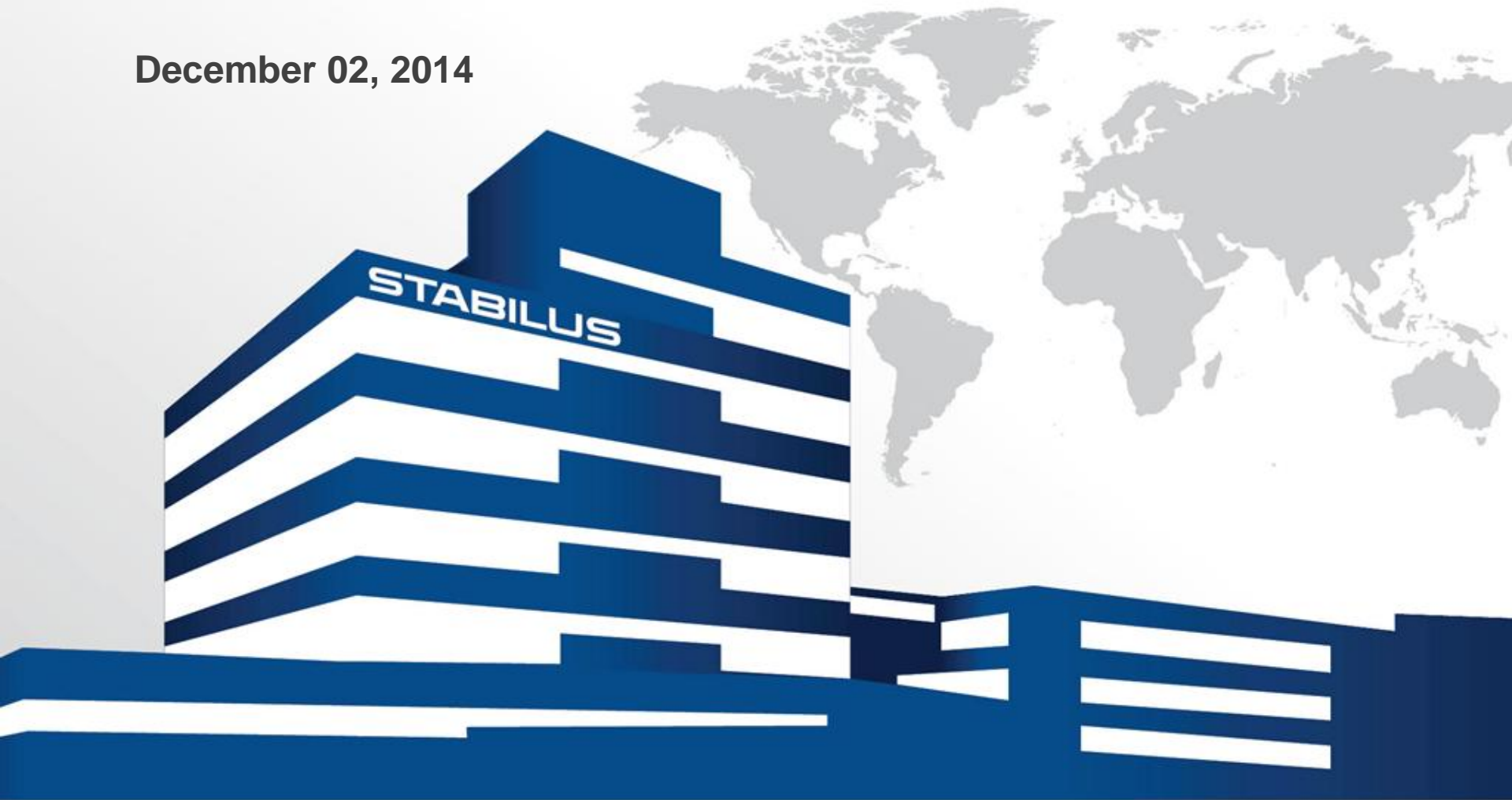


# Full-year results 2014

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## Highlights FY2014

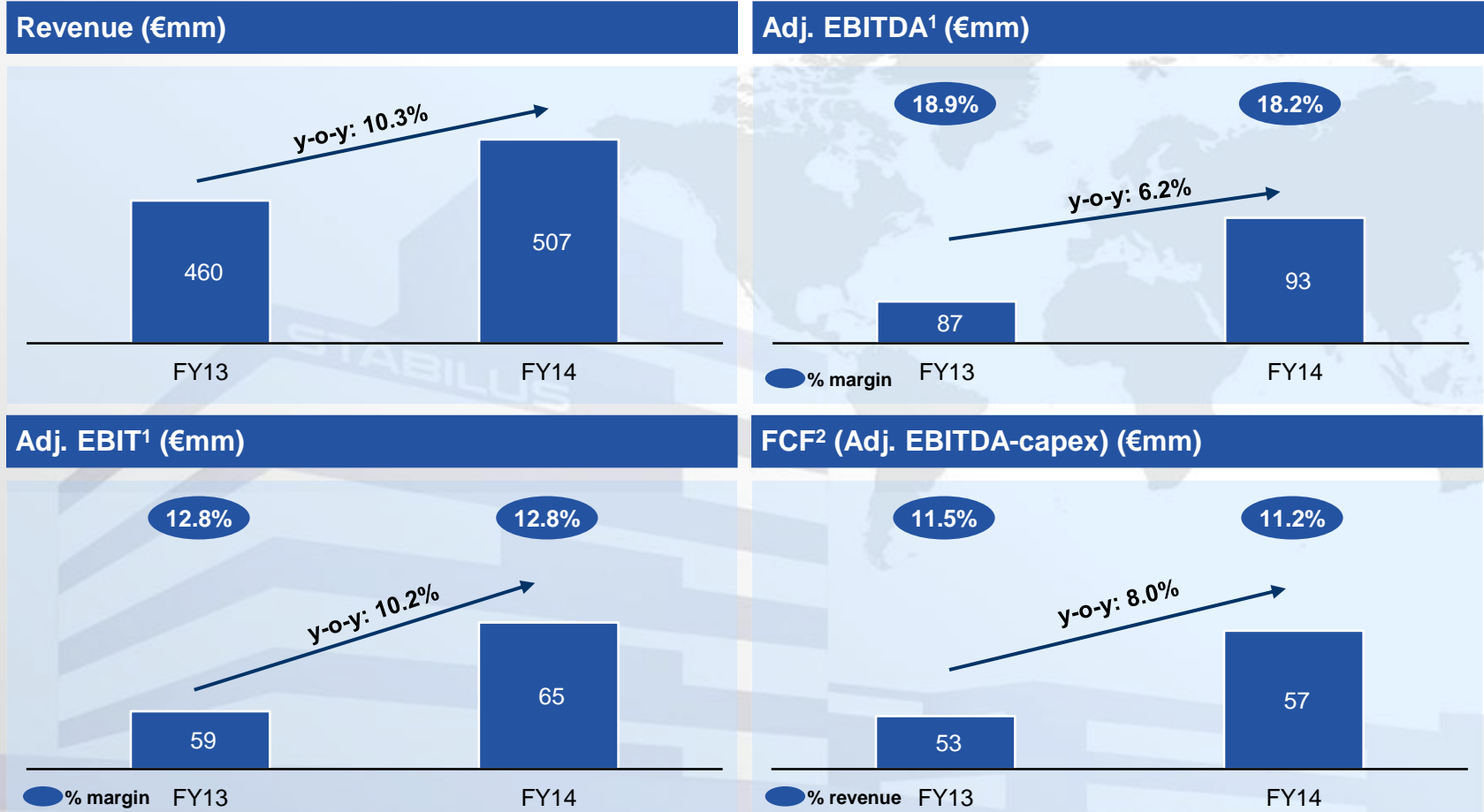
*Fiscal year-end September*

<b>Revenue</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revenue up by 10.3% to €507.3mm (+€47.2mm vs. FY13)</li> <li>• Growth in all regions with NAFTA (+12.0%), Europe (+9.3%), Asia / RoW (+9.7%)               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– China standalone up by ~22% to €33.6mm</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Powerise up by ~55% to €85.8mm</li> </ul>
<b>Adj. EBITDA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adj. EBITDA up by 6.2% to €92.5mm (+€5.4mm vs. FY13)</li> <li>• Adj. EBITDA margin of 18.2%</li> </ul>
<b>Adj. EBIT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adj. EBIT up by 10.2% to €65.1mm (+€6.0mm vs. FY13)</li> <li>• Adj. EBIT margin of 12.8%</li> </ul>
<b>Net debt</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Net financial debt at €229mm</li> <li>• Net debt/EBITDA of 2.46x</li> </ul>
<b>Outlook</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• €550–560mm revenue</li> <li>• EBITDA and EBIT margins in line with historic results</li> <li>• Refinancing of senior secured notes in June 2015 expected to deliver annualized cash interest savings of ~€13mm               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Signed commitment letter with agreed term sheet</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## Operational achievements in FY2014

<b>Powerise</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Revenue up by €31mm to €86mm</li><li>• Penetration of mass market platforms in Europe (e.g. VW Passat and Ford Mondeo)</li><li>• 29 active models, thereof 12 launches in 2014 and 20 contracted launches for 2015 (10 in Europe and 10 in NAFTA respectively)</li><li>• Key business wins of major platforms from key customers worldwide</li></ul>
<b>China</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Capacity expanded to 15mm gas springs (+6mm vs FY13)</li><li>• Industrial sales force expansion, setting up of local Industrial business application R&amp;D team</li><li>• Dedicated facility for Industrial Gas Springs and Powerise under construction</li></ul>
<b>Production</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NAFTA: Footprint reorganization finalized</li><li>• Europe: Continuous optimization including shift of 60 production jobs from Germany to Romania</li><li>• Powerise: Ongoing ramp-up in Romania; supplying key brands like Audi, BMW, Ford, Porsche and VW</li></ul>
<b>STAR</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Further cascade of refined strategies and targets for the overall organization</li><li>• Select STAR strategies for business units and regional improvements</li><li>• New product innovations prove first results</li></ul>

## Stabilus strong operating performance in FY2014 (y-o-y)



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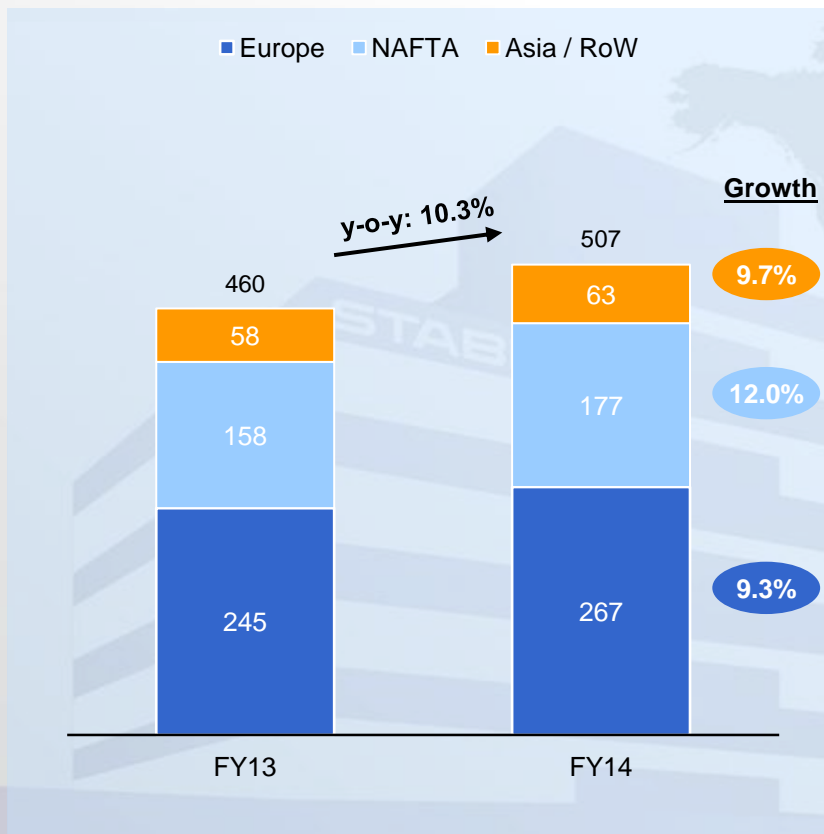
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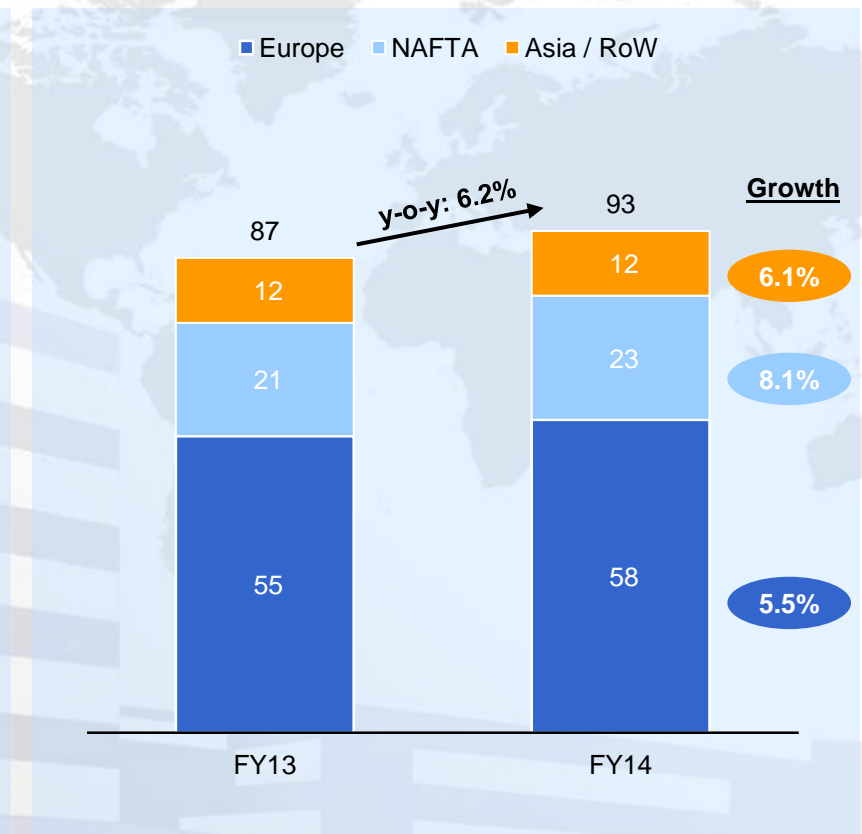


## Revenue and adj. EBITDA growth – by region (y-o-y)

### Revenue by region<sup>1</sup> (€mm)



### Adj. EBITDA<sup>1,2</sup> by region (€mm)



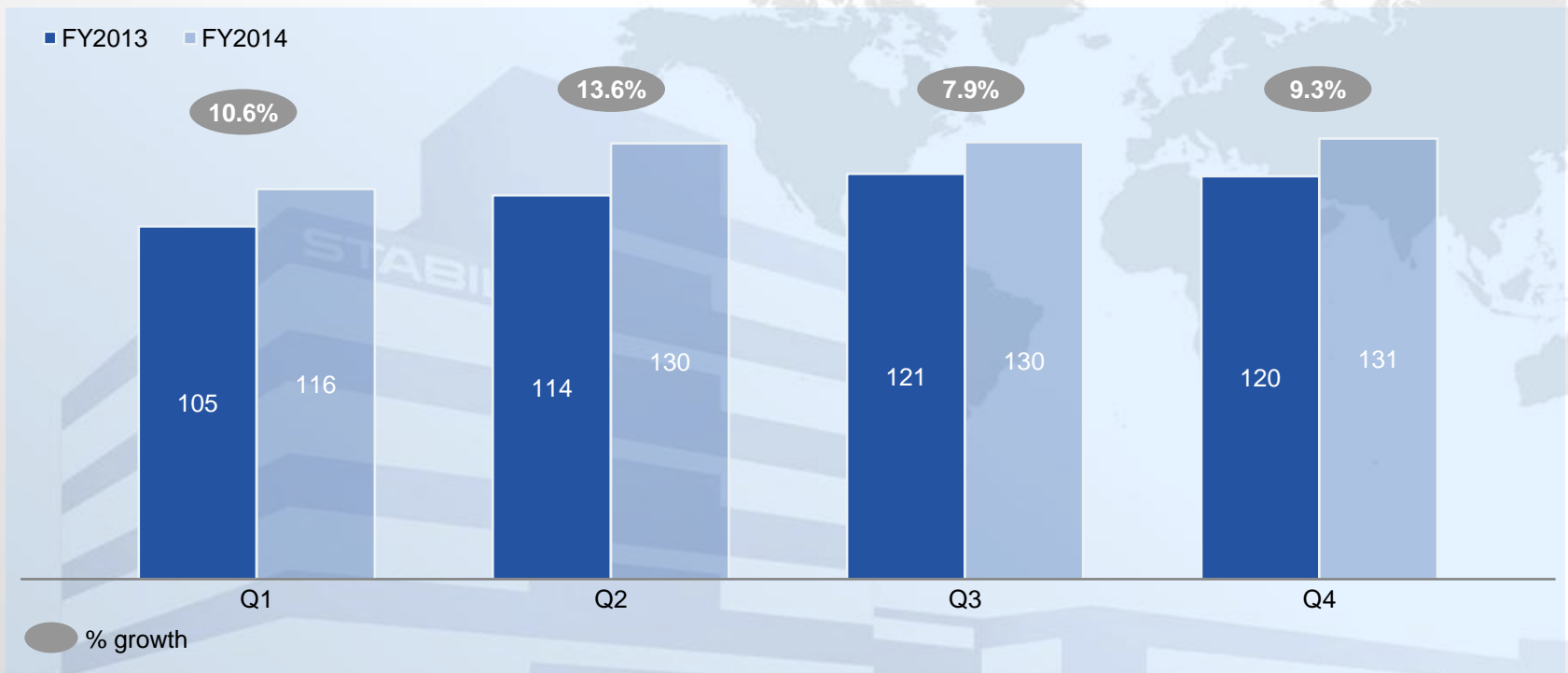
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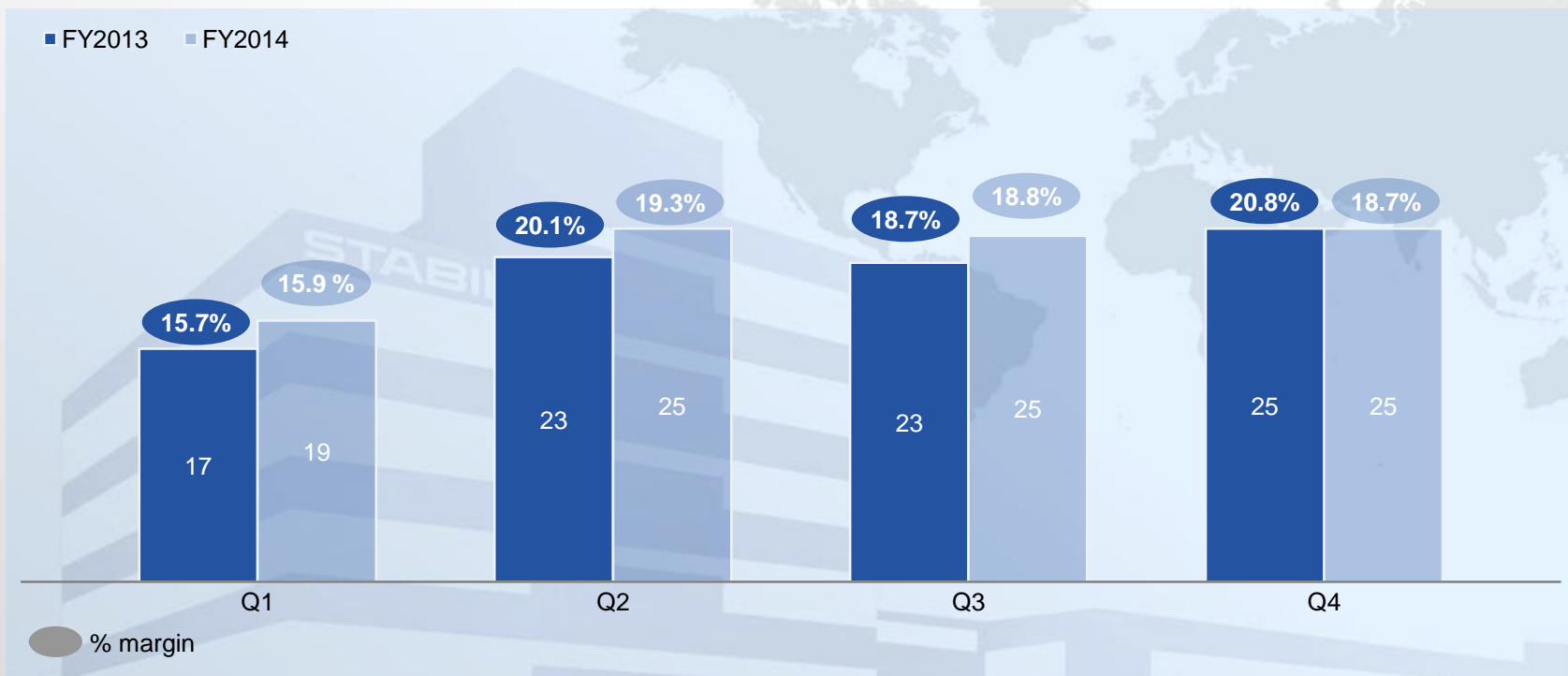
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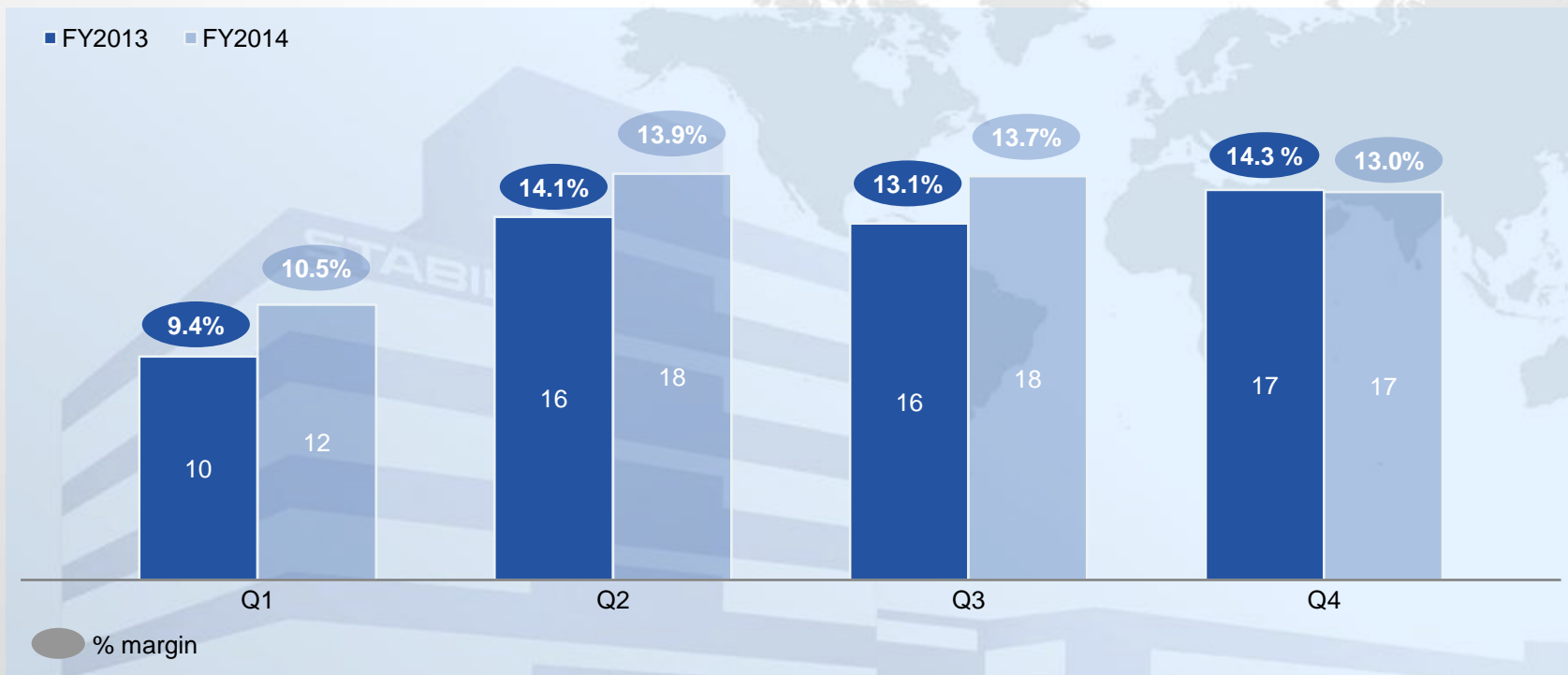
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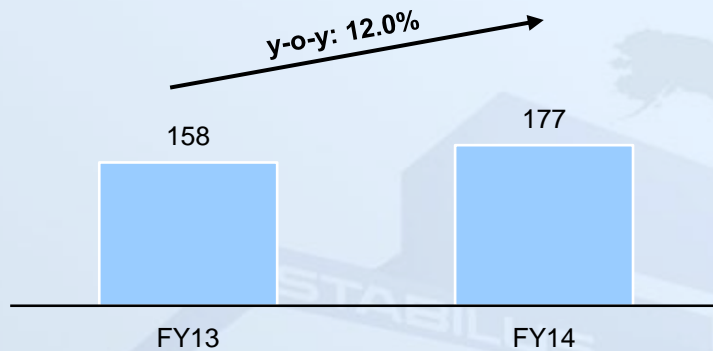
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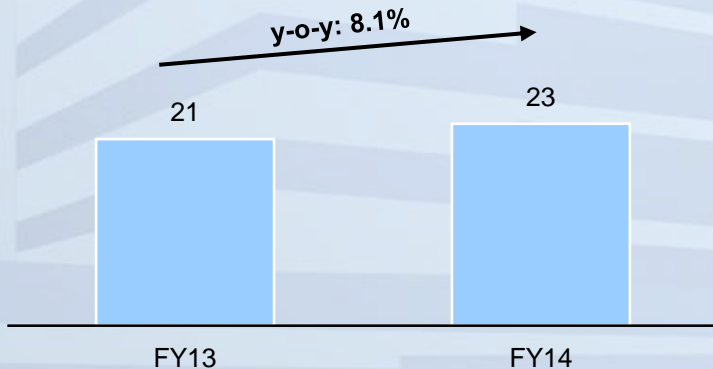
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## NAFTA – Revenue growth (y-o-y)

### Revenue (€mm)



### Adj. EBITDA (€mm)



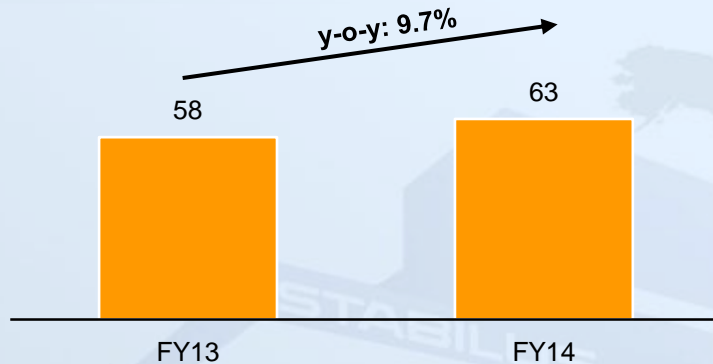
### Key highlights

- Strong revenue growth of +12.0% in FY14
  - Revenue growth at constant currency of +16.0%
  - €18.8mm revenue growth in Powerise driven by Big Three and BMW
  - Strong, secured Gas Spring business re-confirms future market share
- NAFTA production footprint reorganized to optimize operating leverage and inventory turns
  - Piston rod production centralized in Mexico
  - High volume automotive Gas Spring business further moved to highly automated US lines

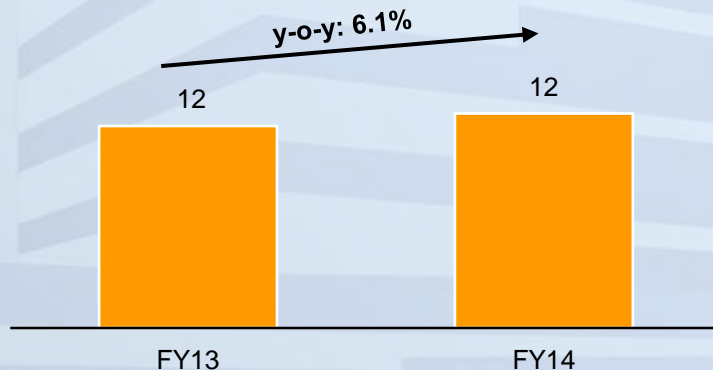
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## Asia/RoW – Revenue growth (y-o-y)

### Revenue (€mm)



### Adj. EBITDA (€mm)



### Key highlights

- Strong revenue growth of +9.7% in FY14 driven by automotive Gas Springs
  - China growth of +21.7% to €33.6mm revenue
  - Brazil negative growth of -22.4% (€2.3mm reduction)
- Contract wins with local Chinese OEMs confirm growth potential and increasing market share
- Ongoing expansion of local production capabilities
  - Rental agreement for new Powerise and Industrial production facility signed and building under construction
  - Asia FY14 capex of €6.0mm (9.5% of revenue)
  - China Gas Spring capacity increased from 9mm p.a. to 15mm p.a.
  - Korean powder paint equipment recently commissioned; planned to be operational in mid FY15

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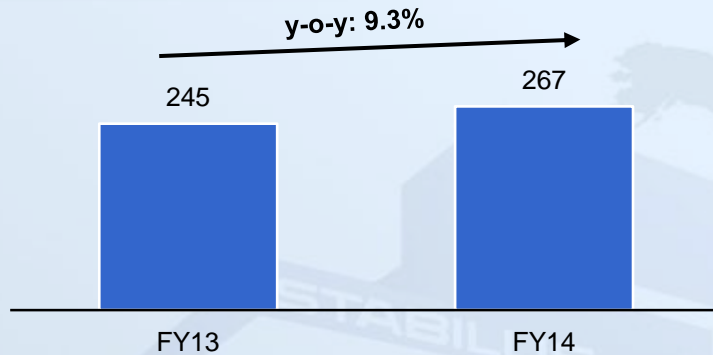
## China Gas spring production expansion – Construction of new building for Powerise and Industrial in China



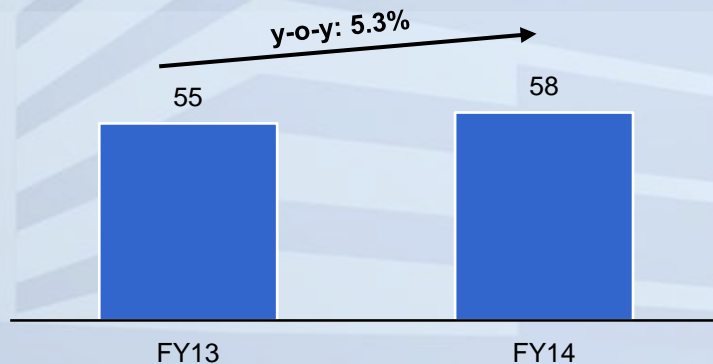


## Europe – Revenue growth (y-o-y)

### Revenue (€mm)



### Adj. EBITDA (€mm)



### Key highlights

- Revenue growth of +9.3% in FY14
- Strong performance of Powerise with key platform wins in Europe
  - Volume vehicle models such as VW Passat and Ford Mondeo
  - Premium platforms such as Porsche Macan / Cayenne and Audi Q3
- Further production footprint optimization
  - 60 Gas Spring production jobs relocated to Romania from Germany

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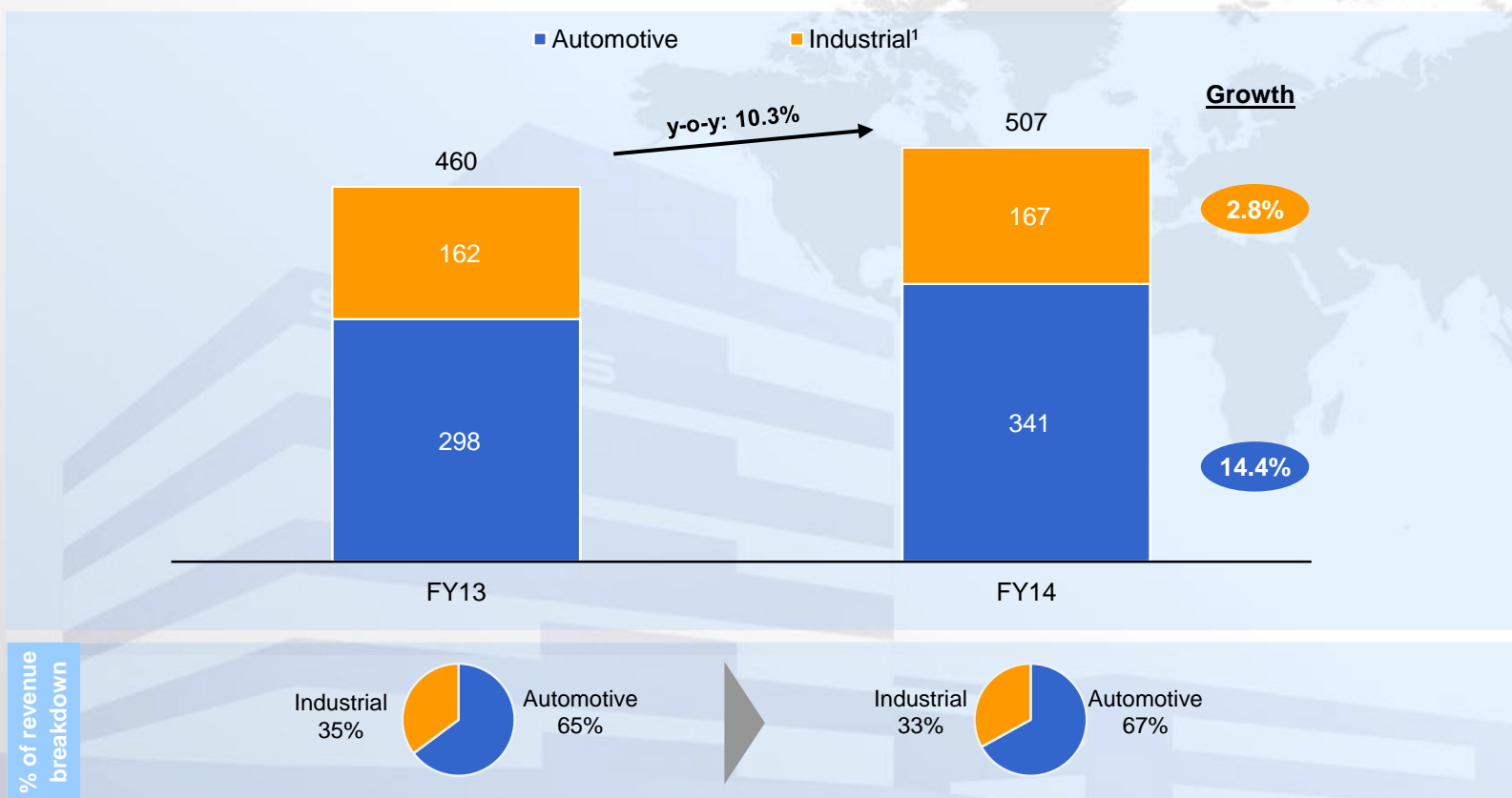
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## Revenue growth – by business (y-o-y)

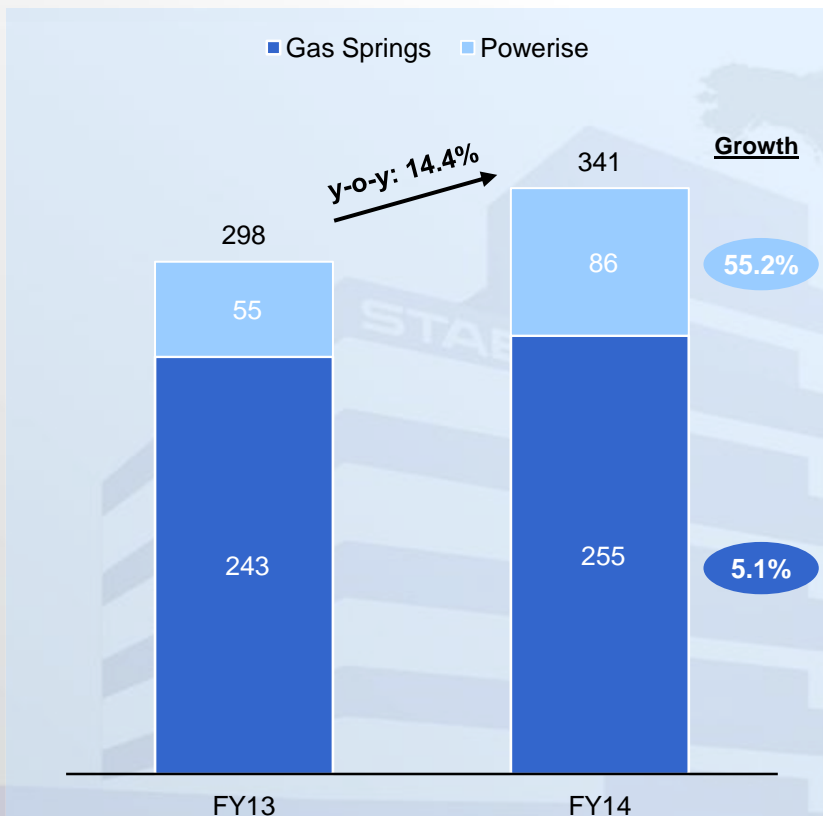
### Revenue by business (€mm)



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## Revenue growth – Automotive business (y-o-y)

### Revenue (€mm)



### Key highlights

- Strong performance despite challenging macro environment
  - Global car production up ~3% from 85mm to 87mm units y-o-y<sup>1</sup>
  - European car production up ~3% from 19.5mm to 20.0mm units y-o-y<sup>1</sup>
- Ongoing penetration of Powerise into mass market platforms and key platform wins
  - e.g. VW Passat and Ford Mondeo
  - Spindle drive emerges as leading technology
  - Secured ~60% of total spindle drive business awarded globally in 2014
- Significant number of new Powerise launches: 29 active models, thereof 12 launches in 2014 and 20 contracted launches in 2015
- Powerise production for key models ramped up in Romania
  - Various Audi models, BMW GT, Porsche Macan and Cayenne, Ford Mondeo and Galaxy, VW Passat

Source: Company information

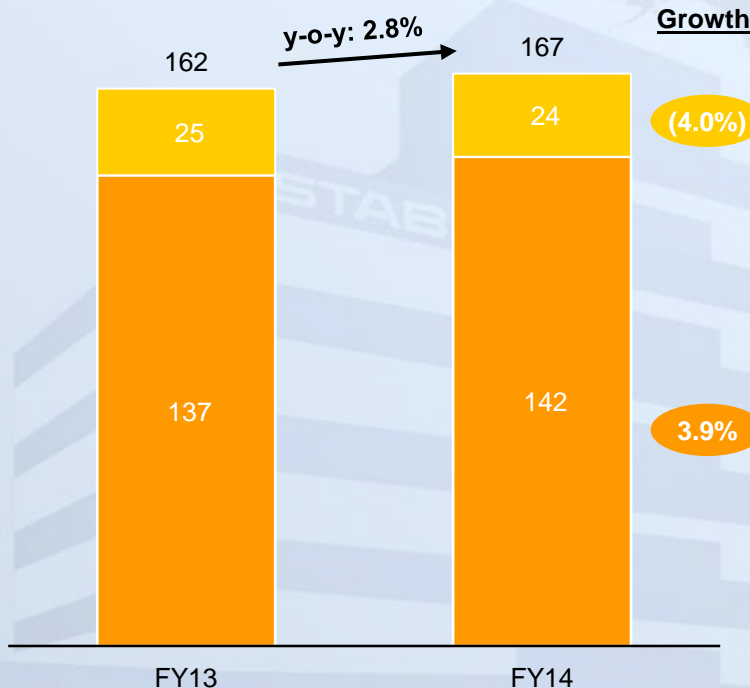
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<sup>1</sup> Based on 12 months ending September 2014 vs. September 2013

## Revenue growth – Industrial business (y-o-y)

### Revenue (€mm)

■ Capital Goods ■ Swivel Chair



### Key highlights

- Solid growth in Capital Goods in spite of difficult end-market dynamics
  - Global GDP growth of 2.7%<sup>1</sup>
  - European GDP growth of 1.3%<sup>1</sup>
  - Key end markets such as agriculture, trucks showing slowing growth dynamics
- Numerous new product launches in Europe and NAFTA
- China expansion supported by local sales and application team as well as setting up of dedicated Industrial equipment in new building
- Actively giving back low margin swivel chair business
  - Turnaround strategy in swivel chair to improve cost structure on track

Source: Global Insight, company information

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<sup>1</sup> y-o-y real GDP 2014 annual forecast

## New product launches

Drop gate damper improves quality appearance



Dampening of solar panel movements



Supporting comfort needs



Height adjustable mattress eases service in hotels



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## Strategic priorities for FY 2015

<b>Asia</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Further implement and expand Asia growth plan</li><li>• Fully establish and expand local production and sales force capabilities</li><li>• Expand local business in Powerise and Industrial</li></ul>
<b>Powerise</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Further capitalize on extremely strong end-market momentum</li><li>• Winning key platforms and driving market share</li><li>• Production footprint optimization towards mass production</li></ul>
<b>Industrial</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Focus on product and application innovation</li><li>• Transfer of Powerise solutions into industrial applications</li></ul>



## Potential refinancing of senior secured notes

### Description of senior secured notes and impacts from refinancing

#### Status quo

- Refinancing of senior secured notes
  - Today's total outstanding, pre interest, of €257mm
  - Interest rate of 7.75% fixed until June 2018
  - Early redemption fee from June 2015 to June 2016 of 3.875%

#### Refinancing

- New Financing opportunity
  - Euribor +2.5% margin (initial)
  - 5 + 1 year duration
  - Annualized cash interest savings of ~€13mm starting June 2015
  - Bank fee, implementation and early redemption cost on current financing of ~€15mm
- Status quo
  - Signed commitment letter with agreed term sheet



## Financial calendar

December 15, 2014

- Publication of full year results for fiscal year 2014 (Annual Report 2014)

February 18, 2015

- Annual General Meeting for fiscal year 2014



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## P&L overview

P&L (€mm)		
	2013 Actual	2014 Actual
Revenue	460	507
COGS	(350)	(388)
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>120</b>
R&D	(18)	(20)
S&M	(39)	(39)
G&A	(21)	(33)
Other income/expenses	3	3
Adjustments	24	34
<b>Adj. EBIT</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>65</b>
Depreciation & amortization (exc. PPA)	28	27
<b>Adj. EBITDA</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>93</b>

Advisory <sup>1</sup>	6	18
Restructuring / Ramp-up	4	2
Pension interest add-back	1	1
PPA adjustments	13	13
<b>Total Adjustments</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>34</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes IPO, legal bond issuance, tax audit and reorganization related advisory expenses

## Balance sheet overview

Balance sheet (€mm)		
	2013 Actual	2014 Actual
Property, plant and equipment	116	120
Goodwill	51	51
Other intangible assets	176	171
Inventories	46	50
Trade receivables	68	56
Other assets <sup>1</sup>	110	39
Cash	22	33
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>589</b>	<b>520</b>
<b>Equity incl. minorities</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>76</b>
Debt (incl. accrued interest)	319	262
EUSIs <sup>2</sup>	3	0
Pension plans and similar obligations	39	48
Deferred tax liabilities	58	44
Trade accounts payable	45	54
Other liabilities	44	36
<b>Total equity and liabilities</b>	<b>589</b>	<b>520</b>
<b>Net financial debt<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>298</b>	<b>229</b>
<i>Net financial debt / adj. EBITDA LTM</i>	<i>3.41x</i>	<i>2.46x</i>

<sup>1</sup> Includes a €80mm face value upstream shareholder loan, extinguished as part of the IPO reorganization

<sup>2</sup> EUSIs were extinguished during the reorganization prior to the IPO and are no longer recognized on the company's balance sheet

<sup>3</sup> Excluding EUSIs of €3.3mm as of September 2013

## Cash flow statement overview

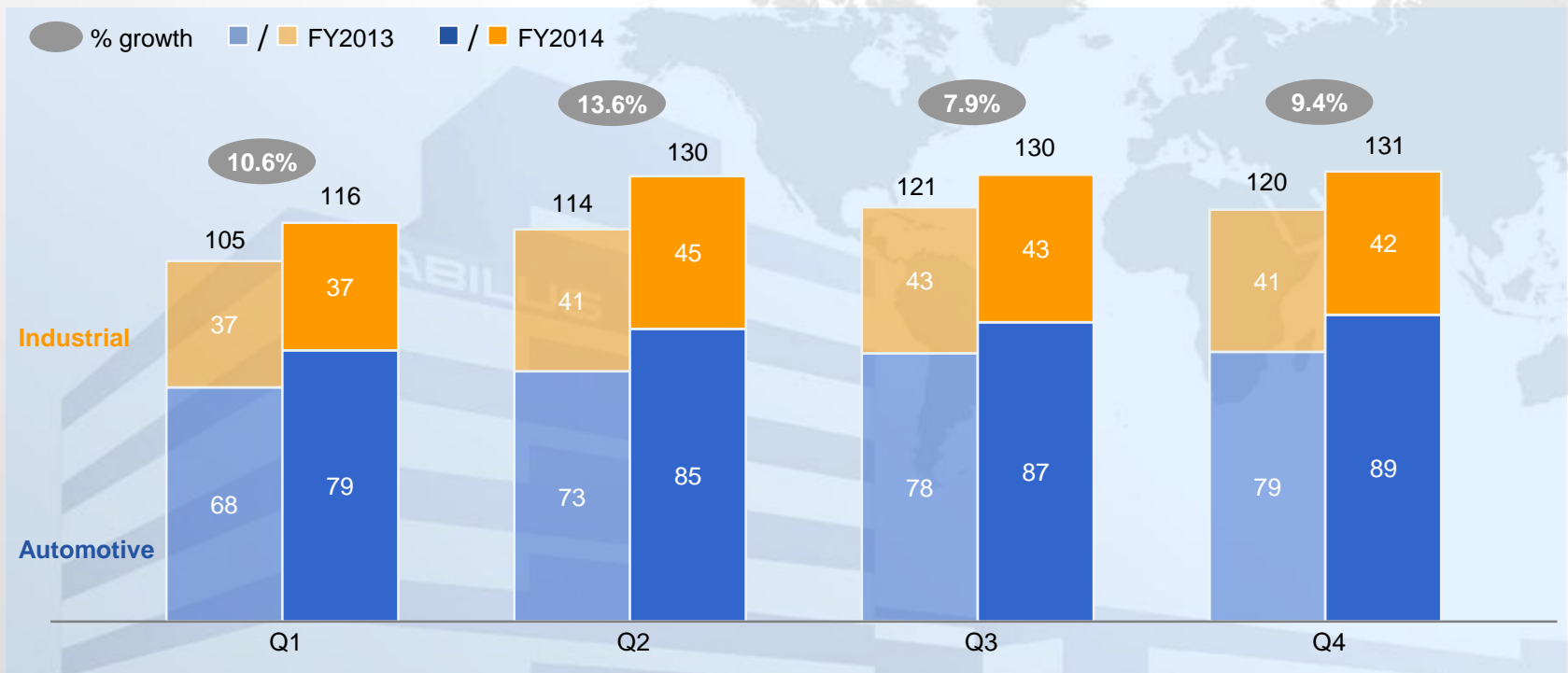
Cash flow statement (€mm)		
	2013 Actual	2014 Actual
<b>Adj. EBITDA<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>87</b>	<b>93</b>
Capital expenditures	(34)	(36)
Change in working capital	(3)	17
Change in other assets and liabilities, provisions etc.	(6)	7
<b>Adjusted operating cash flow before tax</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>81</b>
Net payments for redemption of financial liabilities	(71)	(62)
Cash interest incl. make whole premium on June 2014 repayment	(9)	(30)
Cash taxes	(6)	(7)
Others (incl. restricted cash <sup>1</sup> )	34	51
Adjustments to EBITDA <sup>2</sup>	(11)	(21)
<b>Free cash flow</b>	<b>(19)</b>	<b>11</b>

<sup>1</sup> Restricted cash in 2014 at €0.0mm

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## Review of revenue performance by quarter

Revenue by quarter FY2013 vs. FY2014 (€mm)

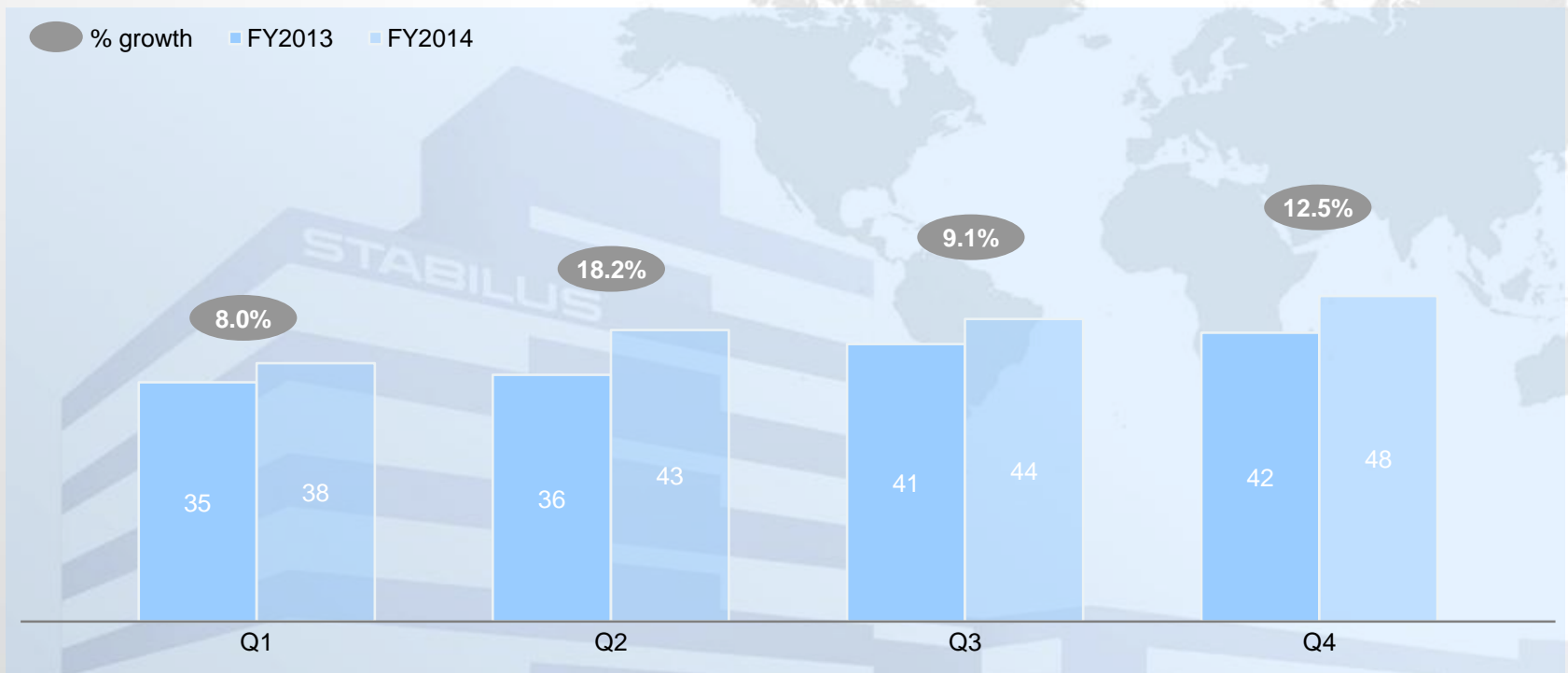


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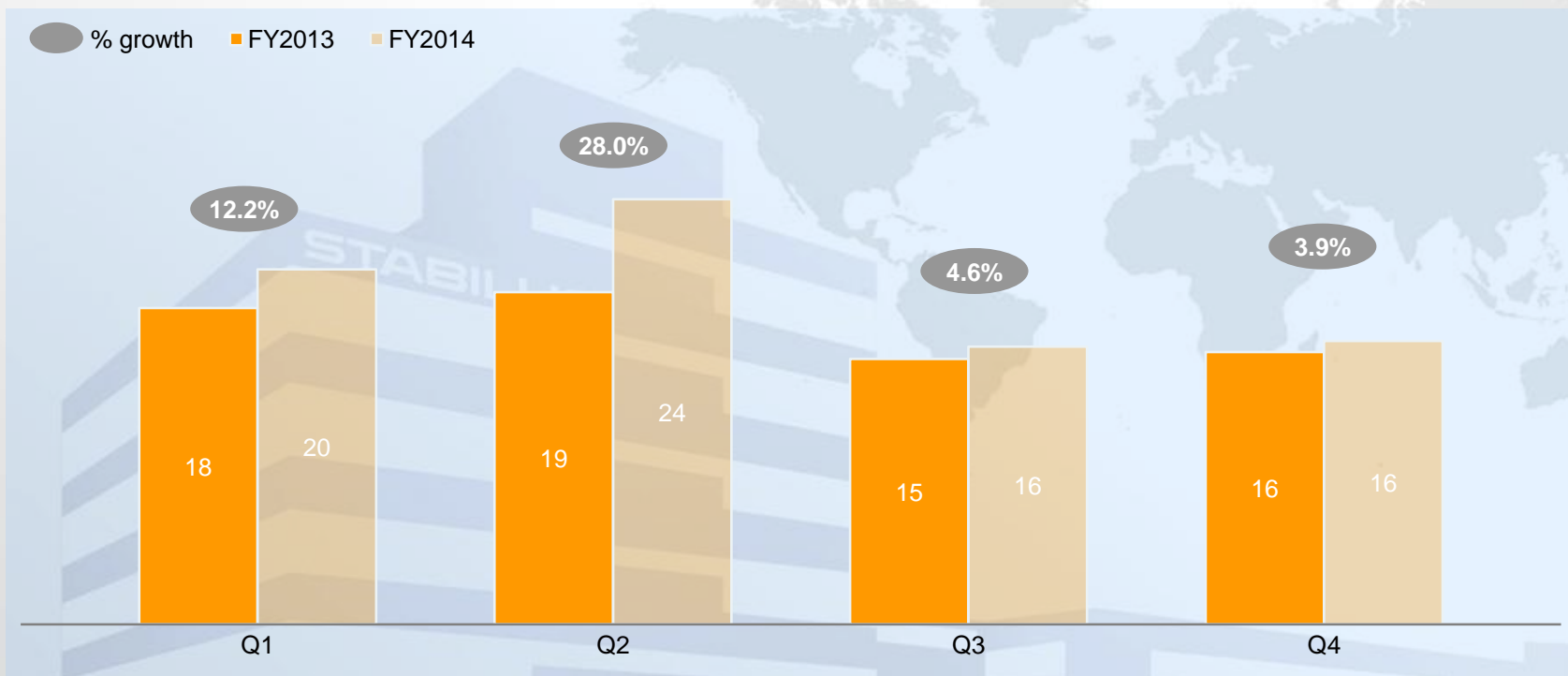
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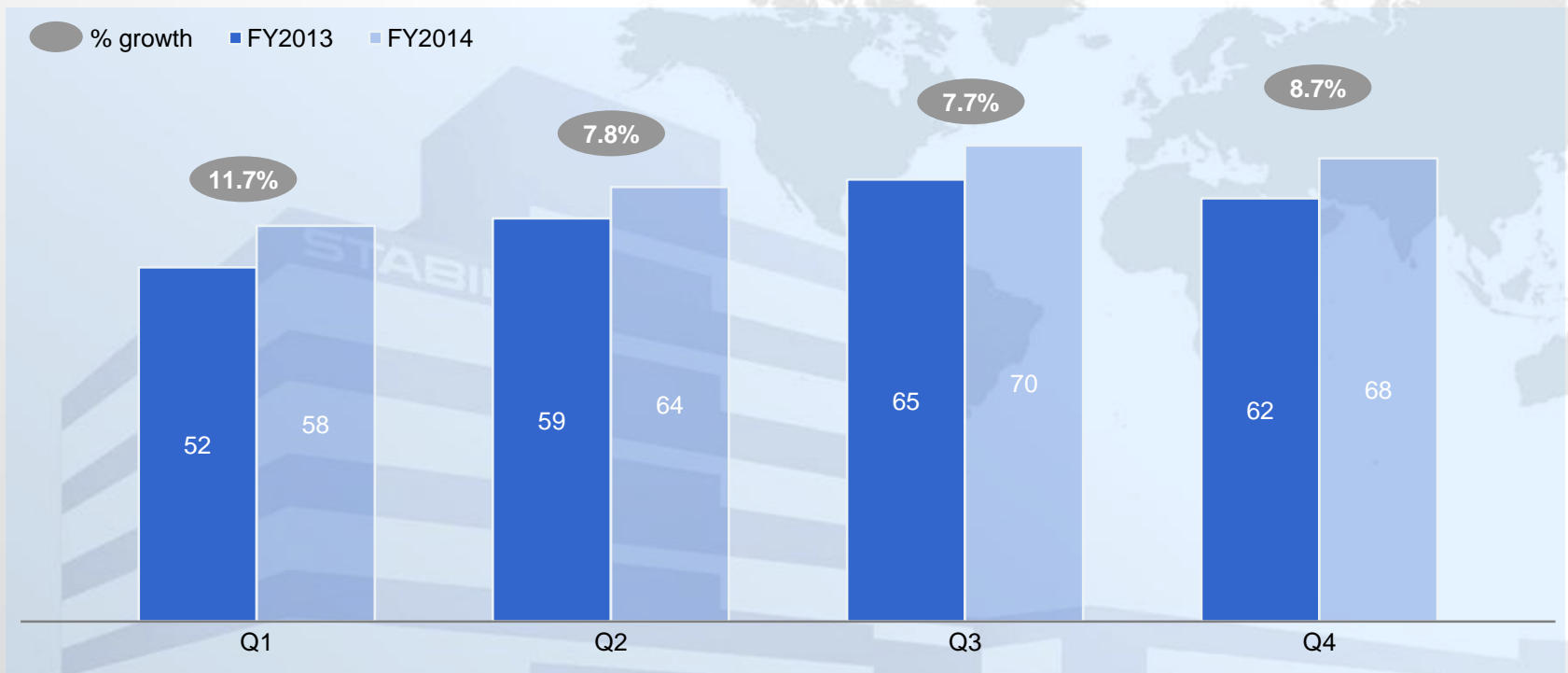
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