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# Financial results briefing – Q1/2014

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#### Q1/2014 market overview

#### **Northern Europe**

- Activity in the residential segment, as a whole, was satisfactory but civil engineering and non-residential construction has been weaker
- Finland experienced notable deterioration in most construction segments while housing starts (Q4) in Sweden reached their highest level since 2007

#### **Central Europe**

 The German market posted consistent growth and Central Europe benefited from the mild winter weather

#### **Southern Europe**

- Flat or weakening development in most of Southwest Europe
- The UK continued to show signs of improvement

#### **North America**

 A harsh winter resulted in slower-than-expected construction growth in the U.S., but the underlying fundamentals remain positive

# Leading indicators in major markets

	Indicator	% change YTD	Data through	Trend since Q4 update
Germany	Housing permits	+16%	January 2014	-
USA	Housing starts <sup>1)</sup>	-6%	March 2014	•
Finland	Housing permits	+3%	January 2014	
Sweden	Housing starts	+46%	December 2013	
Canada	Housing starts <sup>1)</sup>	-11%	March 2014	-
Denmark	Housing starts	-35%	December 2013	<b>•</b>
UK	Housing starts <sup>2)</sup>	+23%	December 2013	-
Norway	Housing starts	-35%	February 2014	•
Netherlands	Housing permits	-30%	December 2013	-
Spain	Housing permits	-20%	January 2014	<b>•</b>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1)</sup> Seasonally adjusted, annualised rate vs. same month in 2013; <sup>2)</sup> England only



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# Q1/2014: Growth supported by mild winter and stable economy in Europe

January – March	1-3/2014	1-3/2013	Change
Net sales	230.9	177.7	30.0%
Operating profit	4.8	6.1	-20.8%
- Operating profit w/o non-recurring costs	8.6	6.1	+40.8%

#### **Net sales**

- Recovering demand in key markets, such as much of Central Europe,
   Sweden and Russia, supported by the mild winter
- Double-digit growth in North America (in local currency) despite the severe winter
- Uponor Infra integration and a modest growth (from historic figures)
- Currency impact €-7.5 million

#### Operating profit

- Operational leverage in large markets
- Stability of input costs
- Burdened by a €3.8m provision for the CE distribution centre relocation

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# Highlights of Q1/2014

- + Stability of key western European markets increased, supporting consumer and business confidence
- + Despite inclement weather, growth and expansion in North America continued
- The integration of Uponor Infra on track; targeted savings coming along as planned
- + Significant new product launches attracting genuine customer interest
- Renovation concept supports building solutions sales in a declining Finnish market
- Continued sluggishness in public infrastructure and non-residential investments
- Political risks raising their head and disturbing a fragile market development in Europe and globally



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# Financial statements

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International Builders' Show, Las Vegas, USA, 4-6 February 2014

# Interim January – March 2014 Key figures

M€	1-3		Change	1-12
	2014	2013	Y/Y	2013
Net sales, continuing operations	230.9	177.7	+30.0%	906.0
Operating profit, continuing operations	4.8	6.1	-20.8%	50.2
Operating profit margin, continuing operations	2.1%	3.4%	-1.3% pts	5.5%
Earnings per share (diluted), €	0.04	0.05	-20.0%	0.38
Return on equity, % (p.a.)	2.6%	6.8%	-4.2% pts	10.8%
Return on investment, % (p.a.)	3.5%	7.0%	-3.5% pts	12.5%
Net interest bearing liabilities	147.8	142.1	+4.0%	96.9
Gearing, %	56.9%	77.6%	-20.7% pts	33.7%
Net working capital of Net sales, % (p.a.)	13.1%	12.9%	+1.2%	12.1%
Average number of employees, continuing operations	4 161	3 024	+37.6%	3 649
Number of employees, end of period, continuing operations	4 166	3 030	+37.5%	4 141

#### Interim January – March 2014 Income statement

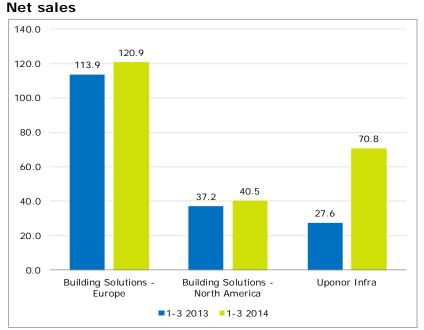
M€	1-3 2014	1-3 2013	Change Y/Y	1-12 2013
Continuing operations	2014	2013	171	2013
Net sales	230.9	177.7	+30.0%	906.0
Cost of goods sold	152.8	108.5	+40.9%	585.9
Gross profit - % of net sales	78.1 33.8%	69.2 39.0%	+12.9% -5.1% pts	320.1 35.3%
Other operating income Expenses	0.2 73.5	0.1 63.2	+181.6% +16.4%	0.8 270.7
Operating profit - % of net sales	4.8 2.1%	6.1 3.4%	-20.8% -1.3% pts	50.2 5.5%
Financial expenses, net Share of result in associated companies	2.1 0.0	1.1 0.0	+100.3%	7.1 0.1
Profit before taxes	2.7	5.0	-46.7%	43.2
Profit for the period	1.8	3.3	-46.8%	27.1
EBITDA	13.9	13.2	+5.1%	83.2

- Compared to the combined historic figures net sales growth at 6.5%, supported by the mild winter and the weak comparison period, even though FX reduced net sales by 3.1%
- Gross profit margin diluted due to higher share of the infrastructure solutions business
- Expenses burdened by €3.1m costs related to the plan to relocate the German distribution centre
- Operating profit w/o NRI at €8.6m, or 3.7% of net sales, a growth of 40.8% y-o-y
- Financial expenses, net up due to FX

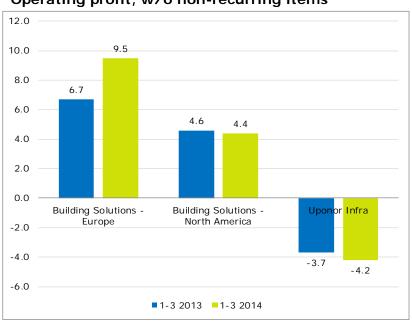


# Interim January – March 2014 Net sales & operating profit by segment

#### Currency: M€



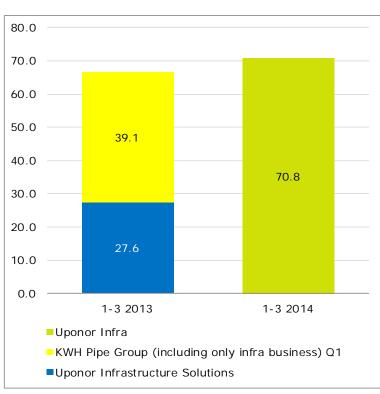
#### Operating profit, w/o non-recurring items



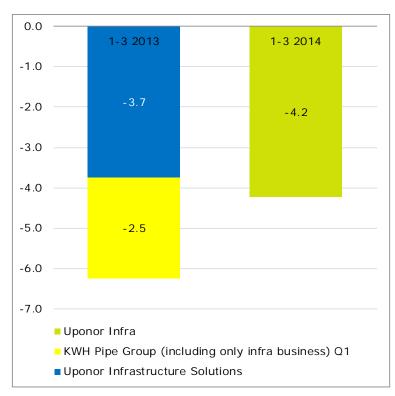
- Building Solutions Europe profit supported by operational leverage as a result of higher sales
- Building Solutions North America profit burdened by the weaker USD and CAD
- Increase in Uponor Infra net sales mainly due to the new Uponor Infra units;
   a modest growth in like-for-like sales

# Interim January – March 2014 Uponor Infra, historic comparison

#### **Currency: M€** Net sales



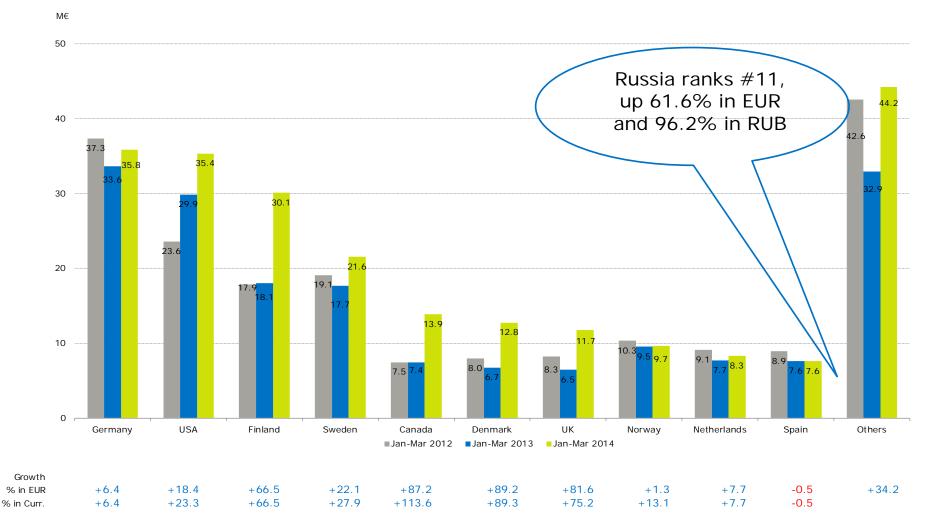
#### Operating profit



- Modest growth (6%) in I-for-I net sales supported by the mild winter in Europe
- Integration programme executed according to plan, some consolidation savings already visible

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# Interim January – March 2014 Net sales development in key markets



Note: Countries are sorted by YTD 2014 net sales



#### Interim January – March 2014 Balance sheet

M€	31 Mar	31 Mar	Change	31 Dec
	2014	2013	Y/Y	2013
Property, plant and equipment	197.4	153.2	+44.2	201.8
Intangible assets	101.5	92.5	+9.0	102.8
Securities and long-term investments	10.8	0.8	+10.0	10.8
Inventories	130.6	93.6	+37.0	115.4
Cash and cash equivalents	30.2	8.1	+22.1	53.7
Other current and non-current assets	220.0	184.6	+35.4	176.5
Total equity	260.0	183.2	+76.8	287.7
Non-current interest-bearing liabilities	136.4	107.6	+28.8	136.4
Provisions	23.7	19.7	+4.0	22.1
Non-interest-bearing liabilities	228.7	179.7	+49.0	200.6
Current interest-bearing liabilities	41.7	42.6	-0.9	14.2
Balance sheet total	690.5	532.8	+157.7	661.0

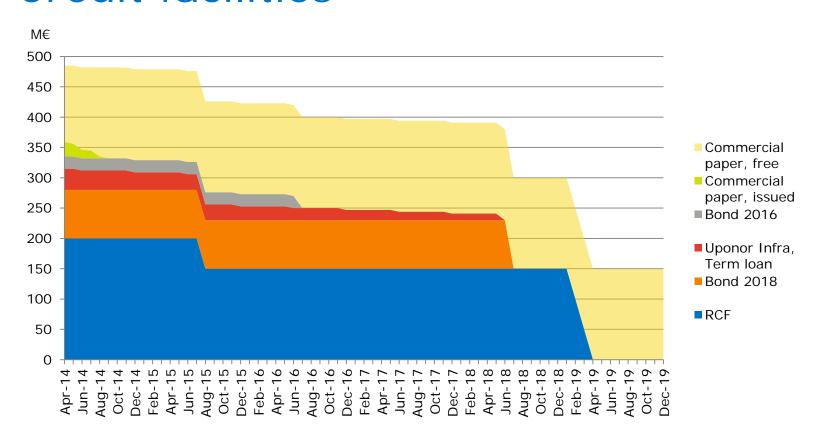
- Total recognised assets related to the new Uponor Infra at €165.2m (1 July 2013)
- Non-controlling interest represents €65.9m of the total equity at €260.0m

#### Interim January – March 2014 Cash flow

M€	1-3	1-3	Change	1-12
	2014	2013	Y/Y	2013
Net cash from operations	+13.5	+11.2	+2.3	+87.9
Change in NWC	-28.6	-22.6	-6.0	+22.3
Net payment of income tax and interest	-3.3	-4.1	+0.8	-18.1
Cash flow from operations	-18.4	-15.5	-2.9	+92.1
Cash flow from investments	-4.1	-4.6	+0.5	-24.9
Cash flow before financing	-22.5	-20.1	-2.4	+67.2
Dividends and buy backs	-27.8	-27.8	+0.0	-27.8
Other financing	+27.3	+38.2	- 10.9	-2.2
Cash flow from financing	-0.5	+10.4	-10.9	-30.0
Change in cash and cash equivalents	-23.5	-9.6	-13.9	+36.0

 Gross CAPEX at €4.4m, down €0.2m from Q1/2013, and clearly below depreciation at €9.1m

#### Interim January – March 2014 Credit facilities



- The revolving bilateral credit facilities (RCF) have been rearranged
- The RCFs now total €200m, consisting of four equal €50m tranches
- The rearrangement of the facilities improved the terms and diversified the maturity structure of the facilities



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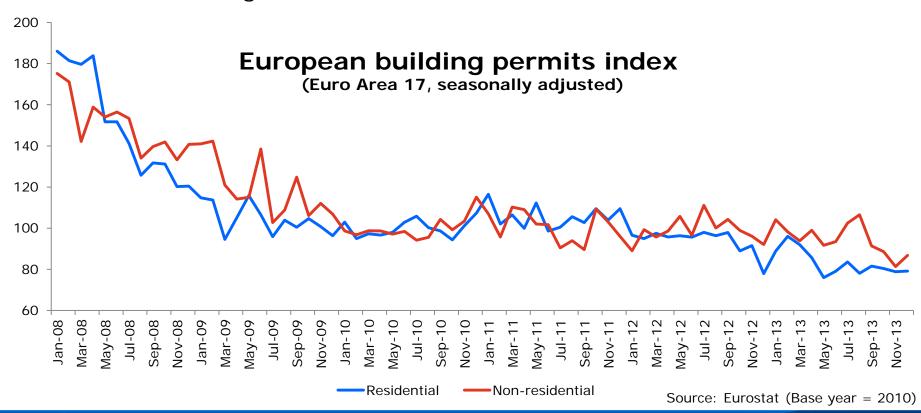
# Outlook for the future

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## Building permits in Europe

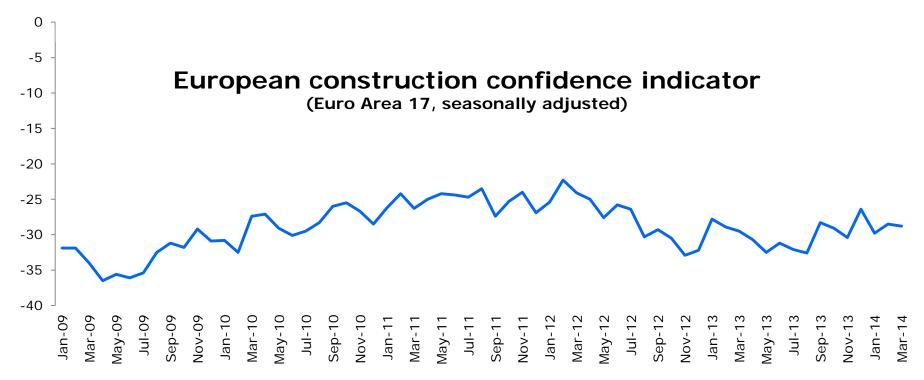
- Following a brief rally in early 2013, residential permits have returned to their historic low
- Minor gains in non-residential permits logged during last summer were lost during the winter months



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## Construction sentiment in Europe

- Sentiment within the European construction sector has remained stable during the first quarter of 2014
- Respondents are reporting slightly improved activity compared to the autumn



Source: Eurostat

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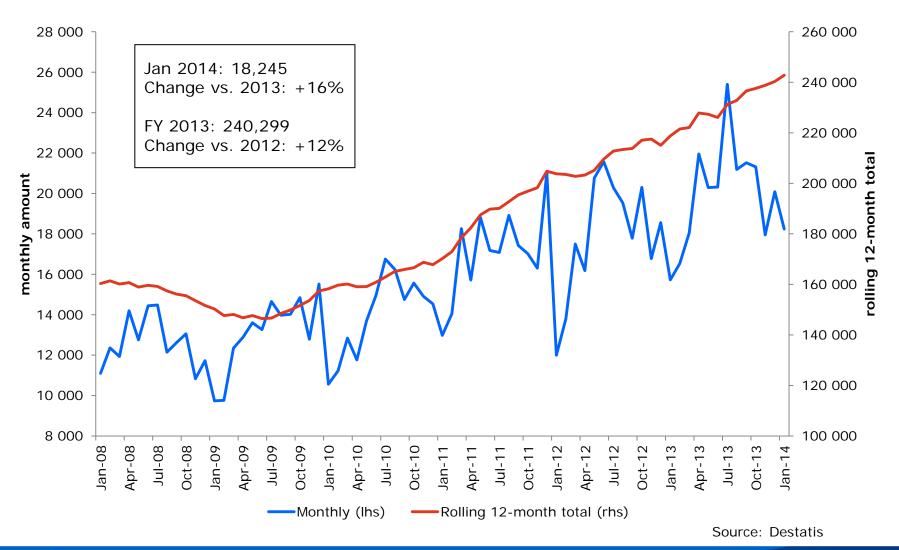


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# Country overview - Germany

- With demand from trading partners continuing to slowly improve, factory orders and industrial production started the year well
- Business confidence fell in March, but remains strong
- Within the construction industry:
  - Order entry rose significantly in January over the previous year's level
  - Building permit levels continue to post year-over-year growth
  - While builders are satisfied with their current business situation, their confidence in the future has fallen slightly

## Housing permits - Germany



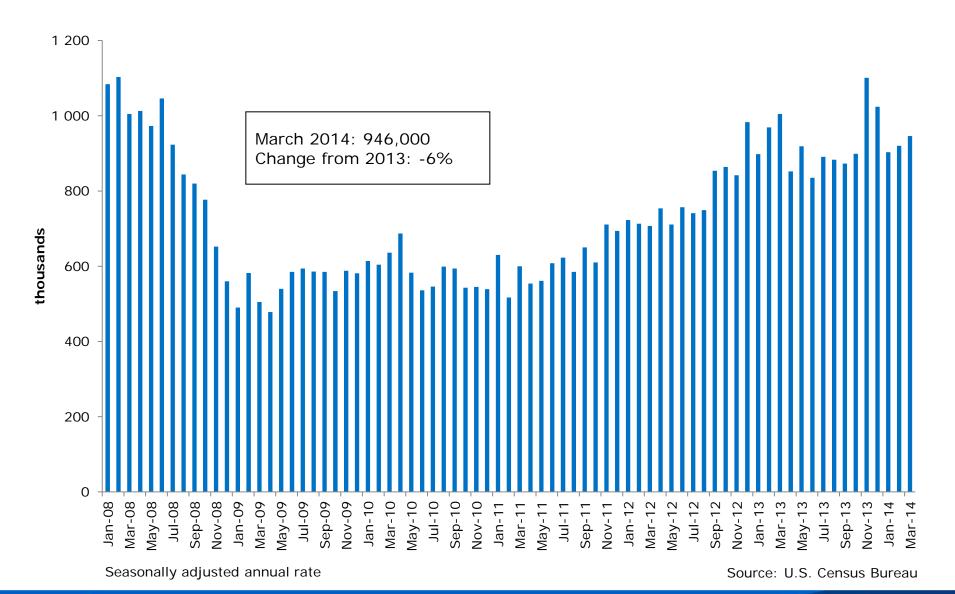


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# Country overview - USA

- The exceptionally cold winter has been accompanied by mixed economic data, although the economy continues to grow at a moderate pace
- The weather has had an especially harsh impact on leading construction indicators in the first months of the year:
  - Housing starts are below last year's level
  - Builder confidence continues to fall short of expansionary levels
- However, construction spending in the residential and non-residential segments has clearly outpaced 2013

# Housing starts - USA







# Management agenda for the near term

- Further operational excellence measures in Building Solutions Europe
  - Improvements in efficiency and cost-base in the supply chain
  - Coherent brand marketing driving best practises and synergies
- Continue to drive the targeted €10 million synergies in Uponor Infra, the main impact of which comes in the next quarters
  - Efforts to grow net sales in Europe and internationally
- Focussed execution of growth programmes in North America to secure maximum gain from the market growth
- Keep overheads and investments aligned with realistic market expectations

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# New offerings support Uponor's differentiation strategy

- Uponor Uni Pipe Plus, the new revolutionary seamless aluminium composite pipe features BETTER PERFORMANCE
  - Lower cost
  - Shorter installation time
  - Safer installation
  - Better visual appearance



- U@home, Uponor's new control app for underfloor heating and cooling systems
- Available for Android and iOS devices this spring



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# **Guiding forward**

- Current guidance was issued on 14 February 2014
- Except for the emergence of recent political risks, no other major changes to the worse in the macro-economic trends since that date
- Therefore, the guidance remains intact:

The Group's net sales and operating profit (excluding any non-recurring items) are expected to improve from 2013

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#### Residential building development in key countries

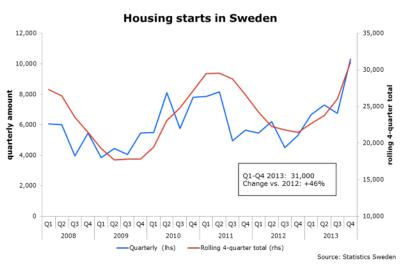
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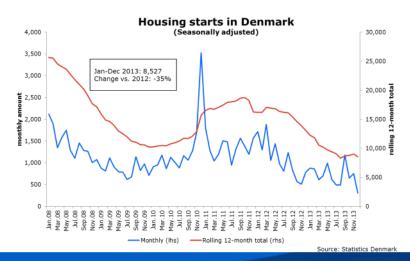
#### Canada



#### Sweden



#### Denmark



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