales performance recorded over the same period of 2012, revenue from North America was down 2.5% at EUR 99.4 (102.0) million. Growth at ElringKlinger's US subsidiaries contrasted with declining sales in Canada on account of the product mix.

In South America, customer demand in the second quarter of 2013 was higher after a sluggish first quarter. As a result, total revenue for this region over the first six months was up 2.1% at EUR 33.8 (33.1) million.

ElringKlinger maintained a pattern of dynamic growth in Asia. Sales in this region rose by 19.2% in the first six months of 2013. At EUR 95.1 (79.8) million, revenue from the Asian market was almost on a par with that generated in North America.

Growth in Asia was driven primarily by the Group's Chinese subsidiaries, but also by an increase in revenue at ElringKlinger Marusan Corporation, Japan. In response to the significant level of incoming orders, the ElringKlinger Group is currently expanding its manufacturing capacity at the Chinese site in Suzhou, where a local development center is now being set up. As early as 2012, the ElringKlinger Group established its own manufacturing operations in the burgeoning ASEAN region via its Japanese joint venture ElringKlinger Marusan Corporation in Indonesia. In the first quarter of 2013, the company strengthened its position in South Korea through its complete takeover of the Korean joint venture.

Asia accounted for 16.1% of total Group revenue, up again from 14.0% in the same period a year ago. Taking exports to the Asian markets into account, the share of Original Equipment sales attributable to Asia is now around 24%.

Overall, at 69.7% (69.7%), the Group's foreign sales again made a substantial contribution to total Group revenue in the first half of 2013.

#### **Original Equipment records growth in revenue and earnings**

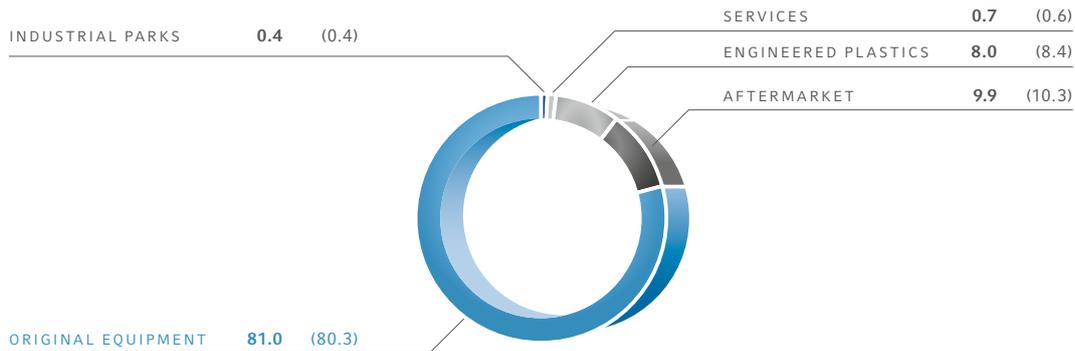
Growth generated within the ElringKlinger Group during the period under review was driven by Original Equipment, the strongest segment with regard to sales. Supported in particular by new product launches and a strong position established in the growth markets of Asia, the Group managed to expand sales revenue for the first half of 2013 by 4.4% compared to the same period a year ago, which had already been very solid. Revenue growth gathered pace in the second quarter, reaching 7.0%. Sales revenue generated within this segment stood at EUR 478.2 (458.0) million in the first half of the year.

Earnings before taxes for the segment rose at a slightly faster rate than sales, up 6.5% to EUR 49.3 (46.3) million.

#### **Aftermarket business remains unchanged year on year**

Revenue generated from sales within the Aftermarket segment was on a par with the figure posted for the same period a year ago. The segment recorded sales revenue of EUR 59.1 (59.1) million in the first six months of 2013.

GROUP SALES BY SEGMENT 1<sup>ST</sup> HALF 2013 (prior year) in %



A sluggish economic performance and high unemployment throughout the Southern and Western European countries exerted downward pressure on the market. Against the backdrop of these difficulties, vehicle owners have been postponing repairs for as long as possible.

Revenue growth achieved in the Eastern European markets, in South Eastern Europe and in the Middle East was sufficient when it came to offsetting the effects of economic malaise in Western Europe and the visible downturn also seen in domestic sales compared to the previous year.

In acquiring the metallic flat gaskets unit from the Freudenberg Group in 2011, ElringKlinger has added to its portfolio of cylinder-head and specialty gaskets for the French and Italian market. The broader product range will allow the Aftermarket segment to unlock further sales potential in the aforementioned markets. ElringKlinger is in the process of introducing small-batch production within this area at the site operated by ElringKlinger Meillor SAS, Nantiat, France. Additional sales expenses were allocated for the purpose of driving market expansion forward in France and the United States.

Earnings before taxes fell by 12.7% to EUR 11.7 (13.4) million in the first half of 2013.

**Stagnation in Engineered Plastics segment**

Supplying a wide range of industries, ElringKlinger’s Engineered Plastics segment, which develops and produces components made of the high-performance plastic PTFE, generated sales of EUR 46.6 (47.4) million in the first half of 2013.

The slight year-on-year dip in revenue was attributable primarily to a contraction in business in Italy, Spain and France as a result of the economic situation in these markets. Demand within the mechanical engineering industry proved to be particularly weak. Meanwhile, products destined for the automotive sector felt the more noticeable effects of subdued demand within the Western European car manufacturing industry.

Having been targeted to a large extent at Central Europe, business is now gradually being put on an international footing. Following the installation of the first production line at the site in Suzhou, China, a sales team was put together in the United States. The process of setting up the new sales office as well as the essential preparations for market expansion in North America were associated with up-front expenses in the first half of the year, which led to a concomitant rise in costs.

The staff profit-sharing bonus agreed for the employees of ElringKlinger Kunststofftechnik GmbH in respect of the financial year 2012 was recognized in other liabilities in the first quarter of 2013 and resulted in additional staff costs of EUR 0.8 million.

In total, earnings before taxes generated by the Engineered Plastics segment in the first half of 2013 fell by 16.5% year on year to EUR 7.1 (8.5) million. Cost streamlining helped to improve earnings before taxes in the second quarter of 2013, compared to both the preceding quarter and the second quarter of 2012, taking the figure to EUR 4.0 (3.5) million.

#### **Downturn in earnings from Industrial Parks**

Rental income from the Idstein industrial park and Technik-Park Heliport Kft. in Kecskemét-Kádafalva, Hungary, amounted to EUR 2.1 (2.1) million.

Earnings before taxes declined to EUR 0.1 (0.3) million, particularly due to expenses associated with renovation work at the Idstein industrial park.

#### **Strong demand for engineering services in the field of exhaust technology**

There was considerable demand for ElringKlinger's engineering services in the field of SCR (Selective Catalytic Reduction) technology aimed at nitrogen oxide reduction as well as for services such as particle counting for diesel particulate filters. This made a significant contribution to revenue growth in the Services segment, which rose to EUR 4.1 (3.3) million.

The introduction of the Euro 6 standard for passenger cars and EURO VI for trucks has generated significant interest among customers for test stand resources and instrumentation-based analysis services. Given the more stringent emission standards adopted around the globe, demand for ElringKlinger services and test stand facilities looks set to remain strong well into the future.

Owing to the high level of capacity utilization within the Services segment, coupled with the process optimization measures implemented by the company, earnings before taxes rose at a faster rate than revenue, up 37.5% to EUR 1.1 (0.8) million.

#### **Proportion of staff employed abroad exceeds 54%**

ElringKlinger recruited additional personnel over the period in response to sales growth and a rise in production volume. As of June 30, 2013, the headcount stood at 6,434 (6,231), a year-on-year rise of 203 (3.3%). Most of this increase came in the second quarter, when 121 new employees joined the Group, primarily on the manufacturing side.

The complete takeover of ElringKlinger's joint venture in Korea effective from February 1, 2013, added 37 to the total headcount.

If the additional staff gained from this acquisition are excluded, the increase in personnel comes to 2.7%, which is below the rate of organic growth in sales (4.3%).

As of June 30, 2013, the headcount at the Group's German sites was 2,954 (2,890), equivalent to 45.9% (46.4%) of the total figure. Compared to the previous financial year, this was an increase of 64 employees or 2.2%. ElringKlinger AG, the parent company, had 2,090 (2,043) staff at the end of the period. Here, additional personnel were recruited in the second quarter of 2013 among others to prepare for new product launches in the truck segment over the second half of the year.

Outside Germany, the Group's headcount as of June 30, 2013, was up 139, or 4.2%, on the previous year. This was mainly attributable to the expansion of capacity in China, the United States, Brazil and Turkey. Thus, the headcount outside Germany came in at 3,480 (3,341), equivalent to 54.1% (53.6%) of the Group total.

#### Gross profit margin up on preceding quarter

The Group can report a robust set of earnings for the first half-year of 2013. Its operating profit margin for the second quarter was up by 200 basis points (2.0 percentage points) compared to the preceding quarter.

For the first six months as a whole, the Group's gross profit margin stood at 28.2% (29.3%). Over the first three months in particular, this figure was held down by much lower gross margins at the former Freudenberg companies and the Hummel-Formen Group acquired by the company. The weaker performance of the Engineered Plastics segment also mainly affected the first quarter.

The second three months brought quarter-on-quarter improvements both from the acquisitions and the Engineered Plastics segment, allowing ElringKlinger to boost its gross profit margin compared to the first quarter by 1.5 percentage points to 28.9% (29.1%).

Purchase prices for most of the input materials used by ElringKlinger, especially alloy surcharges for high-grade steel, remained largely stable over the first half and in some cases actually fell by a small margin compared to the same period in 2012. By contrast, material prices for polymer granules remained relatively high. In order to counteract rising procurement costs, ElringKlinger agrees supply contracts that are as long term as possible. It also optimizes its product designs on a continual basis and takes advantage of new and less expensive sources.

Another factor that exerted downward pressure on the gross profit margin in the first half of 2013 was the collective pay agreement, which increased salaries for employees in Germany by 4.3% with effect from May 1, 2012. This produced a substantial year-on-year rise in staff costs, most of which were attributable to the cost of sales figure. A profit-sharing bonus of EUR 1,300 (1,150) per employee

was paid in respect of the previous year to employees at ElringKlinger AG, ElringKlinger Kunststofftechnik GmbH and Elring Klinger Motortechnik GmbH. This generated additional expenses of EUR 3.7 (3.3) million in the first quarter of 2013.

Overall, the cost of sales rose by 5.2% to EUR 423.7 (402.9) million in the first six months of 2013, i.e. at a faster rate compared to the increase in sales revenue (3.6%). In the second quarter, the cost of sales rose by 6.2% to EUR 215.6 (203.0) million, roughly in line with growth in revenue over the same period.

#### High research and development ratio provides guarantee of future growth

ElringKlinger spent a total of EUR 30.4 (30.4) million on research and development (R&D) in the first half of 2013. The amount attributable to the second quarter was EUR 14.5 (15.4) million. The R&D ratio for the first half of 2013 therefore remained above the 5% threshold at 5.2% (5.3%).

In the first six months of 2013, ElringKlinger AG received government grants totaling EUR 2.2 (1.2) million for ongoing research and development projects, predominantly in the field of fuel cell technology. However, the company also incurred expenses at a comparable level for development work and prototyping.

In the Group's core business, development teams worked on numerous product variants and new designs ranging from exhaust gaskets and lightweight plastic modules for the truck segment through to thermal and acoustic shielding components.

The main focus in the E-Mobility division was on further development projects in the field of cell contact systems for lithium-ion batteries with cylindrical and prismatic cell structures. In this context, the company has begun to establish a second product line in the area of cell housings. With regard to fuel cells, the company is pushing ahead with the development and optimization of a fuel cell stack that can be used to provide on-board electricity for commercial vehicles and combined domestic heat and power. However, the revenue generated in these promising areas does not yet cover the high up-front costs.

A total of EUR 3.0 (2.8) million of research and development costs was capitalized in the first six months of 2013, while the figure for systematic depreciation/amortization stood at EUR 2.7 (2.6) million. The bottom-line impact was therefore minimal.

In the period from January to June 2013, selling expenses were scaled back by 1.3% to EUR 39.0 (39.5) million. By contrast, general and administrative expenses rose at a more pronounced rate than sales, up 6.9% to EUR 24.8 (23.2) million. This rise was mainly due to higher staff costs.

The figure of EUR 5.2 (4.8) million relating to other operating income contains a non-recurring item of EUR 1.4 million. This amount is linked to the successive takeover of the Korean joint venture ElringKlinger Korea Co., Ltd. and was accounted for in the first quarter of 2013.

### EBIT rises to EUR 39.3 million in Q2 despite foreign exchange losses

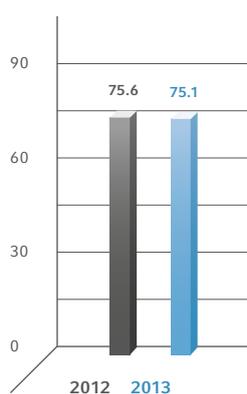
Totalling EUR 111.8 (115.4) million in the first half of 2013, earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) were slightly lower than in the same period a year ago. At EUR 57.5 (58.3) million, the second quarter of 2013 contributed a disproportionately large amount to EBITDA for the first six months of 2013.

Depreciation/amortization fell by EUR 3.1 million in the first half of 2013, taking the figure to EUR 36.7 (39.8) million. In the second quarter, depreciation/amortization amounted to EUR 18.2 (20.0) million. Within this context, the purchase price allocations for the Hug Group as well as the Hummel-Formen Group produced a negative effect of EUR 0.6 million in the first quarter and EUR 0.2 million in the second quarter.

The Group's operating result for the first six months of 2013 was slightly weaker than in same period a year ago. Business relating to truck components has still been sluggish to date. Additionally, the second quarter saw more pronounced start-up costs within the E-Mobility division relating to serial production projects that are scheduled for ramp-up towards the end of 2013. At the same time, the Aftermarket segment put in a weaker performance compared to the same period a year ago. Against this backdrop, the operating result totaled EUR 74.5 (76.5) million in the first half, which was slightly down on the previous year's figure. Having contracted by 14.6% in the first quarter, operating result rose significantly in the second quarter of 2013. In fact, the Group saw its operating result improve by 9.9% – faster than revenue in percentage terms – to EUR 41.2 (37.5) million. In this context, the swing in earnings at Hug Engineering AG made a major contribution to the operating margin, which rose to 13.6% (13.1%) in the second quarter of 2013.

Earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT) – in contrast to the operating result, this indicator includes foreign exchange gains and losses – totaled EUR 75.1 (75.6) million in the first six months of 2013. Whereas EBIT had benefited from foreign exchange gains of EUR 2.5 million in the first quarter, it was impacted by foreign exchange losses of EUR 1.9 million in the second quarter. Nevertheless, compared to the preceding quarter, EBIT expanded by EUR 3.5 million to EUR 39.3 (38.3) million in the second quarter of 2013.

GROUP EBIT 1<sup>ST</sup> HALF  
in EUR million



The Group's EBIT margin in the first half of 2013 stood at 12.7% (13.3%). In the second quarter, the EBIT margin rose by 0.5 percentage points quarter on quarter to 13.0% (13.4%). Adjusted for the dilutive effects attributable to the acquisitions of the former Freudenberg companies and the Hummel-Formen Group, the EBIT margin for the ElringKlinger Group as a whole reached 13.4% in the second quarter – despite substantial start-up costs in the E-Mobility division.

#### **Net finance costs down due to foreign exchange effects**

In the first half of 2013, net finance costs fell by EUR 2.1 million year on year to EUR 5.2 (7.3) million, primarily as a result of positive foreign exchange effects in the first quarter. In the second quarter, foreign currency losses resulted in a significant rise in net finance costs compared to the preceding quarter. Having stood at EUR 0.3 (5.0) million in the first quarter, net finance costs totaled EUR 4.9 (2.3) million in the second quarter.

In 2008, ElringKlinger had originally financed the acquisition of the Swiss SEVEX Group in Swiss francs. The exchange-rate-induced change in liabilities associated with this loan resulted in positive currency effects of EUR 1.1 million in total in the first six months of 2013 and EUR 0.7 million in the second quarter. The loan was fully extinguished in the second quarter of 2013.

In total, foreign exchange gains amounted to EUR 6.3 million in the first half of the year. In parallel, foreign exchange losses totaled EUR 5.7 million, which resulted in a foreign exchange net effect of EUR 0.6 (-0.9) million.

As regards net interest expenses, ElringKlinger benefited from the decline in interest rates across the majority of maturities. Therefore, net interest expenses fell to EUR 5.8 (6.3) million in the first half of 2013.

As a result, earnings before taxes returned to the high level seen in the same period a year ago. They stood at EUR 69.3 (69.3) million at the end of the first half of 2013. In the second quarter of 2013 the Group saw its earnings before taxes increase by 2.8% to EUR 36.3 (35.3) million.

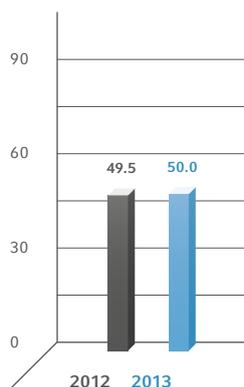
#### **Increase in net income attributable to shareholders of ElringKlinger AG**

In the first six months of 2013, the Group's tax expenses fell by EUR 2.6 million to EUR 16.1 (18.7) million. In the second quarter, income taxes totaled EUR 7.7 (9.3) million. The income tax rate stood at 23.2% (27.0%) in the first half of 2013, which was considerably lower than in the same period a year ago. The unusually low income tax rate was attributable partly to loss carryforwards of the French entity ElringKlinger Meillor SAS.

As a result, net income increased at a more pronounced rate of 5.1% to EUR 53.2 (50.6) million in the first half of 2013. Growth was driven primarily by the more substantial earnings contributions in the second quarter. During this period, net income rose by 10.0% to EUR 28.6 (26.0) million.

Due to the marked improvement in the earnings contribution of the Swiss Hug Group, net income attributable to non-controlling interests increased to EUR 3.3 (1.1) million in the first six months of 2013. Of this total, an amount of EUR 2.5 (0.7) million was attributable to the second quarter.

PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS OF  
ELRINGKLINGER AG 1<sup>ST</sup> HALF  
in EUR million



Net income attributable to shareholders of ElringKlinger AG stood at EUR 50.0 (49.5) million. In the second quarter, net income attributable to the shareholders of ElringKlinger AG was up 3.6% year on year, taking the figure to EUR 26.2 (25.3) million, despite much higher net income attributable to non-controlling interests (Hug). ElringKlinger increased its ownership interest in Hug Engineering AG by 25.0% to 93.7% effective from August 1, 2013. Correspondingly, net income attributable to non-controlling interests will be lower in future.

The number of ElringKlinger shares outstanding remained unchanged year on year at 63,359,990. Basic and diluted earnings per share amounted to EUR 0.79 (0.78) in the first six months. In the second quarter earnings per share rose to EUR 0.41 (0.40).

## Financial Position and Cash Flows

The ElringKlinger Group remained solid with regard to its financial position and cash flows, recording an equity ratio of 48.8% and positive operating cash flow of EUR 55.0 million as of June 30, 2013.

### Total assets expand to EUR 1,343.3 million

Total assets held by the ElringKlinger Group rose to EUR 1,343.3 (1,260.8) million as of June 30, 2013. This was attributable primarily to the growth-induced increase in property, plant and equipment as well as trade receivables, particularly at the end of the first quarter of 2013. Compared to March 31, 2013 (EUR 1,334.3 million), total assets remained largely unchanged.

As a result of investments in new manufacturing systems and buildings, total property, plant and equipment rose to EUR 580.0 (548.8) million as of June 30, 2013. Compared to December 31, 2012, the increase was EUR 15.0 million; the figure expanded by EUR 4.0 million compared to March 31, 2013.

In total, non-current assets amounted to EUR 770.7 (723.4) million as of June 30, 2013.

#### **Working capital virtually unchanged**

Compared to March 31, 2013, the Group managed to scale back its trade receivables slightly, by EUR 2.0 million, to EUR 222.3 (204.6) million – despite higher sales revenue. At the end of the first quarter of 2013, receivables had been EUR 38.4 million higher than the figure recorded on December 31, 2012.

As of June 30, 2013, inventories amounted to EUR 236.7 (231.7) million, i.e. only slightly above the level recorded on December 31, 2012 (EUR 229.6 million). Taking into consideration the increase in tool stocks accounted for in inventories, up EUR 8.6 million, the level of capital tied up in total inventories would have been lower.

The share of inventories in total assets was 17.6% (18.4%) as of June 30, 2013.

#### **Equity ratio remains high**

Revenue reserves increased to EUR 446.5 (389.6) million as of June 30, 2013, due to higher allocations from net income. By contrast, other reserves fell by EUR 11.9 million compared to March 31, 2013, thus standing at minus EUR 6.1 (24.8) million. This was due to foreign exchange translation differences, which are recognized directly in other reserves and therefore have no influence on profit or loss.

At EUR 655.8 (625.4) million, equity accounted for by the ElringKlinger Group thus grew at a slower rate compared to total equity and liabilities. The equity ratio stood at 48.8% (49.6%) and was therefore slightly lower than the figure posted on March 31, 2013 (50.1%). Having said that, it was still well above the minimum rate of 40% that has been defined for the Group as a whole.

#### **Increase in net debt**

Bank borrowings were expanded as of June 30, 2013, for the purpose of financing the company's growth. Current and non-current financial liabilities stood at EUR 356.5 (342.7) million. The increase compared to December 31, 2012, was EUR 41.8 million in total. Compared to March 31, 2013, the figure was up by EUR 27.0 million. In this context, the focus was on signing long-term contracts: non-current financial liabilities rose to EUR 163.9 (117.6) million as of June 30, 2013, whereas current financial liabilities fell to EUR 192.6 (225.1) million.

Compared to the figure posted at the end of 2012, the Group's net debt (current and non-current financial liabilities less cash) rose by EUR 33.4 million to EUR 293.8 million. Net debt will be gradually scaled back over the course of the second half of the year.

Trade payables increased to EUR 71.4 (52.7) million as of June 30, 2013. Compared to December 31, 2012, the figure rose by EUR 13.3 million, primarily due to revenue growth in Asia and invoicing in respect of construction work at the new plant in Thale and the logistics facility to be operated at the site of ElringKlinger Logistic Service GmbH, Rottenburg/Neckar. Compared to March 31, 2013, the figure was up by EUR 5.2 million or 7.9%. Here, the significant increase in revenue generated by the Hug Group was one of the key contributors.

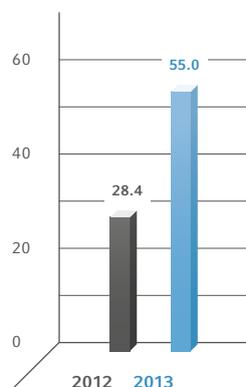
Other liabilities amounted to EUR 66.1 (75.8) million as of June 30, 2013, thus returning to the level recorded at December 31, 2012. At the end of the first quarter of 2013, other liabilities had risen to EUR 78.3 million, mainly as a result of the staff profit-sharing bonus of EUR 3.7 million and Management Board bonuses. These items were paid out in the second quarter of 2013. Additionally, the final payment of EUR 1.0 million in connection with a warranty incident was made during the second quarter (Notes, page 47).

As of June 30, 2013, liabilities accounted for 51.2% (50.4%) of total equity and liabilities.

#### Operating cash flow improves to EUR 55 million

Although earnings before taxes for the first half of 2013 remained unchanged year on year at EUR 69.3 (69.3) million and depreciation/amortization was slightly lower at EUR 36.7 (39.8) million, the ElringKlinger Group managed to lift its operating cash flow by EUR 26.6 million to EUR 55.0 (28.4) million. This was attributable primarily to the expansion of trade payables. At EUR 36.5 (22.5) million, the second quarter contributed a disproportionately large amount to operating cash flow for the first six months. In the second quarter, the Group managed to scale back the level of capital tied up in trade receivables, despite growth in sales revenue.

NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES 1<sup>ST</sup> HALF  
in EUR million



The increase in inventories and trade receivables as well as other assets not attributable to investing or financing activities exerted downward pressure on operating cash flow during the first half of 2013. These items were expanded by EUR 41.7 (32.7) million over the course of this period. In the second quarter of 2013, by contrast, they were scaled back by EUR 1.2 million, primarily as a result of lower trade receivables.

The marked improvement in cash flow from operating activities was attributable mainly to the increase by EUR 13.9 (-29.6) million in trade payables and other liabilities not attributable to investing or financing activities during the first six months of 2013. In the second quarter, however, they receded again by EUR 5.7 (-13.8) million, which was mainly due to the direction taken by other liabilities. Owing to the payout of the staff profit-sharing bonus of EUR 3.7 million and the final payment of EUR 1.0 million in connection with a warranty incident (Notes, page 47), other liabilities fell sharply.

Provisions fell by a net amount of EUR 2.6 million in the first six months of 2013 and by EUR 1.5 million in the second quarter. In the first half of 2012, by contrast, provisions had been increased by EUR 0.8 million in total.

At EUR 18.2 (22.0) million, income tax payments were considerably lower than in the same period a year ago. In the first half of 2012, ElringKlinger AG had made a payment of tax arrears in respect of the financial year 2011. For this reason, income tax payments had reached an above-average level.

#### Cash flow from investing activities at normal level

In the first half of 2013, ElringKlinger invested EUR 54.2 (45.4) million in property, plant and equipment as well as investment property and intangible assets. A total of EUR 29.0 (24.5) million of the cash outflow relating to investments was attributable to the second quarter. The investment ratio (payments for investments in relation to sales revenue) stood at 9.2% (8.0%) in the first half of 2013 and at 9.6% (8.6%) in the second quarter, i.e. within the long-term range of 8 to 10% targeted by the company.

The majority of investments was attributable to the international subsidiaries, particularly those based in Asia and North America. The focus was on machinery and equipment for newly launched serial production projects.

At ElringKlinger AG, capital expenditure was directed primarily at an extension built at the new plant in Thale, which has now commenced operations.

ElringKlinger AG paid EUR 3.2 million for the acquisition of the remaining 50% interest in the former South Korean joint venture ElringKlinger Korea Co., Ltd. Payment of the purchase consideration was completed back in the first quarter of 2013.

Net cash used in investing activities thus amounted to EUR 57.1 (45.3) million in total in the first half of 2013 and EUR 29.1 (24.4) million in the second quarter of 2013.

Owing to the significant improvement in operating cash flow, ElringKlinger recorded positive operating free cash flow (cash flow from operating activities less cash flow from investing activities, adjusted for payments in respect of acquisitions) of EUR 1.1 (-15.6) million in the first half of 2013. This corresponds to a year-on-year increase of EUR 16.7 million. In the second quarter of 2013, operating free cash flow totaled EUR 7.5 (-1.9) million.

#### Reduction in cash flow from financing activities

In the second quarter of 2013, the company executed its dividend payout to the shareholders of ElringKlinger AG. The dividend payment to shareholders and non-controlling interests totaled EUR 29.7 (37.9) million in the reporting period. In the previous year, the total dividend payout had been higher due to an extra dividend granted in connection with the sale of the Ludwigsburg industrial park.

In the first six months of 2013, the ElringKlinger Group took on financial liabilities of EUR 94.9 (73.7) million, EUR 75.6 (60.7) million of which in the second quarter, in particular for the interim financing of the company's dividend payout. In parallel, it scaled back loans by EUR 53.0 (21.0) million. In net terms, therefore, financial liabilities rose by EUR 41.9 (52.7) million. Net cash from financing activities totaled EUR 11.8 (14.4) million in the first half of 2013.

Cash held by the ElringKlinger Group amounted to EUR 62.7 (63.5) million at the end of the first half of 2013.

## Opportunities and Risks

As regards the assessment of opportunities and risks for the ElringKlinger Group, there were no significant changes to the details discussed in the 2012 Annual Report of the ElringKlinger Group (Page 107 et seqq.).

There are currently no identifiable risks that might jeopardize the future existence of the Group as a going concern, either in isolation or in conjunction with other risk factors.

The report on opportunities and risks can be accessed on the website of ElringKlinger at [www.elringklinger.de/ar2012/report-on-opportunities-and-risks](http://www.elringklinger.de/ar2012/report-on-opportunities-and-risks).

# Outlook

## Outlook – Market and Sector

### Weaker growth prospects for global economy

The outlook for the world economy has deteriorated slightly over the course of the year to date. Encouragingly, the economic recovery in the US and state-led demand stimuli in China are proving effective. When it comes to the eurozone, however, there is evidence to suggest that the route out of recession will be longer than previously anticipated. At the same time, some of the emerging countries are having to contend with weaker growth rates. In July, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) therefore revised downward its outlook for 2013 as a whole, suggesting that the world economy would see growth of just 3.1% rather than the rate of 3.3% originally projected. The IMF's growth outlook for 2014 stands at 3.8%.

In the eurozone, the agenda continues to be dominated by the sovereign debt crisis. The fundamental problems underlying the monetary union have remained largely unresolved. The eurozone has been slow to emerge from the recession and confidence levels throughout the region have increasingly been tinged with skepticism in recent months. The IMF forecasts moderate growth in economic output in the eurozone for the remainder of the year. However, 2013 as a whole will see a further decline in the gross domestic product (GDP) of 0.6%.

Germany remains an anchor of stability for Europe. Climbing to 105.9 points in June, the Ifo Business Climate Index shows signs of improvement. Regardless of the more pronounced uncertainties within the eurozone, the IMF has projected GDP growth of 0.3% for Germany in 2013 as a whole.

The US economy remains on track for growth despite the government's budget restraint. Private demand in the United States has retained its stability, while a blossoming realty market and the Fed's easy monetary policy have been underpinning the economy. The IMF has projected GDP growth of 1.7% for the United States in 2013. The IMF's outlook for Brazil, meanwhile, stands at 2.5%.

Although the double-digit growth rates achieved by China in recent years appear to be a thing of the past in 2013, the local economy is nevertheless likely to stabilize at a high level. The Chinese economy is expected to expand by 7.8%, which more or less corresponds to the corridor targeted by the central government. GDP in India is projected to grow by 5.6%. According to IMF data, the burgeoning ASEAN region will also expand by 5.6%.

The expansive route chosen by the Japanese central bank has produced accelerated growth in recent months. Benefiting from a visibly weaker yen, the country's exports in particular have surged. Japan's GDP is expected to increase by 2.0% in 2013.

### Global automotive markets continue to paint a mixed picture

The international vehicle markets will remain bifurcated during the remainder of the year. While the expansive emerging markets as well as North America provide a positive impetus, Western Europe is only gradually beginning to find its footing again, having plunged to a 25-year low in terms of new vehicle registrations.

As regards the performance of the automotive market in 2013 as a whole, the ElringKlinger Group has retained its forecast of anything from relative stagnation to moderate growth. In this context, the Group is of the opinion that the severe weakness in vehicle demand in Western Europe can be compensated for by car market growth in Asia and North America.

The automobile markets in Western Europe are likely to be in a better state in the second half of 2013 than in the first two quarters of the year. Having said that, the volume of passenger cars sold is expected to contract by a further 5% in 2013 as a whole. Car production figures for the year as a whole are also likely to decline.

The Verband der Automobilindustrie (VDA), Germany's association of the automobile industry, anticipates that new car registrations will fall short of the figure recorded in the previous year. After 3.1 million new car registrations in 2012, it has projected a figure of between 2.9 and 3.0 million units for the current year. As foreign trade within the recession-hit eurozone is down significantly, German car exports are also likely to see a downturn, despite strong demand from Asia and the United States; in total, they are expected to fall by around 2% compared to the previous year. On this basis, domestic car production will fail to reach the level of 2012 (5.4 million vehicles) and is likely to total 5.2 million units.

The buoyant performance of the US vehicle market looks set to continue over the remainder of the year. In June, the seasonally adjusted annualized rate of new-vehicle sales within the passenger car and light truck segment reached 16.0 million – the highest level since December 2007. Sales volumes for 2013 as a whole are expected to rise by between 6 and 7%. Production figures are projected to increase by a similarly high rate.

In Brazil, meanwhile, the relatively cautious outlook presented at the beginning of the year has improved recently. Forecasts for the annual period as a whole range from stagnation to a slight increase in vehicle sales.

China remains the driving force behind growth within the automotive industry. On the back of a strong first half, there is every chance that vehicle sales will grow by more than 10% in 2013 as a whole. Production levels are expected to rise at a similar percentage rate. Given the very low vehicle density, China as well as the booming ASEAN-10 states will remain highly attractive growth markets for the automotive industry in the years to come.

Both India and Japan are expected to see a downturn in demand for new cars in 2013. Whereas India is likely to see a percentage downturn in the middle of the single-digit range, Japan is expected to be hit by a double-figure decline in percentage terms. In this context, it should be noted that the Japanese market had been dominated by the catch-up effects of recovery in 2012 as it gained ground following the natural disaster in 2011.

#### **Commercial vehicle business slow to achieve turnaround**

Given the current economic situation in Western Europe, in particular, the future direction of the commercial vehicle market remains difficult to predict. Based on incoming orders, however, there is evidence to suggest that business within this area may pick up over the course of the second half

of 2013. In Europe, the introduction of the EURO VI standard at the beginning of 2014 could prompt advance purchases.

Order intake for Class 8 trucks in the United States has also seen steady improvement recently. It remains to be seen to what extent the declines recorded in the first half of 2013 can be offset by an upturn in demand. The US market for heavy trucks is likely to shrink by 8% in 2013.

Asia and Latin America are expected to see an improvement in commercial vehicle demand for the year as a whole.

## Outlook – Company

### Further growth in order intake

Following on from an increase in the volume of new orders in the first quarter to EUR 333.9 (269.4) million, order intake in the second quarter of 2013 stood at EUR 374.1 (337.1) million, up 11.0% on the same period in 2012.

At the end of the first half-year, the ElringKlinger Group had a solid pipeline of orders to support its planned sales growth of between 5% and 7% for the year as a whole. As of June 30, 2013, the value of order backlog stood at EUR 573.8 (485.1) million, up 18.3% on the equivalent figure for the previous year.

### Improved earnings performance by acquired companies – Successful turnaround at Hug

Overall, the marked dilutive effects on the Group's profit margins attributable to the consolidation of companies acquired in 2011 and 2012 will be less pronounced in 2013. In fiscal 2012, these acquisitions had still contributed negative aggregate earnings before taxes.

Hug Engineering AG is expected to deliver a significant turnaround in earnings over the 2013 financial year as a whole.

After a strong first half in 2013, ElringKlinger now anticipates a substantial rise in the exhaust specialist's year-end EBIT to over EUR 7.0 (-3.0) million. It should be noted that Hug's business model is partly based on project work, and its performance therefore tends to fluctuate more widely during the year than is the case for series production in the automotive field. Despite the ongoing purchase price allocation of around EUR 1.5 million, the Hug Group's EBIT margin should be on a par with the Group by as early as 2013.

The US retrofit market continues to thrive as a result of the CARB legislation and is generating a high level of demand for mobiclean R™ diesel particulate filters. Additionally, further projects to equip vessels on inland waterways with complete nauticlean™ exhaust gas purification systems are currently in progress and will contribute to the Group's sales figures over the rest of the year. There is also

exciting potential with exhaust purification technology at natural gas power stations. This market is set to expand due to the widespread availability of inexpensive natural gas in North America. Hug is also working on a series of prototypes and model systems for applications in the truck category and for construction machinery.

Production has now started at the newly expanded Thale facility in the German state of Saxony-Anhalt. This site is designed to act as an extended workbench for Hug Engineering AG, while also limiting the negative impact of the strong Swiss franc on Hug's operating margin. The cutting-edge technology used in Thale to manufacture housings and can systems will also help to scale back production costs.

#### **Optimized cost structures at former Freudenberg site in France**

The main focus with the regard to the former Freudenberg Group companies lies on improving their financial performance.

Cost-reduction measures implemented at the ElringKlinger Meillor SAS site in Nantiat/Chamborêt, France, in the first half of 2013 will begin to have an impact in the second half of the year. Given the continued weakness of the French car market, however, the earnings situation at ElringKlinger Meillor SAS in 2013 is only expected to show a gradual and moderate improvement. The restructuring expenses incurred as a result of measures to streamline the workforce were charged to profit and loss and included in other liabilities already in the first quarter. Capacity utilization will be improved following the setting up of a special manufacturing line for small production lots in the Aftermarket segment. The new product portfolio for French vehicles will make a growing contribution to the Aftermarket segment's sales figures.

On balance, for fiscal 2013 as a whole, earnings before taxes at the former Freudenberg companies are expected to be at a comparable level as in the previous year.

#### **Continued focus on cost management**

In keeping with its streamlining efforts, ElringKlinger is committed to optimizing the Group's production processes. Thanks to the increased use of process automation, advanced tooling technology and intelligent production methods, the Group has seen a continuous reduction in costs. The aim remains to improve efficiency by at least 3% per annum. Over the remainder of the year, the main focus of these streamlining programs will be directed at subsidiaries and investees.

Prices for some of the key commodities and materials of relevance to ElringKlinger's operations, particularly alloy surcharges for high-grade steel, have remained unchanged or have even fallen slightly in the financial year to date. By contrast, revenue generated by the company from discarded cut-outs has declined. Overall, based on the supply agreements concluded to date and on current spot market prices, ElringKlinger anticipates that the overall price situation will largely remain stable in the second half of 2013, although this may vary according to the type of material required. Depending on future developments in the global economy and the corresponding demand for

commodities, it is not possible to completely rule out price increases for some of the materials used by the company. For example, the company is likely to be faced with a gradual rise in the price of polymer granules, for which demand is on the increase.

As a result of the collective wage agreement in the metal and electrical engineering industry, salaries and wages at almost all German sites operated by the ElringKlinger Group rose by 3.4% effective from July 1, 2013. The Group employs around 46% of its workforce at sites in Germany. In view of the competitive climate at an international level and sustained downward pressure on prices, wage rises will have to be offset by streamlining measures and cost savings.

Against the backdrop of anticipated revenue growth in 2013, the Group plans to recruit additional personnel. However, any expansion of the workforce will be less pronounced relative to revenue growth. It should be noted that ElringKlinger has a clearly defined goal of keeping any percentage increase in staff costs below the growth rate for sales revenue. Due to the high level of wages in Germany, in future the emphasis will be on expanding the company's workforce primarily at more cost-effective sites abroad.

Further process optimization measures and the increasing centralization of administrative activities at parent company level will help to limit the impact of general and administrative expenses, which rose by an above-average margin in 2012 and the first half of 2013. The aim is therefore to keep the percentage increase in general and administrative expenses below the level of growth in sales.

#### **Increase in revenue and earnings for current financial year**

Based on the economic projections outlined above, the company confirms its forecast for the annual period as a whole. The ElringKlinger Group plans to increase sales revenue by 5 to 7% in 2013 in terms of organic growth. Should global car production only stagnate in 2013, revenue growth is more likely to be positioned at the lower end of this range.

The operating margin attributable to the ElringKlinger Group will be diluted in 2013 as a result of the as yet below-average aggregated profit margins of the acquired entities and the associated purchase price allocations. However, thanks to the measures outlined earlier, the level of dilution will be less pronounced in 2013.

In addition, substantial up-front costs are being incurred in the E-Mobility division, which will see the launch of several projects in the second half of this year.

ElringKlinger anticipates that earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT), adjusted for one-time effects, will expand at a faster percentage rate relative to sales revenue. For the financial year 2013 as a whole, the adjusted figure for EBIT is expected to lie in the range of EUR 150 to 155 million (EUR 136.0 million in 2012).

### Investment ratio to be scaled back to normal level

Recent years have been dominated by significant investments in new production plants as well as the funding of large-scale projects. As a result, the investment ratio at Group level, i.e. investments as a proportion of Group sales, temporarily rose to levels of up to 17%. In 2013 and 2014, cash outflows for investments in property, plant and equipment will be scaled back to the normal level pursued in the long term. On the basis of the current project and order situation, the Group anticipates that the investment ratio will probably range between 8 and 10%. As a general rule, newly acquired large-scale projects or the introduction of entirely new products may necessitate an increase in the capital expenditure budget.

After a figure of EUR 103.1 million in 2012, the ElringKlinger Group has earmarked investments of around EUR 100 million in 2013 as a whole for property, plant and equipment and for investment property. Cash outflows for these investments are directed primarily at new production buildings, machinery and operating systems required for scheduled production ramp-ups as well as at streamlining projects.

Over the coming years, growth within the automobile industry will be driven primarily by the markets in Asia. Accordingly, the Group's investment strategy for 2013 and thereafter will concentrate on further expansion in this region. ElringKlinger has begun work on a new factory at its Gumi site in South Korea with the capability to manufacture the full range of product groups. Around EUR 10 million has been earmarked for investment in buildings and production equipment. This will help ElringKlinger to expand its business relationship with Korean vehicle manufacturers and prime itself on the production side for growth in the years ahead. The new plant in Indonesia is to be equipped with additional production machinery. A new development center is being set up at the Group's site in Suzhou, China, along with a series of additional production lines.

In 2013, around EUR 6 million in total are invested in the new production building at the site in Thale, Germany. Operating as an "extended workbench" for the Group's exhaust specialist Hug Engineering AG, the plant is ready for the production of larger series. A key factor contributing to automation and helping to reduce costs in the area of exhaust technology is the state-of-the-art machinery used for precision welding as well as for particulate filter canning and for the manufacture of housings used in complete exhaust gas purification systems.

A further EUR 8 million are invested in the construction of a new logistics center at the Group's Rottenburg/Neckar site in Germany. When it is completed, this facility will assemble spare part sets for the Aftermarket business as part of a highly automated system.

Based on its current financial performance, financial position and cash flows, the ElringKlinger Group believes it is favorably positioned to achieve its short- and long-term corporate targets.

## Events after the Reporting Period

Effective from August 1, 2013, ElringKlinger AG acquired an additional 24.99% of the interests in exhaust gas purification specialist Hug Engineering AG from the former owner family and one other partner in the company. ElringKlinger thus holds 93.67% of the interests in the Swiss subsidiary, the majority acquisition of which took place in May 2011.

In 2012, the Hug Group generated revenue of EUR 36.6 million and a loss before taxes of EUR 3.5 million. The earnings situation improved significantly in the first half of 2013, with revenue increasing to EUR 29.2 million and earnings before taxes totaling EUR 4.8 million. The purchase price payable for the additional ownership interest is around CHF 5.7 million (EUR 4.6 million).

It is the declared aim of ElringKlinger AG to acquire the non-controlling interests within the Group to the largest extent possible. The latest transaction has helped to strengthen the company's position in the rapidly growing area of exhaust gas purification technology, the objective being to introduce technical innovations to the market even faster, open up new fields of application and move into previously untapped regions.

Committed to gradually scaling back non-controlling interests, effective from August 1, 2013, ElringKlinger AG also acquired the remaining 10% interest in Elring Parts Ltd., United Kingdom. Thus, ElringKlinger became the sole owner of the aforementioned company, which operates in the aftermarket sector. The purchase consideration for the remaining 10% interest is approx. GBP 0.6 million (EUR 0.7 million).

Beyond this, no other significant events requiring disclosure occurred after the reporting period.

Dettingen/Erms, August 9, 2013

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## ElringKlinger and the Capital Markets

### Stock rally dampened by announcement of reduced US bond buying

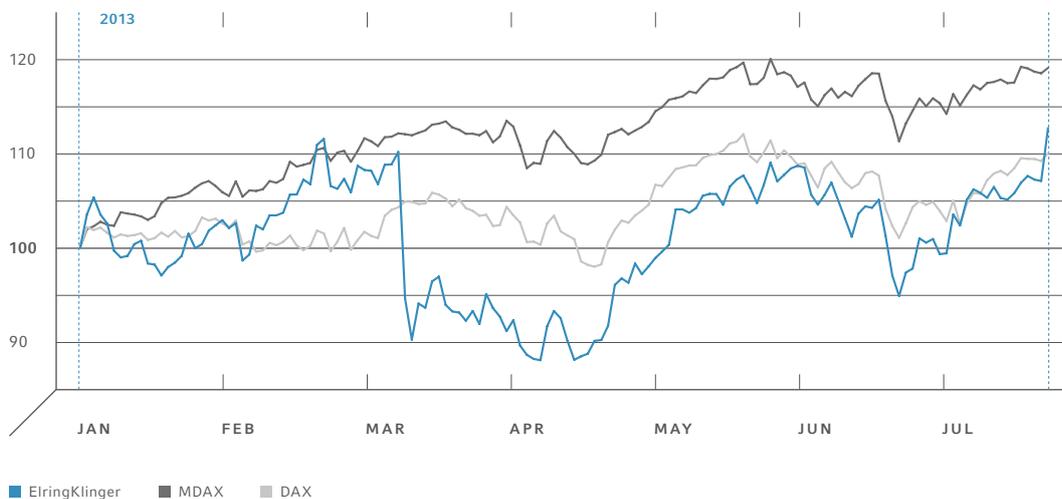
Over the course of the second quarter of 2013 stock markets were fueled to a large extent by the expansive monetary policy adopted by central banks around the globe. The European Central Bank, for instance, lowered its benchmark interest rate by 25 basis points to 0.50%. At the beginning of the second quarter, robust economic data in the US and more stable economic indicators in the euro-zone also helped to underpin the upward trend taken by international stock markets. The Dow Jones Index reached a new high of 15,409 points. In May 2013, Germany's blue chip index, DAX, climbed to its all-time high of 8,530 points.

However, the stock market rally came to an abrupt end at the beginning of June following an unexpected announcement by the Fed that it may scale back its US bond-purchase program. The DAX relinquished much of its gains and closed the second quarter of 2013 at 7,959 points. Over the entire first half, however, the index still managed to record growth of 4.6%. The MDAX put in a much stronger performance. By the end of June it was up by a solid 15.0% on the figure recorded at the beginning of the year.

### ElringKlinger share price up 9% in Q2

Following the announcement of 2012 annual results that fell slightly short of expectations, ElringKlinger's stock performance was influenced to a large extent by profit-taking towards the end of the first quarter of 2013. Against this backdrop, the company's share price fell to EUR 22.46 at the beginning of April, its lowest level in the year to date.

ELRINGKLINGER'S SHARE PRICE PERFORMANCE (XETRA) SINCE JAN. 1, 2013  
compared to MDAX and DAX



Trading in what was generally considered a favorable environment, ElringKlinger managed to fully offset its market losses incurred over the first three months of 2013, following the announcement in May of positive quarterly results. Over the course of the second quarter ElringKlinger's share price rose by 8.5%. The stock thus outperformed both the DAX (+2.1%) and the MDAX (+2.9%) by a considerable margin. As of June 30, 2013, ElringKlinger's share price stood at EUR 25.64, up 0.6% on the figure recorded at the beginning of the year. Thus, the company's market capitalization moved beyond the threshold of EUR 1.6 billion.

At the beginning of July, the stock freed itself from a temporary dip and subsequently managed to breach the resistance line of EUR 28.00 towards the end of July. On July 24, 2013, the company's shares recorded a new annual high of EUR 28.75.

#### Trading volume remains low

The average trading volume of ElringKlinger shares remained relatively low over the course of the first half of 2013. This coincided with a significant decline in trading volumes across the stock markets in general. Additionally, a large proportion of the freefloat shares are held by investment companies with a long-term approach. Against this backdrop, the average volume of shares traded per day fell to 96,600 (167,200) units. The average daily trading value was EUR 2.5 (3.6) million. Having said that, ElringKlinger shares can still be considered highly tradable, particularly in relation to the size of the company.

#### Ongoing dialog with the capital markets

During the second quarter of 2013, ElringKlinger maintained its close dialog with both institutional investors and financial analysts as well as private investors. The company organized a number of one-on-one and group meetings at various conferences and roadshows, including venues in Baden-Baden, Munich, Geneva, Zurich, London, Edinburgh and Warsaw.

In April 2013, ElringKlinger took part in the 2nd Investor Forum of the Stuttgart Stock Exchange as a member of the interest group of Baden-Württemberg Small Caps (BWSC: [www.bwsc.de](http://www.bwsc.de)). The asset managers and family offices attending the event were able to find out first-hand about the product portfolio and strategy of ElringKlinger AG, in addition to discussing specific questions with company representatives in person.

In autumn, private investors will again have the opportunity to engage in a direct dialog with Dr. Stefan Wolf ("Chat with the CEO"). In October, ElringKlinger will be hosting another 30-minute online chat during which those taking part can put their questions directly to the company's Chief Executive Officer. The chat can be accessed via the company website ([www.elringklinger.de/de/chat-mit-dem-ceo](http://www.elringklinger.de/de/chat-mit-dem-ceo)). Those unable to take part in the live-chat can submit their questions beforehand via an online form. These questions will then be answered during the chat.

### AGM resolves to increase regular dividend – Klaus Eberhardt appointed as new member of the Supervisory Board

The 108th Annual General Meeting of ElringKlinger AG was held at the Liederhalle Cultural and Congress Center in Stuttgart on May 16, 2013. The shareholders attending the AGM passed a resolution, with 99.99% in favor, to increase the regular dividend to EUR 0.45 (0.40) per share. Participating in the company's success, the shareholders in the company received a dividend payout of EUR 28.5 million in total. Calculated on the basis of applicable net income of ElringKlinger AG, amounting to EUR 56.5 million, the dividend payout ratio for the 2012 financial year stood at 50.4%.

The former CEO of Rheinmetall AG, Klaus Eberhardt, was elected onto the Supervisory Board as a successor to Karl Uwe van Husen, who had stepped down from his post as Supervisory Board member at the end of the 2013 Annual General Meeting on the grounds of age.

#### ELRINGKLINGER STOCK (ISIN DE 0007856023)

	1 <sup>st</sup> Half 2013	1 <sup>st</sup> Half 2012
Number of shares outstanding	63,359,990	63,359,990
Share price (daily closing price in EUR) <sup>1</sup>		
High	28.45	25.20
Low	22.46	17.51
Closing price on June 30	25.64	18.77
Average daily trading volume (German stock exchanges; no. of shares traded)	96,600	167,200
Average daily trading value (German stock exchanges; in EUR)	2,467,000	3,583,000
Market capitalization at June 30 (EUR millions)	1,624.6	1,189.3

<sup>1</sup> Xetra trading

## Group Income Statement

of ElringKlinger AG, January 1 to June 30, 2013

	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2013 EUR k	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2012 EUR k	1 <sup>st</sup> Half 2013 EUR k	1 <sup>st</sup> Half 2012 EUR k
<b>Sales revenue</b>	<b>303,317</b>	<b>286,046</b>	<b>590,110</b>	<b>569,808</b>
Cost of sales	-215,582	-202,978	-423,668	-402,897
<b>Gross profit</b>	<b>87,735</b>	<b>83,068</b>	<b>166,442</b>	<b>166,911</b>
Selling expenses	-19,639	-20,110	-38,987	-39,510
General and administrative expenses	-12,658	-11,121	-24,841	-23,234
Research and development costs	-14,461	-15,404	-30,438	-30,367
Other operating income	1,802	2,231	5,154	4,787
Other operating expenses	-1,556	-1,130	-2,832	-2,058
<b>Operating result</b>	<b>41,223</b>	<b>37,534</b>	<b>74,498</b>	<b>76,529</b>
Finance income	2,197	3,043	6,389	5,646
Finance costs	-7,109	-5,307	-11,590	-12,905
<b>Net finance costs</b>	<b>-4,912</b>	<b>-2,264</b>	<b>-5,201</b>	<b>-7,259</b>
<b>Earnings before taxes</b>	<b>36,311</b>	<b>35,270</b>	<b>69,297</b>	<b>69,270</b>
Income tax expense	-7,675	-9,281	-16,079	-18,670
<b>Net income</b>	<b>28,636</b>	<b>25,989</b>	<b>53,218</b>	<b>50,600</b>
of which: attributable to non-controlling interests	2,473	726	3,264	1,132
<b>of which: attributable to shareholders of ElringKlinger AG</b>	<b>26,163</b>	<b>25,263</b>	<b>49,954</b>	<b>49,468</b>
<b>Basic and diluted earnings per share in EUR</b>	<b>0.41</b>	<b>0.40</b>	<b>0.79</b>	<b>0.78</b>

## Group Statement of Comprehensive Income

of ElringKlinger AG, January 1 to June 30, 2013

	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2013 EUR k	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2012 EUR k	1 <sup>st</sup> Half 2013 EUR k	1 <sup>st</sup> Half 2012 EUR k
<b>Net income</b>	<b>28,636</b>	<b>25,989</b>	<b>53,218</b>	<b>50,600</b>
Actuarial losses from pension commitments, net after taxes	0	0	0	0
<b>Gains and losses that cannot be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Currency translation difference	-12,081	5,863	-8,051	2,970
<b>Gains and losses that can be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods</b>	<b>-12,081</b>	<b>5,863</b>	<b>-8,051</b>	<b>2,970</b>
<b>Other comprehensive income after taxes</b>	<b>-12,081</b>	<b>5,863</b>	<b>-8,051</b>	<b>2,970</b>
<b>Total comprehensive income</b>	<b>16,555</b>	<b>31,852</b>	<b>45,167</b>	<b>53,570</b>
of which: attributable to non-controlling interests	2,280	1,122	4,170	1,826
<b>of which: attributable to shareholders of ElringKlinger AG</b>	<b>14,275</b>	<b>30,730</b>	<b>40,997</b>	<b>51,744</b>

## Group Statement of Financial Position

of ElringKlinger AG, as at June 30, 2013

	June 30, 2013 EUR k	Dec. 31, 2012 EUR k	June 30, 2012 EUR k
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Intangible assets	138,822	135,989	133,619
Property, plant and equipment	580,012	565,000	548,831
Investment property	13,068	13,329	13,653
Financial assets	2,082	1,637	1,623
Non-current income tax assets	2,824	2,830	3,609
Other non-current assets	2,619	2,737	1,185
Deferred tax assets	31,298	29,552	20,875
<b>Non-current assets</b>	<b>770,725</b>	<b>751,074</b>	<b>723,395</b>
Inventories	236,699	229,586	231,659
Trade receivables	222,335	185,850	204,564
Current income tax assets	3,019	2,208	1,781
Other current assets	47,813	45,351	35,869
Cash	62,693	54,273	63,532
<b>Current assets</b>	<b>572,559</b>	<b>517,268</b>	<b>537,405</b>
Non-current assets held for sale and discontinued operations	0	249	0
	<b>1,343,284</b>	<b>1,268,591</b>	<b>1,260,800</b>

	June 30, 2013 EUR k	Dec. 31, 2012 EUR k	June 30, 2012 EUR k
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>			
Share capital	63,360	63,360	63,360
Capital reserves	118,238	118,238	118,238
Revenue reserves	446,546	424,631	389,566
Other reserves	-6,135	3,048	24,774
<b>Equity attributable to the shareholders of ElringKlinger AG</b>	<b>622,009</b>	<b>609,277</b>	<b>595,938</b>
Non-controlling interest in equity	33,750	30,978	29,490
<b>Equity</b>	<b>655,759</b>	<b>640,255</b>	<b>625,428</b>
Provisions for pensions	102,182	101,559	80,073
Non-current provisions	10,481	11,121	7,835
Non-current financial liabilities	163,868	130,993	117,578
Deferred tax liabilities	46,442	46,781	45,555
Other non-current liabilities	5,092	10,149	15,151
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>	<b>328,065</b>	<b>300,603</b>	<b>266,192</b>
Current provisions	17,491	18,409	16,457
Trade payables	71,433	58,065	52,658
Current financial liabilities	192,620	183,716	225,149
Tax payable	16,872	11,513	14,276
Other current liabilities	61,044	56,030	60,640
<b>Current liabilities</b>	<b>359,460</b>	<b>327,733</b>	<b>369,180</b>
	<b>1,343,284</b>	<b>1,268,591</b>	<b>1,260,800</b>

## Group Statement of Changes in Equity

of ElringKlinger AG, January 1 to June 30, 2013

	Share Capital EUR k	Capital reserves EUR k	Revenue reserves EUR k
<b>Balance as of Dec. 31, 2011/ Balance as of Jan. 1, 2012</b>	<b>63,360</b>	<b>118,238</b>	<b>376,847</b>
Dividend distribution			-36,749
Purchase of shares from controlling interests			
Total comprehensive income			49,468
Net income			49,468
Other comprehensive income			
<b>Balance as of June 30, 2012</b>	<b>63,360</b>	<b>118,238</b>	<b>389,566</b>
<b>Balance as of Dec. 31, 2012/ Balance as of Jan. 1, 2013*</b>	<b>63,360</b>	<b>118,238</b>	<b>424,631</b>
Dividend distribution			-28,512
Change in scope of consolidated financial statements			473
Purchase of shares from controlling interests			
Total comprehensive income			49,954
Net income			49,954
Other comprehensive income			
<b>Balance as of June 30, 2013</b>	<b>63,360</b>	<b>118,238</b>	<b>446,546</b>

\* A different presentation was selected for Other reserves. Figures as of Dec. 31, 2012 have been adjusted.

Other reserves						
Actuarial gains and losses from pension commitments, net* EUR k	Equity impact of controlling interests EUR k	Currency translation differences* EUR k	Equity attributable to the shareholders of ElringKlinger AG EUR k	Non-controlling interests in equity EUR k		Group equity EUR k
-8,287	-1,484	31,979	580,653	29,458		610,111
			-36,749	-1,175		-37,924
	290		290	-619		-329
		2,276	51,744	1,826		53,570
			49,468	1,132		50,600
		2,276	2,276	694		2,970
-8,287	-1,194	34,255	595,938	29,490		625,428
-23,866*	-833	27,748*	609,277	30,978		640,255
			-28,512	-1,138		-29,650
22			495	81		576
	-248		-248	-341		-589
		-8,957	40,997	4,170		45,167
			49,954	3,264		53,218
		-8,957	-8,957	906		-8,051
-23,844	-1,081	18,791	622,009	33,750		655,759

# Group Statement of Cash Flows

of ElringKlinger AG, January 1 to June 30, 2013

	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2013 EUR k	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2012 EUR k	1 <sup>st</sup> Half 2013 EUR k	1 <sup>st</sup> Half 2012 EUR k
Earnings before taxes	36,311	35,270	69,297	69,270
Depreciation/amortization (less write-ups) of non-current assets	18,208	20,026	36,670	39,788
Net interest	2,976	3,030	5,784	6,292
Change in provisions	-1,514	614	-2,595	805
Gains/losses on disposal of non-current assets	-71	279	-1,530	134
Change in inventories, trade receivables and other assets not resulting from financing and investing activities	1,192	-4,991	-41,688	-32,740
Change in trade payables and other liabilities not resulting from financing and investing activities	-5,723	-13,808	13,910	-29,600
Income taxes paid	-10,191	-16,402	-18,210	-21,968
Interest paid	-2,625	-2,627	-4,023	-4,638
Interest received	60	57	115	100
Other non-cash expenses/income	-2,095	1,070	-2,756	944
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>	<b>36,528</b>	<b>22,518</b>	<b>54,974</b>	<b>28,387</b>
Proceeds from disposals of property, plant and equipment, intangible assets and investment property	296	97	635	184
Proceeds from disposals of financial assets	0	0	215	1,181
Payments for investments in intangible assets	-1,718	-1,761	-4,088	-3,220
Payments for investments in property, plant and equipment and investment property	-27,301	-22,718	-50,112	-42,140
Payments for investments in financial assets	-343	0	-565	-8
Payments for the acquisition of subsidiaries, less cash	0	0	-3,151	-1,315
<b>Net cash from investing activities</b>	<b>-29,066</b>	<b>-24,382</b>	<b>-57,066</b>	<b>-45,318</b>
Proceeds from non-controlling interests for the purchase of shares	98	0	98	0
Payments to non-controlling interests for the purchase of shares	0	-329	-589	-329
Dividends paid to shareholders and minorities	-29,650	-37,784	-29,650	-37,924
Proceeds from the addition of financial liabilities*	75,621	60,766*	94,944	73,654*
Payments for the repayment of financial liabilities*	-47,500	-19,815*	-53,038	-21,029*
<b>Net cash from financing activities</b>	<b>-1,431</b>	<b>2,838</b>	<b>11,765</b>	<b>14,372</b>
Changes in cash	6,031	974	9,673	-2,559
Effects of currency exchange rates on cash	-1,409	2,507	-1,253	938
Cash at beginning of period	58,071	60,051	54,273	65,153
<b>Cash at end of period</b>	<b>62,693</b>	<b>63,532</b>	<b>62,693</b>	<b>63,532</b>

\* A different presentation was selected for net cash from financing activities. Prior-year figures have been adjusted for comparability.

## Group Sales by Region

	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2013 EUR k	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2012 EUR k	1 <sup>st</sup> Half 2013 EUR k	1 <sup>st</sup> Half 2012 EUR k
Germany	90,794	84,734	178,673	172,875
Rest of Europe	94,187	88,380	183,147	182,102
NAFTA	50,369	53,005	99,399	101,953
Asia and Australia	50,497	43,109	95,120	79,814
South America and other	17,470	16,818	33,771	33,064
<b>Group</b>	<b>303,317</b>	<b>286,046</b>	<b>590,110</b>	<b>569,808</b>

## Segment Reporting

of ElringKlinger AG, April 1 to June 30, 2013

Segment	Original Equipment		Aftermarket		Engineered Plastics	
	2013 EUR k	2012 EUR k	2013 EUR k	2012 EUR k	2013 EUR k	2012 EUR k
<b>Sales revenue</b>	<b>248,429</b>	<b>232,217</b>	<b>28,960</b>	<b>29,045</b>	<b>22,898</b>	<b>22,144</b>
Intersegment revenue	3,780	5,074	0	0	87	28
<b>Segment revenue<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>252,209</b>	<b>237,291</b>	<b>28,960</b>	<b>29,045</b>	<b>22,985</b>	<b>22,172</b>
<b>EBIT<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>28,939</b>	<b>27,142</b>	<b>5,928</b>	<b>7,217</b>	<b>4,084</b>	<b>3,487</b>
Interest income	56	43	3	3	99	106
Interest expense	-2,685	-2,745	-279	-319	-159	-83
<b>Earnings before taxes</b>	<b>26,310</b>	<b>24,440</b>	<b>5,652</b>	<b>6,901</b>	<b>4,024</b>	<b>3,510</b>
Depreciation and amortization	-16,654	-18,608	-347	-298	-942	-752
Capital expenditures <sup>3</sup>	26,610	22,196	363	674	1,821	1,002

January 1 to June 30, 2013

Segment	Original Equipment		Aftermarket		Engineered Plastics	
	2013 EUR k	2012 EUR k	2013 EUR k	2012 EUR k	2013 EUR k	2012 EUR k
<b>Sales revenue</b>	<b>478,153</b>	<b>457,984</b>	<b>59,095</b>	<b>59,108</b>	<b>46,641</b>	<b>47,361</b>
Intersegment revenue	8,841	11,306	0	0	319	241
<b>Segment revenue<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>486,994</b>	<b>469,290</b>	<b>59,095</b>	<b>59,108</b>	<b>46,960</b>	<b>47,602</b>
<b>EBIT<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>54,325</b>	<b>51,908</b>	<b>12,327</b>	<b>14,077</b>	<b>7,185</b>	<b>8,421</b>
Interest income	110	78	6	7	185	210
Interest expense	-5,128	-5,686	-621	-661	-319	-165
<b>Earnings before taxes</b>	<b>49,307</b>	<b>46,300</b>	<b>11,712</b>	<b>13,423</b>	<b>7,051</b>	<b>8,466</b>
Depreciation and amortization	-33,624	-37,003	-691	-572	-1,827	-1,500
Capital expenditures <sup>3</sup>	47,558	41,329	708	1,130	2,962	2,058

<sup>1</sup> A different presentation was selected for segment revenue

<sup>2</sup> Earnings before interest and taxes

<sup>3</sup> Investments in intangible assets and property, plant and equipment and investment property

Industrial Parks		Services		Consolidation and other		Group	
2013 EUR k	2012 EUR k	2013 EUR k	2012 EUR k	2013 EUR k	2012 EUR k	2013 EUR k	2012 EUR k
1,080	1,052	1,951	1,588			303,317	286,046
2	64	1,013	1,038	-4,883	-6,204	0	0
1,082	1,116	2,964	2,626	-4,883	-6,204	303,317	286,046
-92	108	428	346			39,287	38,300
2	0	5	4	-108	-102	57	54
-18	-35	0	-4	108	102	-3,033	-3,084
-108	73	433	346			36,311	35,270
-12	-102	-253	-266			-18,208	-20,026
8	105	266	502			29,068	24,479

Industrial Parks		Services		Consolidation and other		Group	
2013 EUR k	2012 EUR k	2013 EUR k	2012 EUR k	2013 EUR k	2012 EUR k	2013 EUR k	2012 EUR k
2,121	2,083	4,099	3,272			590,110	569,808
75	328	2,056	2,114	-11,290	-13,989	0	0
2,196	2,411	6,155	5,386	-11,290	-13,989	590,110	569,808
168	338	1,076	818			75,081	75,562
3	1	9	7	-198	-203	115	100
-29	-75	0	-8	198	203	-5,899	-6,392
142	264	1,085	817			69,297	69,270
-21	-200	-507	-513			-36,670	-39,788
39	129	2,934	714			54,201	45,360

## Notes to the First Half of 2013

ElringKlinger AG is an exchange-listed stock corporation headquartered in Germany.

The accompanying condensed consolidated interim financial statements of ElringKlinger AG and its subsidiaries as of June 30, 2013, have been prepared on the basis of IAS 34 (Interim Financial Reporting). The interim financial statements conform with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), including the Interpretations issued by the IFRS Interpretations Committee, as adopted by the European Union.

As the consolidated interim financial statements are presented in a condensed format, the financial statements as of June 30, 2013, do not include all information and disclosures required under IFRS for annual consolidated financial statements.

The consolidated interim financial statements have not been audited. They were authorized for issue based on a resolution passed by the Management Board on August 9, 2013.

### Basis of reporting

The following new or amended Standards and Interpretations issued by the IASB were to be applied to the consolidated interim financial statements for the first time:

#### IFRS 7 – Disclosures – Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

The amendment to IFRS 7 necessitates additional disclosures in the notes with regard to the off-setting of financial instruments. To the best of our knowledge at present, the amended version of IFRS 7 will have no significant effects on the presentation of the Group's financial position, financial performance and cash flows.

#### IFRS 13 – Fair Value Measurement

The requirements for the measurement of fair value, which had previously been dispersed across several International Financial Reporting Standards, were brought together in a single Standard and replaced by consistent regulations. IFRS 13 is to be applied prospectively for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013. To the best of our knowledge at present, first-time application will not give rise to any material changes to the measurement of assets and liabilities. The changes will apply in particular to the notes to the consolidated financial statements. All information pertaining to the market values of financial instruments as well as the categorization of financial instruments, which previously only had to be disclosed in the notes relating to the financial statements for the annual period as a whole, must now also be disclosed as part of interim financial reporting.

#### IAS 19 – Employee Benefits

Owing to an amendment to the definition of "termination benefits", top-up amounts relating to partial retirement obligations may no longer be classified as "termination benefits" but rather as other long-term employee benefits. In future, therefore, associated expenses may not be recognized immediately in full but rather pro rata temporis. As a result of the associated changes to the recognition of part-time retirement obligations, provisions for part-time retirement obligations within the ElringKlinger Group would have decreased from EUR 4,119k to EUR 3,342k as of December 31, 2012, and earnings before taxes would have increased by EUR 777k.

Beyond this, the accounting policies applied to the consolidated interim financial statements for the first half of 2013 correspond to those used in the consolidated financial statements for the financial year ended December 31, 2012. For a detailed description of the basis of preparation and accounting policies, please refer to the notes to the consolidated financial statements of the 2012 Annual Report published by ElringKlinger AG.

The cost-of-sales (also referred to as function-of-expense) method has been applied when preparing the Group income statement. The presentation currency of the ElringKlinger Group is the euro.

#### Scope of consolidated financial statements

Alongside the interim financial statements of ElringKlinger AG, the interim financial statements as of June 30, 2013, include the interim financial statements of seven domestic and 26 foreign entities in which ElringKlinger AG holds more than 50% of the interests, either directly or indirectly.

Effective from May 10, 2013, HURO Invest S.R.L., Timisoara, Romania, was merged into HURO Supermold S.R.L., Timisoara, Romania.

On April 29, 2013, KOCHWERK Catering GmbH, with its registered office in Dettingen/Erms, Germany, was established. ElringKlinger AG holds 100% of the interests in this entity.

ElringKlinger Engineered Plastics North America, Inc., USA, a subsidiary of ElringKlinger Kunststofftechnik GmbH, Germany, was established on April 8, 2013.

The joint-venture enterprise ElringKlinger Marusan Corporation, Tokyo, Japan, together with its subsidiaries, has been included in the interim report on the basis of proportionate consolidation, in accordance with IAS 31. In the case of proportionate consolidation, all assets and liabilities as well as expenses and income of the joint ventures are included in the consolidated financial statements at the proportionate interest held (50%). On April 19, 2013, an additional subsidiary of ElringKlinger Marusan Corporation, by the name of ElringKlinger (Thailand) Co. Ltd., Thailand, was established.

#### Acquisition of non-controlling interests

Effective from January 1, 2013, ElringKlinger AG acquired the former non-controlling interests of 49% relating to the subsidiary ElringKlinger South Africa (Pty) Ltd., with its registered office in Johannesburg, South Africa. The purchase price amounted to EUR 589k and was recognized directly in equity. Since the conclusion of this transaction, ElringKlinger AG has held 100% of the ownership interests.

#### Interests acquired in stages

Effective from February 1, 2013, ElringKlinger AG acquired the interests of 50% relating to ElringKlinger Korea Co., Ltd., Changwon, South Korea.

Since the conclusion of this transaction, ElringKlinger AG has held 100% of the ownership interests. The purchase price amounted to EUR 4,266k. The costs related to the transaction, amounting to EUR 102k to date, were recognized as general and administrative expenses.

The assets and liabilities of the acquired interests were measured at their fair value as of the date of acquisition.

Based on preliminary calculations, the business combination resulted in goodwill amounting to EUR 4,915k. It has been allocated to the Original Equipment segment.

Goodwill is not tax deductible.

Due to the consolidation of the entity, Group revenue increased by EUR 2,297k and earnings before taxes by EUR 67k as of June 30, 2013.

Had the acquisition become effective as early as January 1, 2013, estimates conducted by management suggest that consolidated revenue would have totaled EUR 2,765k and consolidated earnings before taxes would have amounted to EUR 87k.

The preliminary allocation of the purchase price to assets and liabilities is presented in the table below:

EUR k	IFRS carrying amount at date of purchase	Purchase price allocation	Fair value at date of purchase
Intangible assets	-	82	82
Property, plant and equipment	2,164	-	2,164
Financial assets	212	-	212
Deferred tax assets	289	-	289
Inventories	2,155	-	2,155
Trade receivables	2,033	-	2,033
Other current assets	1,278	-	1,278
Cash and cash equivalents	2,231	-	2,231
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>10,362</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>10,444</b>
Provisions	164	-	164
Deferred tax liabilities	-	16	16
Current trade payables	6,255	-	6,255
Current provisions	68	-	68
Tax liabilities	11	-	11
Other current liabilities	293	-	293
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>6,791</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>6,807</b>
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>3,571</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>3,637</b>
			<b>February 1, 2013</b>
Purchase price of interests 50 %			4,266
Fair value of previously held interests 50 %			4,266
Retained profits brought forward January 2013 50 %			20
<b>Measurement basis for goodwill</b>			<b>8,552</b>
<b>Goodwill</b>			<b>4,915</b>

The fair value adjustments in respect of intangible assets relate to the profit margins contained within the existing order backlog at the date of acquisition as well as the thus resulting tax effects in connection with deferrals.

The interests in ElringKlinger Korea Co., Ltd., which were recognized on a proportionate basis at the date of acquisition, were remeasured on acquiring the remaining interests at their fair value of EUR 4,266k. Goodwill arising on the aforementioned acquisition was paid primarily in respect of the positive earnings prospects as well as the anticipated synergies.

The transition to full consolidation resulted in non-cash accounting income of EUR 1,413k, which was recognized as other operating income.

No contingent liabilities were identified during the acquisition procedure. No impairments were recognized in respect of trade receivables.

The fair values presented for the respective assets and liabilities are provisional. A definitive valuation of the assets and liabilities has yet to be made.

### Exchange rates

Exchange rates developed as follows:

Currency	Abbr.	Closing rate June 30, 2013	Closing rate Dec. 31, 2012	Average rate Jan.–June 2013	Average rate Jan.–Dec. 2012
US-Dollar (USA)	USD	1.30800	1.31940	1.31070	1.29284
Pound (United Kingdom)	GBP	0.85720	0.81610	0.85346	0.81163
Swiss Franc (Switzerland)	CHF	1.23380	1.20720	1.22880	1.20428
Canadian Dollar (Canada)	CAD	1.37140	1.31370	1.34033	1.29058
Real (Brazil)	BRL	2.88990	2.70360	2.68775	2.53343
Mexican Peso (Mexico)	MXN	17.04130	17.18450	16.58970	16.94385
RMB (China)	CNY	8.02800	8.22070	8.10422	8.14721
WON (South Korea)	KRW	1,494.24000	1,406.23000	1,454.39000	1,447.12500
Rand (South Africa)	ZAR	13.07040	11.17270	12.29535	10.57579
Yen (Japan)	JPY	129.39000	113.61000	125.41167	103.49667
Forint (Hungary)	HUF	294.85000	292.30000	297.26167	288.18167
Turkish Lira (Turkey)	TRY	2.52100	2.35510	2.39757	2.31404
Leu (Romania)	RON	4.46030	4.44450	4.38890	4.45736
Indian Rupie (India)	INR	77.72100	72.56000	72.42767	69.00309
Indonesian Rupiah	IDR	12,980.41000	12,713.97000	12,786.59000	12,123.76333

### Disclosures relating to financial instruments

This section provides a comprehensive overview of the significance of financial instruments and offers additional information on line items of the statement of financial position containing financial instruments.

The following table shows the carrying amounts (CA) and fair values (FV) of financial assets:

	Trade receivables/Cash		Derivatives		Other financial instruments		Total
	CA EUR k	FV EUR k	CA EUR k	FV EUR k	CA EUR k	FV EUR k	CA EUR k
<b>as of June 30, 2013</b>							
Cash	62,693	62,693	0	0	0	0	62,693
Loans and receivables	222,335	222,335	0	0	4,709	4,709	227,044
held to maturity	0	0	0	0	1,993	2,015	1,993
held for trading	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
available for sale	0	0	0	0	28	28	28
<b>Total</b>	<b>285,028</b>	<b>285,028</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6,730</b>	<b>6,752</b>	<b>291,758</b>
<b>as of Dec. 31, 2012</b>							
Cash	54,273	54,273	0	0	0	0	54,273
Loans and receivables	185,850	185,850	0	0	4,621	4,621	190,471
held to maturity	0	0	0	0	1,386	1,423	1,386
held for trading	0	0	25	25	0	0	25
available for sale	0	0	0	0	508	508	508
<b>Total</b>	<b>240,123</b>	<b>240,123</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>6,515</b>	<b>6,552</b>	<b>246,663</b>

The fair value of cash as well as loans and receivables corresponds to the carrying amount. This is mainly attributable to the short maturity of such instruments. ElringKlinger measures the fair value of held-to-maturity investments at the market rate observed in an active market. Available-for-sale assets are marked to market values. Financial assets include time deposits amounting to EUR 524k.

The following table shows the carrying amounts (CA) and fair values (FV) of financial liabilities:

	Trade payables		Liabilities from finance leases		Other financial liabilities		Total
	CA EUR k	FV EUR k	CA EUR k	FV EUR k	CA EUR k	FV EUR k	CA EUR k
<b>as of June 30, 2013</b>							
Trade payables	71,433	71,433	0	0	0	0	71,433
Financial liabilities	0	0	396	396	356,092	361,951	356,488
<b>Financial liabilities measured at acquisition cost</b>	<b>71,433</b>	<b>71,433</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>356,092</b>	<b>361,951</b>	<b>427,921</b>
held for trading*	0	0	0	0	428	428	428
<b>Financial liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>428</b>
<b>as of Dec. 31, 2012</b>							
Trade payables	58,065	58,065	0	0	0	0	58,065
Financial liabilities	0	0	567	567	314,142	320,287	314,709
<b>Financial liabilities measured at acquisition cost</b>	<b>58,065</b>	<b>58,065</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>314,142</b>	<b>320,287</b>	<b>372,774</b>
held for trading*	0	0	0	0	227	227	227
<b>Financial liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>227</b>

\* These are derivatives that do not qualify for hedge accounting.

The fair value of trade payables and other current financial liabilities corresponds to the carrying amount. ElringKlinger determines the market value of non-current fixed-interest liabilities to banks, finance lease liabilities and derivatives by discounting expected future cash flows with the current prevailing interest rates for similar financial liabilities with comparable residual terms and the company-specific interest rate.

Financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value are classified into the following three-level fair value hierarchy:

	Level 1 EUR k	Level 2 EUR k	Level 3 EUR k
<b>Financial assets</b>			
available for sale	28	0	0
held for trading*	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Financial liabilities</b>			
available for sale	0	0	0
held for trading*	0	428	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>0</b>

\* These are derivatives that do not qualify for hedge accounting.

The levels of the fair value hierarchy are defined as follows:

- Level 1: Measurement based on quoted prices
- Level 2: Measurement based on inputs for the asset or liability that are observable in active markets either directly or indirectly
- Level 3: Measurement based on inputs for assets and liabilities not representing observable market data

#### Contingencies and related-party disclosures

The contingencies and related-party relationships disclosed in the consolidated financial statements for 2012 were not subject to significant changes in the first half of 2013.

#### Government grants

As a result of government grants received in respect of development projects, other operating income rose by EUR 2,193k in the first half of 2013, of which a total of EUR 742k was attributable to the first quarter of 2013.

#### Dividend payment

In the second quarter of 2013, ElringKlinger AG distributed a total dividend of EUR 28,512k (EUR 0.45 per entitled share) to shareholders from its unappropriated retained earnings of 2012. The dividend payout took place on May 17, 2013.

### Other information

In connection with a warranty incident, ElringKlinger AG and the customers concerned concluded a settlement agreement in 2011 for the payment of an amount totaling EUR 24.4 million. The warranty case relates to gaskets supplied at the beginning of 2008. A partial amount of EUR 17.4 million was paid in 2011. Another part payment of EUR 5.0 million was made in the first quarter of 2012, while a further payment of EUR 1.0 million was made in the second quarter of 2012. The remaining payment of EUR 1.0 million was made in the second quarter of 2013. In parallel, ElringKlinger AG has a claim against its primary insurer and excess carrier for the same amount, of which EUR 10.0 million was already settled in 2011. Settlement of the remaining amount claimed has not yet occurred. Therefore, ElringKlinger has filed suit. The proceedings have yet to be concluded. ElringKlinger continues to anticipate that this claim will be settled in full.

### Events after the reporting period

Effective from August 1, 2013, ElringKlinger AG acquired 10% of the interests in Elring Parts Ltd., based in Gateshead, United Kingdom, and thus holds 100% of the interests in this entity.

Effective from August 1, 2013, ElringKlinger AG acquired 24.99% of the interests in exhaust gas purification specialist Hug Engineering AG. ElringKlinger thus holds 93.67% of the interests in the Swiss subsidiary, the majority acquisition of which took place in May 2011.

## Responsibility Statement

To the best of our knowledge, and in accordance with the applicable reporting principles for interim financial reporting, the interim consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Group, and the interim management report of the Group includes a fair review of the development and performance of the business and the position of the Group, together with a description of the principal opportunities and risks associated with the expected development of the Group for the remaining months of the financial year.

Dettingen/Erms, August 9, 2013

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# Financial Calendar

## **NOVEMBER 6, 2013**

Interim Report on the 3rd Quarter and First  
Nine months of 2013

## **MARCH 28, 2014**

Annual Press Conference, Stuttgart  
Analysts' Meeting, Frankfurt/Main

## **MAY 16, 2014**

109th Annual General Shareholders' Meeting,  
Stuttgart

# Calendar Trade Fairs 2013

## **SEPTEMBER 12 – 22, 2013**

65th IAA International Motor Show,  
Frankfurt/Main

## **SEPTEMBER 30 – OCTOBER 2, 2013**

**BATTERY+STORAGE**  
International trade fair for battery and energy  
storage technologies, Stuttgart

## **OCTOBER 7 – 9, 2013**

22nd Aachen Colloquium Automobile and  
Engine Technology, Aachen

## **OCTOBER 16 – 20, 2013**

Equip Auto, Paris

## **DECEMBER 3 – 4, 2013**

12th International CTI Symposium and Exhibition  
Innovative Automotive Transmissions, Hybrid &  
Electric Drives, Berlin

## **DECEMBER 3 – 6, 2013**

EuroMold, World Fair for Moldmaking and  
Tooling, Design and Application Development,  
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