# **Essential Growth**

Investor Relations Presentation April 2024



# The BIC Growth Proposition





A world leader in creative expression, lighters and shavers

One of the most recognized brands, creating high quality, safe, affordable, essentials.

Trusted in +160 countries

#### A consumer-centric brand, meeting rapidly changing needs

- 28 million BIC products bought daily, driven by value and strong brand
- BIC is successfully **expanding** into new segments to meet **new needs**
- Strong track record for **growing above market rates** in all global territories
- Blue chip commercial and operational capabilities being deployed
- Ambitious sustainable development goals



# **BIC Key Financial Figures**

**14,643** Team members<sup>1</sup>

**€2,263**m Net Sales

**€333m** Adjusted EBIT<sup>2</sup> **14.7%**Adjusted EBIT Margin<sup>2</sup>

**€5.70** Adjusted EPS<sup>2</sup>

**€249m** Free Cash Flow<sup>3</sup>

**€385m**Net Cash Position

**€210m**Shareholder return<sup>4</sup>

<sup>2023</sup> Key Figures

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> BIC workforce includes permanent employees, fixed-term contracts and agency temporary staff

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See glossary in appendix

# BIC's Horizon Strategic Plan, launched in 2020

Expand total addressable markets in fast-growing segments, and apply enhanced commercial execution

Leverage
innovation
capabilities and
global
manufacturing
excellence

Capitalizing on BIC's unique identity, consumercentric brands and market reach

The *Horizon* strategic plan has 5 key objectives:

- Reframing our three categories to accelerate top-line growth
- Taking our sustainable development journey to the next level
- Remaining on a mid-single digit growth trajectory while improving operating margins
- Maintaining strong cash-flow conversion
- Sustaining solid returns to shareholders



# Horizon Strategic Plan: 2025 Financial Objectives

#### **Balancing key initiatives to maximize returns**



**Deliver Sustainable Growth** 

Annual net sales **growth**:

+5% to +7%<sup>1</sup>



**Execute Operating Efficiencies** 

**Adjusted**<sup>2</sup> **EBIT** margin improvement:

~150 bps from 2022 level of 14.0%



**Capture Cash Every Day** 

Free Cash Flow above €220 million in 2024 above €240 million in 2025<sup>3</sup>

Objectives are based on current market assumptions in Appendix

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>At constant currency

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See glossary in appendix

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Above the initial >€200 million objective

# Horizon Strategic Plan: 2023 Achievements



Deliver mid-single digit annual Net Sales growth



Growing aEBIT margin



Free Cash Flow generation >€200 million



Funding profitable growth



Sustainable shareholder return

Net Sales Growth<sup>1</sup>

+9.2%

**aEBIT** margin<sup>2</sup>

+70bps

Free Cash Flow<sup>3</sup>

€249 million

**C**apex

€105 million

Return to Shareholder

€210 million

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> At constant currency

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See glossary in appendix

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Free Cash Flow: before acquisitions and disposals

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Return to shareholder = dividends + share buybacks

# **BIC's Capital Allocation Policy**

**Sustainable Growth and Shareholder Return** 

1. Investments into operations (CAPEX)

Approx. €100m per year Payout ratio in the range of 40-50% of adj. EPS

3. Ordinary Dividend

2. Targeted Acquisitions

On average approx. €100m per year

Regular program

4. Share Buyback

### Focus on BIC's Shareholder Remuneration



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Payable on June 12, 2024, subject to the May 29, 2024, AGM approval - Based on 42,270,689 shares

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Payable on September 18, 2024, subject to the May 29, 2024, AGM approval - Based on 42,270,689 shares

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Dividend per share / Adjusted EPS Group share

# 2024 Financial Outlook

Full Year 2024 Net
Sales are expected
to grow between
+5% and +7% at
constant currency<sup>1</sup>
driven by volumes,
price and mix.

We expect a slight improvement in adjusted EBIT margin in Full Year 2024.

Free Cash Flow is expected to be above €220 million in 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>excluding Argentina net sales due to hyperinflationary context

# **BIC** in a nutshell





**Marcel Bich** launched BIC® Cristal, the first high quality ballpoint pen

1950

International expansion in **Europe Latin** America, Africa and North America

First BIC® lighter.

First BIC® Onepiece shaver

Graphite, coloring and marking

Correction products in

Correction products in Europe

BIC

Wite Out



1973

1975

1979

1992

USA

Tipp-Ex

1997



**Reusable Digital Notebooks** 



2021

**USA's leading** decal brand

INKBOX,

**Semi-permanent Tattoo** 

2022

2023

1998

**First Utility** 

Lighter

First BIC

Sustainable Development Report

2003

Cello pen, Indian leader of writing instruments

2009



**First Temporary Tattoo Marker** 

2018

Lucky Stationery, Nigeria's leading writing instruments player

2019



**Premium Pocket** Lighters



Launch of EZ Reach BIC's first pocket utility lighter in the US **BIC Blade-Tech, B-to-B business** 



BIC<sup>®</sup> EasyRinse<sup>™</sup>

shaver - First-of-itskind blade design and patented anti-clog technology

Launch of EZ Reach pocket utility lighter in **Europe and Brazil** 

Prelaunch of EZ Load utility lighter



## BIC's Balanced and Diversified Portfolio<sup>1</sup>

By Category By Geography



Human Expression

**37%** 



Flame for Life

38%



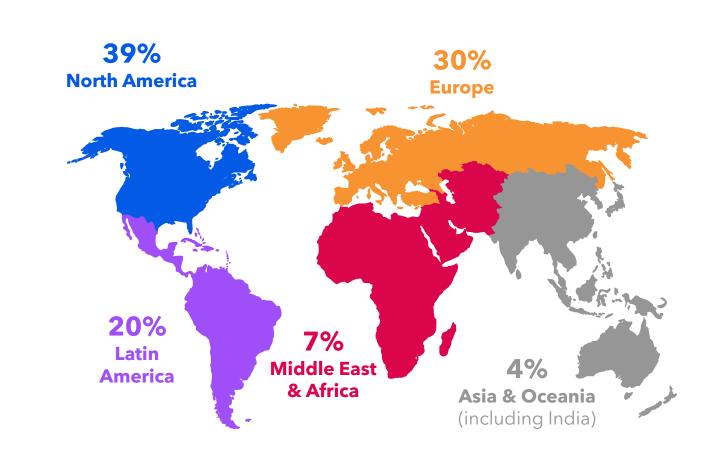
Blade Excellence

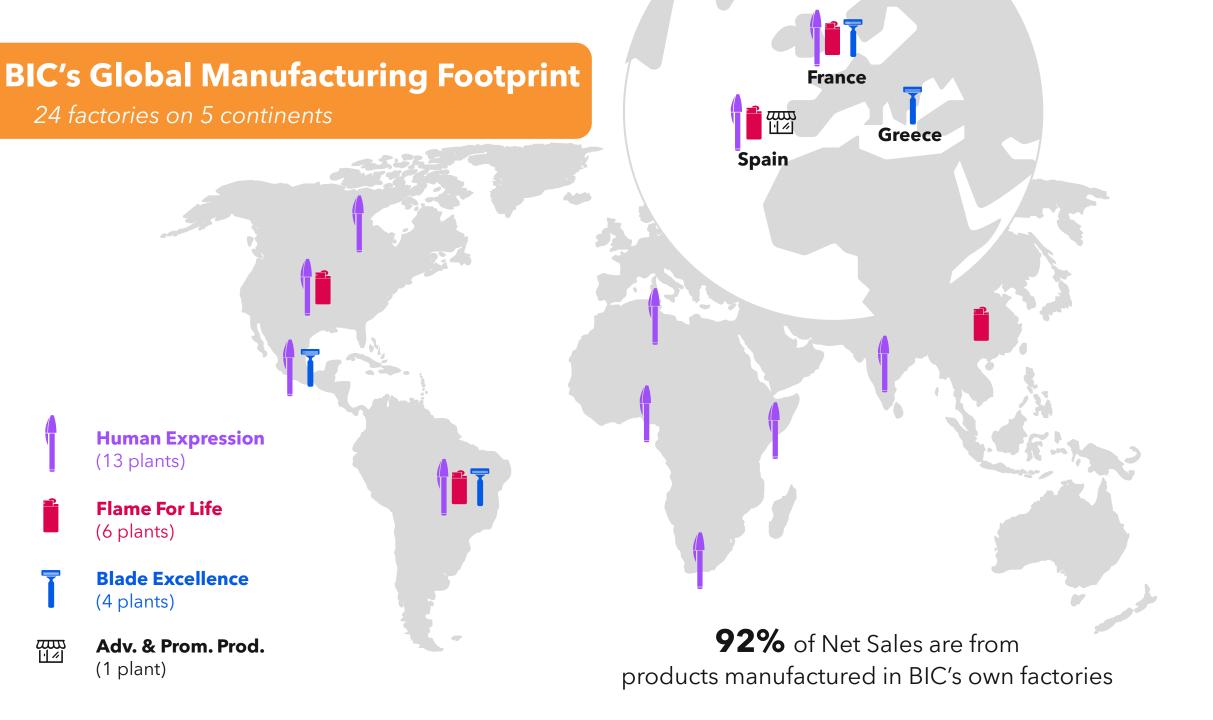
24%



Other products

1%





# **Worldwide Leadership Positions**



#### **Human Expression**

**#2** in total Stationery

(~8% market share in value<sup>1</sup>)

#1 in Ball Pens

**#1** Correction

#1 in Mechanical Pencils























#### **Flame For Life**

**#1** in branded Lighters

(>50% market share in value<sup>1</sup>)

**#1** in Pocket Lighters

#1 in Utility Lighters









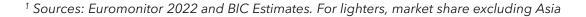
#### **Blade Excellence**

**#2** in One-Piece Shavers (~24% market share in value<sup>1</sup>)









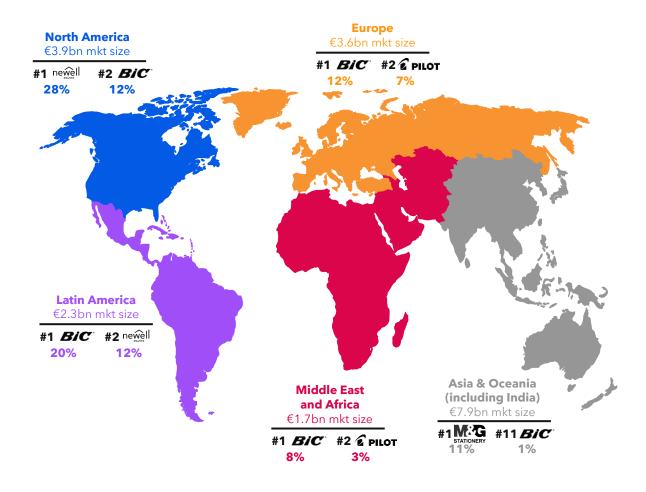


## **Human Expression**



#### **BIC's leadership position in Stationery**

**BIC Global Rank: #2 and Global Share: 8%** 



Market share in value, Euromonitor 2022, Writing instruments market

# **Human Expression: Overview of BIC's markets**

Helping consumers learn, create, share and express themselves

	Writing & Coloring Instruments	Arts & Crafts	Skin Creative	Digital Expression	
Total Addressable Markets	€20.3bn	€10.9bn	€7.7bn	€6.4bn	
Projection	+4% <sup>1</sup> CAGR 2022-2026	+3% <sup>1</sup> CAGR 2021-2026	"Do it Yourself" expected to exceed €1.3bn in 2035	+6% <sup>1</sup> CAGR 2021-2026	
<b>Growth Drivers</b>	Increased literacy rates and education	Kid's creative, Increased Teen and Adult Creative wishes	Self-Expression	Digitalization, increased needs and desire for sharing	

**Brands** 









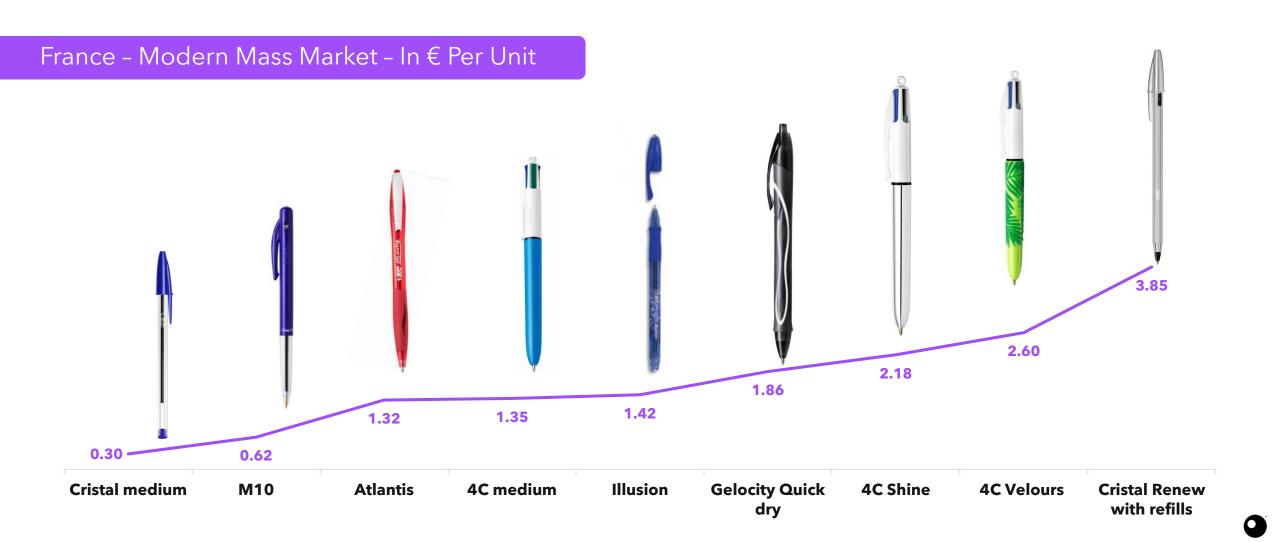








# Core Writing Instruments: from classic to added-value products



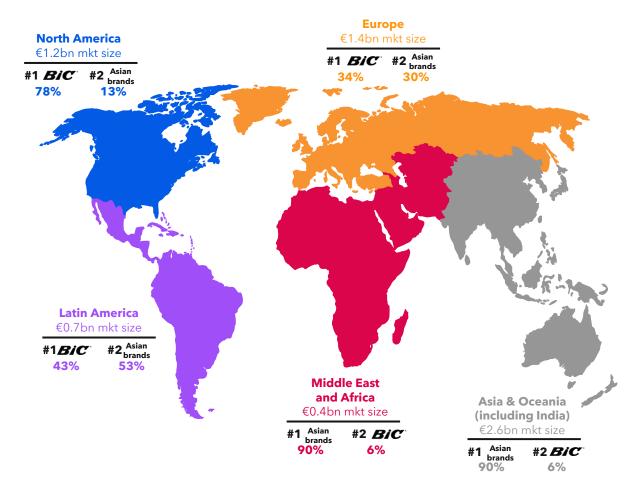
#### Flame For Life



2023 **Net sales** €852m +3.3% growth at cc¹

#### **BIC's leadership position in Lighters**

BIC Global Rank: #1 and Global Share: 53%1



Source: Market share in value, BIC estimates 2022

1. Internal Estimates

#### Flame for Life: BIC's addressable markets for Flames

Providing safe and affordable flames for all lighting occasions

	Tobacco Usages	Selected Non-tobacco Usages		
		Candles	Barbecues	Gas oven
Total Addressable Markets	\$7.1bn <sup>1</sup>	\$6.8bn <sup>2</sup>	\$6.4bn <sup>3</sup>	More than 2/3 of Developed and Developing countries households are
Projection	<b>+2.2%</b> CAGR 2021-2025	+6.5% CAGR 2021-2028	+8.0% CAGR 2021-2023	equipped with a stove, out of which  1/3 are gas stoves
Growth Drivers	Premiumization, product innovation	At home well- being Lifestyle	Cooking Lifestyle	Cooking

**Brands** 









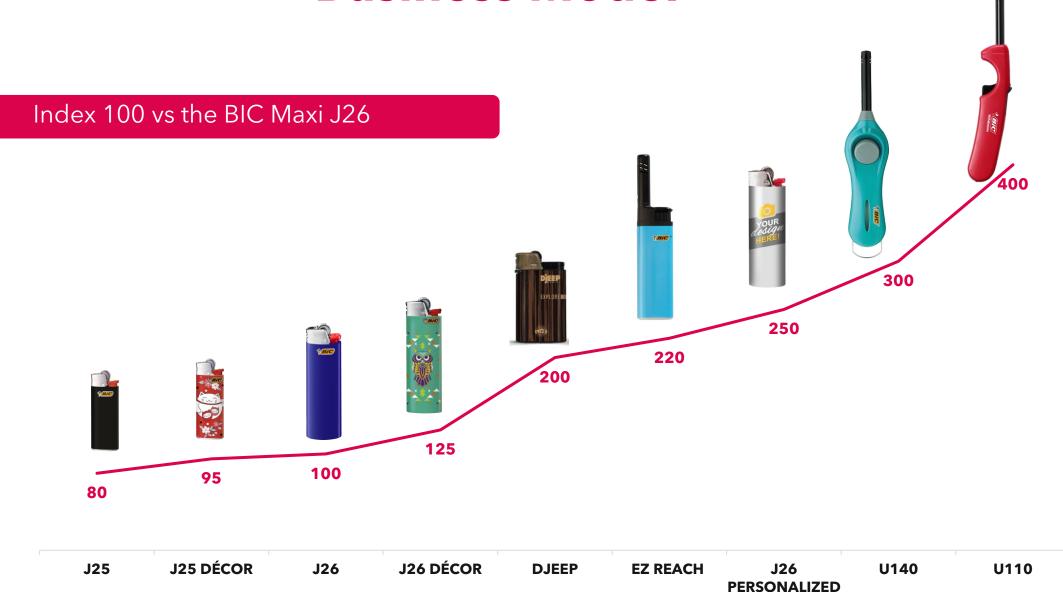


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cigarettes and Cigars - Statista (2021)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Vantage Market Research (2022)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Statista (July 2022)

# Flame for Life: Towards a more value-added Business Model



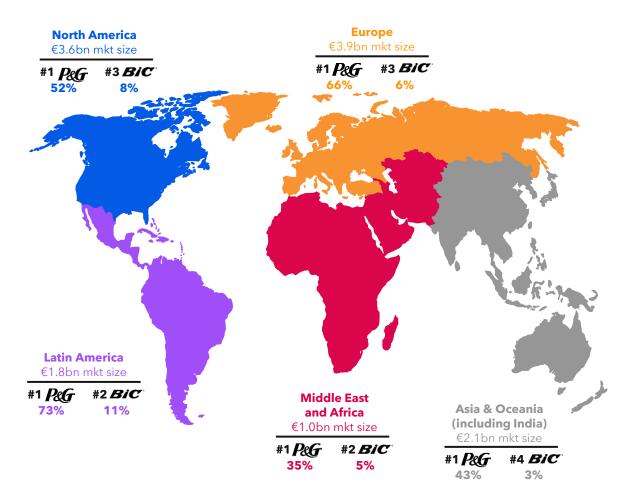
## **Blade Excellence**



2023 **Net sales** €537m +17.8% growth at cc¹

#### **BIC's leadership position in Shavers**

BIC Global Rank: #3 and Global Share: 7%1



Source: Market share in value, Euromonitor 2022, total wet shave market

<sup>1</sup> At constant currency 21

#### Blade Excellence: BIC addressable markets

Total Wet
Shave market

€12.5bn

+7.6%
CAGR 2022-2026

Hygiene Beauty / Style Care/ premiumization

**Double Edge** 3% **One Piece** 38% Refillable 59%

**Breakdown** 

**By Segments** 

**Brands** 

**Growth Drivers** 

**Total Addressable** 

**Markets** 

**Projection** 





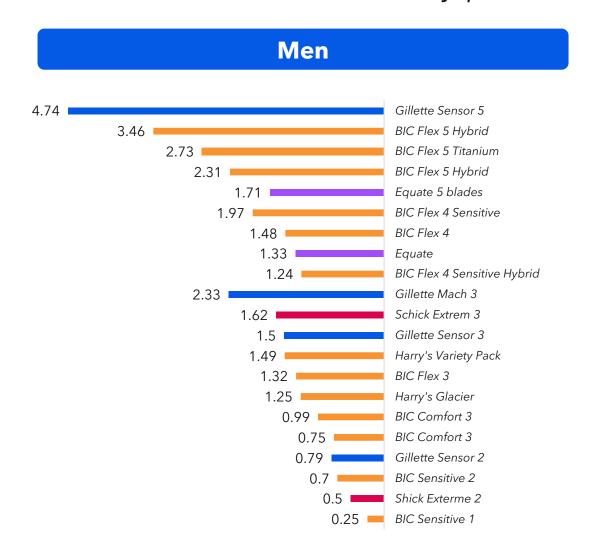


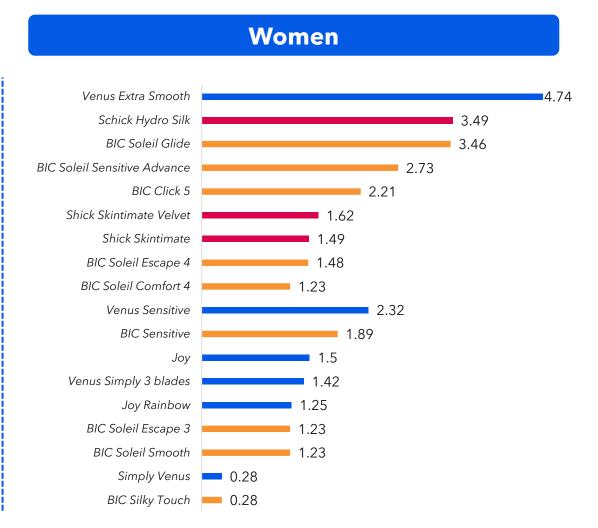
Source: Euromonitor 2022



# **Snapshot of Wet Shave Market where BIC operates**

BIC Value for Money products (Walmart US - Price per blade - 2022)



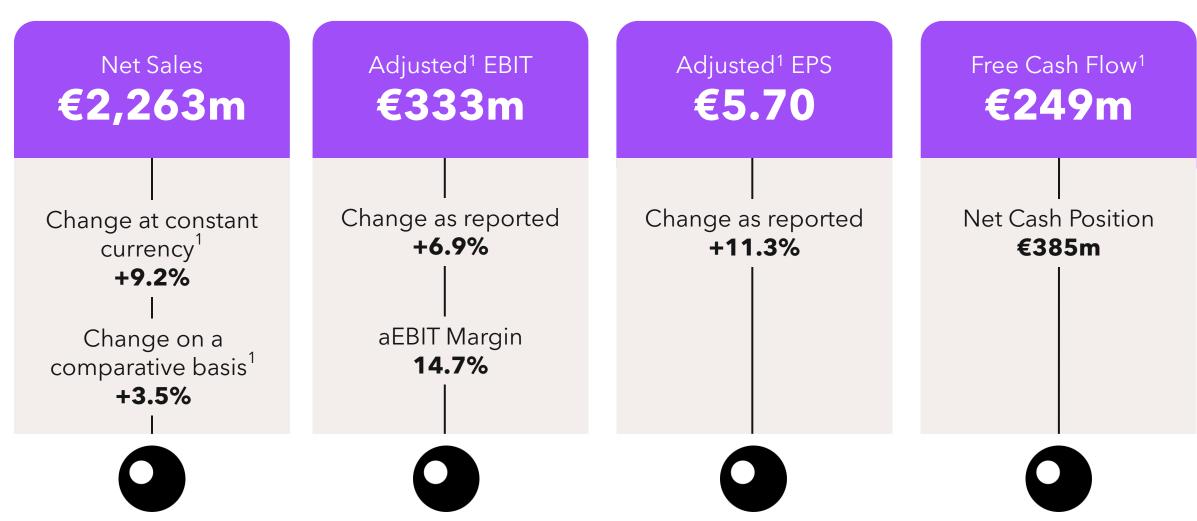




# Operational and Consolidated Results FY 2023



# **2023 Key Financial Figures**



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See glossary in appendix

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Free Cash Flow: before acquisitions and disposals

# **2023 Category Performance Snapshot**

#### **Human Expression**



Double digit Net Sales growth in **eCommerce** driven by solid execution

Value proposition driving share gains in developed markets

**Distribution gains** in Latin America, Europe and Middle East and Africa

#### Flame For Life



Solid commercial execution across Europe, Latin America and Middle East and Africa Success of **added-value lighters** such as EZ Reach

US lighter business impacted by unfavorable comparable basis in Q1 2023 and competitive imports from Asia

#### **Blade Excellence**



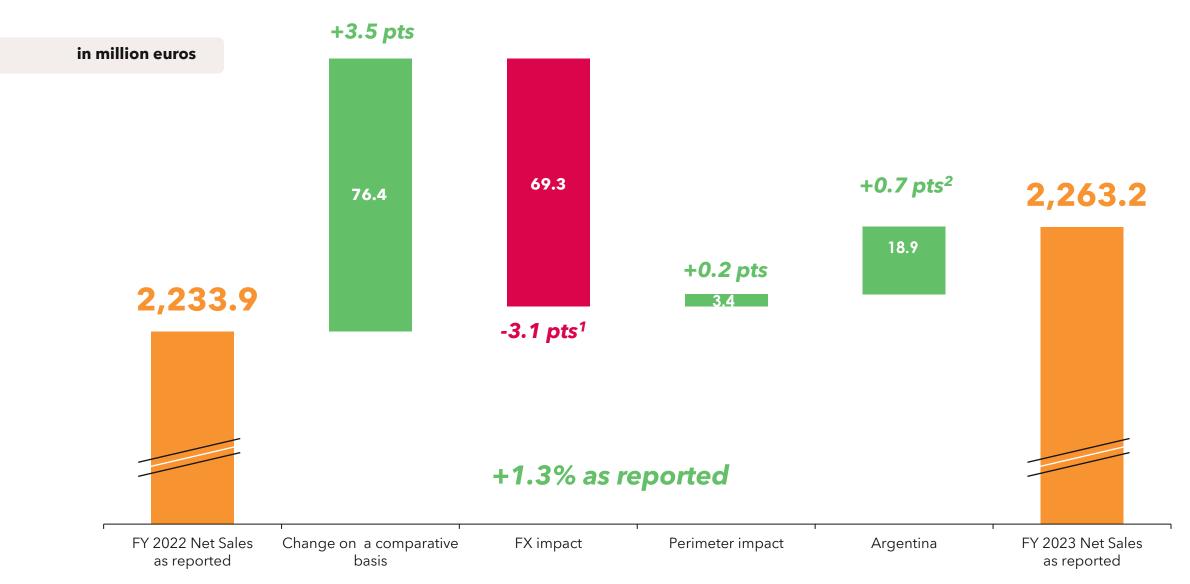
**Double-digit Net Sales growth** in Europe, Latin America and Middle East and Africa regions Performance in 3 and 5 blade shavers driving growth ahead of the market, in all key regions

Strong net sales
performance for addedvalue and new
products

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> At constant currency versus 2022

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See glossary in appendix

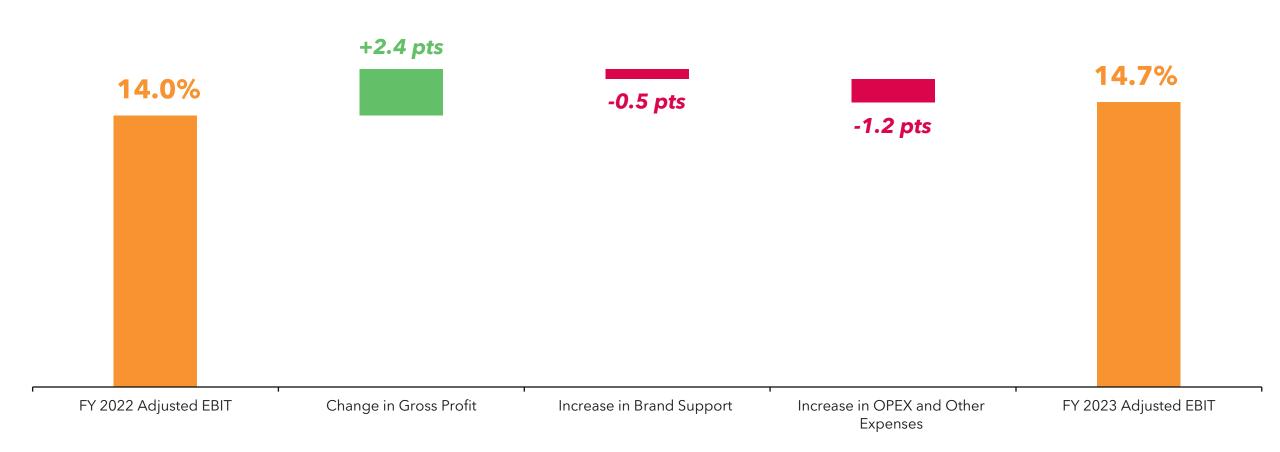
## **FY 2023 Net Sales Evolution**



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See detail of FX impact by currency on page 32

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Argentina increase at constant currency +5.5 pts and FX impact (ARS) -4.8 pts

# FY 2023: Key Components of Change in adjusted<sup>1</sup> **EBIT Margin**



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See glossary in appendix

# **FY 2023 Profit & Loss Account**

From adjusted EBIT to Net Income

in million euros	FY 2022	FY 2023
Adjusted EBIT <sup>1</sup>	311.7	333.1
Non- recurring items	(8.2)	(12.6)
EBIT	303.5	320.5
Finance revenues/costs <sup>2</sup>	(26.1)	(7.5)
Income before Tax <sup>2</sup>	277.4	313.0
Net Income Group share <sup>2</sup>	198.6	226.5
EPS Group share (in euros) <sup>2</sup>	4.52	5.30
Adjusted EPS Group share (in euros)	5.12	5.70



chain relocation plan & Inkbox reorganization

**€(1.4)m** related to Lucky Stationery Ltd (Nigeria), Rocketbook earnout and acquisition costs **€(4.4)m** related to unfavorable French pensions **€(6.8)m** restructuring costs including US Supply

#### Finance revenues/costs mainly due to:

- 2022 fair value adjustment related to the VPPA<sup>2</sup> in Greece
- 2023 income from cash and cash equivalents increase

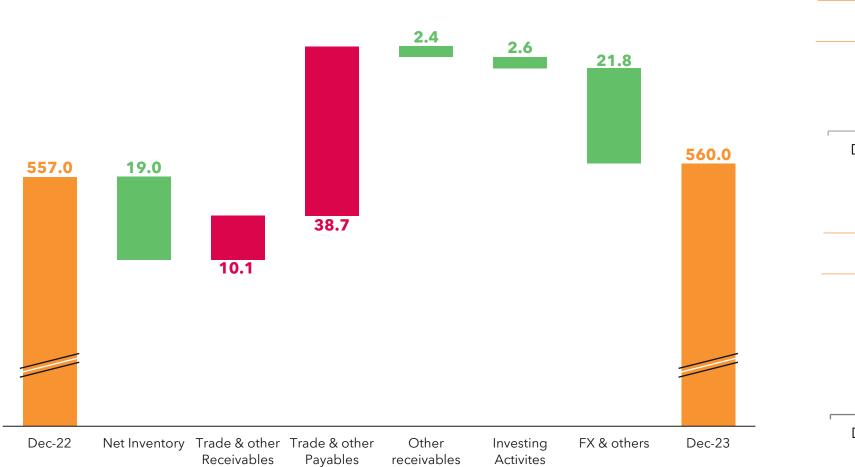
**42,740,269** average outstanding shares (net of treasury shares)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See glossary in appendix

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Corrected to take into account the Virtual Power Purchase Agreement in 2022

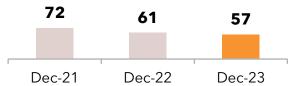
# **Working Capital Evolution**

#### in million euros

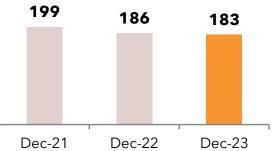


and payables

#### **Receivables in Days**<sup>1</sup>





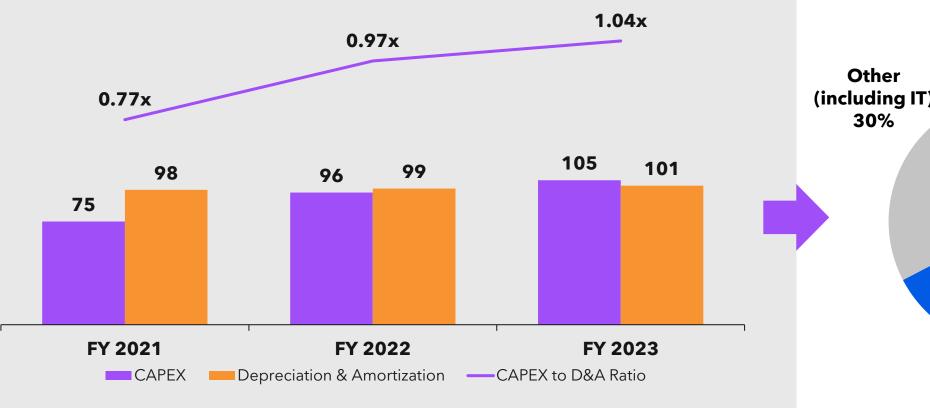


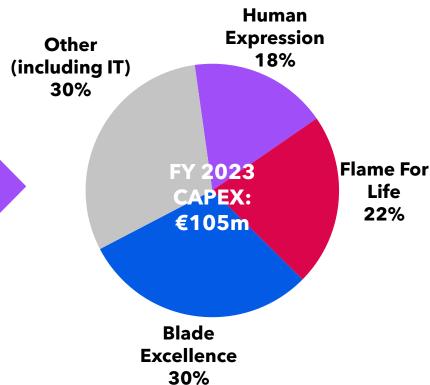
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Number of days in net sales (DSO)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Number of days in costs of goods (DIO)

# **Capex and Depreciation & Amortization**

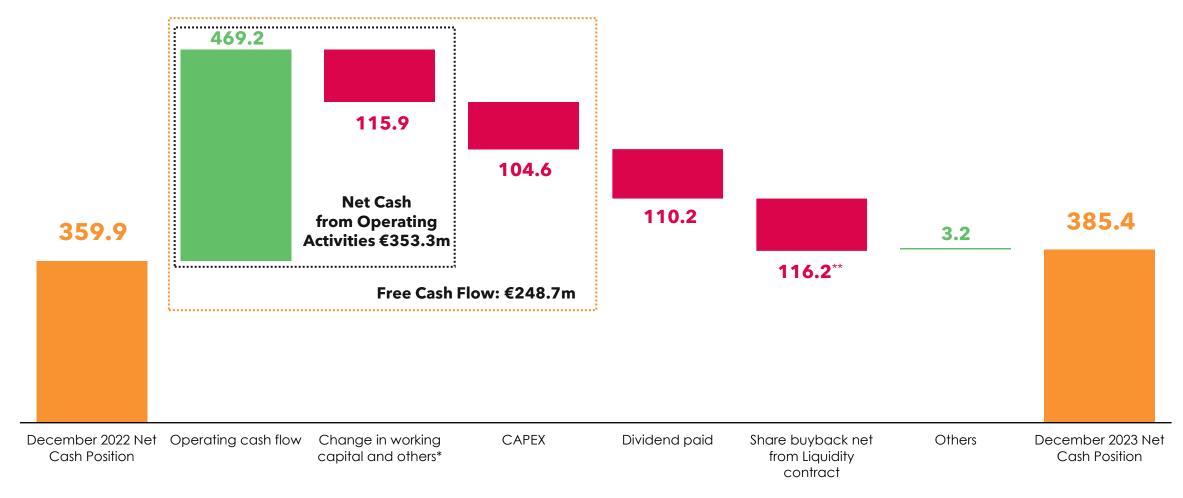
in million euros





## **FY 2023 Net Cash Position**

#### in million euros



<sup>\*</sup> Including income tax paid and pensions contribution

<sup>\*\*</sup> Includes in 2023 €100 million of share buyback for cancellation and €16.2 million of free shares to be granted (long term incentives)

# Corporate Social Responsibility & Sustainable Development



# **BIC's Historical Sustainable Development Journey**



The BIC® Cristal pen is a symbol of Marcel Bich's philosophy: "Just what's necessary"



2009

First manufacturer of Writing
Instruments to earn the French
Ecolabel

A new ambition to mobilize the Group to achieve 2025 objectives



2017



2022

BIC initiates an innovative BIC a circular economy model in empartnership with Ubicuity

**Ubicuity**™

BIC announced its 2030 GHG emission reduction targets





Launch of the Life Cycle
Assessment for Pens, Lighters
and Shaver (the starting point for
BIC eco-design expertise) and
Sustainable Development
Program

2015

Establishment of the BIC Foundation for Education



2021

BIC integrates EMA, the Group's sustainable scorecard for product evaluation and improvement, to evaluate a products' environmental and societal impacts



# **BIC's Long-lasting Products with Low Environmental Impact**

days of shaving with the BIC® Easy / BIC® Hybrid and its six refill blades



3km

Up to 3 kilometers of writing for a BIC Cristal



3,000

flames for a BIC® Maxi lighter 16

flagship products in the BIC® range have earned the NF Environnement ecolabel





BIC® Ecolutions®, a complete line of writing products made from recycled materials



# **BIC's ESG Program and Objectives**

#### 2025 and 2030 Objectives

#### 2023 Achievements

#### UN SDGs<sup>1</sup>

**#1** Fostering **Sustainable** innovation in **BIC**<sup>®</sup> products:

By 2025, BIC will have 100% reusable, recyclable or compostable plastic packaging.

By 2030, BIC aims for 50% non-virgin petroleum plastic for its products.

81% reusable, recyclable or compostable plastic in consumer packaging 8% of non-virgin petroleum plastic in products













#2 Acting against climate change:

By 2025, BIC will use 100% renewable electricity.

91% of renewable electricity in 2023











#3 Committing to a safe work environment:





#4 Proactively involvina suppliers:

By 2025, BIC will work responsibly with its strategic suppliers to ensure the most secure, innovative and efficient sourcing.

83% of BIC's strategic suppliers have integrated the responsible purchasing program







#5 Improving lives through education:

By 2025, BIC will improve learning conditions for 250

Learning conditions improved for 199 million children since 2018 (cumulative







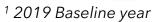






# BIC's Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emission reduction targets for 2030<sup>1</sup>





# **BIC's Global Memberships and ESG Ratings**



**UN Global Compact** 



TCFD supporter



French Business Climate Pledge member



Overall score: 58/100 Rank in sector: 6/72



**CDP- Climate Leadership level A-**



**Rating AAA** 



Overall score: 53 Rank in sector: 94th

percentile



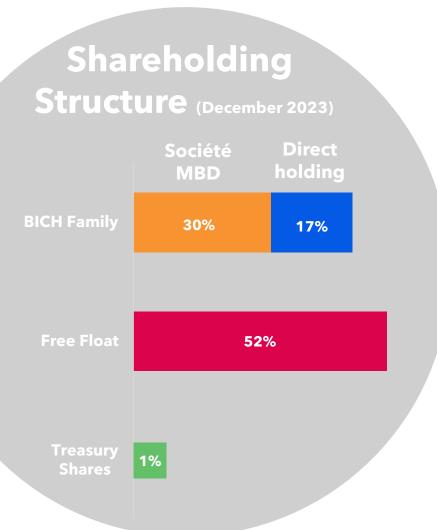
ISS - ESG corporate rating of C+ Quality in the Governance Category Award "Prime"



# Governance



A Family-Controlled Company with Solid Corporate Governance







# Board of Directors (as of December 31, 2023)



**Nikos Koumettis** Non-Executive Chair and Independent Director



**Gonzalve Bich** Chief Executive Officer

#### **Committees**





Remuneration





**Timothée Bich** 



Marie-Aimée ooo Bich-Dufour (\\)



**Carole Callebaut Piwnica** Independent director





**Maëlys Castella** Independent director



**Pascal Chevallier** 



Véronique Laury



Héla Madiouni



Candace Matthews Independent Director



Société MBD (Edouard Bich)



**Jake Schwartz** Independent director :::





## **Executive Committee**



**Gonzalve Bich** Chief Executive Officer



**Chad Spooner** Chief Financial Officer



**Elizabeth Maul** Group Insights, Innovation & Sustainability Officer





**Mallory Martino** Chief Human Resources Officer



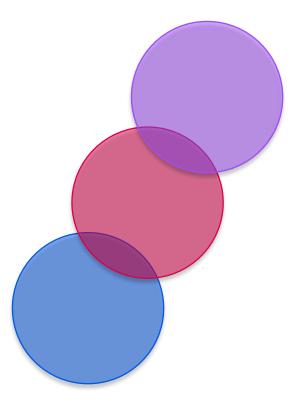
Sara LaPorta Group Strategy and Business **Development Officer** 

**François Clément-Grandcourt** 

Group Lighters General



**Esther Wick** Group General Counsel



**Gary Horsfield** 

Group Supply Chain Officer

**Chester Twigg** Group Commercial Officer



**Jonathan Skyrme** General Manager, Skin Creative



# Appendices





# **Capital and Voting Rights**

As of December 31, 2023, the total number of issued shares of Société BIC is 42,270,689 shares representing:

- 62,516,167 voting rights.
- 62,064,440 voting rights excluding shares without voting rights

Total number of treasury shares held at the end of December 2023: 451,727



# Glossary

- **Constant currency basis:** Constant currency figures are calculated by translating the current year figures at prior year monthly average exchange rates.
- Organic change or Comparative basis: At constant currencies and constant perimeter. Figures at constant perimeter exclude the impact of acquisitions and/or disposals that occurred during the current year and/or during the previous year, until their anniversary date. All Net Sales category comments are made on a comparative basis. Organic change excludes Argentina Net Sales.
- **EBITDA:** EBIT before Depreciation, Amortization (excluding amortization of right of use under IFRS 16 standard) and impairment.
- Adjusted EBIT: Adjusted means excluding normalized items.
- Adjusted EBIT margin: adjusted EBIT as a percentage of Net Sales.
- **Net Cash from operating activities**: Cash generated from principal activities of the entity and other activities that are not investing or financing activities.
- **Free Cash Flow:** Net cash flow from operating activities less capital expenditures (capex). Free cash flow does not include acquisitions and proceeds from the sale of businesses.
- **Net cash position:** Cash and cash equivalents + Other current financial assets Current borrowings Non-current borrowings (except financial liabilities following IFRS 16 implementation).

## **Disclaimer**

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A description of the risks borne by BIC appears in section Risks Management of BIC's 2023 Universal Registration Document filed with the French financial markets authority ("AMF") on March 28, 2024.