

# SECO: 9M and Q3 2022 Results and Business update

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# Here today





**Massimo Mauri** CEO



Lorenzo Mazzini CFO



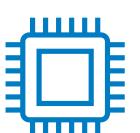
**Marco Parisi** Head of Investor Relations



# Key takeaways from 2022 YTD

Delivering execution in a complex scenario





- 9M 2022: Net sales at €144.8m, +116% vs. 9M 2021 (+53% organic growth, +43% on a like-for-like basis)
- Adj. EBITDA at €32.1m (22.1% of sales), +128% vs. 9M 2021
- Q3 2022: strong acceleration of revenue (+102% vs. Q3 2021)
- More than proportional Adj. EBITDA growth, +151% vs. Q3 2021 (23.6% of Net sales)
- Critical components stocking: investments continued in Q3 2022, a strategic decision to secure future growth
- €4.2m cash generation in the last two quarters thanks to strong business expansion

Solid and resilient business model



- **GPM** incidence stable in 9M 2022 vs. FY 2021, at 47.1%;
- Q3 2022: 47.5% of Net Sales (vs. 46.8% in H1 2022)



- CLEA business at €15m in 9M 2022 (10% of sales), +548% vs. 9M 2021
- €5m in Q3 2022, +269% vs. Q3 2021

Increased visibility on 2022-23



Order backlog at €169m at 31.10.22, vs. €114M (October 2021), +48% on a like-for-like basis



• FY 2022 Net sales guidance at €200m confirmed thanks to orders already in backlog



# Focus on Q3 2022



Revenue growth driving operating leverage

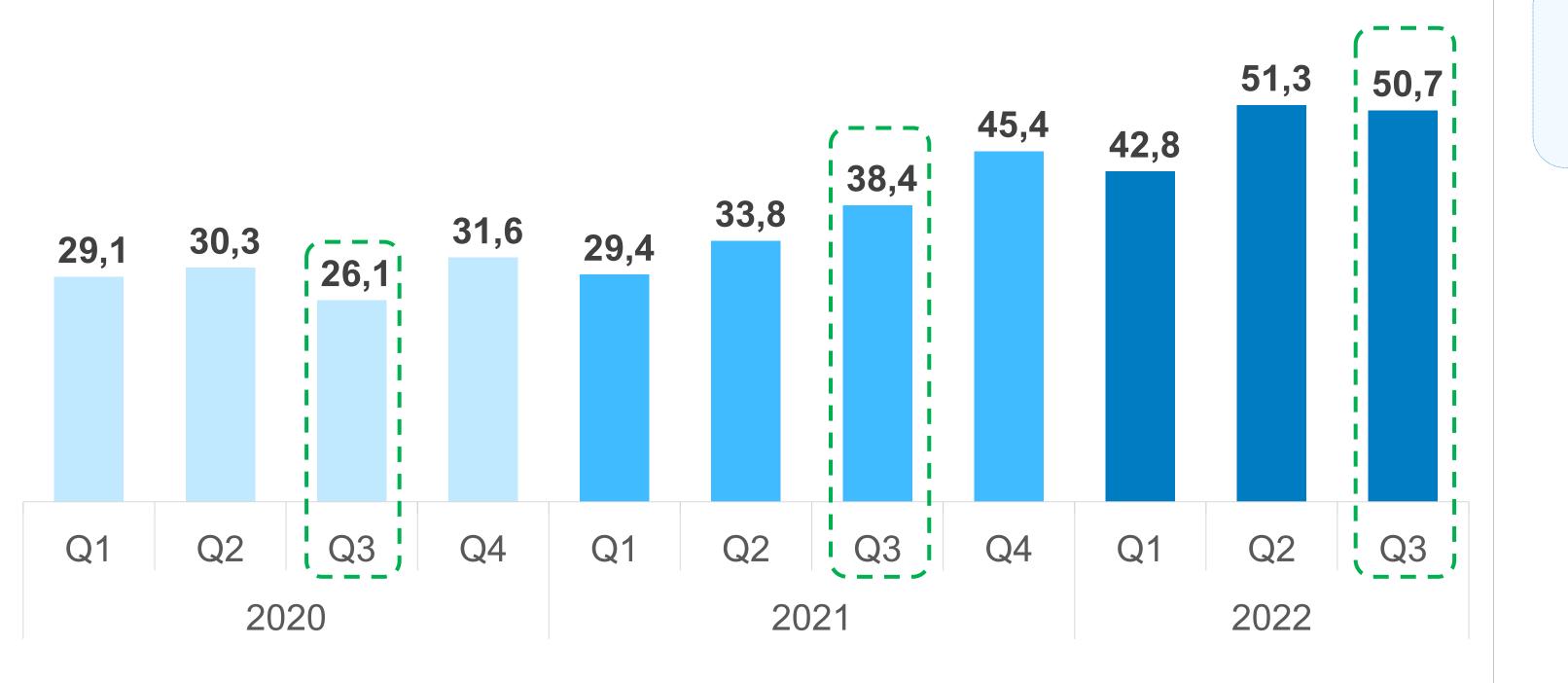




# Quarterly performance focus

Quarter-by-quarter growth driven by organic and M&A expansion

**Like-for-like historical revenue by quarter (€m)** 



Average quarterly revenue

**€29,3M** Q1-Q4 2020

€36,7M Q1-Q4 2021

> €48,3M 2022 YTD



# 9M 2022 financial highlights



9M21



9M22

Net sales

€66.9m



€144.8m

- +53% organic growth, +43% like-for-like growth in 9M 2022 vs. 9M 2021
- Edge computing business growing at 101% in 9M 2022 vs. 9M 2021
- CLEA revenue at €15m in 9M 2022 (vs. €2.2m in 9M 2021)

### **Gross margin**

€31.5m



€68.1m

47.1%

- 47.5% of net sales in Q3 2022, vs. 46.8% in H1 2022
- Price increase actions adopted in previous quarters have helped improve the gross margin incidence
- Positive impact from CLEA revenue

### Adj. EBITDA

€14.1m

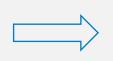


**€32.1m** [22.1%]

Operating leverage continuing in Q3 2022 thanks to business acceleration and OPEX control

### Adj. Net Income

€7.2m



€15.0m

- D&A: +€5.4m higher vs. 9M 2021
- Financial expenses: +€2.7M higher vs. 9M 2021, largely due to G&F acquisition financing
- Taxes calculated with theoretical tax rate



# **Net sales**

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€144.8m

9M 2022 Net sales

**+€77.8m** 9M 2022 vs. 9M 2021

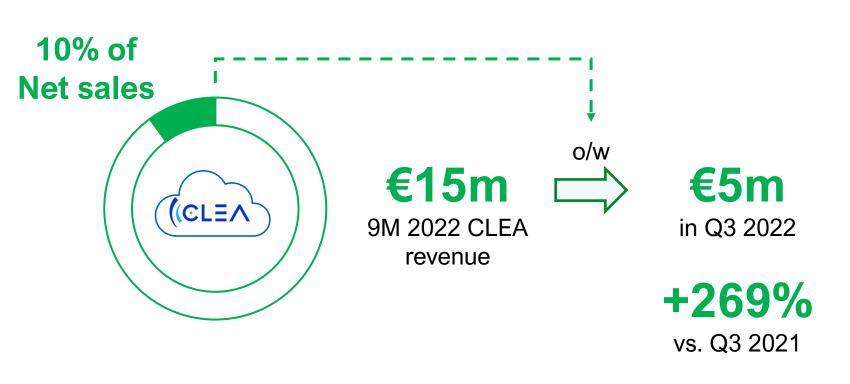
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Edge computing growth (1.4x on a like-for-like basis)

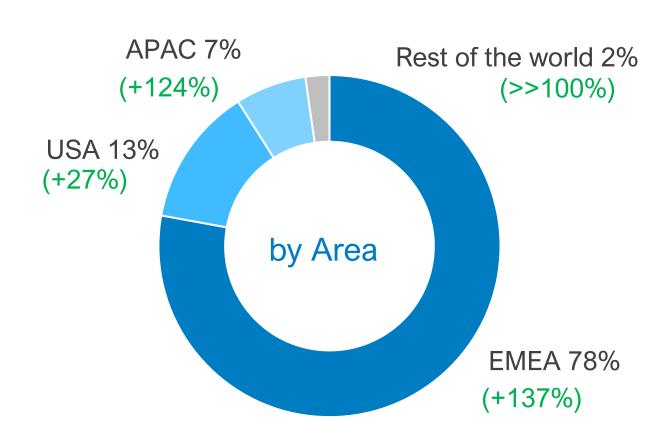
9M 2022 vs. 9M 2021 growth

6.5x

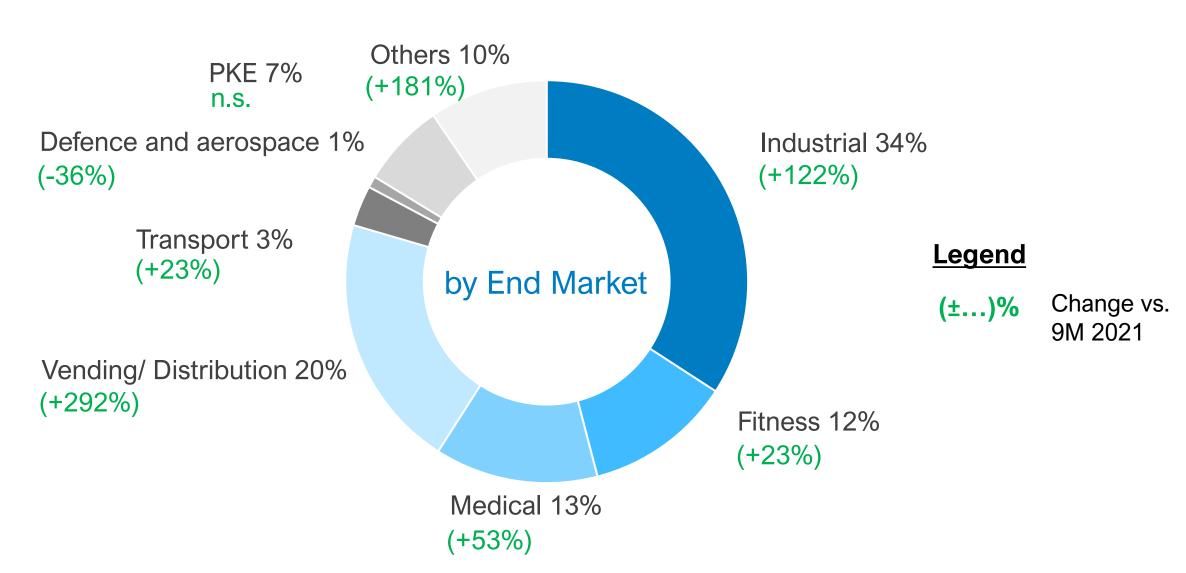
CLEA growth



Net sales breakdown (9M 2022)



- 9M 2022 Net sales growing by +116% vs. 9M 2021 (+53% organic, +43% on a like-for-like basis)
- Edge computing business at **+101%** in 9M 2022, largely thanks to a growth in the Industrial, Fitness, Medical, Vending industries



- CLEA business continuting its expansion trend, hitting €15m revenue in 9M 2022 (+548% vs. 9M 2021) of which €5m in Q3 2022
- EMEA, APAC, USA markets all showing growth trends



# Adjusted EBITDA

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€32.1m

9M 2022 Adj. EBITDA

+€18.0m

9M 2022 vs. 9M 2021

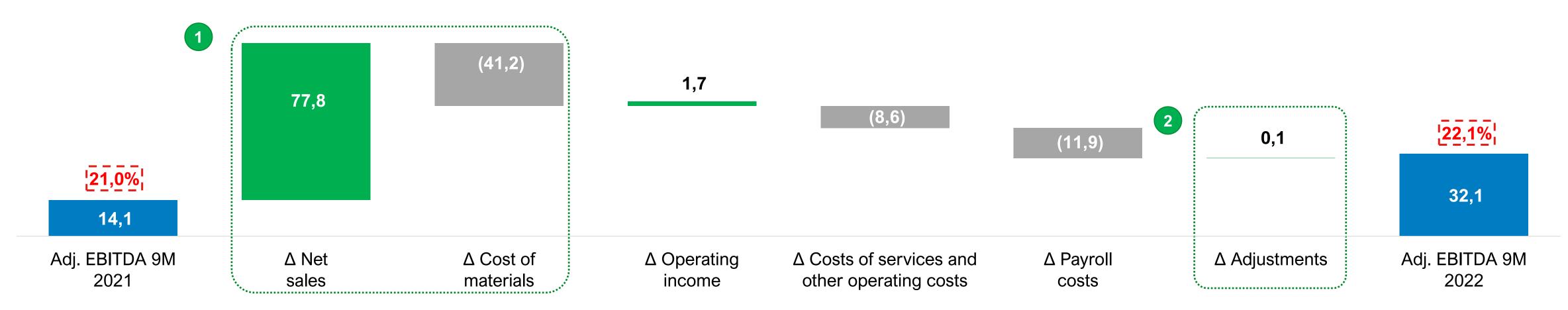
+128%

% growth vs. 9M 2021

22.1%

of Net sales

### Adjusted EBITDA bridge (€m)



### 1 Gross margin effect

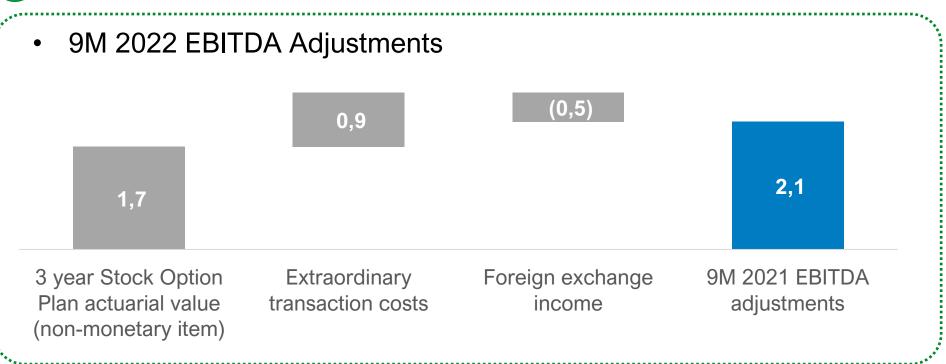
- 9M 2022: **+116% growth** vs. 9M 2021 mainly explained by **business expansion** in Edge computing and CLEA segments and **price increase** actions taken in past months becoming effective
- Operating leverage generation in Q3 2022

(Q3 2022 vs. Q3 2021)

Net sales +102%

Adj. EBITDA +151%

### 2 Adjustments

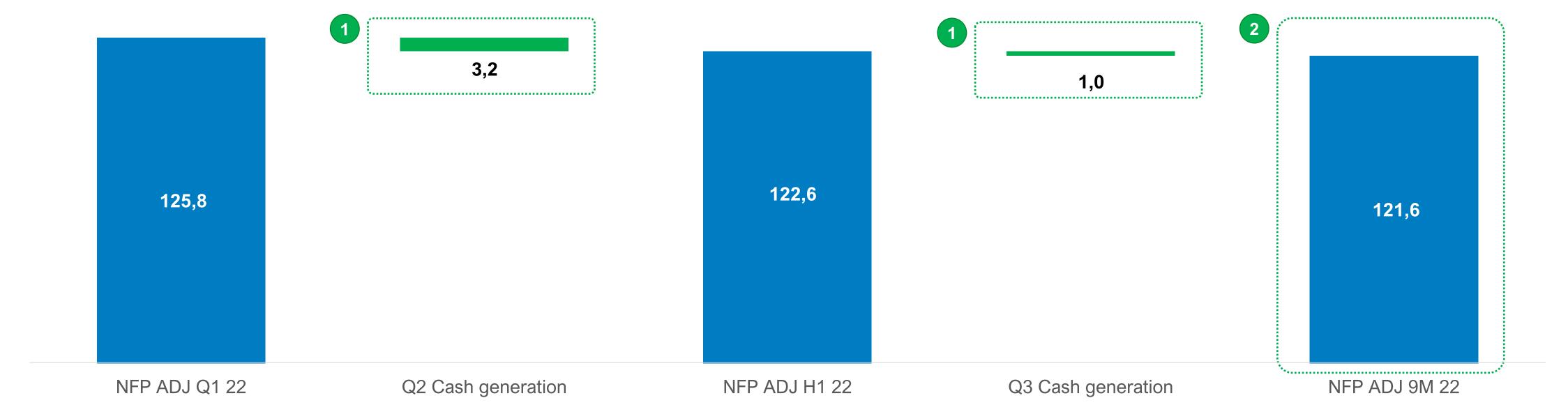




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# Adjusted Net financial position

### Adjusted Net debt bridge (€m)





€4.2m

Cash generation in the last two quarters thanks to business expansion











# Scaling up the value chain...

Digitalization: a just-started secular trend, creating a huge market for smart devices

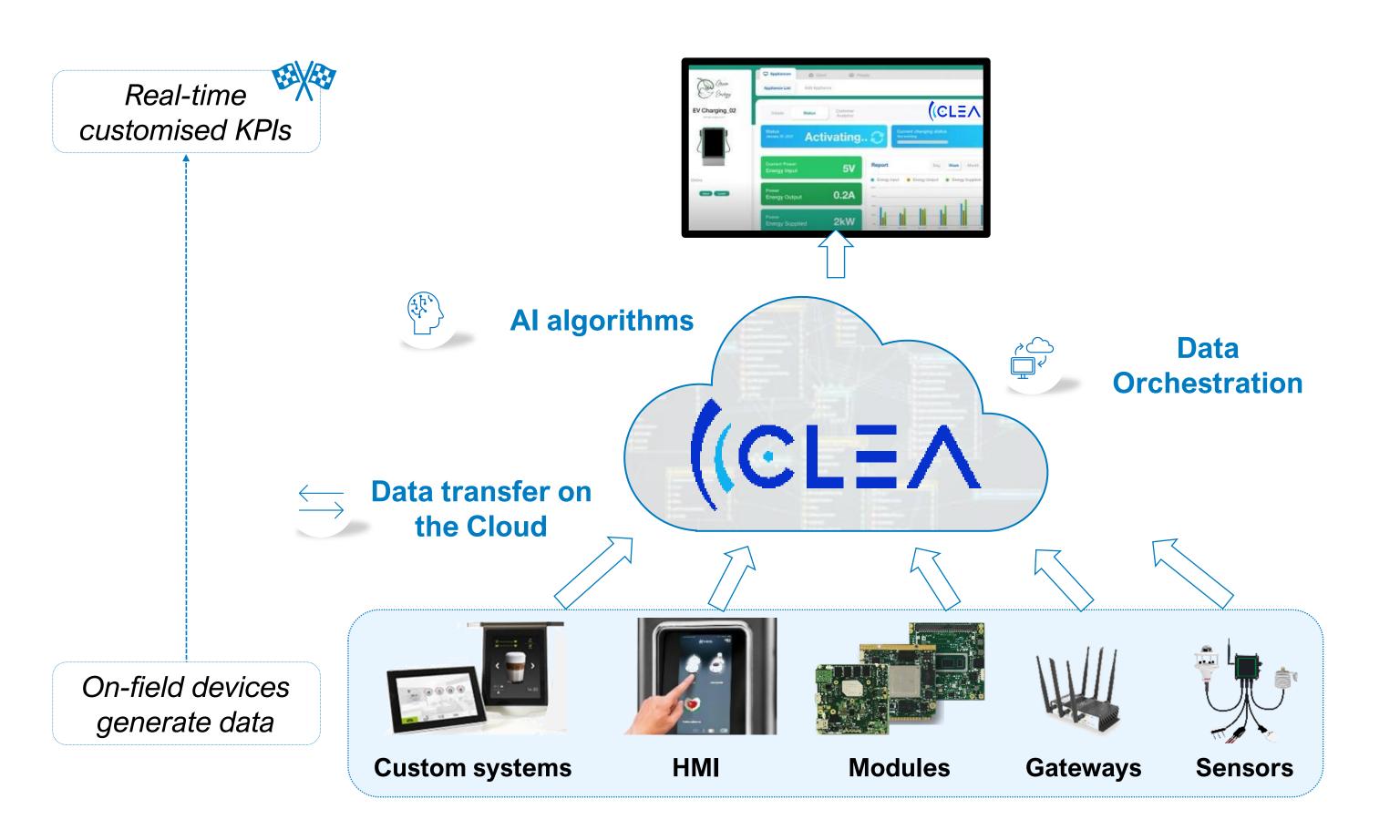




Endless ways to the future

# ...From Hardware to Service company

Solving complexity for our customers, allowing them to just focus on their own core business

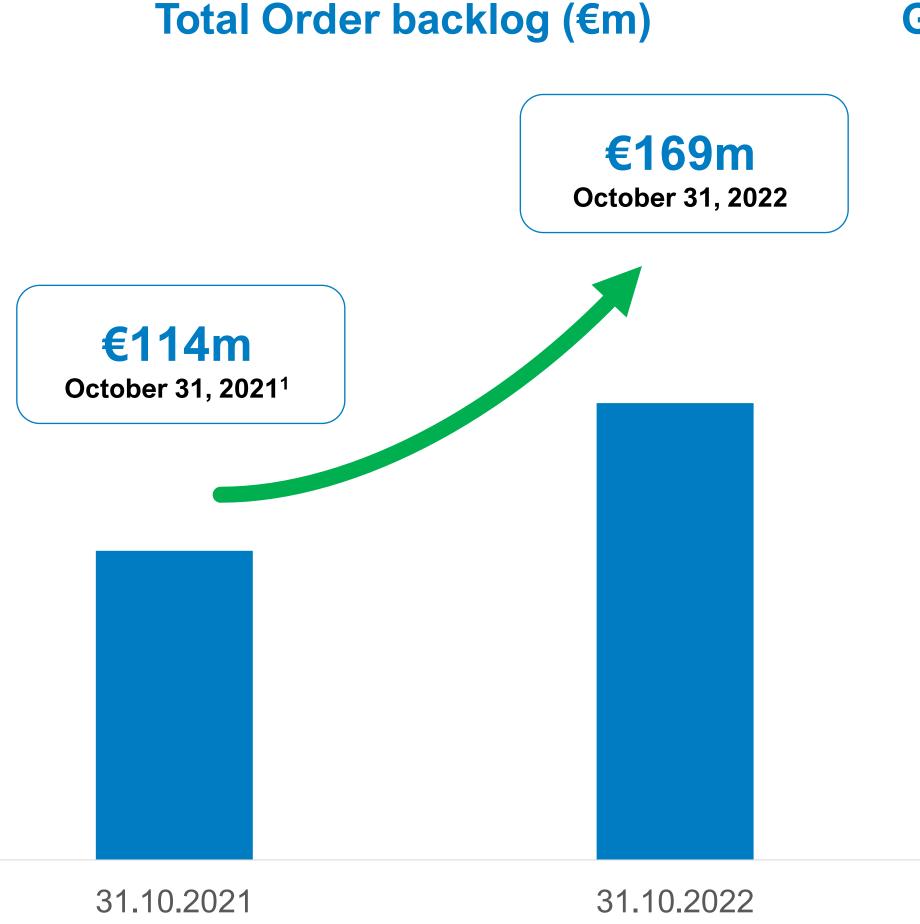






# October '22 backlog

Increased visibility on FY 2022 and 2023

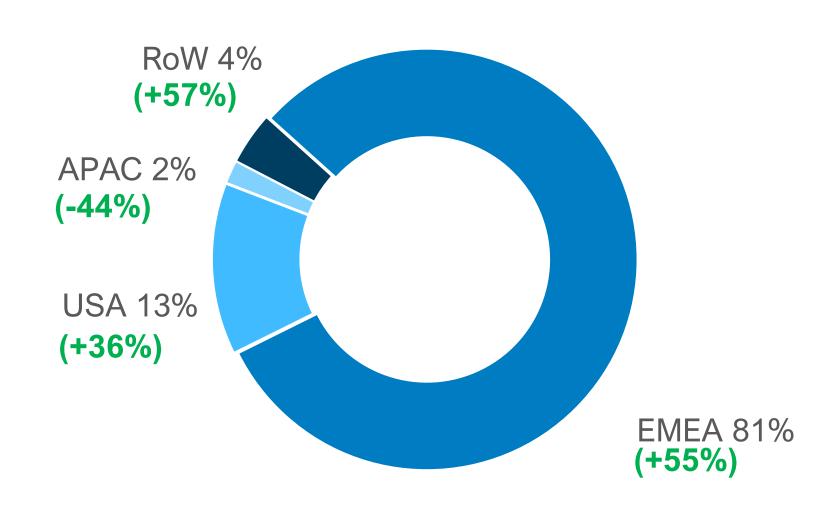


### **Growth rates (Oct22 vs. Oct21)**

1.5x
Like-for-like<sup>1</sup> order backlog increase

1.5x
Order backlog increase without SECO N.E. contribution

### Oct22 Order backlog by area



Legend

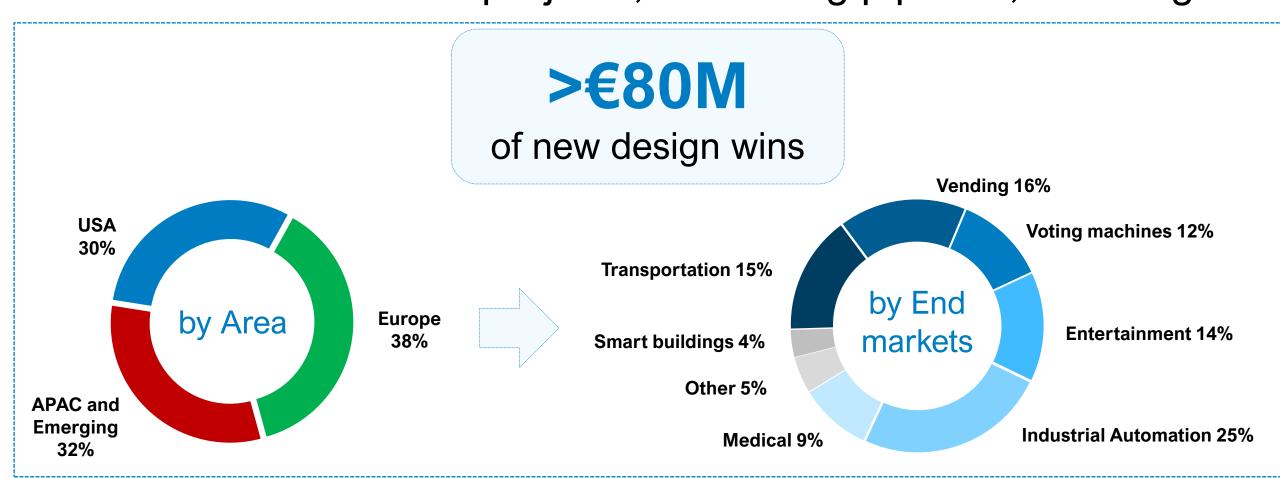
(±...%) Change vs. Oct. 2021

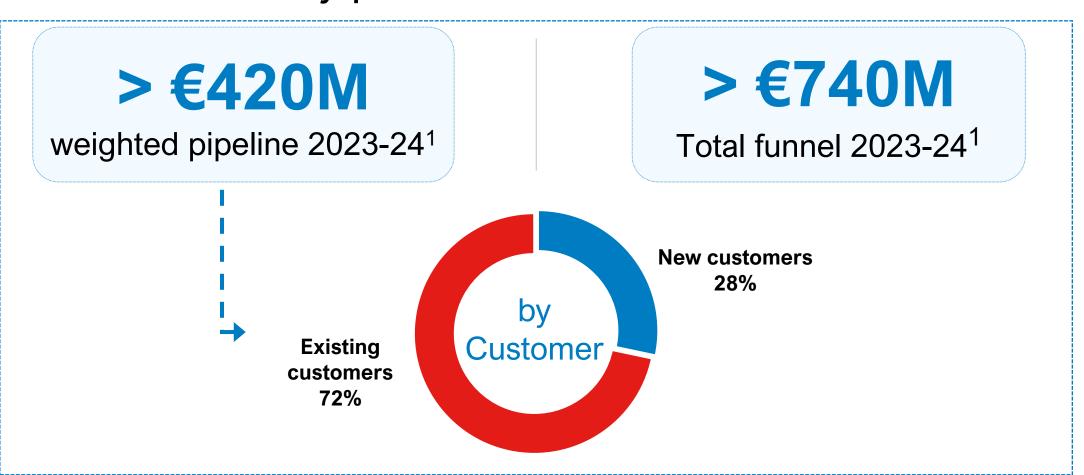




# Edge computing business

Diversified base of new projects, increasing pipeline, ensuring independence from any particular market





### Main recent design wins

Voting



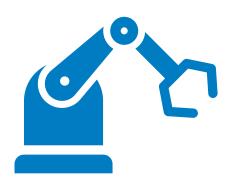
**5** years

ears Project lifetime

€10M

Project value per year

**Industrial Automation** 



**5** years

Project lifetime

**€8M** 

Project value per year

Medical



10 years

**€6**M

Project value

per year

Project lifetime

Vending



**5** years

Project lifetime

**€4**M

Project value per year



Business

size



# Edge computing business

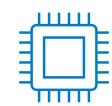
What's next? Adding new functionalities and use cases to our portfolio

### Some recently launched **features**





**Sensors** 



Al accelerator



Cybersecurity



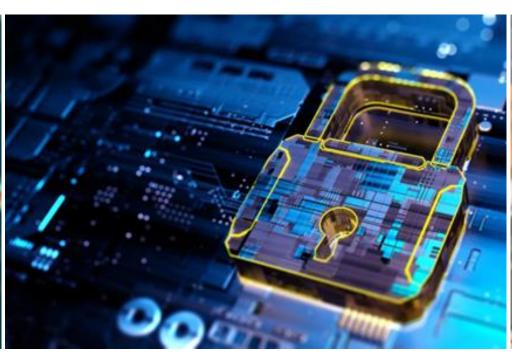
**Functional Safety** 



**EV** chargers











Integrated sensors to offer a complete solution: from on-field data extraction to its real-time Al processing

Neural networks for an Al-boosted data inference

Proprietary and on-edge

Al algorithms helping in define

on-time corrective actions

Raise safety level of human-machine interactions in industrial space

Improved user experience with

HMI, connectivity, secure payment

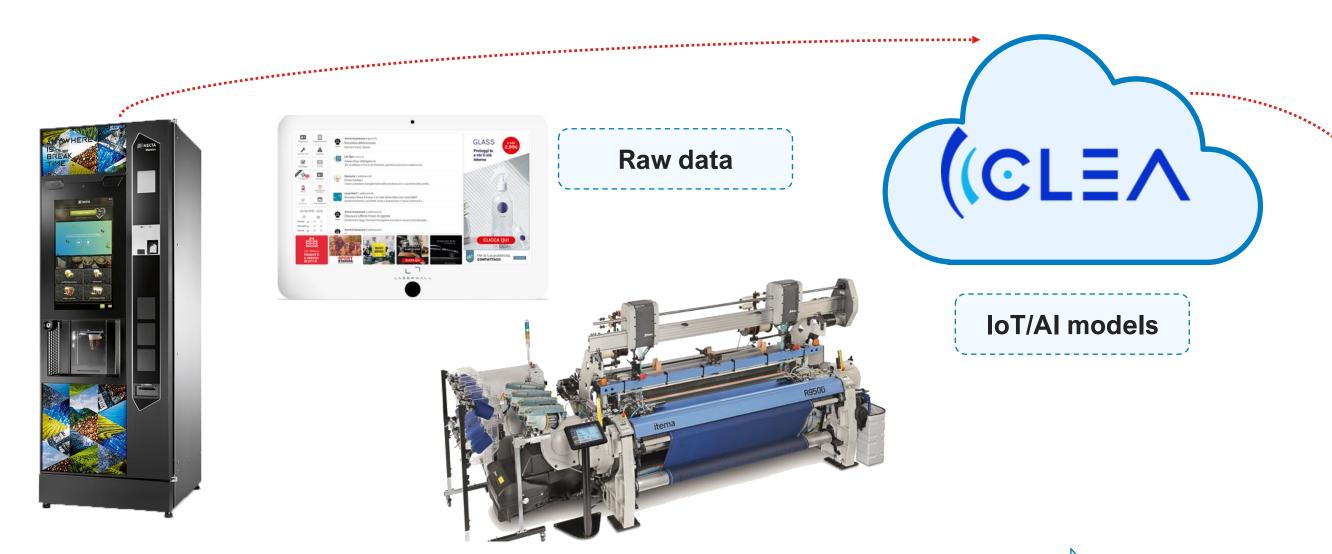
system and Al integrated solutions

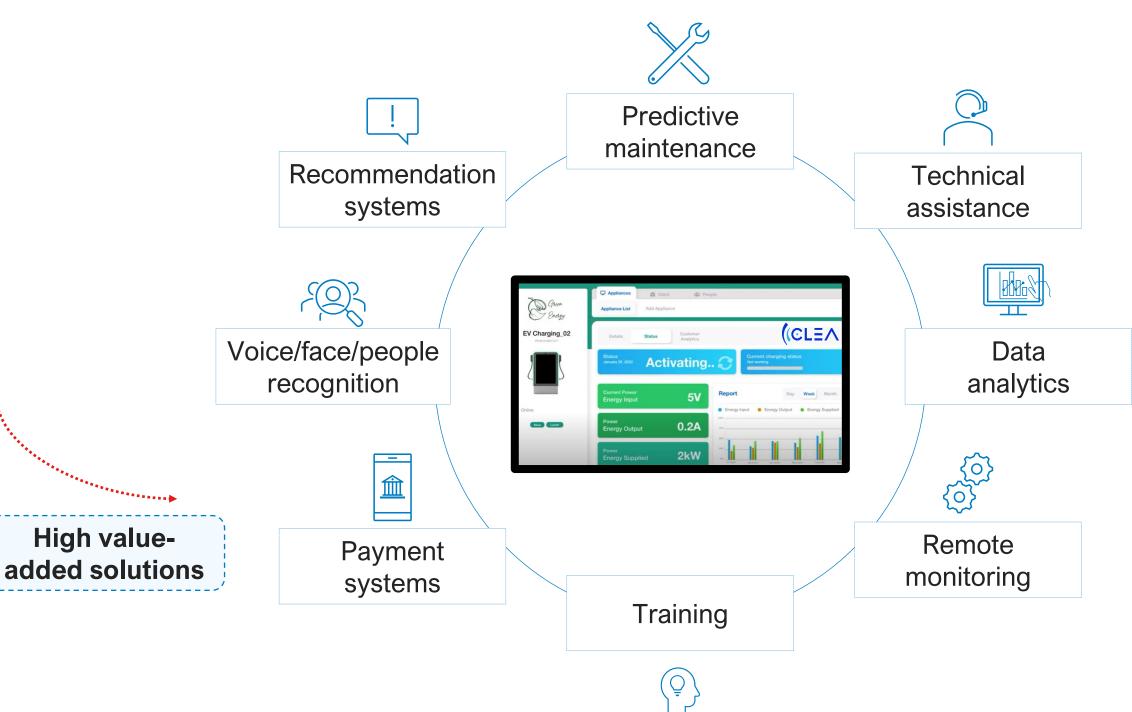




# **CLEA** business

Enabling the servitization of our customers' business models

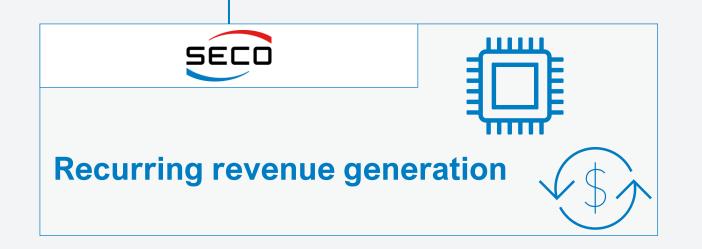




From selling hardware-only **Edge products**...

... customers are enabled to offer digital services with recurring revenue





### **Our customers**

**Servitize** part of their business models



High value-

### Our customers' customers

Gain benefits at a multiple of their per-device fee







# **CLEA** business

Increasing stream of new adopters and testers, with pricing structure tailored to any customer's business model



Requests to **test CLEA** are continuously increasing...



...getting us increased visibility from early adopters and large prospects...



...enabling us to target new high-profile customers

New adoption and possible future projects with industry-leading customers



Vending & Retail





**Electric motors** 



**Motion tracking** 



**CNC** machines



Smart infrastructures









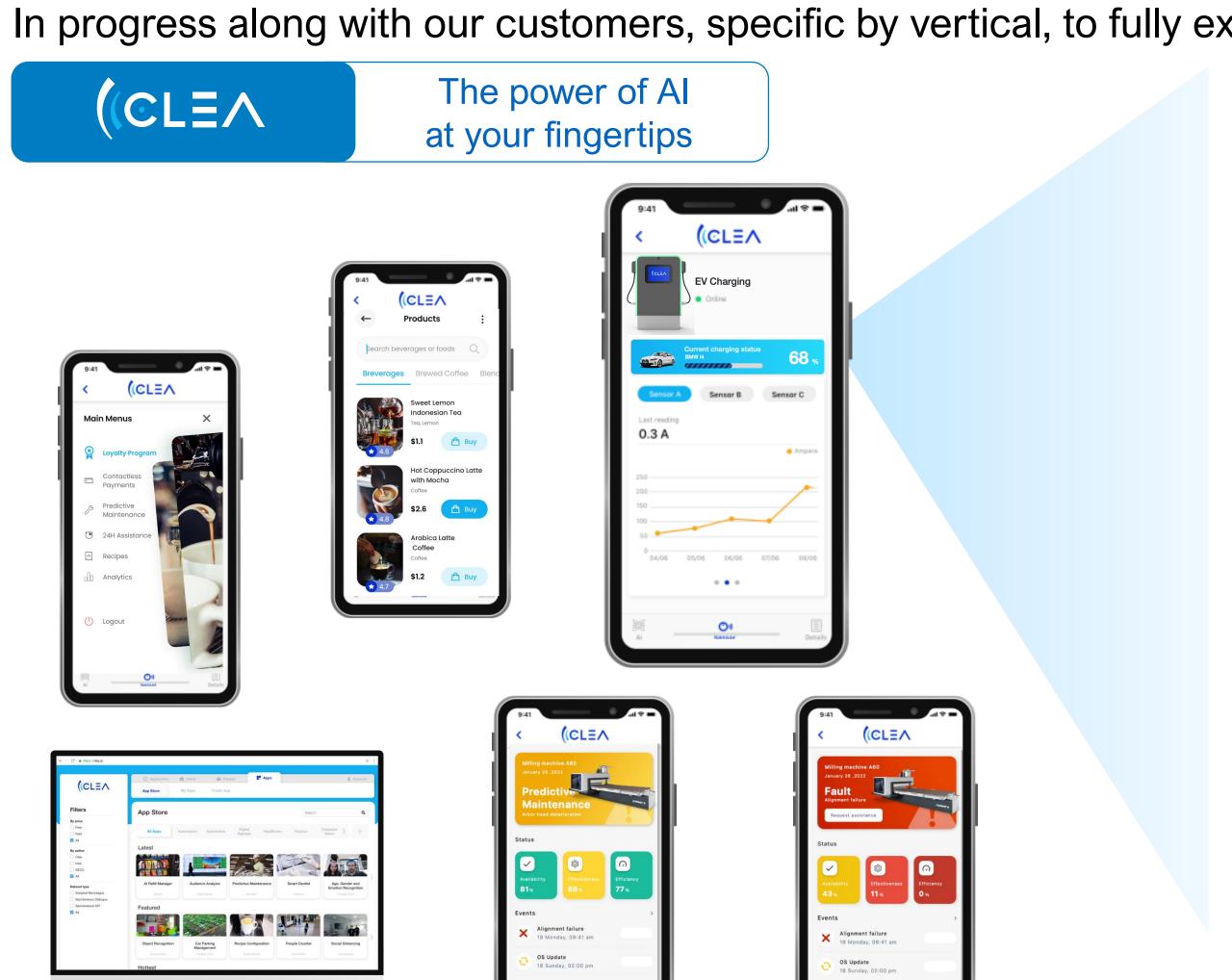


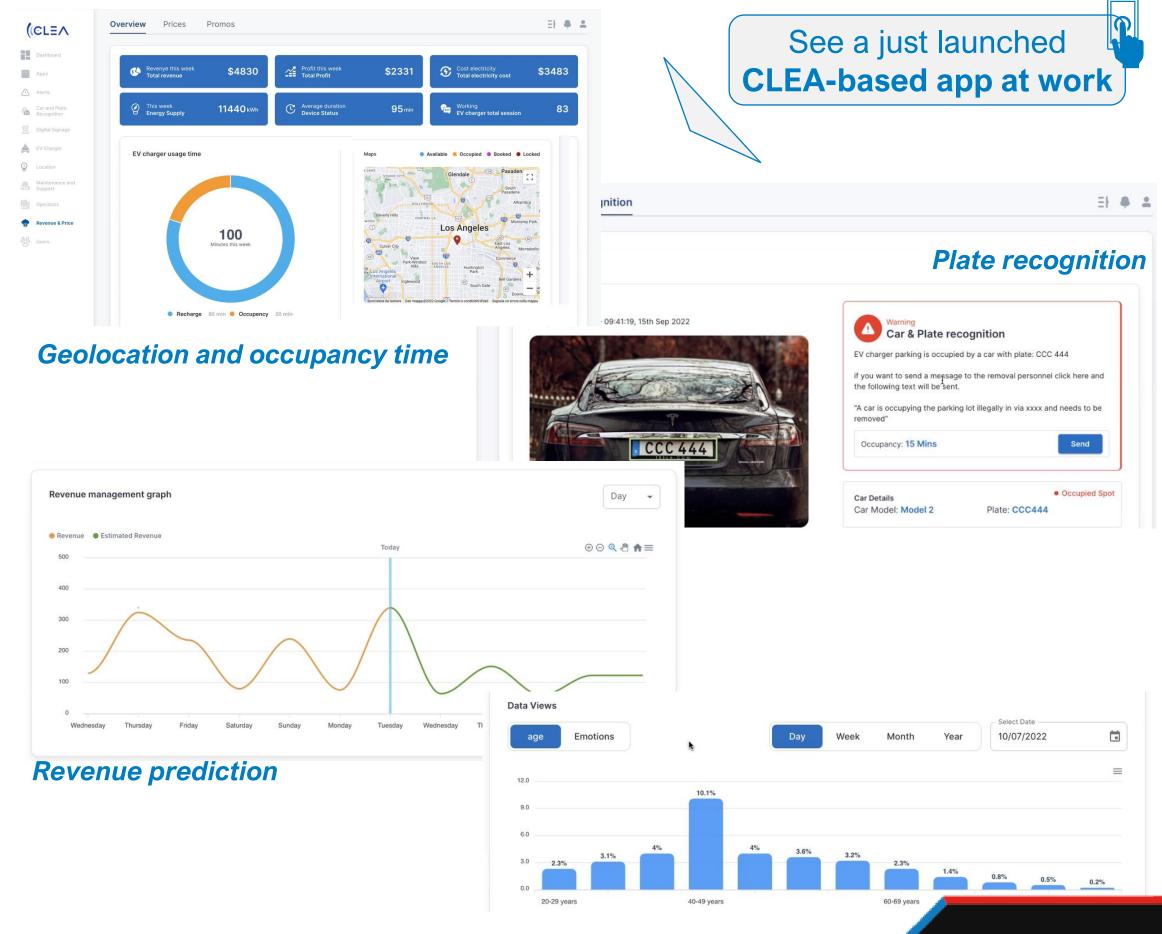




# CLEA App Store: a catalogue of apps for any need

In progress along with our customers, specific by vertical, to fully exploit the potential of data in each sector

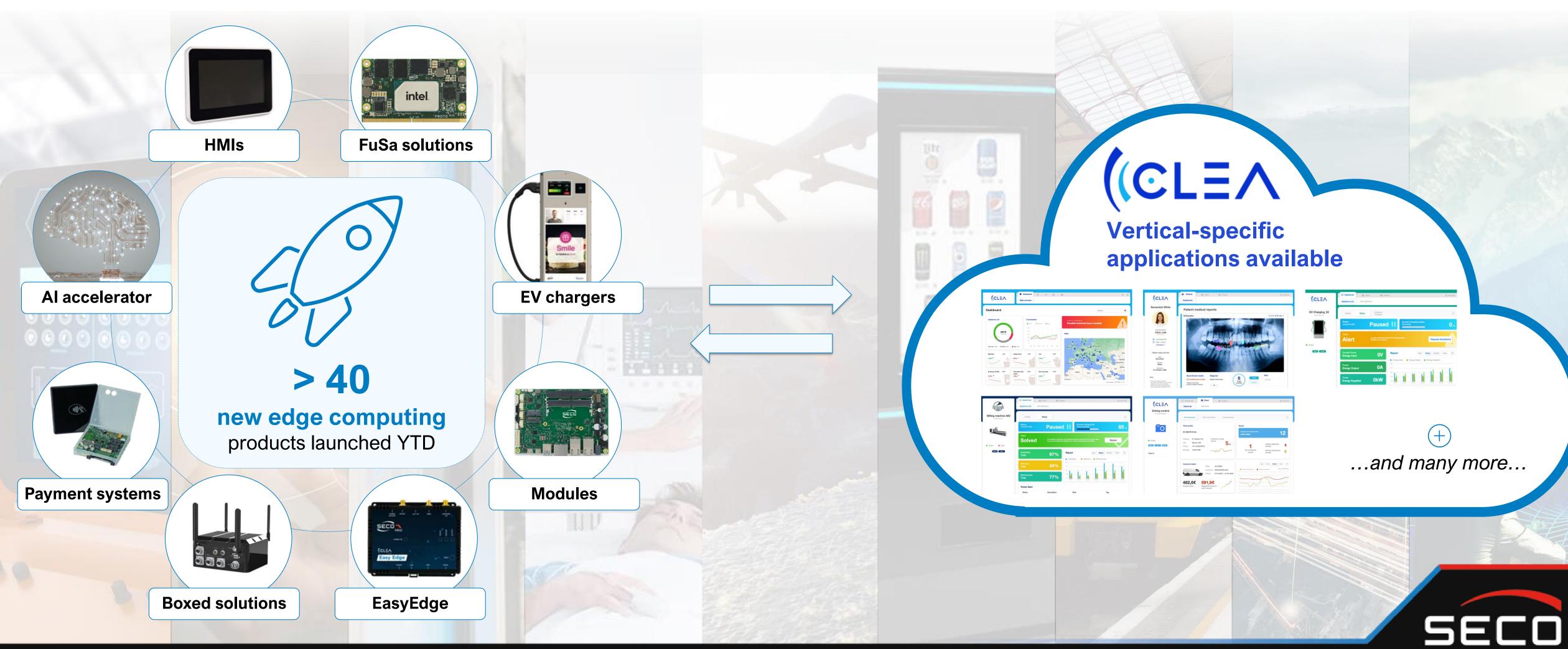






# Defining the new industry end-to-end standards

Leveraging our cross-vertical expertise





# Components' market update

Starting to observe encouraging signs of improvement, hinting at gradual return to a normal scenario ...and potential post-normalisation impacts Market signals... Lead times Working capital improvement GPM% Prices







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€mIn	9M 2021	9M 2022
Net Sales	66,9	144,8
Consumption Costs	(35,4)	(76,6)
Gross Margin	31,5	68,1
% on Net Sales	47,1%	47,1%
Other revenues	1,8	3,5
Personnel costs	(14,1)	(25,9)
Other Opex	(7,6)	(16,2)
Exchange gains/losses	0,4	0,5
EBITDA	12,1	29,9
% on Net Sales	18,0%	20,7%
EBITDA ADJ	14,1	32,1
% on Net Sales	21,0%	22,1%
Depreciation	(4,5)	(9,9)
EBIT	7,1	19,6
% on Net Sales	10,6%	13,5%
Financial expenses	(0,4)	(3,1)
Tax	(1,8)	(4,9)
Net Income	5,3	12,0
% on Net Sales	8,0%	8,3%

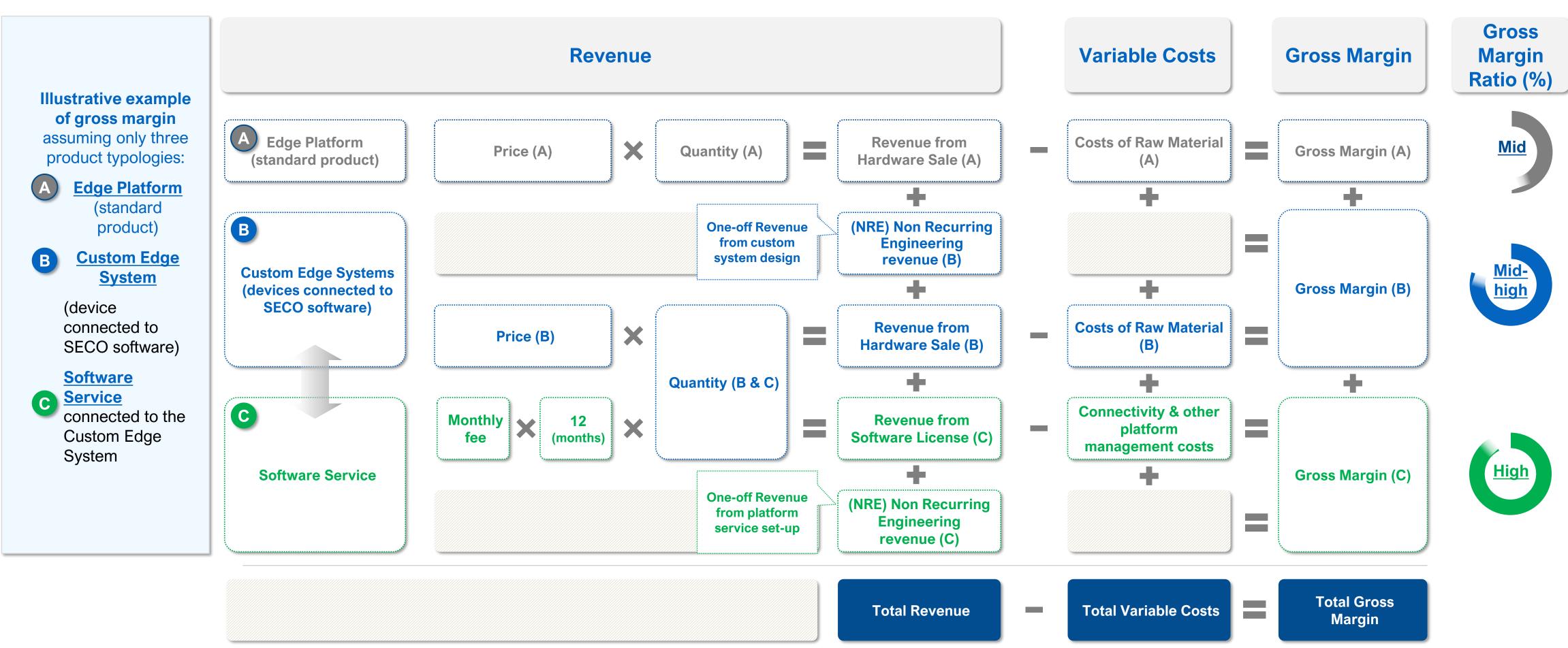
### **Balance Sheet**

€mln	FY 2021	9M 2022
Net Working Capital	52,5	79,6
Total Fixed Assets	233,3	297,0
Other non-current assets	3,1	2,9
Provisions and other non-current liabilities	(16,4)	(17,6)
Net Invested Capital	272,5	361,9
Net Financial Position	109,5	130,9
Net Financial Position ADJ.	97,5	121,6
Total Equity	163,0	230,9
Total Funds	272,5	361,9



# Revenue and cost model





Note: all other costs (service, personnel, other) are mostly fixed costs



# **Business model**



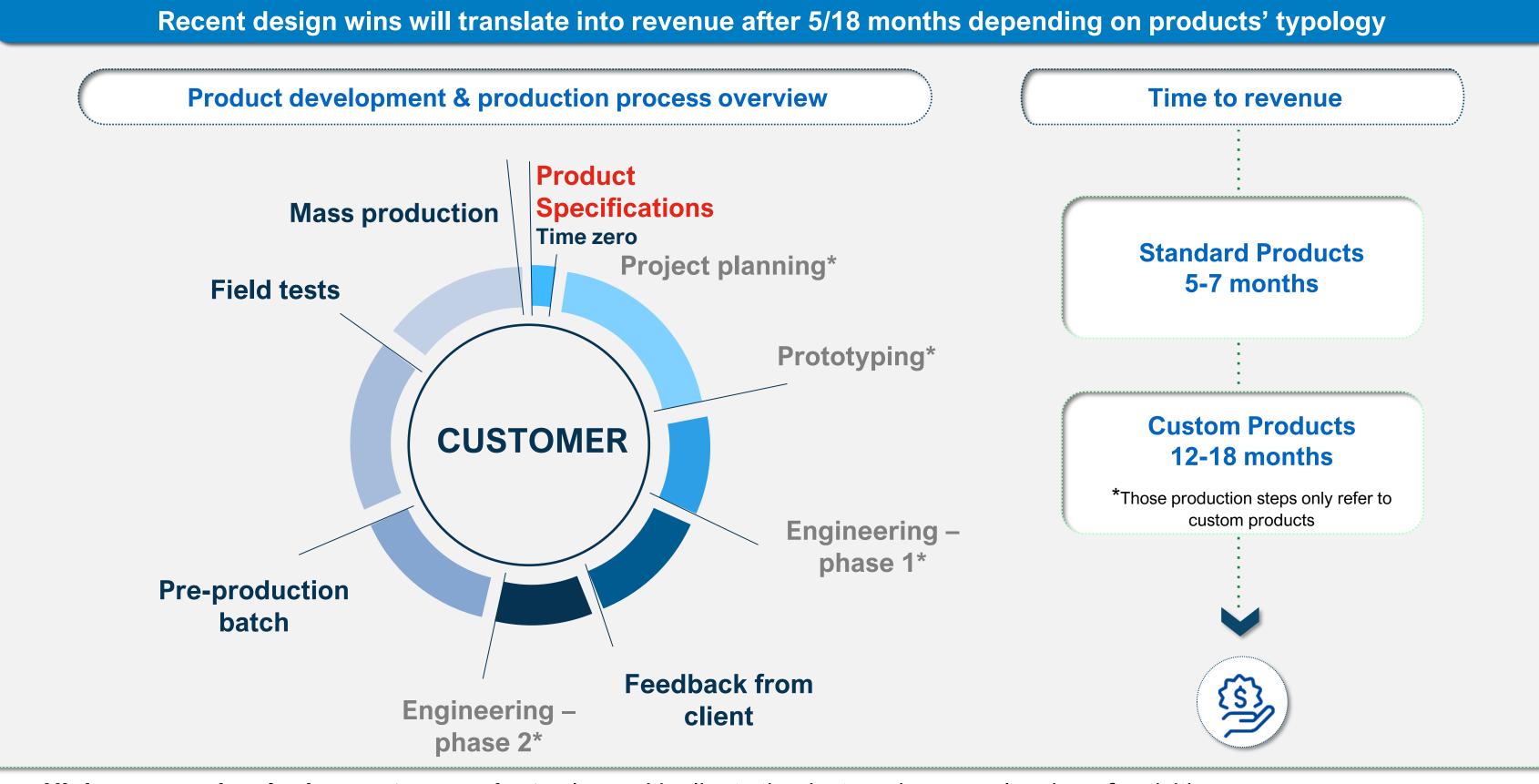
### High revenue visibility



Multi-year product life cycle (3-5, up to 10+ years)

Order backlog coverage 3-4 months

Forecasts from customers up to 12 months rolling



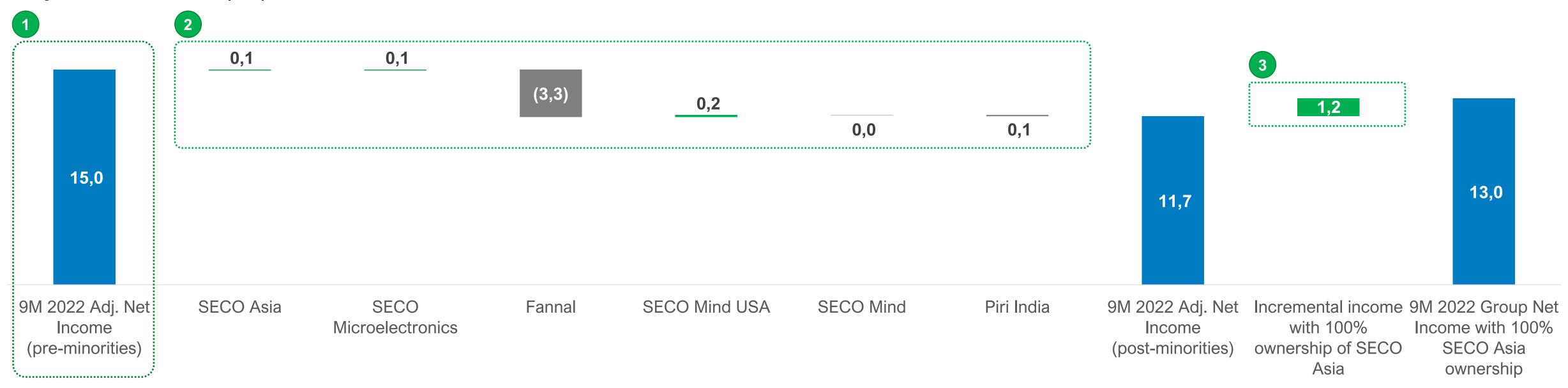
- High success developing custom products along with clients thanks to a rigorous planning of activities
- Continuous interaction with clients from design to manufacturing
- Dedicated software services tailored on clients' needs fully entrenched within product development and production process



# Adjusted Net Income



### **Adjusted Net income (€m)**





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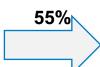
### 2 Minority interests

- Minority stakes attributed to key people of some subsidiaries for incentivization purposes
- In 9M 2022, most of minority interests concentrated into Fannal, in which SECO SpA holds a 28% share (= 51% \* 55%) as illustrated below:











 Put/Call option systems in place for SECO to rise to 100% of all companies at single-digit EBITDA multiples

### 3 Effect of rising to 100% of SECO Asia

- Remaining 49% of SECO Asia, owned by Simest SpA, can be bought by SECO at the Simest SpA entry valuation (€3.4m)

€1.2m positive effect on post-minorities
Net income after acquisition of SECO
Asia minority share



A worldwide spread center of excellence, with top-tier capabilities...



### **€200M**

2022 FY expected revenue



### >900k devices

manufactured every year



~ 900 people



### ~ 300 R&D people

of which ~180 in AI algorithms development



~ 8-10%

of revenue invested in R&D every year



10 R&D centers

5 production plants



# A highly committed management team



**Daniele Conti** 

President & Co-Founder

Co-founder of SECO. He has been serving as president of the company for over 40 years

Under his leadership, the Group has grown in terms of technological expertise, human resources and financial performances



**Massimo Mauri** 

20+ years experience as executive in several Tech companies

Strong experience in IPO and M&A transactions



**Davide Catani** 

CTO

Joined SECO in 2006 CTO since 2020, after serving as Hardware developer and ARM-based platforms R&D manager



Vincenzo Difronzo

CSO

15+ years sales experience in worldwide leading hardware and software companies Joined SECO in 2015



**Carlos Valeiras** 

CEO SECO USA

20+ years experience as executive in several Tech companies

Former CFO of SECO USA from 2020



**Angelo Peloni** 

COO

20+ years experience in Operations & Supply chain management

Joined SECO in 2003



**Michael Duhamel** 

Vice President of Sales SECO USA

20+ years of experience in sales and marketing for the largest industrial, embedded and automation solution providers

Previously in Eurotech USA



**Lesen Ding** 

CEO Fannal Electronics

Founder and General Manager of Fannal Electronics (2011 – present)

Served as CFO in several public and private companies Strong experience in IPO and M&A transactions

Lorenzo Mazzini

CFO



Group HR Director

15+ years of experience in HR management in multinational and international companies



CEO

Adlink, Advantech



**Dirk Finstel** 

CEO SECO Northern Europe

30+ years experience in running global business units in several Tech companies Former executive in Kontron,



Simona Agostinelli

Chief Marketing Officer

20+ years experience in Marketing, Communication consulting and management In SECO since 2010



**Gianluca Venere** 

CIO

10+ years experience in business development, sales, innovation and internationalization for SECO Group



### **Alessandro Guido**

Group Corporate and Legal Affairs Director

10+ years experience in legal advisory, with particular focus on Corporate law

In SECO since 2020



### **Dario Freddi**

CEO SECO Mind

Previously founder and CEO of Ispirata Srl

Strong data orchestration background in primary worldwide leading



### **Maurizio Caporali**

Chief Product Officer

Previously co-Founder and CEO of AidiLab

Joined SECO in 2018 as IoT BU Product Manager and R&D **Project Manager** 



### **Marco Parisi**

Head of IR

**Business Manager of SECO** from September 2019

Financial advisor of SECO from September 2016 to September 2019



### Ajay Malik CEO SECO Mind US

30+ years experience in high-tech, loT and Al

Former executive in Google, Cisco, Qualcomm, Motorola



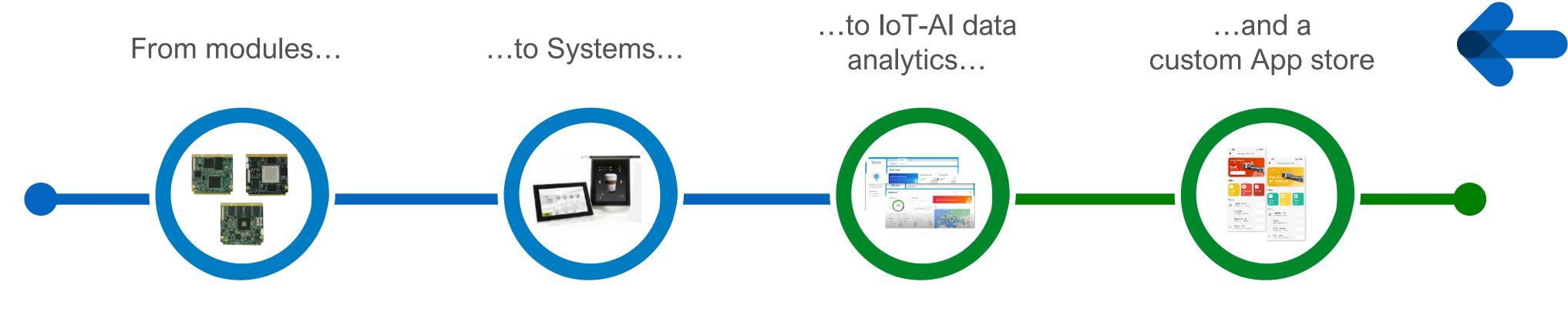
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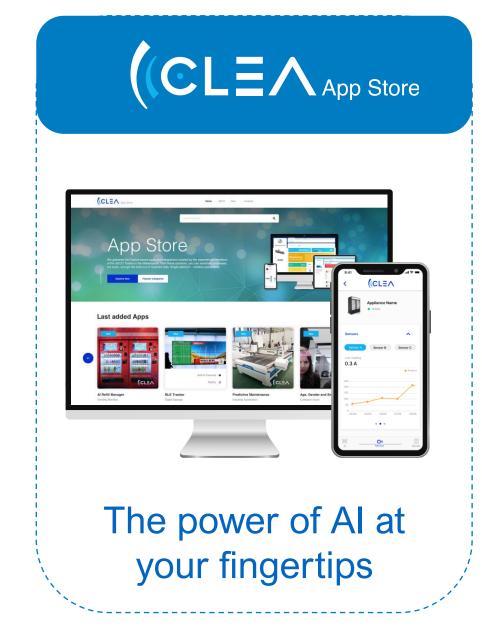


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Our offering from Edge to AI: unique market positioning vs. competitors

Enabling our customers' business models evolution towards the CLEA world







## **Edge computing**

Makes devices "smart", enabling them to generate data

### **CLEA**

All-in-one software platform to exploit the hidden value of data





Data Orchestration



Data transfer on the Cloud



Al algorithms



Real-time Analytics



Edge computing: integrated, plug-and-play solutions powered by SECO

pillars

R&D and Design

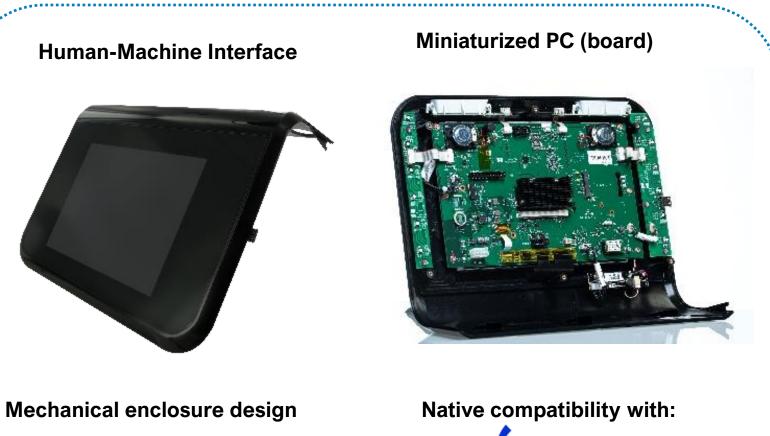
Manufacturing

Our customers' devices...

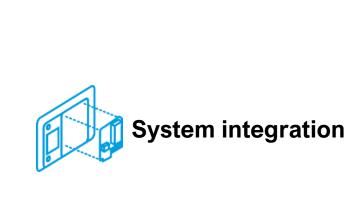
...are transformed into smart objects...

### ...bringing intelligence into several industrial fields





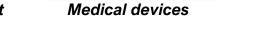






Industrial equipment





Videoconferencing systems

Smart fitness machines

Passenger information systems



Bowling scoring equipment





Parking machines











Voting machines



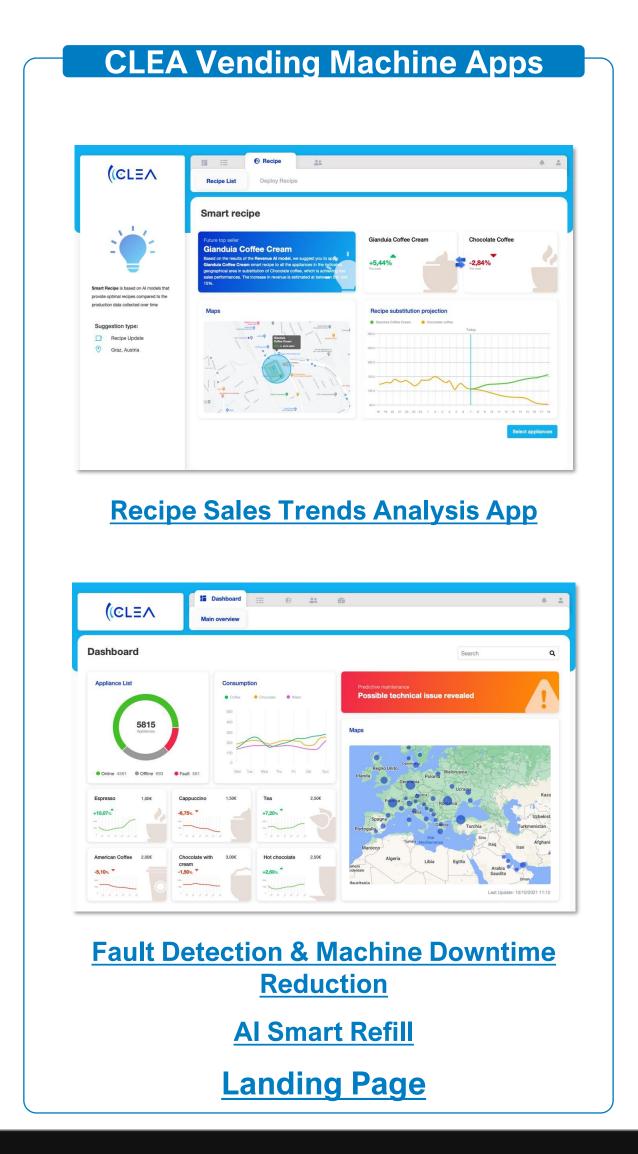
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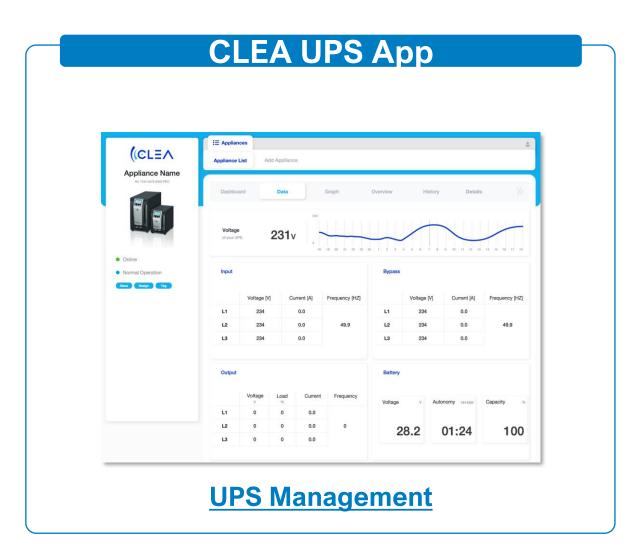


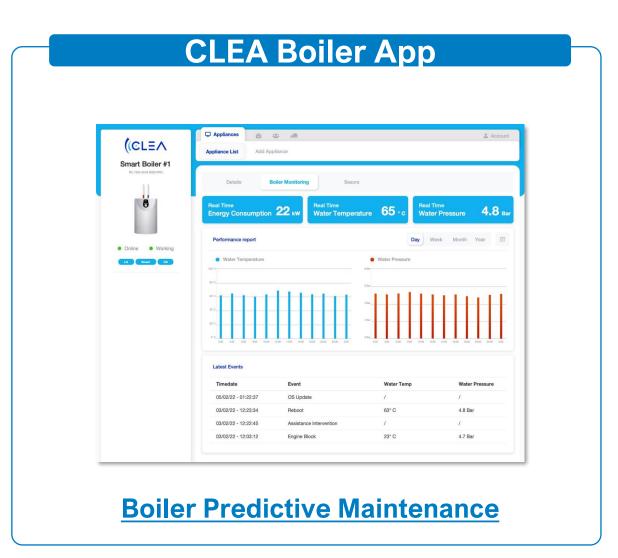
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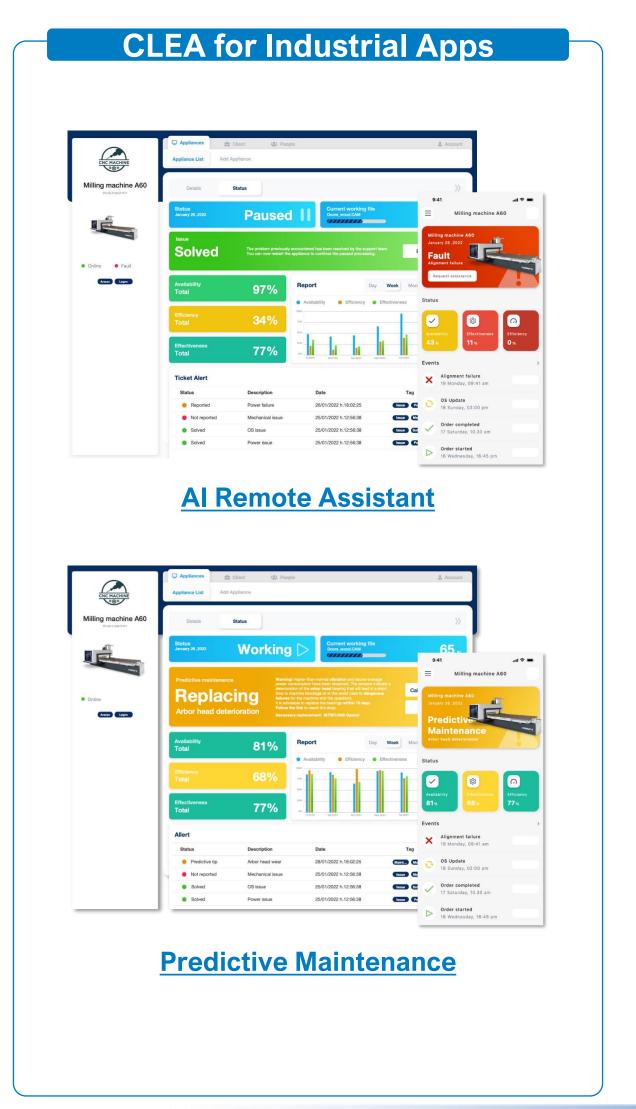
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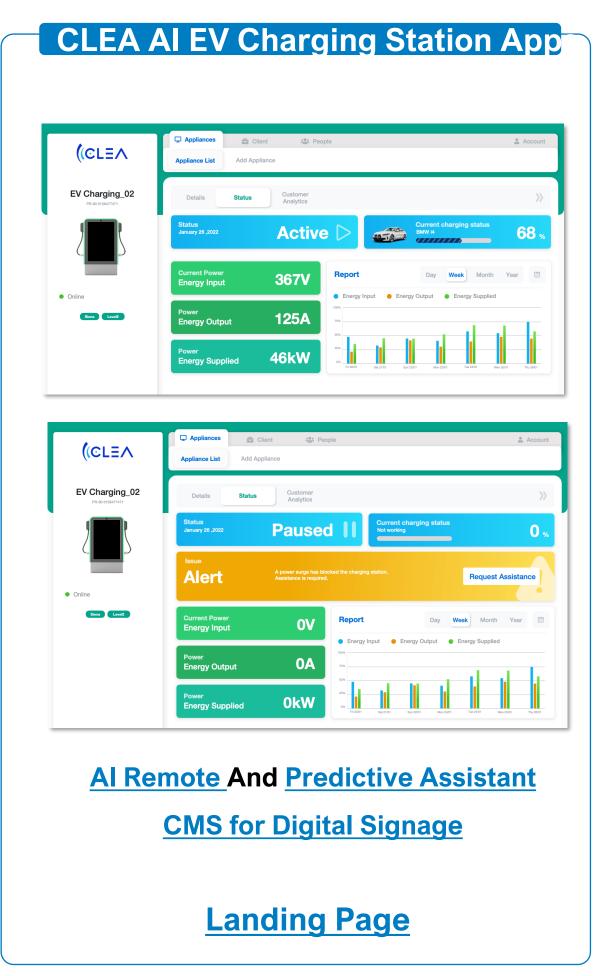
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