

# Press Release

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# Fresenius FY/24: Strong Fourth Quarter concludes successful Fiscal Year; Fresenius moving to next level of performance with #FutureFresenius Rejuvenate phase

FY/24: Upgraded outlook achieved, consistent financial performance with profitable growth.

- Group revenue<sup>1</sup> at €21.5 billion with strong organic growth<sup>1,2</sup> of 8%
- Group EBIT<sup>1</sup> at €2.5 billion, increase of 10%<sup>3</sup> in constant currency; EBIT margin<sup>1</sup> of 11.6%, 40 bps above prior year
- Net income<sup>1,4</sup> grew by 13%<sup>3</sup> in constant currency to €1,461 million, outpacing revenue growth
- **EPS**<sup>1,4</sup> grew to €2.59
- Accumulative Group **structural productivity savings** ahead of plan reached €474 million (planned €400 million)
- **Excellent Group operating cash flow** of €2.4 billion resulting from focused cash management
- **Deleveraging continued**: net debt/EBITDA ratio further improved to 3.0x<sup>1,5</sup> driven by excellent cash flow. Decline of more than 70 bps since YE/23
- **Dividend proposal** of €1.00 per share

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Before special items

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Organic growth rate adjusted for accounting effects related to Argentina hyperinflation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Growth rate adjusted for Argentina hyperinflation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Excluding Fresenius Medical Care

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> At average exchange rates for both net debt and EBITDA; pro forma closed acquisitions/divestitures, including lease liabilities, including Fresenius Medical Care dividend

#### Q4/2024: Continued growth and further deleveraging

- **Group revenue**<sup>1</sup> at €5.5 billion with **organic growth** of 7%<sup>1,2</sup> driven by consistent positive development of Kabi and a strong performance at Helios
- Group EBIT<sup>1</sup> at €646 million with solid constant currency growth of 7%<sup>3</sup> on the back of significant operational improvements at Kabi; end of energy relief payments weighing on Helios Germany; Group EBIT margin<sup>1</sup> of 11.7%
- **EPS**<sup>1,4</sup> with outstanding constant currency growth of 29%<sup>3</sup> to €0.69; upward impact due to high tax rate in prior-year quarter
- Strong **operating cashflow** of close to €1 billion in Q4

**Michael Sen, CEO of Fresenius:** "Thanks to a tremendous team effort, Fresenius delivered outstanding results in 2024 with high-single-digit organic revenue growth and double-digit EBIT and EPS growth. Our growth vectors – Nutrition, MedTech and Biopharma – and consistent performance from Helios paced this strong development. On top of this operating success, we ended the year with a significant reduction in leverage, which is at the lowest level in seven years.

The momentum for success will continue through 2025, as we move to the next phase of #FutureFresenius and take the company to the next level of performance. For 2025 we expect 4% to 6% in revenue growth and 3% to 7% in EBIT growth. We have also upgraded our ambition level of the Fresenius Financial Framework. This includes higher margin ambitions for Kabi, and for the Group a lower leverage corridor.

We also want to pass on our improving financial strength to our shareholders. Thus, we want to recommend a dividend payment for the year of 1 Euro per share.

As we move forward, we continue to focus on performance and delivery. Our mission to save and improve human lives is unwavering: Fresenius is Committed to Life."

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Organic growth rate adjusted for accounting effects related to Argentina hyperinflation.

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#### **Outlook for Fiscal Year 2025**

Fresenius Group<sup>1</sup>: Organic revenue growth<sup>3,5</sup> of 4% to 6%, constant currency EBIT growth<sup>4</sup> in the range of 3% to 7%
Fresenius Kabi<sup>2</sup>: Organic revenue growth<sup>3</sup> in the mid- to high-single-digit percentage range; EBIT margin<sup>5</sup> of 16.0% to 16.5%
Fresenius Helios<sup>6</sup>: Organic revenue growth<sup>5</sup> in the mid-single-digit percentage range; EBIT margin<sup>5</sup> around 10%

**Assumptions to guidance:** Guidance assumes current factors and known uncertainties, but it does not reflect potential extreme scenarios from a fast-moving geopolitical environment.

### Fresenius Financial Framework – Ambitions further raised

- Structural EBIT margin<sup>5</sup> ambition raised for Kabi to 16 to 18% (previously 14 to 17%).
- Self-imposed leverage target<sup>4</sup> corridor upgraded to 2.5 to 3.0x net debt/EBITDA (previously 3.5 to 3.0x)

# New dividend policy reflects capital allocation priorities

Fresenius' new dividend policy is designed to ensure attractive shareholder returns while at the same time providing strategic flexibility. Going forward, Fresenius will pay out 30 to 40% of its Group core net income excluding Fresenius Medical Care and before special items as dividend.

For fiscal year 2024, Fresenius wants to propose a dividend of €1.00 per share. The dividend proposal is a strong increase over the 2022 base and demonstrates Fresenius' improving financial strength and its commitment to delivering shareholder value.

For fiscal year 2023, Fresenius' dividend payment was interrupted by legal restrictions due to the receipt of the energy relief payments at Helios in Germany.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 2024 base: €21,526 million (revenue) and €2,489 million (EBIT)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 2024 base: €8,414 million (revenue) and €1,319 million (EBIT)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Organic growth rate adjusted for accounting effects related to Argentina hyperinflation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Growth rate adjusted for Argentina hyperinflation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Before special items

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 2024 base: €12,739 million (revenue) and €1,288 million (EBIT)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> At expected average exchange rates for both net debt and EBITDA; pro forma closed acquisitions/divestitures; excluding further potential acquisitions/divestitures; before special items; including lease liabilities, including Fresenius Medical Care dividend

#### Fresenius Group – Business development FY/24

Fresenius closed fiscal year 2024 with a **strong fourth quarter** and **achieved its twice-upgraded full-year guidance**. The consistent positive delivery of Fresenius Kabi and the strong performance at Fresenius Helios drove an  $8\%^1$  year-on-year group organic revenue<sup>2</sup> increase to  $\leq 21.5$  billion. Due to an improved operating business performance, Group EBIT before special items increased  $10\%^3$  in constant currency to  $\leq 2.5$  billion. Earnings per share<sup>2,4</sup> rose by  $13\%^3$  in constant currency to  $\leq 2.59$ .

End of 2024, the #FutureFresenius **Revitalize** phase has been successfully concluded, resulting in significant financial progress driven by a simpler Group structure, improved steering, an optimized portfolio and a refined operating model. In 2025, the focus will be on continued value creation by entering the **Rejuvenate** phase, which also aims to pursue platform-driven growth. In 2025 the emphasis will be on further debt reduction, delivering higher Kabi margins, drive Helios' program and fostering innovation.

A **dedicated performance programme for Helios** has been set up to increase efficiency and productivity, and to counteract the end of the energy relief funding. The programme is expected to contribute  $\sim \in 100$  million at EBIT level by 2025 at Helios Germany. Combined with further incremental growth of Helios in Germany and Spain, the Fresenius Helios EBIT margin is expected to be around 10% in FY/25. Contributions from the performance programme will be weighted to the second half of 2025, in particular, as some of the levers are process-related and will take time to deliver and realize benefits. Some of the performance measures are likely to materialize fully beyond 2025. This sets an excellent basis for further improving productivity within the 10 to 12% structural margin band in 2026 and beyond.

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# **Operating Companies – Business development FY/24 and Q4**

## Fresenius Kabi

In FY/24, Fresenius Kabi delivered consistent financial performance over the course of the year with excellent organic revenue growth of  $10\%^1$  above the top-end of the structural growth band and an impressive EBIT margin<sup>2</sup> expansion of 140 bps to 15.7%.

# Q4/24: Fresenius Kabi delivered a strong finish to the year

- **Organic revenue growth** of 9%<sup>1</sup> driven by positive pricing effects, particularly in Argentina, revenue increased by 8% to €2,148 million.
- Growth vectors with strong organic revenue<sup>1</sup> increase of 18%: MedTech 7%, Nutrition 21%, Biopharma 39%.
  - Nutrition revenue: €614 million, benefited from positive pricing effects in Argentina and the good development in the U.S., driven by the ongoing rollout of lipid emulsions.
  - Biopharma revenue: €144 million, driven by the overall good rollout of Tyenne in Europe and the U.S.
  - MedTech revenue: €424 million, driven by a broad-based positive development across most regions, including the U.S. and Europe
- **Pharma** revenue: €966 million, flat organic revenue development<sup>1</sup>; the positive development in many regions was offset by a softer development in China.
- **China** business continued to be impacted by a general economic weakness, price declines in connection with tenders, and indirect effects of the government's countrywide anti-corruption campaign.
- EBIT<sup>2</sup> of Fresenius Kabi grew 21% to €340 million, driven by good revenue development and improved structural productivity. The EBIT-margin<sup>2</sup> was 15.8%, a 170 bps expansion.
- EBIT<sup>2</sup> of the Growth Vectors increased by 71% on a positive development across the board; EBIT margin<sup>2</sup> was 14.7%. EBIT positive in Biopharma in FY/24.

**EBIT**<sup>2</sup> of **Pharma** increased by 5% to  $\in$ 198 million. EBIT margin<sup>2</sup> was 20.5% driven in particular by cost discipline.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Organic growth rate adjusted for the accounting effects related to Argentina hyperinflation. <sup>2</sup> Before special items

### **Fresenius Helios**

In FY 2024, Fresenius Helios delivered organic revenue growth of 6% driven by solid activity growth and favorable price developments in Germany and Spain. EBIT margin<sup>1)</sup> of 10.1% within the structural margin band ambition.

# Q4/24: Fresenius Helios with strong EBIT development in Spain; end of energy relief payments weighing on Helios Germany

- Strong 6% organic revenue growth at the top-end of structural growth band driven equally by Helios Germany (6% organic growth) and Helios Spain (6% organic growth); revenue before special items increased 6% to €3,273 million.
- **Helios Germany** with revenue of €1,937 million; growth driven by pricing effects and admissions growth.
- **Helios Spain** with revenue before special items of €1,336 million, driven by solid activity levels and favourable price effects. The clinics in Latin America also showed a good performance.
- EBIT<sup>1</sup> of Fresenius Helios declined 5% to €339 million as the energy relief funds ended in Q4. EBIT margin<sup>1</sup> was solid at 10.4% driven by the excellent profitability at Helios Spain with a margin of 15.8% and 15% EBIT growth.
- **EBIT**<sup>1</sup> of **Helios Germany** decreased by 22% to €128 million as the prior-year quarter was significantly supported by energy relief funds.
- Dedicated Helios performance programme initiated to drive further operational excellence and compensate end of energy relief funding in Germany. Fresenius Helios EBIT margin is expected to be around 10% in FY/25.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Before special items

Financial figures and growth rates adjusted for the divestment of the fertility services group Eugin and the hospital stake in Peru. Page 6/8

#### Group figures Q4 & FY 2024

		Q4/24	Q4/23	Growth	Growth	FY/24	FY/23	Growth	Growth
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Revenue									
Group <sup>1</sup>	€m	5,526	5,176	7%	7%	21,526	20,307	6%	7%
Fresenius Kabi <sup>1</sup>	€m	2,148	1,996	8%	7%	8,414	8,009	5%	9%
MedTech	€m	424	397	7%	7%	1,568	1,510	4%	6%
Nutrition Biopharma	€m €m	614 144	501 99	23% 46%	21% 39%	2,399 611	2,304 363	4% 68%	13% 76%
Growth vectors	€m	1,182	997	19%	17%	4,578	4,177	10%	16%
Pharma	€m	966	1,000	-3%	-3%	3,835	3,832	0%	1%
Kabi Corporate	€m	0	0			0	0		
Fresenius Helios	€m	3,273	3,092	6%	6%	12,739	11,952	7%	6%
Helios Germany	€m €m	1,937	1,828	6% 6%	6%	7,662	7,279	5%	5% 8%
Helios Spain Helios Corporate	€m	1,336 0	1,265 -1	100%	6% 100%	5,077 0	4,672 1	9% -100%	-100%
Group Corporate	€m	105	88	19%	18%	373	346	8%	8%
Organic revenue growth									
Group <sup>1</sup>						8%	6%		
Fresenius Kabi <sup>1</sup>	%	9%	7%			10%	7%		
MedTech	%	7%	8%			6%	8%		
Nutrition	%	21%	6%			13%	8%		
Biopharma	%	39%	66%			76%	57%		
Growth vectors	%	18%	11%			16%	10%		
Pharma	%	0%	3%			3%	3%		
Fresenius Helios	%	6%	5%			6%	5%		
Helios Germany	%	6%	5%			5%	4%		
Helios Spain	%	6%	5%			8%	8%		
EBIT									
Group <sup>1</sup>	€m	646	608	6%	7%	2,489	2,266	10%	10%
Fresenius Kabi <sup>1</sup>	€m	340	282	21%	22%	1,319	1,145	15%	16%
Growth vectors	€m	174	102	71%	79%	635	390	63%	50%
Pharma	€m	198	189	5%	5%	771	792	-3%	-2%
Fresenius Helios	€m	339	356	-5%	-4%	1,288	1,190	8%	8%
Helios Germany	€m	128	164	-22%	-22%	660	630	5%	5%
Helios Spain	€m	211	184	15%	14%	629	564	12%	11%
Corporate	€m	-33	-30	-10%	-13%	-118	-69	-71%	-70%
EBIT margin									
Group	%	11.7%	11.7%			11.6%	11.2%		
Fresenius Kabi	%	15.8%	14.1%			15.7%	14.3%		
Growth vectors	%	14.7%	10.2%			13.9%	9.3%		
Pharma	%	20.5%	18.9%			20.1%	20.7%		
Fresenius Helios Helios Germany	%	10.4% 6.6%	11.5% 9.0%			10.1% 8.6%	10.0% 8.7%		
Helios Spain	%	15.8%	14.5%			12.4%	12.1%		
Net Income									
Net income ex FMC <sup>1</sup>	€m	390	306	27%	29%	1,461	1,300	12%	13%
EPS ex FMC <sup>1</sup>	€/share	0.69	0.55	27%	29%	2.59	2.31	12%	13%
Operating cash flow <sup>2</sup>	fm	057	1 275	-25%		2 404	2,077	169/	
Free Cash Flow <sup>3</sup>	€m €m	957 565	1,275 838	-25%		2,401 1,730	2,077 188	16%	
Net debt/EBITDA			- 50	00,0		3.0	3.8		
ROIC	%					6.2%	5.2%		
Employees (December 31)						176,486	193,865	-9%	
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<sup>1</sup> Growth cc adjusted for Argentina Hyperinflation
 <sup>2</sup> Continuing operations
 <sup>3</sup> FCF after acquisitions, dividends and lease liabilities (continuing operations)

#### Note on the presentation of financial figures

- If no timeframe is specified, information refers to Q4/2024.
- Consolidated results for Q4/24 as well as for Q4/23 include special items. An overview of the results for Q4/2024 - before and after special items – is available on our website.
- The results of Fresenius Helios and accordingly of the Fresenius Group for Q4/24 and Q4/23 are adjusted by the sale of the fertility services group Eugin and the divestment of the majority stake in the hospital Clínica Ricardo Palma hospital in Lima, Peru.

• Growth rates in constant currency of Fresenius Kabi are adjusted. Adjustments relate to the hyperinflation in Argentina. Accordingly, in constant currency growth rates of the Fresenius Group are also adjusted.

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• Information on the performance indicators is available on our website at https://www.fresenius.com/alternative-performance-measures.

#### **Conference call and Audio webcast**

As part of the publication Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2024 results, a conference call will be held on February 26, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. CET (7:30 a.m. EST). All investors are cordially invited to follow the conference call in a live audio webcast at www.fresenius.com/investors. Following the call, a replay will be available on our website.

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Fresenius SE & Co. KGaA (Frankfurt/Xetra: FRE) is a global healthcare company headquartered in Bad Homburg v. d. Höhe, Germany. In the 2024 fiscal year, Fresenius generated €21.5 billion in annual revenue. Fresenius currently counts over 175,000 employees. The Fresenius Group comprises the operating companies Fresenius Kabi and Fresenius Helios as well as an investment in Fresenius Medical Care. With around 140 hospitals and countless outpatient facilities, Fresenius Helios is the leading private hospital operator in Germany and Spain, treating around 26 million patients every year. Fresenius Kabi's product portfolio touches the lives of 450 million patients annually and includes a range of highly complex biopharmaceuticals, clinical nutrition, medical technology, and intravenous generic drugs and fluids. Fresenius was established in 1912 by the Frankfurt pharmacist Dr. Eduard Fresenius. After his death, Else Kröner took over management of the company in 1952. She laid the foundations for a global enterprise that today pursues the goal of improving people's health. The largest shareholder is the non-profit Else Kröner-Fresenius Foundation, which is dedicated to advancing medical research and supporting humanitarian projects.

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