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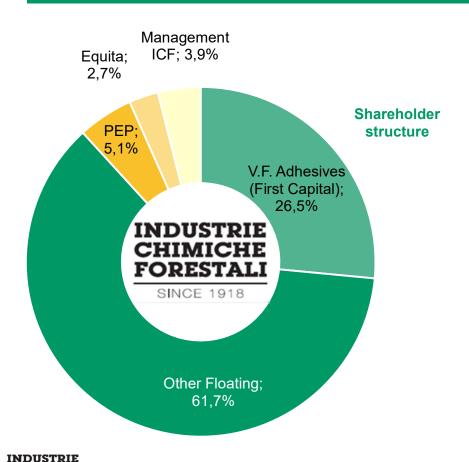
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#### **Industrie Chimiche Forestali**

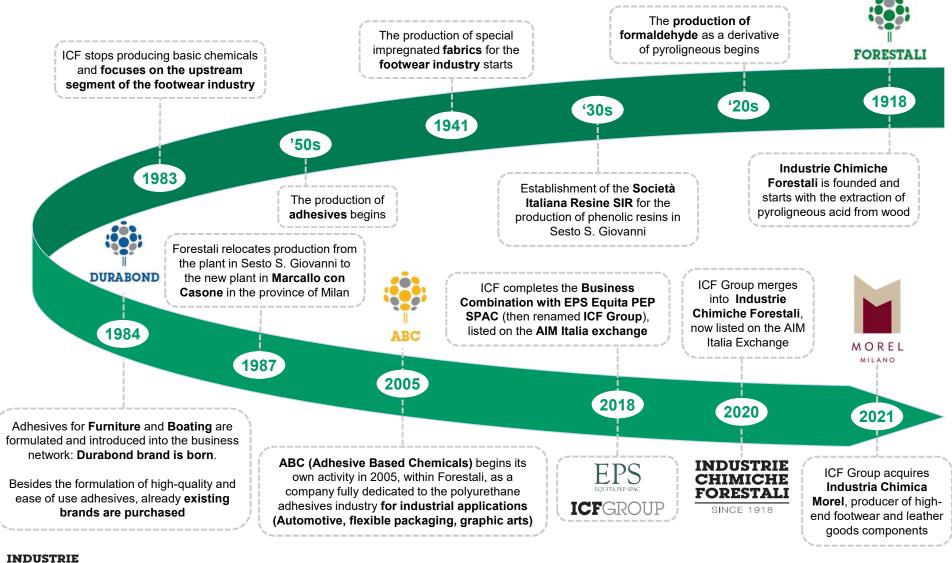
ICF is a leading player in the technical adhesive and fabric business with the **mission** to pursue organic expansion of its operations while acting as an aggregator of companies operating in complementary businesses exploiting the robust Free Cash Flow generation

#### Why invest in Industrie Chimiche Forestali



- 1 A <u>public company.</u> The market is the dominant shareholder
- 2 More than 100 years of history in the chemical industry
- 3 <u>Leading player in Technical Adhesive niche</u> with expertise in adhesives and technical fabrics for the Footwear, Leather Goods, Automotive, Packaging and Upholstery sectors
- 4 Export oriented
- 5 Substantial Free Cash Flow generation
- 6 Strong focus on **sustainability and environmental issues**

#### Industrie Chimiche Forestali: a 100-year History





#### The «Invisible Power»

#### Footwear & Leather Goods



#### Adhesives:

- Solvent-based
- Solvent-free
- Water-based

#### **Technical fabrics:**

- Toe-puff, counters / stiffeners
- Linings and reinforcing

## Counter Upper Insole

**Technical fabric** is used in the toe puffs and counters of the shoe. **Adhesive** is used to put together mainly uppers, insoles and sole units



Technical fabric goes to reinforce the handle, bottom and sides of the bag. Adhesive is used to glue the linings



**Adhesive** is used to glue different components of the upholstery

of

layers

commercial)

headliner in a vehicle. It can be applied to light

vehicles (passenger and

#### The «Invisible Power»

Adhesives have a negligible impact on cost of production of the final article...

Automotive



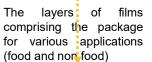
#### Adhesives:

- Solvent-based
- Solvent-free
- Water-based

Adhesives are used to glue









The plastic cover of magazines and periodicals



The pins used in the staplers and similar objects

...But a relevant impact on the performance. A

low quality adhesive can lead to serious issues and costs (e.g. destroyed shoes or stained car roof)

Product quality, customized solutions and reliability are key drivers to serve clients





#### Industrie Chimiche Forestali: a Leading Player in the Technical Adhesive World

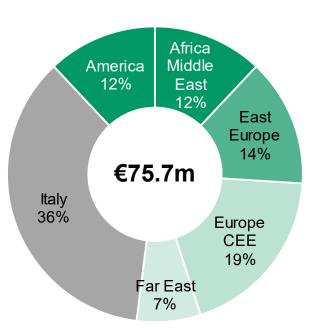
ICF in numbers(1) Manufacturing of **Core activity** adhesives and technical **EBITDA Margin NFP EBITDA** Revenues fabrics 2021 2021 2021 2021 6.9% €7.4m Footwear €75.7m €5.2m Leather Goods Avg. last 3 years 1.4x leverage on **End market** 10.4% Automotive 2021 EBITDA Packaging Upholstery 2.3 18,400 More than Adhesives (water-based, million 140(1) solvent-free, solvent-**Tons** 1,800 **Key products** based) meters of Adhesive/ employees products **Technical Fabrics** technical Year (impregnated, coextruded) fabrics Marcallo con Casone. **22** R&D • 3 labs • More than 800 industrial clients HQs Milan (Italy) employees • 27 new products • **65,000** sqm. plant per month



#### A Balanced Portfolio with a Global Exposure

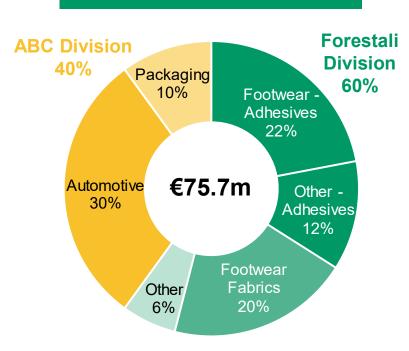
The company is export-oriented, with a balanced exposure to the Automotive, Footwear and Packaging sectors





**Export** makes up for c. **64%** of revenues for 2021

#### **Business Line**



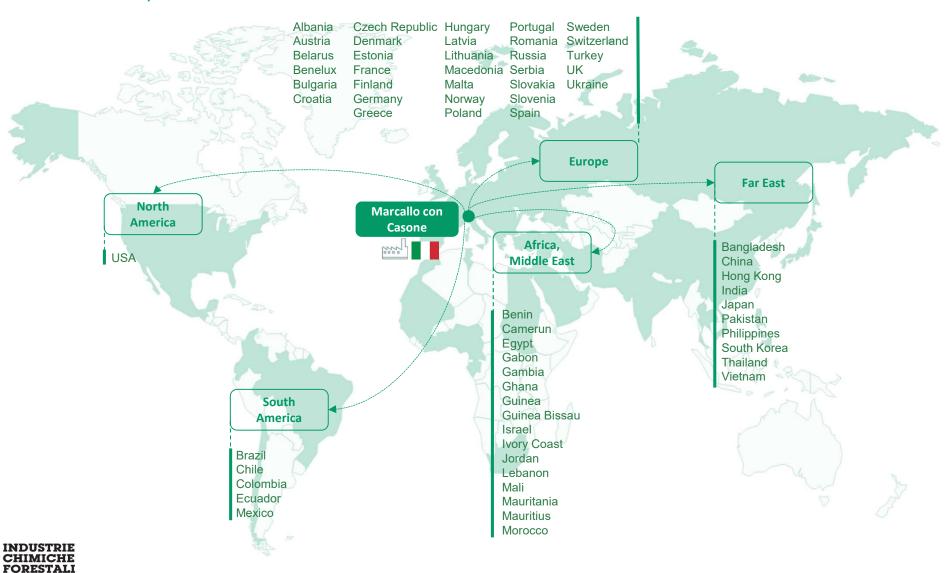
Forestali manufactures both adhesives (c. 34%) and fabrics (c. 20%), while ABC manufactures adhesives only



#### From Italy to the rest of the world

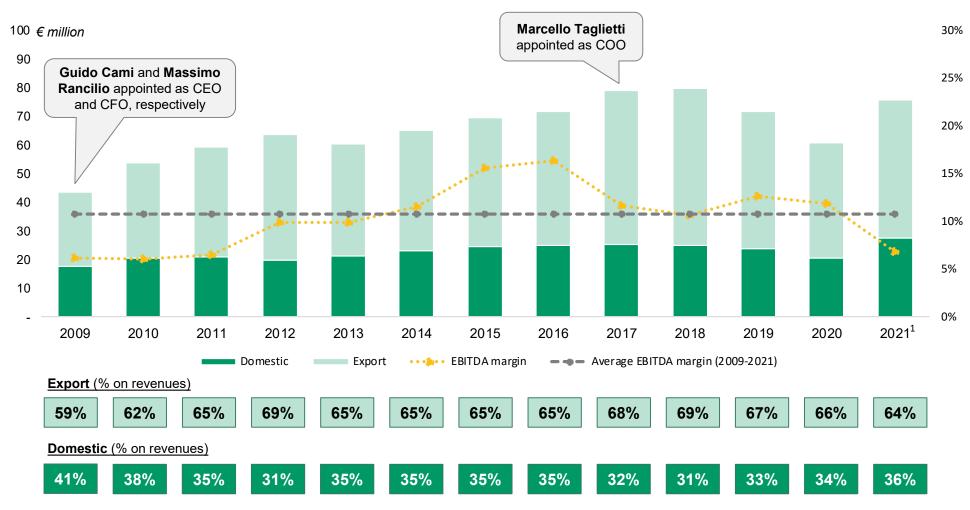
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#### From the headquarter of Marcallo con Casone ICF reaches 80 countries all over the world



#### **Expansion mainly based on Export**

In the last 13 years Top Line doubled, export sales exceeded 60% with an average EBITDA margin >10%



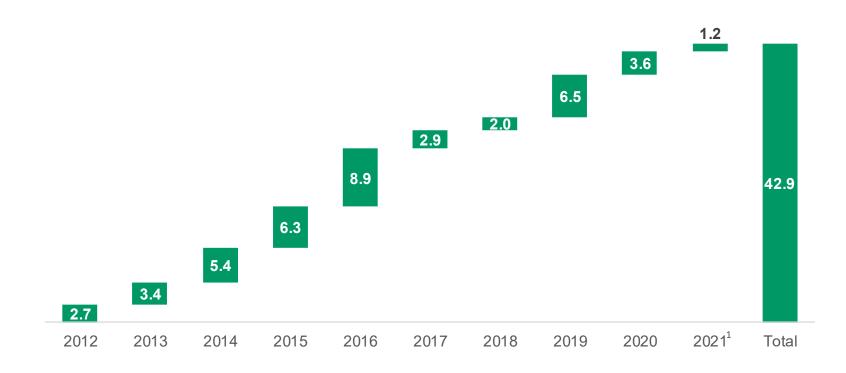


Source: Company financial statements Note: (1) As of 31/12/2021

#### **Material Free Cash Flow Generation**

#### **Cumulative Free Cash Flow Generation above €42.9 over the last 10 years**

Adjusted Free Cash Flow generation



Comment

Over the last 10 years, **ICF generated a cumulated Free Cash Flow of €42.9m**, which was used also to sustain an extraordinary capex of €13m in 2013, a €21m re-leverage in 2016, €5.0m of buy-back from May 2019, €1.0m of extraordinary capex in 2020, €1.0m of dividend in 2021 and €2.0m of extraordinary costs related to the acquisition of Morel



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#### ICF's major achievements since its listing in 2018

€14m of Free Cash Flow generation\* destined to deleverage, cash to shareholders, M&A and extra investments:

€5m of shares buy-back completed from May 2019 to January 2022. Around 850k shares bought\*\*

€1.0m distributed in dividends in 2021\*\*\*

2 €2m invested in the expansion through the acquisition of MOREL business branch

3 €1.0m invested in a real estate asset acquisition

4 €5m of deleverage despite the use of cash listed above



#### **1H22 ICF financial highlights**

Diversification supporting top line growth. Back to double digit margin area in Q2.

	€m	Q1 2021	Q1 2022	Q2 2021	Q2 2022	1H2021	1H2022
1	Revenues	18,4	21,0	19,1	24,0	37,5	45,0
	YoY growth %	6	14,1		25,7		20,0
2	EBITDA	1,9	1,2	1,4	2,3	3,3	3,5
	Margin (%)	10.3%	<u>5,7%</u>	7,3%	<u>9,6%</u>	8,8%	7,8%
3	Net Debt	2,1	9,3	3,4	12,1	3,4	12,1

- In 1H22 ICF recorded € 45m in revenues, **growing by 20**%. All segments excluding automotive contributed to the positive performance. The growth was mainly supported by increase in prices to tackle inflation. The best performing applications were the technical sportive shoes, luxury shoes and leather goods. Morel contributed with € 4.4m. **Sales accelerated in 2Q22 with +26**% vs 1Q22 at +14% y/y.
- 2 Despite high inflation in raw materials and utilities EBITDA grew by 7.1%. EBITDA margin was 7.9% accelerating during the semester improving from 5.7% in 1Q22 to 9.6% in 2Q22 and therefore going back to the double-digit area.
- Net debt grew to € 12.1m driven by € 6.8m increase in Net Working Capital reflecting the growth in sales and the investment in inventories to mitigate the difficulties in the supply chain. Non-operating cash out were € 1.6m of which € 1.3m returned to shareholders (€1m in dividends and € 0.3m in buy-back) and € 0.3m for the completion of Morel acquisition



#### **Acquisition of MOREL**

In July 2021, ICF completed the acquisition of the company branch of MOREL, historical Italian brand, leader in components (toe-puffs and counters) for high-end footwear and leather goods



MOREL, founded in 1926 in Milan, designs and manufactures **toe-puffs and counters** for the footwear and leather goods market, with particular focus on **the luxury segment**. The brand has acquired a position of absolute relevance in its reference market, becoming a synonymous of high quality "Made in Italy".

The company is particularly focused on **sustainability**. MOREL uses mostly compostable or recycled raw materials, optimizes its energy consumption by using only energy from renewable resources and has reduced its environmental impact by cutting its emission to a level 20x below the law requirements.

In 2H21, MOREL's revenues were € 2.8m and in 1H22 they grew to € 4.4m

#### **Transaction Rationale and Evolution**

- 1. ICF **strengthened** its presence in the **luxury** footwear and leather goods market
- 2. The Group is benefiting from **client cross-fertilization** by creating commercial synergies thanks to the complementarity of products and customer base
- 3. Cost and operational **synergies** allowed MOREL operations to contribute with margins at least in line with rest of the Group's ones





#### Sustainability at ICF – <u>www.investors.forestali.it/sostenibilità</u>

Sustainability and social and environmental issues have been part of ICF's culture ever since 1998, when we joined the "Responsible Care" program, promoting the Sustainable Development of the Chemical Industry worldwide according to values and behavior oriented towards health, safety and the environment. Moreover, to be even more accountable, we redact a Sustainability Report, in line with Global Reporting Initiative standard

#### **ICF's commitment to ESG aspects**



**Products**: we offer to our clients **increasingly eco-friendly products** by replacing hazardous substances present in their formulation and developing eco-friendly and **low Volatile Organic Compound** adhesives



**People**: we strongly believe in the **value of our people** to whom we guarantee the opportunity of a qualified job and on which we invest to enhance their talents



Safety: we operate with respect for the safety not only of our employees but also of our customers and the surrounding population. Properly trained personnel and the development of processes and plants with high standards of quality and safety are the prerequisite that we put before any other consideration of economic opportunity



Quality: together with the preservation of the environment and safety, quality is an inseparable aspect of our entrepreneurial activity, which is also reflected in the maintenance and continuous improvement of Management System certifications, some of which were obtained more than twenty years ago and have therefore become a common working

At Industrie Chimiche Forestali, the integration of economic, environmental and social sustainability into our business has been for years among our core priorities and thanks to that we have been able to build a competitive advantage, recognized by the market in our competitiveness as well as our dynamicity and flexibility



#### **ESG - Environment**

ICF's commitment towards environmental issues goes **beyond system certifications** and includes its daily operations, its supply chain and its overall impact on the environment. The Company is in fact compliant with system certifications such as:

UNI EN ISO 9001 UNI ISO 45001 EMAS

UNI EN ISO 14001 IATF 16949 Modello 231

#### **Environmental**

- Compliance with the European REACH regulation(1)
- Water-based and solvent-free adhesives >50% of production
- · CO, NOX and VOC emissions reduction
- · Recycling campaign for paper, cardboard and plastic
- 20% of the textile production compliant to **Global Recylce Standard** after just one year from certification adoption
- The **PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEM** recently installed (with an investment of around 400,000 euros) in 2023 will produce about 1/3 of ICF required demand, which in total is about 4.5 mln KW

#### **Product specific certifications**











#### ESG – Social and Governance – <u>www.investors.forestali.it</u>

#### Governance

**ICF governance** model is **investor friendly** and quite **unique** among companies of similar size listed on the AIM segment of Borsa Italiana:

- ICF is a public company with the market being the dominant shareholder
- The BoD is composed of 7 members, of which 2 qualify as independent directors (Mrs. Balzano and Mr. Rettani)
- The interests of ICF top management are aligned with those of the shareholders: 12 ICF managers, including the CEO Guido Cami, hold 3.6% of the Company's share capital

# Guido Cami Giuliano Tomassi Marinangeli Giovanni Campolo Marina Balzano Independent Stefano Lustig Vincenzo Polidoro Independent A3% of AIM listed companies featured 2 or more independent directors in 2019

#### **Social impact**

#### ICF supports the community by sponsoring local organizations:

- · Bambini delle Fate
- · Marcallo con Casone local sport team
- Mesero oratory
- Valcaselle tamburello team
- Alatha
- Magenta's hospital

#### **Best practices**

Environmental Report (every 3 years)

Sustainability report in line with Global Reporting Initiative standards



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ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT 2018 - 2020

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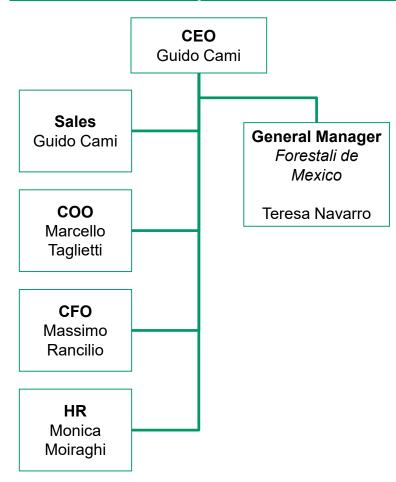
#### **Awards**





#### **Organizational Structure and Key Management**

#### Organizational structure with 140<sup>(1)</sup> people coordinated by...



#### ...an experienced management



#### Guido Cami Chief Executive Officer

- · Graduated in Management Engineering at Politecnico di Milano
- Vice Chairman of the Adhesive and Sealant division of AVISA
- Chairman in FEICA (European Adhesives and Sealant Association)
- 30+ years of experience in industrial companies (Pirelli, Manifattura di Legnano, Vibram, Pechiney, Crespi, Forestali)
- Expertise: Production, Logistics, Operations, R&D, Commercial, Managing Direction
- 13 years in Forestali as CEO



#### Marcello Taglietti Chief Operating Officer

- 30 years of experience in the Operations function (Ashland Chemicals, Air Products and Chemicals, KMG Chemicals)
- 5 years in Forestali



#### Massimo Rancilio Chief Financial Officer

- 21 years of experience in the Finance function (Oracle, Accenture, Hexon Specialty Chemicals, MPG Plast)
- 13 years in Forestali



#### Monica Moiraghi Human Resources

- 30 years of experience in the HR function
- 21+ years in Forestali



#### Teresa Navarro General Manager

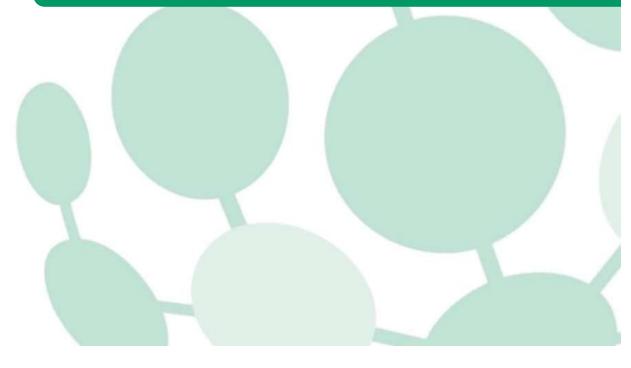
- General Manager at Forestali de Mexico
- 22+ years in Forestali de Mexico



Note: (1) As of 31/12/2021



### Appendix





#### **FY 2021 ICF financial highlights**

Income Statement (€m)	2020	2021
Revenues	60.6	75.7
YoY growth (%)	-15.4%	24.9%
Gross margin	24.0	23.2
margin (%)	39.6%	30.7%
EBITDA	7.1	5.2
margin (%)	11.8%	6.9%
Net Income	2.2	2.3
margin (%)	3.7%	3.0%
Adjusted Net Income	3.3	2.2
margin (%)	5.5%	2.9%
Balance Sheet (€m)	2020	2021
Trade Working Capital	15.0	17.6
Net Debt	3.2	7.4
Net Debt/EBITDA	0.5x	1.4x
Cash Flow Statement (€m)	2020	2021
Free Cash Flow	1.2	(4.1)
Adjusted Free Cash Flow	3.6	1.2
cash conversion (%)	50.1%	22.4%
Other	2020	2021
Outstanding shares (m)	7.2	6.8*
o.w. Treasury shares (m)	0.1	0.0
Dividend per share (€)	0.14	0.14



#### **1H22 ICF financial highlights**

The diversification of the operating activities allows ICF to grow despite adverse conditions

Ability to defend margins with an acceleration to double digit area in Q2

INCOME STATEMENT (€ MN)	1H 2022	1H 2021	Var.
Revenues	44.9	37.4	20.0%
EBITDA	3.5	3.3	7.1%
Ebitda Margin	7.9%	8.8%	
Technical depreciation	-1.3	-1.2	
Intangible depreciation	0.9	-1.0	
Accruals and depreciation	0.6	-0.1	
EBIT reported	1.2	1.1	
Ebit Margin	2.8%	2.9%	
Adjusted EBIT	2.2	2.1	7.3%
Adjusted EBIT Margin	5.0%	5.6%	10.6%
Reported net financial charges	0.6	-1.0	
Net financial charges adjusted	-0.1	-0.1	
Net Income	1.5	6.2	
Adjusted Net Income	1.7	1.6	3.9%
BALANCE SHEET (€ MN)	1H22	FY21	
Net Financial Debt	12.1	7.4	





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