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# EBITDA break-even, Sales of €168 million within Guidance; Managing Board Expects significant Sales and Earnings Growth in H2 2019





## Financial Highlights Q1 2019

#### **Top Line**

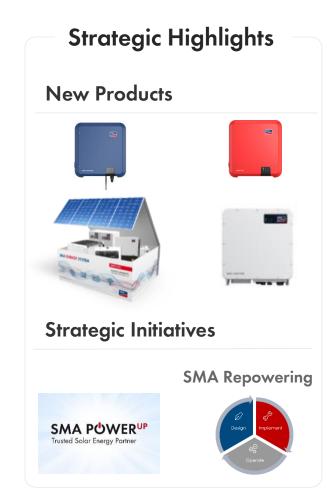
• SMA generated sales of €168m in Q1 2019, below prior year mainly as a result of project postponements in our Large Scale & Project Solutions segment and price pressure

### Profitability, Bankability

- Break-even EBITDA of € 0.6m at upper end of guidance despite lower sales and price decline thanks to structural cost savings achieved in Q1.
- Solid balance sheet structure with >40% equity ratio, €290m net cash and €100m credit facility

#### Outlook 2019

- Cost-saving measures on track
- Based on high product-related order backlog of €233m, Managing Board expects significant sales and earnings growth in H2 2019 and confirms guidance for FY 2019 with sales of €800m to €880m and EBITDA of €20-50m



# Q1 Sales Decline 8% mainly Resulting From Projects Shifting into H2 2019



# Key Financials (in € million)

	Q1 2018	Q1 2019	Change		
MW sold	1,843	1,803	-2%		
Sales	183	168	-8%		
Home Solutions	40	45	15%		
<b>Business Solutions</b>	71	65	-9%		
Large Scale & Project Solutions	72	58	-20%		
Gross margin	21%	19%			
EBITDA	18	1	-97%		
Depreciation	13	11	-14%		
EBIT	4	-11	n.m.		
Net income	3	-11	n.m.		
Free Cash Flow (Adj.)	-3	-17	n.m.		
Net CapEx (incl. R&D)	7	6	-9%		

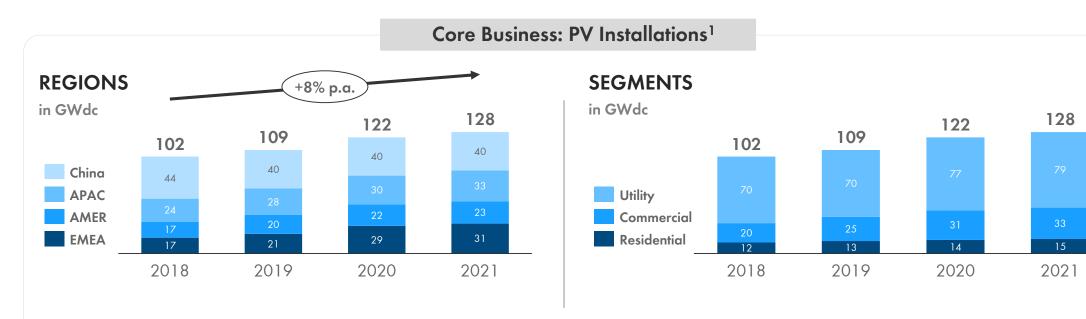
	2018/12/31	2019/03/31	Change
Net cash	306	290	-5%
Total assets	989	975	-1%
NWC ratio (in %) <sup>1</sup>	23%	24%	

	2018/2019			
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1
Sales	212	180	186	168
Home Solutions	45	52	51	45
<b>Business Solutions</b>	82	67	69	65
Large Scale & Project Solutions	85	61	66	58
Gross margin	27%	20%	-33%	19%
EBITDA	23	10	-120	1



## Global PV Installations Expected to Grow in all Regions, Except China





#### **New installations**

From 2018 on PV installations are expected to show a continuous average growth of 8% p.a.

#### **EMEA**

EMEA is most promising region with >20% annual growth. MEA<sup>2</sup> is expected to add huge potential from 2020.

#### China

Chinese installations decreased by 16% in 2018. 5-Year-Plan<sup>3</sup> ends in 2020, forecast thereafter subject to uncertainty.

### Utility

Utility remains largest segment. Most promising markets are U.S., Australia, Japan. While in 2019 most regions are growing in volume and revenue, China is decreasing.

# Price Pressure will Largely Erode Growth in PV Installations

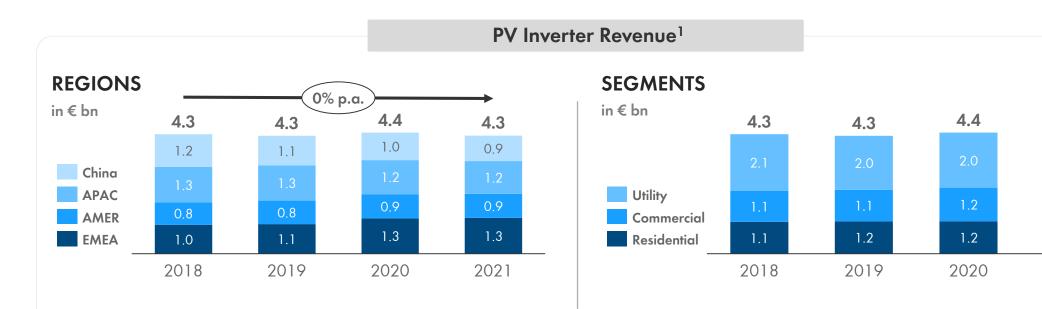


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### Revenue potential

Price pressure will largely erode volume growth. We expect a stabilization of prices towards 2021.

#### **EMEA**

Emerging PV markets in MEA<sup>2</sup> contribute strongly to growth in EMEA, which is expected to reach 7% p.a.

#### **Americas**

Largest country in Americas region remains the USA. Latin America gains importance with revenue growth of 14% p.a.

### Segments

Revenue potential for each segment expected to remain rather stable, no significant shift among segments expected.

# SMA is the Most Experienced PV System Technology Provider with a Complete Portfolio as well as High Innovation Rate



Competitor Environment <sup>1</sup>							
	SMA	Comp.A	Comp.B	Comp.C	Comp.D	Comp.E	Comp.F
Company							
PV = Core business	✓	✓	×	✓	✓	✓	×
PV Market Exp. >10 years	<b>✓</b>	✓	×	✓	✓	✓	×
Inst. Inverter Cap. >25 GW	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	×	×	×	×
MLPE <sup>2</sup>	<b>✓</b>	×	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	×	×
String Inverter	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	×	×	×
Central Inverter	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	×	×	×	✓	<b>✓</b>
Energy Management	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	×	×	×
O&M	✓	×	×	×	×	×	×
Regions					·	<u></u>	
EMEA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>/</b>
Americas	1	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>
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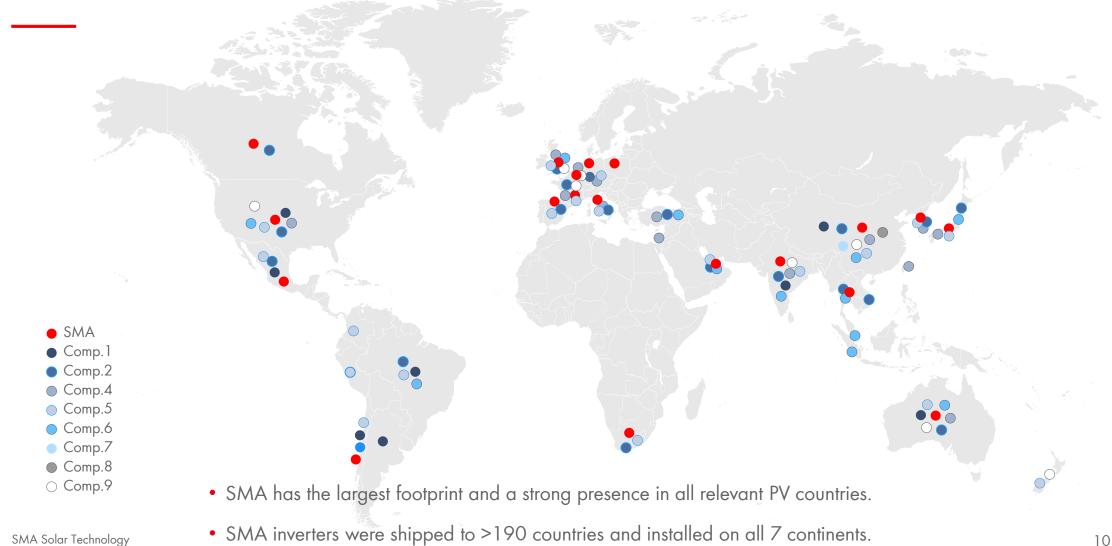


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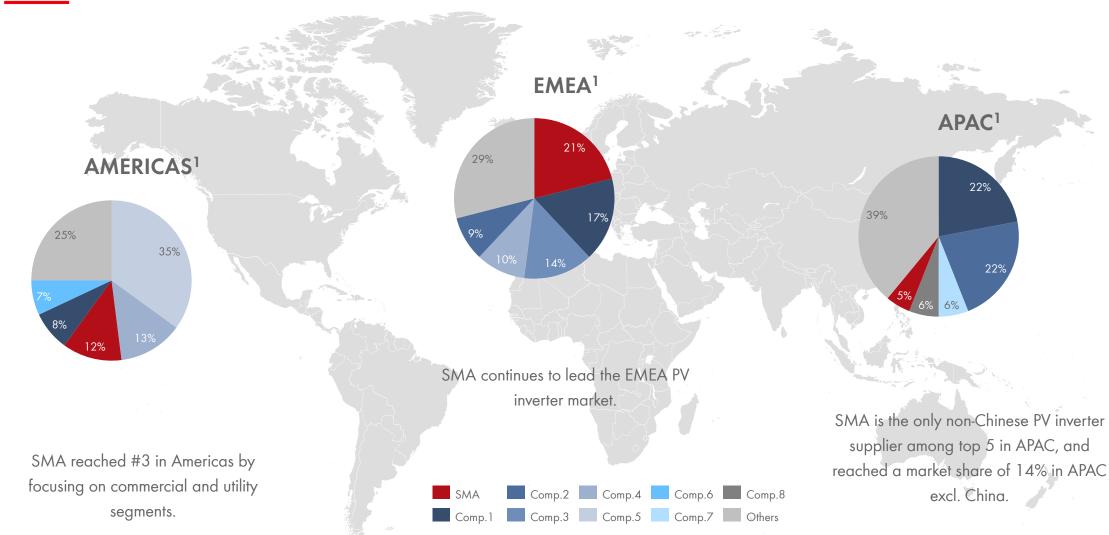
# SMA is Present in all Important PV Markets and does not Leave the Field to Competition





# SMA has held a good market position despite challenges in 2018







# SMA has a Complete Portfolio to Serve all PV Segments





HOME SOLUTIONS

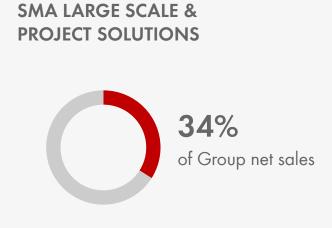
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39% of Group net sales

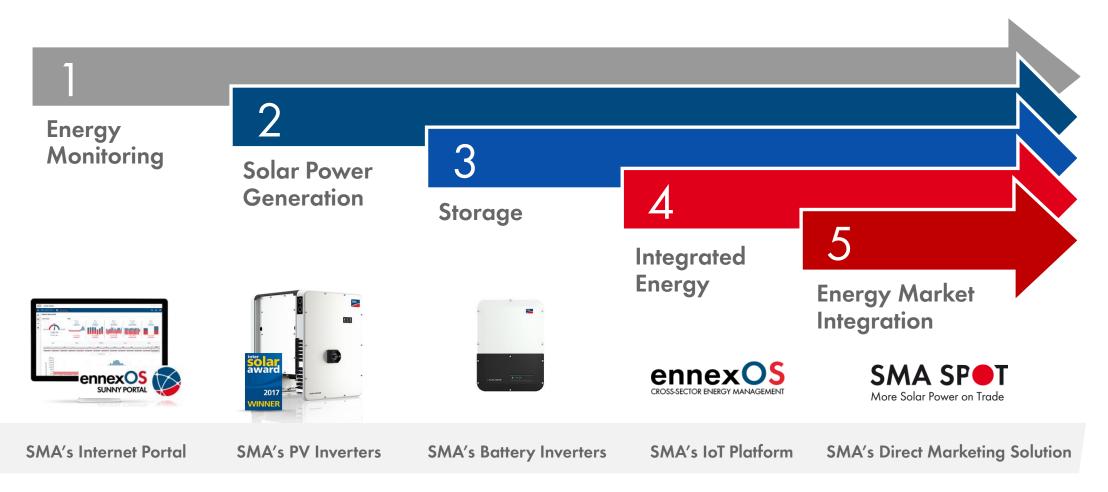
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# SMA 's Portfolio Covers Every Stage of Energy Integration

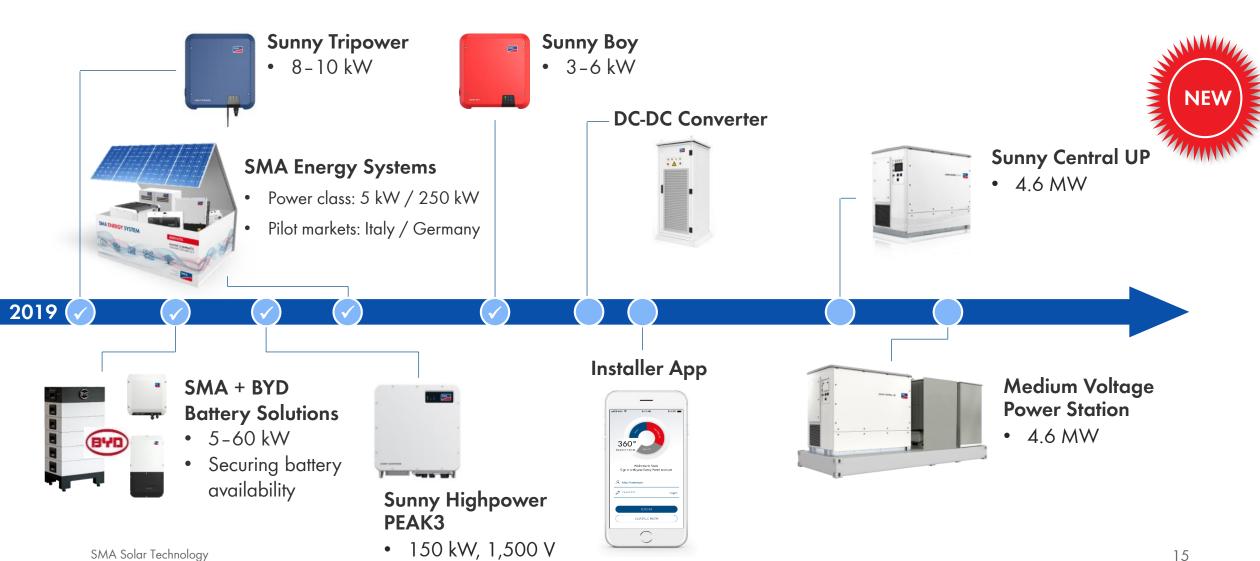




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## SMA will Introduce New Products and Solutions in 2019



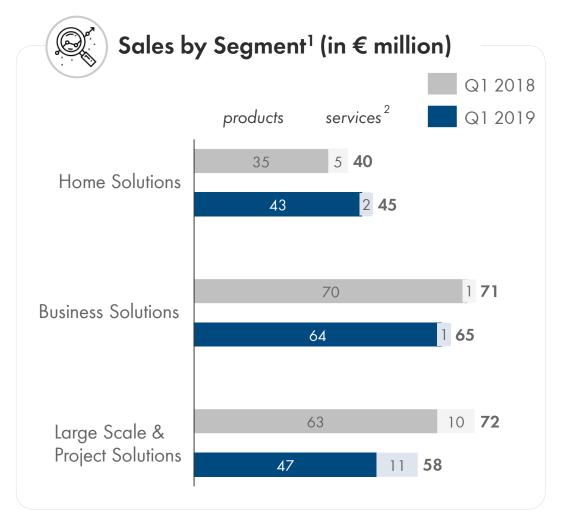




# Sales Q1 2019 Grew in EMEA By 28%; Segment Large Scale Projects & Solutions Affected by Project Postponements







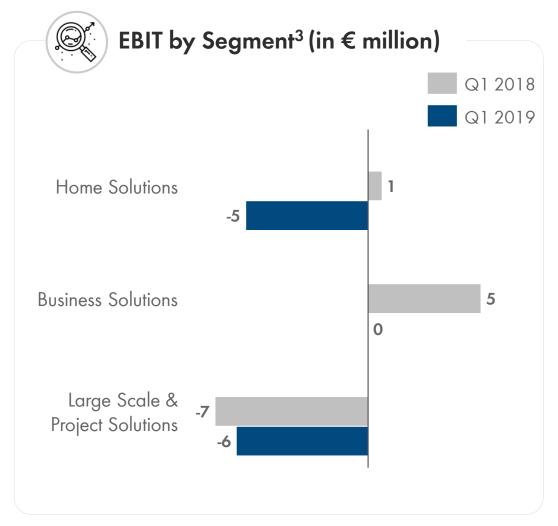
<sup>1.</sup> As of 2019/01/01, the Storage and Digital Energy segments were reclassified to the Home Solutions (formerly Residential), Business Solutions (formerly Commercial), and Large Scale & Project Solutions (formerly Utility) segments

<sup>2.</sup> Services include commissioning, extended warranties, service and maintenance contracts, operational management, remote system monitoring and digital energy services

## EBITDA Lower in Q1 2019 Mainly Due to Lower Sales Compared to Prior Year



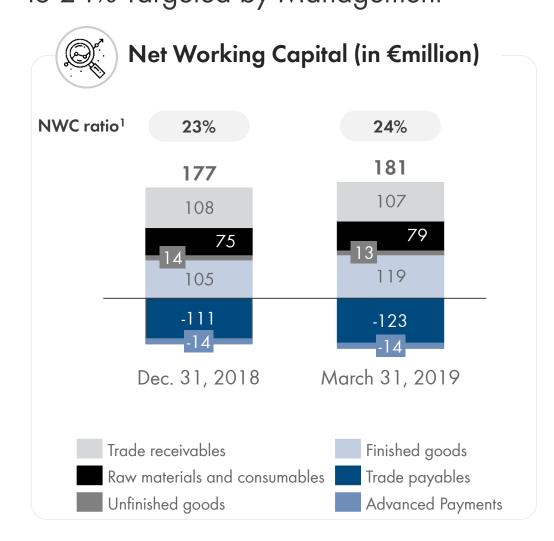




<sup>1.</sup> Costs related to restructuring of ca. €-34m, working capital provisions of ca. €-42m, other effects of €-10m 2. Thereof €30m for extraordinary R&D impairments

# The Net Working Capital Ratio Q1 2019 was High-End of the Range of 19% to 24% Targeted by Management





Group Balance Sheet (in €million)					
	2018/12/31	2019/03/31	Change		
Non-current assets	283	302 <sup>2</sup>	7%		
Working capital	302	319	5%		
Other assets	80	47	-41%		
Total cash	324	307	-5%		
Shareholder's equity	424	411	-3%		
Provisions <sup>3</sup>	157	156	-1%		
Trade payables	111	123	11%		
Financial liabilities <sup>4</sup>	18	17	-6%		
Other liabilities <sup>3</sup>	279	268 <sup>2</sup>	-4%		
TOTAL	989	975	-1%		

Net Working Capital ratio: inventory + trade receivables - trade payables - advanced payments; as of last twelve months sales

<sup>3.</sup> Not interest-bearing

<sup>4.</sup> w/o not interest-bearing derivatives: €4.1m (2018: €2.4m) and financial leases (€21m)

# Q1 2019 Cash Flow Negatively Effected by the Operating Loss



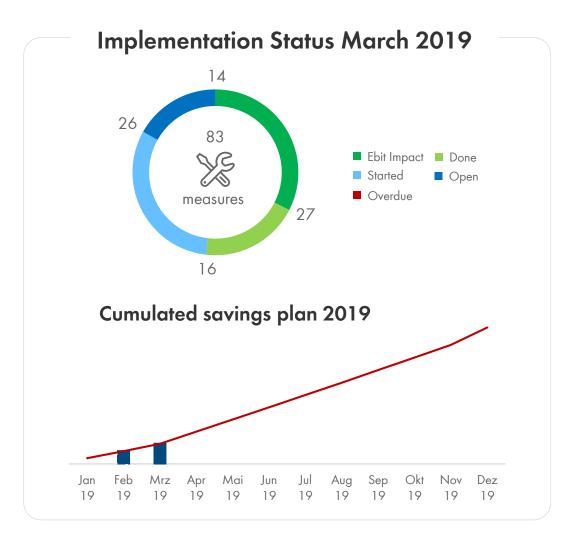
# Cash Flow (in € million)

	Q1 2018	Q1 2019
Net Income	3	-11
Gross Cash Flow	21	1
Cash Flow from Operating Activities	4	-11
Net Capex	-7	-6
Free Cash Flow (Adj.)	-3	-17
Net Investments from Securities and Other Financial Assets	-21	7
Acquisitions/ Divestitures	0	0
Free Cash Flow (IFRS)	-24	-10

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# Implementation of Cost-saving Measures is well on Plan





## Highlights Q1 2019



#### Consolidation

 The sale of SMA's Chinese companies to the local management, including the reduction of c. 300 FTE, has been successfully concluded.



#### **Focus**

 Ongoing activities to reduce our product platforms/families.

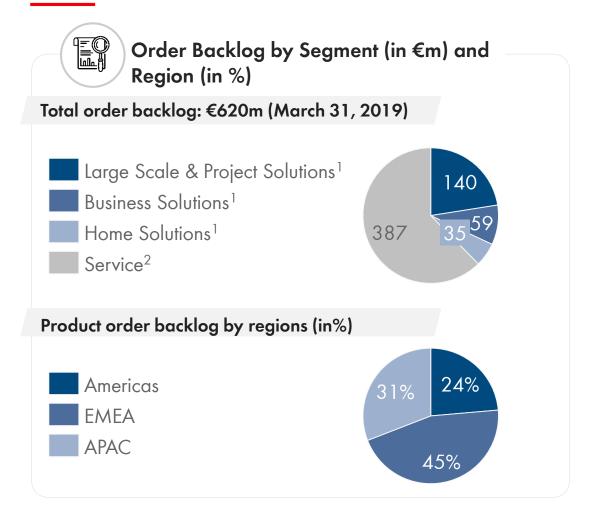


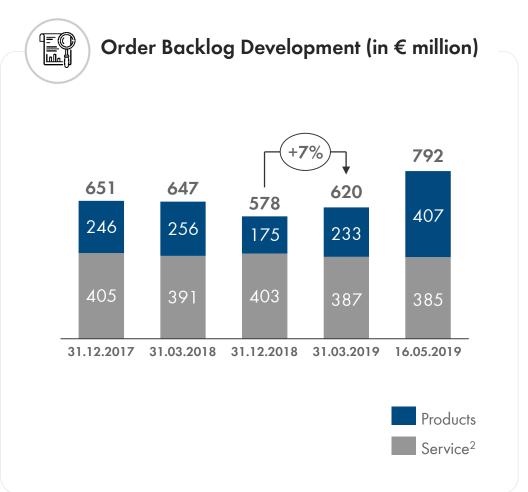
#### **Optimization**

 The reduction of c. 100 FTE in Germany was executed in a social manner through a voluntary severance program. The majority of savings will materialize in H2 2019.

# Product-related Order Backlog Increased by 33% since End 2018



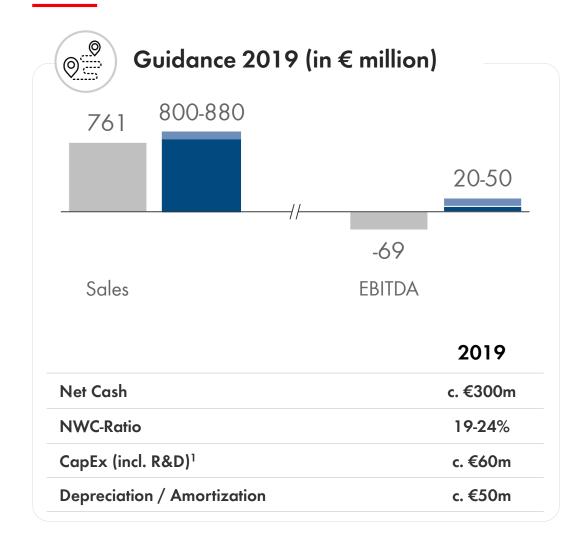




>Q1/19 sales and product order backlog secure approximately 50% of 2019 annual sales guidance.

## Managing Board Confirms Sales and Earnings Guidance







## **Management Comments**

- SMA strives to increase market share, especially in the U.S.
- System offerings will address new customer groups.
- Management expects growth in all segments, especially in Large Scale & Project Solutions, and in our storage business.
- In 2019, the digital solution business will still only make limited sales contributions.
- Price pressure remains high in all segments.
- Cost-saving measures are well on track, most measures will be effective already in 2019.

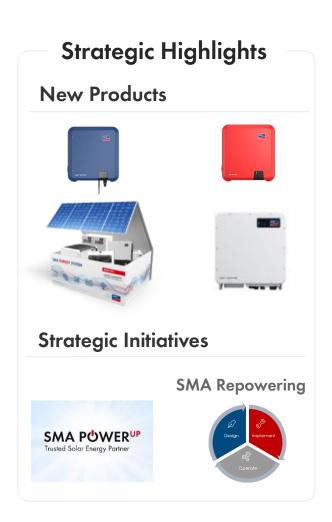
## SMA Continues to be a Leading Player in the PV Industry





## **Investment Highlights**

- **Focus:** A leading global specialist for photovoltaics system technology with 75 GW installed base
- Complete portfolio to serve all PV segments
- **Global reach:** Present in 18 countries with a strong sales and service infrastructure; serving > 180 countries
- Award winning production: CO<sub>2</sub> neutral production with a capacity of 15 GW p.a. in Germany
- Bankable partner: > 40% equity ratio and €290m net cash
- **Technological Know-how** & products to benefit from strong growth in future fields such as energy management, storage & repowering
- Strong partnerships to create a new energy ecosystem



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# Managing Board and Shareholder Structure



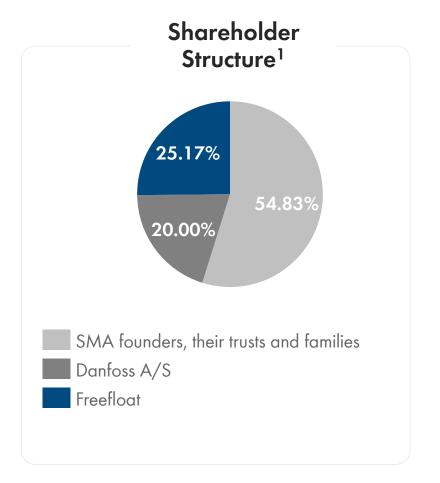
## **Managing Board**



Juergen Reinert CEO born 1968 With SMA since 2011 Contract 2024



Ulrich Hadding
CFO
born 1968
With SMA since 2009
Contract 2019



# Thank you



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