

Solutions for New Technologies

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ADJUSTED EBITDA IS OUR KEY INTERNAL METRIC FOR FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE...

Adjusted EBITDA is:



The most accurate reflection of business performance at contract & activity level

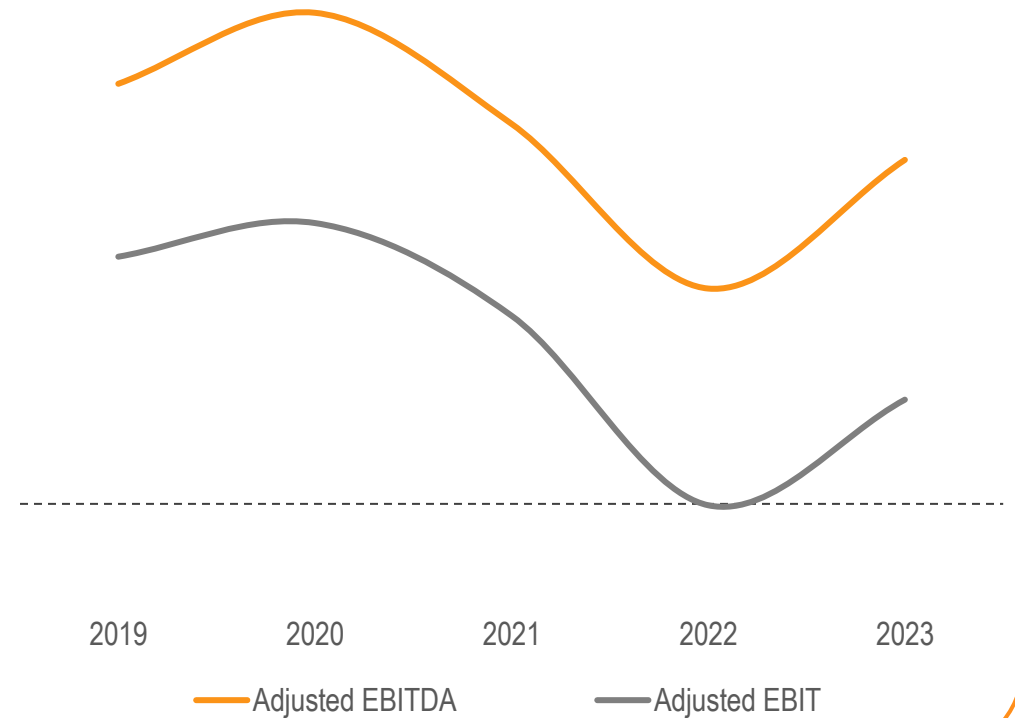


Used to steer internally and drive turnarounds or performance improvement of acquired companies



Used for internal reporting and external communication

Strong correlation with Adjusted EBIT



...BUT WE ARE FOCUSED ON IMPROVING ALL PROFITABILITY INDICATORS

€ millions	H1 2024	
Adjusted EBITDA	37.7	
IFRS16 lease depreciation	-16.4	Fleet of vehicles, buildings
Other operational depreciation	-10.2	Primarily depreciation of fixed assets (investments in IT platform)
Adjusted EBIT	11.1	
Amortisation of intangibles	-7.2	Amortisation of customer relationships of acquired companies No cash impact, no operational reality
Non-recurring items	-2.5	
Financial result	-6.1	Rising interest rates / decreasing gross debt
Corporate taxes	-2.1	
Net income	-6.5	
Restated Net income	-1.0	Adjusted from Amortisation of intangibles (post tax impact)

THREE CORE PRINCIPLES OF OUR FINANCING POLICY



REINVEST EARNINGS

Reinvesting profits instead of paying dividends, allowing the company to fund its growth efficiently



DEBT FINANCING

Using bank debt to finance external growth



NO DILUTION

Our solid financial position allows us to grow without capital increase

FINANCING OUR OPERATIONS

SEVERAL TOOLS TO FUND RAMP UP EXPENSES DURING LAUNCH PHASE

Financing needs in launch phase:

- ✓ Hiring and training of technicians
- ✓ Buying equipment sets for the technicians
- ✓ Upstaffing support functions (dispatch, call center, logistics, project management,...)
- ✓ WIP (Works performed but not yet invoiced)

Financing toolbox:



Advance payments
from customers, to cover
ramp-up expenses



Own cash
to invest in new projects



**External financing for CAPEX
and M&A**



Factoring program
Group deconsolidating scheme,
to minimize WC increases

STRICT CONTROL OF WORKING CAPITAL REQUIREMENT

MANAGING OUR WIP

- ✓ Average time between the start of a project and the first invoice send is around **130 days**
- ✓ During this period, **Work In Progress** (WIP) accounts for the following expenses:
 - ✓ Technicians (hiring, training, toolkits,...)
 - ✓ Backoffice
 - ✓ Works performed (design, first digging,...)
- ✓ Actions to **reduce WIP** after the first year:
 - ✓ Put processes in place together with the clients to drive down the time of approval.
 - ✓ Setting up and automation of invoice exchange flows (Going from Mail-Excel exchange to automated interfacing)

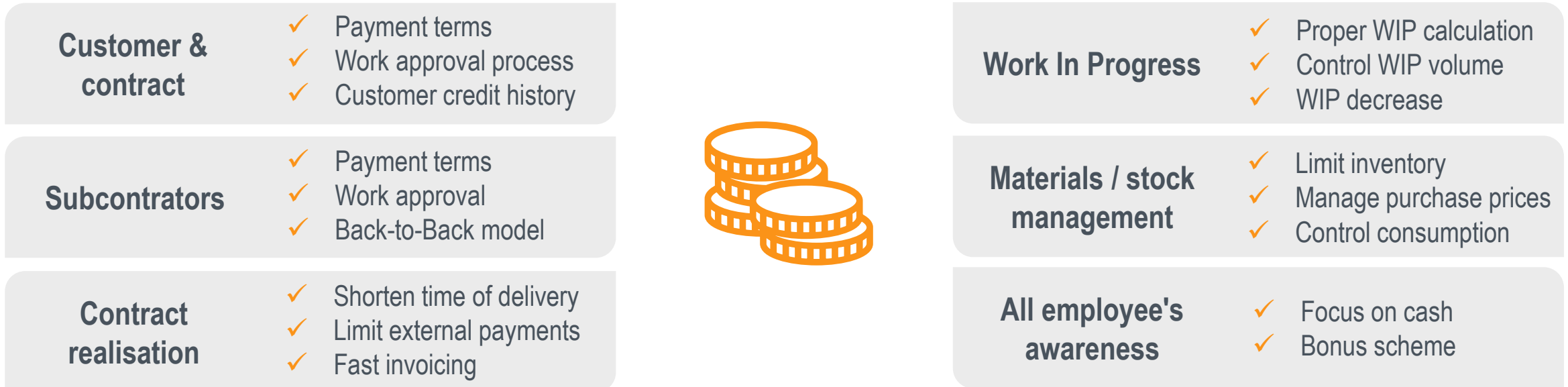
70%

On every project we are committed to reduce our WIP by 70% after the first year, thanks to strict focus on invoicing and cash collection

STRICT CONTROL OF WORKING CAPITAL REQUIREMENT

IMPROVING CASH COLLECTION

Working to optimize all key drivers



LIMITED CASH REQUIREMENT TO FINANCE GROWTH

A business with very low capital-intensity

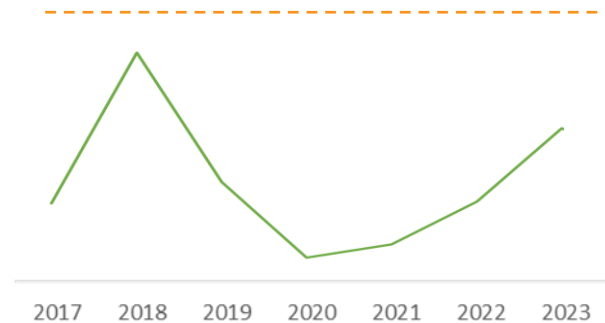
Strict control of WC requirements
1.5% to 2% of yearly revenue growth

Low CAPEX requirements
c. 1-2% of yearly revenue

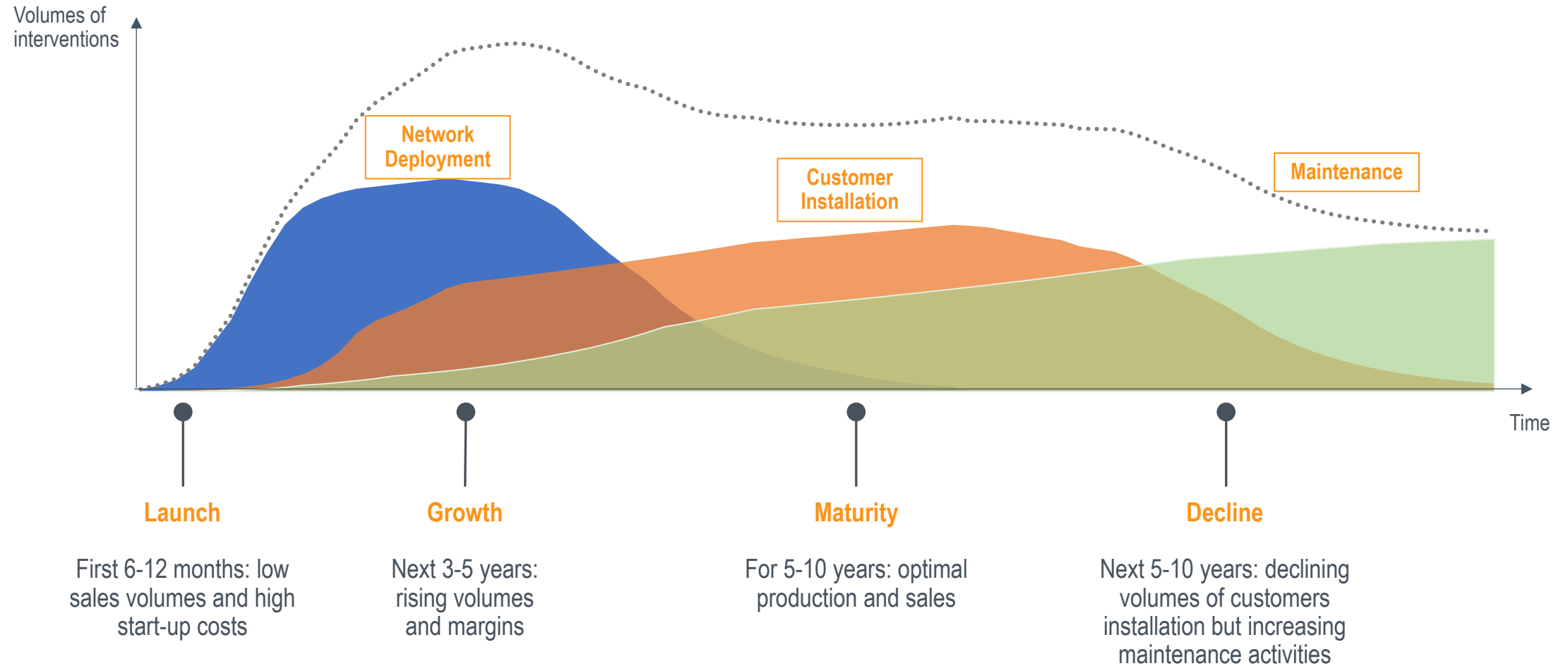
Accretive, disciplined bolt-on acquisitions

Maintaining a robust financial structure

Net Debt/ Adj. EBITDA historically below **2.0x**



FIBER PROJECT



BOLT-ON ACQUISITIONS

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M&A TRACK RECORD

>30

Bolt-on
acquisitions made
across Europe

3-6x EBITDA

Range of multiples
paid

~ €350m

Cumulative
revenue acquired*

ACCESS TO CLIENTS / MARKET SHARE



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GEOGRAPHICAL EXPANSION

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INCREASE DENSITY



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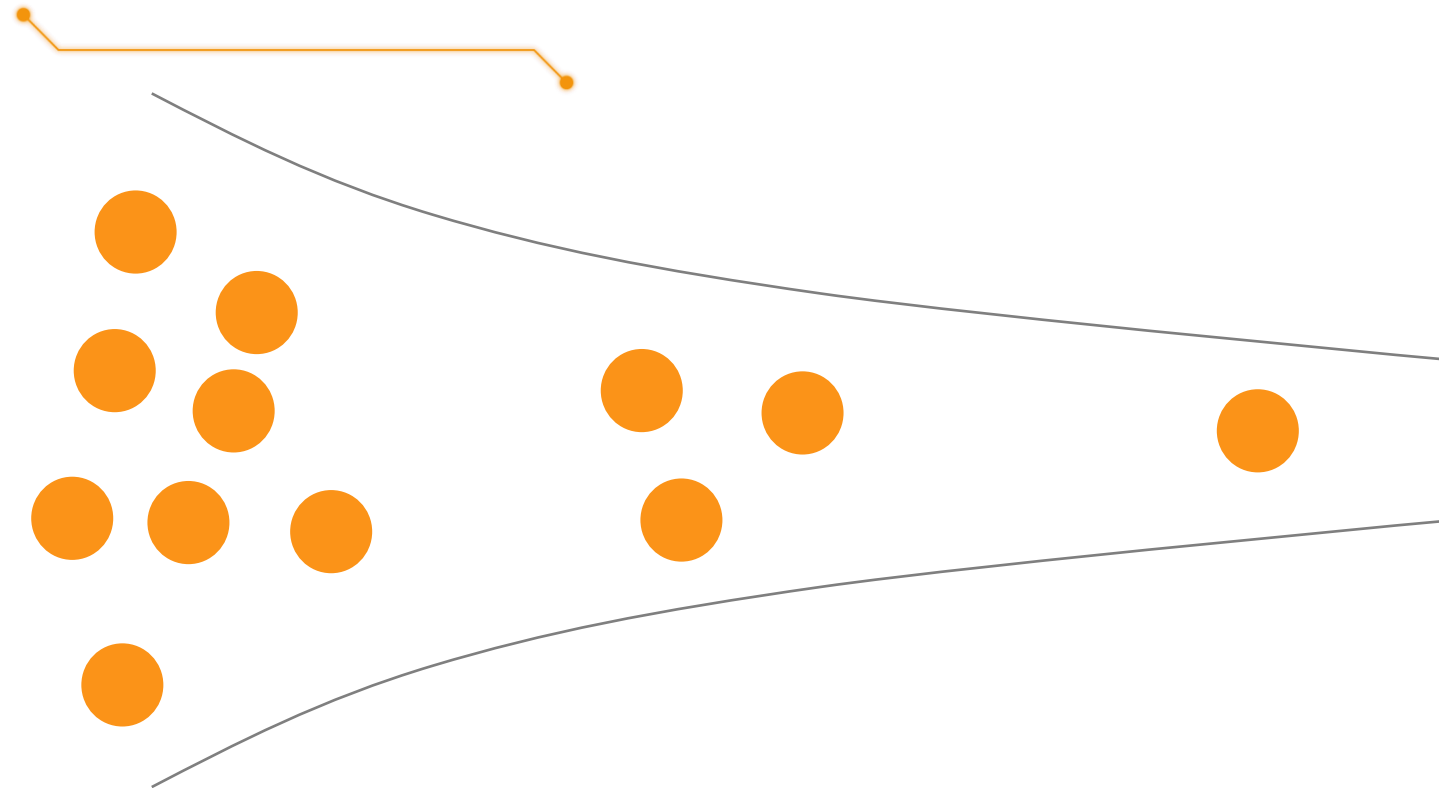
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ABILITY TO IMPROVE PROFITABILITY

All targets

*at time of acquisition. After acquisition, S30 is regularly able to extend/expand key contracts leading to additional revenue.

PROVEN METHODOLOGY FOR STRATEGIC TARGET SELECTION



OUR M&A TARGET EVALUATION CRITERIA

Interest in the customer portfolio

Management

Quality of operations

Differentiating technology

Scope of the service offer

Growth potential

Strategic interest of the sector

Ease of integration

Interest of geography

Price / Value for money

Permanent screening of
potential targets in our
strategic markets

Selective due diligence
process

Acquisition and seamless
integration

Solutions 30 operates in a highly fragmented market and implements a low-risk, low-cost bolt-on acquisition strategy

CASE STUDY #1

OUTSOURCING OF ORANGE POLAND'S ACTIVITIES IN THE WARSAW REGION (PL)



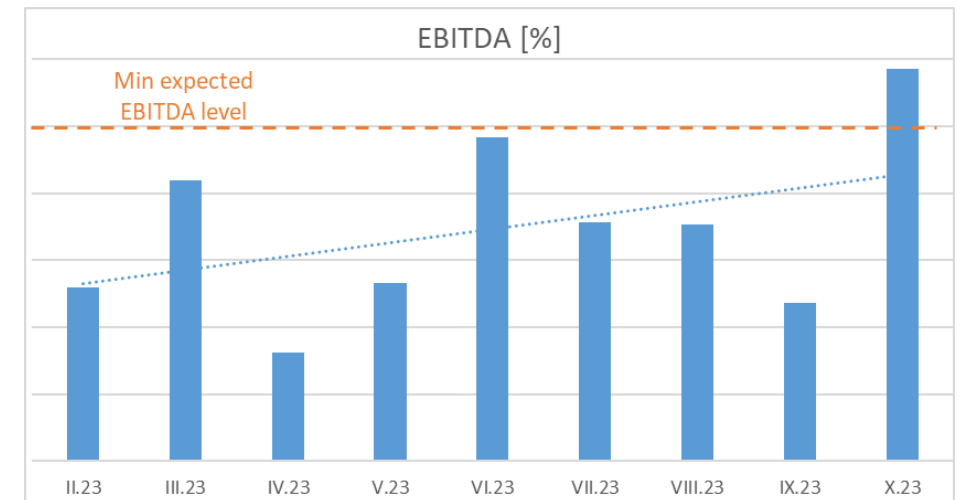
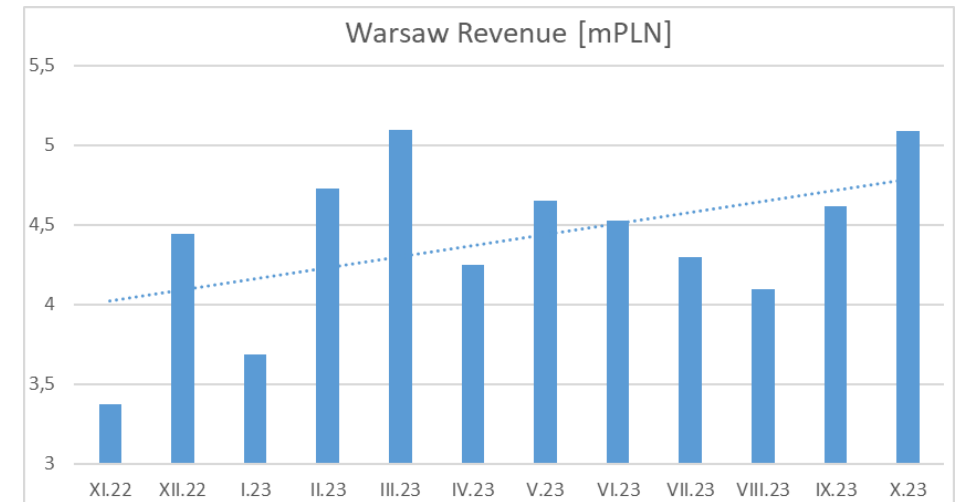
End of 2022, Orange Poland decided to outsource part of its operations to S30

Strengthening customer relations

- ✓ New contracts for 5 years
- ✓ Copper decommissioning extension

A successful turnaround

- ✓ 340 temporary employees insourced
- ✓ Significant increase of FTTH installations volume
- ✓ Maintenance productivity increase



CASE STUDY #2

ACQUISITION OF ELEC ENR (FR)

From an organization with recognized expertise and under-tapped potential to a strategic asset for the development of our ENR business



STRENGTHS

- ✓ A well-established reputation in eastern France
- ✓ Strong technical skills
- ✓ Complementarity with existing S30 activities
- ✓ Good employee involvement
- ✓ Quick-win solutions identified



WEAKNESSES

- ✓ A company with regional dimension
- ✓ High cost of support functions
- ✓ Poor financial management
- ✓ Inconsistent remuneration model with no incentive mechanism
- ✓ Utilization of too many temporary (expensive) workers

RESULTS



Several reference contracts won
(ex: largest floating solar farm in Europe...)



Revenues more than doubled in 1 year



EBITDA margin in line with Group level



Successful establishment in northern France, which now accounts for over 50% of the national sales pipeline in solar

STRATEGIC M&A PRIORITIES

CHARTING OUR PATH FOR FUTURE GROWTH

