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Resilient cash generator for Solvay

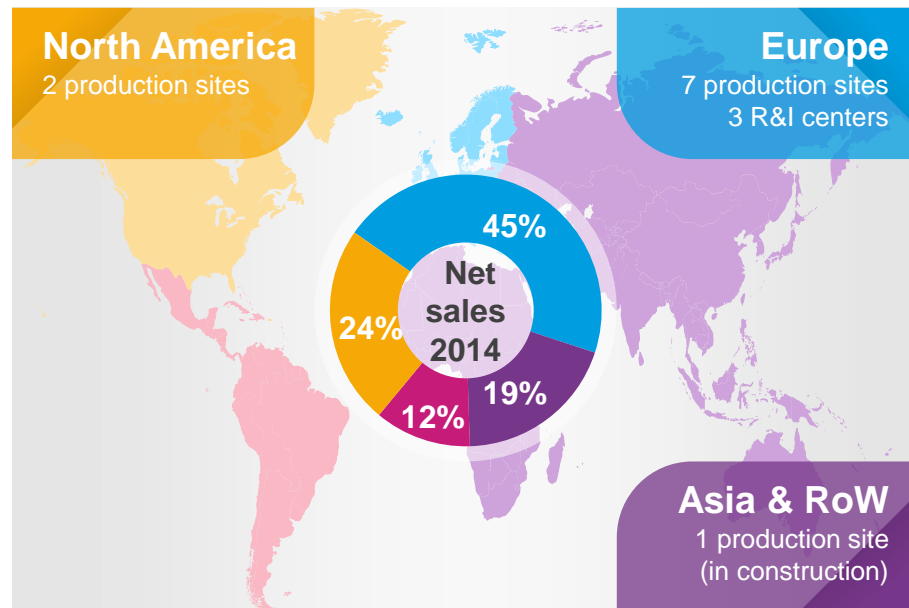
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Resilient cash generator for Solvay

Soda ash
in many applications



€ 1.4 bn
Net sales 2014



~ 3,500
employees

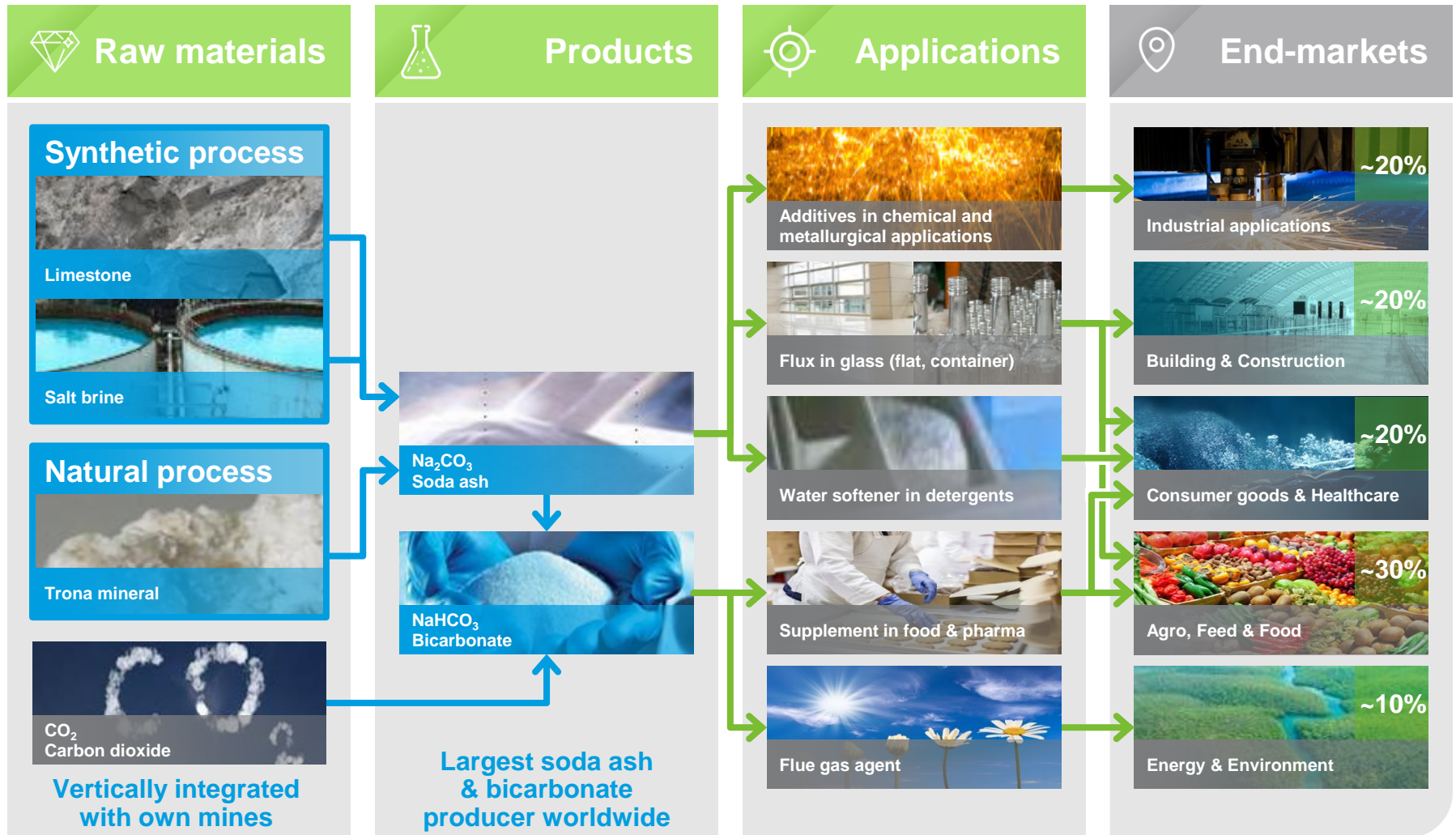


10 production sites
3 R&I centers

Leading player with very competitive supply

Solvay products

approximate main
end-market exposures



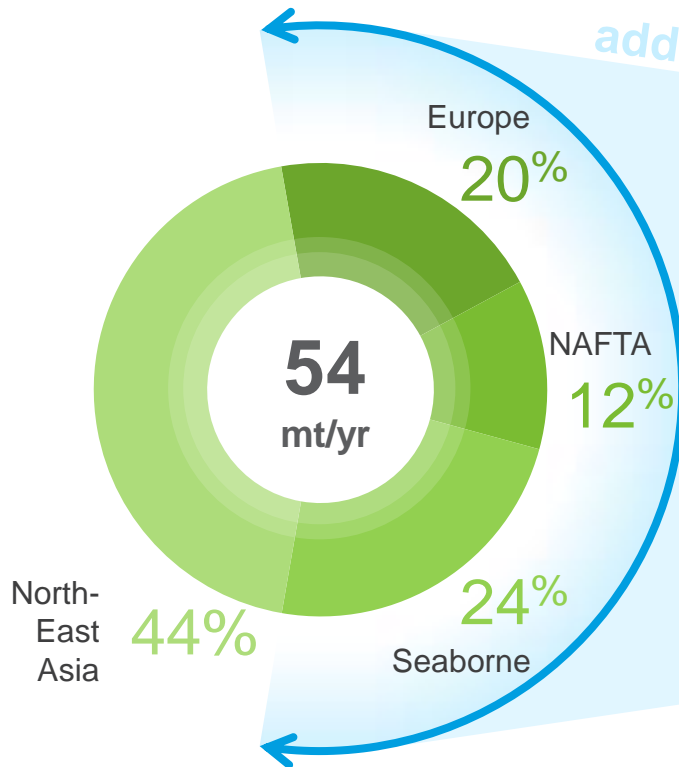
Diversified soda ash market



Markets driven by GDP growth

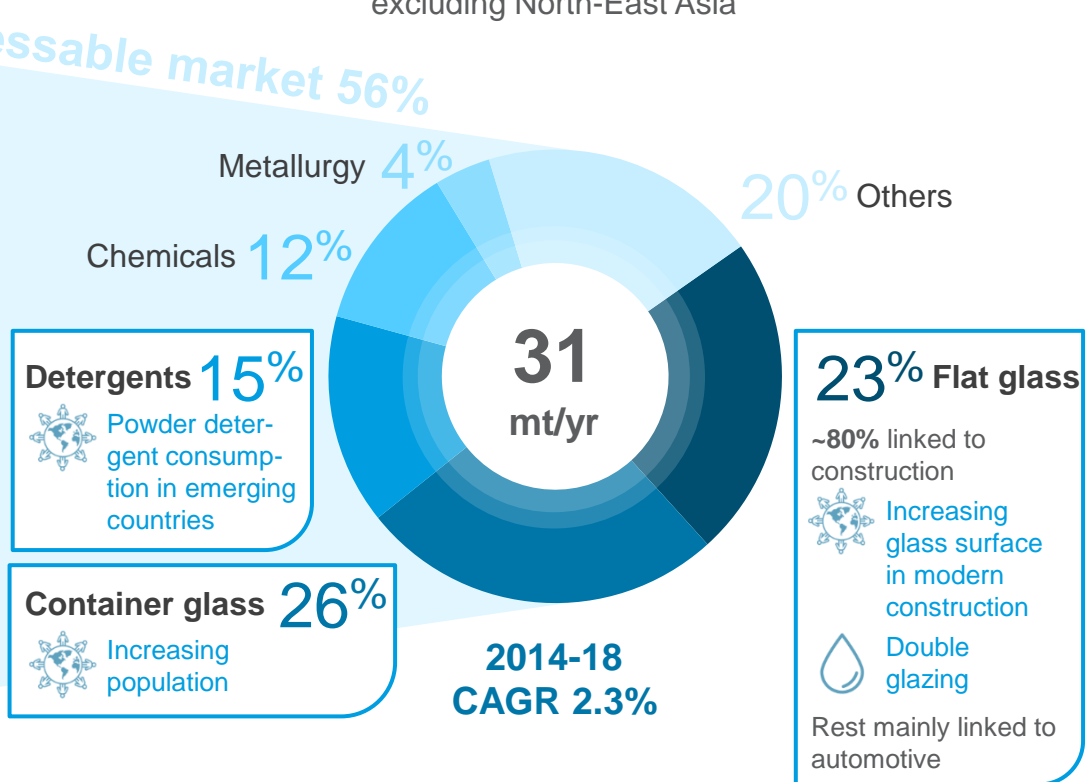
Solvay addresses over 50% of global market

Total market volumes 2014

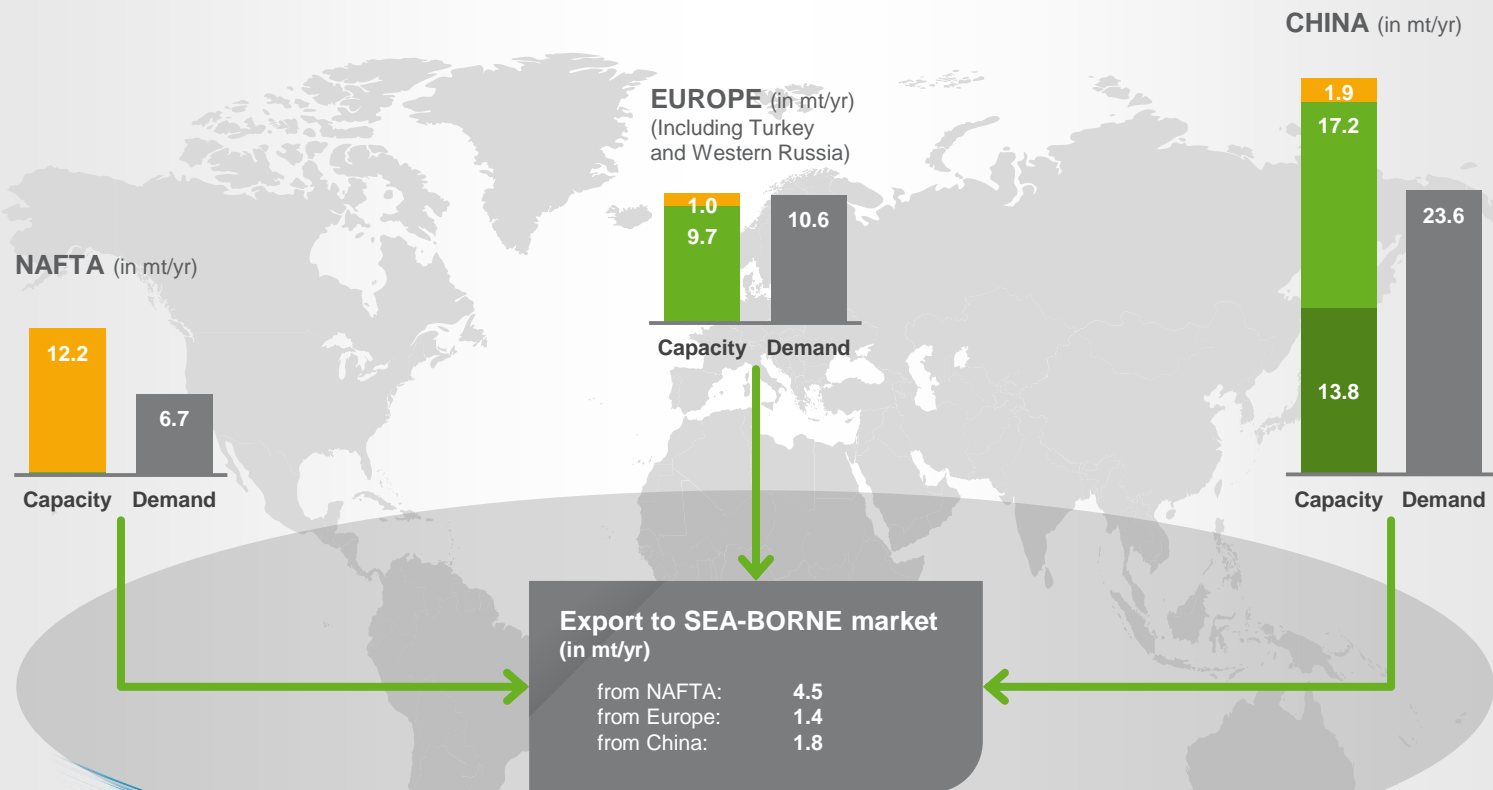


Total market volumes 2014

excluding North-East Asia



Soda ash market is global with regional supply/demand dynamics



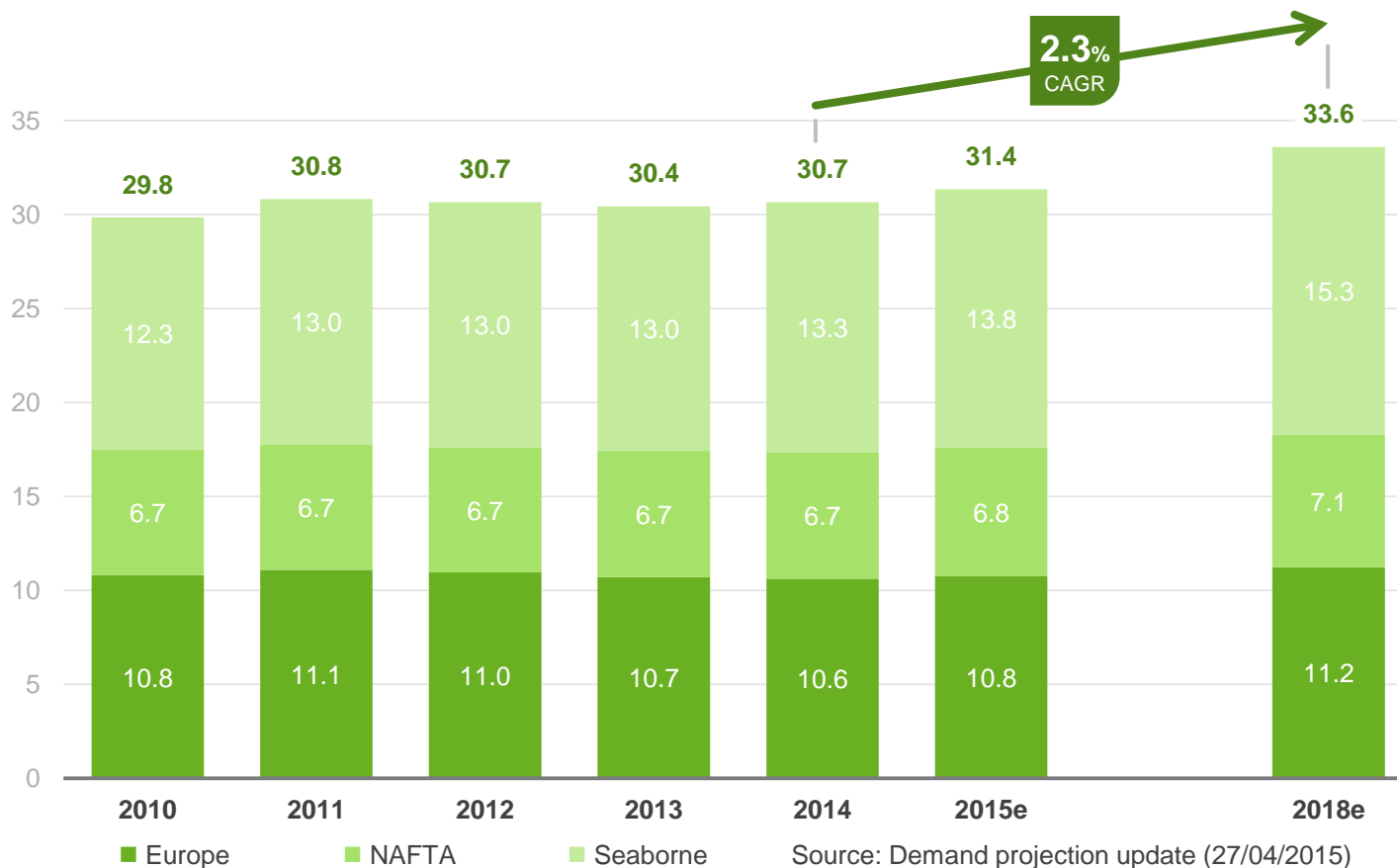
MAIN PRODUCING REGIONS (2014 figures)

- Synthetic process
- Synthetic process ("Hou" method)
- Natural process
- Main interregional flows

Addressing a resilient market

Soda ash demand

in mt/yr (excluding China & internal Bicarbonate consumption)



Solvay's market

Not active in China

European soda ash supply/demand improved

2008 - 2013

New production capacity (2008-2009)

- Beyparazi mine (Turkey)
- Natural process

+1 Mt/yr \Rightarrow ~8% capacity increase in European market

Demand decline in 2009

Overcapacity

2014 - 2016

Closure of less competitive assets Capacity reduction by 1.6 mt/yr

**In Europe
 \rightarrow 0.7 mt/yr**

- Solvay Povoá
- Tata Winnington

**In Rest of World (export)
 \rightarrow 0.9 mt/yr**

- Penrice Osborne
- Tata Magadi Pure Ash Factory
- Central Glass Ube

Growth in European and seaborne demand

Tighter market conditions

Higher capacity utilization rates

Supportive pricing environment

2017 - 2019

Capacity increase risk

Potential expansion plans in Turkey

Growth of demand to continue

Further restructuring

among least competitive assets possible

Market leader with “world-class” assets

Solvay assets

66% “World-class” assets
addressing regional
and export markets

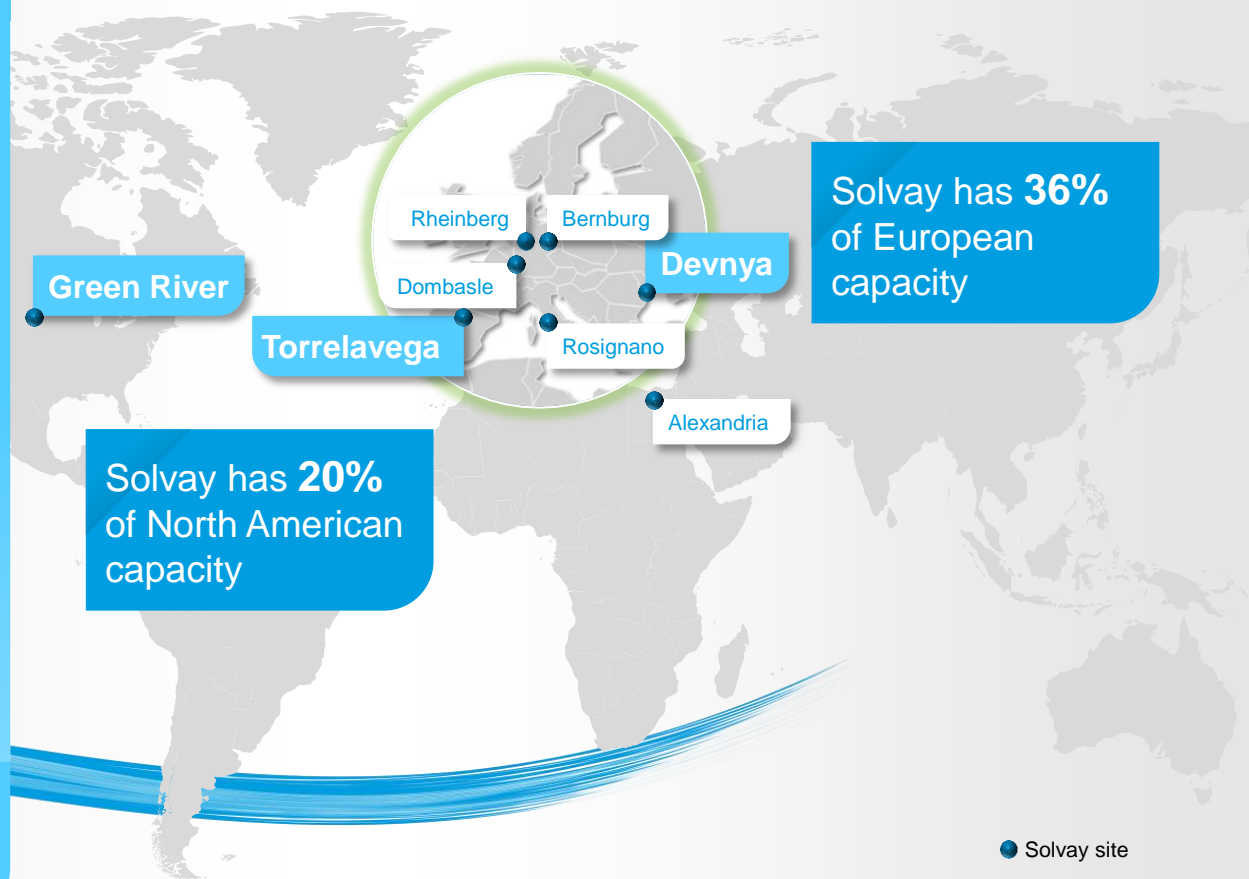
Green River (Wyoming, US)

- Green River (US, Wyoming)
- Natural soda ash production
- 2.5 mt/yr capacity
- 12% capacity increase 2014-2016

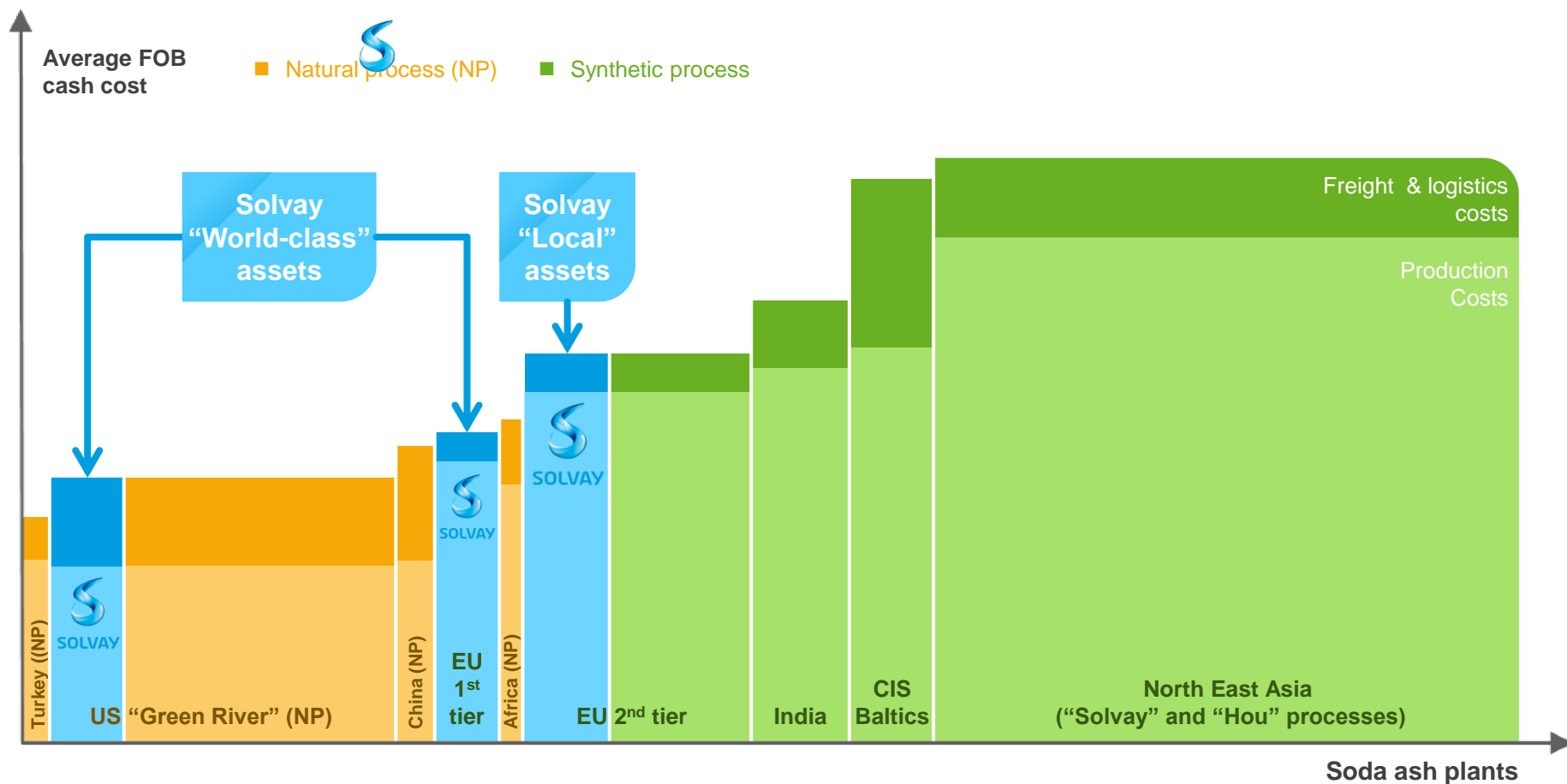
Devnya & Torrelavega (Europe)

- At delivered cash cost comparable to natural process
- 2.0 mt/yr capacity

34% “Local” assets
addressing local markets



Cost competitiveness, key success factor in the soda ash industry



Source: Solvay estimates based on public information

Solvay breakthrough actions enhancing competitiveness

Key actions in Europe

Variable costs



Energy costs

- 18% reduction of total steam consumption
- 44% decrease in CO₂ emission right deficit

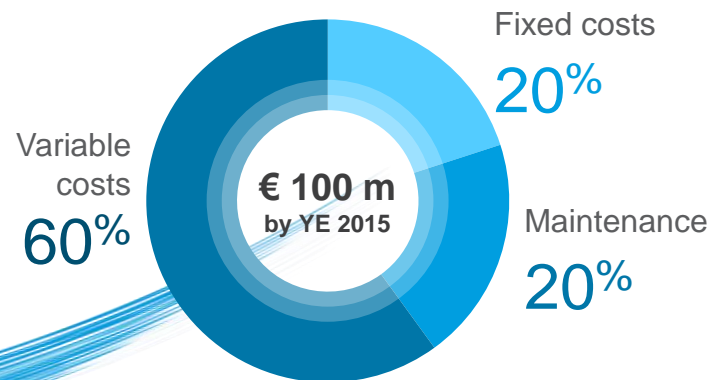
Raw materials and logistics

Fixed costs

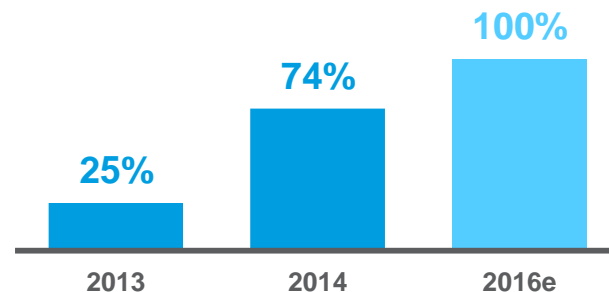


- **Closure** of Povia plant in January 2014
- Reduction of **580 positions**
- **Maintenance** savings across plants reducing cost base by 20%

Cost savings split



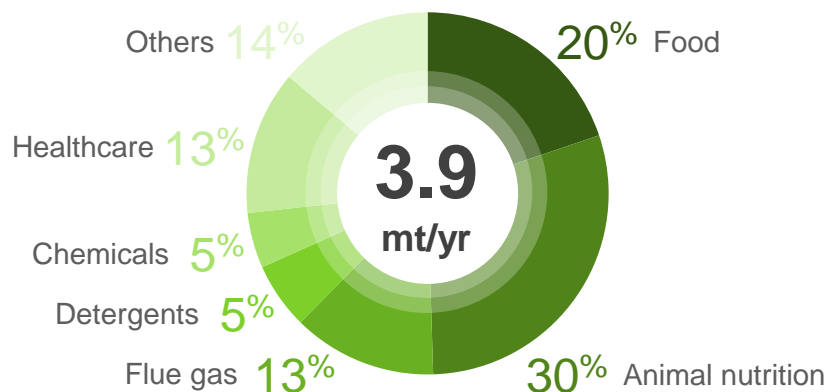
Strong delivery



Solvay, market maker in Bicarbonate, a diversified growth story

Global Bicarbonate demand

Total market volumes (2014)



Global **market** growth slightly **above GDP**

driven by:













- Food needs
- Environmental regulations
- Aging population

Solvay positioning

- **Unparalleled security of supply**
 - 8 facilities in Europe and North America
- **New 100 kt/yr plant in Thailand (07/2015)**
 - To serve Asian premium markets
- **SOLVAir Natural Solutions**
 - 50/50 JV with Natural Soda
 - To accelerate development of SOLVAir for emissions treatment in North America
- **Solvay market leader**
 - Actively developing bicarbonate usage through innovative high-value applications

 **Ambition to grow at 2x bicarbonate market growth**

Solvay Setting new standards in bicarbonate

 Application	 Mega trends	 Growth drivers	 The Solvay difference
 <p>Flue gas treatment</p>	 <p>Resource constraints & increased sustainability demand</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tightening regulation on SO_x, HCl and NO_x emissions (currently tightening in NAFTA and Asia) <p>→ Growth up to 10%</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 450 industrial sites using SOLVAir solutions worldwide Recycling offering in Europe SB/03 launched in 2015 SOLVAir Natural Solutions (NAFTA)
 <p>Animal feed</p>	 <p>Evolving demography & consumers behaviors</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased demand for dairy and meat/poultry End of EU milk quota (April 15) boosts dairy production <p>→ GDP growth</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Global industrial footprint Branding and technical support in animal nutrition
 <p>Healthcare</p>	 <p>Evolving demography & consumers behaviors</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Growing access to hemodialysis Increasing living standards in Asia <p>→ Growth up to 8%</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Large Pharma BICAR capacity to be started in Asia Highest quality standard in the industry (4 sites GMP-certified, of which 2 API-certified)
 <p>Food</p>	 <p>Evolving demography & consumers behaviors</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Global demand for bakery Quality/safety/traceability Retail markets for baking soda <p>→ GDP growth</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highest quality standards made available in Asia Solvay branded baking soda packages

Key take-aways



Resilient profitability

- REBITDA growing at mid-single digit CAGR over 2013-2016
- Underpinned by very competitive assets



Ensuring competitive soda ash assets

- Breakthrough operational excellence actions across European soda ash plants to further reinforce competitiveness
- Ramping up capacity of natural soda ash production in the U.S.



Market maker for bicarbonate

- Growing at 2x market growth



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