

# Chief Executive Officer's Report

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#### Our results





€6,608M



€703M



€481M



Net financial debt

€341M



Increased efficiency



New geostrategic situation

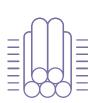


Focus on higher-value-added materials

### Our results







**Diversification** with more sophisticated materials





Standard stainless steels



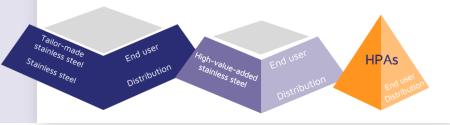
High-performance alloys



The industry's most extensive catalog

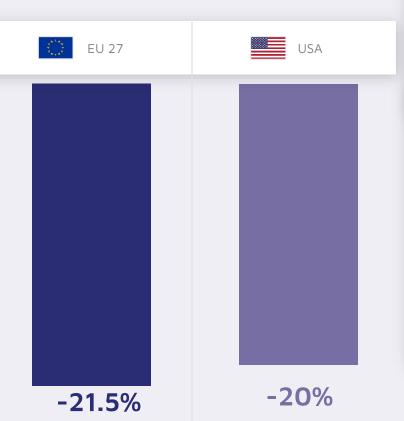
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Materials and solutions for industry



# **Cycle** 2020 2023

Apparent consumption of stainless steel in 2023



Raw Increase in materials stock cycle Drop in **Increase** in apparent imports consumption Acerinox Group 2009 1.9 MMT

Melting shop production

### Worldwide production of stainless steel





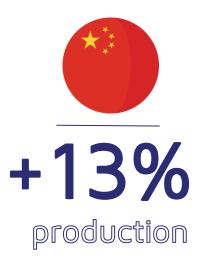




-7%



Chinese 70% over



### Price behavior



Section 232: 25% tariff

Regular, reliable, and close supply

Stable prices





Inefficient safeguard measures

Flood of imports

All-time low prices







European Union:

Bringing trade closer



COVID-19



Invasion **of Ukraine** 



China – US rivalry

#### Interdependence



Strategic autonomy



**Economic security** 

# New geostrategic environment

- Changes began before the pandemic
- Origins in the USA: overdependence on other countries



### Diversify and bring our supplier network closer to our customers

- Problems in the Suez Canal
- Water scarcity in the Panama Canal
- Lack of safety in the Red Sea
- Need to reduce Scope 3 CO<sub>2</sub> emissions





Deglobalization process

# Acerinox's strategy

### Added value: our differentiator



More sophisticated materials



Stainless steels and highperformance alloys adapted to every application



Broadest product range in the industry



### Acerinox's strategy

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Beyond Excellence: A new driver of competitiveness



### Acerinox's strategy:

Pursuing leadership in sustainability





+50%

Use of renewable energy at facilities



Reduction in intensity



-25% Reduction in accident rate





EcoVadis Platinum medal ΓOW

**2023 score: 82** vs. 79 in

21: Number of criteria



Together toward the SDGs

### Acerinox's strategy: Our financial strength



2020

### Acquisition VDM Metals

A company of ACERINOX

Net financial debt / EBITDA ratio

0.49x





### Acerinox's strategy: Our financial strength











### Acerinox's strategy

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#### A new platform in the **United States**





Strengthening leadership in HPAs













Shareholders, customers, suppliers, employees, society...

you have a responsible partner to rely on.

### Thank you!