

# OUR KNOW-HOW FOR YOUR SAFETY

Nabaltec: a leading supplier of eco-friendly flame retardant fillers and specialty alumina



# The company in brief

**REVENUES 2023** 

EUR **200.1** MILLION

**EMPLOYEES 2023** 

**516** 

ABOUT 800 CUSTOMERS

ABOUT 50 REPRESENTATIVE OFFICES

**EBIT 2023** 

EUR 18.3 MILLION

PRODUCTION SITES

3

IN BUSINESS SINCE

1937

SECTOR

**CHEMICAL INDUSTRY** 

EXPORT-RATIO 2023

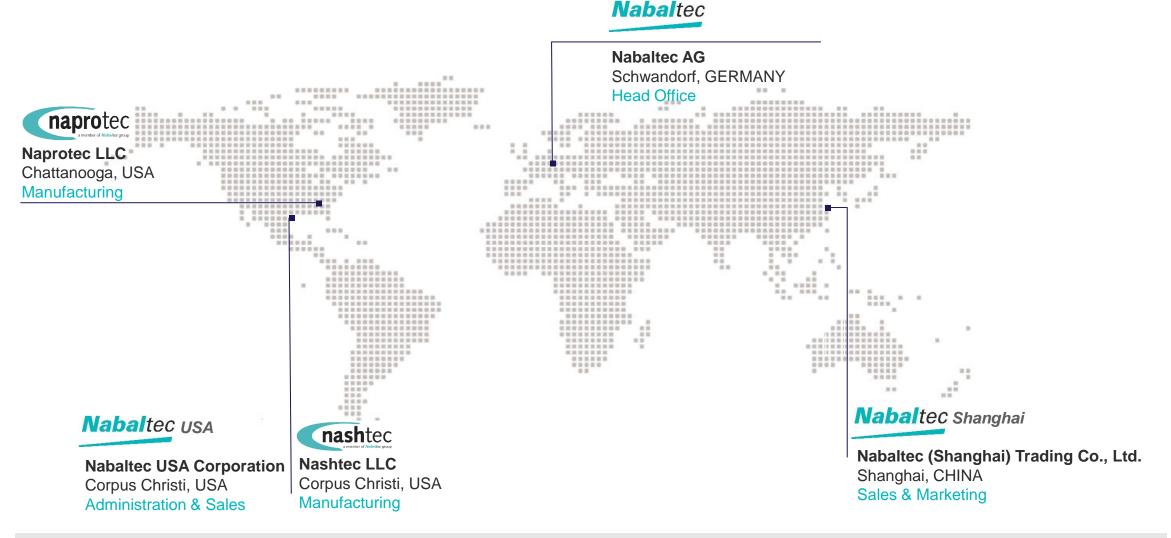
**75.0**%

ANNUAL CAPACITY APPROX.

**265,000**t



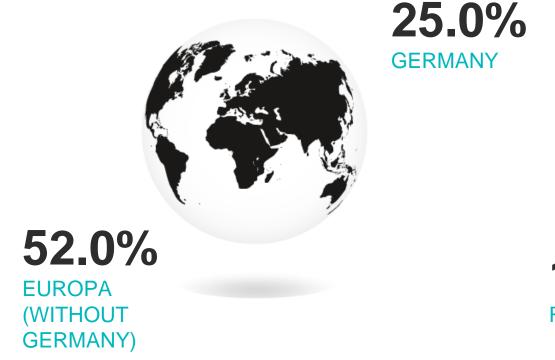
#### Nabaltec Group

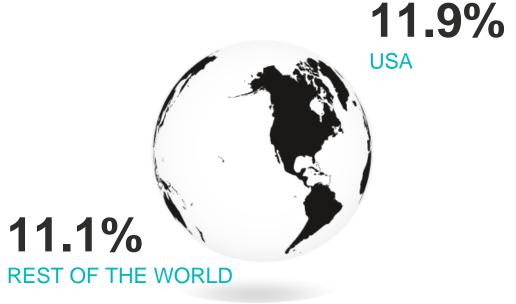




#### Nabaltec revenue shares in 2023

With its own sales companies and a network of international agencies, Nabaltec maintains a global presence.







# **Product segments**

Product segments	Functional Fillers 2023 revenues: EUR 142.3 million		Specialty Alumina 2023 revenues: EUR 57.8 million	
Product range	Aluminum hydroxides	Boehmites	Aluminum oxides	Ceramic bodies
Properties	Eco-friendly, smoke-reducing, flame retardant, non-abrasive		Resistant to wear and tear, electrically insulating, resistant to corrosion, resistant to temperature changes	
Capacities*	Europe: 123,000 t Aluminum hydroxides 10,000 t Boehmites USA: 60,000 t Aluminum hydroxides		Europe: 72,000 t Specialty aluminas	
Raw materials	Aluminum hydroxide		Aluminum oxide	

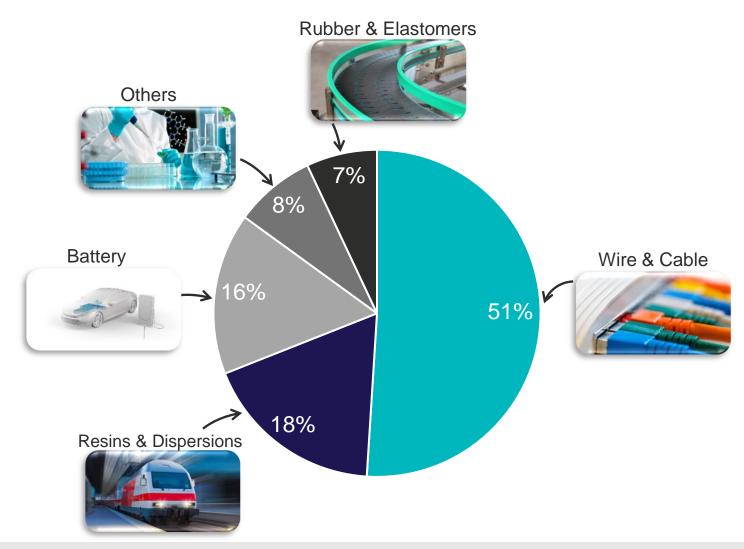
<sup>\*</sup> capacity based on product mix



# Market segments "Functional Fillers" 2023

#### **Application examples:**

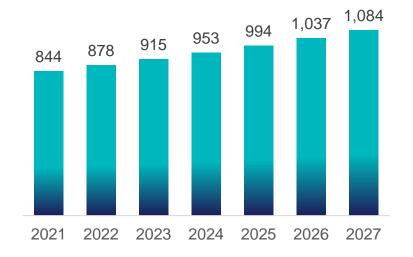
- HV-/MV-/LV-cables
- Data cables
- Automotive cables
- Wind turbine and PV cables
- E-vehicle charging cables
- Separator films
- Electronic housings and switches
- Printed circuit boards
- Adhesives
- Tires
- Vehicle interior trim
- Thermal insulations
- Facade panels





## Functional Fillers – halogen free flame retardants

# Market volume: aluminum hydroxides for flame retardants in thousand tons



CAGR 4.3% through 2027 based on ATH (MARKETSANDMARKETS™, 2022)

# Oligopolistic competitive environment\*



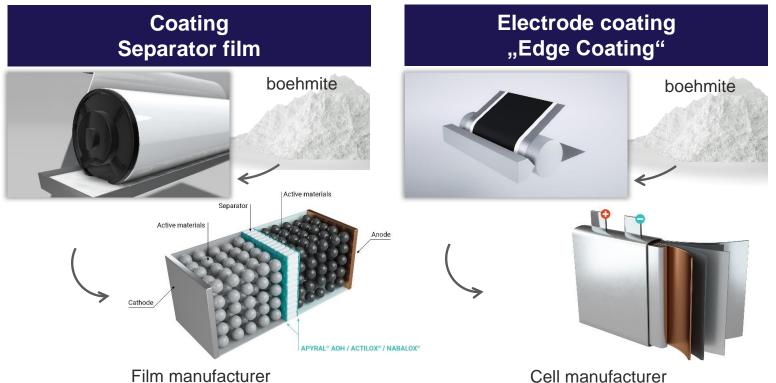
# Market drivers: aluminum hydroxide\*\*

- Increasing fire safety requirements in connection with reduced smoke development (e.g. the CPR in EU)
- Trend towards eco-friendly products (e.g. RoHS & WEEE, circular economy)
- Global growth in plastics (construction, automotive, as well as electronics and electrical)



# Functional Fillers – Growth Driver E-Mobility

Innovative products in lithium-ion batteries (NMC, NMx, LFP)



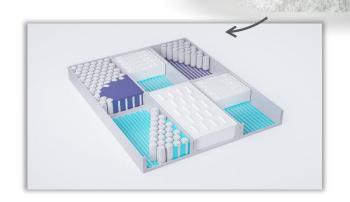
- Film manufacture 56 t/GWh
- Increase thermal stability
- Reduce the risk of short circuits
- High energy density due to thin coatings

#### Cell manufacturer 25 t/GWh

- Avoid punctures through electrode collectors
- Cell error batch reduction during production
- Avoid short circuits due to vibrations

# Thermal management Adhesives/Gap fillers

viscosity optimized hydrates



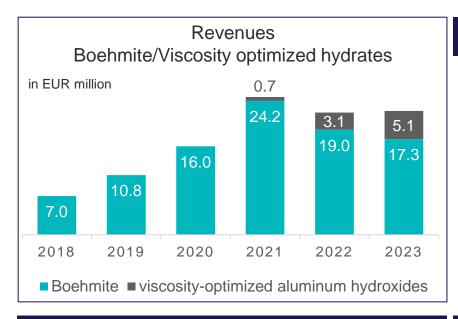
#### Adhesive manufacturer 80 t/GWh

- Reduce the risk of overheating
- Enable fast charging processes
- Extend battery life

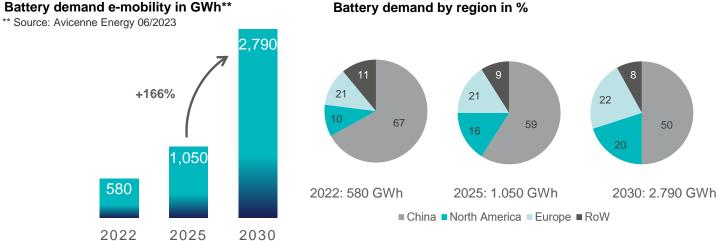


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# Worldwide battery demand electro mobility



#### Boehmite – market environment

- China dominant EU below expectations USA on the rise
- Demand for finer qualities on the rise
- Increasing competition with rising price pressure

# Viscosity optimized hydrates - market environment

- Increasing demands on battery safety and stability
- Focus on battery assembly in Europe
- New technologies drive up demand for specialties

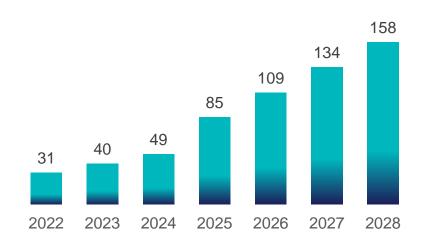


## Functional Fillers – Growth Driver E-Mobility

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# Market volume of ceramic coatings in e-mobility

in thousand tons\*



#### Oligopolistic competitive environment for boehmite



#### Electromobility as a market driver

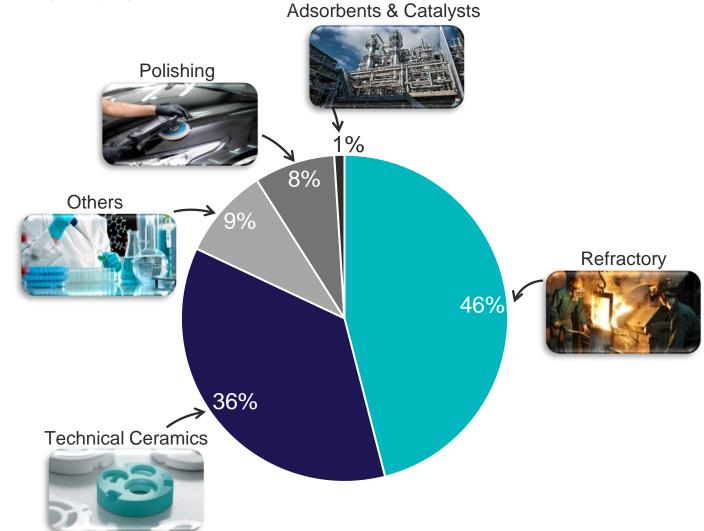
- Climate protection global reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions required
- Climate policy agreements in Europe:
   Phase-out of cars with combustion engines by 2035
- Reduction of noise and air pollution, especially in urban areas
- Government support through monetary and non-monetary measures



# Market segments "Specialty Alumina" 2023

#### **Application examples:**

- Furnace linings
- Wear and tear protection
- Ballistic ceramics
- Seals
- High-voltage insulators
- Catalysts
- Ceramic filters
- Polishing materials
- Ignition plugs
- Grinding media

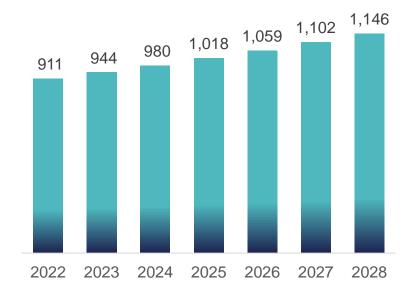




## **Specialty Alumina**

# Outlook Nabaltec target market for specialty alumina in Europe\*

in thousand tons



Specialty Alumina: CAGR 4.0% through 2028 (Fact.MR, 2023)

## Oligopolistic competitive environment\*



### Market drivers: specialty aluminas

- Growing demand for technical ceramics in transportation as well as in plant and mechanical engineering
- Growing demand for high-quality specialty alumina for efficient and sustainable steel production in Europe



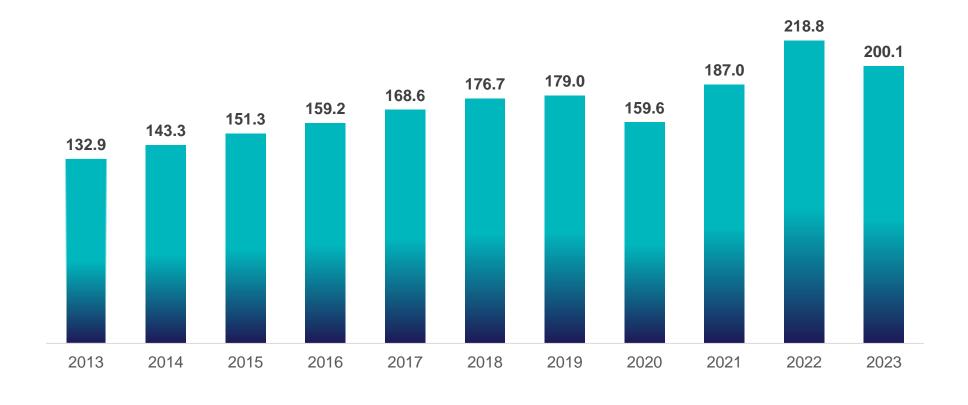
# Market entry barriers & USPs

Cost-effective Capital-intensive energy supply Global presence Consistent High **Nabal**tec quality & innovation reliable level delivery Focus on core competencies Oligopolistic com-Technical petitive environment know-how



# Development of revenues from 2013 to 2023

in EUR million



**CAGR** 2013 to 2023 = **4.2%** 



# Development of EBIT from 2013 to 2023





#### Development of Cashflow from 2013 to 2023

in EUR million



Invested around EUR 170 million since 2013



## Key figures Nabaltec Group (IFRS, preliminary figures Q1/2024)

in EUR million	Q1/2024	Q1/2023	change	2023	2022	change
Revenues	54.0	57.0	-5.3%	200.1	218.8	-8.5%
Functional Fillers	38.7	40.1	-3.5%	142.3	148.0	-3.9%
Specialty Alumina	15.4	17.0	-9.4%	57.8	70.9	-18.5%
EBITDA	8.0	8.4	-4.8%	31.0	42.4	-26.9%
EBIT	5.0	5.2	-3.8%	18.3	29.2	-37.3%

- Nabaltec's target markets experienced significantly weaker industrial growth in Financial Year 2023. Nevertheless, the company managed to generate the second-highest revenues in its history.
- Revenues in the boehmite product range amounted to EUR 17.3 million in 2023 after EUR 19.0 million in the previous year.
- Preliminary revenues in the first quarter of 2024 amounted to EUR 54.0 million.
- EBIT margin was 9.3% in the first quarter of 2024.



#### Extracts from the Balance Sheet

in EUR million	12/31/2023	12/31/2022	change
Total assets	280.9	281.1	-0.1%
Non-current assets	120.7	135.3	-10.8%
thereof property, plant and equipment	119.0	118.8	0.2%
Current assets	160.2	145.8	9.9%
thereof cash and cash equivalents	86.0	87.5	-1.7%
Equity	141.8	133.5	6.2%
Non-current liabilities	122.6	122.7	-0.1%
Current liabilities	16.5	24.9	-33.7%

- Reclassification of non-current assets in the amount of EUR 15.0 million (investments in fixed-term deposits with maturities > 3 months) to current assets.
- The equity ratio is 50.5% as of the reporting date 31 December 2023 (31 December 2022: 47.5%).
- Net debt as of 31 December 2023 amounts to EUR 5.0 million (31 December 2022: EUR 3.2 million).



#### Cashflow

in EUR million	2023	2022	change
Cash flow from operating activities	16.5	32.4	-49.1%
Cash flow from investing activities	-14.0	-25.7	-45.5%
Free cash flow	2.5	6.7	-62.7%
Cash flow from financing activities	-3.4	28.0	_

- In 2023, investments focused on expanding capacities for boehmite and optimizing processes at the Schwandorf site. In the previous year, cash flow from investing activities included payments of EUR 15.0 million for investments in fixed-term deposits with maturities of more than three months.
- Cash flow from financing activities in 2023 includes a dividend payment of EUR 2.5 million. In the previous year it included the
  proceeds from the issue of the loan against borrower's note issued in April 2022 with a volume of EUR 90.0 million and the
  disbursement of the scheduled repayment of previous loans in the amount of EUR 59.0 million as well as a dividend payment in the
  amount of EUR 2.2 million.
- Cash and cash equivalents amounted to EUR 86.0 million on 31 December 2023.



#### Outlook 2024

- At the beginning of 2024, demand remains characterized by short-termism. However, Nabaltec expects demand to increase for the majority of product ranges in the current financial year.
- Based on the economic and industry-specific environment, the company expects revenues in 2024 to be slightly higher than in the previous year.
- On the earnings side, Nabaltec expects an EBIT margin in a range of 7% to 9%.
- The forecast is based on the assumption that the economy and the industries relevant to Nabaltec will remain stable.
- At the time the forecast was prepared, it remains unclear at what speed or with what dynamics the economic situation will recover globally and in the markets relevant to Nabaltec. Inflation, high interest rates and an uncertain situation are slowing consumption and investment worldwide. In the event of continued negative economic distortions due to the geopolitical situation, negative effects on the net assets, financial position and results of operations cannot be ruled out.
- Furthermore, the other statements made in the outlook report remain valid.



#### Share

- ISIN: DE000A0KPPR7
- 2023 trading volume:
   average of 3,171 shares per day (2022: 2,996 shares)\*

#### **Baader Bank:**

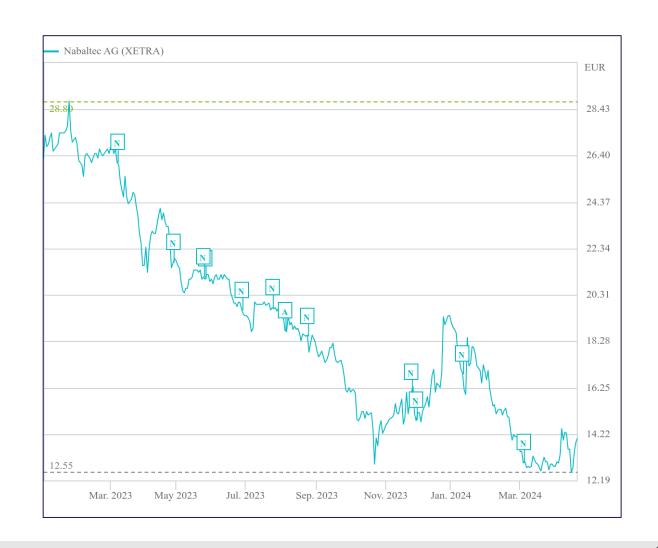
Buy, price target EUR 31.00 Euro (11/2023)

#### NuWays:

Buy, price target EUR 25.00 (03/2024)

#### **Shareholder structure:**

- 28.20% Heckmann family
- 27.23% Witzany family
- 44.57% Free float

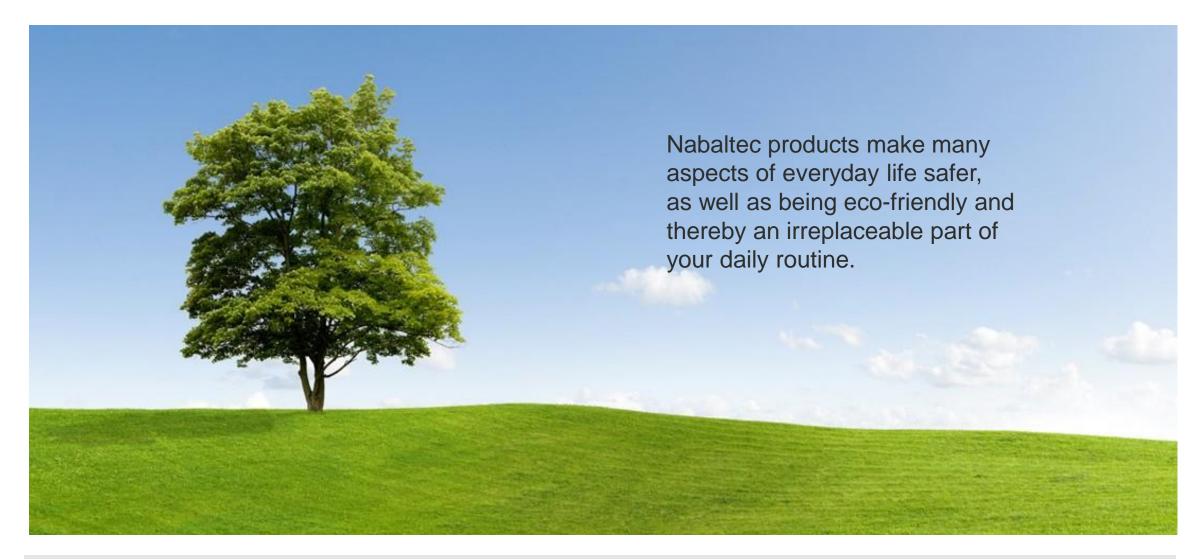




# Financial calender

14 May 2024	German Spring Conference 2024
23 May 2024	Publication Quarterly Financial Report (call-date Q1)
25 June 2024	Annual General Meeting
22 August 2024 Publication Half-yearly Financial Statements	
21 November 2024	Publication Quarterly Financial Report (call-date Q3)









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