

## **REN'S STRATEGIC AGENDA 2015-18**

## AGENDA FOR TODAY



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## **CURRENT CONTEXT OF THE EUROPEAN TSO'S**





Domestic market still a priority

Energy efficiency policies

Decentralized generation with the proliferation of renewables



Lower allowed returns

Stronger scrutiny on investment plans

Sector specific taxation



Increased focus from TSOs on international investments

Availability of TSO investments abroad

Increased competition from non-TSO players (e.g., private equities, hedge funds)

## ENERGY SECTOR POLICIES IN PORTUGAL IMPACTED REN



## REGULATION

- Decrease of RoR (electricity and gas) due to the decrease of the country's cost of debt
- Impact was partially offset by increase in incentives (e.g., remuneration of fully depreciated assets)

STABLE REGULATORY FRAMEWORK WITH RETURNS ALIGNED WITH COST OF DEBT

## **ENERGY SECTOR EXTERNALITIES**

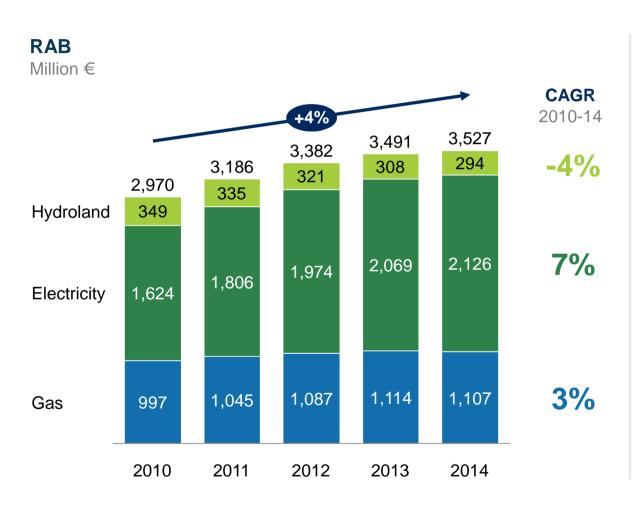
- A new levy was imposed in 2014, directly impacting REN's bottom line (-25M€ impact on net income)
- In 2014 remuneration over hydroland was reduced to a value close to 0 (-6 M€ impact on net income)

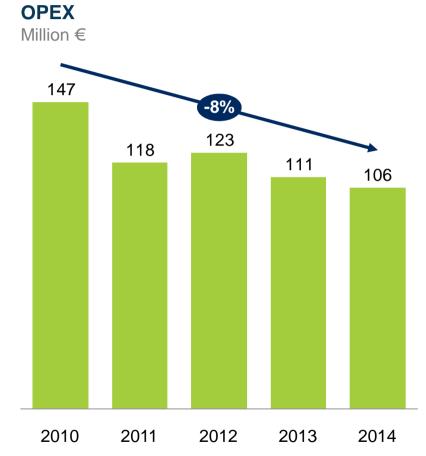
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MACROECONOMIC CONTEXT

# IN RECENT YEARS, REN MANAGED TO IMPROVE ITS PERFORMANCE







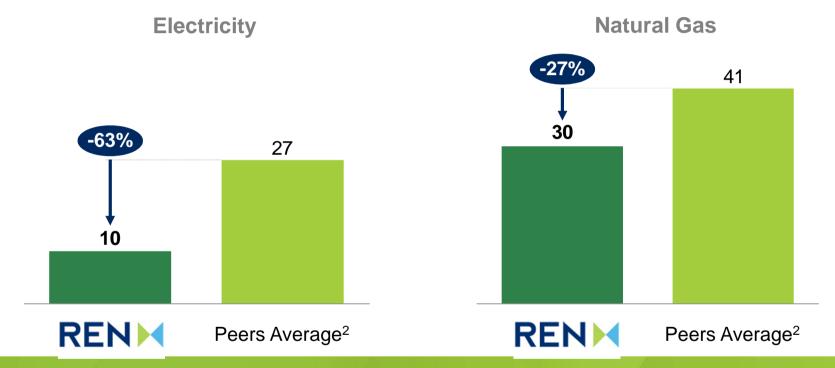
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## TODAY, REN IS ONE OF THE MOST EFFICIENT TSOS



#### **OPEX¹/KM OF EQUIVALENT LINE**

2014; thousand €/km



High efficiency allows to reduce REN's weight on tariffs while still ensuring an excellent service quality which is best practice in Europe

<sup>1</sup> Adjusted to PPP (base year: 2011)

<sup>2</sup> Excluding REN; Includes Terna, REE, Statnett, Elia and Tennet in electricity, and Enagás, SNAM, Gasunie, Viergas and Fluxys in gas SOURCE: Annual Reports; World Bank

# ALSO, REN UPGRADED TO INVESTMENT GRADE RATING AND REDUCED THE COST OF DEBT





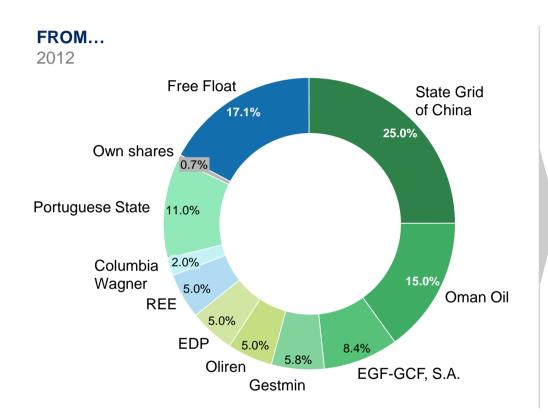
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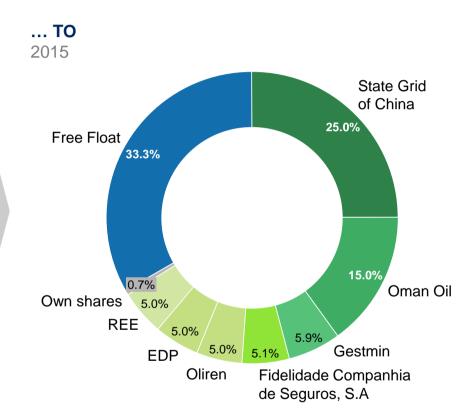


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# MOREOVER, REN HAS SUCCESSFULLY CONCLUDED ITS PRIVATIZATION PROCESS







## **Increasing free float and liquidity of the stock**

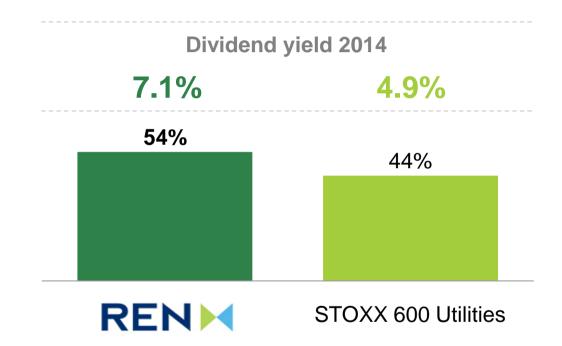
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# FINALLY, REN IS A LEADING VALUE CREATING TSO FOR SHAREHOLDERS



#### **TOTAL SHAREHOLDER RETURN**

Jan 2012-Feb 2015



REN presents a dividend yield well above the industry and provides its shareholders a very attractive total return

SOURCE: REN

## OVERALL, REN MET MOST OF ITS OBJECTIVES



	<b>2012 BUSINESS PLAN</b> CAGR 2011-16	ACTUAL RESULTS CAGR 2011-14	
Domestic investment	~200 M€ / year	Average ~190 M€/year	
RAB	2–5%	~4%	
EBITDA	3–5%	~2% ~3% (excluding hydroland)	
Net income	~5%	~-2% ~5% (excluding CESE)	
Internationalization	Up to 0.7 B € investment Up to 10% EBITDA	Created basis / initial steps on internationalization	Driven by conservative posture
Funding	Optimize cost of debt Extend maturities	1 pp decrease in average cost of debt (4.7% in 2014)	
Net debt / EBITDA	<4.5x in 2016	4.8x	Change in debt markets
Dividend	Maintain or slightly increase nominal dividend per share	0.1€ cent yearly increase or maintenance	

## PRIORITIES FOR THE FUTURE



#### **ASPIRATION**

Reinforce REN's position as a leading value creator for shareholders through

- Profitability
- Stability
- Granular growth

### STRATEGIC GUIDELINES



## Local business remains a top priority

Maximize returns from REN's business in Portugal and improve the perception of the company



## **Explore international projects**

Diversify and grow REN's business by investing in a selected number of international projects



### **Consolidate financials**

Ensure a sustainable financial situation, continuing to optimize cost of debt and to provide attractive returns to the shareholders

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## STRATEGIC GUIDELINES – FOCUS IN PORTUGAL





# LOCAL BUSINESS REMAINS A TOP PRIORITY



EXPLORE INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS



CONSOLIDATE FINANCIALS

## **Strategic initiatives**

- Optimize CAPEX plans and OPEX efficiency
- Support the development of the regulatory and energy policy agenda
- Enhance and promote REN's image

## **OPTIMIZE CAPEX PLANS AND OPEX EFFICIENCY**





# OPTIMIZE CAPEX PLANS

## Existence of a significant pipeline of projects in Portugal

- Connections to hydro power plants
- Connection to new wind offshore
- Refurbishment of sub-stations & new links to the distribution grid
- Underground gas storage (assets from Galp)
- 3rd interconnection in gas & new electricity interconnection in Minho
- Compression station in Carregado

## **Optimization of CAPEX investments**

## Focus on innovation

- Sub-stations of the future
- Digital power system simulation
- New renewable energy dispatch and energy storage tools



Important efficiency gains driven by recent years OPEX optimization limits potential for further reduction in cost base

Nevertheless, there is still room to meet the regulatory targets

# SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE REGULATORY AND ENERGY POLICY AGENDA





Ensure sustainable RoR levels given REN's cost of capital



Foster additional performance linked incentives for electricity and create incentives for gas



Continue to align regulation with **public interest** ensuring **competitiveness** and **quality of service** 



Support regulatory evolution in line with the European trends



Facilitate **energy policy evolution** in other topics (e.g., CAPEX plans)



Continue to foster **innovation** with applied outputs to **support operational units** 

## **ENHANCE AND PROMOTE REN'S IMAGE**





Unplanned average interruption time ~90% below peer average



90% of investments below reference costs

OPEX per km of line ~60% and ~30% below peer average in electricity and gas respectively



Weight of 5.5% on final consumer tariff in electricity and 8.7% on final consumer tariff in gas

## STRATEGIC GUIDELINES – EXPLORE INTERNATIONAL







# EXPLORE INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS



## **Strategic initiatives**

- Redefine international expansion strategy
- Execute selected investment opportunities

# REN WILL FOLLOW TSOs EXPANSION TREND CAREFULLY, LEVERAGING ITS UNIQUE PROFILE





REN with a cautious positioning...

Selective investments in attractive international opportunities

... emerging international experience...

- Evaluated different markets
- Assessed multiple deals/projects
- Connected with key players
- Established teams

... and a distinctive profile

- Value proposition based on
  - Electricity and gas networks
  - Technical know-how
  - Renewables integration
  - OPEX efficiency
  - Top-of-class quality of service
  - R&D

SOURCE: Annual Reports 17

# NEW STRATEGIC CRITERIA FOR INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENTS





Focus in electricity and gas transmission networks

Both M&A and greenfield projects

## **OWNERSHIP**

Open to majority and minority positions (no financial positions)

## **PARTNERSHIPS**

Prioritize investment with local partners

Adapt partners to type / phase of investment

## **RETURNS**

Ensure competitive and attractive returns adjusted to local / project risk

## ROLE

Assume active investor position with role in operations



# REN WILL EXPLORE SELECTIVE INTERNATIONAL GROWTH AVENUES



## **INTERNATIONAL EXPANSION IN EMERGING MARKETS** (LATAM, AFRICA)



- Prioritization of target markets based on market size, growth, country stability, flexibility and opportunity attractiveness
- There are still a considerable number of opportunities in emerging markets (despite competition from PEs/hedge funds)

## INTERCONNECTION PROJECTS AND M&A OPPORTUNITIES IN EUROPE



- There are opportunities to integrate the European market
- M&A opportunities of regulated assets in Europe may arise

Primary focus on these opportunities, others can be assessed on a case-by-case basis

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## STRATEGIC GUIDELINES – CONSOLIDATE FINANCIALS





LOCAL BUSINESS
REMAINS A TOP PRIORITY



EXPLORE INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS



CONSOLIDATE FINANCIALS

## **Strategic initiatives**

- Optimize debt management
- Sustain RAB stability and growth in net income
- Ensure sustainable dividend policy

# ACTIONS CARRIED SINCE 2012 RESHAPED REN'S DEBT PROFILE SIGNIFICANTLY



	FROM 2012	TO March 2015
Gross debt (Million €)	2,686	2,568
Net debt (Million €)	2,510	2,365
Average maturity	3.2 y	4.8 y
Cost of debt	5.72%	4.07%
Liquidity coverage	Q1 2015	Q1 2017
Fixed rate	71%	42%
Bonds (% of gross debt)	59.8%	61.3%

SOURCE: REN

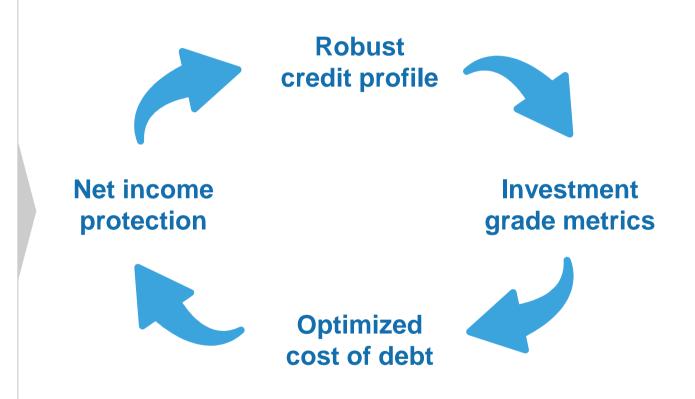
## **CURRENT DEBT MANAGEMENT PRIORITIES**



## In recent years REN has

- Moved to longer term debt instruments
- Recovered investment grade
- Reduced average cost of debt

This has allowed for a shift in the debt management priorities from deleveraging to debt optimization

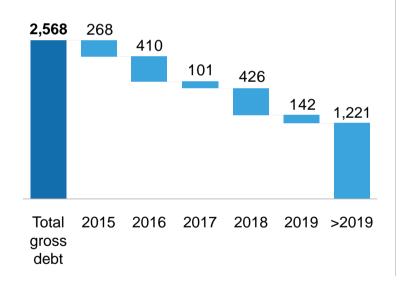


# ROBUST DEBT PROFILE WITH INVESTMENT GRADE CREDIT METRICS



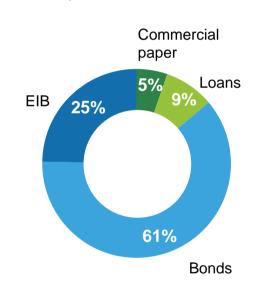


Gross debt maturity profile Q1 2015, Million €



## ...WITH DIVERSIFIED SOURCES OF FUNDING...

Gross debt funding sources Q1 2015, Million €



## ...STRONG LIQUIDITY AND GROWING AVERAGE MATURITY



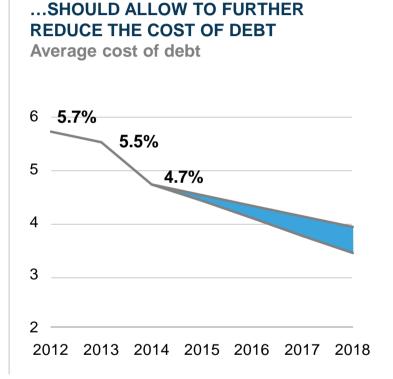
Financing management aimed at maintaining the investment grade status and optimizing the cost of debt while keeping a sound risk profile

SOURCE: REN 25

## STRONG FOCUS ON CONTINUING TO REDUCE THE **AVERAGE COST OF DEBT**



REFINANCING EXPENSIVE OLDER DEBT		UNDER GOOD CONDITIONS	MARKET
Bonds	4% to 6.25%	Yield of last bond issue <sup>1</sup>	2.5%
Loans	4.5% to 5%	Yield in secondary market	2.2%



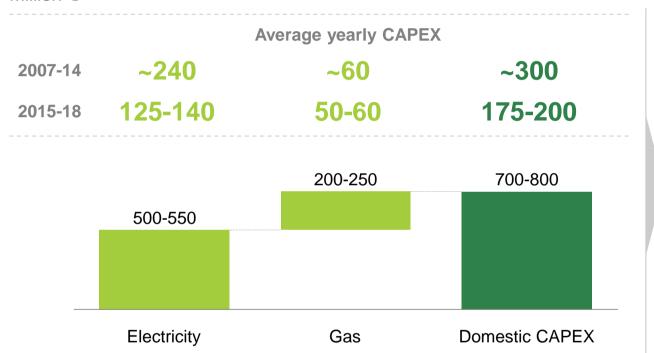
Under current market conditions, a 1.0 pp decrease of the 2014 average cost of debt should be achievable by 2018

# REN WILL INVEST ~800 MILLION DOMESTICALLY IN 2015-18



#### **CAPEX PLAN 2015-18**

Million €



# Additionally, REN plans to invest up to 900 M€ EV internationally

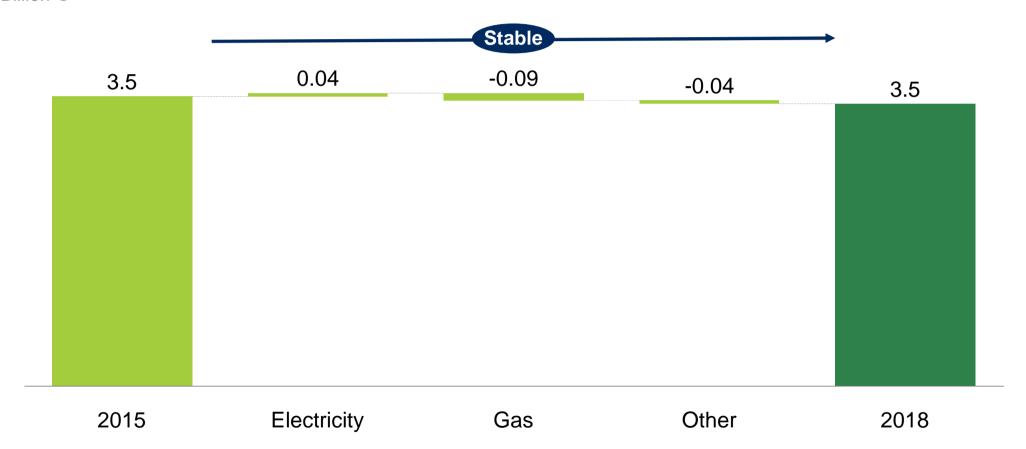
REN's CAPEX will always take into account the company's financial sustainability and compliance with concession obligations

## **RAB WILL STAY STABLE IN THE 2015-18 PERIOD**



## **AVERAGE REGULATED ASSET BASE**

Billion €

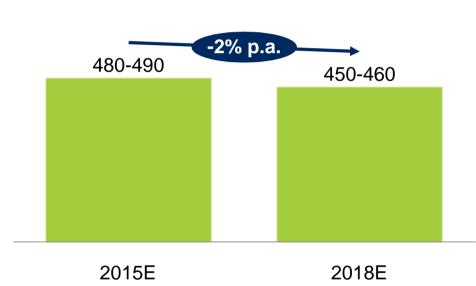


# NET INCOME IS EXPECTED TO GROW IN THE NEXT YEARS





Million €



Despite an increase in OPEX efficiency, EBITDA is expected to decrease due to the reduction in RoR and a stable RAB

## **NET INCOME**

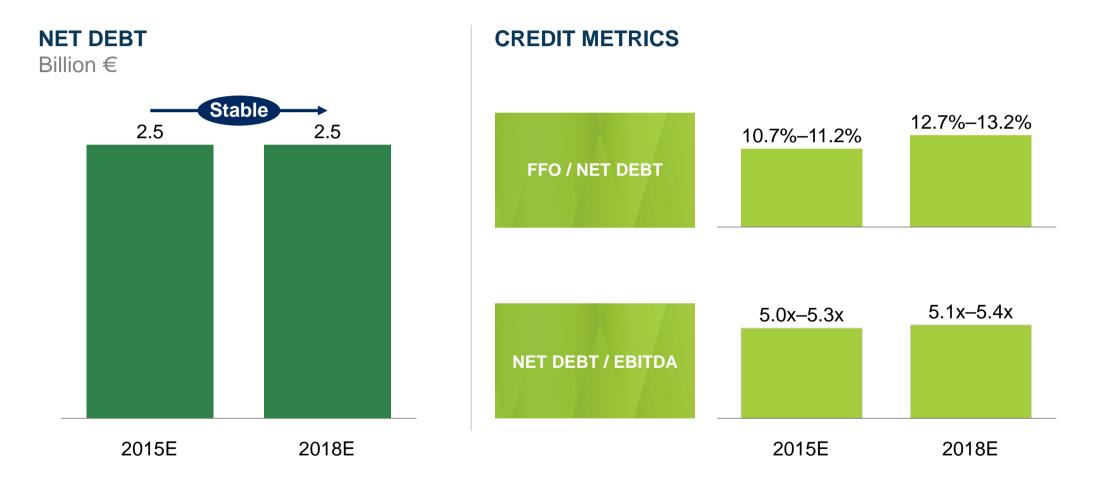
Million €



Net income is expected to increase given the decrease in financial costs and the phase-out of CESE

# STABLE NET DEBT LEVELS SHOULD ALLOW REN'S CREDIT METRICS TO IMPROVE IN THE MEDIUM TERM





## **ENSURE SUSTAINABLE DIVIDEND POLICY**



#### **DIVIDEND PER SHARE**

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# REN plans to maintain nominal dividend per share year on year,

providing one of the highest dividend yields in the industry

Provide predictable and strong return to shareholders

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## SUMMARY OF REN'S STRATEGIC AGENDA AND KEY TARGETS



## STRATEGIC GUIDELINES



Local business remains a top priority



**Explore international projects** 



Consolidate financials

## **KEY TARGET (2015-18)**

Average annual CAPEX in Portugal between 175-200 million €

**Stable RAB** (2015-18 CAGR of ~0%)

Execute first international investment (up to 900 million EV)

**Net Income CAGR of ~10%** 2015-18

Maintain yearly dividend

**Ensure investment grade rating** 

# REN'S STRATEGIC AND BUSINESS PLANS ALLOW TO SUSTAIN A DISTINCTIVE EQUITY STORY



## Top-of-the industry TSO in efficiency and service quality

OPEX/km of line below peer average and expected maintenance of low levels of OPEX



### **Growing company**

Growth in net income of ~10% p.a. between 2015 and 2018 given a relatively predictable domestic business and a reduction in financial costs



## REN

### **Diversified business portfolio**

International investments by 2018, which will materialize in a substantial part of REN's results in the long-term



## Sustainable financial position

Company is investment grade and has strong credit metrics given falling cost of debt



## **Attractive dividend policy**

One of the highest dividend yields in the industry



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