

# SeaBird Exploration

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# Company overview

Global provider of marine 2D seismic data acquisition and OBN source services



**We deliver cost-efficient, high-quality seismic services to maximize asset value for our customers**

**We are a pioneer in marine minerals**

# Company overview

Global provider of marine 2D seismic data acquisition and OBN source services



Founded in  
**1997**

Vessels  
**6**

Operations  
**Worldwide**

The lowest cost seismic  
service provider

A leader in marine minerals on the  
NCS

# Overview of seismic services



3D Shallow  
Water  
Acquisition



2D Seismic  
Acquisition



Source vessel



Maritime  
Services

# Return-focused business model

Deliver solid returns and strong free cash flow



Capital efficiency



Strong balance sheet



Modern, flexible fleet



Lean organisation

# Successful turnaround strategy

Initiated in 2019



Flexible, asset-light vessel strategy



Reorganise into project-based organization



Cut SG&A by 40%



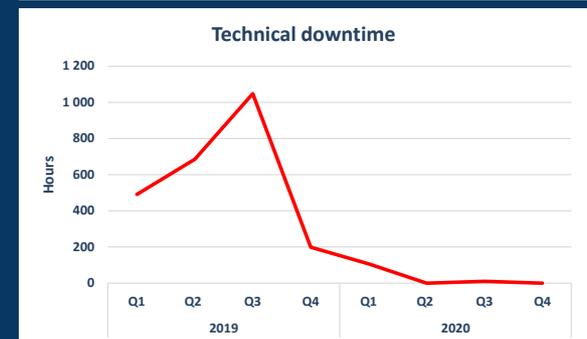
Focused on capital discipline and efficient, quality service delivery

# Successful turnaround strategy

Introduced in November 2019

## Results

- Refinancing of bond loan with bank facility
- SG&A down by 40%
- 65% smaller headcount
- Number of offices reduced from 3 to 1
- Technical downtime down sharply
- Positive impact on mobilization efficiency
- Flexible charter on new vessel
- 3 old vessels scrapped



**| Sound platform for profitability and growth in place**

# Outlook: profitability and growth

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Our ambition

**Lifting profitability, accelerating growth and creating value for our shareholders**

## **Our strategic direction**

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- Outfit the “Fulmar Explorer” as top-of-the-line OBN vessel
- Outfit the “Geo Barents” against contracts
- Find work for the “Petrel Explorer” in other segments
- Spin off and list Green Minerals to crystalize values, creating a leading player on the NCS



GREEN MINERALS

# Green Minerals

## Company presentation

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# Our mission

Green Minerals

## A pioneer in offshore mining and a leader in Marine Minerals on the Norwegian Continental Shelf

Our mission:  
enable digitization  
and electrification

We do this by  
extraction of  
Marine Minerals  
and Rare Earth  
Elements which  
are key to the  
green shift driven  
by new  
technologies

Deep sea mining  
helps eliminate the  
huge social cost in  
onshore mining,  
while reducing the  
environmental  
footprint by more  
than 90%

# Rationale for mining of Marine Minerals

## Green Minerals

### Demand

- Massive need for new source of metals as the world electrifies and digital technology becomes available to more consumers
- >50 % of total Cu demand comes from transportation, electrical, electronics and consumer products
- Demand of base metals for production of EV batteries could increase 11x by 2050 (World Bank)
- \$240bn CAPEX investment needed for the next 5 years only in base metals and gold (Wood Mackenzie)
- Land ore grade declines, becomes less accessible and contains toxic levels of heavy elements
- Will take decades to build the primary stock of metals that will make recycling of EV metals possible and being able to fulfil all the demand

### Social

- 70 % of the world's cobalt is mined in the D.R. of Congo, significant amounts from unregulated artisanal mines and child labor (Amnesty International)

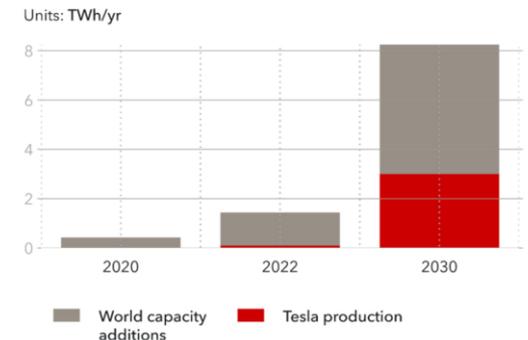
### Environmental

- Burning fossil fuels emits 37bn tons CO2 pa
- Metal production generates 350bn tons of waste
- Accounts for 11 % of global energy use
- Removes 10`s of thousands km2 of forest every year to access metal ore bodies which have declining grades
- Producing metals for the green transition this way is not sustainable as it simply shifts the burden from fossil fuels to metals

### Political

- In May 2018, the US Department of the Interior published list of 35 minerals considered critical to the US economy and national security which supply might become limited in near future
- The Blue Mining initiative by the EU sees risk of increasing supply shortage of metals critical to EU`s high tech sector and is thus supporting search for alternative resources

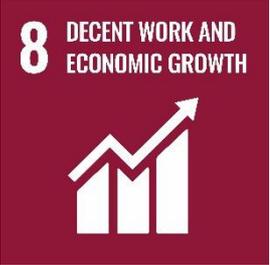
Global EV annual battery production



Source: Tesla

# Supporting 6 UN SDGs and EU Green Deal

## Green Minerals

 <p><b>7</b> AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY</p>	 <p><b>8</b> DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH</p>	 <p><b>9</b> INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE</p>	 <p><b>12</b> RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION</p>	 <p><b>13</b> CLIMATE ACTION</p>	 <p><b>15</b> LIFE ON LAND</p>
Providing minerals for the green transition	Fighting child labor while creating sustainable jobs and economic growth	Creating sustainable Rare Earth Elements (REE) and base metals to be used in new forms of transportation	Reducing waste generation and enabling companies' green transition	Enabling CO2 reduction being key elements in new technology	Reducing deforestation

# Mineral usage and importance

## Green Minerals

Marine Minerals and RRE ´s are critical in the Renewable Energy industry and in modern technologies and electric/electronic appliances

### Lithium, Nickel, Cobalt, Manganese, Zinc

- Key elements in Batteries

### Cobalt

- Powerful magnets - electric engines, wind turbines etc.

### Copper

- Electrical/Electronic appliances

### REE ´s

- Wind Turbines, Solar Cells, Electrical Cars,
- LED technology, Mobile phones, Computers
- Medical Imaging, Fiber Optics, Lasers
- Catalytic converters, Ceramics, light/strong Alloys

### Examples Metal/REE usage in Renewable Energy/Technology

3-4x more Cu in EV vs. ICV (1)

**2,5+ tons Cu/MW in Wind Turbines (2)**

2,5+ tons Cu/MW in Solar Plants (3)

**4,5 kg Cobalt in Tesla Mod 3 battery (4)**

Computer – up to 70 minerals / +30% of elements in the Periodic table (5)

**40 Metals/REEs in Mobile Phone (6)**

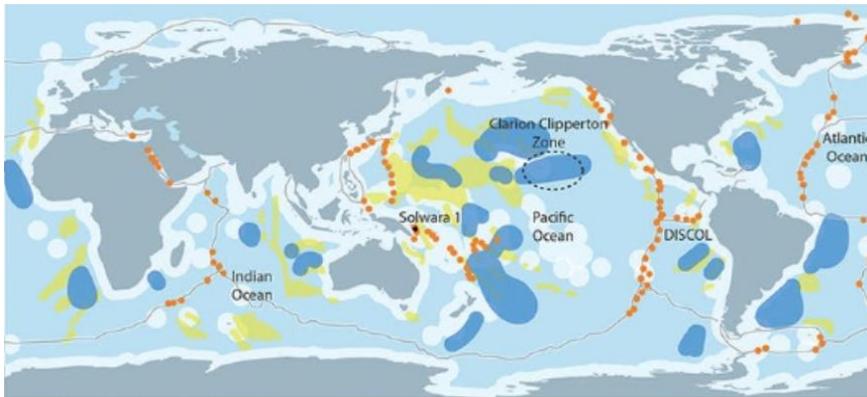
Sources:  
1,2,3) International Copper Alliance  
4) Benchmark Mineral Intelligence  
5) National Mining Association  
6) Norges geologiske undersøkelser

# What and where

## Green Minerals

### Occurrence:

- Poly-metallic Nodules (Ocean Floor)
- Seafloor Massive Sulfides (SMS)(Mid Ocean Ridges)
- Ferromanganese Crusts (Plateaus/Ridges)



### Examples of Typical Metals and REE's

Nodules	SMS	Crusts
Iron	Iron	Iron
Manganese		Manganese
	Lead	
	Zinc	
	Barium	
Copper	Copper	Copper
Cobalt	Cobalt	Cobalt
	Gold	
	Silver	
Nickel		Nickel
		Lithium
Titanium		Titanium
Platinum		Cerium
		Zirconium
REE's	(REEs)	REEs

Source: International Copper Alliance

# Typical minerals on the NCS

## Green Minerals

- **SMS** and **Crusts** found in several locations in the Norwegian Sea
  - UiB, Research activity for 2 decades
  - NPDs data sampling programs 2018, 2019, 2020
- **SMS** samples rich in
  - Copper, up to 14 %
  - Zinc, up to 10 %
  - Cobalt, up to 1 %
- **Crust** samples rich in
  - Lithium (20-80x Pacific Ocean)
  - Scandium (4-7x Pacific Ocean)
  - REE (up to 2x Pacific Ocean)

SMS	Crusts
Iron	Iron
Barium	Manganese
<b>Copper</b>	(Copper)
<b>Zinc</b>	Titanium
<b>Cobalt</b>	Cobalt
Lead	Nickel
Vanadium	Vanadium
Strontium	
Silver	Niobium
(Others)	(Others)
	<b>Lithium</b>
	<b>Scandium</b>
(REEs)	<b>REEs</b>

# Mineral value potential on NCS

## Green Minerals

### Mohns & Knipovich Ridges (1030 km)

- Play Assessment similar to standards used in Oil & Gas

### Mean Resource estimate for key Metals\* in SMS deposits in Mohns & Knipovich ridges

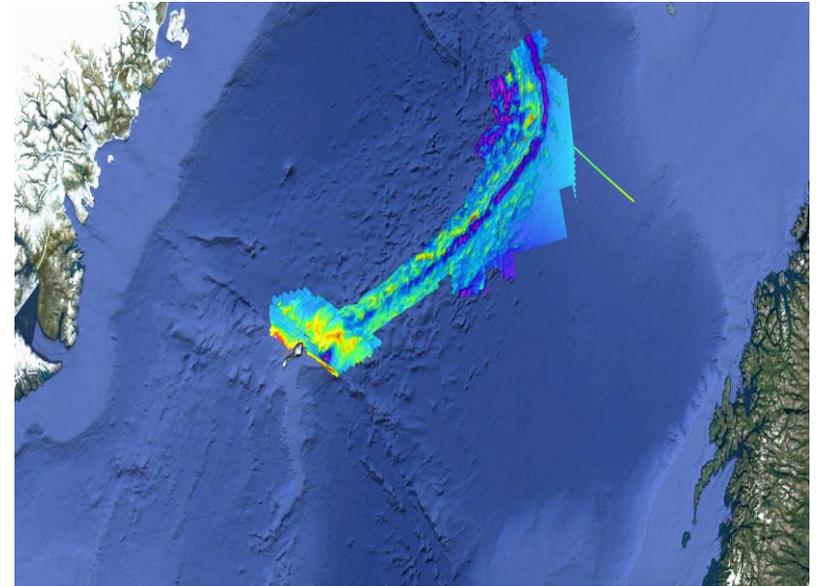
- 6,9M tons Cu
- 7,1M tons Zn
- 175 tons Au
- 10,5K tons Ag

### Estimated Value

- 77 billion USD (700+ Billion NOK)\*\*

\* Other metals and REEs not included in estimate

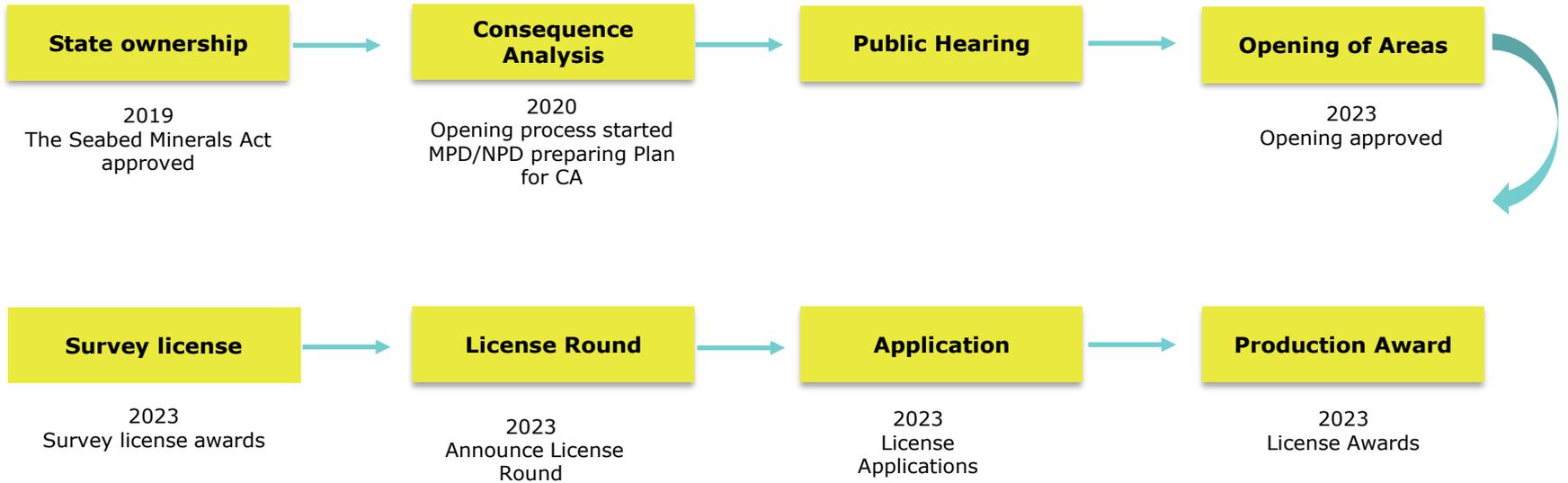
\*\*2019 metal prices used by Ellefmo et al and 9,25 nok/usd



Illustration, Pedersen, UiB

# NCS

## Tentative timeline – production license



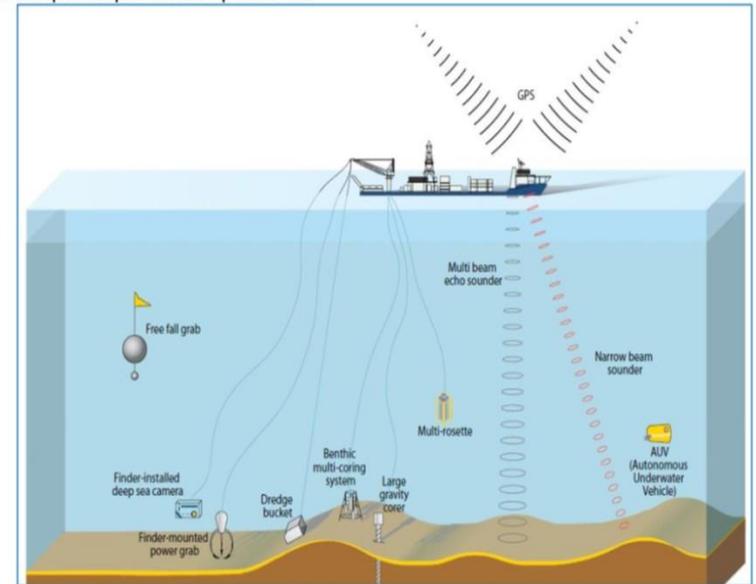
# Exploration techniques and tools

## Green Minerals

### Technology mostly known and commercially available

- Satellite imaging
- Bathymetry (Multi-beam, Side Scan Sonar)
- Electromagnetic Surveys
- Magnetometry
- Water chemistry
- Hyper spectral imaging
- High resolution seismic
- Sampling (coring, surface etc.)

Figure A.4.1.2 Examples of exploration techniques and tools



Source: SPC (2013). Deep Sea Minerals: Sea-Floor Massive Sulphides, a physical, biological, environmental, and technical review. Baker, E., and Beaudoin, Y. (Eds.) Vol. 1A, Secretariat of the Pacific Community.

# Production components and functions

## Green Minerals

### 1. Seafloor Mining Tools

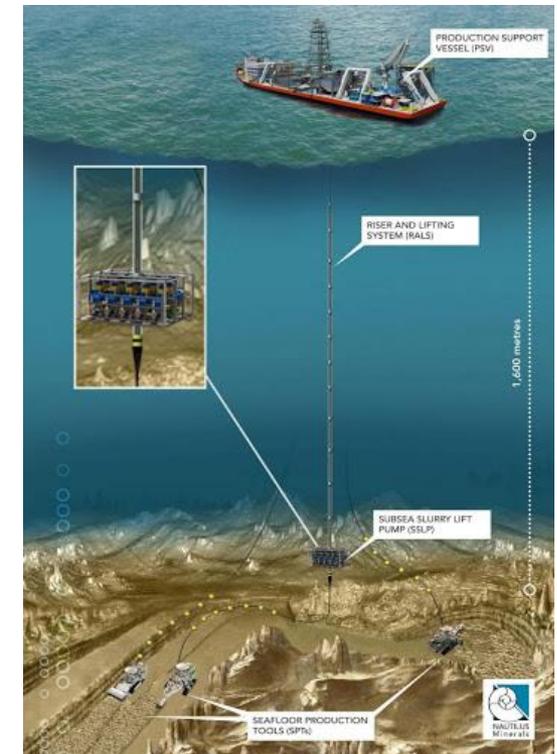
- Trencher/Feed system or
- Crawler/Crusher/Feed system to:
- Dig out, Collect, Crush and Feed ore to Vertical transport system

### 2. Vertical Transport

- Mechanical lifting system or
- Riser/slurry or air-based pumping system to
- Transport ore to surface facility
- Seawater return system

### 3. Surface facility

- Ship based production facility to provide:
- Dewatering and storage of ore
- Offloading system for ore to bulk carrier
- Seafloor mining tools storage, launch/retrieval, energy supply and control systems
- Vertical transport system storage, launch/retrieval, energy supply and control system
- Energy supply, storage, auxiliary systems, living quarters etc.



For illustration purposes only

# Aspirational targets

## Green Minerals

### Exploration

- Granted Survey License within 3 months after opening
- Awarded 3 Production Licenses by early 2024
- Minimum one discovery of SMS with +5m tonnes of ore by YE 2024/25
- 5+ % average grade Cu (+ others Zn, Au, Ag, trace elements )
- or alternatively +8 % Zn + 1% Cu (+ others Au, Ag, trace elements)

### Development/Production – one system operational in 2027/28

- Mining & vertical transport capacity: 5-8000 tonnes/day ore to surface
- 200+ day/year operations
- 1,5 M tonnes ore/year
- Processing performed in Norway/Scandinavia

### Annual gross value of ore from start

**production of** (based on current metal prices and "ore to metal factor")

- \$ 400 M for Copper only (+ additional value for other metals) or
- \$ 300 M for Zinc/Copper only (+ additional value for other metals)
- \$75-100m est in other metals (Au,Ag++)

### One Green Minerals production system:

Flow rate: min 5-8000 tonnes/day  
Utilisation: min 200+ days/year  
Annual ore production: min 1,5mt

### Gross revenues: >\$400m/yr

Revenue/tonne ore: 10-20x higher than similar onshore

Valuation onshore 2020e (EV/S):  
Boliden 1,4  
Rio Tinto 2,6

### Environmental footprint: 90% lower than similar onshore

### Processing costs: 90% lower than similar onshore

Example: other industry calc,  
only for illustration purpose

Key metrics*		
Mineral resources	30	Million tons
Enrichment (CuEq)	5.3	%
Sum Revenue	7,360	USD million
Sum Expex	40	USD million
Sum Capex	780	USD million
Sum Opex	2,250	USD million
Sum Abex	100	USD million
Unit cost (CuEq)**	2.0	USD/kg CuEq
Lifting cost (CuEq)**	1.4	USD/kg CuEq
Pre-tax NPV0	4,260	USD million
Pre-tax NPV10	746	USD million
Pre-tax IRR	29	%

Source: Rystad

# Our strategic goals

## Green Minerals

### Short term

Green Minerals to be recognized as a pioneer in offshore mining and a leader in Marine Minerals

### Medium term

Green Minerals to win licenses to survey, explore and produce Marine Minerals on the Norwegian Shelf, thereby capitalizing on a NOK 700bn worth of resource potential

### Long term

Green Minerals to win mining licenses internationally based on our Norwegian Shelf technology, and establish the company as a leading offshore miner globally



# Investment highlights

## Green Minerals

A pioneer in offshore mining and a leader in Marine Minerals on the Norwegian Continental Shelf

- Pursuing a NOK 700bn opportunity
- Potential to generate over NOK 4 billion in annual revenues once production system is operational
- EBITDA margin target >50%
- Targeting key minerals vital to electrification and digitization
- Sharply lowering the environmental footprint and eliminating the social costs in the mining industry
- Solving a geopolitical dilemma for EU and USA
- 20 years experience in offshore exploration globally through parent company
- Targeting more than one license in the first license round
- Only listed company in Marine Minerals, providing first-mover advantage on NCS

# Quarterly and annual highlights



# Highlights

## Full year 2020

- COVID-19 and low oil prices
- Costs significantly reduced
- Secured long-term bank financing in the first quarter
- Positive EBITDA of \$0.2m in 2020 (-\$5.7m in 2019) with utilization down from 62% to 34%

## Fourth quarter 2020

- Revenues of \$1.9 million (\$7.6 million Q4 2019)
- EBITDA of -\$1.1 million (-\$5.5 million Q4 2019)
- 29% fleet utilization
- Equity ratio of 59%

## Subsequent events

- Awarded 2D contract in the Asia Pacific region

# Market and operational review



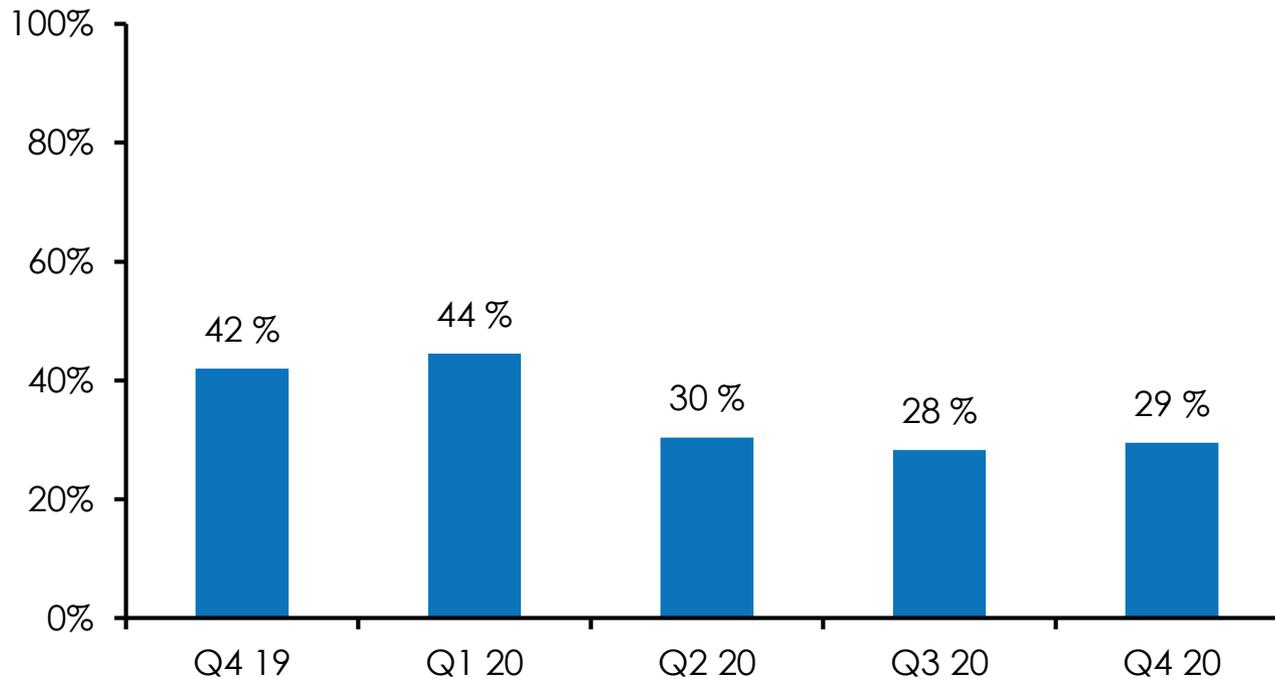
# Flexible fleet: niche streamer and source

5-7 vessels capable of 2D and source operations

						
	EAGLE EXPLORER	FULMAR EXPLORER	PETREL EXPLORER	GEO BARENTS	VOYAGER EXPLORER	NORDIC EXPLORER
Status	Owned	Owned	Owned	Flex TC	Flex TC	Flex TC
Source	Yes	Yes	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes
2D	Yes	Yes	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes
Streamer	Sentinel	Sentinel	NA	Sentinel	Sentinel	DigiStreamer
Built/rebuilt	2009	2009	2008	2007	2006	1986/1993

# Vessel utilization

Vessel utilization

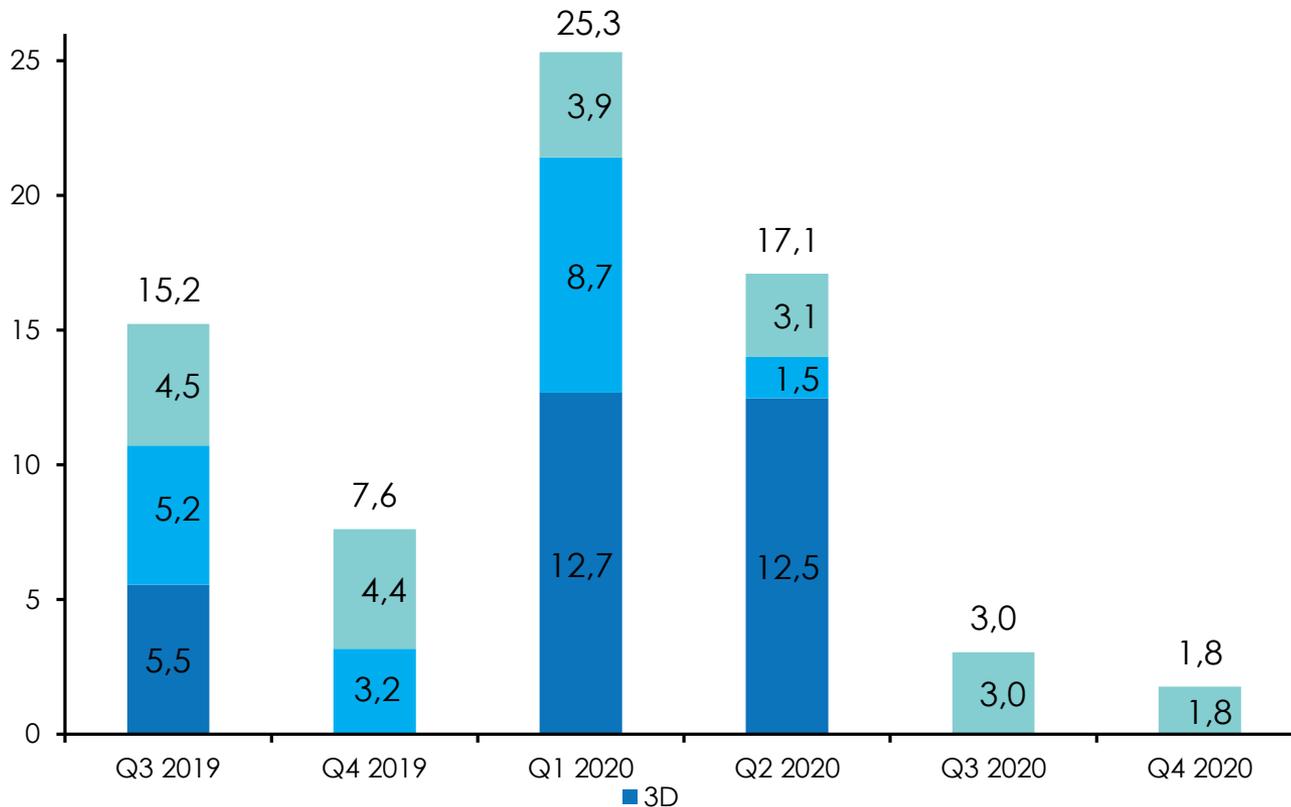


Q4 2020 utilization of 29%

Utilization includes Fulmar Explorer, Eagle Explorer, Petrel Explorer and Voyager Explorer, but excludes Geo Barents and Nordic Explorer

# Segment operating activity

Contract revenue by survey type  
(USD millions)



Q4 revenues relates to the OBN source contracts for Voyager Explorer and Eagle Explorer

3D survey in Q1 and Q2 2020 was subcontracted to a third party

# Operational update

Two vessels in operation during the quarter

## Voyager Explorer (Asia Pacific)

- OBN source project in Asia Pacific completed in mid-November

## Eagle Explorer (US GoM)

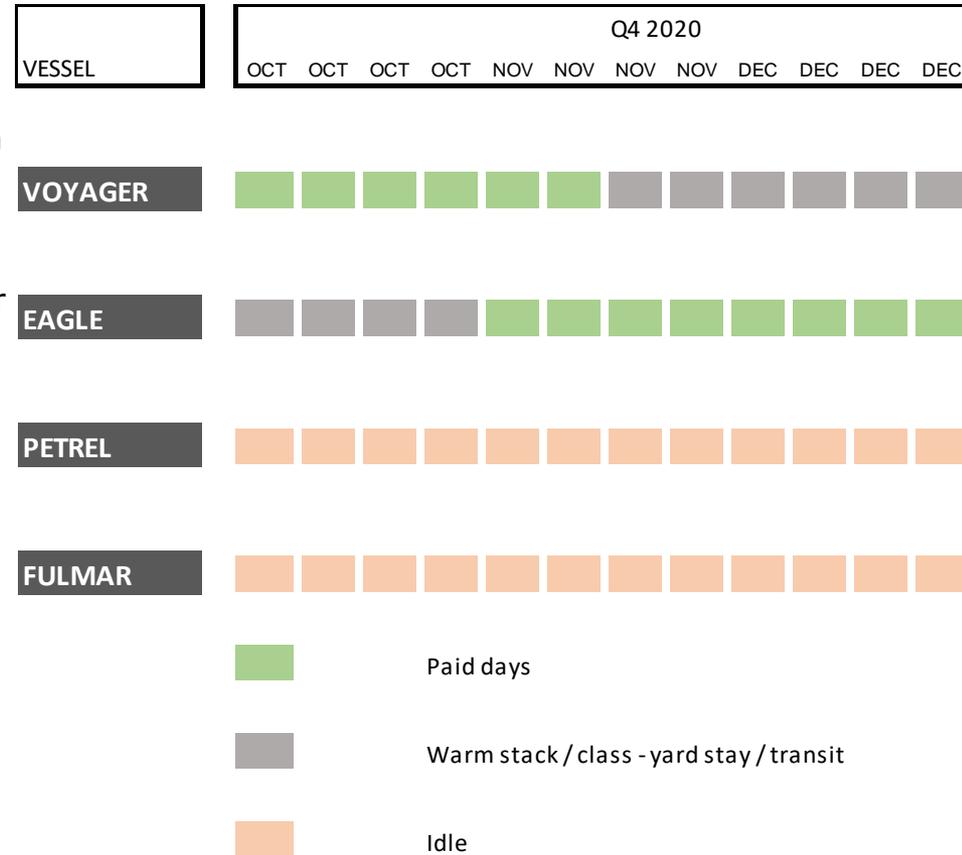
- Mobilized for OBN source contract in November
- Commenced contract on 26 November

## Petrel Explorer (North Sea)

- Lay-up in Norway

## Fulmar Explorer (North Sea)

- Lay-up in Norway



# Market trends

## Tendering activity returned in Q4

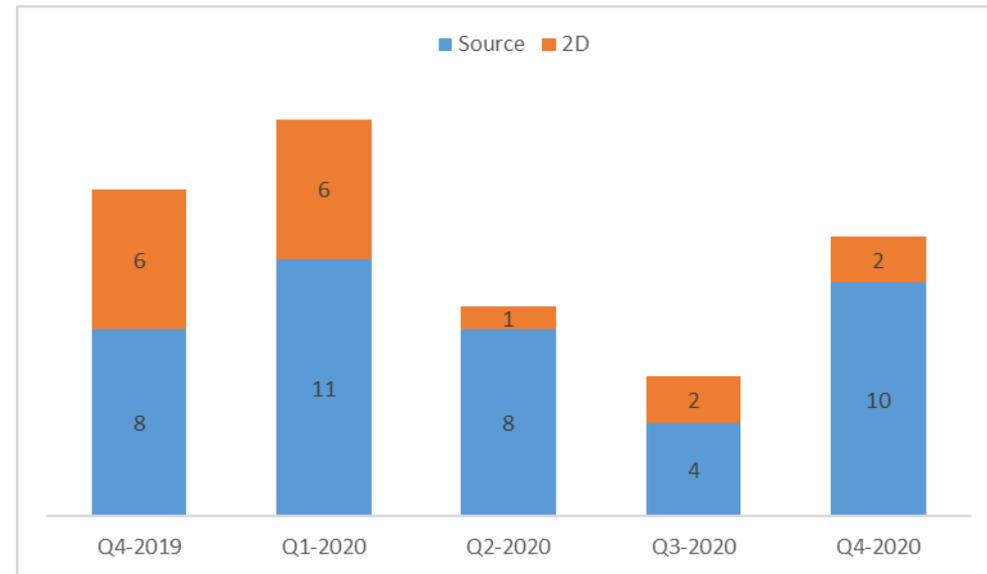
- Sound OBN tendering-activity for work commencing in 2021
- Modest 2D activity – in line with market expectations
- Revival of postponed tenders / surveys from previous quarters

## Ocean bottom seismic

- Oil & gas companies' focus on increased oil recovery on producing fields, as well as near-field exploration
- Competitive source vessel market

## Proprietary 2D surveys

- Energy security emerging as a demand driver in select regions – Far East and Africa



# Financial review



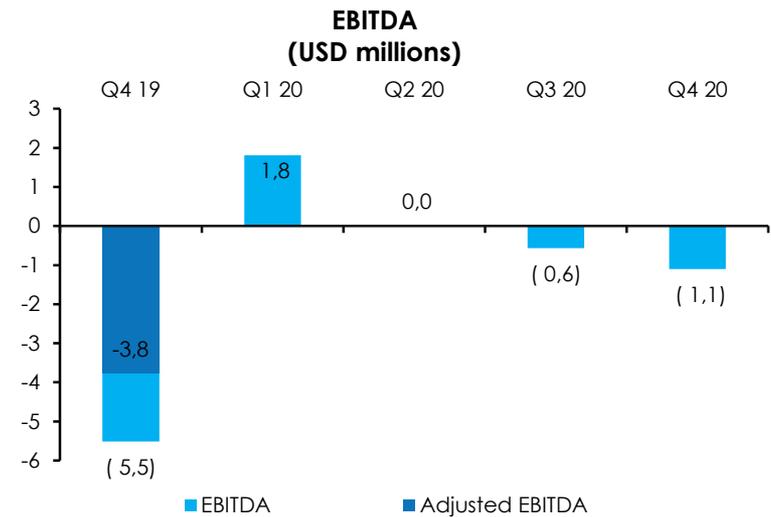
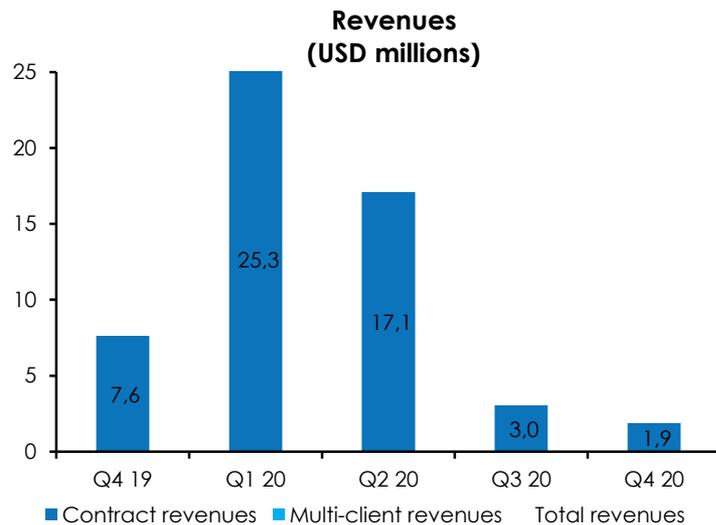
# Key figures

Unaudited figures

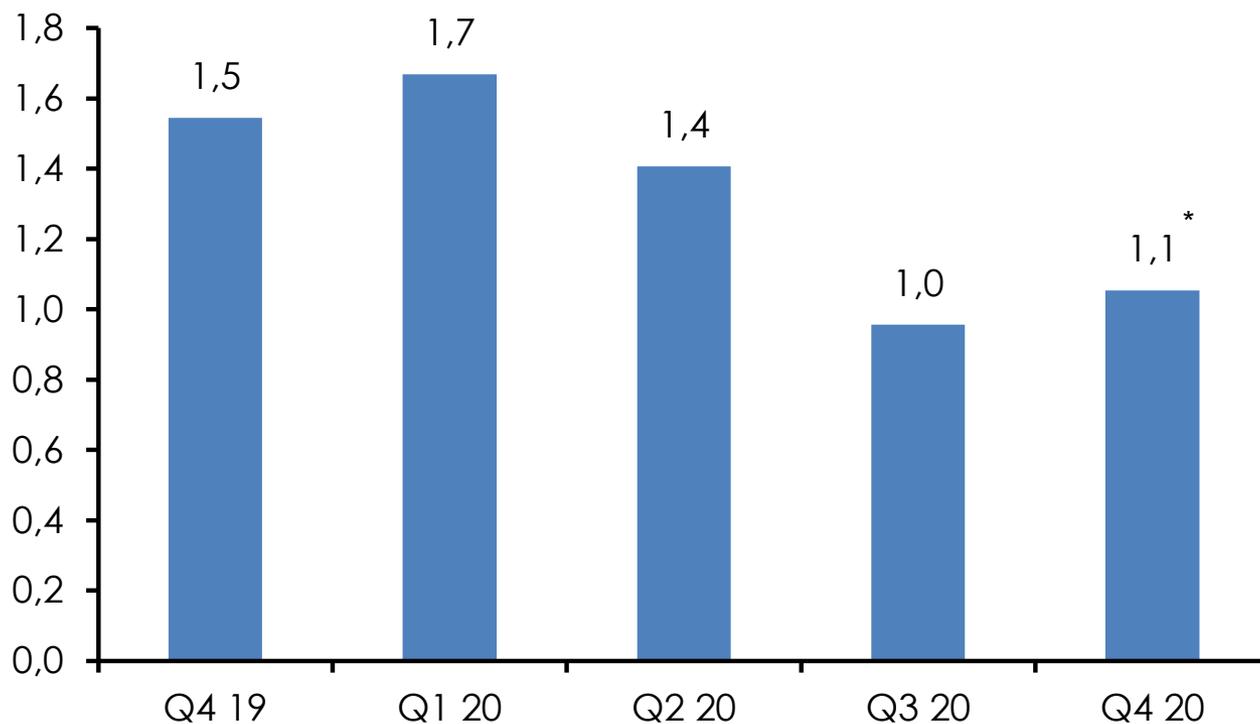
	Q4 2020	Q4 2019	FY 2020	FY 2019
Revenues	1 890	7 636	47 367	45 136
EBITDA	(1097)	(5 512)	203	(5 638)
EBIT	(4 903)	(10 979)	(13 603)	(22 379)
Profit/(loss)	(2 992)	(11 817)	(13 029)	(23 315)
Earnings per share (diluted)	(0,11)	(0,44)	(0,48)	(1,09)
Utilization	29 %	42 %	34 %	62 %
Cash and cash equivalents	6 333	3 645	6 333	3 645
Cash flow operating activities	(2 369)	(5)	970	(8 065)
Total assets	63 440	70 876	63 440	70 874
Net interest bearing debt	2 024	1 507	2 024	1 507
Equity ratio	59 %	66 %	59 %	66 %

All figures in USD 1 000's (except Utilization, EPS and equity ratio)

# Historical operating comparison



## SG&A (USD millions)



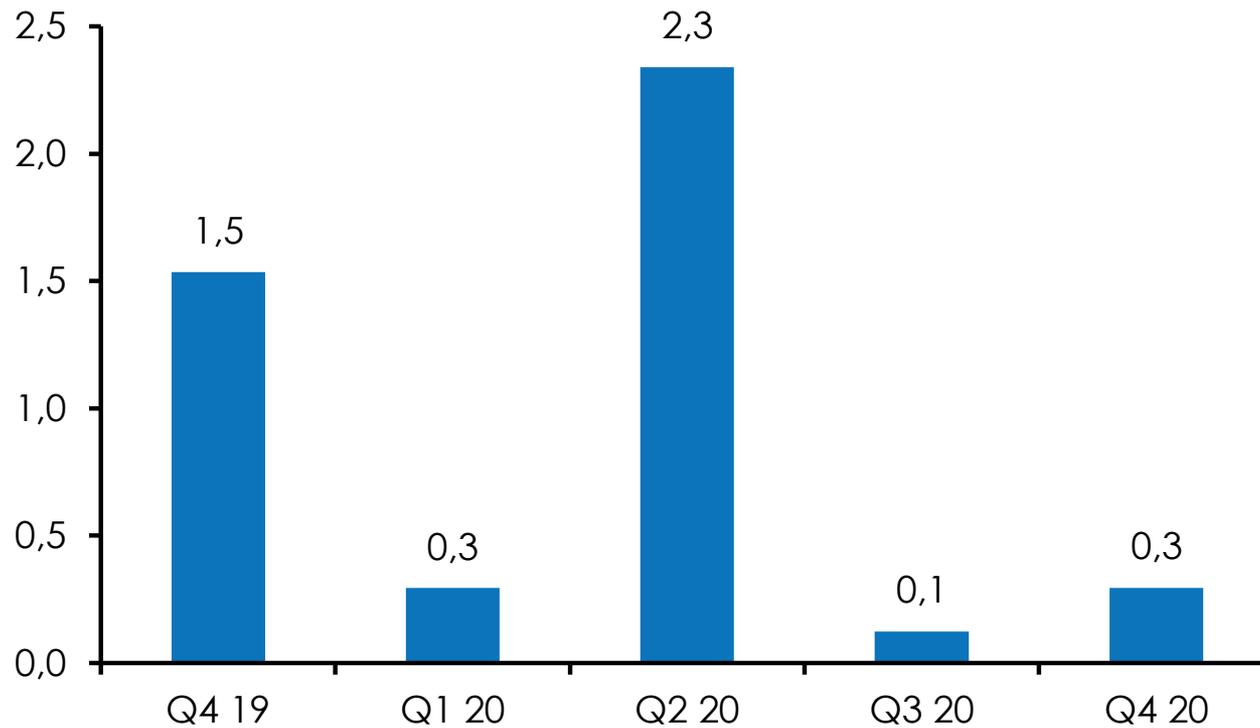
More than 40%  
reduction from 2H  
2019 to 2H 2020

A further reduction  
is expected in 2021

\*) Expenses related to adjustments in the value of share option program has been excluded

# Investments

**Capital expenditure  
(USD millions)**

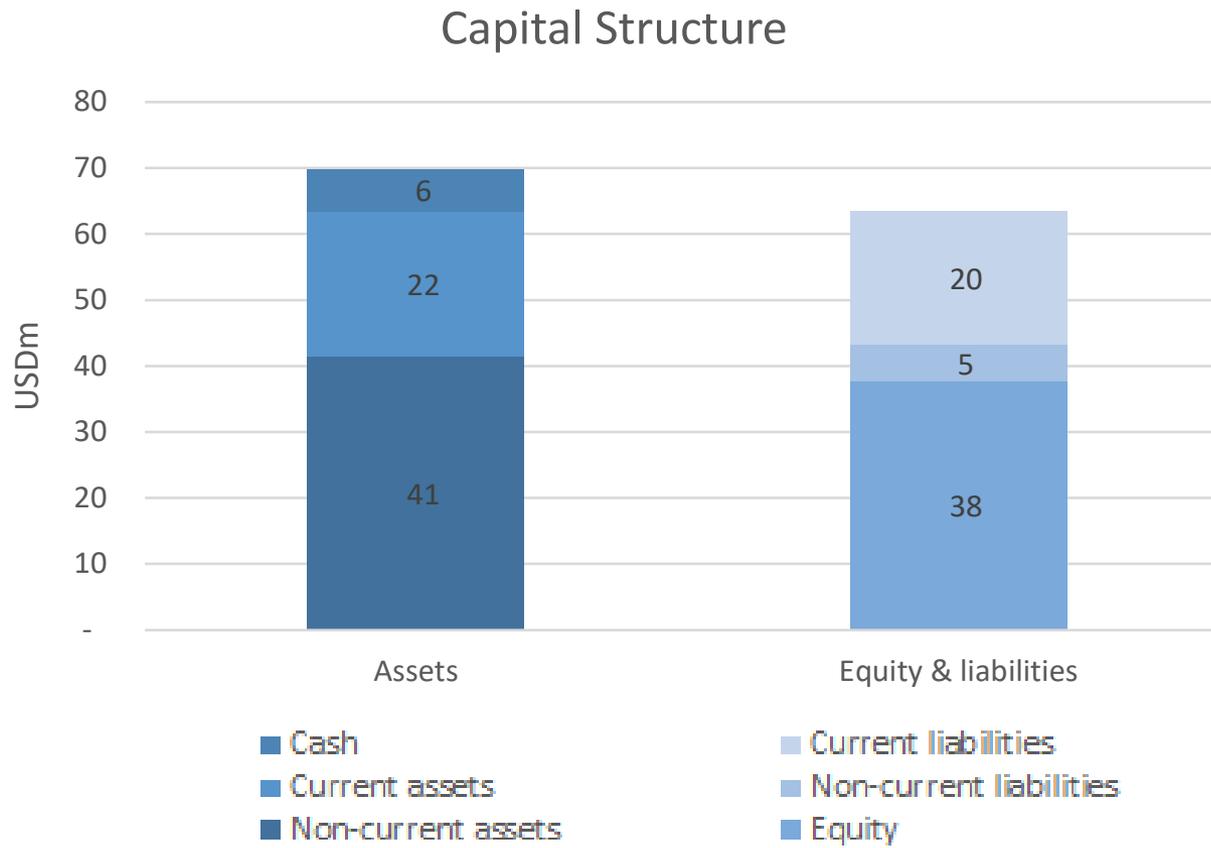


Remaining outfitting of Fulmar Explorer has been postponed and will be subject to contract award

Rigging of Geo Barents will take place upon contract award

Outfitting of Fulmar Explorer and rigging of Geo Barents will be covered by USD 16m credit facility

# Capital structure



Equity ratio of 59%

Interest-bearing bank debt of USD 8.5m

Net interest-bearing debt of USD 2.0m

# Summary



# Summary



Becoming an enabler for the green transition through Green Minerals



Returning capital to shareholders following worst year in industry



Continued strong operational performance following turnaround



Oil prices and tendering activity turning up



Changing focus from restructuring to profitability and growth

# Why invest in SeaBird Exploration



Lowest cost provider and capital-efficient strategy



Modern, flexible fleet adding to cost advantage



Delayed projects and higher oil prices likely to spur growth from 2021



Strong balance sheet and fully funded for targeted growth areas



Crystalizing values by spinning off and listing Green Minerals in Q1 2021

# Q&A

