

## FRUIT STARCH SUGAR

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## (FINANCIAL) HIGHLIGHTS INTRODUCTION & BUSINESS OVERVIEW

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### STRATEGIC POSITIONING B2B WE ALL CONSUME AGRANA (PRODUCTS)

At the beginning there is always agriculture...





AGRANA refines agrarian raw materials...



AGRANA supplies the Big Names...



confectionery, beverage, fermentation industries, food retailers; paper, textile, pharmaceutical industries; feed industry; dairy, ice-cream, bakery industries and many more



We all consume AGRANA every day without noticing it...





### AGRANA PRODUCTS IN DAILY LIFE

### AT A GLANCE



- Fruit juice concentrates customers are fruit juice and beverage bottlers and fillers
- Fruit preparations are special customized products for
  - the dairy industry,
  - the baked products industry,
  - the ice-cream industry.

- AGRANA produces starch and special starch products
- Starch is a complex carbohydrate which is insoluble in water. Starch is used in food processing e.g. as thickener and for technical purposes e.g. in the paper manufacturing process
- Bioethanol is part of our starch business

Sugar is sold

- to consumers via the food trade and
- to manufacturers: e.g. soft drinks industry, confectionery industry, fermentation industry, other food and beverage industries



## REVENUE BY PRODUCT GROUP (2019|20)





 Fruit preparations (dairy and non-dairy)
 Fruit juice concentrates
 Other juice core products (compounds, NFC, fruit wines, etc.)
 Fruit reselling, frozen fruits, etc.
 Other services





- Native and modified starches Saccharification products
- Alcohol and ethanol
- Other core products (dairy and instant products, long-life potato products, etc.)
- By-products (protein products, DDGS, gluten, etc.)
- Others (soy, dried beet pulp, etc.)





Sugar: Industrial customers Sugar: Resellers By-products (molasses, beet pulp, etc.) Others (products of INSTANTINA, seed, services, etc.)



## 56 PRODUCTION SITES WORLDWIDE SEGMENTATION BY SEGMENT

#### FRUIT

26 fruit preparations plants and 15 fruit juice concentrate plants



#### STARCH

5 starch plants (incl. 2 bioethanol plants)

Countries with production sites

Main markets

 $\triangle$  Starch plants

A Bioethanol

plants

### SUGAR

7 sugar beet plants 2 raw sugar refineries (& Instantina)





## **GROWTH BY STRATEGY**

Customer- and marketoriented growth in CEE and Southeastern Europe

Organic growth, and adding value by tailor-made products

Customer- and market-oriented global growth



#### **Synergies**

Use synergies between business segments to position the Group optimally for the increasingly volatile operating environment in the segments

#### Investor and customer value from

Balance of risk

Exchange of know-how

Cost savings through synergies

#### **Capital market**

A long-term asset for shareholders



## H1 2020 21 OVERVIEW

- Revenue: € 1,309.3 m (prior year: € 1,250.0 m)
- EBIT:  $\in$  55.8 m (prior year:  $\in$  51.7 m)
- EBIT margin: 4.3% (prior year: 4.1%)
- COVID-19 pandemic continued to be a defining issue for AGRANA in the financial second quarter
- Nevertheless, EBIT in H1 2020 21 moderately above prior year
- Much of the stability of AGRANAs business performance can be credited to its diversification







World market leader in the production of PREPARATIONS and largest manufacturer of fruit juice concentrates in Europe



Major European manufacturer of customised STAR

PRODUCTS and bioethanol



Group revenue

in 2019|20 FY

Leading SUGAR SUPPLIER in Central, Eastern & Southeastern Europe



# PROJECTS





## $\frac{\text{most important projects in the group}}{\text{INVESTMENT OVERVIEW}}$

€m



### Q1 2020|21

#### FRUIT

- Wastewater treatment in Jacona, Mexico
- Additional production line in Central Mangrove, Australia
- Expansion of warehouse for finished product in Chung-Buk, South Korea

#### **STARCH**

- Expansion of the corn starch derivatives plant in Aschach, Austria
- Measures to increase specialty corn processing in Aschach
- Optimisation work at the wheat starch plant in Pischelsdorf, Austria

#### SUGAR

• Conversion of the energy supply to gas in Sered', Slovakia

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### BIGGEST PROJECT IN FY 2020|21 MANUFACTURE OF CRYSTALLINE BETAINE

- New betaine plant was successfully commissioned in August 2020 and the market launch of the crystalline product has begun
- JV between AGRANA and The Amalgamated Sugar Company (Boise, Idaho|USA)
- Investment: approx. € 40 million (AGRANA: € 20 million)
- 16 new jobs
- Production capacity of around 8,500 metric tonnes of crystalline betaine per year





- Total investment across the three business segments in the 2020|21 financial year, at approximately € 73 million
- Significantly below both the 2019|20 capital expenditure (€ ~150 m) and this year's budgeted depreciation € 120 m
- Implementation phase after completion of major projects and capacity expansion in recent years

Investment split 2020|21 (€ ~73 million)



Fruit Starch Sugar





## AGRANA SHARE

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## DIVIDEND AND EARNINGS PER SHARE



**Dividend yield** (based on the closing share price at the last balance sheet date): **4.4%** 

\*EPS and DPS adjusted; after the four-for-one stock split performed in July 2018, all EPS and DPS values are based on the number of shares outstanding at 29 February 2020, which was 62,488,976.



#### CURRENT STATUS SHAREHOLDER STRUCTURE



<sup>1</sup> Directly held by Südzucker

## Q1 2020|21 SEGMENT OVERVIEW INCL. CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS







Q1 2020 21 VS PRIOR YEAR REVENUE BY SEGMENT







FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR Q1 2020|21



EBIT €m



#### **REVENUE slightly down**

- Revenue from **fruit preparations** fell slightly due to lower sales volumes
- In the fruit juice concentrate activities, revenue was down moderately from a year ago, also for volume reasons

#### **EBIT significantly lower than in prior year**

- Reasons for the deterioration lay primarily in the **fruit** juice concentrate business
  - Reduced delivery volumes in combination with lower contribution margins of apple juice concentrates produced from the 2019 crop
- Earnings in **fruit preparations** were moderately below the prior year's level
  - Improvement in EBIT in Mexico and savings in administration were offset by earnings decreases in South America and China (lower sales volumes mainly due to coronavirus effects)



### FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR Q1 2020|21 STARCH SEGMENT





#### **REVENUE** at € 204.4 m slightly below prior year

- With full operation of the new, second wheat starch plant, sales volumes and revenues of the products manufactured in-house rose significantly yoy
- Decline in revenues from resold merchandise caused by charging sugar by-product sales on a commission basis
- Platts ethanol quotations collapsed in March 2020 amid the COVID-19 lockdown and significant drop in demand for petrol, but recovered again in the course of the rest of the financial quarter

#### **EBIT** moderately down to € 17.0 million

- Weaker market demand dampened prices and put pressure on margins
- On the cost side, savings in energy and material costs in connection with the COVID-19 measures were beneficial for earnings, but the commissioning of the new wheat starch plant led to significantly higher depreciation
- HUNGRANA: earnings impact of lower sales volumes and margins for isoglucose and other saccharification products was more than made up for by increased sales of alcohol (disinfectants)



FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR Q1 2020|21



#### **REVENUE** up to € 144.5 million

- This was significantly up from one year earlier
- Both higher sugar selling prices and increased sugar sales volumes led to this positive development



#### **EBIT still negative**

- EBIT in the first three months of 2020|21 was still negative at a deficit of € 1.0 million
- But improved substantially compared to the same quarter of the previous year due to a better sales price environment



## CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

€m (condensed)	Q1 2020 21	Q1 2019 20	Change
Revenue	652.6	638.4	+2.2%
EBITDA <sup>1</sup>	54.7	51.5	+6.2%
Operating profit before except. items and results of equity-accounted JV	28.1	27.5	+2.2%
Share of results of equity-accounted JV	3.9	3.4	+14.7%
EBIT	32.0	30.9	+3.6%
EBIT margin	4.9%	4.8%	+0.1pp
Net financial items	(6.1)	(3.8)	-60.5%
Profit before tax	25.9	27.1	-4.4%
Income tax expense	(6.7)	(8.8)	+23.9%
Profit for the period	19.2	18.3	+4.9%
Attributable to shareholders of the parent	18.8	16.7	+12.6%
Earnings per share	€ 0.30	€ 0.27	+11.1%

<sup>1</sup> EBITDA represents operating profit before exceptional items, results of equityaccounted joint ventures, and operating depreciation and amortisation.



## ANALYSIS OF NET FINANCIAL ITEMS

€m	Q1 2020 21	Q1 2019 20	Change
Net interest expense	(2.0)	(1.6)	-25.0%
Currency translation differences	(2.9)	(1.8)	-61.1%
Other financial items	(1.2)	(0.4)	>-100%
Total	(6.1)	(3.8)	-60.5%



## CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

€m (condensed)	Q1 2020 21	Q1 2019 20	Change
Operating cash flow before changes in working capital	56.0	47.9	+16.9%
Changes in working capital	(48.9)	(71.3)	+31.4%
Total of interest paid/received and tax paid, net	(4.5)	(7.3)	+38.4%
Net cash from/(used in) operating activities	2.6	(30.7)	>+100%
Net cash (used in) investing activities	(21.1)	(34.6)	+39.0%
Net cash from financing activities	17.8	71.8	-75.2%
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(0.7)	6.5	>-100%



## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

€m (condensed)	31 May 2020	29 Feb. 2020	Change
Non-current assets	1,314.6	1,331.9	-1.3%
Current assets	1,208.5	1,217.5	-0.7%
Total assets	2,523.1	2,549.4	-1.0%

Equity	1,386.4	1,387.1	-0.1%
Non-current liabilities	559.8	565.3	-1.0%
Current liabilities	576.9	597.0	-3.4%
Total equity and liabilities	2,523.1	2,549.4	-1.0%
Equity ratio	54.9%	54.4%	+0,5pp
Net debt	485.8	464.0	+4.7%
Gearing	35.0%	33.5%	+1.5pp



# FRUIT

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## FRUIT SEGMENT - BUSINESS MODEL

#### FRUIT PREPARATIONS

- Based on mostly frozen fruits
- Tailor-made customer products (several thousand recipes worldwide)
- Customers: dairy, bakery and ice cream industry
- Shelf life of the fruit preparation ~6 weeks -> necessity to produce regionally

#### FRUIT JUICE CONCENTRATES

- Based on fresh fruits
- Production in the growing area of the fruits (water content and quality of the fruits don't allow far transports)
- Customers: bottling industry
- Shelf life of fruit juice concentrates ~2 years -> can be shipped around the world





**MARKET POSITION** 

#### FRUIT PREPARATIONS

- World Market Leader in Fruit preparations global market share > 30%
- The emerging markets are overall showing good market growth rates, while the market's sales volumes of fruit preparations in Europe and the US are stagnating at a high absolute level

#### FRUIT JUICE CONCENTRATES

- Largest producer of fruit juice concentrates in Europe (AUSTRIA JUICE)
- In general, optimisation measures taken in previous years show their positive effects
- Customer portfolio extended and new markets

#### 27 FRUIT PREPARATION PLANTS & 15 FRUIT JUICE CONCENTRATE PLANTS



Countries with production sitesPotential growth regions



MARKET ENVIRONMENT IN Q1 2020|21

#### **Fruit preparations**

- Main target market, fruit yoghurt, is being slightly negatively influenced by the COVID-19 pandemic
- Current forecasts by Euromonitor show global growth rate for yoghurt of 1.8% in the calendar year 2020
- 0.5 percentage points below the growth rate predicted before the outbreak of the coronavirus crisis
- Products aimed at boosting the immune system have great short- and medium-term market potential
- Despite these opportunities, global threat of recession is driving trend towards lower-priced and simpler products

#### Fruit juice concentrates

- Demand for apple juice concentrate remained solid this spring and was able to be met from the 2019 crop
- For the upcoming **berry campaign**, demand is expected to remain stable at the level of the prior year



# STARCH

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## MARKET POSITION

#### Austrian production sites:

- Potato starch factory in Gmünd
- Corn starch plant in Aschach
- Wheat starch & bioethanol plant in Pischelsdorf
- Operational management and coordination of international holdings in Hungary and Romania
- The bioethanol business also forms part of the Starch segment
- Focus on highly refined speciality products
- Innovative, customer-driven products supported by application advice
- Leading position in organic and in GMO-free starches for the food industry





## SPECIALISATION STRATEGY



#### FOOD

- Growth in products from special raw materials (market leadership)
- Growth in starch derivatives for fruit preparations
- Growth in "high care"-starches

#### NON-FOOD

- Growth in (special applications for) paper, textile & cardboard industry
- Innovation and market leadership in
  - Special applications for construction industry
  - Adhesive (sack adhesive)
- Growth in cosmetics industry



## MARKET ENVIRONMENT IN Q1 2020|21

- Global COVID-19 pandemic also impacts product markets of the Starch segment
  - After a **strong month for sales in March 2020**, sales volumes of some product groups, such as saccharification products declined in the following two months
  - Complete standstill of the hotel and catering sector and changes in the amount of retail space allocated (more shelf space given to basic foodstuffs)
- Demand from the European paper and corrugated board industry is currently weak
  - Many graphic paper manufacturers significantly reduced their capacity during the COVID-19 lockdown.
- Bioethanol business in the first quarter was defined by a slump in Platts quotations
  - Following the global spread of the COVID-19 epidemic, ethanol prices fell to an alltime low (€ 350 per cubic metre FOB Rotterdam)
  - In the meantime, prices have settled within a band between € 550 and € 600 per cubic metre
  - Fuel demand in Europe fell by about 50% in April 2020
  - Volume losses in the refinery business were offset by sales into the disinfection segment



### <u>1 JANUARY 2017 – 21 SEPTEMBER 2020 (EUR)</u> ETHANOL AND PETROL PRICES




### AGRANA BIOETHANOL ACTIVITIES

#### PISCHELSDORF (Austria)

- Total investment: € 125 million
- Capacity: up to 240,000m<sup>3</sup> (= 190,000 tonnes)
- Production start: June 2008
- Raw material base: wheat, corn and sugar beet thick juice\*
- By-products: up to 190,000 tonnes of ActiProt© (animal feed)

#### HUNGRANA (Hungary)

- Investment volume: ~ € 100 m (50% share held by AGRANA: ~ € 50 m)
  - for grind increase from 1,500 to 3,000 tonnes/day
  - for isoglucose capacity increase due to quota increase
  - for bioethanol expansion
- Capacity: up to 187,000 m<sup>3</sup>
- Conclusion of expansion programme: July 2008
- Raw material base: corn





\* in the meantime also B+C starches



# SUGAR

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## BENEFIT FROM THE STRONG MARKET POSITION IN CEE AND SEE

- CEE area will continue to be a "sugar deficit region" (AGRANA is located in these main deficit areas)
  - Complexity in logistics and costs from Western Europe are somehow a protection of intra-EU imports
  - Defend and extend existing market share in CEE
- AGRANA has established long-term relationships with key sugar producers in the LDCs and ACPs (duty-freeimports)
- Uncertain market development requires continuous flexibility





High volatility expected

	MARKET POSITION
Austria	#1
Hungary	#1
Czech Republic	#2
Slovakia	#2
Romania	n/a
Bosnia and Herzegovina	n/a
Bulgaria	n/a



MARKET ENVIRONMENT IN Q1 2020|21

- World sugar market
  - As a result of the COVID-19-induced current sharp reduction in confidence, the historic slump in oil prices and a generally very uncertain consumption outlook, sugar prices fell globally
  - **Raw sugar** price fell to a thirteen-year low in April 2020
  - Towards the end of the reporting period, sugar quotations recovered somewhat from the lows (-> i.e. rebound in the oil market)
- EU sugar market
  - 2019 | 20 SMY: sugar production in the EU was about 17.4 million tonnes
  - According to the latest estimate from May 2020, the European Commission expects a similar production volume for SMY 2020 | 21
  - Since the end of sugar quotas, average sugar prices as per the EU price reporting system have declined significantly
    - By January 2019 the price was only € 312 per tonne; in the 2019 calendar year, the price of sugar in the EU recovered steadily; price of € 379 per tonne was reported in April 2020



## RAW SUGAR & WHITE SUGAR





### WORLD SUGAR PRODUCTION & CONSUMPTION



Million tonnes

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SUGAR PRICE REPORTING

#### MONTHLY EU AVERAGE PRICES (SEPTEMBER 2011 TO SEPTEMBER 2020; € PER TONNE)

750 FY 2020|21 650 550 450 Jul. 20: 378€/t 404 €/t 350 250 Nav2012 2012 September 2012 Nav 2017 2017 September 2017 September 2020 181118112018 September 2011 January 2012 1<sup>A</sup>20<sup>A</sup>20<sup>15</sup>20<sup>15</sup>20<sup>15</sup>20<sup>15</sup>20<sup>16</sup>20<sup>16</sup>20<sup>16</sup>20<sup>17</sup> per 10<sup>20</sup> M<sup>20</sup> M<sup>20</sup> M<sup>21</sup>20<sup>16</sup>20<sup>16</sup>20<sup>16</sup>20<sup>17</sup> 10<sup>10</sup> M<sup>20</sup> M<sup>20</sup> M<sup>21</sup>20<sup>15</sup>20<sup>15</sup>20<sup>16</sup>20<sup>16</sup>20<sup>16</sup>20<sup>17</sup> 10<sup>10</sup> September 10<sup>20</sup> M<sup>20</sup> M<sup>20</sup> May 2020 12 2012 2013 2013 2013 2014 2014 2014 Det 2012 Nav per 12 2013 2014 2014 2014 Lanuary Nav per 12 2013 2014 2014 2014 

Source: European Commission (as of 24 September 2020) and SugarOnline (as of 24 September 2020)

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### 2020|21 COVID-19





#### FOCUS ON FOOD (REVENUE IN 2019|20) REVENUE SPLIT FOOD VS NON-FOOD



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Food Non-Food

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#### **Business areas with higher risk / potentially negatively impacted:**

- Ethanol / Starch
- Non-food / Starch
- Food service / Fruit preparations

#### **General risks:**

- Logistics / supply chain
- FX-impact (worldwide presence)

#### No production sites, but sales activities:

- Italy
- Spain



STRATEGY FOR THE FUTURE

## With its **diversified business model** and sound balance sheet, AGRANA considers itself well positioned for the future.

Execute properly and utilise our **growth projects** (e.g. wheat starch plant II, China FP II)

**Working capital** improvements -> to get financial resources free

### (Risk) diversification →means crisis resistance

**Food industry is less sensitive** than other industries (e.g. car industry) to economic slow-downs

Push forward the **organisational harmonisation** projects -> increase efficiencies



## 2020|21 OUTLOOK AND NEWS





- Current sugar beet growing area necessitates streamlining sugar production in Austria
- On 25 August 2020, the Supervisory Board of AGRANA Beteiligungs-AG approved the closure of the sugar factory at the Leopoldsdorf, Austria, site in December 2020 after this year's beet campaign
  - In the event that by mid-November 2020 there is no assurance that at least 38,000 hectares of beet will be planted in Austria for the 2021 campaign
- From today's perspective, the restructuring costs associated with the permanent closure would amount to up to EUR 35 million, of which up to EUR 15 million would be recognised in cash flows



- Based on adjusted internal planning that best reflects the potential economic and financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic
  - AGRANA expects Group EBIT for the full 2020/21 financial year to at least match the prior-year level
  - Group revenue is projected to show slight to moderate growth



- Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the associated high volatility in all business segments, the forecast remains characterised by a very high degree of uncertainty.
- The forecast does not yet include the financial effects of a possible closure of the sugar plant in Leopoldsdorf, Austria, after the 2020 campaign.



#### 14 January 2021 Results for first three quarters of 2020 | 21

Financial calendar for 2021 22 will be published on 8 October 2020.



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Modifier	Visualisation	Numerical rate of change
Steady	<b>→</b>	0% up to 1%, or 0% to -1%
Slight(ly)	7 or N	More than 1% and up to 5%, or less than $-1\%$ and not less than $-5\%$
Moderate(ly)	<b>↑</b> or <b>↓</b>	More than 5% and up to 10%, or less than -5% and not less than -10%
Significant(ly)	<b>↑↑</b> or <b>↓↓</b>	More than 10% and up to 50%, or less than -10% and not less than -50%
Very significant(ly)	<b>↑</b> ↑↑ or <b>↓↓↓</b>	More than 50%, or less than -50%

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