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## Maintaining Covid-19 readiness

Employee safety remains our paramount priority

- The global situation is improving, but remains challenging in parts of the network
- Additional measures adopted by Operational Integrity remain in place (work from home, cleaning stations, additional hygiene and disinfection procedures, mask wearing, social distancing)
- We continue to ensure that Personal Protective Equipment is available globally
- Crisis Management Teams remain mobilized











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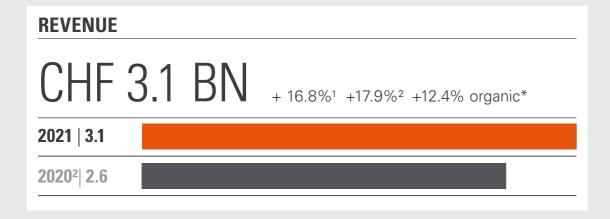
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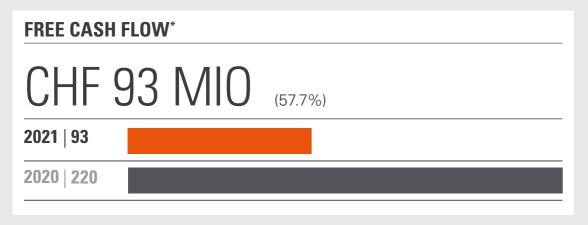


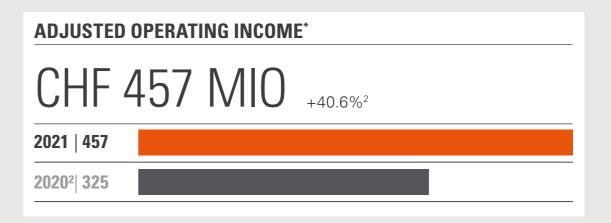
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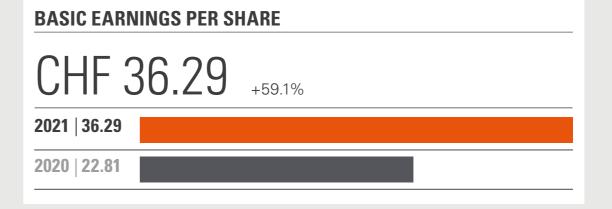
A strong start to 2021

H1 2021 highlights











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## Continued investment in our strategic priority areas

H1 2021 Acquisitions

























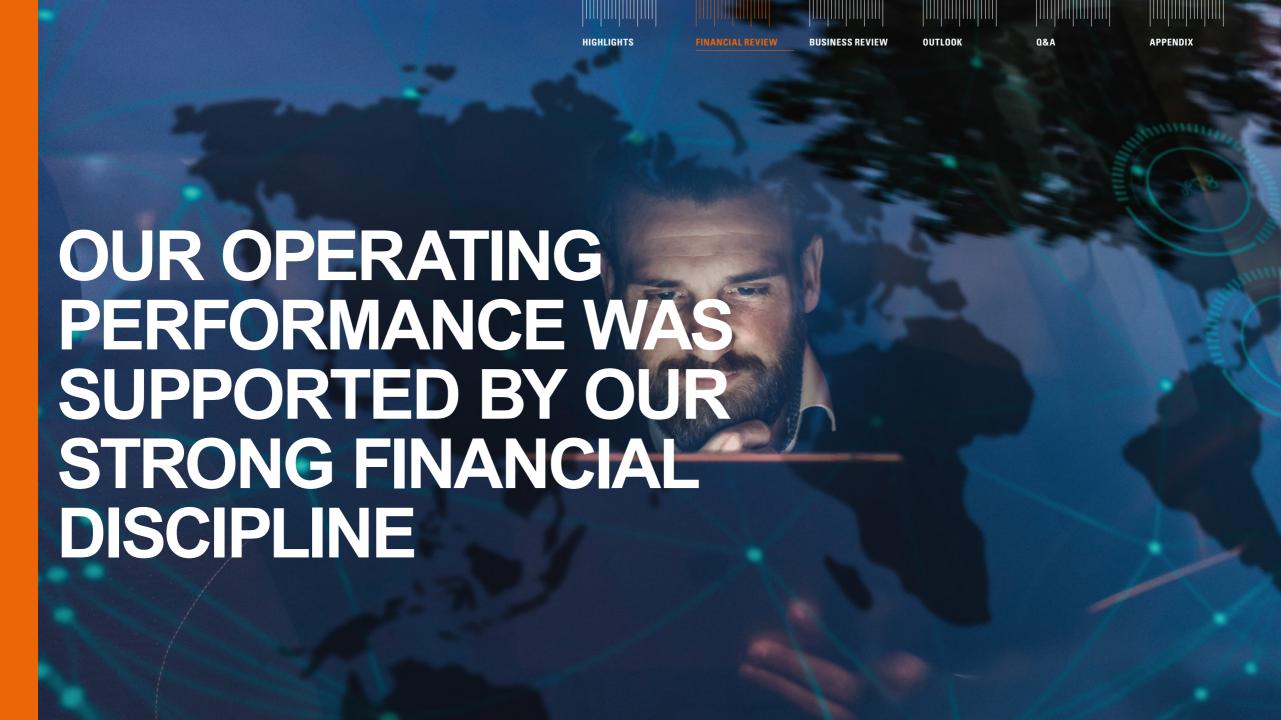


## Strategic progress

Becoming a more sustainable, data-driven company

- A number of sustainability milestones achieved in H1
- Brightsight materially accelerates our ambition to become the global TIC leader in cybersecurity
- Digicomply increasingly adopted by food industry leaders
- Continuing the evolution to globally harmonize
  Laboratory Information Management Systems (LIMS)
- World Class Services is progressing well





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## A very strong operating performance

### H1 2021 financial highlights

(CHF million)	June 2021	June 2020	Change in %	June 2020 CCY <sup>1</sup>	Change in CCY¹ %
REVENUE	3 094	2 650	16.8	2 625	17.9
OPERATING INCOME (EBIT)	430	302	42.4	299	43.8
OPERATING INCOME (EBIT) MARGIN	13.9%	11.4%		11.4%	
ADJUSTED OPERATING INCOME*	457	330	38.5	325	40.6
ADJUSTED OPERATING INCOME MARGIN*	14.8%	12.5%		12.4%	
PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD	290	177	63.8		
PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO EQUITY HOLDERS OF SGS SA	272	171	59.1		
BASIC EPS (CHF)	36.29	22.81	59.1		
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	342	413	(17.2)		
FREE CASH FLOW*	93	220	(57.7)		

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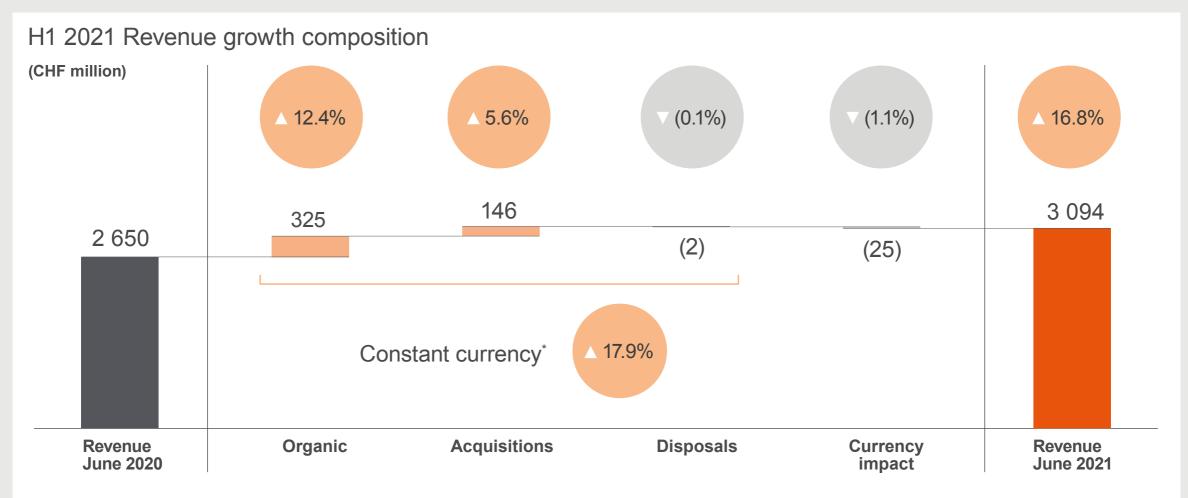








## Double-digit organic growth



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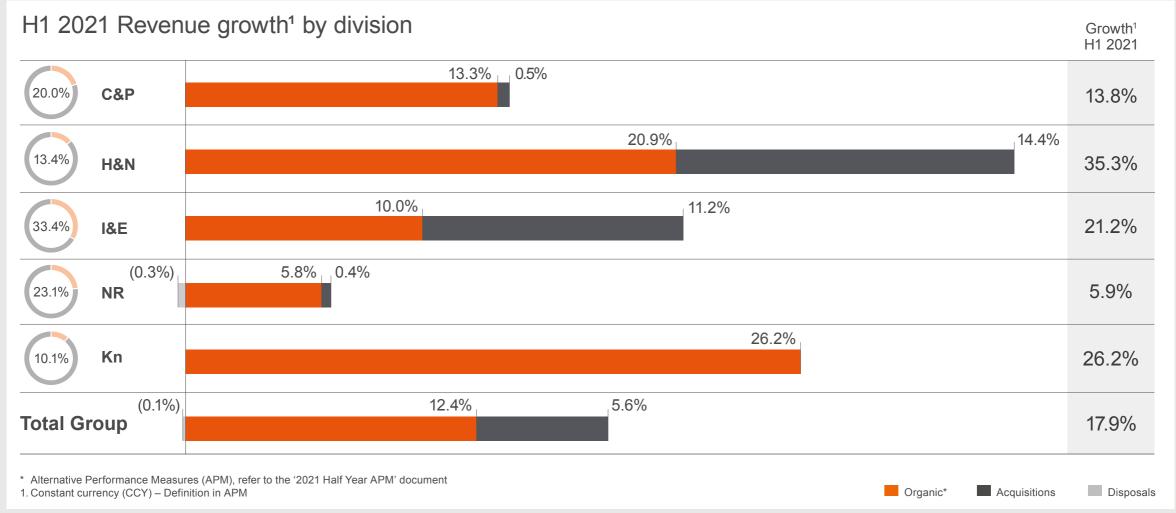








H&N, C&P and Kn continued to lead organic growth









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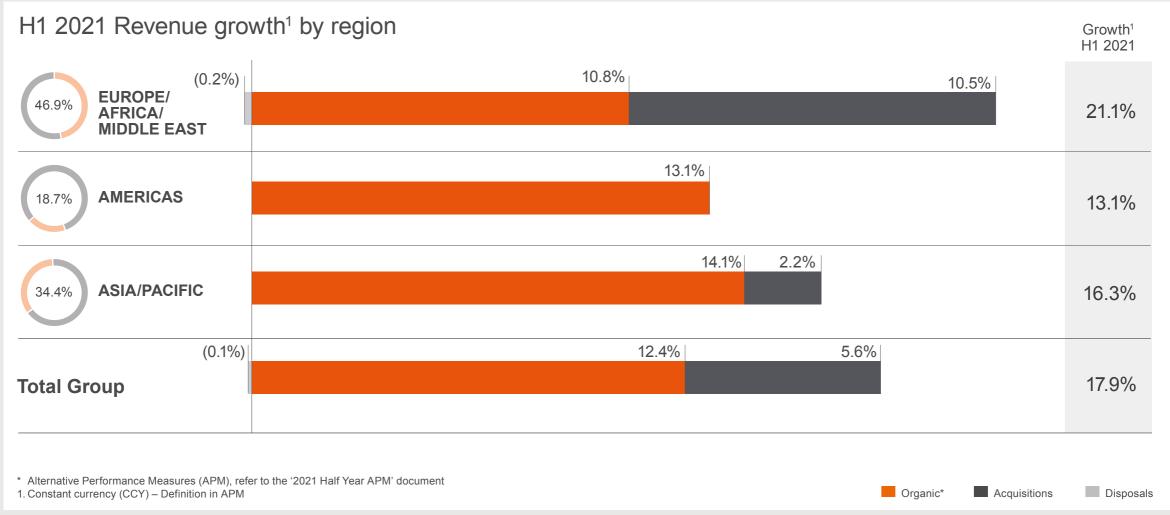








## Strong growth across our global network





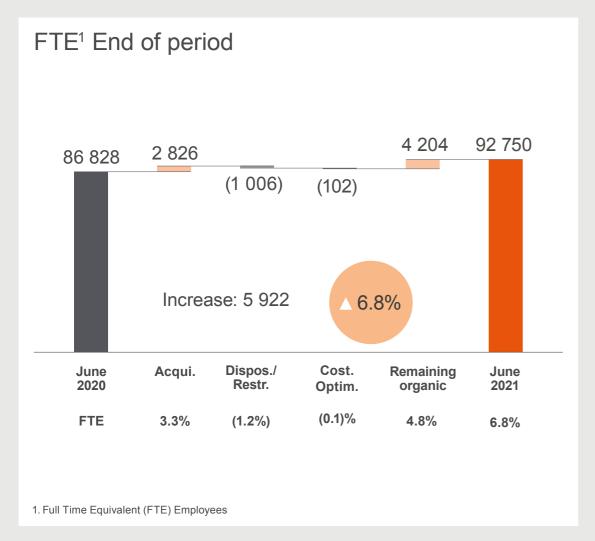
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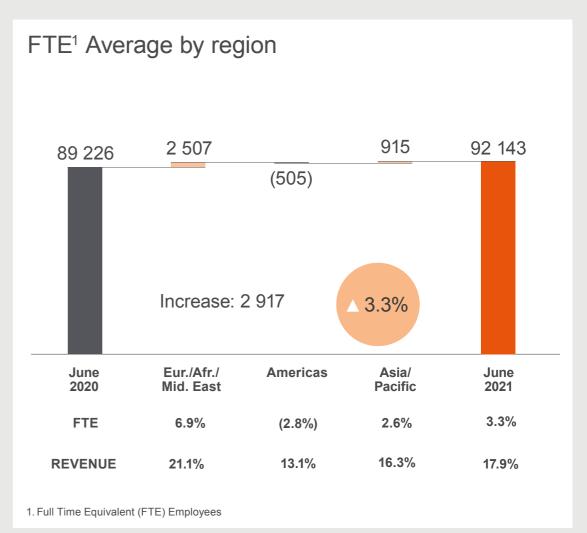
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## Disciplined workforce management











INCOME

ADJUSTED OPERATING



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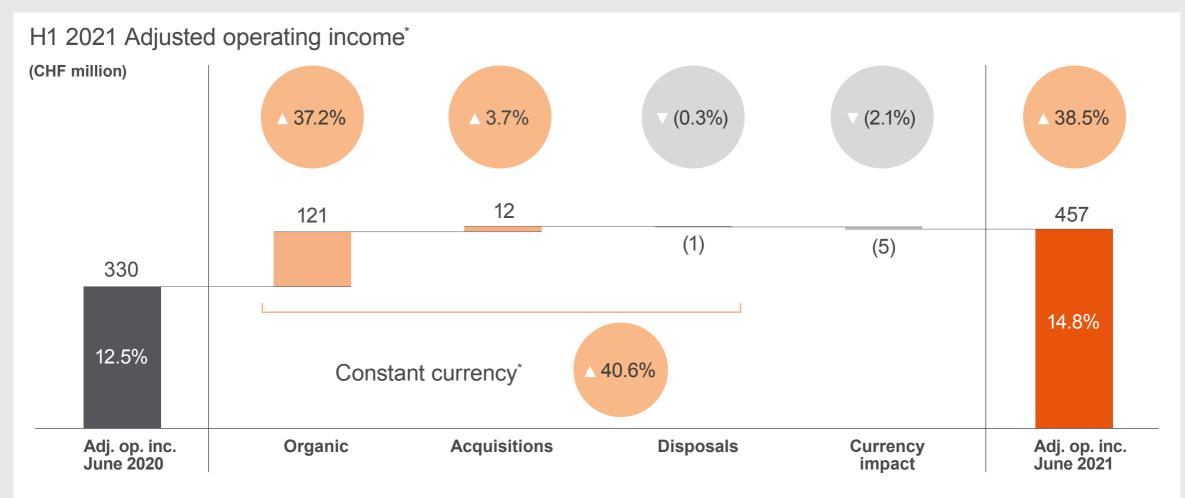
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## Very strong AOI growth



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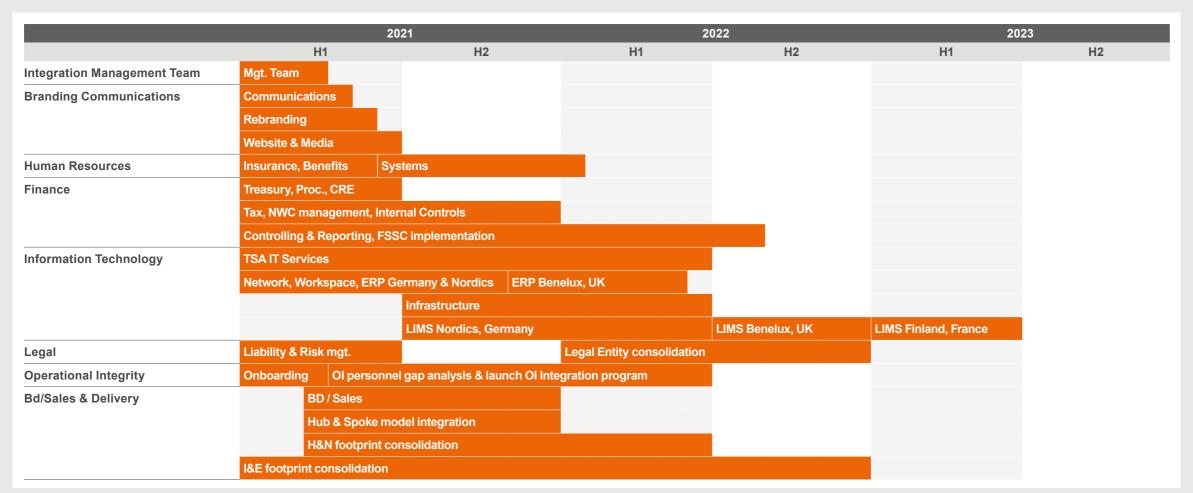




The integration of SGS Analytics progressing according to schedule

HIGHLIGHTS

(former A&S division of Synlab) integration is expected to unlock cost synergies of CHF 20 million





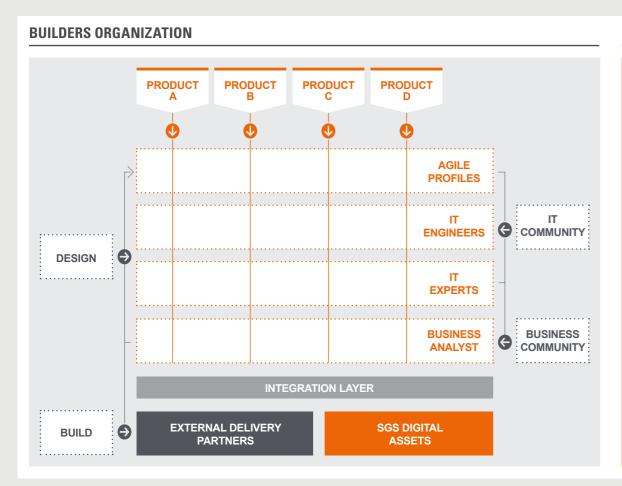
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## Level up initiative



#### **OUR FRAMEWORK**

INCOME

Objectives and Key Results (OKR) is a method to manage goals and performance. It is a framework that combines strategies and results and helps to optimize processes, promote employees and drive change.

- Combines vision, mission, values and strategy with day-to-day work
- Establishes objectives and enables the best use of resources
- Helps to set and track the right priorities
- Accelerates time to implementation
- Creates transparency and improves communication
- Encourages an autonomous work environment

#### **OUR PROGRESS**

- FSSC on-boarding (incl. Group standard ERP) for Nordics, Germany (A&S) and Southern Africa
- Go live of centralized billing in India and Mexico & centralizing cash collection for Spain
- Global roll-out of the standardized, fully integrated and digitalized 3rd party certification system (until Q1 2022) for Knowledge
- Design of the CORE for the digital lab model for the Environment, Food and Life lab testing activities
- Four laboratories passed their first WCS (World Class Services) audit

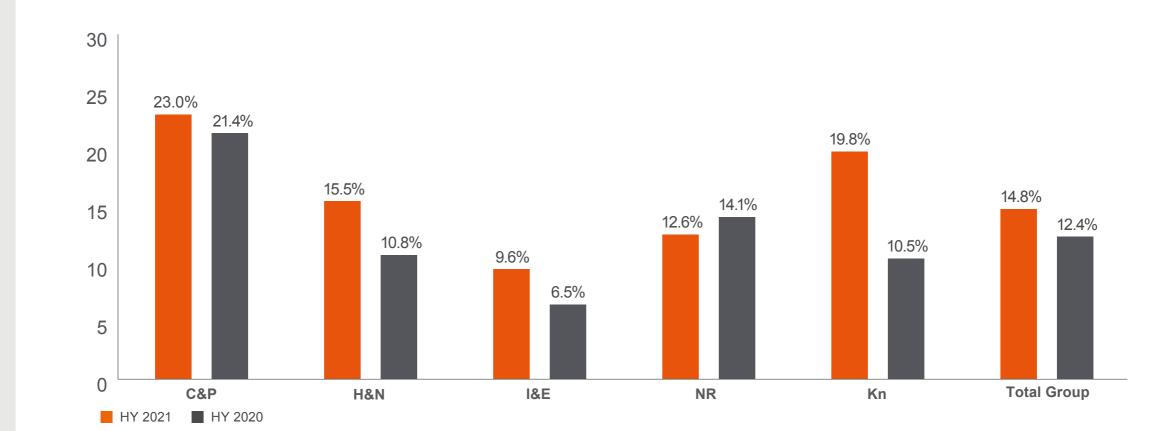


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## Overall improved divisional margin performance





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**BALANCE SHEET** 

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## H1 2021 Consolidated balance sheet

### **Assets**

(CHF million)	June 2021	December 2020
Property, plant and equipment	914	872
Right-of-use assets	632	590
Goodwill	1 774	1 651
Other intangible assets	372	333
Investments in joint ventures, associates and other companies	35	34
Deferred tax assets	172	161
Other non-current assets	167	154
NON-CURRENT ASSETS	4 066	3 795
Inventories	59	57
Unbilled revenues and work in progress	207	160
Trade receivables	951	856
Other receivables and prepayments	257	188
Current tax assets	105	77
Marketable securities	8	9
Cash and cash equivalents	1 169	1 766
CURRENT ASSETS	2 756	3 113
TOTAL	6 822	6 908
NET DEBT*	(2 085)	(1 478)

### Equity and liabilities

(CHF million)	June 2021	December 2020
Equity holder of SGS SA	861	1 060
Non-controlling interests	95	74
EQUITY	956	1 134
Loans and other financial liabilities	2 928	2 390
Lease liabilities	502	470
Deferred tax liabilities	64	53
Defined benefit obligations	98	136
Provisions	93	88
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	3 685	3 137
Loans and other financial liabilities	334	863
Lease liabilities	165	151
Trade and other payables	690	658
Provisions	67	85
Current tax liabilities	154	140
Contract liabilities	234	189
Other creditors and accruals	537	551
CURRENT LIABILITIES	2 181	2 637
TOTAL	6 822	6 908



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CASH FLOW

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## H1 2021 Condensed cash flow

(CHF million)	June 2021	June 2020
PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD	290	177
Non-cash and non-operating items	404	361
(Increase) in working capital	(202)	_
Taxes paid	(150)	(125)
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	342	413
Net purchase of fixed assets	(147)	(103)
Acquisition of businesses	(103)	(23)
Proceeds from sales of businesses	_	71
Increase in interest received and other	9	4
CASH FLOW USED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(241)	(51)
Dividends paid to equity holders of SGS SA	(599)	(598)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests	(4)	(2)
Transaction with non-controlling interests	(11)	_
Cash paid on treasury shares	_	(189)
Proceeds from corporate bonds	817	499
Payment of corporate bonds	(276)	_
Interest paid	(38)	(41)
Payment of lease liabilities	(91)	(80)
Proceeds from borrowings	44	_
Payment of borrowings	(553)	_
CASH FLOW USED BY FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(711)	(411)
Currency translation	13	(15)
DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(597)	(64)

(CHF million)	June 2021	June 2020
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	342	413
Purchase of property, plant and equipment and other intangible assets	(150)	(108)
Disposal of property, plant and equipment and other intangible assets	3	5
Operating lease outflows	(102)	(90)
FREE CASH FLOW*	93	220



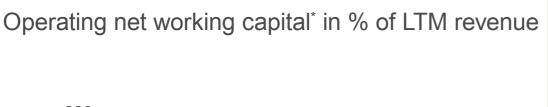
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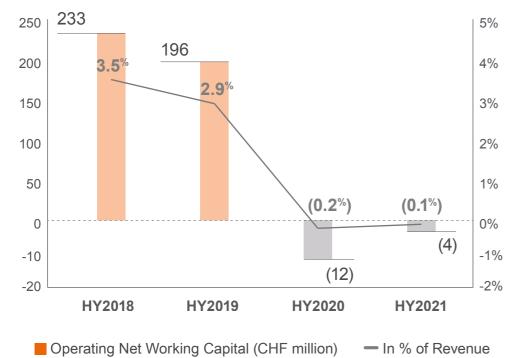
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# Working capital normalizing following H1 2020





Negative Operating Net Working Capital in Half Year 2021 driven by:

- EVA performance management
- Centralized cash collection
- Centralized in-country billing projects



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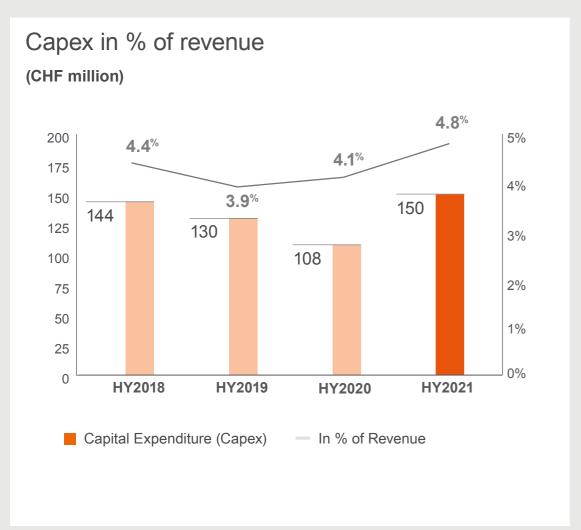


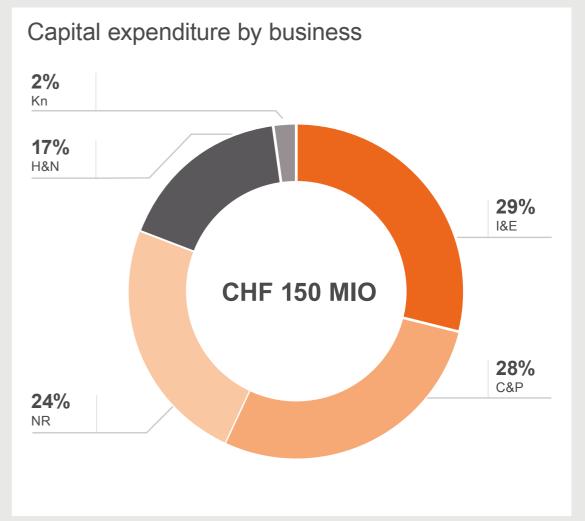






Accelerating our investment in strategic priority areas







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## H1 2021 Financial summary

- Revenue increased by 17.9%¹ of which 12.4% organic\*
- Increase in Adjusted Operating Income\* of 40.6%¹
- Increase in Adjusted Operating Income Margin\* to 14.8% (+2.4 pp¹,²)
- Profit for the period increased by 63.8% to CHF 290 million
- Capital Investment of CHF 150 million
- Free cash flow of CHF 93 million
- Return on Invested Capital\* of 17.8%



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<sup>2.</sup> Percentage points











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## Leveraging our long-term strategic investment

Connectivity & Products (C&P)

(CHF million)	June 2021	June 2020 <sup>2</sup>	Change in %	June 2020 CCY <sup>1</sup>	Change in CCY % <sup>1</sup>
REVENUE	618	547	13.0	543	13.8
ADJUSTED OPERATING INCOME*	142	116	22.4	116	22.4
MARGIN %*	23.0	21.2		21.4	

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### **Overview**

- Organic growth of 13.3% supported by post-pandemic recovery and investment in Connectivity
- Excellent performance in all Connectivity activities
- Solid growth in Softlines from retailers and brands
- Full recovery from Hardlines in Hardgoods and Toys.
  Improving market conditions for Auto Laboratories
- Trade Facilitation services benefiting from eCustoms services in Europe following Brexit
- Strategic milestone acquisition of Brightsight cybersecurity evaluation laboratory

- Growth expected to continue in H2
- Connectivity to be the major growth driver benefiting from new capabilities and capacity. Newly acquired Brightsight to make a positive impact
- Solid activity level expected to continue in Softlines from retailers and brands, but lower PPE volumes
- Hardgoods remains the growth driver of Hardlines, while Auto Laboratories should improve
- Solid growth expected from eCustoms solutions and improvement of PCA volumes in Trade Facilitation services











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A very strong performance across the global portfolio

Health & Nutrition (H&N)

(CHF million)	June 2021	June 2020 <sup>2</sup>	Change in %	June 2020 CCY <sup>1</sup>	Change in CCY % <sup>1</sup>
REVENUE	414	306	35.3	306	35.3
ADJUSTED OPERATING INCOME*	64	33	93.9	33	93.9
MARGIN %*	15.5	10.8		10.8	

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### **Overview**

- Organic growth at 20.9% with double-digit growth in all SBUs and all geographies
- Food growth was driven by new regulations and an expanded client base
- Health Science grew well above the divisional average boosted by Covid-19 vaccines
- Cosmetics & Hygiene grew in line with the organic divisional average benefiting from a strong rebound in activity

- Strong performance to continue in H2
- Covid-19 rebound to continue but growth to ease versus strong Q4 comparatives
- Health Science and Food to lead the growth supported by outsourcing and regulations
- Momentum to continue in Cosmetics & Hygiene led by strong demand in the USA
- Continued integration of acquired companies and a solid pipeline of potential targets









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## Growth accelerated through H1

### Industries & Environment (I&E)

(CHF million)	June 2021	June 2020 <sup>2</sup>	Change in %	June 2020 CCY <sup>1</sup>	Change in CCY % <sup>1</sup>
REVENUE	1 033	859	20.3	852	21.2
ADJUSTED OPERATING INCOME*	99	55	80.0	55	80.0
MARGIN %*	9.6	6.4		6.5	

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### **Overview**

- Organic growth of 10.0% driven by a strong rebound across Europe, Asia and Latin America
- Field services and Inspection growth was above divisional average supported by renewables projects
- Industrial and Public Health and Safety outperformed, fueled by the industrial safety laboratory network
- Technical Assessment and Advisory benefited from a good volume of projects and a strong performance from recently acquired Ryobi Geotechnique

- Acceleration of energy transition and infrastructure improvement trends will foster growth
- Some recovery expected in existing O&G related services due to a favorable oil price and increasing demand
- Strong focus on scalable bolt-on acquisitions
- Synlab A&S integration on track delivering operational synergies and the expansion of Hub and Spoke model











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Strong momentum in Minerals partially offset by O&G and AGRI

Natural Resources (NR)

(CHF million)	June 2021	June 2020 <sup>2</sup>	Change in %	June 2020 CCY <sup>1</sup>	Change in CCY % <sup>1</sup>
REVENUE	716	689	3.9	676	5.9
ADJUSTED OPERATING INCOME*	90	100	(10.0)	95	(5.3)
MARGIN %*	12.6	14.5		14.1	

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### **Overview**

- Natural Resources grew by 5.8% organically
- Trade & Inspection grew moderately
- High single-digit growth in Minerals commodities offset the impact from lower oil demand and poor crop season in most European countries
- Double-digit growth in Laboratory testing boosted by surge in exploration sample volumes
- Metallurgy and Consulting benefited from 2020 project delays

- Mineral commodities to maintain momentum
- Improving crop season for AGRI commodities
- OGC Commodities volumes dependent on recovery
- Strong activity to continue in commercial and onsite laboratory testing
- Solid pipeline for Metallurgy and Consulting
- Launch of Smart Warehouse, a digital solution for cargo condition monitoring









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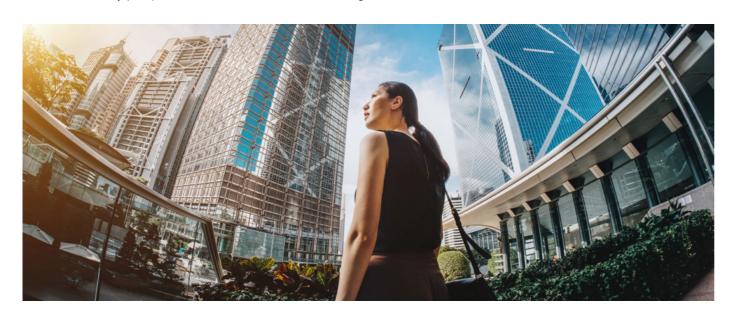
## An excellent performance in Certification

### Knowledge (Kn)

(CHF million)	June 2021	June 2020 <sup>2</sup>	Change in %	June 2020 CCY <sup>1</sup>	Change in CCY % <sup>1</sup>
REVENUE	313	249	25.7	248	26.2
ADJUSTED OPERATING INCOME*	62	26	138.5	26	138.5
MARGIN %*	19.8	10.4		10.5	

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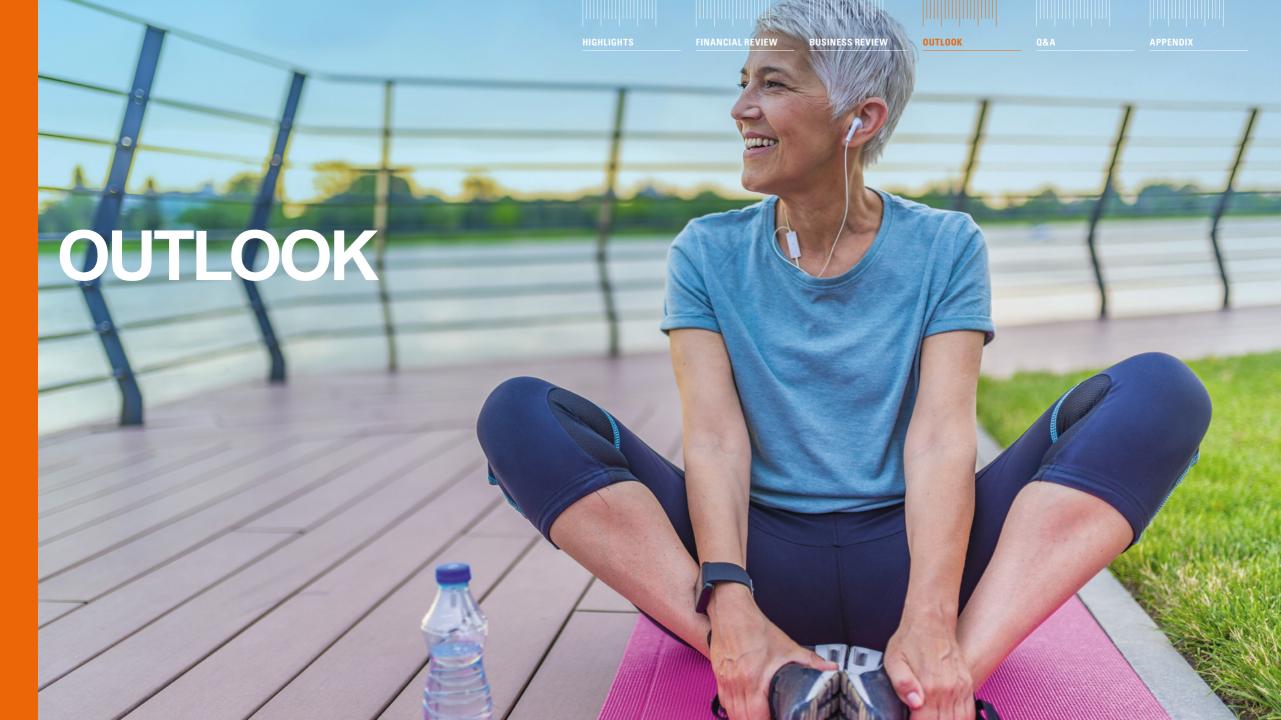


### Overview

- Knowledge organic growth at 26.2% with excellent performance in Certification across geographies
- Management System Certification grew above divisional level, driven by postponed work, recertification and increased demand for Food and Information Security Certification
- Consulting and Training grew below the divisional average due to slower market recovery

- Growth to moderate in H2 as the benefit from the postlockdown Audit catch-up is completed
- ESG Assurance Solutions and Supplier Risk Management services to generate new revenue streams
- Continued roll-out of CertIQ, the new Knowledge Certification platform, which will further digitalize our audit data and drive efficiencies



















## Guidance 2021

- Solid organic\* growth normalizing for the impact of Covid-19
- Improving the adjusted operating income margin\*
- Strong cash conversion
- Maintaining best-in-class organic return on invested capital\*
- Accelerating investment into our strategic focus areas with M&A as a key enabler
- At least maintaining or growing the dividend



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## Mid-term targets 2020-2023

Reducing our CO2 emissions

**PLANET** 

Support the transition to a low-carbon world by meeting our Science-based Target of reducing our CO2 emissions per revenue by 35%<sup>1</sup>

### **Sustainability Solutions**

Support our customers on their journey to sustainability by increasing the proportion of revenue generated by our sustainability solutions to above 50%

### **Integrity Principles**

Reduce the impact that our supply chain has on society by achieving 100% of our strategic suppliers trained on our integrity principles

### **Energy Efficiency**

Increasing annually the number of energy efficiency measures in our 100 most energy intensive owned buildings

### **PERFORMANCE**

# High single-digit constant currency revenue CAGR

Driven by mid-single-digit organic growth p.a. and a focus on M&A

> 10% Adjusted Operating Income CAGR

Strong EVA discipline

Maintain or grow the Dividend Per Share

### **PEOPLE**

### **Ensuring Diversity**

Nurture diversity and inclusion based on merit by ensuring equal opportunity to all employees and evolving our gender diversity to 30% women in leadership at CEO-3 positions and above

### World Class Service (WCS)

Promote a culture of operational safety, efficiency and excellence through our WCS program: 20% of our WCS labs (2020 perimeter) reaching WCS Bronze award level

### Supporting personal development

Support the personal development of our employees by increasing the completion rate of job-related training by 10%<sup>2</sup>

### Positive impact on communities

Increase by 10%² our positive impact on our communities through employee volunteering, focusing on vulnerable groups including those affected by pandemics



<sup>1.</sup> Against a 2014 baseline 2. Against a 2019 baseline















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## Acronyms and other abbreviations

CAGR	Compound Annual Growth Rate	PCA	Product Conformity Assessment
CAPEX	Capital Expenditure	PPE	Personal Protective Equipment
ESG	Environmental, Social and Governance	OGC	Oil, Gas and Chemicals
EVA	Economic Value Added	O&G	Oil and Gas
FTE	Full Time Equivalent Employees	SBU	Strategic Business Unit
NWC	Net Working Capital	LTM	Last Twelve Months









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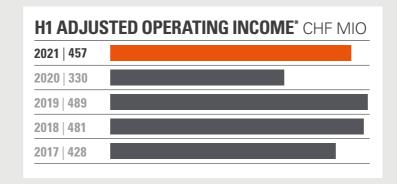


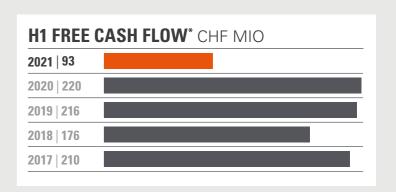
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## Long-term shareholder value creation













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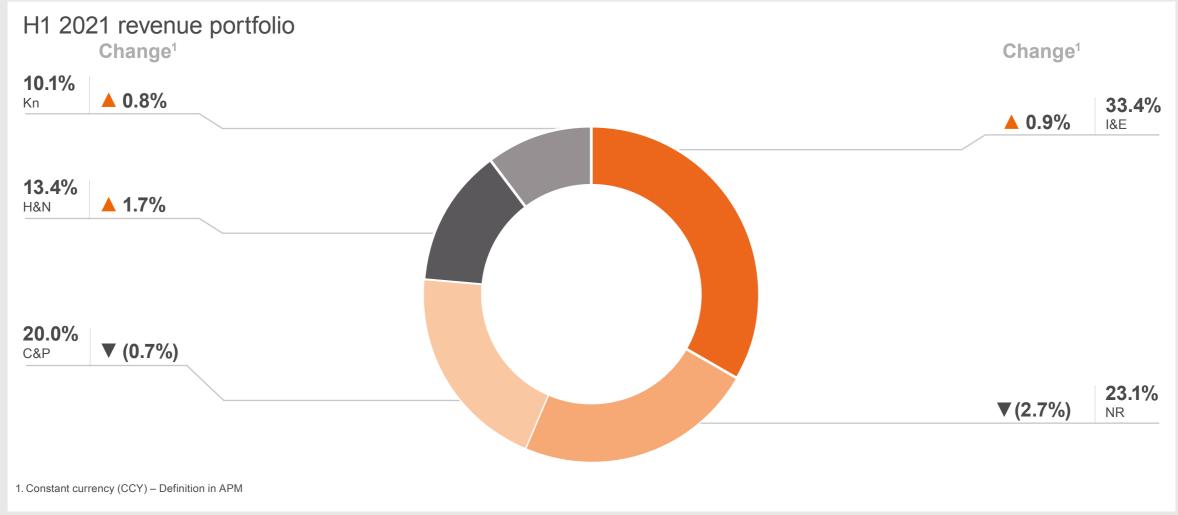








## A well-balanced portfolio





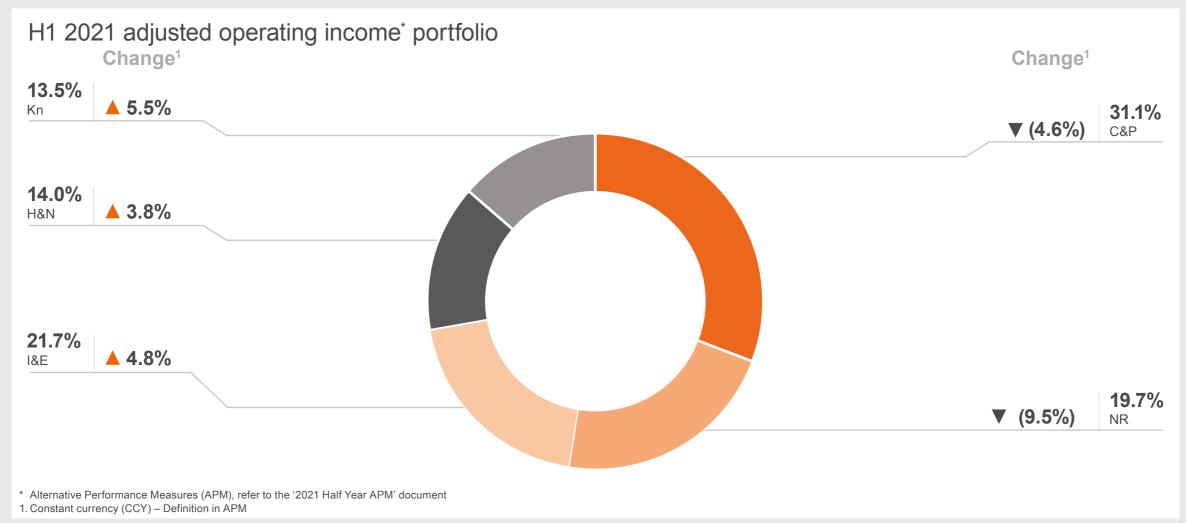








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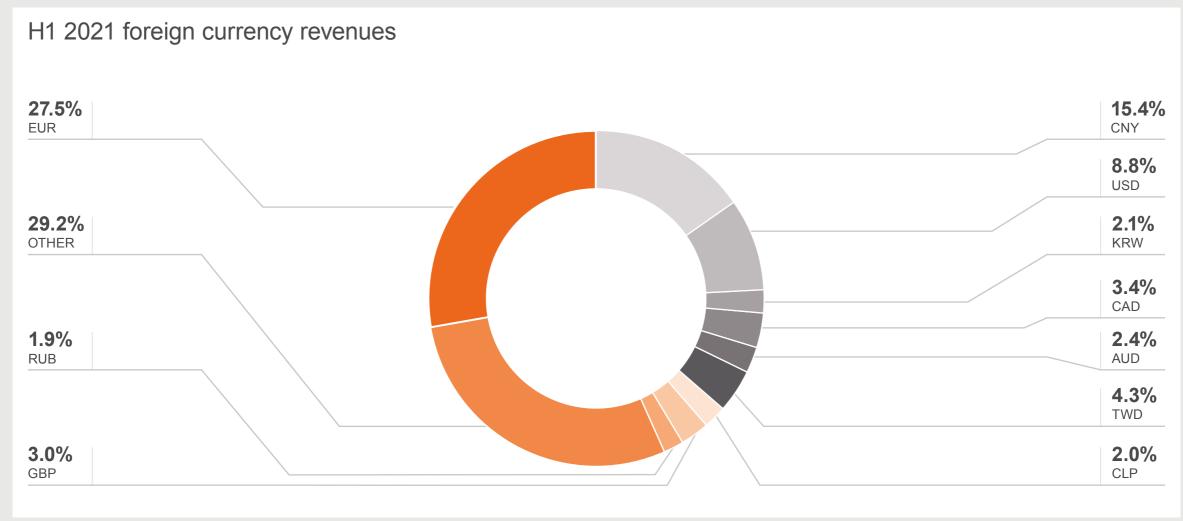








## EUR, USD and CNY represent 52% of 2021 revenue

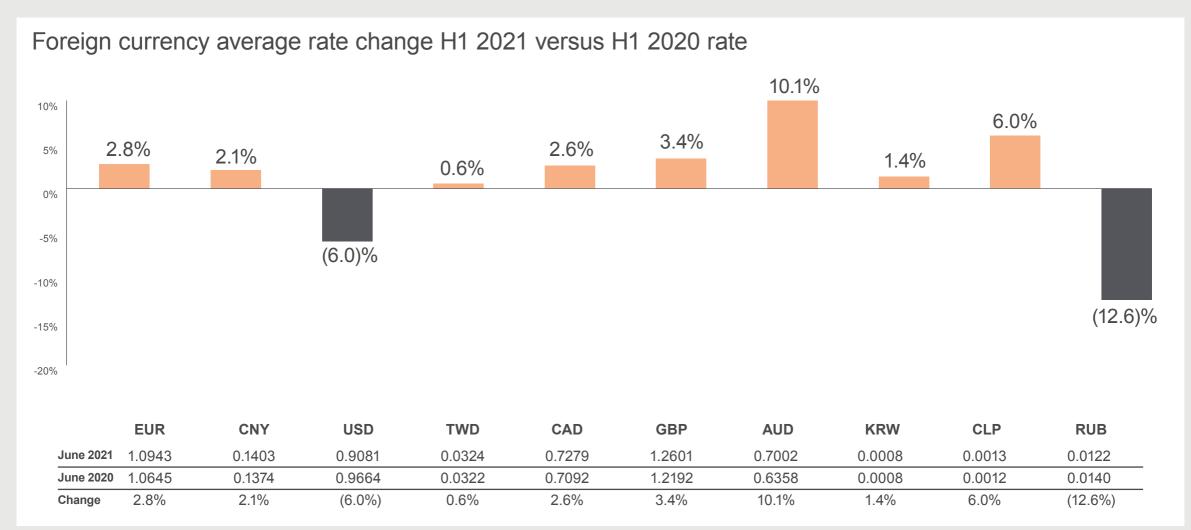




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## Main currencies' variation against CHF in H1 2021



## Investor relations information and events dates

### **INVESTOR DAYS**

November 2022

#### **2021 FULL YEAR RESULTS**

Thursday, 27 January 2022

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

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Telekurs: Registered Share:

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