

## Why Linde



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# Introduction to Industrial Gases

## **Industrial Gases – Primary Products**





## Atmospheric Gases

- Nitrogen
- Oxygen
- Argon

Rare gases:KryptonNeonXenon

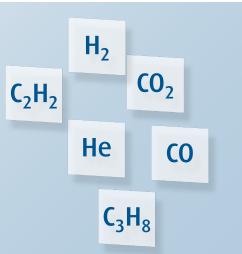
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## Process Gases

- Hydrogen
- Carbon dioxide
- Helium

- Carbon monoxide
- Acetylene
- Propane



## **Industrial Gases – Introduction**





## What Are Industrial Gases?

- Most common industrial gases are oxygen, nitrogen, hydrogen, carbon dioxide and argon
- Atmosphere consists of 78% nitrogen, 21% oxygen, 1% argon and traces of neon, krypton and xenon



## **How Are They Produced?**

- Atmospheric Gases: produced when air is purified, compressed, cooled, distilled and condensed
- Process Gases: produced or recovered from natural gas or as by-products of chemical production



## Where Are They Used?

Consumer Related Food & Beverage Electronics





## Who Are the Global Players?





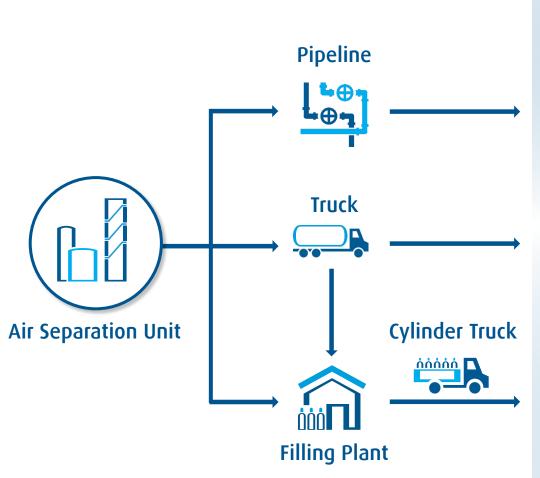




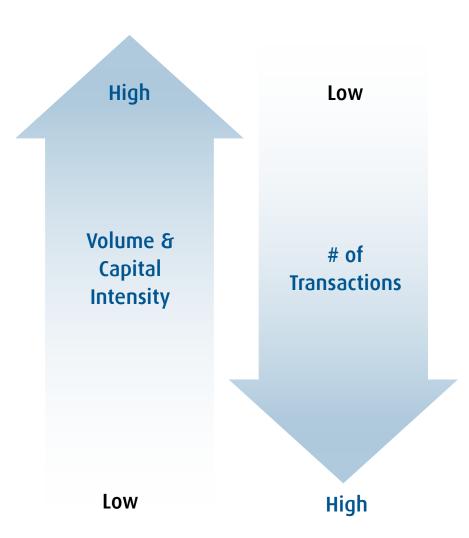


## **Industrial Gases – Distribution Modes**









## **Industrial Gases – Product Overview**



	Products	Primary Sources		Feedstock	Distribution Modes		
Local	Oxygen Nitrogen Argon	Air Separation		Air + Power	Packaged	Merchant	On-site
National	Hydrogen	SMR, ATR, POX <sup>1</sup> and Electrolysis	By-product	Hydrocarbons/Power or Crude Hydrogen			
	Carbon Dioxide	By-product		Crude Carbon Dioxide			
Global	Helium	Helium Reserve	NG Processing Plant	Hydrocarbons Fields			
	Rare Gases	Air Separation		Air + Power			



## Linde Overview

A leader in an attractive industry with products & services critical to customers

## Vision, Mission & Value





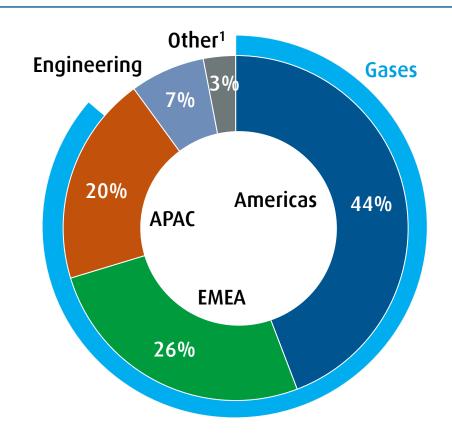
## **Linde Overview**



## 2023 Key Facts

Net Sales (\$B)	33
EBIT (\$B)	9
EBIT Margin	27.6%
<b>OCF</b> (\$B)	9
ROC	25.4%
FTEs ('000)	66

## 2023 Revenue by Segment



## **Global Company With High-quality Results**



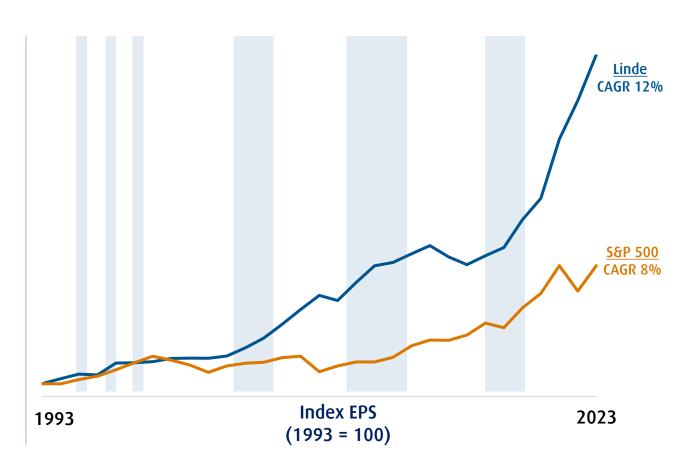
## Linde Gases

Resilience and Growth

## **Historical Performance**



Results 1993 – 2023						
<u>CAGR</u> Sales	<u>Linde¹</u> 9%					
EPS	12%					
Dividend	13%					
OCF	11%					



## Consistently Outperforming Peers and the Market

<sup>1.</sup> Pre-2019 (merger) data uses predecessor company Praxair, Inc.

<sup>2.</sup> Competitors include Air Liquide, Air Products & Taiyo Nippon Sanso.

## **Integrated Supply Model**



## **Contracts Types**

### On-site: 15 – 20 years

- Take-or-pay, guaranteed return
- Cost pass-through

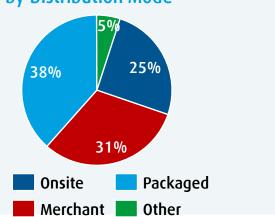
### Merchant: 3 – 7 years

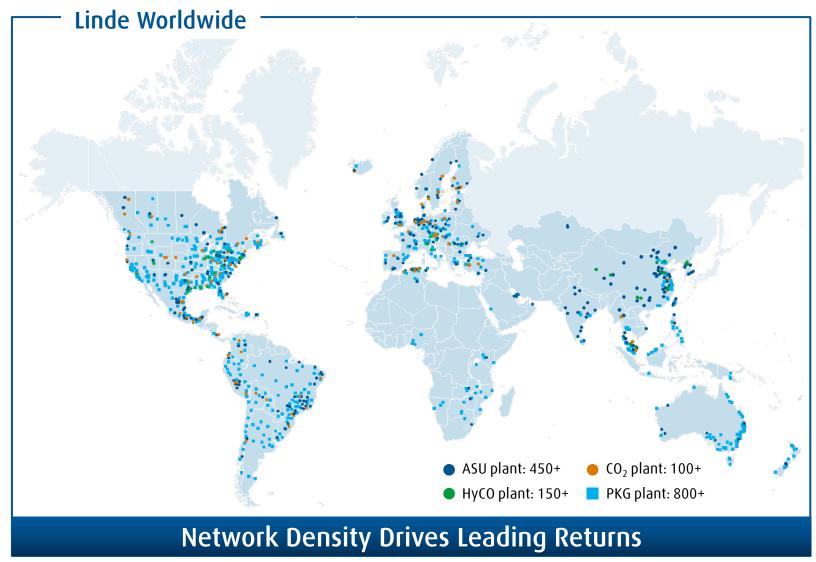
- Creates network density
- Contracts & services
- Scale, efficient production, distribution & low-cost energy

## Packaged: 1 – 3 years

- Creates network density
- Bundle offerings & services

## Sales by Distribution Mode<sup>1</sup>





## Sales by End Markets



## Consumer Related End Markets

More Resilient

## Industrial Related End Markets

More Cyclical

## Healthcare



Hospitals Medical Offices and Clinics Homecare Customers Diagnostic Facilities (MRI)

## **Chemicals & Energy**



Oil Companies Chemical Companies Syngas Users

## Food & Beverage



Beverage Companies
Food & Frozen Food Producers
Agricultural Produce & Fish
Farmers

## Manufacturing



Automotive & Aerospace OEMs
Pulp & Paper Producers
Consumer Goods Manufacturers
Battery Manufacturers

## **Electronics**



Semiconductor Fabricators Solar Panel Manufacturers Display / LED Manufacturers

## **Metals & Mining**



Steelmakers
Metal Recovery & Recycling
Companies
Mining Companies

## A Well-Balanced Portfolio

## **Gases Geographic Segments**

46%

23%

31%





Sales: \$14.3B EBIT: \$4.2B

OPM: 30%

**EMEA** 

Sales: \$8.5B EBIT: \$2.5B

OPM: 29%

APAC
Sales: \$6.6B
EBIT: \$1.8B
OPM: 28%

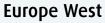
### **North America**

- Linde Gases US
- Canada
- Linde Gas & Equipment

### **Latin America**

- North Latin America
- South Latin America

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**Europe East (incl ME)** 

**Europe North** 

**UK/Ireland** 

**Africa** 

## **Greater China**

### **South Pacific**

### **South Korea**

## **ASEAN & South Asia**



## A Leader Across Segments

23%

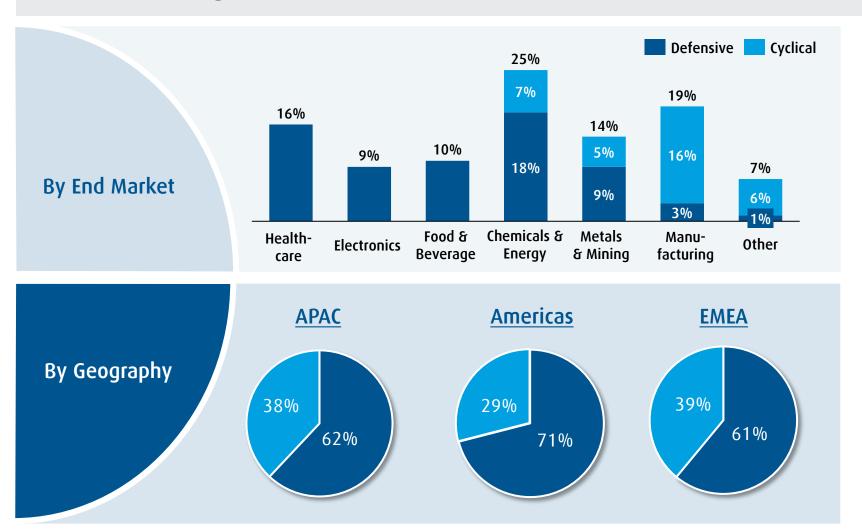
33%

44%

## **Defensive Business Model...**

## ...Provides Significant Downside Protection





## **Defensive sales:**

- Resilient end-markets and global footprint diversifies risk
- Long-term supply agreements
   with high-quality customers
   and fixed fee elements
- Steady rental payments (e.g. tanks, cylinders, equipment)

~66% of Sales¹ are Defensive

1. 2022 sales excluding Linde Engineering.



## Linde Engineering

World-Class Engineering capabilities to execute large projects

## **Engineering Overview**



### **Business Model**

- Key enabler for onsite projects (sale of gas)
- T-EPC, selective E, E&P, EPC based on risk and profitability
- Full plant lifecycle services
- Components business

## **Technology**

- Holistic blue and green hydrogen offerings
- Best-in-class air gases technologies
- Decarbonization innovations
- Partnering with customers

### **Execution**

- World-class execution capabilities around the world
- Ability to incorporate any (licensed) technology
- Outstanding track record
- Efficient processes, tools & optimized organization

## People

- Acknowledged experts in core disciplines
- Highly skilled, innovative and talented engineers
- Strong loyalty, knowhow retention
- Empowered leaders

**Offering** 



**Air Separation Units** 



Hydrogen and Syngas



**Petrochemicals** 



**Natural Gas** 

## Integrator of Technologies

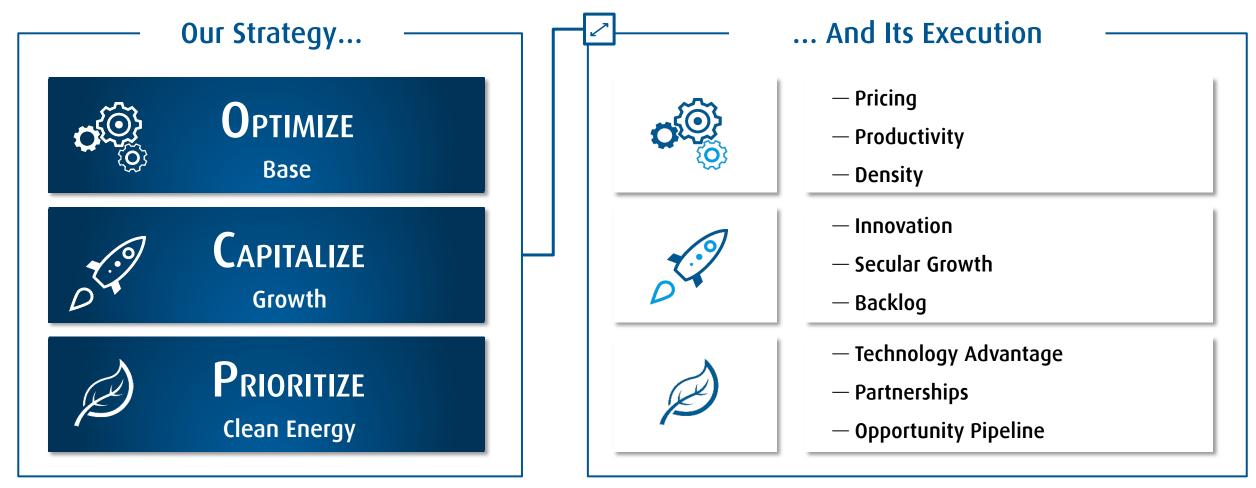


## Strategy

Delivers on average 10%+ EPS growth plus clean energy

## Linde Strategy Underpinned by Safety, Compliance, People and Sustainability





## Deliver 10%+ Annual EPS Growth

## Capitalize Growth High-Quality Project Backlog \$8.5B+1



## SOP Backlog<sup>2</sup> \$3.6B



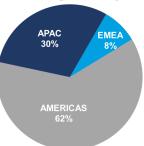
- Contractual growth
- Secure cash flow
- Double-digit IRR
- High-quality customers
- Primarily engineering & procurement services

## SOG Backlog³ \$4.9B

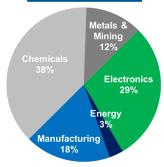


- Contractual growth
- Secure cash flow
- Double-digit IRR
- High-quality customers
- Increases network density

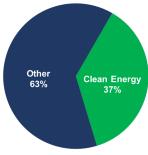
## Geography Clog<sup>3</sup>



## **End Market**



## **Clean Energy**



## > \$2B in Decarbonization Projects

- 1. As of December 2023.
- 2. 3<sup>rd</sup> party sale of plant backlog. Represents future sales, secured under a signed agreement.
- 3. Sale of gas backlog. Represents project investments (CAPEX), supported by a long-term supply agreement.

## **Clean Energy Transition**



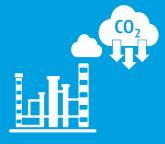
## Today's Energy Market

>80% is Fossil Fuel based (coal, oil & natural gas)



... with CO<sub>2</sub> footprint

Blue Hydrogen (incl. ammonia & methanol)



Grey H<sub>2</sub> production with CO<sub>2</sub> capture and permanent storage

Clean Energy Market

**Green Hydrogen** (incl. ammonia & methanol)



Water electrolysis powered by renewable energy with no  $CO_2$  emission

**Carbon Solutions** 



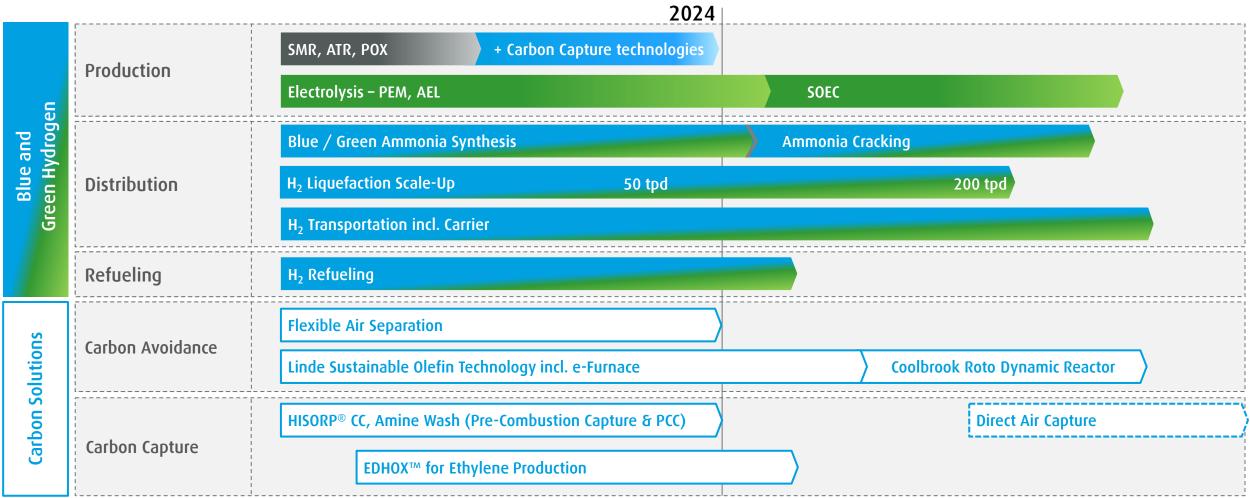
CO<sub>2</sub> capture from industrial processes with permanent CO<sub>2</sub> storage

## A Growth Opportunity in Linde's Wheelhouse

1. Clean Energy (CE) is associated with minimal or no emissions, especially greenhouse gases like CO<sub>2</sub> which are responsible for climate change. Renewable Energy (i.e. wind, solar, hydro, biomass) is critical to CE, as is Carbon, Capture und Storage (CCS). At Linde we use/limit this term only in relation to hydrogen and CCS. By 2030, the Clean Energy market is expected to be \$130B (based on 38MMT of H<sub>2</sub> demand for new uses).

## **Clean Energy Technology**Full Portfolio to Support Decarbonization





Leading Technologies Enable Linde & Customers to Avoid or Capture and Store CO<sub>2</sub>

## **Capabilities Throughout the Value Chain**



## **Production**

## Distribution, Storage & Service

## Markets



SMR, ATR, POX...



...with CCS



Electrolysis



**Pipelines** 

Liquefaction

Trailers

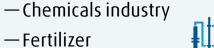


Underground storage

Tanks

H<sub>2</sub> refueling

stations





Industry











 $-NH_3$  co-firing



## **Mobility**

— Aviation



-Buses



— Marine fuel



— Rail



—Trucks

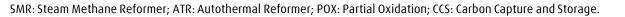












## Linde's Clean Energy Opportunity



## Well Positioned to Invest >\$50B Globally



Strategy



Offering





## Decarbonize Linde

- Decarbonize current Linde assets e.g., SMRs, ATRs, POX
- Consistent with sustainability goals: 35% reduction by 2035, Net Zero by 2050
- Blue hydrogen

- Carbon capture & transportation



## **Decarbonize Customer**

- Decarbonize customer processes e.g.,
   Petrochemicals, Refining, Steel,
   Power Generation
- Blue & green  $H_2$ ,  $O_2$ ,  $H_2$  storage,  $CO_2$  capture & transportation
- ASUs, ATRs, electrolyzers, carbon capture & transportation, caverns



## **New Markets**

- Enable new markets e.g., clean ammonia, sustainable fuels, mobility, carbon management
- Blue/green H<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub> storage,
   CO<sub>2</sub> capture & transportation
- ASUs, ATRs, electrolyzers, H<sub>2</sub>
   liquefiers, carbon capture & transportation, caverns, HRS

## **Investment Opportunity Over the Next Decade**



# Capital Allocation Policy

Good stewards of capital – no surprises

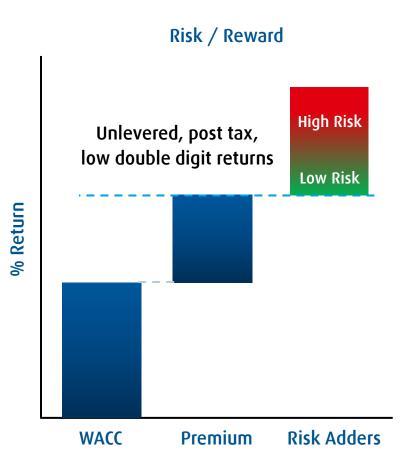
## **Capital Allocation Policy**





## **Key Drivers**

- —Double digit returns
- Reputable customers
- Competitive customer assets
- —Strong terms and conditions
- —Core geographies



## **Disciplined Investment Approach**

WACC: Weighted Average Cost of Capital.



## Through an ESG Lens

We help our customers avoid more than 2x our own GHG emissions

## **Environmental**



 $\sim 2.3x$ 

## Linde Applications Enable More Than 2x Carbon Productivity

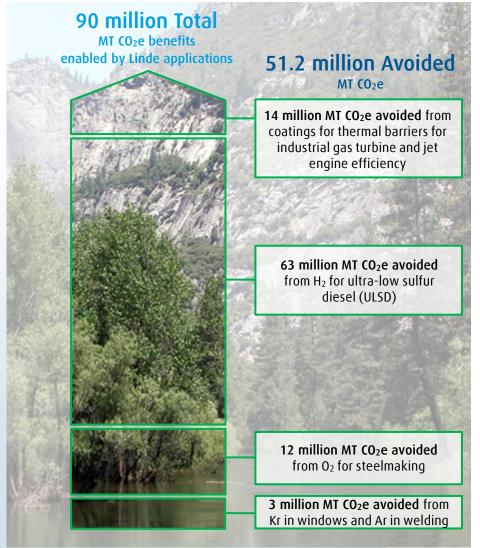
39.9 million Emitted

MT CO<sub>2</sub>e Linde GHG footprint

16.3 million MT CO<sub>2</sub>e Scope 1 GHG emissions: 11.4 million MT from hydrogen production, 4.9 million from other GHG emissions, driving and natural gas use

23.6 million MT CO₂e Scope 2 indirect GHG emissions emitted mainly from the power consumed at air separation plants





## **Environmental**Road to Climate Neutrality\*



### 2050 Climate Neutral<sup>3</sup> 2035 35% Reduction of Absolute GHG 2028 **Emissions** 35% Reduction of GHG **Status: Reduction Underway** Intensity<sup>1</sup> Status: Roadmap in Place **Activities include:** Status: Ahead of Goal Developing several CCS<sup>2</sup> projects **Activities include:** Investigating renewable feedstocks Achievements include: Deploy widespread use of CCS and Achieved reduction toward goal in first Realized steady GHG intensity reduction renewable feedstocks year Transition fleet to zero emissions since 2018 — Target sourcing of ~100% renewable / — Increased active procurement of renewable and low carbon energy low-carbon power 2035 goal approved by: Commenced discussions for several "blue — Address remainder through negative and green" hydrogen projects emissions projects

- 1. Greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions / Adj. EBITDA.
- 2. Carbon capture and sequestration.
- 3. Requires strong policy and regulatory support.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  Aligned with the Paris Accords. Targets relate to all of Linde's Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions.

## **Sustainable Development**Making Our World More Productive, Sustainably



## **Recognitions & Awards**

## **Dow Jones Sustainability World Index**

Included in DJSI World for 21 consecutive years

### S&P Global Corporate Sustainability Assessment

— 100<sup>th</sup> Percentile in Chemicals; #1 in Industrial Gases

### CDP

 Linde named to 'A-list' for both climate change and water security

S&P Sustainability Yearbook 2023



## **Science-Based Target Approval**

Linde's 2035 climate change goal validated by SBTi

Terra Carta Seal: Sustainable Markets Initiative

### FTSE4Good Index

Constituent for 8<sup>th</sup> consecutive year

## **World's Most Ethical Companies**

Ethisphere Institute

Bloomberg 2023 Gender-Equality Index

## Achievements<sup>1</sup>



Diverted more than 200 million pounds of waste from landfills



Provided philanthropic support to

more than **1,000 organizations** globally



On track to achieve 30% representation of women globally by 2030



Benefited 300,000 people through employee community engagement projects



Saved approximately 400 million gallons of water through sustainability initiatives



Sourced more than 1/3 of electricity from low-carbon and renewable sources



Helped customers **avoid**approximately **90 million metric tonnes** of equivalent **carbon dioxide** 



## **Social Responsibility**



















12 Employee Resource Groups with >1,000 members 60,000 To



**29%** of 2022 Charitable giving **funded Diversity**-related initiatives

Awarded > \$1.75 million in scholarships and university programs in 2022



759 Sites participated in Linde's Zero
Waste Program in 2022





First **all-women** operated packaged gases filling plant in India





30% Reduction in Lost Workday
Cases from 2018 to 2021

## Governance



- Annual Election of Directors
- Separate Chairman and CEO roles & a lead
   Independent Director
- Board diversity:
  - Board is 40% diverse by gender & ethnicity
  - Appropriate mix of newer & longer-tenured
     Directors
- Significant stock ownership guidelines for Directors and Executives



- Clawback policy & prohibition on hedging or pledging Linde stock
- Dedicated Board committees focused on:
  - Environment Sustainability Committee
  - Social Human Capital Committee
  - Governance Nomination & Governance
     Committee, and Audit Committee



## Summary

The best performing global industrial gases and engineering company

## Linde Because...



- Leader in an attractive industry with products & services critical to customers
- Unrivalled network density across all supply modes
- Enabling energy transition, ~\$50B investment opportunity pipeline globally
- World-class capabilities with proven track record of execution
- Providing customers with solutions that avoid >2X our GHG emissions
- Best-in-class financial performance with unwavering capital discipline
- Exceptional team with business owner mentality

## ... Focused on Consistently Creating Value for Stakeholders

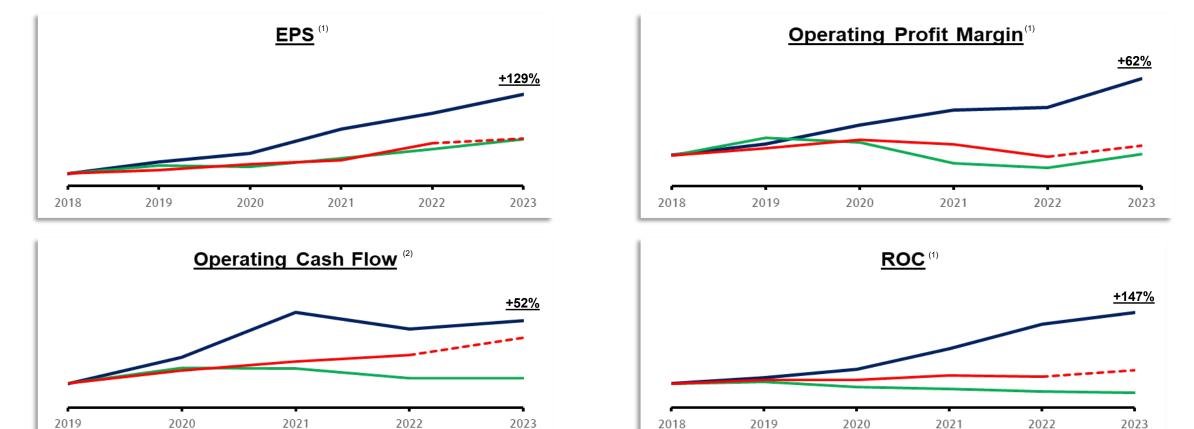


## **Appendix**



## 5-Year Financial Performance



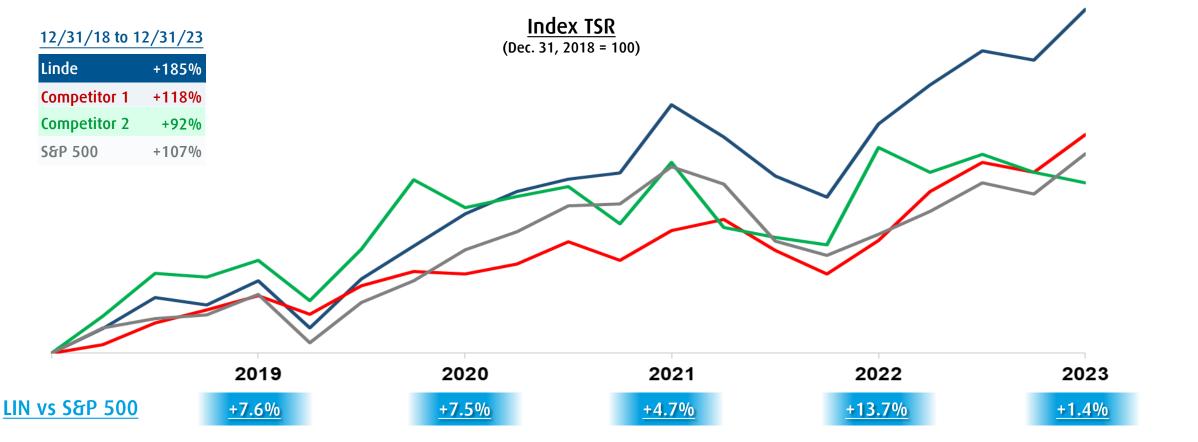


## **Industry Leading Results Where It Matters Most**

Competitor 1 Competitor 2

## 5-Year Total Shareholder Return<sup>(1)</sup> (TSR)



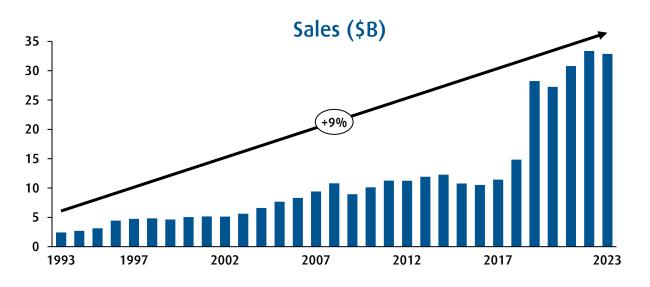


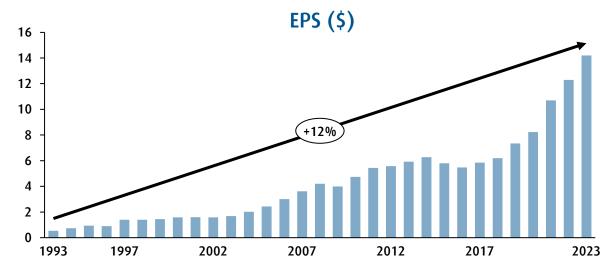
Linde, one of only 12 members in S&P 500 (and only in sector) with positive alpha 5 consecutive years

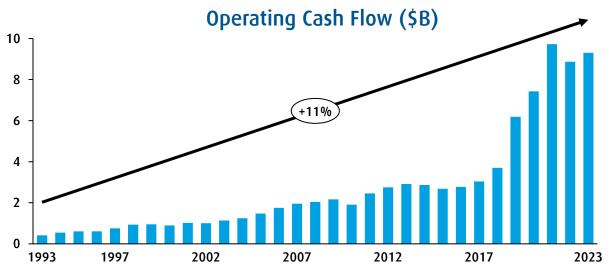
## A Company for All Seasons

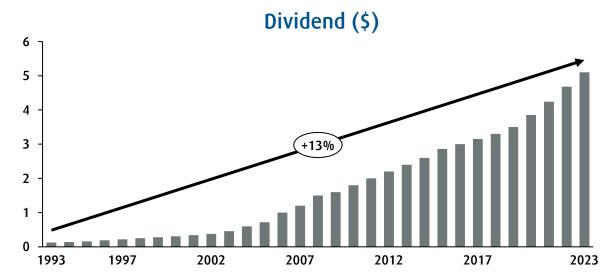
## Historical Performance\*











<sup>\*</sup>Information prior to merger (2019) is considered of Praxair.

