

# Agenda

Our Business ... Rock Solid

Performance in last 5 Years

Delivering Returns in CRH





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## Why invest in Building Materials?

#### Natural demand for construction products driven by:

- Population Growth
- **Economic Development**
- New-Build and Repair, Maintenance and Improvement

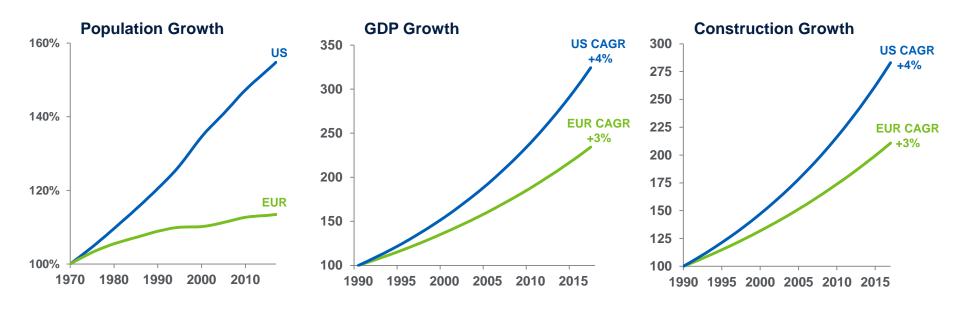
#### The Industry is fragmented:

- Opportunities for acquisitions... room to grow
- Significant benefits of scale...

... Long-term drivers of construction growth



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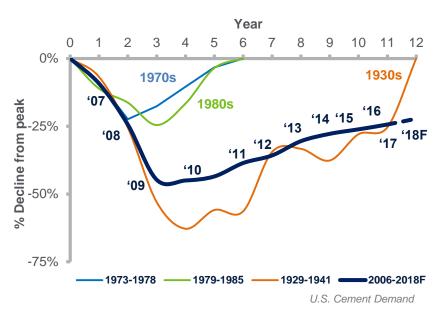


... Growth underpinned by strong fundamentals



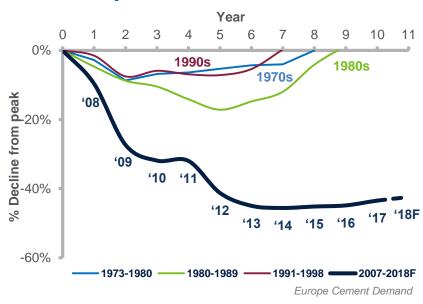
### Where are we in the recovery cycle... Our main markets

U.S.



Still some way to run in the cycle...

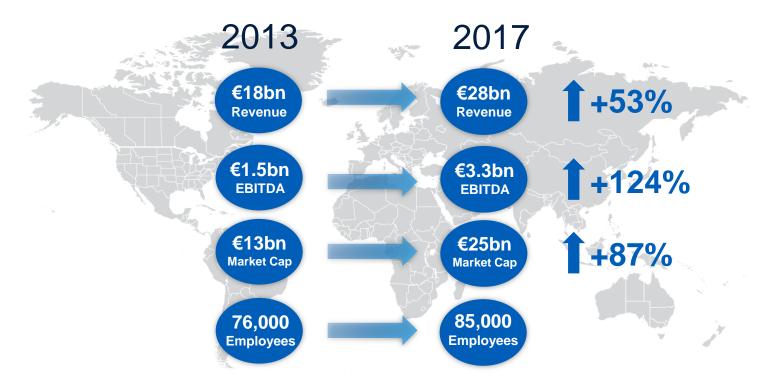
### **Europe**



Recovery in early stages...



### Our Business... Today





### North America ... #1 Building Materials Company



- Positive fundamentals
- Population growth and good demographics
- Funded infra programmes to drive investment
- Res / Non-res exposure in high-growth states

... Strong markets ... Significant room to grow ...



### Europe ... #1 Heavyside Materials Company



- Largest economic bloc
- Growing population
- Solid developed markets in West
- Growth potential in East

... Recovery underway... Leverage to deliver...



# Servicing the Breadth of Construction















Cement

Aggregates

**Asphalt** 

**RMC** 

**Paving** 

Glass

Accessories

Heavyside (€2.2bn)

EBITDA (€3.3bn)

**Lightside (€1.1bn)** 



### Servicing the Breadth of Demand



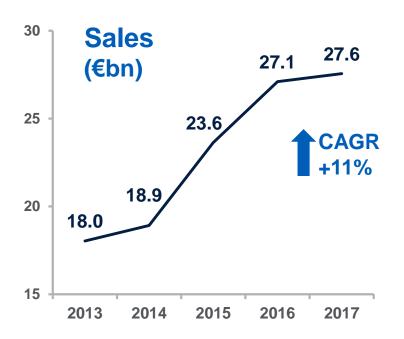
... Balance brings Industry-leading Returns and Cash generation

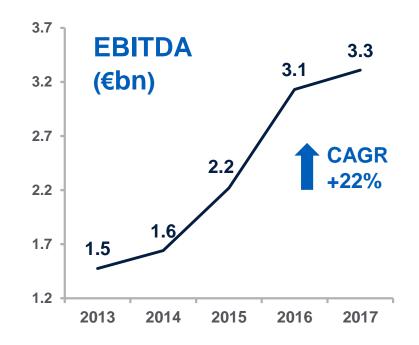




Performance in last 5 Years

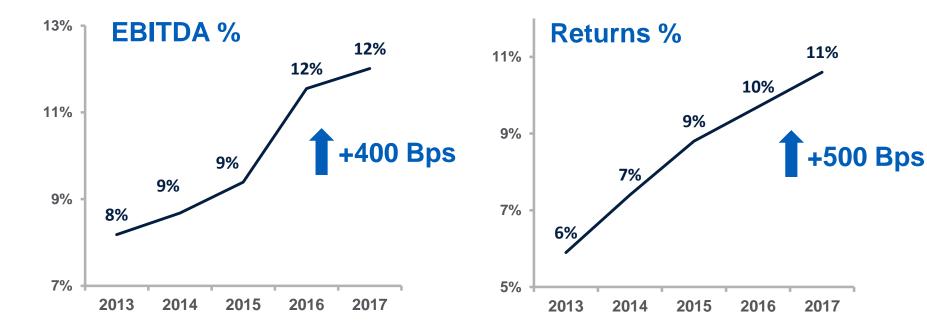
### We have seen... strong growth in Sales and EBITDA ...





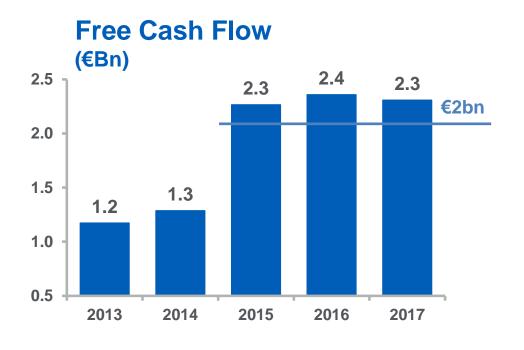


## ... and improved Margins and Returns ...





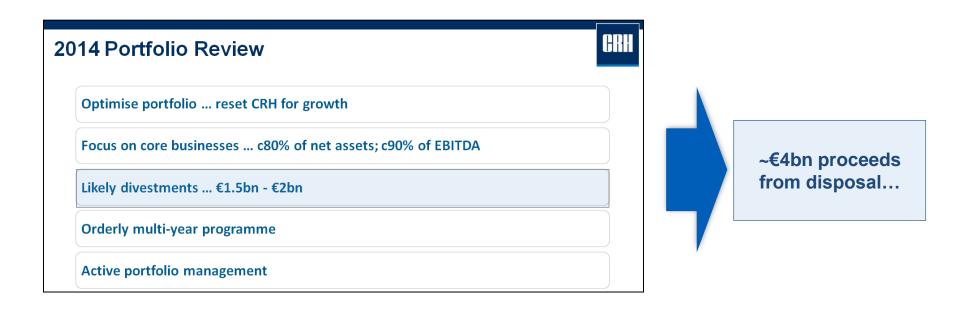
### ... and have generated strong Cash Flows ...



- Converting ~80% of profits into cash
- Generating €2bn+ cash p.a.
- ... before disposals



# ... along with significant Cash from Disposals



Divestment targets exceeded ...



Significant cash generated in past 5 years...

... large acquisition spend...

... how have these acquisitions performed?



### Acquisition spend ~€8bn in 2014-16



We target returns of 10% by Year 3... ... New platforms established... enhanced delivery through 'Bolt-ons'



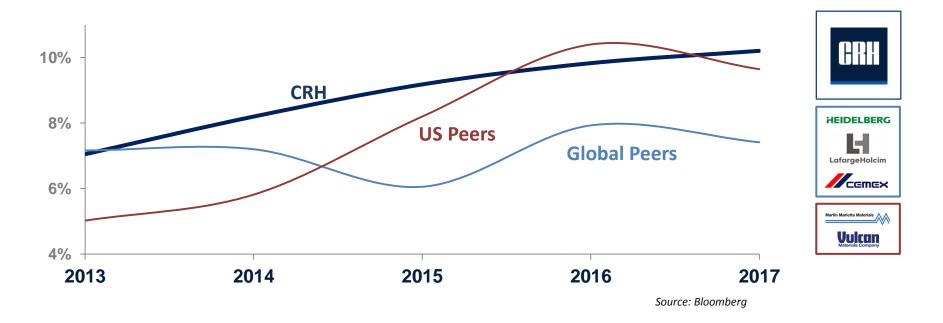
# How did CRH perform vs Industry?

The key drivers of Shareholder Value ...

- Returns
- Cash Generated



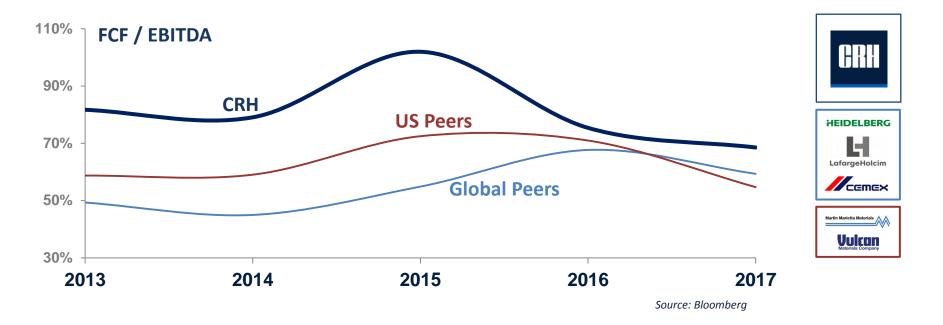
### ... Returns



... Generating Industry-leading Returns ...



### ... Cash Generated



... Generating more Cash from Profits than Global and US Peers ...



### How does this translate into Shareholder Value?



... Total Shareholder Returns well above FTSE 100 ...





Delivering Returns in CRH

### Delivering Sustainable, Superior Returns

### Founded on 3 Core Principles

#### **Relentless focus on Performance**

Co-ordinated & driven from the centre ... delivered locally

#### 2. Growth

- Rigorous approach to M&A ... large & small deals
- Focussed on building integrated clusters of businesses
- Scalable acquisition model ... difficult to replicate

#### 3. CRH – A Unique Business Model

Extracts more value from businesses than if stand-alone



### CRH – A Unique Business Model... Driving Returns from the Centre

- 1. Rigorous approach to Capital Allocation
- 2. Active Portfolio Management
- **Co-ordinating Divisional Strategies** 
  - Shaping the Group for future growth
  - Transfer of best practices across Divisions
- 4. Setting Strategic Targets for Operations
  - Demanding Margins, Returns and Cash Improvements year over year



### CRH – A Unique Business Model... Driving Returns from the Centre

- Embedding CRH Continuous Business Improvement Processes
- Co-ordinating Development and Strategy
- Delivering Synergies on Integration
- Mandating Process and Commercial Excellence across Divisions
- Implementing Group-wide Procurement Programmes
- Co-ordinating Customer and Market management
- Driving value from Tax, Treasury, Insurance and other corporate processes

... Delivering the Scale Benefits of an Integrated Group ...



# Where to from here?

CRH ... 2018-2020



### How do we see our markets evolving (2018-20)

#### U.S.

- Public Infra +3% p.a... Residential markets +4%
  p.a... Non-Residential markets +2% p.a
- Funded infra programmes to drive investment
- Res / Non-res exposure in high-growth states
- Delivery on integration of ~\$4bn acquisitions ...
  ~\$135m synergies
- Positive price dynamics in the marketplace

### **Europe**

- Recovery underway across European markets
- Expect demand to continue to build in the coming years
- Pricing continuing to show signs of recovery

#### **Asia**

Expect market stabilisation in 2018



# What to expect from CRH

### Our priorities going forward ...

- Relentless focus on Performance
- Disciplined Growth
- Continue to manage our Portfolio
- Value-focussed Capital Allocation policy

### In the coming months ...

- We will set out the scale of the ambition we have for the Group in the years ahead, with a focus on ...
  - Shareholder Value
  - Cash Generation
  - Capital Allocation Policy

Commitment to continued improvement in shareholder returns





The Road Ahead...