

# **Eactsheet** 2023



A world leader in stationery, lighters and shavers, BIC brings Simplicity and Joy to everyday life. For more than 75 years, the Company has honored the tradition of providing high-quality, affordable, essential products to consumers everywhere.

Through this unwavering dedication, BIC has become one of the most recognized brands and is a trademark registered worldwide. Today, BIC products are sold in more than 160 countries around the world.

# **2023 Key Financial Figures**

**€2,263**m

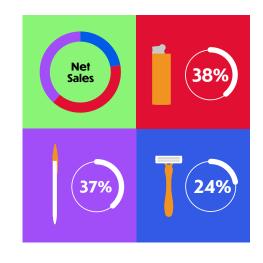
Net sales

9.5% of net sales through new products<sup>2</sup>

€249m free cash flow

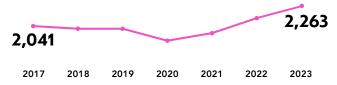
14.7% aEBIT margin

€385m Net cash position €4.27 per share dividend<sup>3</sup>



#### Long-term financial performance

#### Net Sales Evolution (€m)



#### Free Cash Flow (€m)



# "We create high-quality, safe, affordable, essential products, trusted by everyone"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This includes €2.85 per share of ordinary dividend and €1.42 per share of extraordinary dividend, to be approved at the 2024 AGM on May 29.



A product is considered as new during the year of its launch and the three following years.



# **Key Non-Financial Figures**



of electricity we use is now renewable, up from 76% in 2022 – this puts us well on track to meet our goal of 100% by 2025.



of strategic suppliers have integrated the responsible purchasing program to ensure the most secure, innovative, and efficient sourcing.



of all consumer plastic packaging is reusable, recyclable, or compostable, compared to 70% in 2022.



improvement in lost time incidents versus prior year.

# **Horizon Strategic Plan**

Through expansion to new consumer occasions and adjacent businesses, with sustainability rooted in products and operations, our Horizon Plan aims to fuel BIC's growth to 2025.

Reframe
our three
categories to
accelerate top
line growth

Take our sustainable development journey to the next level Remain on a mid-singledigit growth trajectory and grow aEBIT margin

Maintain free cash flow above €200m

Sustain solid return to shareholders



Evolving focus from Stationery to Human Expression, moving beyond Writing Instruments to Creative and Digital Expression.



Expanding Lighters to Flame For Life to focus on all lighting occasions, and a more value-added driven model.



Growing the One-Piece Shaver business with a consumer driven mindset and sustainable products and capitalizing on our Blade Excellence to build a high precision B2B blade business.



#### 2025 Commitments to Sustainable Development



Fostering sustainable innovation in BIC products

We are focused on creating simple, inventive products, designed to use more sustainable raw materials and provide longer lasting performance. We strive to optimize existing products and packaging and to create more sustainable innovation for the future.

O2 Acting against climate change:

We deploy a global approach to energy consumption, prioritizing energy efficiency and the use of renewable energy sources. This contributes to cost control and reduces our carbon footprint.

Our commitment to ongoing improvement of the safety, health and wellbeing of our team members is a priority for us.

Proactively involving suppliers:

Being a responsible company requires control of our entire value chain. Our purchasing team analyzes all risks and selects and collaborates with our most strategic suppliers on implementing a responsible approach.

Improving lives through education:
Education has the power to change the world. We are passionate in our work to ensure that children around the world have access to education.

## **Use of Cash Policy**



Fund Profitable Growth

Investment into Operations €100M annually

Targeted Acquisitions Average of €100M annually

**Ensure Sustainable Shareholder Returns** 

Ordinary Dividend 40% to 50% Payout Ratio

Regular Share Buyback

#### **Long-Term Value Creation**

- Consumer-Centric Brands
- Open & Responsible Innovation
- Efficient, Reliable and Sustainable Global Supply Chain
- **04** Commercial Excellence

**Accelerated growth** 

Strong cash generation

Sustainable shareholder returns

Sustained and Balanced Long-Term Value Creation for All Stakeholders

Talented and engaged teams



#### **Board of Directors**

**12** Directors

4 nationalities

50% women

**10** board meetings in 2023

50% independents 96.5% attendance rate

**Nikos Koumettis** 

Non-Executive Chair and Independent Director

**Gonzalve Bich** 

**Director and Chief Executive Officer** 

Marie-Aimée Bich-Dufour

Timothée Bich

Director

**Edouard Bich** 

Director Representative of Société MBD

Carole Callebaut Piwnica

**Independent Director** 

Maëlys Castella

**Independent Director** 

**Pascal Chevallier** 

**Director Representing the Employees** 

Véronique Laury

Directo

Héla Madiouni

**Director Representing the Employees** 

**Candace Matthews** 

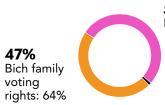
Independent Director

Jake Schwartz

Independent Director

Shareholding structure

As of December 31, 2023, the total number of issued shares of SOCIÉTÉ BIC was 42,270,689, representing 62,516,167 voting rights



**52%** Public

**1%** Treasury shares

**Executive Committee** 

**Gonzalve Bich** 

**Director and Chief Executive Officer** 

**Chad Spooner** 

Chief Financial Office

Elizabeth Maul

Group Insights, Innovation & Sustainability Officer

François Clément- Grandcourt

**Group Lighters General Manager** 

Gary Horsfield

**Group Supply Chain Officer** 

**Mallory Martino** 

**Chief Human Resources Officer** 

Sara LaPorta

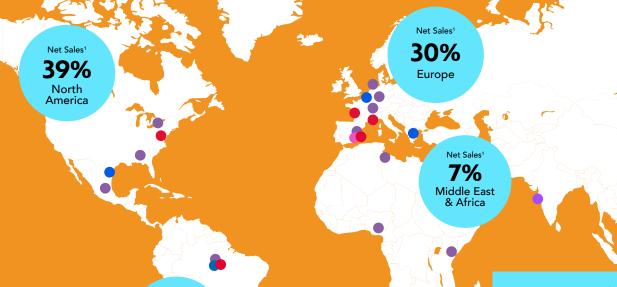
**Group Strategy and Business Development Officer** 

**Chester Twigg** 

**Group Commercial Office** 

Esther Wick
Group General Counsel

Worldwide Manufacturing Footprint



Net Sales<sup>1</sup>

20%

Latin

America

<sup>1</sup> % of net sales 2023

BIC's Production facilities

Stationery

Lighters

Shavers

Advertising and promotional products

Net Sales<sup>1</sup>
4%

Asia & Oceania (inc. India)