

# 4Q 2016 Results

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## 1. Highlights

## **Highlights**





#### 2016-2020 Strategic Plan Delivery

- €138 Mn adjusted EBITDA and €38.7 Mn Net Income (€36.8 Mn recurrent) despite lower pulp prices since 2009
- Investment Plan progressing, both in Navia and Pontevedra pulp mills
- Successful cash cost reduction, down to €340.9/t in 4Q16, in line with the Strategic Plan target of €339/t by 2017
- Energy business growth accelerating
- Stable and attractive shareholder remuneration maintained
- Asset divestment program Phase I completed
- Low leverage position preserved



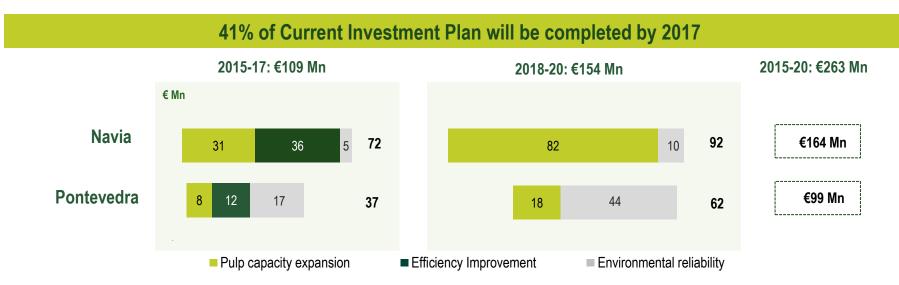
#### **Resilient Business Model**

- Continued growing demand for eucalyptus pulp (+7.7% in 2016)
- Strong and stable recurrent free cash flow generation despite lower pulp prices in 2016
- Wood cost reduction following Ence forest initiatives
- Ongoing hedging program to mitigate FX volatility on the Pulp business
- Solid earnings secured by stable regulation in the Energy business
- Successful agro waste biomass diversification reducing costs in the Energy business



## 2016-2020 Strategic Plan Delivery





- **€**75 Mn cash investment already executed in the Pulp Business
  - > 40,000 t capacity increase in Navia: €26 Mn
  - ➢ Efficiency improvement in Navia: €28 Mn
    - Efficiency improvement in Pontevedra:**€4 Mn**
- Environmental excellence: €10 Mn
- > Other: €8 Mn<sup>2</sup>
- 30,000 t capacity expansion in Pontevedra will be implemented during March 2018 annual maintenance shutdown
- **40 MW biomass power plant will be finally built in Huelva** 
  - Alternative repowering project to be developed in Pontevedra

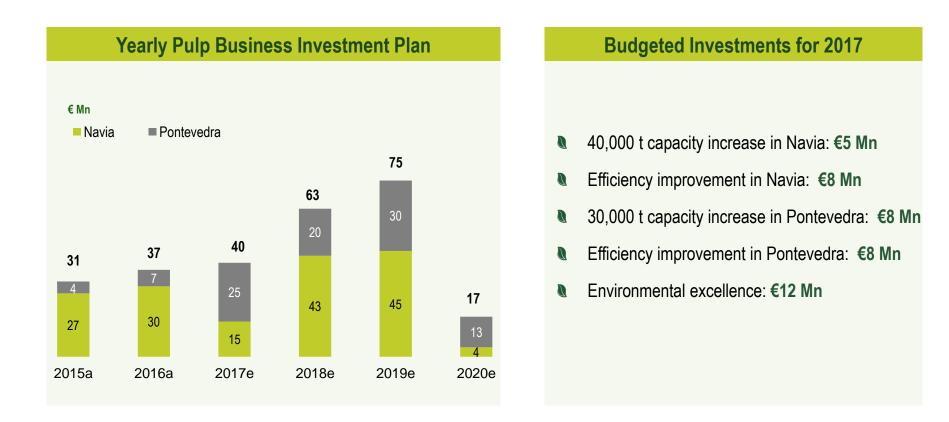
1 Based on flat pulp prices of 720 \$/t and FX 1.25 \$/€

2 Other investments mostly include IT Systems (SAP) not included in the Strategic Plan

## 2016-2020 Strategic Plan delivery

Pulp Investment plan progressing to increase Ebitda by 65% in 2020<sup>1</sup>



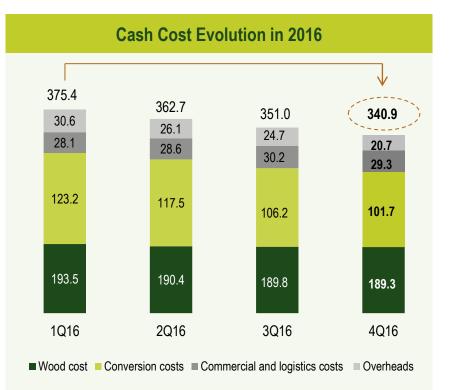


CAPEX implementation speed subject to a maximum leverage of 2.5 x Net debt to EBITDA

## 2016-2020 Strategic Plan Delivery

Successful cash cost reduction





- Continued cash cost improvement in 4Q16: €340.9/t
- Expansion and efficiency measures implemented in Navia
- Wood cost reduction linked to the PIX price decrease



- Expected cash cost reduction in 2017 down to: €339/t
- In line with our Strategic Plan

Note: 2016 cash cost figures include the lower conversion costs by the energy component corresponding to the difference between the pool price estimated by the Regulator for 2016 and the real pool price in 2016, according to the International Accounting Standards.



#### Accretive acquisitions of 32 Mw and new 40 Mw project in Huelva to increase our capacity by 65%



#### **Ciudad Real 16 Mw**

- > 12Mw of net capacity
- Fuel: Agro waste





#### Jaen 16 Mw

- > 12Mw of net capacity
- ➢ Fuel: Agro waste



#### Huelva 40 Mw

- ➢ 40Mw of net capacity
- Fuel: Agroforestry waste

- In December 2016, Ence acquired two biomass power plants located in Spain with a combined capacity of 32 MW for €34 Mn EV (€22.5 Mn for Ence stake)
  - 2017 expected EBITDA from these new plants increasing to over €7.5 Mn, from €5.5 Mn in 2016, due to rapid synergies from Ence's strong capacities on biomass supply management and diversification
- New project to build a 40Mw biomass power plant in Huelva taking advantage of synergies with our 50 Mw and 41 Mw plants already operating in the same location. Works to start in 4Q17
  - > Start up: 01 / 2020
  - Capex: €87 Mn
  - ➢ EBITDA: €11 Mn
  - > Financing: 60%



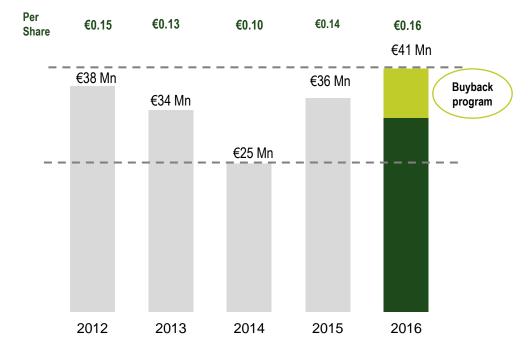
#### 6.6%<sup>1</sup> shareholder return in 2016

#### **2016 Shareholder Remuneration**

- ➤ €32.7 Mn Cash
- €8.6 Mn in Buyback Program (4 Mn shares)
- Maintaining a low leverage position as of December 2016
  - > 1.6 x Net Debt / Adj. EBITDA

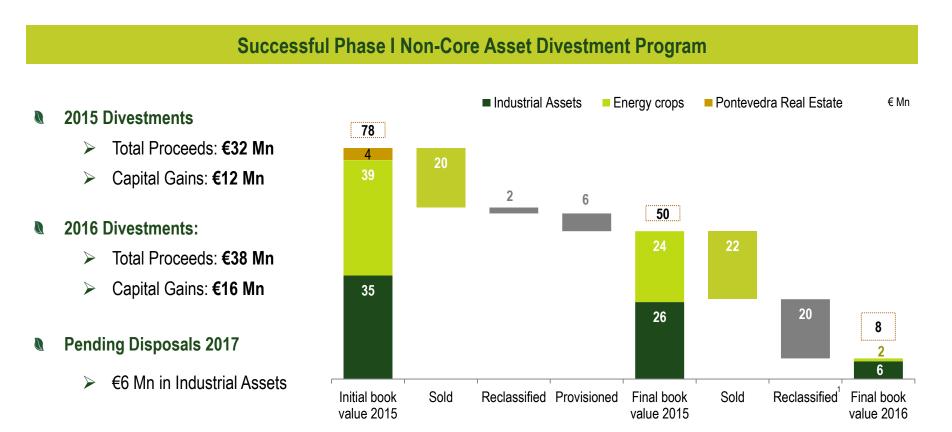
#### Ranks #10 in IBEX Top Dividend

- Includes 25 Companies from IBEX
  35 and IBEX mid & Small Caps
- The Board of Directors has proposed a 2016 final dividend of €11.6 Mn to be paid in April 18th 2017.



Note. Annual accrued dividends (€ Mn); includes dividend paid in shares for years 2012 and 2013 <sup>1</sup> Shareholder Return calculated as Cash + Buyback Program / market capitalization at year - end





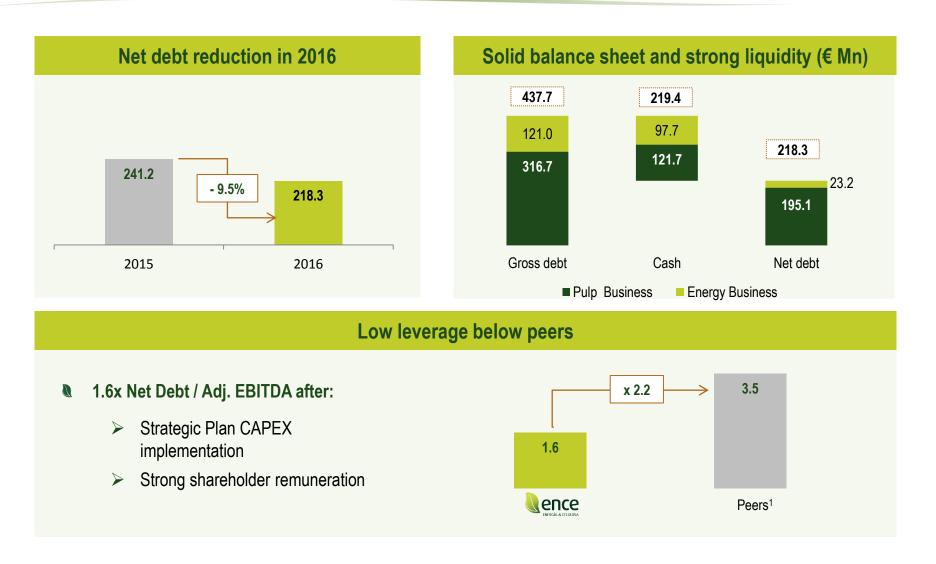
#### Considering non-core eucalyptus plantations Phase II divestment program in the future

- > 69,784 Hectares
- > €168.9 Mn Book Value

## 2016-2020 Strategic Plan Delivery

### Low leverage position preserved



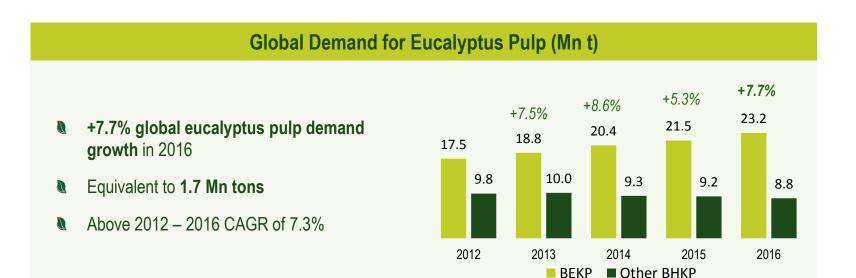


1 Average from Altri (Sep-16), Fibria (Dec-16), Suzano (Dec-16), El Dorado (Sep-16), Klabin (Sep-16), and CMPC (Sep-16),



## Continued growing demand for Eucalyptus pulp





#### **Chinese Demand for Eucalyptus Pulp (Mn t)**

- + 23.8% eucalyptus pulp demand growth in China
- Above 2012-2016 CAGR of 16.7%
- Fuelled by the tissue consumption megatrend



## Favorable demand and supply balance expected for 2017



#### **Expected Annual Increase for Global Hardwood Supply and Demand (Mn t)**

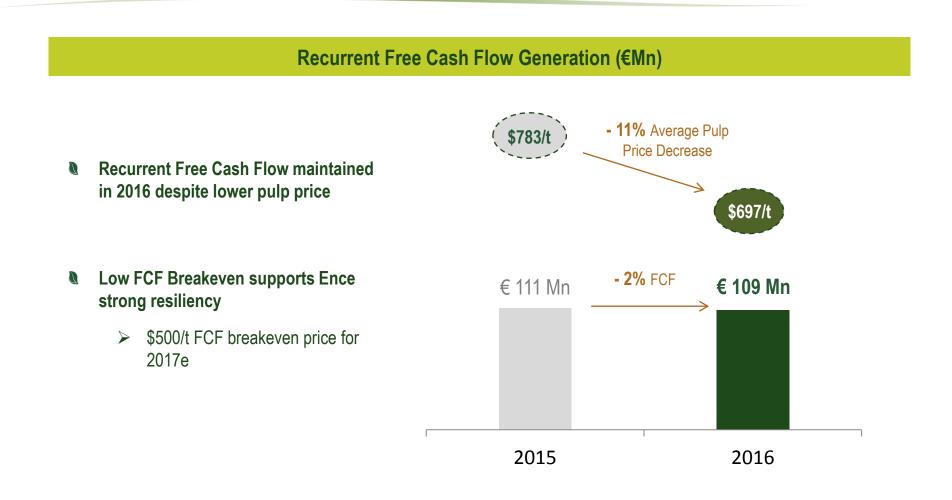
Mn t	2017	2018	2019	2017 - 2019
ESTIMATED DEMAND INCREASE	1.5	1.5	1.5	4.5
China	1.1	1.1	1.1	3.3
Other Asia / Africa / Oceania /Middle East	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.9
Europe	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
USA and Canada	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1
Latam	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3
ESTIMATED SUPPLY INCREASE	1.0	1.8	0.3	3.1
KLABIN (PUMA)	0.5			0.5
АРР (ОКІ)	1.0	0.8	0.2	2.0
FIBRIA (TRES LAGOAS)	0.3	1.3	0.3	1.9
METSA (AANEKOSKI)	0.1			0.1
UPM (KYMI)	0.1			0.1
APRIL (KERINCI Conv: HW - DP)	-0.2			-0.2
APRIL (RIZHAO Conv: HW - SW)	-0.3			-0.3
TAIWAN P&P	-0.1			-0.1
SUZANO (IMPERATRIZ & MUCURI)			0.2	0.2
ALTRI (CELTEJO + CELBI)		0.1		0.1
OTHER NON ANNOUNCED				
CLOSURES/STOPPAGES/CONVERSIONS	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-1.2

BALANCE	0.5	-0.3	1.2	1.4
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- Favorable supply and demand balance for the coming years
- APP OKI project ramp up is proving to be more gradual than analyst expectations
- Prices in China have soared by \$95/t since September and Europe is following
- Ence has closed sales agreements for up to 100% of its pulp production in 2017
- \$50/t price hike in January and February in Europe.
- Another \$30/t increase announced for March

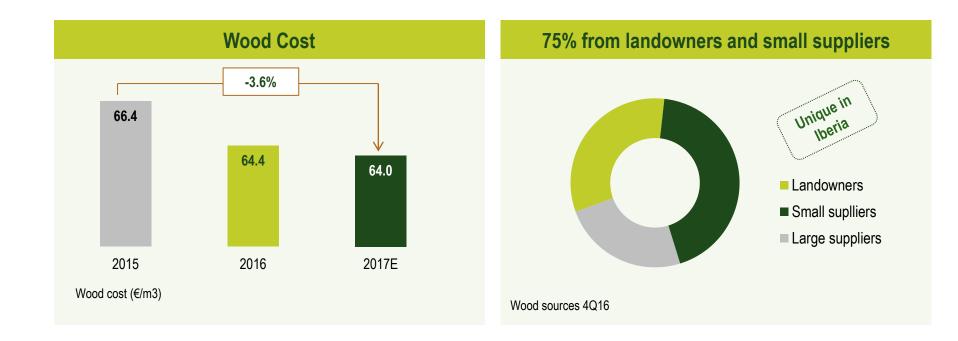
## Strong and stable recurrent cash flow generation despite lower pulp prices





## Wood cost reduction following Ence forest initiatives



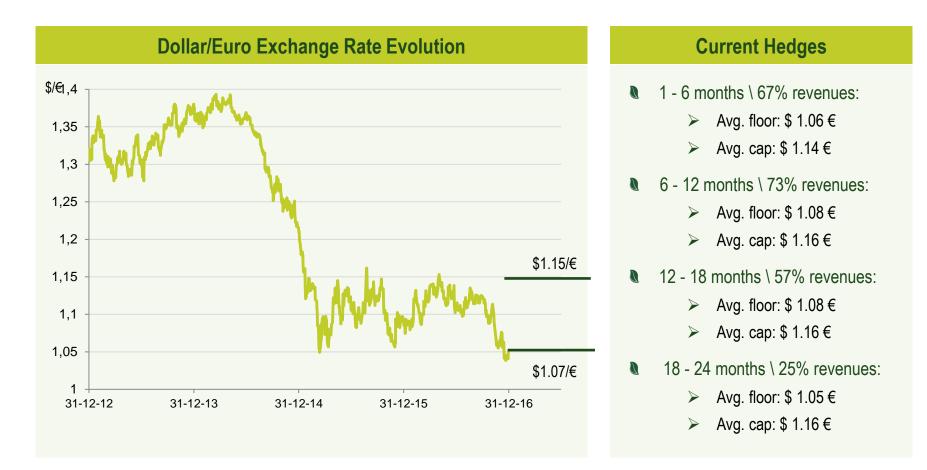


#### Active supply management reducing costs and strengthening Ence position in forestry market

- Ence reduced its wood purchase cost in 2016 as a result of its 2015 initiative to link the wood price with the pulp price performance
- Small land owners coordination initiative to be developed in 2017 (Coto Redondo)

Ongoing hedging program to mitigate FX volatility on the Pulp business

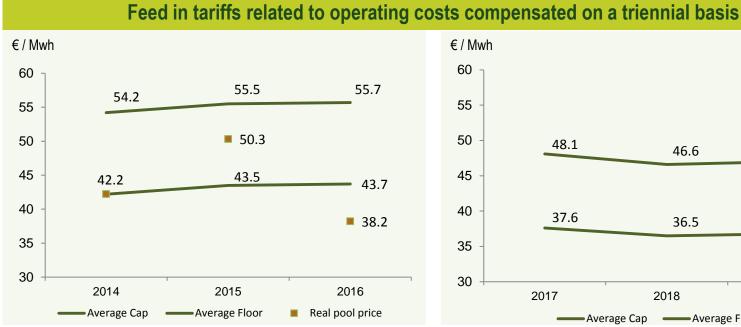


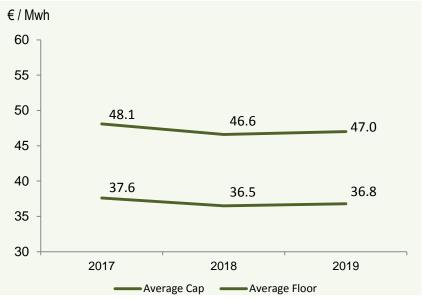


Ence consistently maintains a FX hedging program of at least 50% of its dollar exposure for the following 18 months

### Solid earnings secured by stable regulation in the Energy business





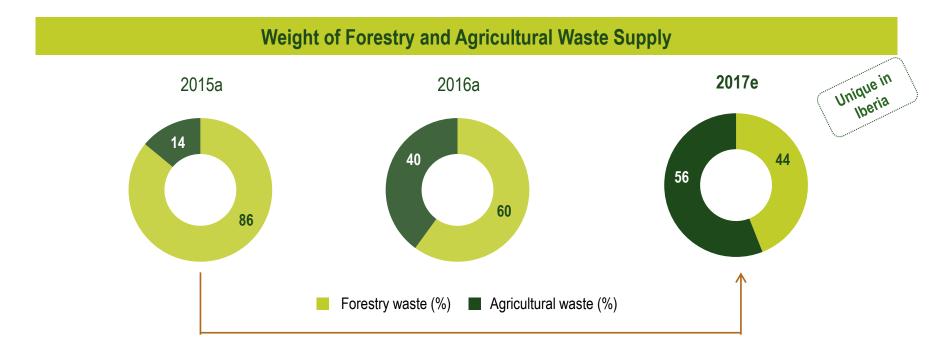


- Government forecasted annual pool prices to be between €55/Mwh and €43/Mwh for the period 2014 - 2016
- Real pool price in 2014 was €42/Mwh entailing a compensation of €1.7 Mn
- Real pool price in 2016 was €38/Mwh entailing a compensation of €7.8 Mn

- Government has changed the collar for the period 2017-2019 to €47/Mwh and €37/Mwh
- Therefore, feed in tariffs have been adjusted A. upwards by c €5.5/Mwh
- €45 Mn EBITDA expected from the Energy business in 2017

### Successful agro waste biomass diversification





- Ence has unique capabilities in diversifying biomass sources among multiple agricultural residues minimising its supply dependency and managing prices down
- Energy business EBITDA margin up to 35% in 2016 despite lower pool prices
- Agricultural residues include:

Citrus fruits

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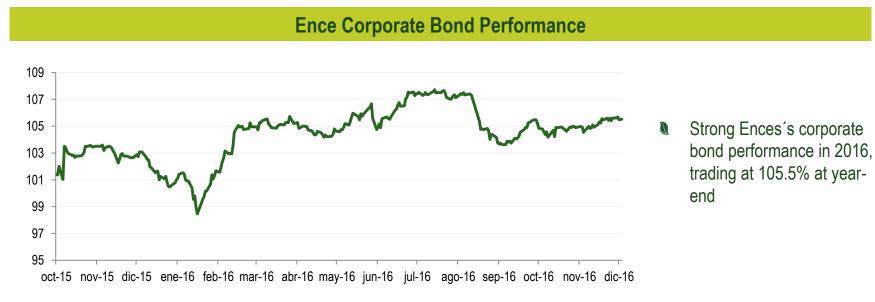
- Bond fruits (almond, peach..) > C
  - Cotton bush
- Cereal straws

Olive leaf and prune
 Olive marc

- Vineyard strain
- Raspberry prune

Ence's corporate bond performance reflects its improved credit metrics





	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
PRICE (% / nominal)	101.40	101.57	105.24	104.83	104.75	104.88	107.53	107.36	103.63	104.78	104.92	105.52
YIELD (%) *	5.100	5.055	4.149	4.229	4.227	4.172	3.071	3.068	4.440	4.109	4.042	3.689

AGENCY	RATING	OUTLOOK	DATE
Moody's	Ba3	Stable	30/11/2016
S&P	BB-	Positive	28/07/2016

Reflecting its positive business performance, low leverage and high liquidity

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## 4. 4Q 2016 Results

## **Consolidated Key Figures** 2016 Results confirm the resilience of Ence's business model



#### +29.1% EBITDA in 4Q vs 3Q 2016 fueled by both Pulp and Energy businesses

- **15% pulp price decline in 2016 partially offset by:** 
  - ➤ + 4.3% increase in pulp sales volume
  - + €2/t cash cost reduction after Strategic Plan investments due to1Q16 one offs
  - + €14/t cash cost reduction in 4Q16 vs. 4Q15
  - + 3 p.p. margin improvement in the Energy business despite lower pool price
- Strong and stable recurrent free cash flow of €109 Mn, reflecting working capital dynamics
- **€23 Mn Net Debt reduction after:** 
  - Strategic Plan investments for €65.8 Mn
  - > Divestment Program for €38.7 Mn
  - Dividend payment for €32.7 Mn
  - Share buyback for €8.6 Mn

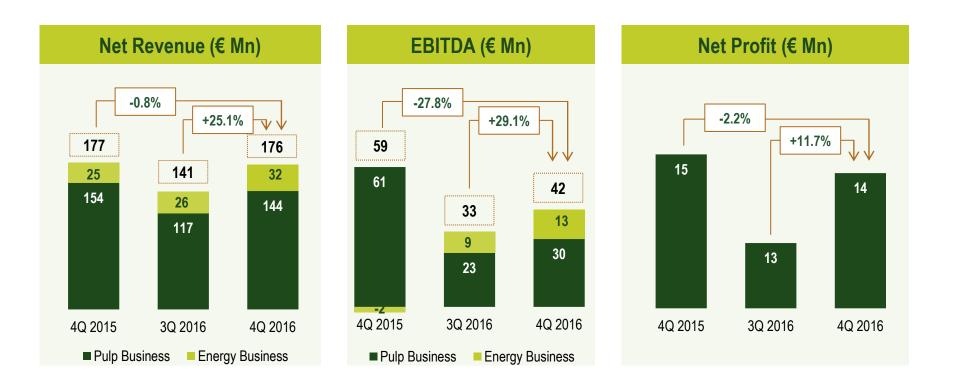
P&L								
€Mn	2016	2015	% Change					
Revenue	605.4	663.9	(8.8%)					
Pulp Business Adj. EBITDA	104.0	169.6	(38.7%)					
Energy Business Adj. EBITDA	34.0	31.2	9.0%					
Total Adjusted EBITDA	138.0	199.5	(30.8)					
EBIT	72.7	133.2	(45.4%)					
Net Profit	38.7	49.9	(22.4%)					

#### FCF & Net Debt performance

€Mn	2016	2015	% Change
Recurrent FCF	109.1	111.4	(2.1%)
Strategic Plan Investments	65.8	31.8	106.9%
Divestment Program	38.7	32.3	19.9%
Shareholder remuneration	41.3	35.8	15.4%
FCF	63.9	83.7	(23.6%)
Net Financial Debt	218.3	241.2	(9.5%)

## **Quarterly Key Figures** 4Q16 strong performance both in Pulp and Energy businesses

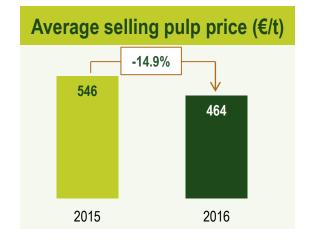


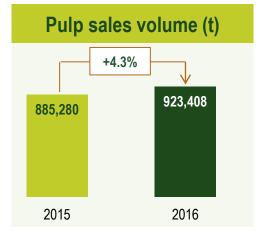


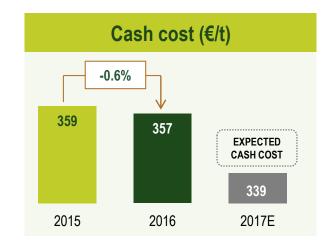
- Pulp business: +26.5% EBITDA in 4Q vs 3Q fueled by a €10/t cash cost reduction
- Energy business: +35.6% EBITDA in 4Q vs 3Q due to lower annual pool price regulatory compensation

## Pulp Business Operating performance







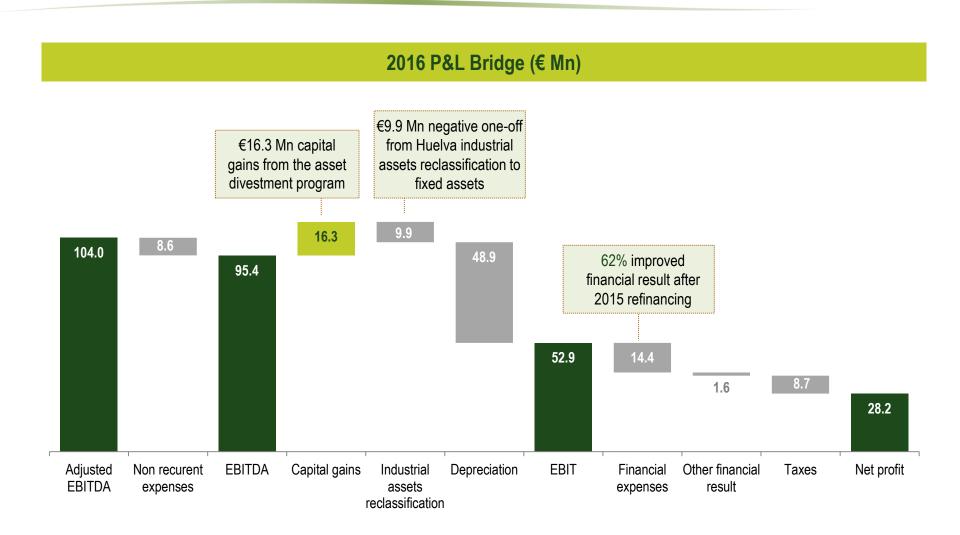


- **14.9%** pulp price decline in 2016 partially offset by:
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  - In line with the Strategic Plan

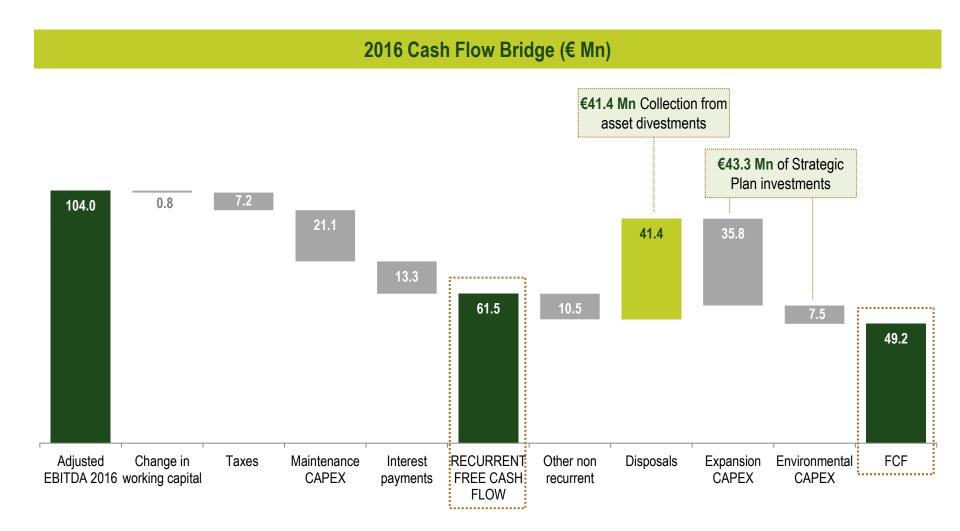
## Adjusted EBITDA (€ Mn)







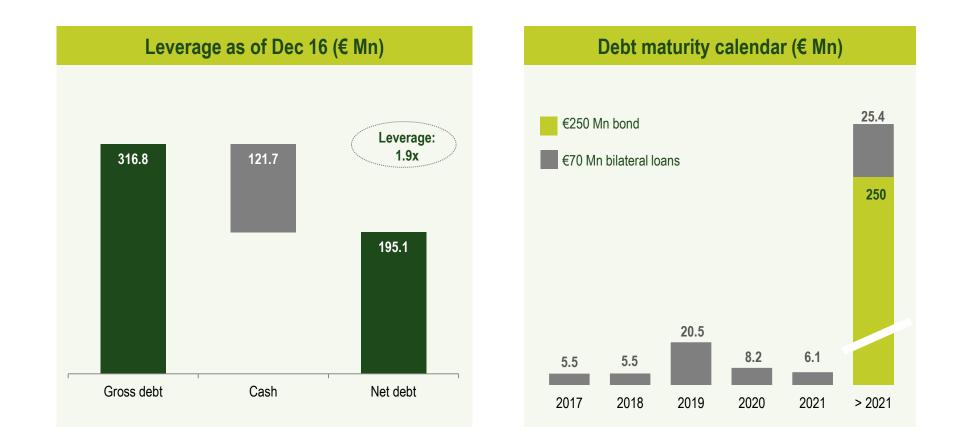




## Pulp Business

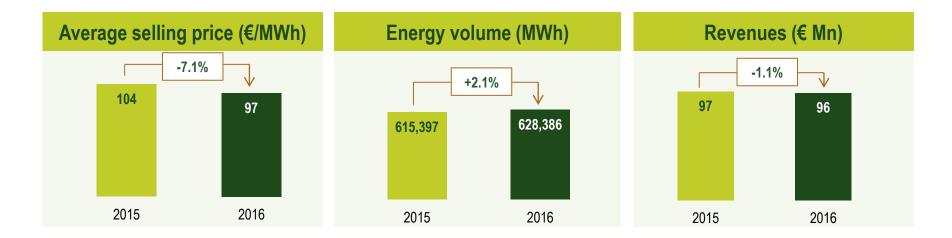
Solid balance sheet and strong liquidity



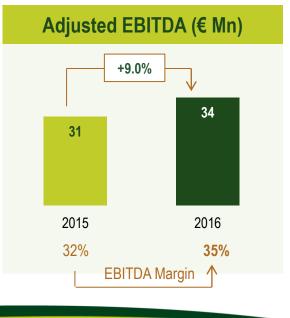


Pulp business leverage at 1.9x Net Debt / adjusted EBITDA as of December 2016

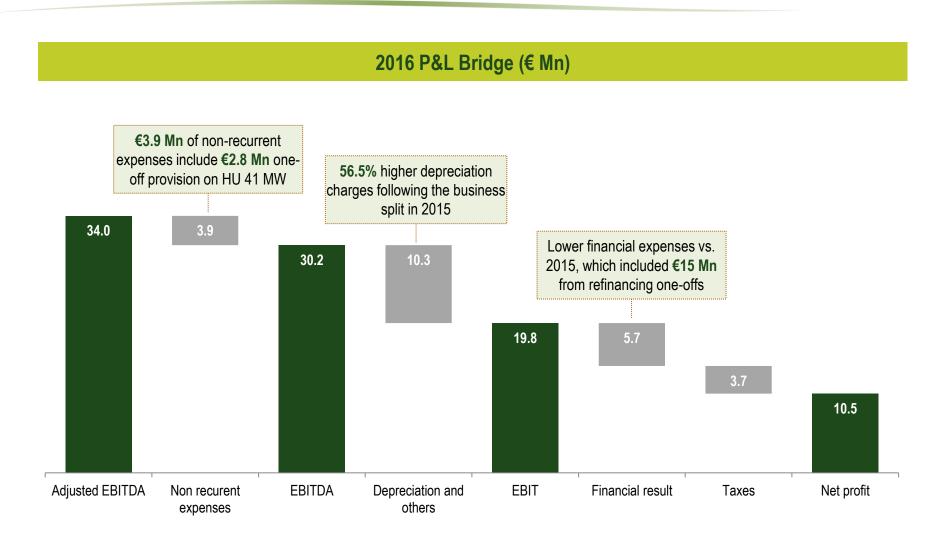




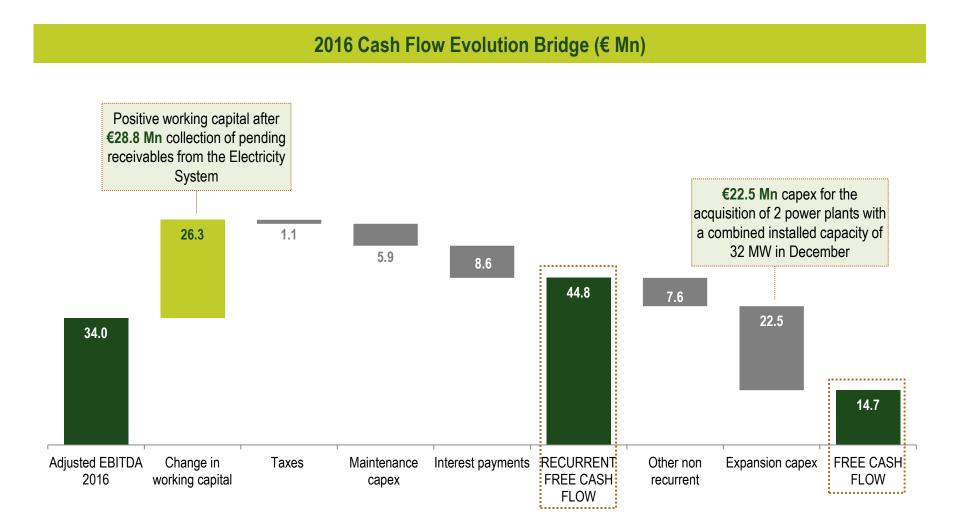
- 7.1% lower average selling price due to lower pool prices, partially mitigated through our hedging policy (+€1.2 Mn in 2016)
- Difference between the pool price estimated by the Regulator and real pool price for 2016 has been partially offset by a €3.9 Mn revenue increase in Q416
- 2.1% higher energy production after generating 19,080 MWh above the regulatory cap of 6,500 h due to higher pool prices in Q416
- +9% EBITDA increase despite lower pool prices following Ence's biomass diversification strategy





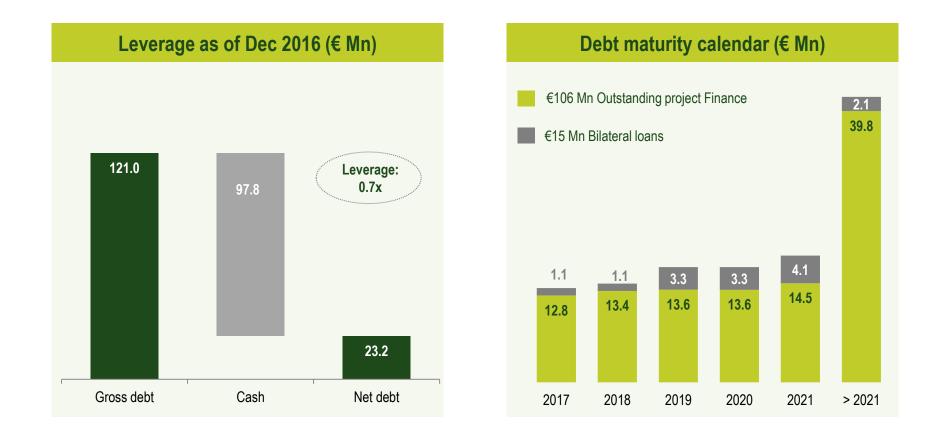






## **Energy Business** Solid balance sheet and strong liquidity





Energy business leverage at 0.7x Net Debt / adjusted EBITDA as of December 2016





- 2016 **Results** confirm the **resilience** of Ence's business model
- Strategic Plan is on track: we are already delivering results in Navia & Pontevedra
- Cash cost reduction evolves favorably to an average of €339/t in 2017
- Positive market environment expected with tight supply & demand balance
- Energy business growth accelerating
- Stable and attractive shareholder remuneration maintained
- Keeping a low leverage position (< 2.5x Net Debt/EBITDA in the Pulp business)</p>



## Delivering value, delivering commitments

