# EVN Conference Call 1st half-year results 2011/12

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## **Business highlights**

## Investment focus on renewable energy in Lower Austria

- Start-up of the production of the wind park Tattendorf (16 MW)
- Aquisition of wind park Pöttelsdorf (9.2 MW)
- Start of constraction of wind park Glinzendorf (18 MW)
- Start-up of operations of the small hydropower plant in Schaldorf (1 MW)

## **Extention of biomass production capacity by three new plants**

- 57 biomass plants in Lower Austria and five plants in progress

New cogeneration plant in Plovdiv put into operation

Contracts awarded in the Prag (CZ) and Serbia in the Environmental Services segment

Issue of a corporate bond (EUR 300m) and two private placements (EUR 125m)

Moody's confirmed the long-term credit rating of "A3" (stable outlook)

Start of the share buyback programme



## **Business development**

EURm	2011/12 HY. 1	Change in %
Revenue	1,690.9	3.8
EBITDA	325.9	0.5
EBIT	202.8	2.9
Financial results	73.6	48.6
Group net profit	209.1	13.6
Net cash flow from operating activities	49.3	-77.7
EUR		
Earnings per share	1.16	11.5

Weather-related revenue development

#### Stable EBITDA

- Operating expenses up 4.6%

## **Higher EBIT**

- Impairment loss of EUR 8.0m vs. EUR 17.7m in the prior-year period

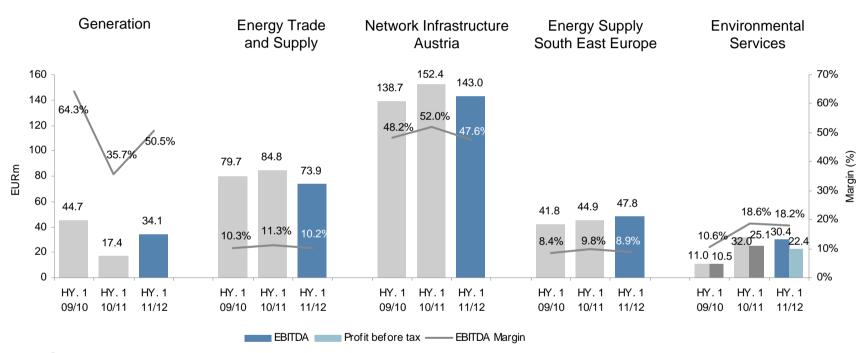
Positive development of financial results

- Higher income from investments in equity accounted investees

Weather-related decrease of net CF from operating results



## **EBITDA** development by segments



#### Generation:

power request on the part of the German Federal Network Agency, revision in natural gas price between Gazprom and EconGas and new wind park capacities

Energy Supply South East Europe: weather-related sales volumes increase and higher end customer prices



## Generation

Electricity generation volumes (GWh)	2011/12 HY. 1	Change in %
Total	1,610	-14.1
thereof thermal energy sources	983	-27.8
thereof renewable energy sources	627	22.0
EURm		
Revenue	67.5	38.3
EBITDA	34.1	95.4
EBIT	13.1	_

## Reduced use of EVN's own thermal power stations

- Negative spark spreads

### Revenue increase

- Power request by the German Federal Network Agency
- Revision in natural gas prices between Gazprom and EconGas
- New wind park capacities

## EBIT increase despite

 Impairment loss on the biomass pilot plant in Dürnrohr of EUR 8.0m



## **Energy Trade and Supply**

## End customer price adjustments<sup>1)</sup>

Gas (4/1/2011)	+8.9%
(10/1/2011)	+3.6%
Electricity (1/1/2012)	-1.7%

Sales volumes to end customers (GWh)	2011/12 HY. 1	Change in %
Electricity	3,915	1.3
Natural gas	5,171	-6.9
Heat	1,214	3.2

#### **EURm**

Revenue	727.3	-2.8
EBITDA	73.9	-12.9
EBIT	66.7	-14.5

<sup>1)</sup> Average, household sector (EVN source)

## Diverse sales volumes development

- Lower gas sales volumes due to reduced use of EVN's own thermal power plants and higher temperatures
- Higher electricity sales volumes due to business extension of EAA outside of Lower Austria
- Higher heat sales volumes to large customers

#### Revenue decrease

- Decrease of end customer price for electricity
- Adjustments in natural gas prices

#### **EBITDA** decrease

- Higher procurement costs for electricity
- Higher provision for impending losses related to power plant project Duisburg-Walsum



## **Network Infrastructure Austria**

Tariffs adjustments <sup>1)</sup>	
Electricity (1/1/2012)	_

Natural gas (1/1/2012) -1.9%

Network distribution volumes (GWh)	2011/12 HY. 1	Change in %
Electricity	4,139	0.2
Natural gas <sup>2)</sup>	10,903	-8.3

<b>EURm</b>	
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Revenue	300.3	2.5
EBITDA	143.0	-6.2
EBIT	93.7	-9.8

#### Diverse distribution sales volumes

- Electricity: at prior-year level
- Natural gas: drop due to reduced use of EVN's own thermal power plants and higher temperature

## Adjustment of network tariffs

#### Decrease of EBITDA and EBIT

- Higher procurement costs
- Higher maintenance and repair costs



<sup>1)</sup> Average, according to the regulator in Austria, E-Control

<sup>2)</sup> Including network sales to EVN's power stations

## **Energy Supply South East Europe**

## Electricity price adjustments<sup>1)</sup>

Bulgaria (7/1/2010) electricity	+2.0%
(7/1/2011) electricity	+1.9%
(4/1/2011) heat	+6.8%
Macedonia (3/1/2011)	+4.9%2)
(1/1/2012)	+4.8%2)

Network distribution volumes (GWh)	2011/12 HY. 1	Change in %
Electricity <sup>3)</sup>	7,896	5.3
Heat	212	8.8

#### **EURm**

Revenue	534.7	16.9
EBITDA	47.8	6.5
EBIT	15.2	_

## Temperature-related sales volumes increase

- BG: heating degree +23.4%p
- MK: heating degree +21.2%p

#### Revenue increase

- Weather-related hike of sales volumes
- Electricity and heat price adjustments

#### **EBITDA** increased

Increase of EBIT from EUR –2.6m despite

- Higher prices for procured energy
- Increased write-off of receivables



<sup>1)</sup> Average, household sector, according to the regulators in Bulgaria (SEWRC) and Macedonia (ERC)

<sup>2)</sup> EVN Macedonia

<sup>3)</sup> In Bulgaria and Macedonia energy sales volumes fairly equal present network distribution volumes

## **Environmental Services**

EURm	2011/12 HY. 1	Change in %
Revenue	167.4	-2.6
EBITDA	30.4	-5.0
EBIT	17.2	-11.9
Financial results	5.1	-7.4
Profit before income tax	22.4	-10.9

#### Lower revenue

- Lower project invoicing
- Lower income from waste incineration

#### Financial results down

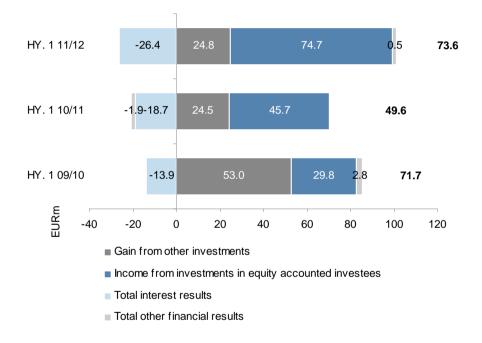
- Decreasing interest balance of projects during the operational phase
- Higher interest expense of projects during the construction phase

## New market entry

- Wastewater treatment plant in the Prague (CZ)
- Drinking water treatment plant in Serbia (BOOT project)



## **Financial results**



Financial results increased

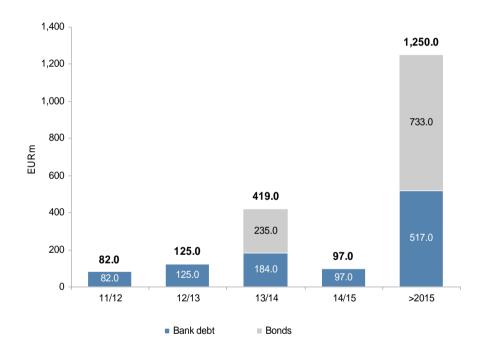
Higher income from investments in equity accounted investees

Lower interest results

- Higher interest expenses
  - Higher net debt
  - Slightly higher interest rates
- Lower interest income



## **Debt maturity profile**



Issue of a new corporate bond

- EUR 300.0m (10.5 ys, coupon 4.25%)

Redemption of corporate bond

- EUR 257.4m

Issue of private placements

- EUR 125.0m (20.0 ys, coupon 4.125%)

Share of fixed interest debt: 76.0%

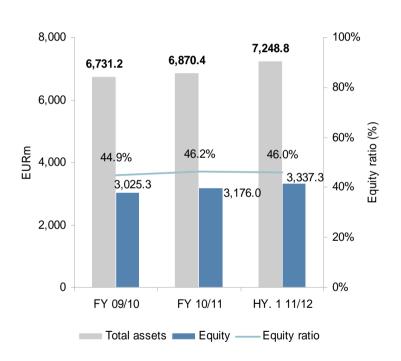
Average financing costs: 4.2%

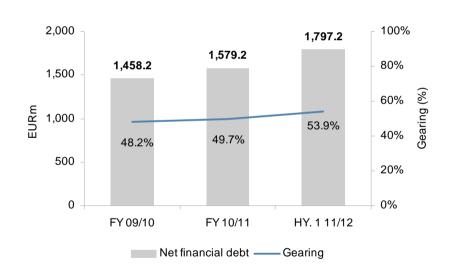
Financial flexibility

- Committed bilateral credit lines and syndicated loan of EUR 775.0m
- Cash/cash equivalents: EUR 79.8m



# Solid capital structure and rating supports





Rating

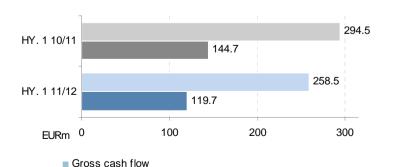
S&P: A-/ negative

Moody's: A3 / stable



## Cash flow

EURm	2011/12 HY. 1	Change in %
Gross cash flow	258.5	-12.2
Net cash flow from operating activities	49.3	-77.7
Net cash flow from investing activities	-128.5	49.3
Net cash flow from financing activities	42.2	-42.9
Net change in cash and cash items	75.6	-42.2



■ Investments in intangible assets, property, plant and equipment

## Lower gross CF

- Higher non-cash results from at equity accounted investees
- Release of non-current provisions

# Decrease of net CF from operating activities

- Stronger seasonal effect in working capital

# Change of net CF from investing activities

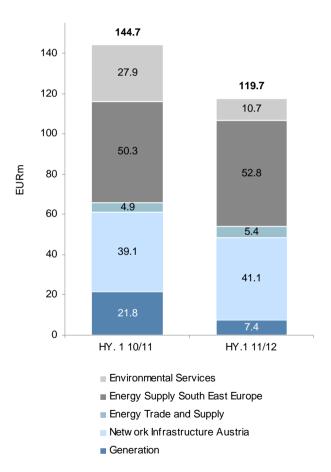
- Lower investments in intangible assets and property, plant and equipment
- Lower capital payment for investments in equity accounted investees
- Acquisition of additional stake in EVN's Bulgarian subsidiaries
- Sales of current investments in securities

# Decrease of net CF from financing activities

- Capital increase in the prior-year



## Investments1)



#### 1) In intangible assets and property, plant and equipment

#### Investments down 17.3%

## Key investments

- Wind parks in Lower Austria
- Construction of "Westschiene"
- Expansion of heating networks and biomass capacities in Lower Austria
- Cogeneration plant in Plovdiv, Bulgaria
- Expansion of the network infrastructure and replacement of metres in SEE
- Cogeneration plant in Ljuberzy, Moscow



## Outlook 2011/12

## **Assumptions**

- Stable end customers business development
- Lower or negative spreads between primary energy and electricity prices
- Stable order book in Environmental Services segment and no negative impact due to economic downturn

## **EVN's expectations**

- Operating results can match prior-year level
- Financial results above previous year's level
- Group net profit comparable to prior-year level

#### **EVN's ambitions**

- Competitive investment grade credit rating
- Attractive dividend policy
- Key ratios (on an adjusted basis): Equity ratio: >40%
  Net debt coverage (FFO): ≥25%
  Interest Cover (FFO): >5x



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