RWE: One Group - Two companies with a clear strategic focus to unlock value

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The IPO of the new subsidiary is the next logical step in transforming RWE

RWE becomes leaner



RWE becomes faster and more agile



New strategic alignment

- In 2012, RWE started a Group-wide efficiency programme
- > €1.5bn savings already effective by year end 2015; some €2bn by 2017
- Active portfolio management (e.g. sale of Dea)
- > Significant decline in net debt

- Silo mentality was overcome, partnership oriented customer approach established
- RWE has accelerated decision-making through
 - Implementation of a functional steering model and matching management structure
 - Reduction of legal entities and organisational complexity

- > Two companies with clear strategic focus:
 - RWE AG will focus on conventional power generation and trading in energy and commodities
 - The new company will focus on renewables, grids and retail activities in Germany and abroad



We have paved the way for the new strategic alignment of RWE

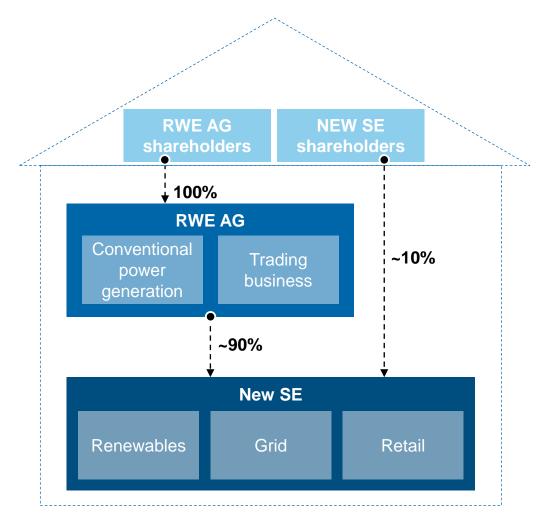


We will create the innovative and decentralised energy company of the future

- > We will group our renewables, grids and retail activities in Germany and abroad in a new subsidiary. In so doing, we will create a solid **platform for growth.**
- > We will remain **one Group**. The IPO provides a second access to the capital market. There will be no dilution of our asset base.
- > There will be no change to the asset base available to **back liabilities**.
- We will increase our financial flexibility, thereby strengthening the viability of the entire RWE group.
- We will continue to take full **responsibility** in fulfilling our role with respect to the energy transition, the nuclear phase-out and as an operator of conventional power plants.
- > We will **safeguard jobs** and **reinforce North Rhine-Westphalia** as the centre of the German energy industry.



We will remain one Group: RWE after the IPO of the new subsidiary



- In connection with a capital increase, listing of ~10% of the new company's share capital via primary offering in late 2016
- IPO proceeds used to finance further growth in markets with good future prospects
- At the same or later point in time, placing of further stakes of the new company by RWE AG via secondary offer possible
- > RWE AG will remain the new company's majority shareholder over the long term and consolidate it fully



We safeguard the viability of the entire RWE Group

One Group, two companies

- > Two companies with a **clear strategic focus**: It enables the management teams of both companies to give their undivided attention to the specific opportunities and challenges of their respective business areas
- > Unlock value through higher transparency and investment capacity
- Increased financial flexibility for the entire Group. As solid growth and dividend stock, the new company will reinforce RWE AG's ability to pay dividends

RWE AG: The backup for renewables

New SE: A solid platform for growth



RWE AG: The backup of renewables and a profitable trading business

Conventional power generation



- Highly efficient and modernised power plant portfolio
- > Target: positive free cash flow
- > Benefit from change in wholesale power prices or new market design
- Financial flexibility regarding nuclear phase-out
- Reduction of power generation from lignite in line with national CO₂ targets

Trading business



- Commercial asset optimisation of generation fleet
- Expansion of trading business into new markets and commodities
- Solution > Growth of Principal Investment activities
- Commodity solutions for industrial customers
- Management of long-term gas supply, storage and transport contracts



The new company: Renewables as growth engine and strong downstream business

Renewables



- Renewables portfolio of more than 3.5 GW mainly in six European markets
- > RWE belongs to the top 5 in offshore wind globally
- With a capacity of 2 GW, RWE is one of the largest operators of onshore wind parks in Europe
- > Doubling of the operating profit to about € 0.4bn expected for 2015





- > RWE operates 550,000 km of grid assets in five European markets
- In Germany, no DSO is transporting more electricity than RWE
- Excellent distribution grid management for electricity and gas supply
- > Pioneer in smart grids
- > Operating result of about €2.0bn (2014)





- Strong retail organisation with over 23m customers in twelve European markets
- > RWE is No. 3 in terms of electricity sales and No. 5 in terms of gas sales in Europe
- Well positioned in various B2C markets in terms of profitability, customer growth and customer satisfaction
- > German market leader in online retail business
- > Operating result of about € 0.9bn (2014)



The new subsidiary: Going forward in all futureoriented business fields

Renewables

- The new company will invest half of IPO proceeds in the expansion of renewables
- Realisation of existing offshore projects and development of new projects
- Expansion of onshore wind capacity
- > Build up of utility scale PV business

Grid

- > The new company will invest up to €3bn until 2017 in the expansion and modernisation of networks to enable integration of renewables
- Invest in smart technologies and communication technologies

Retail

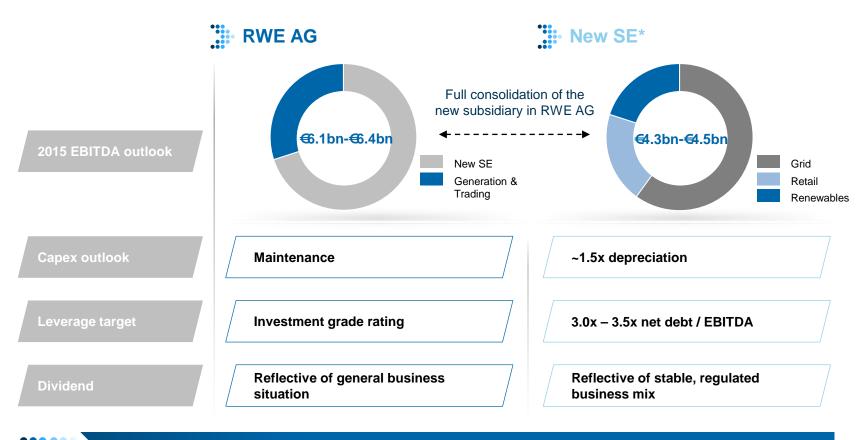
- Growth based on smart and decentralised energy solutions
- Development and commercialisation of energy management services
- Organic growth in Eastern European markets

Innovations and new markets

- > Development of new products and businesses within the Group
- Participation in promising start-ups
- > Seize opportunities, inter alia in MENA* region



Two companies, two financial profiles





Two separately listed companies with solid financial outlook, stable capital structures and strong financial liquidity

The next steps



Strategic transformation



Establishment of New SE



IPO of New SE



- Internal re-organisation and streamlining of legal entities
- Design of support functions for the new company
- Identification of markets with good future prospects

- Establishment of the new subsidiary
- Determination of Corporate Governance
- Nomination of members of the Executive Board of the new company
- > Preparation of IPO

- > Management Roadshow
- Initial public offering of the new company



The IPO of the new subsidiary is in the interest of all our stakeholders

Shareholders

> Additional funds for investments will unlock value for the entire Group. All shareholders will benefit from the transformation.

Customers

> The new company will bring us much closer to the customers. Our customers will benefit from innovative, digital and decentralised products and services.

Politics

We will continue to take full responsibility for the nuclear phase-out and strengthen North Rhine-Westphalia as the centre of the German energy industry.

Employees

> We will safeguard jobs throughout the RWE Group and create new jobs in Germany and abroad over the medium to long term.

