



# Presentation Results 1H 2017

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#### **2016 RESULTS**



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**EBITDA of Paper Division** increases driven by operational improvements and market prices penalized by lower volumes related to planned maintenance stops

**EBITDA of Packaging Division** decreases negatively affected by raw material market prices, partly compensated with higher volume and management improvements

The consolidated EBITDA Margin stood at 17%, +2.4 pp compared with 1H2016, (+20% in 2Q17). The recurring EBITDA Margin stood at 15% in 1H17 (16% in 2Q17)

Ongoing reduction in Net Debt (Debt/EBITDA: 1.55) and Finance costs (-80%)

Profit grew by 55% vs 1H2016, to €32m

**Solid final demand,** which led to the rise in the sales price of the finished product and the increase in raw material prices

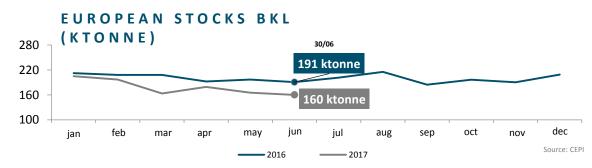
#### MARKET AND CORPORATE TRANSACTIONS



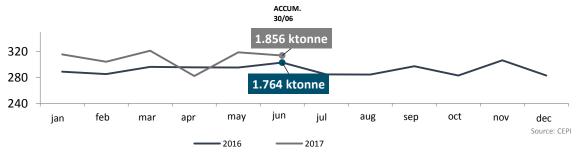
# Kraft paper: continuous price rises as a result of the increase in demand and the reduction in exports from the US

Reduction in stocks in 2017 as a result of the strong demand in Europe and the reduction in US exports (-15% cumulative to May)

- ➤ Shipments of kraft paper from European manufacturers grew by 5.2% up to June compared with the same period of 2016, limited by the lack of supply of paper in the market
- Increase in average price of €23/tonne in 1H17 vs 1H16. New announcement of price rises of €50/tonne in August. Taking into account this announcement, the total rise is between 27% and 33% compared with the start of the year, depending on the market



#### SHIPMENTS OF BKL IN EUROPE (KTONNE)



#### PRICE (€/tonne)



Source: FOEX

#### MARKET AND CORPORATE TRANSACTIONS

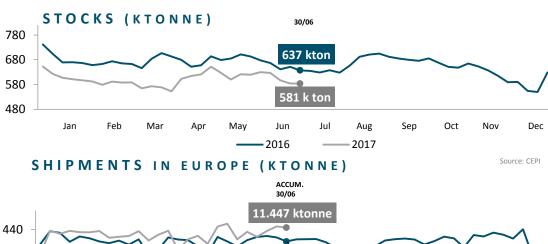


# Recycled paper: Increase in sales price as a result of the increase in final demand in Europe based on a structural rise in consumption

Significant reduction in stocks that began in 4Q16 as a result of the increase in final demand, based on a significant rise in consumption

➤ Shipments by European manufacturers remain solid with a rise of 5.1% in 1H17 on the same period last year. The increase in demand has absorbed the new production capacities

Increase in average price of €7/tonne in 1H17 vs 1H16. Announcement of additional rise of €30-50/tonne in July. With this announcement, the total rise is between 23% and 25% compared with the start of the year, depending on the market



10.886 ktonne

Jul

Aug

- 2017

Sep

Oct

Nov

Dec

Source: CEPI

Jun

2016

### PRICE (€/tonne)

Feb

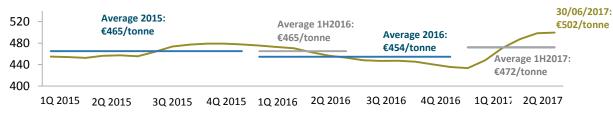
Mar

Jan

360

280

200



Source: FOEX

#### MARKET AND CORPORATE TRANSACTIONS

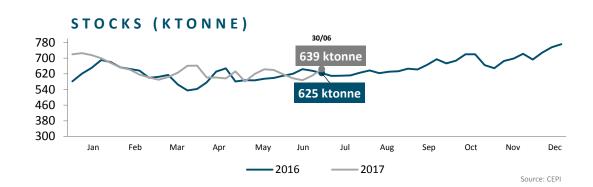


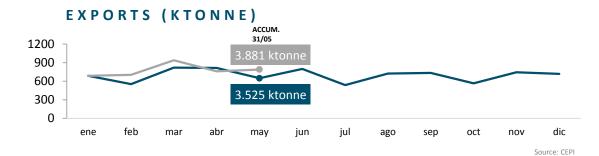
## Recovered paper: upward pressure on raw material prices as a result of the increase in exports to China

Recovered paper stocks are at stable levels compared with the previous year



Rise in average price of €22/tonne in 1H17 vs 1H16. Upward tension in prices as a result of export pressures as well as the increase in capacities in Europe







Source: FOEX



## **Corporate transactions**

#### SALE OF EUROPAC PACKAGING MED

- Sale of the packaging factory in Tangier to the International Paper group for €44m
- ➤ The transaction provided a consolidated net gain of €10m
- Change in the structure of the Moroccan market with tightening of margins and increase in competition with the announcement of new projects



#### OTHER STRATEGIC TRANSACTIONS

- ➤ The group's strategic objective is to grow in the packaging and waste management sectors in the priority market that is Spain, without increasing the debt ratios set out in the Strategic Plan 2015-2018:
  - Acquisition of Europac Packaging Lucena
  - Acquisition of Transcon Valladolid, S.A.
  - Investment to double the production of Europac Packaging Dueñas
  - Investment planned and three converting lines at the Alcolea de Cinca factory

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## Profit grew by 55% on the first half of 2016

2Q 2016	2Q 2017	diff. %
272.7	282.1	+3.5%
206.4	207.0	+0.3%
31.3	33.4	+6.6%
30.2	41.1	+36.0%
14.6%	19.8%	+5.2pp
18.1	25.1	+38.8%
14.6	25.8	+76.6%
10.8	21.2	+96.8%
0.11	0.22	+89.3%*

€m
Aggregate Revenue
Consolidated Revenue
Recurring EBITDA
Consolidated EBITDA
Consolidated EBITDA Margin
Consolidated EBIT
EBT
Net Profit
EPS

1H 2016	1H 2017	diff. %
535.7	563.9	+5.3%
405.7	417.1	+2.8%
62.5	62.9	+0.6%
60.3	72.1	+19.6%
14.9%	17.3%	+2.4pp
35.9	43.7	+21.8%
28.5	42.3	+48.2%
20.9	32.4	+54.6%
0.22	0.33	+48.7%*

<sup>\*</sup>The growth in EPS is lower than the growth in net profit due to the bonus issue carried out in November 2016

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#### **RESULTS 1H 2017**



## The consolidated results for the half-year show solid progress





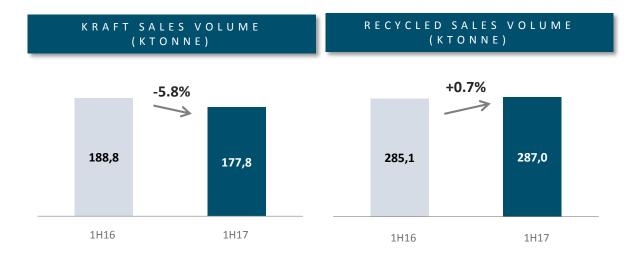
#### **RESULTS 1H 2017**



## **Paper Revenue**

- Fall in Kraft production volume as a result of the scheduled maintenance halt in May (-16.8 ktonne). The maintenance halt was scheduled in order to increased production capacity
- Recycled paper production volumes are similar to 1H16 despite the scheduled maintenance halt in Rouen in May.

▶ Paper sales rose by 7.3% due to strong demand, which led to a reduction in stocks of finished products and an increase in sales prices





## Paper EBITDA



- Growth of 10.8% in EBITDA and increase in margin to 16.5% as a result of the sales price rises despite the increase in raw material price and the scheduled maintenance halts
- ➤ The industrial cost reduction projects under EOS (Europac Operations System) and ESS (Europac Sales System) continue to have a positive impact on operational efficiency and margins
  - Improved geographic distribution of sales
  - Improvement in the quality mix
  - Savings in logistics/transport
  - Reduction in specific consumption (e.g. energy consumption)
  - Increase in production volume

#### PAPER EBITDA (€m) AND MARGINS (%)





## **Packaging Revenue**

- Increase in sales volumes of 1.9%, thereby increasing our market share, particularly in Portugal and Spain
- Progressive passing on of the increases in raw material prices
- Contribution of the Europac Sales System (ESS) aimed at increasing revenue and profitability:
  - +19% increase in commercial activity (number of visits)
  - +26% increase in market soundings to acquire new customers
  - +9% new customers acquired

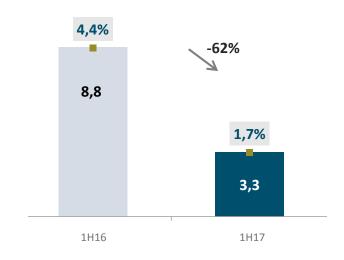




### **Packaging EBITDA**

- Reduction in EBITDA due to the major impact of the rise in raw material prices which the group has not yet been able to fully pass on to the market
- Priority in executing added value projects to improve margins, such as high-quality printing, logistics solutions and specialised structural design
- ▶ Launch of the Ambition Project, which began in 2017: improvements in the competitiveness of each factory by focusing on operational excellence and improving cost management

#### PACKAGING EBITDA (€m) AND MARGINS (%)



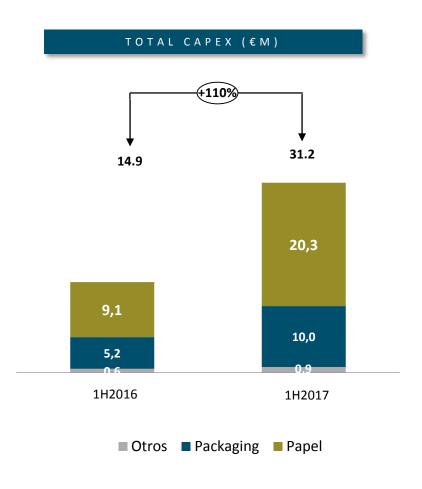
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## Capex



## Investments in the Paper Division:

- Increase in capacity and improvements in production: Viana do Castelo
- Reduction in specific costs and increase in volume: Rouen
- Environmental investments
- Recurring investments

## Investments in the Packaging Division:

- Productivity improvement projects: Val de Seine, Ovar and Albarraque
- Project to increase production at Dueñas
- Launch of new projects: Lucena and Alcolea

#### **CASH GENERATION AND DIVIDENDS**





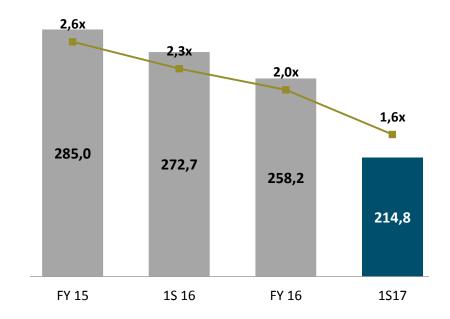
## New reduction in net debt

- Cash generation
- Increase in income from M&A: sale of Europac Packaging Med and Puerto de Viana, acquisition of Europac Packaging Lucena and Transcon

## Debt/EBITDA ratio improved to 1.55

Unchanged target (2.0) linked to the development of our investment plan, corporate transactions and remuneration to our shareholders

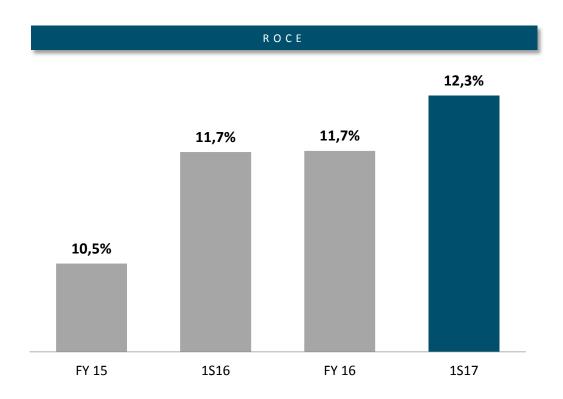
#### NET DEBT AND ND/EBITDA MULTIPLE





## **Ongoing improvement of ROCE**

- Ongoing improvement in profitability:
  - > Increase in operating profit
  - > Fall in capital employed
    - Net reduction in assets related to investments, acquisitions and disinvestments
    - Increase in working capital in 1H17

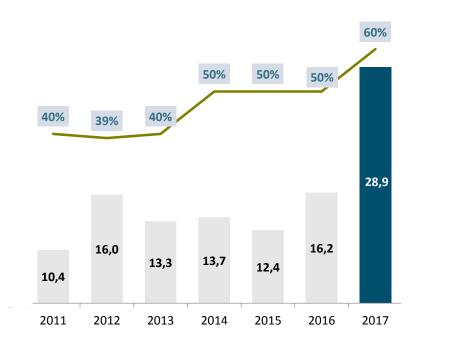




#### **Shareholder remuneration**

- > Growth in dividend of +78.4%
- Interim dividend of €0.095/share paid on 23 February (€0.053 in 2016): which amounts to €8.7m and final dividend of €0.223/share paid on 17 July (€0.127 in 2016)
- On an exceptional basis, increase in pay-out in 2016 to 60%: €0.318/share, which amounts to €28.9m (€20.2m final dividend)
- Approval by the General Shareholders' Meeting of 1x25 bonus issue
- Approval by the General Shareholders' Meeting of the cancellation of 1,947,368 treasury shares, which account for 2% of the company's share capital

## DIVIDEND (€m) Y PAY-OUT(1) (%)



(1) Pay-out in the graph: over net profit of previous year

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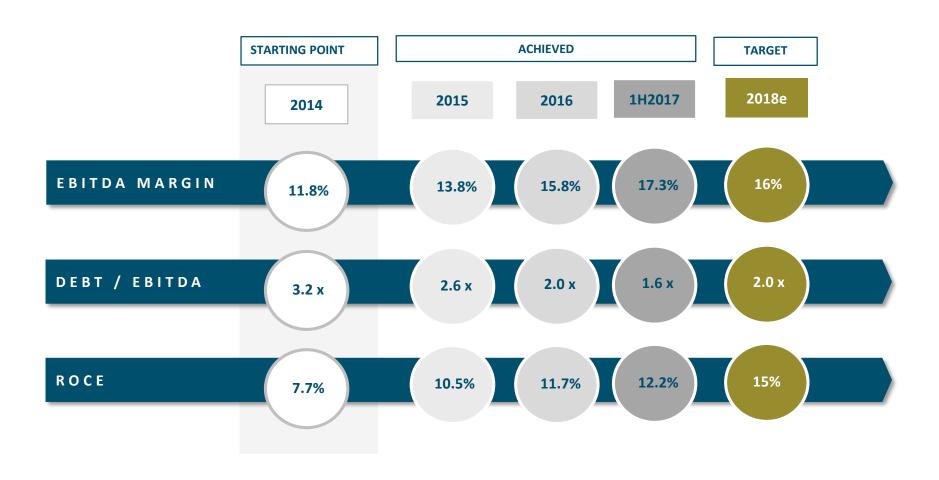
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## Moving forward towards achieving the strategic targets for 2018



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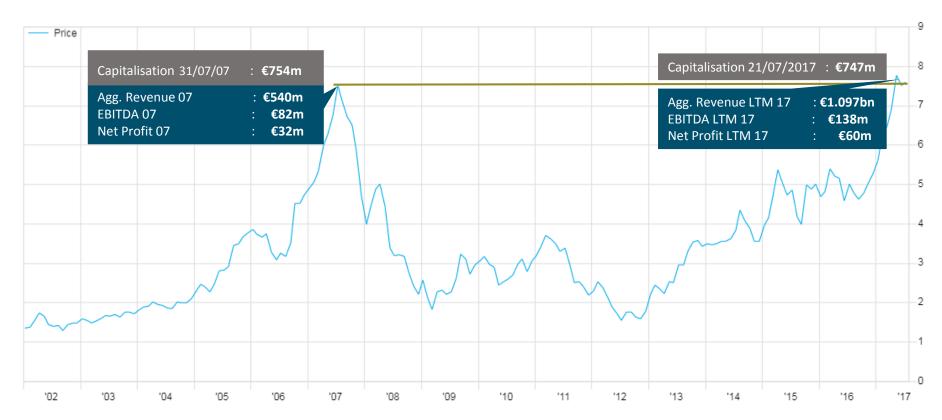
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#### **Share 2007 vs 2017**

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01/01/2002 to 07/21/2017(Monthly)



(\*) Source: Thomson One historical data





## INCREASE IN EBITDA MARGIN

- ✓ Kraftliner paper market: solid demand, order book at maximum levels with paper machines operating at full capacity. Price rises in January, March and May. Announcement of additional rise of €50/tonne in August. Taking into account this announcement, the rise is of between 27% to 33% compared with the start of the year, depending on the market. Reduction in US exports (-14% cumulative to April).
- ✓ Recycled paper market: strong European demand and growth in exports. Sharp reduction in stocks in Europe
  and increase in raw material prices. Sales price rises in February, March and April in all qualities. Announcement
  of additional rise of €30-50/tonne in July. With this announcement, the rise is of between 23% and 25%
  compared with the start of the year, depending on the market.
- Packaging market: progressive transfer of the increase in raw material prices in 2017. Work continues on improving commercial positioning and optimising operations.

## INCREASE IN CASH GENERATION

- ✓ Sustainable increase in cash generation from operations.
- ✓ Optimisation of financing sources and continuous reduction in net debt and finance costs.

Outlook 2017





## PACKAGING GROWTH PROJECTS

AMBITION PROJECT

DUEÑAS EXTENSION

ALCOLEA CONVERTING

LUCENA INTEGRATION

HIGH-QUALITY PRINTING

OVAR PROJECT

Outlook 2017





## PAPER GROWTH PROJECTS

INCREASES IN CAPACITY

PAPER MIX DUEÑAS COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT
COATED PAPERS

ALCOLEA PAPER MIX

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