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WINTERSHALL DEA WILL EXIT RUSSIA

- Wintershall Dea to deconsolidate Russian segment from financial reporting and to record one-off non-cash charge of €5.3 billion in the fourth quarter relating to the deconsolidation as well as other Russia-related impairments
- Significant financial flexibility maintained
- Wintershall Dea Joint Ventures in Russia economically expropriated
- Wintershall Dea intends to fully exit Russia in an orderly manner complying with all applicable legal obligations

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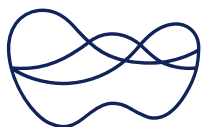
The Wintershall Dea Supervisory Board approved a principle decision by the Management Board to exit Russia. As a consequence, Wintershall Dea intends to fully exit Russia in an orderly manner complying with all applicable laws and regulations.

CEO Mario Mehren: "Wintershall Dea will end its Russian activities. Continuing to operate in Russia is not tenable. Russia's war of aggression in Ukraine is incompatible with our values and has destroyed co-operation between Russia and Europe. In recent months, limitations imposed by the Russian Government on operations of Western companies in the country and external interferences in our joint venture

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operations, made it impossible for Wintershall Dea to operate in Russia as before and resulted in an economic expropriation of the Joint Ventures in Russia."

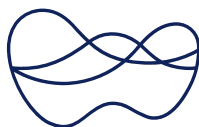
The implementation of this decision will be done in compliance with all applicable legal obligations.

Wintershall Dea concluded that it no longer meets the criteria set out under IFRS for having control or significant influence over its Russian joint ventures. Therefore, in Q4, Wintershall Dea deconsolidated all its Russian participations. Until the intended exit is completed, the Russian participations will be accounted for as financial assets measured at fair value according to IFRS 9.

Impact on reporting and financial KPIs

Following the deconsolidation, Wintershall Dea will no longer report financial or operational KPIs (including production and reserves) of the Russian joint ventures in its group financial statements, other than changes in fair value of the financial assets.

The fair value of the Russian joint ventures is significantly impacted by the external interference into the business models, namely, among others, the Russian Presidential Decree No. 943 dated 22 December 2022 and the decision of the Russian Government No. 2544 dated 30 December 2022 that



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retroactively reduces the prices at which the joint ventures can sell their produced hydrocarbons to Gazprom. Consequently, the company expects to record a non-cash loss from the deconsolidation of the Russian joint ventures that together with other Russia-related impairments, in particular on its participating interests in Nord Stream AG and WIGA Transport Beteiligungs-GmbH & Co. KG, amounts to a total of approximately €5.3 billion.

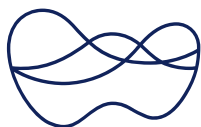
Financial flexibility maintained

Since the start of the war in Ukraine, Wintershall Dea has prudently adjusted its financial framework and excluded Russian operations from its planning perimeter.

Having built significant flexibility during the year 2022, the company will take actions in line with its financial policy to maintain a strong balance sheet consistent with its investment grade rating commitment and in parallel profitably grow and diversify its business outside of Russia.

About Wintershall Dea

Wintershall Dea is Europe's leading independent natural gas and oil company with more than 120 years of experience as an operator and project partner along the entire E&P value chain. The company with German roots and headquarters in Kassel and Hamburg explores for and produces gas and oil in 12 countries worldwide in an efficient and responsible manner. With activities in Europe, Russia, Latin America and the MENA region (Middle East & North Africa), Wintershall Dea has a global



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upstream portfolio and, with its participation in natural gas transport, is also active in the midstream business. **More in our [Annual Report](#).**

As a European gas and oil company, we support the EU's 2050 carbon neutrality target. As our contribution we have set ourselves ambitious targets: We want to be net zero across our entire upstream operations – both operated and non-operated – by 2030. This includes Scope 1 (direct) and Scope 2 (indirect) greenhouse gas emissions on an equity share basis. Wintershall Dea will also bring its methane emissions intensity below 0.1 per cent by 2025 and maintain zero routine flaring of associated gas in its operations. In addition, we plan to reduce emissions resulting from the use of hydrocarbons by applying CCS and low-carbon hydrogen technologies, potentially building up a business abating 20-30 million tonnes of CO₂ per annum by 2040. **You can find more about this in our [Sustainability Report](#).**

Wintershall Dea was formed from the merger of Wintershall Holding GmbH and DEA Deutsche Erdoel AG, in 2019. Today, the company employs around 2,500 people worldwide from almost 60 nations.

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