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## **Investment highlights**



# Premium fresh fibre paperboards

- Recyclable and lightweight paperboards from renewable raw materials
- Packaging materials providing an alternative to plastics



# A leading position in a growing market

- Metsä Board is #1 producer in folding boxboard and white kraftliners in Europe, and
- #1 in coated white kraftliners globally



# Strong focus on sustainability

- Fossil free production and products by the end of 2030
- Resource efficiency and reduced carbon footprint of packaging



# Investing in sustainable and profitable growth

- Recently completed large-scale growth investments
- Planned investments to improve competitiveness and sustainability, and develop new products

#### Metsä Board is part of Metsä Group

parta structure ensures high availability of Nordic fibres and pulps



# Metsä Board is part of Metsä Group

Metsä Group's interest is to increase the value of the forest of owner-members by processing wood into valuable and sustainable end-products

Figures based on FY2023

#### METSÄ GROUP

FY2023: Sales EUR 6.1 billion | ROCE 7.2% | Personnel 9,500

#### Parent company: METSÄLIITTO COOPERATIVE

owned by over 90,000 Finnish forest-owners

#### **METSÄ FOREST**

WOOD SUPPLY AND FOREST SERVICES

Sales EUR 2.2 bn Personnel 700

Holding:

Metsäliitto Cooperative 100%

#### **METSÄ WOOD**

**WOOD PRODUCTS** 

Sales EUR 0.6 bn Personnel 1.700

Holding:

Metsäliitto Cooperative 100%

#### **METSÄ FIBRE**

PULP AND SAWN TIMBER

Sales EUR 2.5 bn Personnel 1,600

Holding:

Metsäliitto Cooperative 50.1% Itochu Corporation 25.0%

Metsä Board 24.9%

#### **METSÄ BOARD**

**PAPERBOARD** 

Sales EUR 1.9 bn Personnel 2,250

Holding:

Listed in Nasdaq Helsinki Metsäliitto Cooperative 52%

#### **METSÄ TISSUE**

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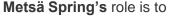
GREASEPROOF PAPERS

Sales EUR 1.3 bn Personnel 2,500

Holding:

Metsäliitto Cooperative 100%

METSÄ SPRING INNOVATION COMPANY

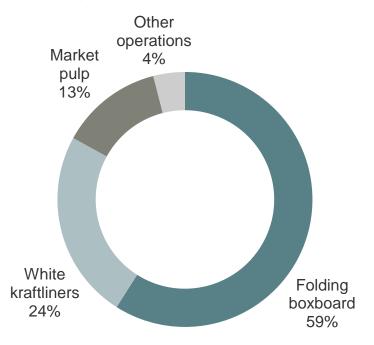


- > invest worldwide in start-ups and implement Metsä Group's own selected pilot/demo projects
- ➤ lead Metsä Group's R&D with the aim of supporting the development of Group's current businesses

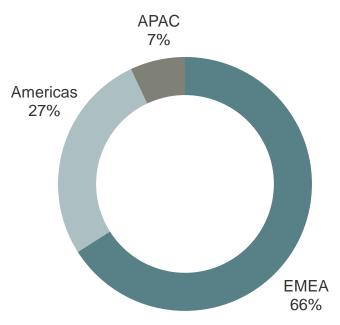


# **Company in figures**

#### **Split by product**



#### Split by region



# Paperboard capacity 2.3 million

tonnes/year

Pulp and BCTMP capacity

1.7 million

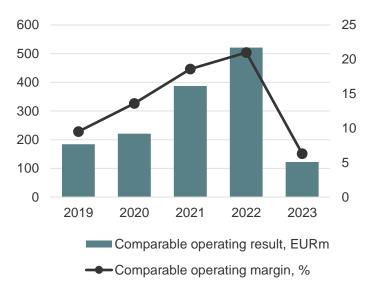
tonnes/year

Ownership in Metsä Fibre\* **24.9%** 

secures self-sufficiency in pulp

#### **Comparable operating result**

FY2023: EUR 122 million or 6.3% of sales



#### Long-term customerships

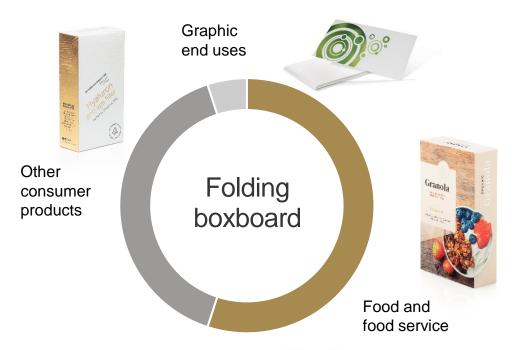
Diversified customer base in 100 countries including brand owners, converters, manufacturers of corrugated products and merchants



In 2023 paperboard capacity increased by 240,000 tonnes due to the capacity expansions in Husum and Kemi. Additional capacity is expected to be fully in the market in 2026.

# Focus on premium and recyclable fresh fibre paperboards, end-uses mainly in consumer products

Metsä Board's annual capacity in FBB in 1.6 mt





Metsä Board's annual capacity in WKL in 0.7 mt - of which 2/3 is coated WKL





## Our main markets are Europe and North America

# Regional focus on key demand drivers

#### Further strengthening our leading market position in EUROPE

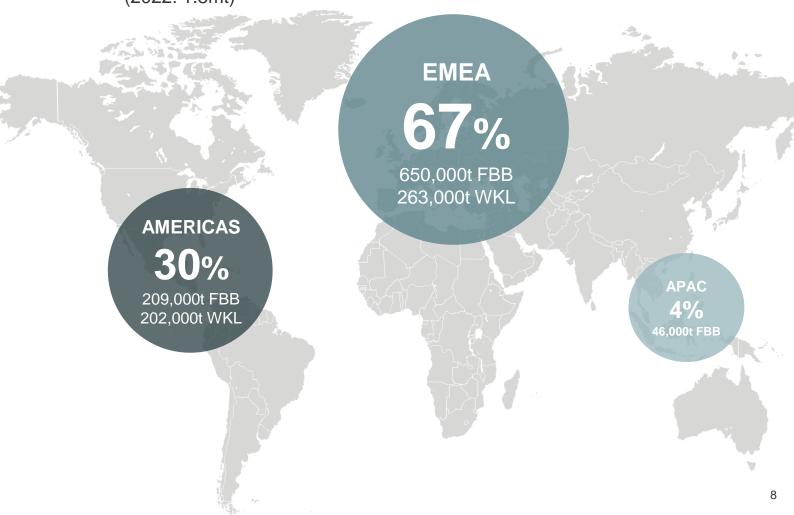
- Environmental awareness and regulatory requirements support recyclable packaging materials
- Trend towards material reduction and lightweighting favours folding boxboard
- Food safety requirements favour pure fresh fibre paperboards
- Weakened availability of high-quality recycled paper

#### **Continuing growth in NORTH AMERICA**

- Limited local availability of high-quality lightweight paperboards
- Growth in sustainable packaging for food and food service
- Product brand promotion and personalization in growing e-commerce

#### Focus on high-quality packaging in selected end use segments in APAC

 Middle class growth increases purchasing power and demand for packaged consumer goods Total paperboard deliveries in 2023 were 1.4 million tonnes (2022: 1.8mt)

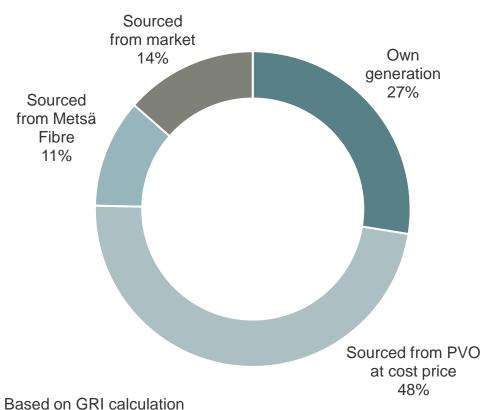


# Self-sufficiency in energy is 90%

Energy consumption by sourcing method

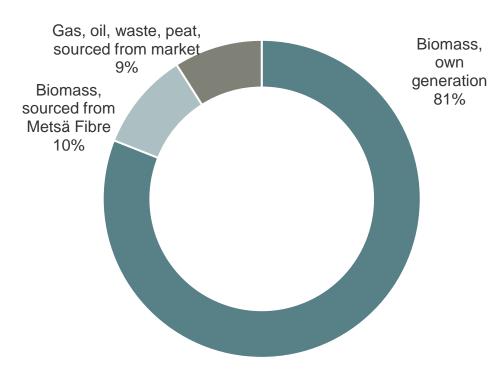
Electricity

**Total 1.9 TWh** 



Fuels (Heat)

Total 6.0 TWh



Based on primary energy calculation



# Self-sufficiency in pulp is secured through ownership of Metsä Fibre

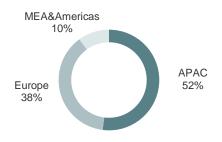
#### Metsä Fibre is globally #1 producer in softwood market pulp (NBSK)

- Capacity ~4 million tonnes/year chemical pulp (80% SW, 20% HW)
- 2.1 million m³/year sawn timber (40% spruce, 60% pine)
- Self-sufficiency in electricity over 200% (total annual production capacity ~5 TWh)

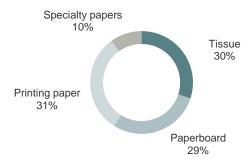
#### Metsä Board owns 24.9% of Metsä Fibre

- Other owners Metsäliitto Cooperative 50.1% and Itochu Corporation 25.0%
- Metsä Board consolidates 24.9% of Metsä Fibre's net result into its EBITDA.
   The annual dividend by Metsä Fibre is typically paid at the end of Q1
- Taking into account the ownership in Metsä Fibre, +/- 10% change in market pulp price has an +/- EUR 50 million impact on Metsä Board's annual operating result

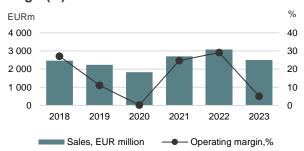
#### Metsä Fibre's pulp sales split by region 2023



#### Metsä Fibre's pulp sales split by end-use 2023



#### Metsä Fibre's sales (EUR million) and operating margin (%)





### Metsä Board's production is close to the main raw material - northern wood

#### **Production units and annual capacities**

#### Total paperboard capacity:

Folding boxboard (FBB): 1,560,000 t/a White kraftliner (WKL): 715,000 t/a

#### **Total pulp / BCTMP capacity:**

BCTMP: 750,000 t/a Chemical pulp: 910,000 t/a

24.9% ownership in Metsä Fibre, total pulp capacity ~4Mt

#### Kemi

465,000 t/a WKL 1,500,000 t/a pulp<sup>1,2)</sup>



#### Husum

600.000 t/a FBB 250.000 t/a WKL 730,000 t/a pulp



#### Kaskinen

390,000 t/a BCTMP



#### Kyro

190,000 t/a FBB







Mill non-integrated in chemical pulp



#### Äänekoski

260,000 t/a FBB 1,300,000 t/a pulp<sup>1)</sup>



#### Simpele

300,000 t/a FBB



#### Joutseno

360,000 t/a BCTMP 690,000 t/a pulp<sup>1)</sup>



#### Tako

210.000 t/a FBB



Wood sourced from Finland, Sweden and Baltics.



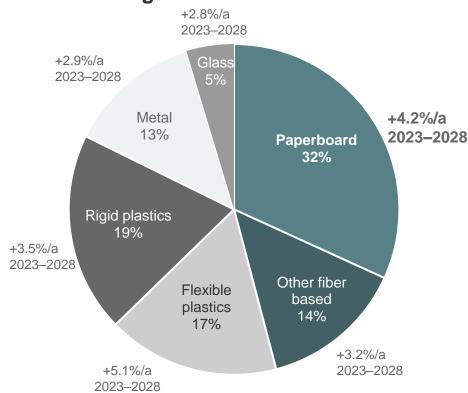
<sup>1)</sup> Metsä Fibre's mill

<sup>2)</sup> Metsä Board 180.000 t/a and Metsä Fibre 1.320.000 t/a

# Global need for packaging is growing

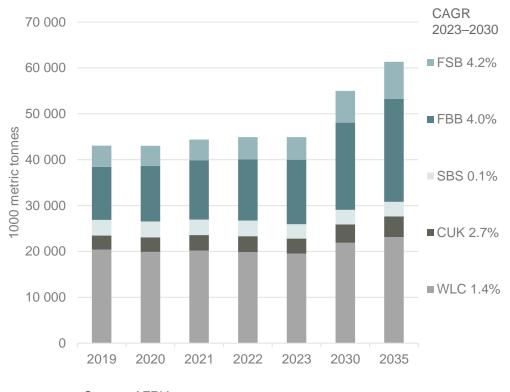
Global packaging market value is USD 1.175 billion and it is growing by 3.9% per year

# Paperboard is growing faster than all packaging materials on average



Source: Smithers Information Ltd

# Folding boxboard and foodservice board have fastest growth rates of all cartonboards



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# Demand drivers for fresh fibre paperboards



Population growth, urbanisation and rising living standards drive packaging



Regulation and consumer preferences favour fossil-free packaging materials



Availability and quality of recycled fibre is declining

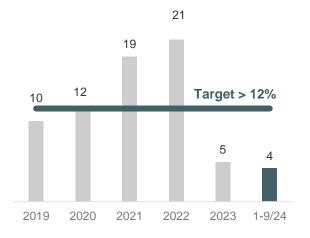


Global e-commerce continues to grow



## Financial targets and dividend policy

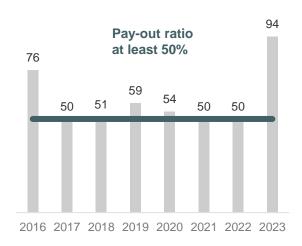
#### **Comparable ROCE, %:**



# IB Net debt / comparable EBITDA



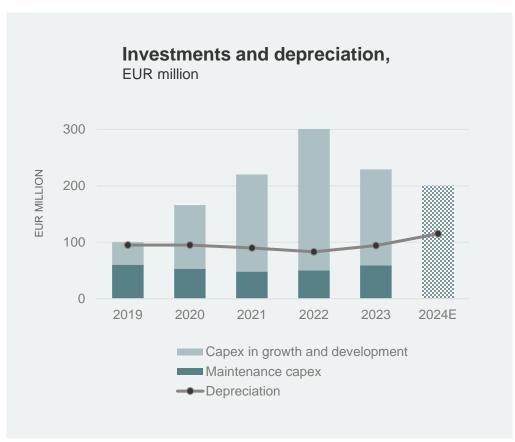
### Dividend policy Dividend / net result, %







### Investments and depreciation



#### January-September 2024

 Total investments in Q1–Q3/2024 were EUR 120 million, and depreciation\* EUR 85 million

#### Year 2024, estimated

- Total investments in 2024 are expected to be EUR 175-200m
- 2024 includes investments carried over from 2023



# Investments in Husum and Kemi completed



# Husum folding boxboard capacity expansion and port investments

- Increase of 200,000 t/y folding boxboard
- Total capacity 600,000 t/y, fully available on the market in 2026
- Investment value EUR 230 million

#### **Ongoing**

Increase in port warehouse capacity,
 EUR 20 million, est. completion in 2024



# Kemi mill development programme

- Increase of 40,000 t/y white kraftliner
- Total capacity 465,000 t/y, fully available on the market in 2025
- Decreased water and energy use
- Included a purchase of modernised pulp production line from Metsä Fibre
- Investment value EUR 110 million



# Renewal of Simpele paperboard machine

- Investment decision made in April 2024
- Renewal will improve the quality of FBB, increase the annual production capacity and enable fossil free production
- Estimated completion in H2 2025
- Investment value EUR ~60 million, divided between 2024 and 2026

#### Simpele board mill

- After the investment, annual capacity will be 310,000 tonnes of premium lightweight folding boxboard
- Main end uses in food and pharma packaging
- Future investments in the mill include renewals in the finishing area of paperboard and in mechanical pulp production, as well as a new power plant







## Ongoing and planned investments

Investments aim to improve the competitiveness of our mills and products and accelerate the move towards fossil-free production



#### Simpele board mill

- Renewal of paperboard machine (investment decision made in Q2/24)
- Renewals in paperboard finishing area and mechanical pulp production, a new power plant



#### Kyro board mill

 Improving the performance of barrier boards and expanding end use areas



#### Husum pulp mill

New pulp drying machine



#### **Husum board mill**

 New products on the existing BM 2 white kraftliner production line

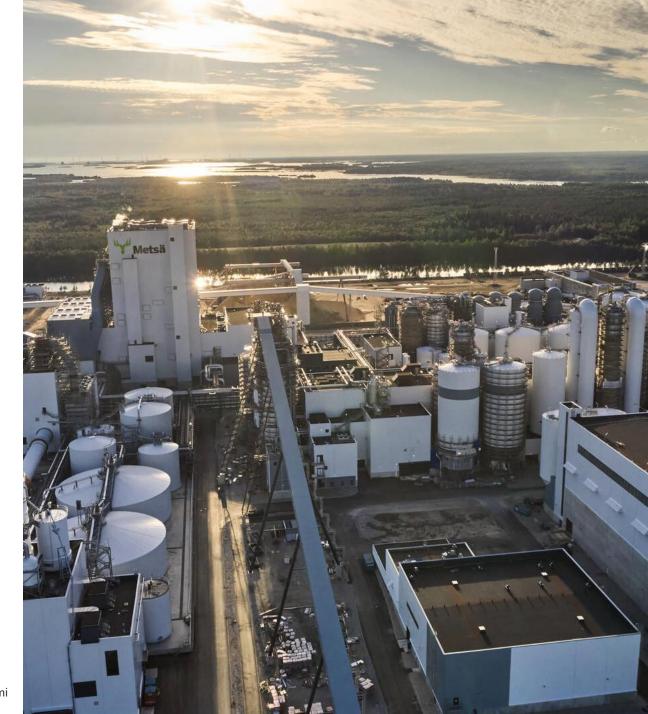


# Metsä Fibre's bioproduct mill in Kemi

#### Kemi bioproduct mill

- Annual pulp capacity: 1,020kt SW, 300kt HW and 180kt\* unbleached pulp
- Full production capacity to be reached by end of 2024
- Annual pulpwood consumption 7.6 m<sup>3</sup>
- Self-sufficiency in electricity 250%, annual maximum capacity 2,000GWh
- Investment value EUR 2.02 billion
  - Metsä Board has not invested equity to finance the project
- Started up in Q3 2023, replaced the old Kemi pulp mill (capacity 610,000 t/a)
- Gas explosion at the mill on 21 March 2024
  - Repair works completed on 20 June 2024, after which production returned to its ramp-up curve
  - Damaged units will be replaced with new units in summer 2025 (estimated 2 months shutdown)







#### **Cost structure**

#### Q1-Q3 2024 (vs Q1-Q3 2023)

- Total cost deflation, excluding pulp, 3%
- Decreased chemical and energy costs, increased wood costs. Fixed costs flat

#### FY 2023 (vs FY 2022)

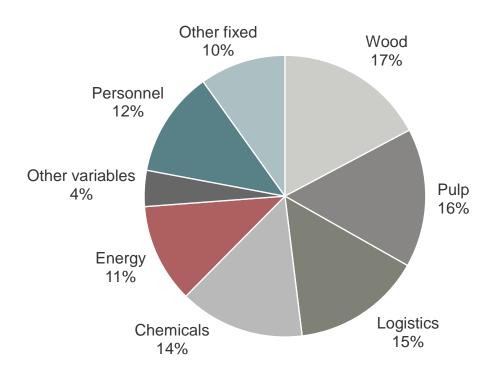
- Cost inflation, excluding pulp costs, 4%
- Main increase in wood costs: higher stumpage prices in Finland and Sweden\*)

\*) price development on slide 28

# Metsä

#### Metsä Board's cost structure in 2023

Total costs EUR 1.7 billion (2.1)



<sup>\*)</sup> **Pulp:** Metsä Board purchases all external pulp from its associated company Metsä Fibre, of which Metsä Board owns 24.9%.

Metsä Fibre's pulp cost structure in 2023: Wood 56%, Chemicals 13%, Logistics 9%, Personnel 6%, Other 16%.

# Main profit drivers and sensitivities

Component	Unit	Change	Impact on EBIT, approximately
Folding boxboard	Price / tonne	+/- 10%	>EUR 120 million
White kraftliners	Price / tonne	+/- 10%	>EUR 50 million
FX	USD/EUR	+/- 10%	EUR 80 million
	SEK/EUR	+/- 10%	EUR -55 million
Pulp	PIX price of SW/HW per tonne	+/- 10%	EUR 50 million
Wood	Cost, delivered to Finnish mills	+/- 10%	EUR 40 million
	Cost, delivered to Husum	+/- 10%	EUR 20 million

sensitivities take into account Metsä Board's 24.9% stake in Metsä Fibre



# Wood is Metsä Board's main raw material

#### Wood usage

- Wood represents 25% of Metsä Board's total costs<sup>1)</sup>
- In 2023, Metsä Board used 6.3 million m3 wood for its products, of which 91% was certified (PEFC, FSC®)

#### **Wood supply**

- Metsä Group is responsible for Metsä Board's wood sourcing
- Metsä Group's total annual wood sourcing is ~30 million m³
- Majority of wood sourced in Finland comes from the owner members of Metsäliitto Cooperative, roughly 90,000 private forest owners
- In Sweden Metsä Board has a long-term wood supply agreement with Norra Skog, a co-owner with a 30% stake in the Husum pulp mill



Wood sourcing by country Baltic countries Finland Sweden 30%

1) includes the wood used in pulp that Metsä Board buys from Metsä Fibre

# Impacts of FX

- Impact including hedges, actual
  - Q3 2024 vs Q3 2023: EUR -8 million
  - Q1–Q3 2024 vs Q1–Q3 2023: EUR +4 million
- Estimated impacts, including hedges
  - Q4 2024 vs Q3 2024: slightly negative
  - Q4 2024 vs Q4 2023: slightly negative

#### **Hedging policy:**

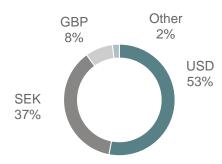
In addition to the balance sheet position of trade receivables and trade payables, 50% of the projected annual net foreign currency exposure at the normal level is hedged.

At the end of the review period, an average of 8.5 months of the net foreign currency exposure was hedged.

# **Metsä**

#### **Annual FX transaction exposure**

total EUR 1.5 billion



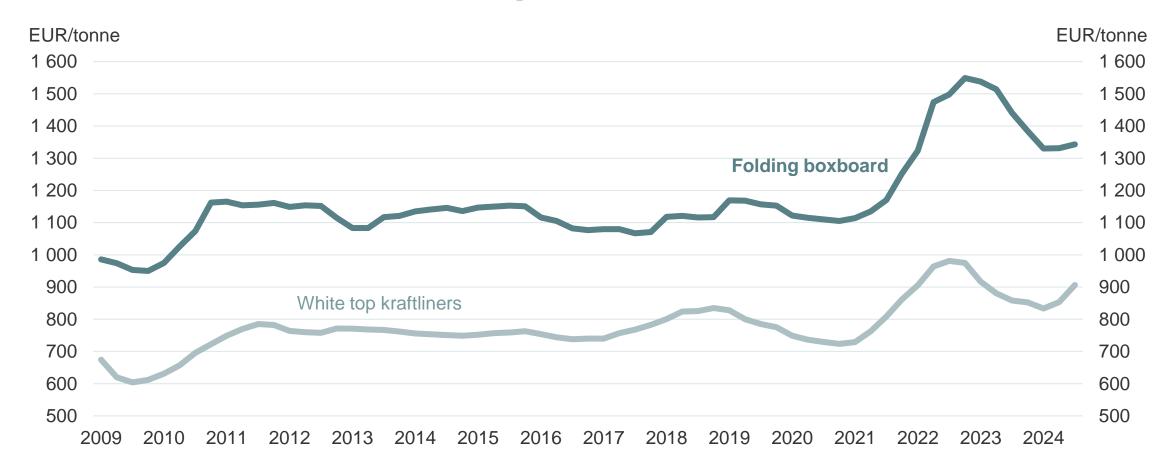
The foreign currency transaction exposure consists of foreign currency denominated sales and costs.

#### FX sensitivities, excluding hedges

A 10% strengthening of foreign currency vs EUR would have an impact on Metsä Board's EBIT in

Currency	Next 12 months	
USD, \$	EUR +80 million	
SEK, kr	EUR -55 million	
GBP, £	EUR +15 million	

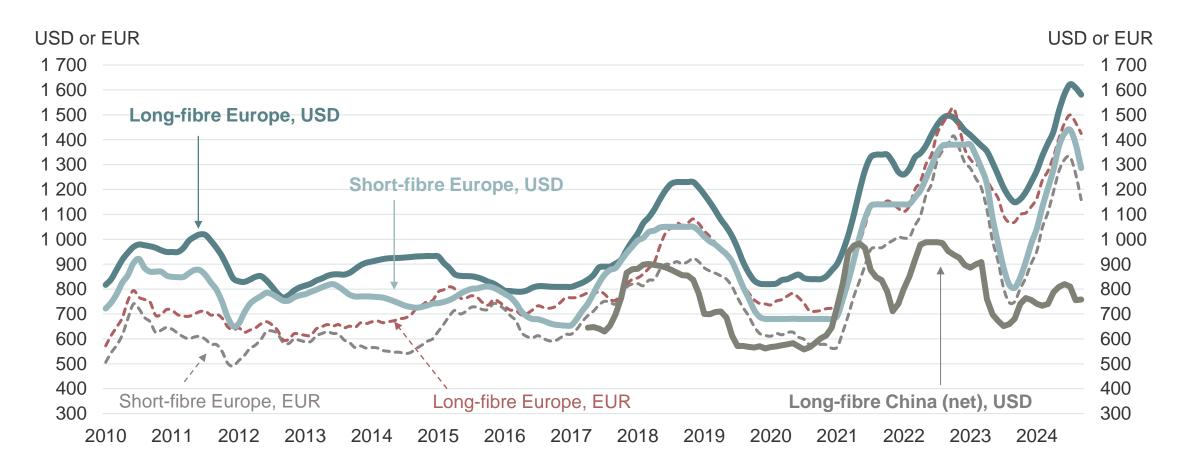
# Price development of folding boxboard and white kraftliners in Europe





# Price development of pulp (PIX)

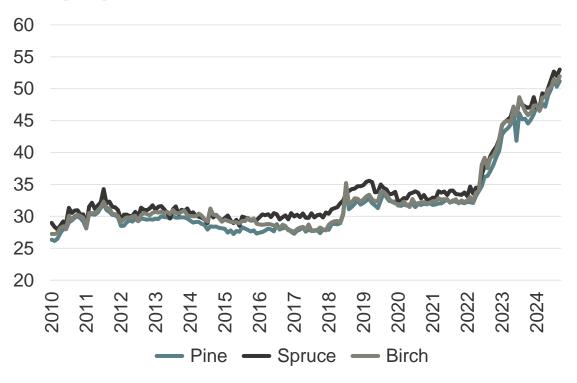
Long-fibre (SW) and short-fibre (HW) pulp



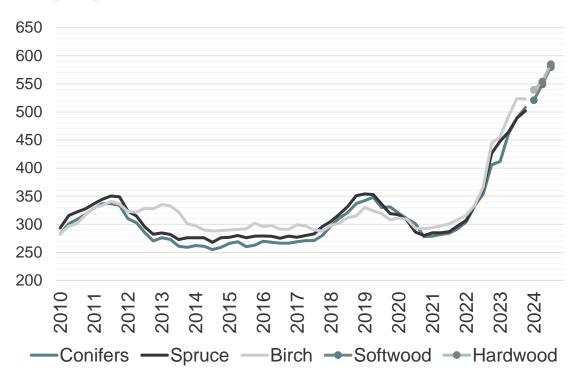


# Price development of pulpwood in Finland and Sweden

# Price (delivery at roadside, on bark) of pulpwood in Finland, EUR/m<sup>3</sup>



# Price (delivery at roadside, under bark) of pulpwood in Sweden, SEK/m<sup>3</sup>

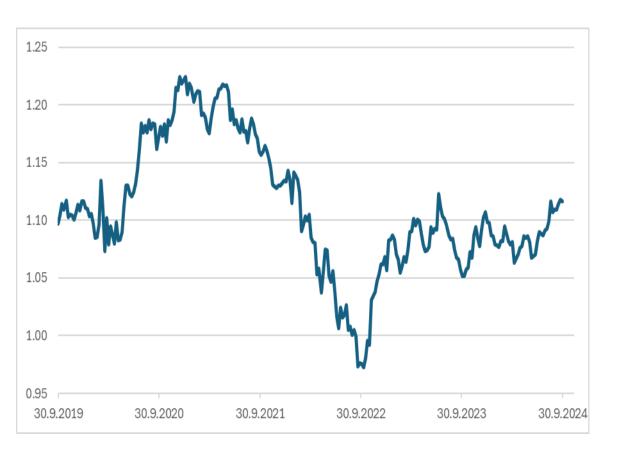


\*New reporting categories for pulpwood starting from quarter 1 2024, conifer pulpwood and spruce pulpwood are reported as softwood pulpwood and, birch pulpwood is reported as hardwood pulpwood

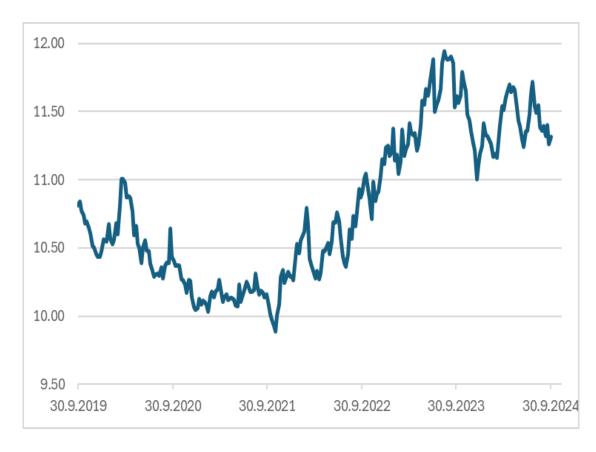


# FX rates development: EUR/USD and EUR/SEK

#### **EUR/USD**



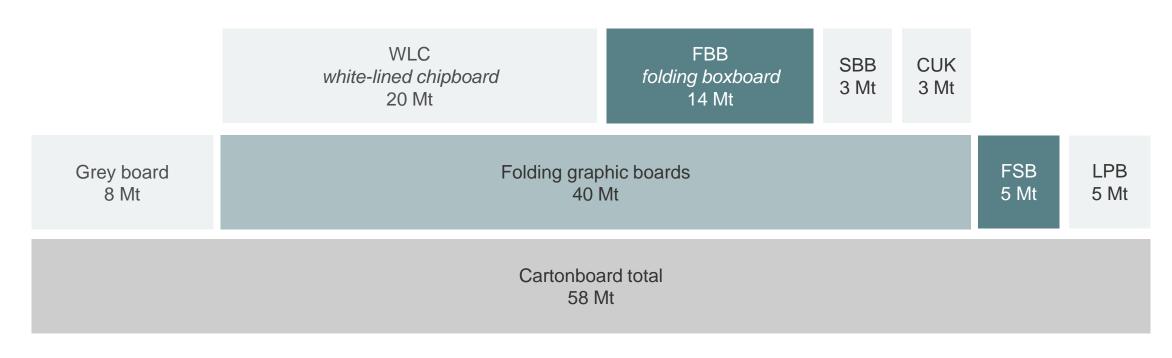
#### **EUR/SEK**







### Global annual demand for cartonboards



SBB = solid bleached board

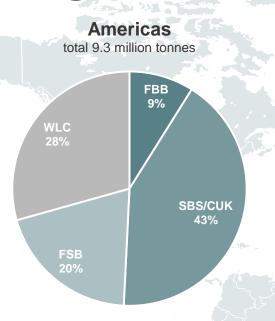
CUK = coated unbleached kraftboard

FSB = foodservice board

LPB = liquid packaging board



Global annual demand for folding cartonboard\* by region



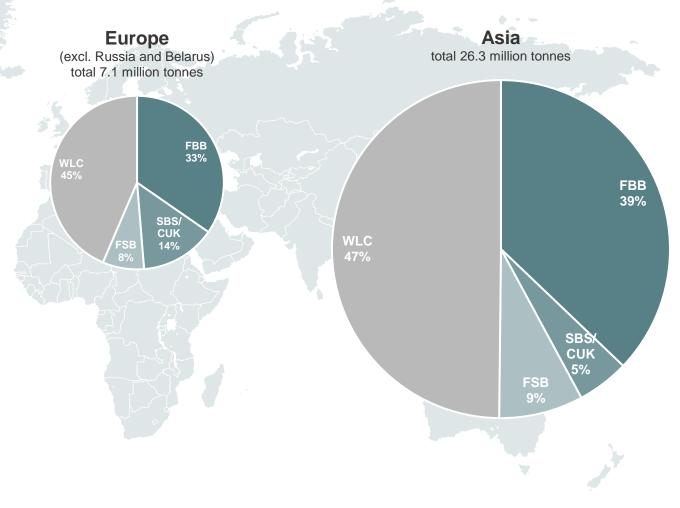
FSB = food service board

FBB = folding boxboard,

SBS & CUK = other fresh fibre grades

WLC = recycled grades





<sup>\*)</sup> including food service board, excluding liquid packaging board and grey board Source: AFRY Management Consulting

### Global annual demand for containerboards

Metsä Board's linerboards are at the top of the quality pyramid – in a very niche market

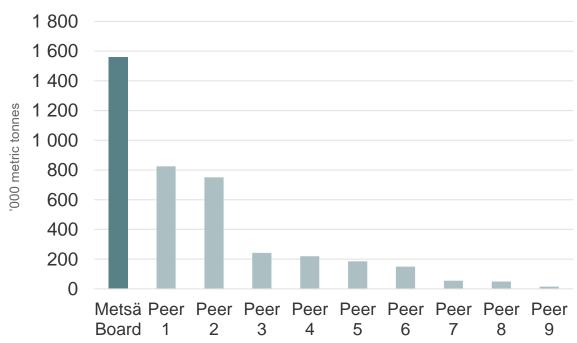
Coated white Uncoated white fresh fibre fresh fibre linerboard\* linerboard <1 Mt 3.5 Mt White recycled White fresh fibre linerboard\* Brown kraftliner Brown testliner linerboard\* 4.5 Mt 26 Mt 73 Mt 7.5Mt Fresh fibre White linerboard\* Brown linerboard Recycled fluting fluting 12Mt 99 Mt 71 Mt 8 Mt Linerboard **Fluting** 111Mt 79 Mt Containerboard\* total 190 million tonnes



# Folding boxboard and white kraftliner capacity in **Europe** (excluding Russian and Belarusian producers)

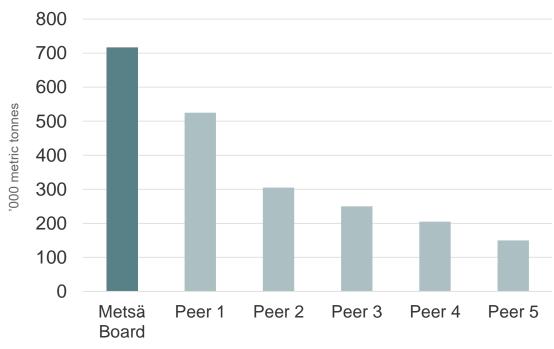
# **FBB** producers in Europe

Total capacity 4 million tonnes



#### WKL producers in Europe

Total capacity 2.2 million tonnes





# Regulation on Deforestation-free products (EUDR)

#### Main objectives and status

- Aims to combat deforestation and forest degradation globally
- Ensures that commodities\* placed on or exported from EU market do not cause deforestation or forest degradation
- Creates a reporting obligation to operators to ensure that they comply with the requirements
- Entered into force in 2023. Large companies must comply with the Regulation and its reporting obligations as from 30 of December 2024 – still waiting for the European Commission to publish important guidelines and FAQ all operators need

#### Metsä Board's / Metsä Group's approach

- Metsä Group fully supports the objectives of the EUDR
- Company is developing a reporting system and preparing an internal due diligence system to be ready when the reporting obligations start to apply





# Packaging and packaging waste regulation (PPWR)

#### Main objectives and status

- Aims to reduce the amount of packaging waste generated in the EU, and promote reusable and recyclable packaging solutions. All packaging has to be recyclable by 2030
- Political agreement was found in 2024. Final adoption is pending but entry into force is expected end of 2024. Becomes applicable law in Member States 18 months after
- Some ambiguities and definitions that still need to be clarified by the European Commission

#### Metsä Board's / Metsä Group's approach

 The PPWR recognises climate and environmental benefits of highly recyclable fibre-based packaging, and treats recyclable single-use packing more fairly than the European Commission's original proposal





### **Nature Restoration Regulation**

#### Main objectives and status

- Aims to ensure recovery of biodiverse and resilient nature across EU
- Introduces indicators for forest ecosystems to support nature restoration objectives
- Regulation entered into force on 18 August 2024
- Member States must prepare national restoration plans. Finland's draft plan expected to be ready by 08/2026
- The Commission reviews the draft plans and can give further guidance. Member States should have the final restoration plans in place in 08/2027 at the latest

#### Metsä Board's / Metsä Group's approach

- Fully support the goals of the Nature Restoration Regulation
- Metsä Group's principles of regenerative land use aim to improve the state of nature
- Metsä Group Plus -management model for owner-members focus especially on forest biodiversity



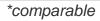
More information: https://www.metsagroup.com/regenerativeforestry https://www.metsagroup.com/metsaforest/sustainability/regenerative-forestry/metsa-group-plus/





### **Key financials**

		Q3/24	Q3/23	Change Q3/24 vs Q3/23	Q1–Q3/24	Q1–Q3/23	Change Q1–Q3/24 vs Q1–Q3/23	FY 2023
Sales	EUR, m	499	479	4%	1,493	1,519	-2%	1,942
EBITDA*	EUR, m	66	24	182%	150	190	-21%	216
Operating result*	EUR, m	42	5	664%	73	121	-40%	122
% of sales*	%	8.4	1.1		4.9	8.0		6.3
Metsä Fibre's share of operating result*	EUR, m	11	-2		-8	33		28
Earnings per share	EUR	0.08	0.01	505%	0.09	0.26	-65%	0.27
ROCE*	%	7.3	1.3		4.3	6.7		5.1
Total investments	EUR, m	67	49	36%	120	157	-23%	229
Cash flow from operations	EUR, m	5	77	-94%	-12	219	-105%	343
IB Net debt at end of period	EUR, m	348	220		348	220		144



### **Q3 2024 in brief**

- Slightly increased paperboard volumes with stable sales prices compared to Q2
- High production volumes despite extensive maintenance works
- Decreased market pulp deliveries, especially to China
- Operating result includes EUR 23 million insurance compensation related to the gas explosion in Metsä Fibre's Kemi bioproduct mill
- Renewed dividend policy



### Sales

499 EUR million

Q2 2024: EUR 510m Q3 2023: EUR 479m



## Comparable operating result

42
EUR million

Q2 2024: EUR -1m Q3 2023: EUR 5m

### Paperboard deliveries

388,000

tonnes

Q2 2024: 377,000t Q3 2023: 340,000t

### Paperboard production

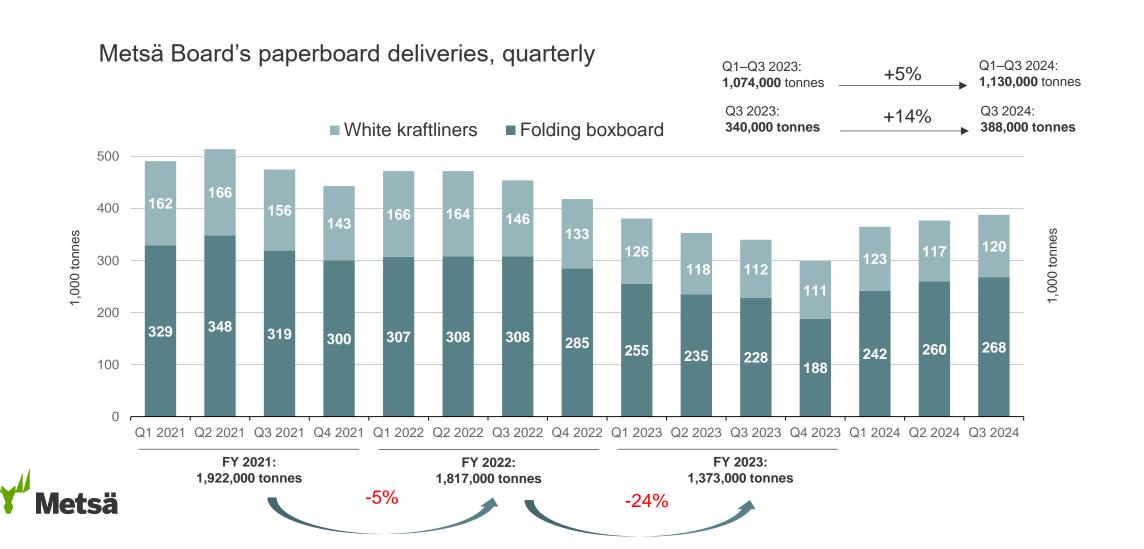
414,000

tonnes

Q2 2024: 357,000t Q3 2023: 310,000t

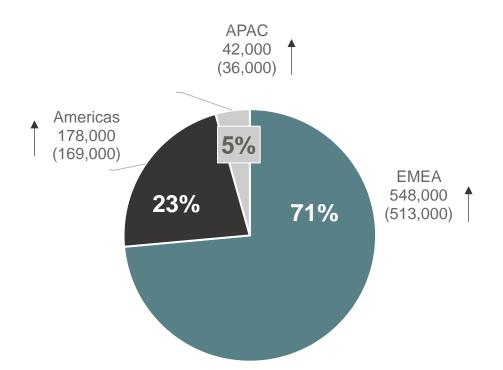


### Moderate growth in paperboard volumes continued



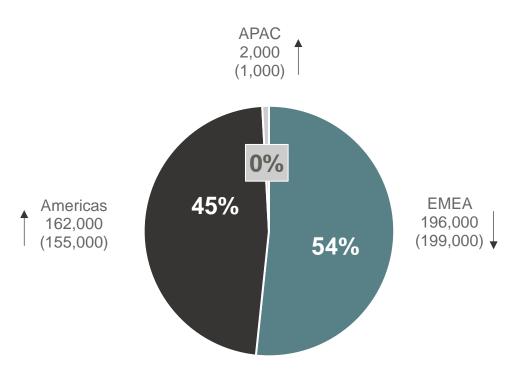
### Paperboard deliveries by region

FBB deliveries YTD 2024 (Q1–Q3/2023) total 770,000 tonnes (718,000)



WKL deliveries YTD 2024 (Q1–Q3/2023)

total 360,000 tonnes (356,000)





FBB = Folding boxboard WKL = White kraftliners, coated and uncoated

### Result comparison

### Comparable operating result and % of sales

**Q3/24: EUR 42 million, 8.4% Q3/23: EUR 5.5 million, 1.1%** 

#### **Positives:**

- Increased paperboard volumes
- Higher pulp prices
- Lower energy and chemical costs
- → Result share from Metsä Fibre EUR 11m (EUR -2m)
- ✓ Insurance compensation, total EUR 23m\*

### **Negatives:**

- → FX after hedges, impact EUR -8m
- More maintenance and increased employee costs
- Higher depreciation

### Comparable operating result and % of sales

**Q1–Q3/24: EUR 73 million, 4.9%** Q1–Q3/23: EUR 121 million, 8.0%

#### **Positives:**

- Increased paperboard and market pulp volumes
- Higher pulp prices
- Lower energy and chemical costs
- ✓ Insurance compensation, total EUR 23m\*

### **Negatives:**

- Lower paperboard (FBB) prices
- Increased wood costs and more maintenance
- Higher depreciation
- Lower sale of unused emission allowances
- ■ Result share from Metsä Fibre EUR -8m (EUR 33m)
- Political strikes, estimated impact EUR -25m\*



### **Year-to-date comparable ROCE 4.3%**

### Comparable return on capital employed, %

Quarterly and rolling 12 months





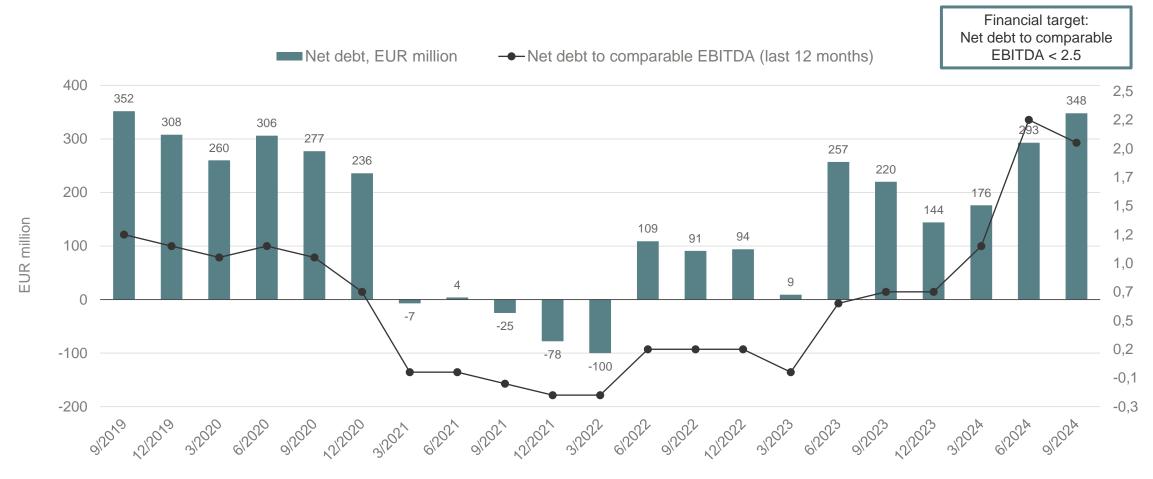
### Increased activity reflected in working capital

2024 cash flow includes a dividend from Metsä Fibre of EUR 10 million (2023: EUR 83 million)





### Net debt and leverage

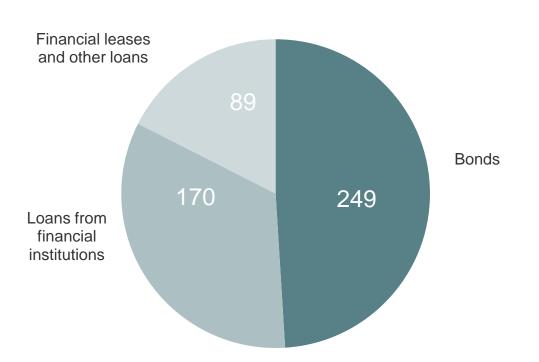




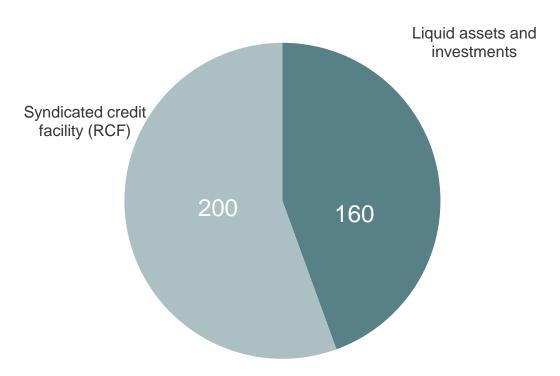
### Interest-bearing debt and liquidity

30 September 2024

### Interest-bearing debt EUR 508 million



### **Liquidity** EUR 360 million



#### Liquidity is complemented by:

- Commercial paper programme of EUR 200 million (EUR 30 million outstanding)
- Metsä Group's internal undrawn short-term credit facility of EUR 150 million



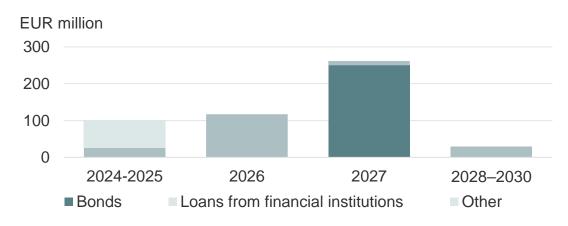
### **Debt maturity and credit ratings**

### 30 September 2024

- Total interest-bearing debt was EUR 508 million, and net debt was EUR 348 million
- The average interest rate on loans at the end of the review period was 2.8%, and the average maturity of long-term loans was 2.4 years
- Net financial costs, including foreign exchange differences, were:
  - Q1-Q3 2024: EUR 6.9 million
  - FY 2023: EUR -0.1 million

### **Maturity of interest-bearing debt**

Total EUR 508 million



### Metsä Board's credit ratings are investment grade

Rating agency	Rating and outlook	Last update on rating
S&P Global	BBB-/stable	02/2018
Moody's Investor Services	Baa2/stable	12/2022



### Near-term outlook

### October-December 2024

- Paperboard delivery volumes are expected to slightly decrease due to seasonality, average sales prices to remain stable
- Total costs, excluding pulp, are expected to increase. Less maintenance shutdowns compared to Q3
- Average sales prices for market pulp decreased in October
- The claim settlement process regarding the explosion at Metsä Fibre's Kemi bioproduct mill continues







### Metsä Board's sustainability targets

























### **Environment**

We safeguard biodiversity.

We mitigate climate change and reduce emissions.

We use natural resources efficiently and reduce waste.

### Social

We do the right thing. And promote safety and wellbeing at work.

#### Governance

We know the origin of our raw materials.

We favour responsible suppliers in our procurement.



Metrics, targets and actuals related to 2030 sustainability targets are disclosed in Sustainability statement in 2023 Report of the BoD, page 28

# Forest management plan as part of Metsä Group's regenerative forestry

Forest management plan for typical forest stands



# More diverse tree species composition

- Increasing the proportion of broadleaved trees
- Mixed forests
- 80 % of tree species outside purchase



### Increased dead wood volumes

- Retention trees and tree groups
- Buffer zones
- Biodiversity stumps



### More diverse forest structure

- Continuous cover harvesting
- Retention tree groups
- Valuable habitats
- Protective thickets

### Forest management plan at biodiversity hot spot\*



### Protected valuable habitats e.g.

- Brooks
- Springs
- Fertile bogs
- Cliffs
- Flood habitats



### Habitat restoration at threatened species hot spots

- Herb-rich forests
- Esker sunny slopes
- Fire habitats



<sup>\*</sup> Biodiversity hot spots are ecologically unique regions that are exceptionally rich in species, and are thus priority targets for nature conservation

Metsä Board's 1.5°C aligned Science Based target

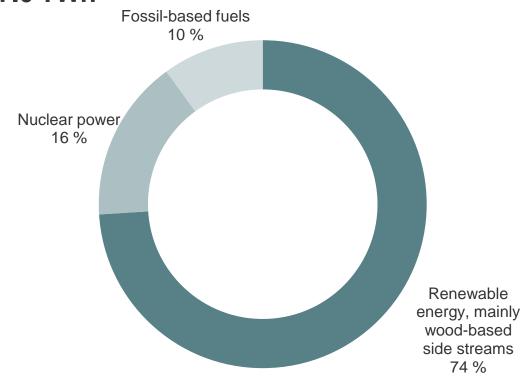
# ZERO FOSSIL CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS

Fossil-free production\* and products by the end of 2030



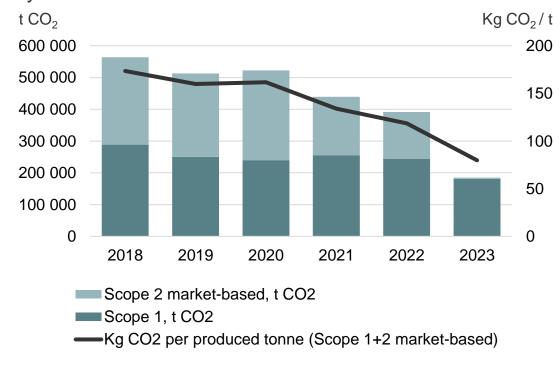
### 90% of our total energy use is fossil free

### Total energy consumed in 2023 7.6 TWh



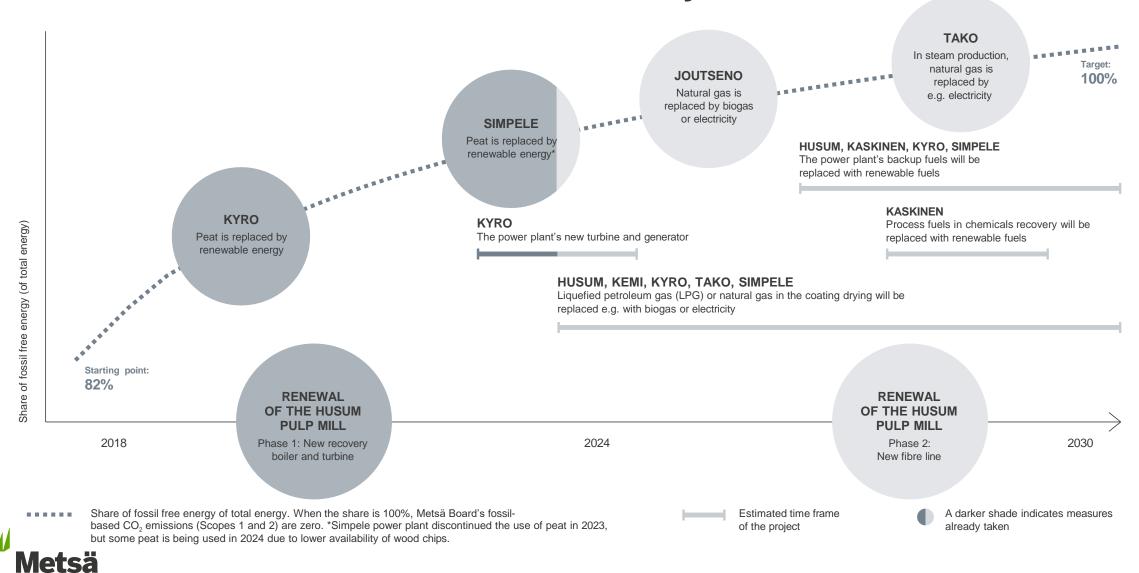
### Fossil-based CO2 emissions, Scope 1+2

We have reduced our fossil-based CO<sub>2</sub> emissions per tonne by 54% since 2018





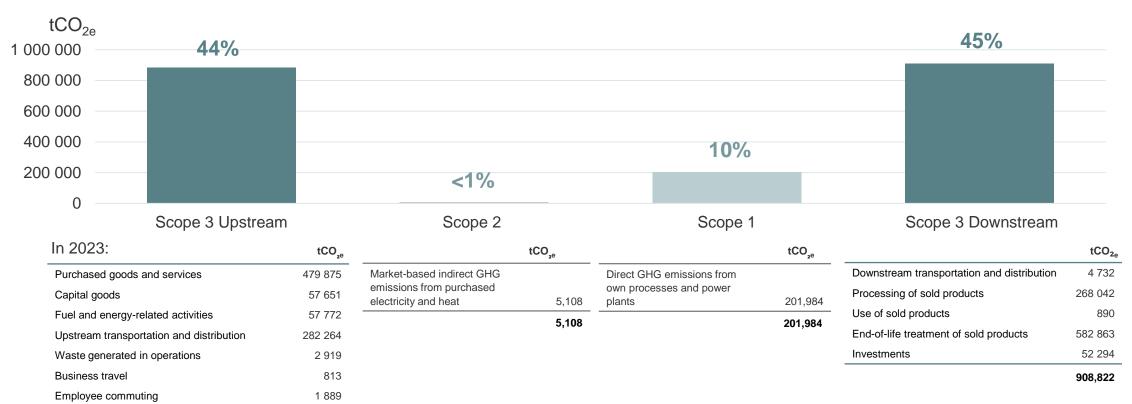
### Plan for transition to fossil free mills by the end of 2030



# Value chain emissions are addressed with SBT and joint targets with suppliers

Total greenhouse gas emissions (Scope 1, 2, and 3) ca. 2.0 million tonnes CO<sub>2e</sub>

883,184





# The carbon footprint (CO<sub>2</sub>) of packaging material depends on:



**Energy used in production** 

Metsä Board uses 90 per cent fossil-free energy in its production



Material and resource efficiency

**Lightweighting** reduces the use of fibre, energy and water

Metsä Board's folding boxboard have a lower carbon footprint\* compared to several corresponding grades



\*) More information and verification statement based on LCA: <a href="https://www.metsagroup.com/metsaboard/sustainability/sustainable-products/paper-profiles-and-lifecycle-assessments/#pharma">https://www.metsagroup.com/metsaboard/sustainability/sustainable-products/paper-profiles-and-lifecycle-assessments/#pharma</a>



### Example case:

### Paperboard provides an alternative to plastics

#### PET

- Made of fossil oil-based materials with fossil-based energy
- Recycling rate of PET is low
- In the EU, recycling rate is 38% for plastic packaging and 82% for paper packaging

(Eurostat, 2020)



#### MetsäBoard Prime FBB EB

- Made from renewable fresh wood fibre with a high share of fossil free energy
- Easy to recycle, biodegradable and compostable
- The climate impact of a paperboard box for cherry tomatoes is ca. 80% smaller than that of a box made from recycled PET

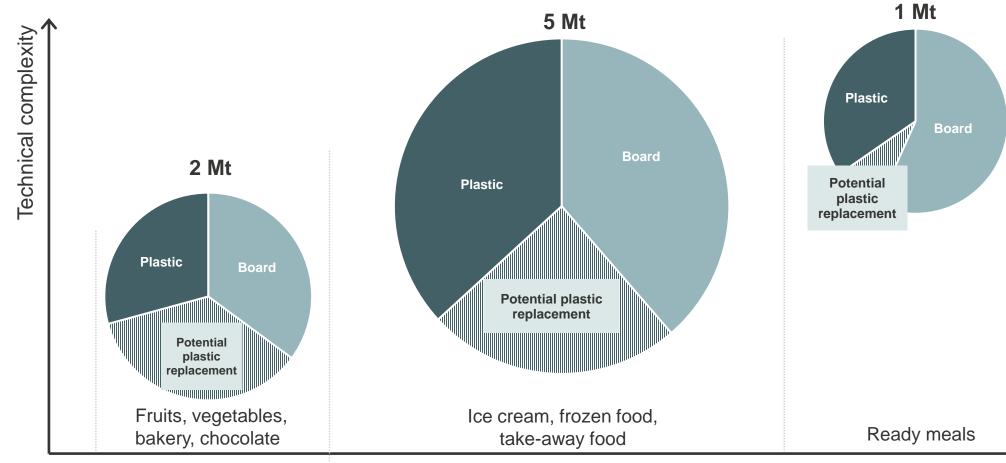


(Natural Resources Institute Finland, 2019)



### Plastic replacement potential is roughly 2 million tonnes

Cartonboard and rigid plastic packaging market size in selected food categories, excluding cupstock and liquid packaging





# Fresh and recycled fibres are equally good in terms of the circular economy

82%

of paper and paperboard packaging is recycled

100%

recovery of wood fibres
is not possible
because part of the fibre
is lost during a cycle, or
is contaminated

Fresh fibre is needed in the recycling loop to maintain quality and strength, and to keep the loop ongoing

Metsä

\*Europe (EU27), Source: Eurostat

### **External assessments and own commitments**





Total score 91/100. Metsä Board has achieved the highest rating level every year since 2017.



Link to ISS website



Climate and Water rating and

an "A-" in the Forest rating.

Link to MSCI website

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Metsä Board's GHG emissions reduction targets are approved by the Science Based Targets initiative.







As part of Metsä Group, Metsä Board is committed to the UN Global Compact corporate responsibility initiative and its principles in the areas of human rights, labour, the environment and anti-corruption. Metsä Board also supports the UN's Sustainable Development Goals, the SDGs.



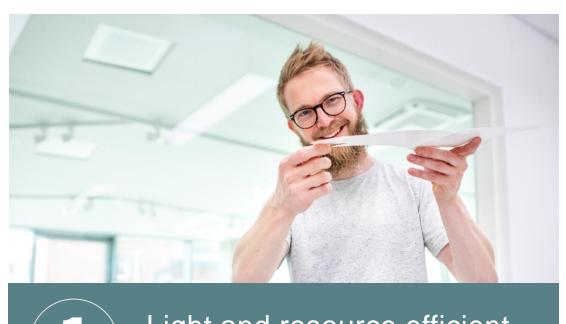
# Innovation and R&D







# Our R&D work aims to resource efficiency and reduce carbon footprint of packaging material



1 Light and resource efficient paperboards



2 Developing barrier boards as an alternative to plastics



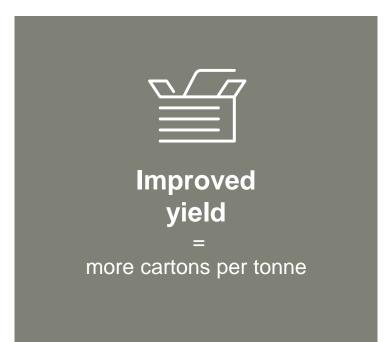
# High-yield pulp makes the difference between folding boxboard and other grades

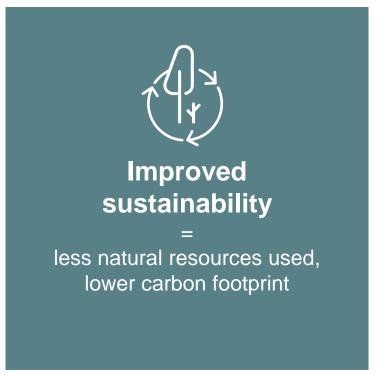
### **Benefits of lightweighting:**



Lightweight yet strong and stiff

paperboard for cost-efficient, sustainable and sturdy packaging







# Resource efficiency in production

Wood consumption depends on right fibre-mix.

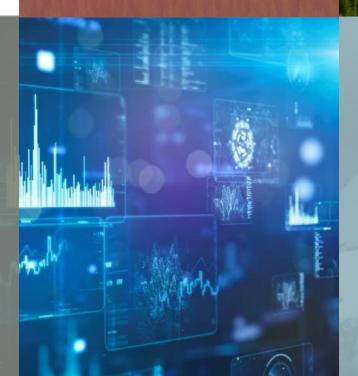
Less wood needed in the production of high-yield pulp



Reduced water use through a closed water circulation and reduction of process water

New technology, development of energy recovery and Al improve energy efficiency





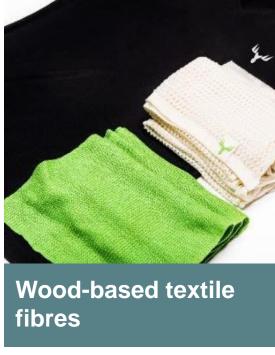
Resource and operational efficiency in production results into lightweight paperboards with less waste



# As part of Metsä Group, we are looking for new growth opportunities

Metsä Spring\* invests expertise and financial resources into initiatives with the ambition to reshape the forest-based bioeconomy









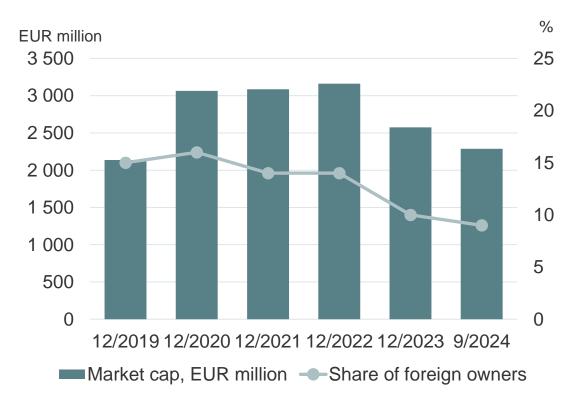




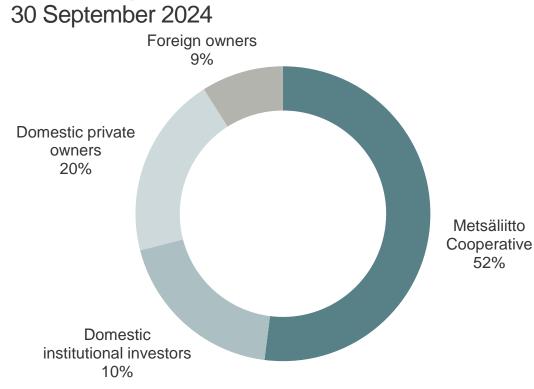
### Market cap and ownership distribution

Metsä Board has two share series, A and B shares

### Market cap and foreign owners



### Ownership distribution





### Metsä Board Corporate Management Team



Mika Joukio CEO Chair of CMT since 2014 At Metsä Group since 1990 Shares: 377,846



Henri Sederholm CFO Member of CMT since 2021 At Metsä Group since 2003 Shares: 60,000



Markku Leskelä SVP, Development Member of CMT since October 2021 At Metsä Group since 1993 Shares: 29,615



Jussi Noponen
SVP, Sales
and Supply Chain
Member of CMT since 2016
At Metsä Group since 2000
Shares: 93,806



Harri Pihlajaniemi SVP, Production and Technology Member of CMT since 2017 At Metsä Group in 2001–2004 and since 2017 Shares: 45,487



Camilla Wikström SVP, HR Member of CMT since 2019 At Metsä Group since 2001 Shares: 28,293



