

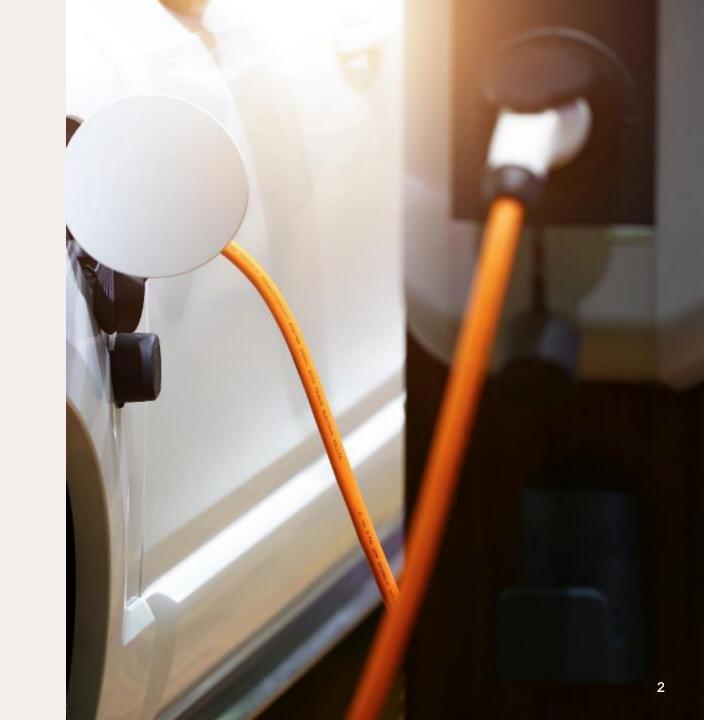


## Carnegie Enviro & Profitability Seminar

26 September 2023

## Agenda

- Elkem at a glance
- Financial highlights
- Environmental projects
- Summary
- Q&A





### We are Elkem

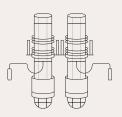
# Advanced silicon-based materials shaping a better & more sustainable future







Silicon Products



**Carbon Solutions** 





# A strong track record since 1904 – with our focus on the future

- Elkem started as a Norwegian company founded in 1904 by Sam Eyde, representing strong industrial traditions and continuous improvement
- The chemical business in France was integrated in 2015 adding a strong culture for specialisation, innovation and R&D
- Our presence in China was significantly expanded in 2017, adding to the dynamic and agile business perspective, and positioning for the Asian market





## Sustainable business model delivering good results

Low cost sustainable input factors



Quartz



Coal



Biocarbon



Power

High temperature/chemical production processes



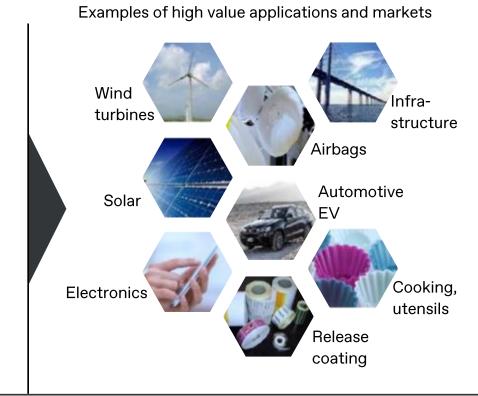
Silicones



Silicon, ferrosilicon, foundry products and microsilica



Carbon solutions



Financial figures LTM June 2023



Total operating income

NOK 40.9 bn.



**EBITDA** 

NOK **7.7** bn.



19 %



Head office in Norway

31 plants worldwide



Employees worldwide

~ 7,300



R&D centres in Norway, France and China

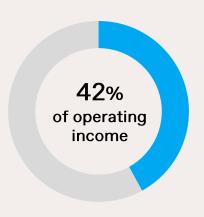
>600 R&D people



## Elkem operates through three divisions: All with global scale, leadership positions and global footprint

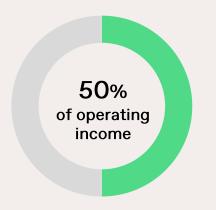
#### **Silicones**

Fully integrated silicones manufacturer with focus on specialities



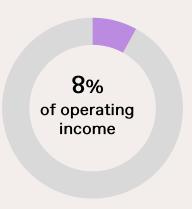
#### **Silicon Products**

Global producer and provider of silicon, ferrosilicon and specialties



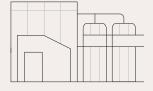
#### **Carbon Solutions**

Leading producer of electrode paste and specialty products



#### **End markets**

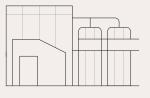
- Construction
- Automotive
- Chemical formulators
- Personal care
- Healthcare
- Paper & film release
- Silicone rubber
- Textile



14 main worldwide

#### **End markets**

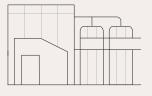
- Automotive
- Construction/industrial equipment
- Electronics
- Specialty steel
- Solar & wind turbines
- Refractories
- Oil & gas



10 main plants

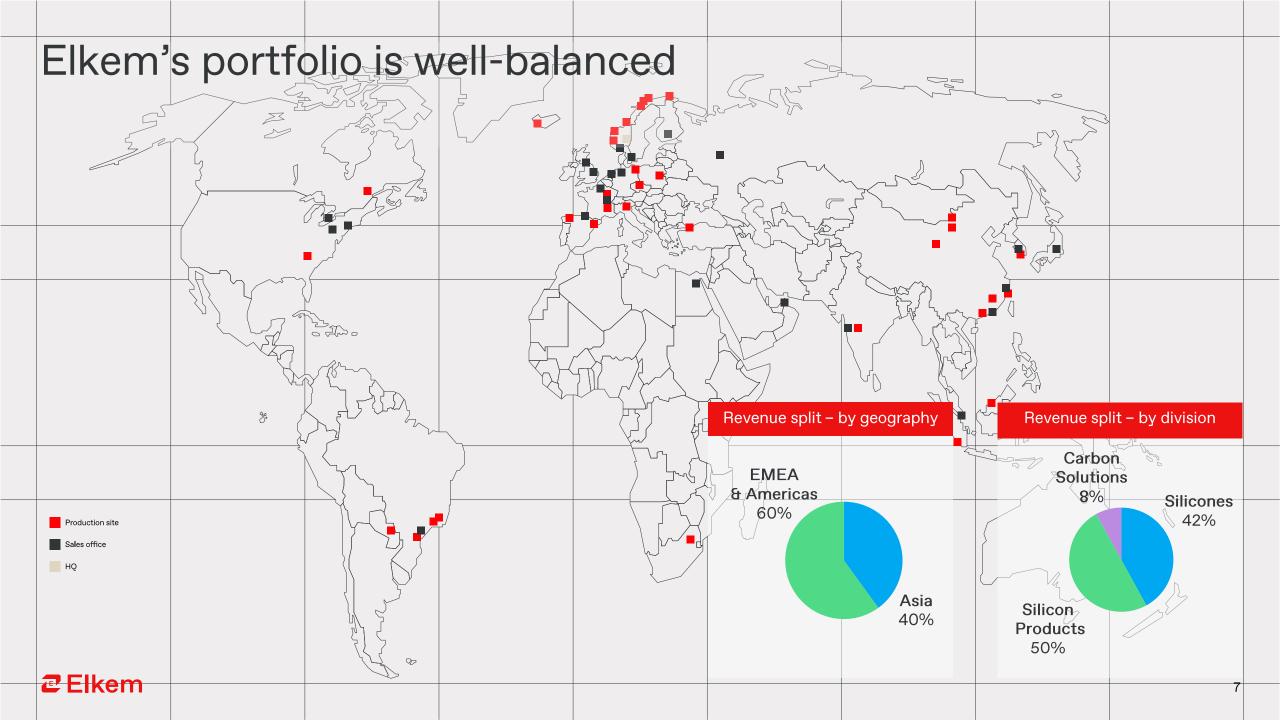
#### **End markets**

- Ferroalloys
- Silicon
- Aluminium
- Iron foundries



7 main plants (from 2023)





## Delivering on strategy - dual-play growth & green leadership

#### Profitable growth:

Top 3 in silicones worldwide Number 1 in silicon products and carbon solutions in the West

Dual-play growth

- → Balanced between geographic regions (East & West)
- → Balanced across the value chain (Upstream & Downstream)



#### Green leadership

- → Strengthening position as best in the industry on low CO<sub>2</sub>
- → Growing supplies to green transition & creating green ventures

#### **Silicones**

- → Balanced geographical growth
- → Improve cost position
- → Higher degree of specialisation

#### Silicon Products

- → Selective growth
- → Secure leading cost positions
- → Lower carbon emissions

#### Carbon Solutions

- → Selective growth in West
- → Sustainable low-cost position
- → Preferred supplier with high quality

#### We are Elkem

Advanced siliconbased materials shaping a better & more sustainable future

Growth

>5% per year

**Reduce CO<sub>2</sub>** -28% 2020-31

**EBITDA** 

>15% per year

Net zero By 2050



## Strong ESG focus and performance



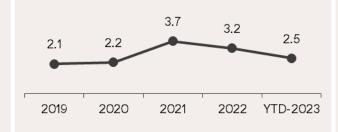
#### Green leadership

- Product carbon footprint reduced by 7% from 2021 to 2022
- Elkem is a key supplier to the green transition with silicon defined as a critical material in EU and the US
- Elkem and the environmental foundation Zero have entered into a partnership for industrial climate solutions
- Elkem has recently demonstrated solutions for recycling of silicones, potential to reduce carbon footprint by up to 70%

#### Safety

Ambition: Zero injuries

Total injury rate (per million working hours)



#### Sustainability targets

Reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> product 39% footprint by 2031



Net zero CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 2050

#### Rated among the world's leading companies



EcoVadis: Gold rating for 2023, in the 99th percentile





Change





Water Security



S&P Global CSA: Top 90 percentile



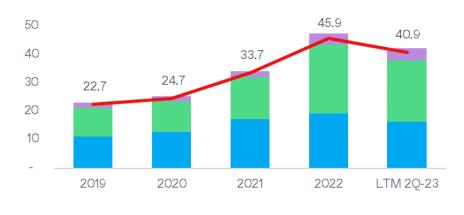
Rated A+ for ESG reporting in 2023

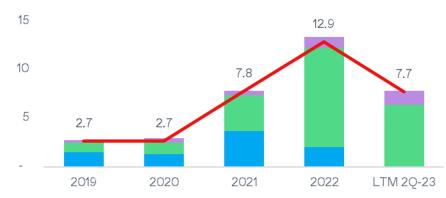
Elkem Group

### Overview financial results

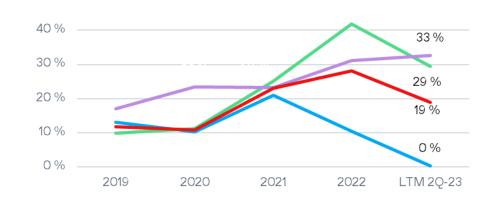
- Strong financial performance in 2021 and 2022 despite challenging market conditions
- Results in 2023 impacted by weak macro economic conditions and lower demand
- Silicones division suffering from weaker market sentiment and overcapacity in China
- Silicon Products and Carbon Solutions have continued to deliver excellent results based on superior cost and market positions

# **Operating income** BNOK **EBITDA** BNOK Pre cent











Elkem Group

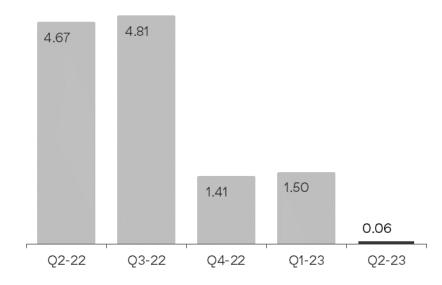
## Robust equity ratio, but low earnings per share

- Earnings per share (EPS) amounted to NOK 0.06 in the second quarter impacted by weaker results
  - EPS YTD-2023 was NOK 1.56

- Total equity amounted to BNOK 26.1 as at 30 June 2023, down BNOK 2.7 from year-end 2022 mainly due to dividend payment
  - Equity to total assets (equity ratio) of 50%, slightly down following the dividend payment for 2022

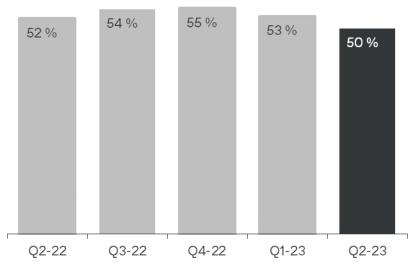
#### Earnings per share (EPS)

NOK per share



#### Equity ratio

In percent of total assets





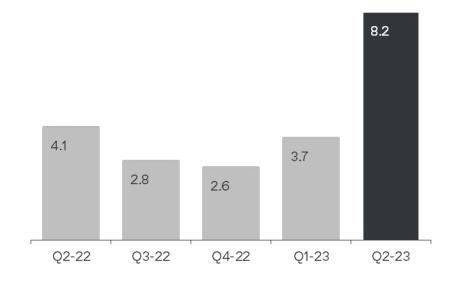
## Good financing position despite higher leverage

- Net interest-bearing debt (NIBD) of BNOK 8.2 as at 30 June 2023
  - Leverage ratio of 1.1x based on LTM EBITDA of BNOK 7.7

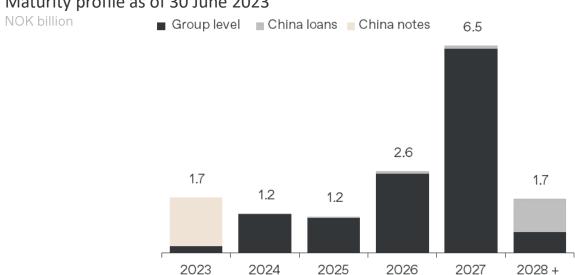
- Strong financing position
  - Well managed and distributed debt maturity profile
  - Debt maturities in 2023 in China consist of local working capital financing, which are regularly rolled over
  - Green bond loan of NOK 1,000 million raised in August 2023 to refinance bond maturities in February 2024

#### Net interest-bearing debt (NIBD)

NOK billion



#### Maturity profile as of 30 June 2023





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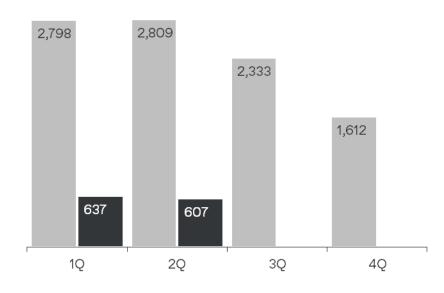
## Investment levels remain high, impacted by upgrades

- Cash flow from operations<sup>(1)</sup> was MNOK 607 in the second quarter 2023
  - Lower cash flow compared to corresponding quarter last year mainly explained by lower EBIT and major reinvestment projects in Norway and China

- Investments ex. M&A of MNOK 1,463 in the second quarter 2023
  - Reinvestments were MNOK 729 in second quarter, amounting to 128% of D&A, driven by maintenance projects in Norway and China. Target is 80-90% of D&A
  - Strategic investments were MNOK 733 in the quarter, mainly related to Silicones projects in France and China

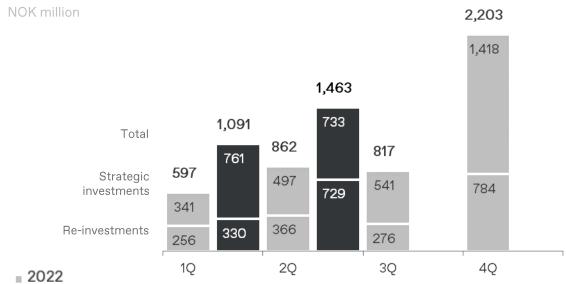
#### Cash flow from operations

NOK million



#### Investments ex. M&A

2023



(1) Cash flow from operations is according to Elkem management definition and includes reinvestments

#### Elkem Climate Roadmap:

## Elkem's actions: Reducing our emissions

Elkem will reduce fossil CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in line with the Paris agreement: We will contribute to limiting long-term temperature according to Paris agreement

#### By 2031:

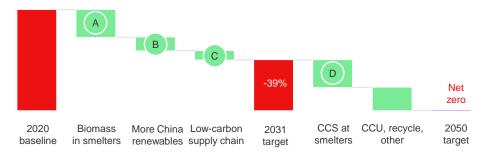
- Reducing absolute emissions\* by 28% from 2020-2031
- Delivering 39% improvement in product footprint\*\*

#### By 2050:

 Achieving fully carbon neutral production (zero fossil emissions) globally

#### Our roadmap to climate neutral products

(Illustrative)









### Changing to biomass as reduction material

Increasing share of bio-based materials from wood waste as reduction material in our smelters



Low-carbon supply chain

Actively pursue long-term sourcing of renewable-based silicon metal as well as emission-free logistics



### Shifting to renewable power also in China

Future decarbonisation of China's power mix will support Elkem's low carbon transition



Exploring potential of more CCS at smelters

Exploring both Carbon Capture & Utilisation (CCU) and Carbon Capture & Storage (CCS) at our smelters

Elkem's actions: Reducing our emissions

## Changing to biomass as reduction material

- Biocarbon can replace fossil materials in metallurgical processes.
  Increasing the share of biocarbon is important to reduce Elkem's fossil CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
- The goal is to reach a biocarbon share of 50% by 2031
- Elkem has constructed a pilot plant for biocarbon production in Canada to verify technology and product quality. The project has received grants from Canadian authorities
- Volatile prices for coal, make it challenging to assess the profitability.
  However Elkem expects the project to be attractive based on
  - Biocarbon being exempted from CO<sub>2</sub> quota costs
  - Access to fossil coal potentially a future constraint
  - Customers requiring lower fossil product carbon footprint



#### Biocarbon pilot plant in Canada

Elkem's new biocarbon pilot plant in Canada aims to secure industrial verification of our technology for renewable biocarbon

- Investment: Total investment of approx. NOK 180 million
- Purpose: Develop an industrial biocarbon process tailor-made for silicon and ferrosilicon production using raw materials from local sawmills, including recycled bark, wood chips, sawdust and wood shaves
- Contribution: Contributes to Elkem's strategy of replacing fossil coal as a reduction agent and to the goal of reaching a climate neutral production



Elkem's actions: Reducing our emissions

## Energy Recovery Management

- Production of silicon and ferrosilicon require significant consumption of electricity due to high temperature processes
- Energy efficiency and sustainable sourcing of energy is of key importance to improve cost and ensure low a GHG footprint
- The energy recovery project at Salten contributes to Elkem's efficiency goal by increasing energy recovery from surplus heat
- Large capex represents a challenge to reach acceptable return on capital. Grants from Enova important to enable investment
- Elkem considers energy recovery to be financially attractive longterm as it reduces OpEx and makes the plant more resilient due to lower electricity consumption



#### **Energy Recovery Plant at Elkem Salten**

Elkem Salten is one of the world's largest and most modern silicon plants, exporting silicon and silica fume products worldwide

- Investment: The total investment in the energy recovery plant was around NOK 1,180 million, including a NOK 350 million grant from Enova
- Purpose: Recovering 28% of the electrical energy feed into the plant's three smelting furnaces, equalling the power consumption of about 15,000 Norwegian households
- Contribution: Contributes to Elkem's leading position within energy recovery, and improving energy efficiency



Elkem's actions: Reducing our emissions

### Carbon capture

- Silicon and ferrosilicon production require use of carbon based reduction materials resulting in emissions of CO<sub>2</sub>
- Elkem's target is net zero GHG emissions by 2050
- Carbon capture would be crucial to reach the net zero goal
- The CCS pilot at the Elkem Rana plant, has verified the technology with proven capture rates of 85%, 90% and 95%, and is deemed very promising
- However, the challenges with CCS are high investment costs and high energy consumption. CCS is currently not financially viable



#### Carbon Capture pilot at Elkem Rana

Elkem is a proud to be part of the world's first carbon capture storage (CCS) pilot for smelters, which was announced in January 2023

- Investment: The pilot test is part of a larger R&D project, CO<sub>2</sub> HUB Nord, which runs over two years and is funded by Climit Demo. The total budget is approx. NOK 24 million
- Purpose: verify the technology to prepare a full-scale plant for industrial carbon capture. A full-scale plant would give 1.5 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> that could be captured from their combined emissions
- Contribution: Carbon capture could contribute significantly towards Elkem's climate roadmap while growing supplies to the green transition



Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM)

### Introduction of CBAM

- CBAM is intended as a tool to avoid carbon leakage
  - Imported goods will pay a CO<sub>2</sub> fee corresponding to the CO<sub>2</sub> cost faced by European industry
  - The implication is that CO<sub>2</sub> costs will be passed on to consumers rather than industries receiving CO<sub>2</sub> allowances
- Elkem's products are currently not under the ambit of CBAM
- We consider this to be advantageous as CBAM so far seems to have several shortcomings
  - Too easy for imported products to avoid CBAM duty due loopholes in documentation requirements and semi-finished goods being exempted from CBAM
  - Exports out of Europe is not being addressed putting European producers at a disadvantage in export markets





## Summary

- Green leadership is a key part of Elkem's strategy
- We are well positioned to supplying the green transition based on materials critical to e.g. renewable energy and electrification
- Our product carbon footprint is best in the industry, based on renewable energy
- Elkem targets a reduction of the group product carbon footprint by 39% by 2031. The target is net zero CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 2050
- Several measures have been implemented to reach the target, additional future initiatives to be launched
- Elkem has strong financial capabilities to develop the company's green leadership strategy





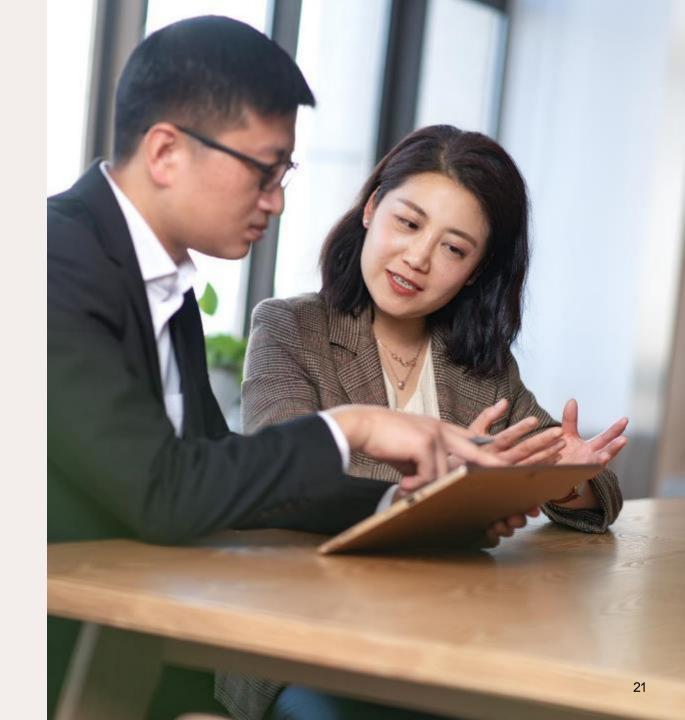
## **Q&A** ?

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