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## HHLA achieves positive result in a challenging year

EBIT impacted by pandemic-related strains and provision for efficiency programme



#### Major achievements

- HHLA kept stable financial position despite restrictions due to coronavirus pandemic
- Health & safety of employees maintained; kept production running
- Acquisition of a majority share in a multi-function terminal at the Port of Trieste
- Acquisition of 80.0 % stake in automation specialist iSAM AG



#### Market environment

- While H1 was affected by pandemic-related blank sailings and drop in volumes, the sector struggled with imbalances in trade flows in H2, resulting from a lack of empty containers and shipping space due to catch-up effects esp. in Asia
- Both led to delays in sailing schedules that put high pressure on terminals and hinterland transport systems



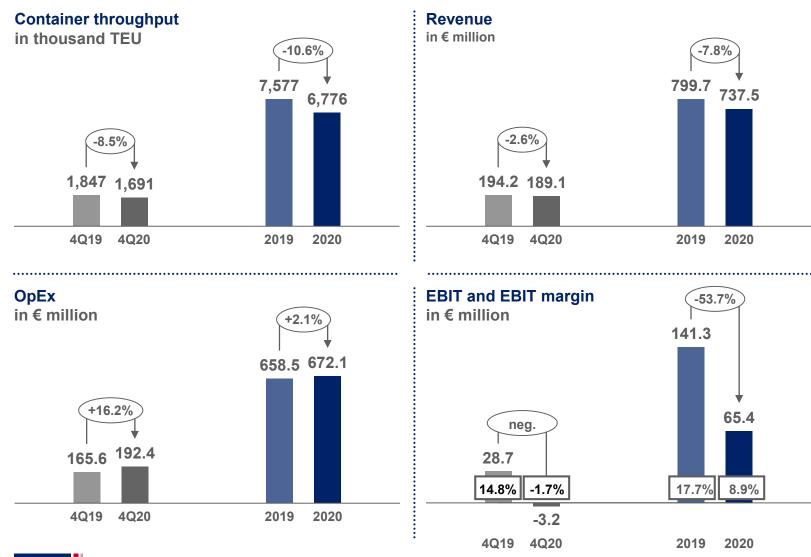
#### Results

- Container throughput impacted by pandemic-related downturn and changes in market share while container transport was only slightly down
- EBIT impacted by revenue decrease and provision of ~ € 43 million set aside in Q4 for an efficiency programme in the Container segment
- Dividend proposal of € 0.45 per class A share in form of a scrip dividend

FY 2020		
Throughput	Transport	
<b>6,776k TEU</b>	<b>1,536k TEU</b>	
– 10.6 %	– 1.9 %	
Revenue	EBIT	
<b>€ 1,269.3 m</b>	€ 110.3 m	
– 6.0 %	– 46.0 %	
EBIT margin <b>8.7 %</b> – 6.4 pp	Profit after tax and minorities € 35.3 m – 62.3 %	
ROCE	Operating cash flow	
<b>5.8 %</b>	€ 271.4 m	
– 5.3 pp	– 10.4 %	

#### **Financial performance**

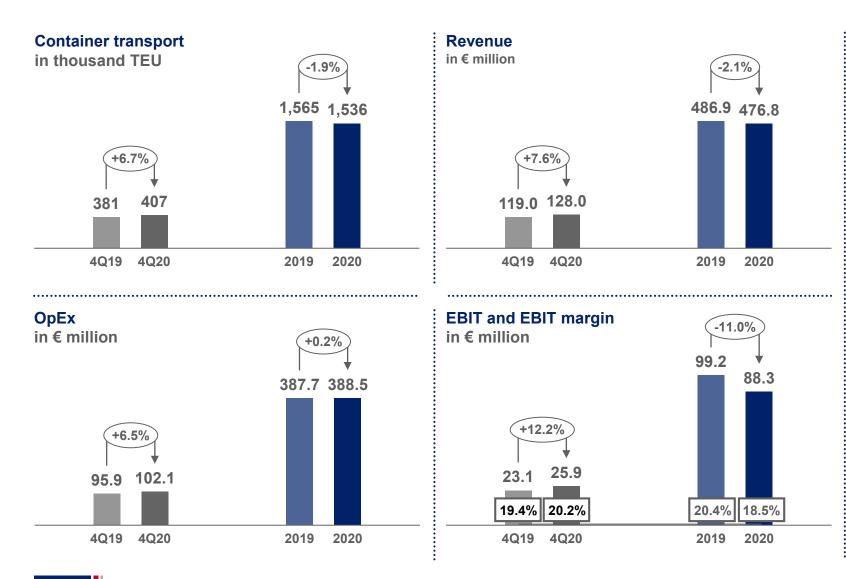
## Strong volume decline burdens revenue development while EBIT impacted by net provisions for an efficiency programme



- Strong decline in throughput due to pandemic-related downturn and loss of a Far East service
- Revenue reduced as a result of lower volumes (Hamburg down 11.1%; Internationals down 4.7%)
- Average revenue per TEU + 4.3 % y-o-y mainly attributable to
  - advantageous modal split with high share of hinterland volumes
  - temporary increase in storage fees due to longer dwell times as a result of pandemic-related trade flow imbalances and weather-related delays
- OpEx up by 2.1% (down 3.3% adjusted for net provisions and subsidies of public authorities)
- EBIT mainly impacted by net provisions of € 43 million in 4Q20 as result of the implementation of restructuring measures

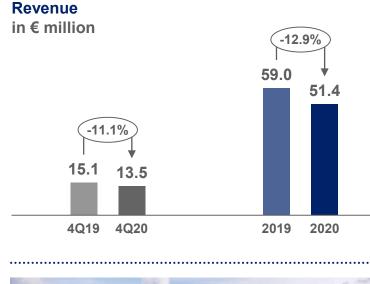
#### **Financial performance**

## Strong recovery of volumes in H2 led to only slight decline in revenues and kept EBIT margin at a sound level

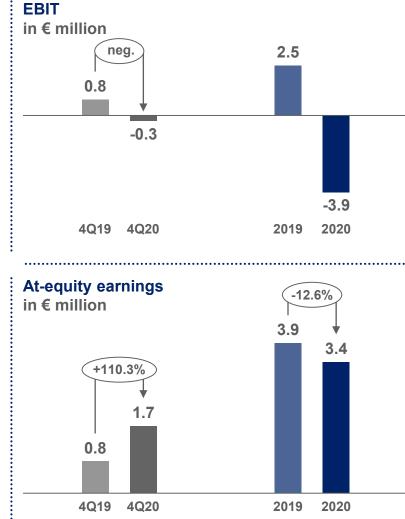


- Decrease in transport volumes more pronounced for road transport than for rail transportation (-5.2% vs. - 1.0%); slight increase in rail share of total transportation volume from 78.8% to 79.6%
- Revenues slightly down by 2.1 % due to volume declines mainly in H1 that could not be completely offset by strong recovery in H2
- Average revenue per TEU decreased as a result of disadvantageous mix of short and long haul distance cargo loads
- EBIT dropped by 11.0%
- EBIT margin still at a favourable level of 18.5 %

## Revenues suffered from pandemic-related downturn while at-equity earnings remained comparatively robust







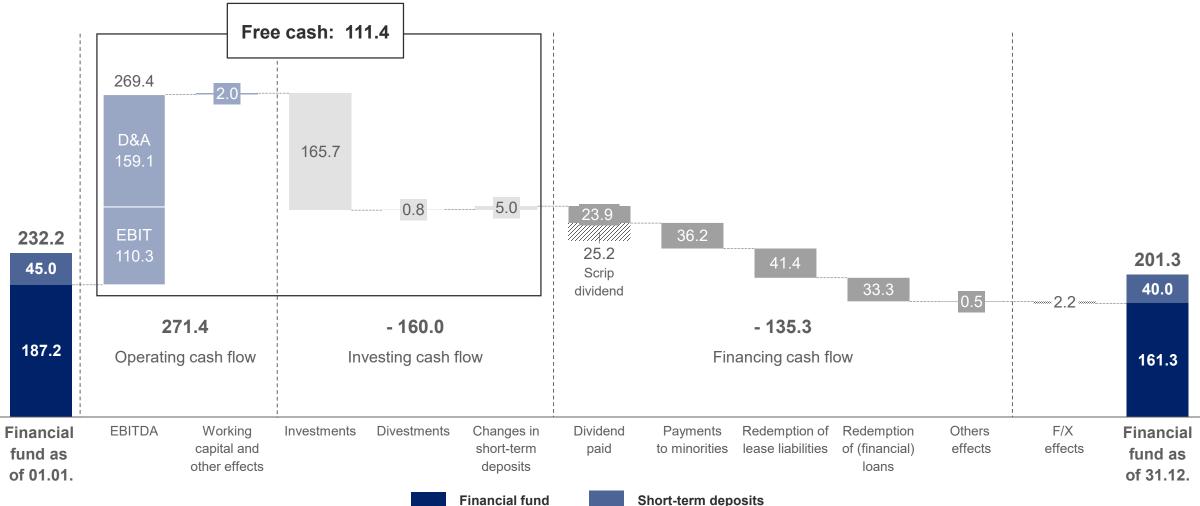
- Revenue from consolidated companies decreased mainly due to
  - strong decline in vehicle logistics
  - significant fall in consulting activities
- Expected revenue growth from new activities was held back by the pandemic
- EBIT development was adversely impacted by temporary increases in start-up losses of new activities and pandemic-related decline in earnings of existing activities
- At-equity earnings remained comparably robust with a positive result
- modility GmbH, a booking portal for intermodal traffic, was initially consolidated in the fourth quarter of 2020

## Comfortable liquidity position to meet payment obligations at all times

Cash flow development in line with business development

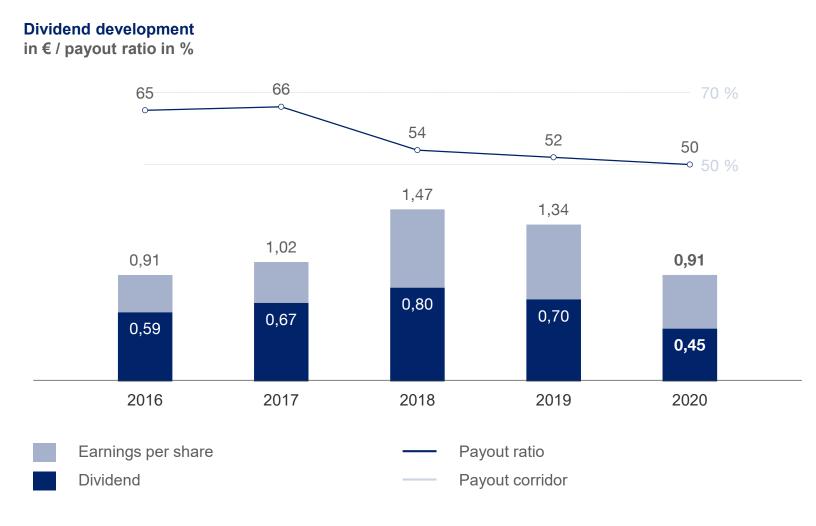


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## Attractive dividend proposal per class A share

HHLA confirms its payout corridor of 50 to 70 %



#### **Dividend development**

- Scrip dividend of 45 cents per class A share (option to choose cash or scrip dividend)
- For determination, result was adjusted by the change in the restructuring provision affecting net income in the amount of € 43 million
- Payout ratio at the lower end of the payout corridor of 50 to 70% of the annual net profit after non-controlling interests

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## Effective match of technological and sustainable innovation

Various examples of efforts to implement our sustainability strategy

#### Reduction of specific CO<sub>2</sub> emissions





against base year 2008

HHLA wants to have cut its total  $CO_2$  emissions at least in half by 2030 against 2018, and be climate-neutral by 2040



More area efficiency by using the storage crane systems since lanes are no longer needed for van carriers and containers can be stacked up higher Effective concepts for





Health and safety of employees was maintained while neither introducing short-time working nor cutting wages

Climate-neutral by 2040

## Whisper brakes



Almost all of approx. 3,000 container wagons have been fitted with brakes which **reduce the driving and braking noise by half** 

# Supplier

## **Code of Conduct**



launched in 2020 and enshrined in the purchasing guidelines incl. anti-corruption regulations



### Guidance 2021

Still high unpredictability regarding intensity and timing of economic recovery

Research estimates for 2021				
GDP development		Throughput development		
World	+ 5.5 %	World	+ 8.9 %	
China	+ 8.1 %	China	+ 9.0 %	
Russia	+ 3.0 %	Europe	+ 7.7 %	
CEE	+ 4.0 %	NW Europe	+ 8.1 %	
World trade	+ 8.1 %	Scan. & Baltics	+ 10.5 %	

#### **Constraints of guidance 2021**

The forecast for the year is subject to considerable uncertainty. This applies in particular to the intensity and timing of the economic recovery.

Sources: IMF, January 2021 // Drewry Maritime Research, December 2020

#### **Guidance for the Port Logistics subgroup 2021**

	2020	Guidance for 2021
Container throughput	6,776 k TEU	Moderate increase
Container transport	1,536 k TEU	Moderate increase
Revenue	€ 1,269.3 m	Moderate increase
EBIT	€ 110.3 m	in the range of € 140 to 165 million
Capital expenditure	€ 178.7 m	in the range of € 220 to 250 million
Liquidity	€ 201.3 m	sufficient to meet payment obligations at all times
Dividend per A class share	€ 0.45	commitment to pay out 50 to 70 % of net profit after minority interests



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## Several developments driving HHLA's transformation process

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Advanced momentum through implementation of an efficiency programme in the Container segment

#### Structural sector developments

### **01** Ship size development

Increasing number of mega carriers demands more efficiency and operational flexibility as well as investments

### **02** Consolidation of shipping liners

Formation of alliances leads to increased price and performance pressure

**03** Increasing degree of automation Share of highly automated systems such as CTA

**04** Overcapacity in the North Range

Pressure on pricing due to fierce competition

#### Cooperation of port authorities

Consolidation of the port authorities in France, Belgium and the Netherlands to enhance efficiency

#### Dedicated terminals prevailed

Many shipping lines have established stakes in terminals, putting HHLA multi-user approach under pressure HHLA's response: targets of the efficiency programme

Lean and sustainable organisational structure

Improved productivity in line with customer expectations

Expansion for mega carriers > 24,000 TEU

## Laying groundwork for regaining market share

Reduction of emissions and energy consumption

#### Hamburg-specific topics

is steadily increasing



#### Nautical restrictions almost solved

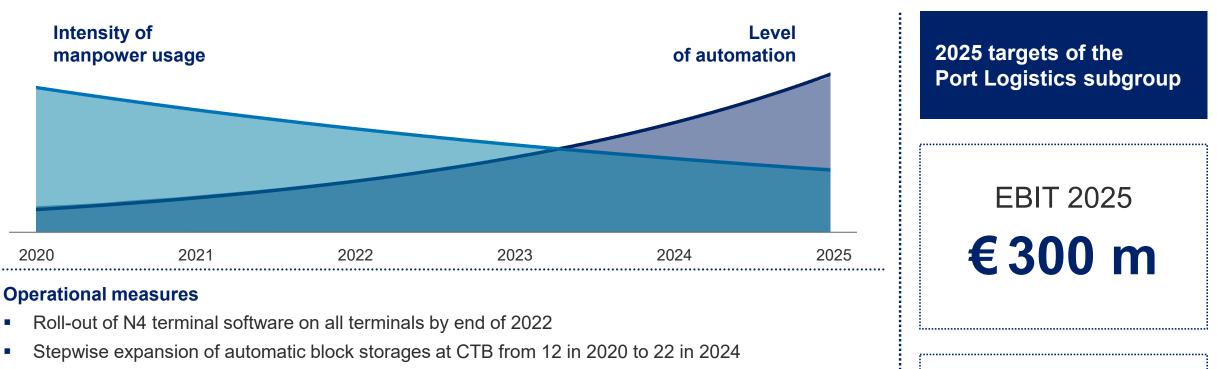
Elbe dredging already completed; full approval anticipated for H2/2021

#### Infrastructure maintenance

Ongoing infrastructure maintenance and projects, i.e. replacement of Köhlbrandbrücke, are on track

## Further automation at Hamburg terminals will lead to increased performance

... and support medium-term profitability target of the Port Logistic subgroup



- Construction of an AGV service centre and testing field at CTB by 2023
- Replacement of straddle carriers by Automated Guided Vehicles (AGVs) at CTB from 2024 onwards

#### **Personnel measures**

- Net provision of € 43 million earmarked for socially responsible personnel measures
  - Main instrument: early retirement programme will have a positive P&L effect from 2023 onwards
  - Further instruments: flexi-time, reduction of overtime, education & training and re-qualification

Capex 2021-2025

€1,050 m



## Focus on three profit sources to fuel our future success

Rationale for 2025



- Increase efficiency at Hamburg terminals by further automation
  - Further area optimisation by taking up to 22 block storages into operation at CTB
  - Automation of horizontal transport from the quayside to yard via AGV
  - Further optimisation of the existing systems by using intelligent system control
- Growing EBIT contribution from international terminals

### → Striving for efficiency



- Expansion of rail terminals and hubs, i.e. Zalaegerszeg (Hungary)
- Expansion of hinterland rail network in Central and Eastern Europe by increasing frequency on existing connections and adding new connections, particularly in Southern and South-Eastern Europe
- Taking advantage of EU green deal

#### $\rightarrow$ Growing EBIT contribution

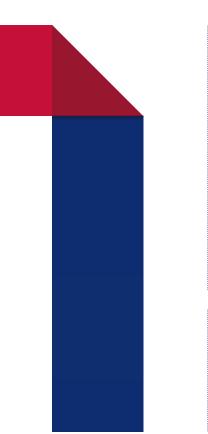


- Moderate increase expected from at-equity earnings
- Strong top-line growth from new ventures anticipated from 2021 onwards
- Positive EBIT contribution from new ventures expected for 2023 onwards
- Clear commitment to invest in new technologies along future transport streams





### **Financial calendar and contact**



#### Financial calendar 2021

**25 March 2021** Annual Report 2020 Analyst conference call

**12 May 2021** Interim Statement Analyst conference call

**10 June 2021** Virtual Annual General Meeting **12 August 2021** Half-year Financial Report Analyst conference call

**11 November 2021** Interim Statement Analyst conference call



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