

## Maximize cash generation from foundation businesses

# and recover value in Battery Cathode Materials

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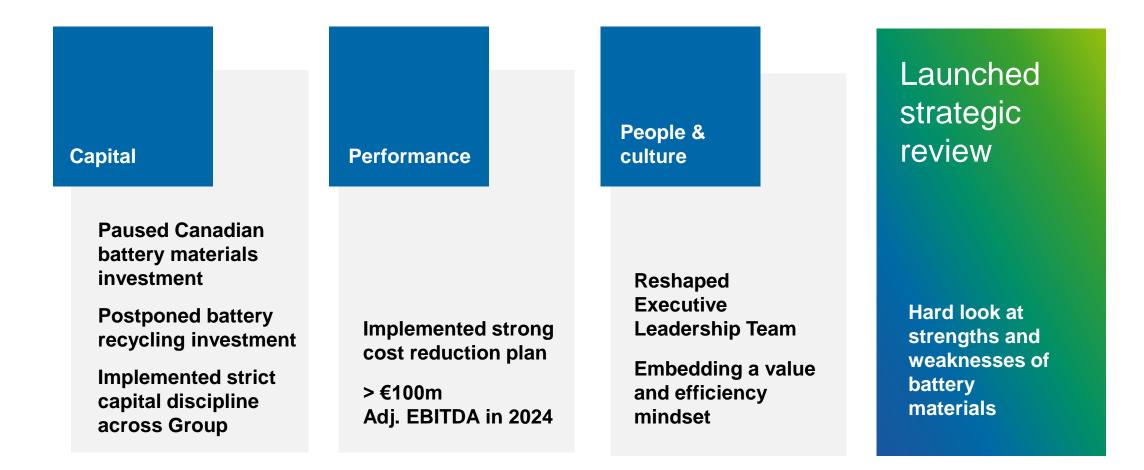
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The global economic landscape continues to be disrupted by persistent geopolitical tensions leading to limited visibility on end market demand. Umicore is navigating this volatile environment by maintaining its focus on resilience, adaptability, and efficiency across the Group. Projections are based on the current market conditions and geopolitical landscape as of the date of publication. The provided outlook does not include any assumptions on the potential impact of the introduction of tariffs.

## 10 months into the job Navigating a new reality with immediate decisive actions



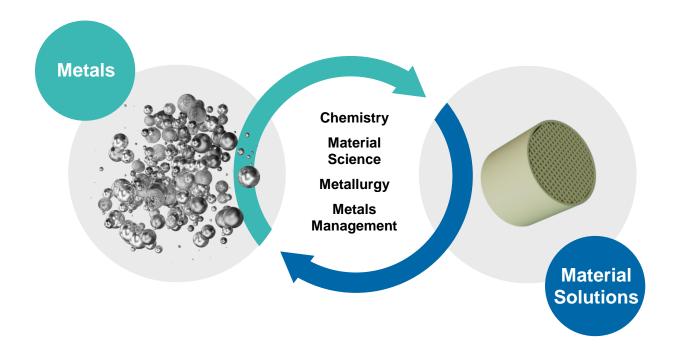


## Guiding us forward Umicore's reconfigured Executive Leadership Team





Our business model is more relevant than ever and **at the core of everything we do** 





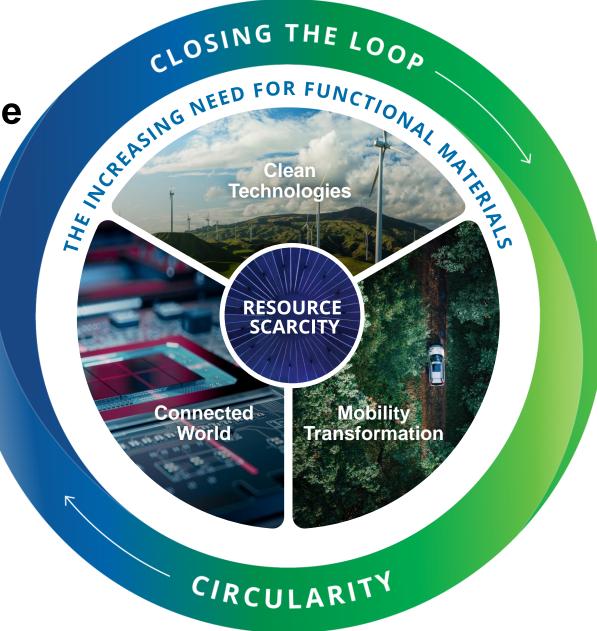
Working closely with our **customers**, we **innovate** and tailor for their needs

Building on our **core capabilities** we focus on applications where we can attain **leadership** 

We **bridge** critical metals with endless application possibilities

> And we close the loop over and over again

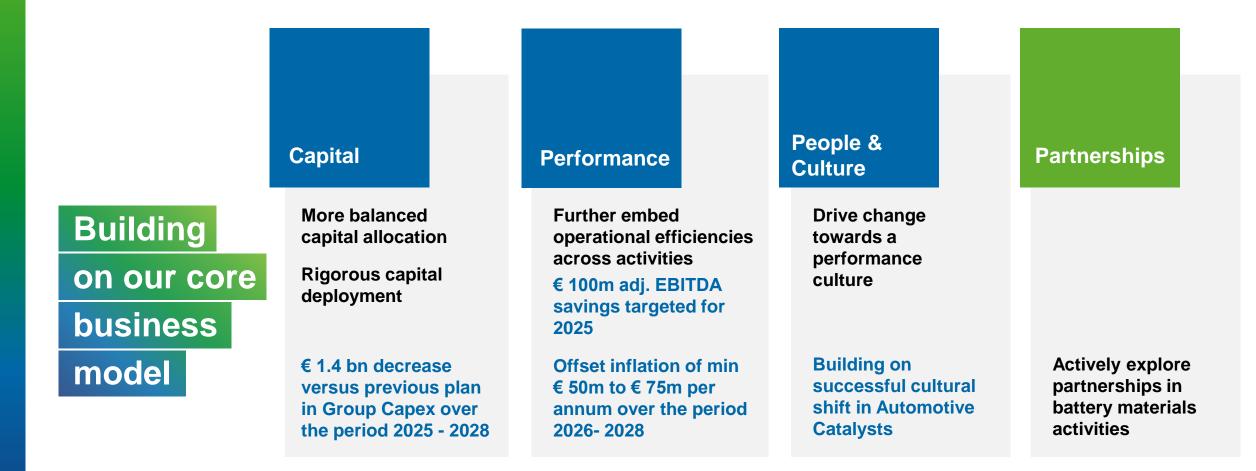
Through our unique business model we embrace and benefit from megatrends





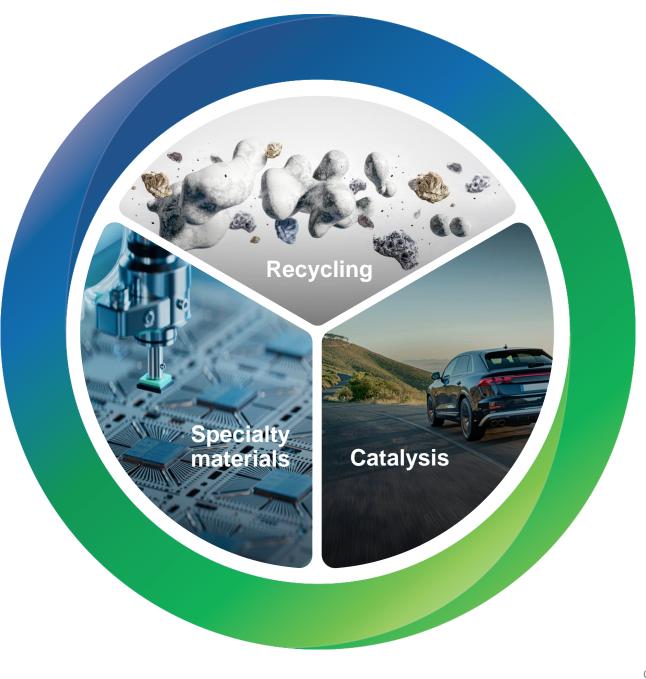
## Our path forward Harnessing our strengths, focusing on 4 imperatives







Leveraging our unique business model, our foundation businesses are world leaders in their respective fields



## Maximizing business value in Catalysis throughout the mobility transformation



Our leadership position Unique assets & capabilities

#### Performance

**#1** in light-duty gasoline catalysts globally

**Technology leader** in PEM fuel cell catalysts for hydrogen vehicles

World-class catalyst portfolio in fine chemicals

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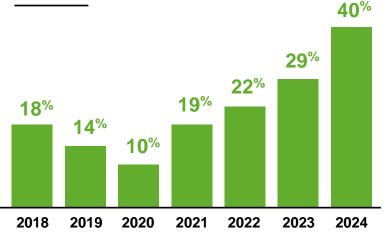
#### **Automotive Catalysts**

- Strong customer intimacy and commitment
- Flexible global footprint, close to customers
- Differentiated & cost-efficient technologies

#### Fuel Cell Catalysts

- Global customer portfolio
- Mass capacity to be commissioned in China

#### ROCE



Industry leading value creation in **Recycling**, despite hedges at favorable metal prices rolling off



Our leadership position Unique assets & capabilities

**#1** Integrated PGM and specialty metals recycler & refiner globally

**Top 5** spent automotive and industrial catalyst recycler

Key customer relationships spanning > 20 years

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**World-leading** precious metals refinery for complex PGM-containing materials

Leading metallurgical expertise with pilot capabilities and data-driven innovation

Leading proprietary technology and sampling & assaying

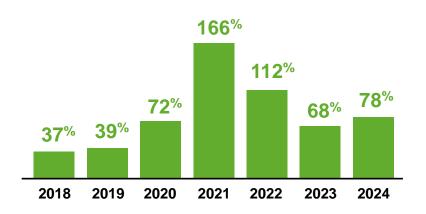
World-class environmental performance

Broad customer services for metals management

## ROCE

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Performance



## Full value creation potential in **Specialty Materials** masked by high capital employed in cobalt & nickel activities



Our leadership position

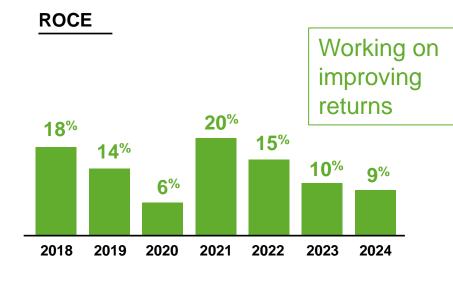
#### Unique assets & capabilities

#### Performance

Technology and innovation leader in profitable and tech-driven niche markets World leader in germanium with resilient geographical sourcing and unique recycling capabilities

European based cobalt refinery, largest outside China, delivering security of supply to our customers

Leading position in advanced PGM-based electrochemical plating



#### CORE

## Core 2028 ambitions\* - Foundation businesses





#### FCF\*\* 2025-2028: € 2,000m – € 2,200m



\* Revenues (excluding metals): All revenue elements - value of the following purchased metals : Au, Ag, Pt, Pd, Rh, Co, Ni, Pb, Cu, Ge, Li and Mn

\*\*Precious metals - Gold, Silver, Rhodium, Platinum and Palladium - forecasted at rates as observed end of Jan. 2025, other metals are forecasted at average 2024 rates

\*\*\* Free cash flow includes cash flow generated from operations (incl. changes in working capital) minus capital expenditures, capitalized development expenses and investments into JVs

Outcomes of in-depth strategy review of Battery Cathode Materials

Path towards value recovery





# Solid position in Battery Cathode Materials

Building on our core business

model

Sourcing expertise and flexibility

Strategic and flexible asset base and strong industrial capabilities with > 20 years of experience

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Deep CAM application knowhow and leading NMC technology portfolio based on > 25 years innovation Long-term customer partnerships and relationships with take-or-pay and coinvestments

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Additional requirements in a CAM market still taking shape

## Path towards value recovery Harnessing our strengths, focusing on capital and performance





- Leveraging strong customer contracts
- Customer and platform diversification

Capital

## Rigorous capital deployment

- Maximize plant utilization
- Leverage footprint flexibility
- Remaining investments to deliver on customer and product commitments

€ 800m Capex decrease versus previous plan over the period 2025 - 2028

#### Bring down \$/kWh

#### Performance

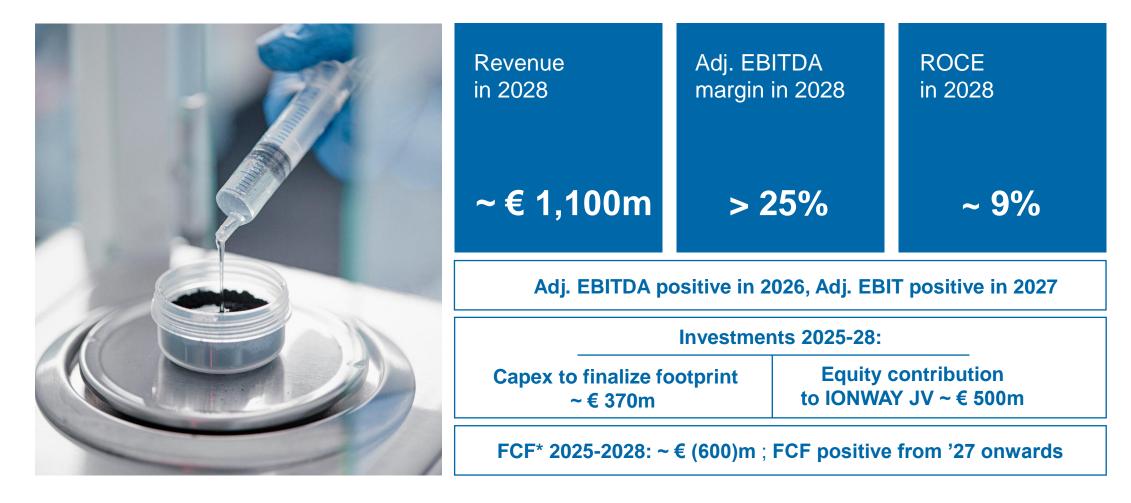
- End-to-end approach
- Product development and process integration
- Reducing overall cost base

Robust standalone mid-term plan to recover value

## Core 2028 ambitions – Battery Cathode Materials



#### Standalone mid-term plan: value recovery with cash and cost focus



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Mid-term plan significantly re-sized allowing for standalone execution

No investments beyond current plan

Actively exploring partnership options to accelerate value recovery

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Industry sees value in consolidation

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## Grouping our activities around battery materials into Battery Materials Solutions

## Catalysis

Recycling

Specialty Materials Battery Materials Solutions

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Battery Cathode Materials

Battery Recycling Solutions

Battery Anode Materials JV Leveraging our business model and portfolio: further maximizing cash generation potential of foundation businesses while recovering value in Battery Cathode Materials

#### Catalysis

Maximize cash generation and drive quality of earnings in a mature market

## Recycling

Maximize cash generation from current assets, while investing for the future

### **Specialty Materials**

Selective investments in high-quality growth

Improve value creation in Cobalt & Specialty Materials

#### Battery Materials Solutions

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Recover value with cost & cash discipline

Actively exploring partnerships in battery materials activities

## Core 2028 ambitions\* – Umicore Group





#### **FOUNDATION BUSINESSES**



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Leveraging our CORE strengths and circular business model Focusing on four strategic imperatives: capital, performance, people & culture, partnerships

Maximizing cash generation potential in foundation businesses and recover value in Battery Cathode Materials

Substantial Capex reduction with more balanced and rigorous capital allocation

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