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# AGENDA



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Key Takeaways

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# 01 CURRENT BUSINESS PERSPECTIVE

# HELLA 9M FY 2025 RESULTS FULLY IN LINE WITH EXPECTATIONS – STRUCTURAL MEASURES GRADUALLY TAKING EFFECT

## RESULTS 9M FY 2025

<b>Sales</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› <b>Organic sales of €5,961m +0.4% YoY</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Electronics with continued strong global growth momentum</li><li>• Lighting affected by the phase-out of high-volume programs</li><li>• Lifecycle Solutions with sales decline but back to growth Q3</li><li>• Strong FX headwind starting in Q2, overall impact of -€86m</li></ul></li></ul>	<b>Order intake</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› <b>Technology success &amp; global customer reach</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Electronics with ~€1.5bn orders for iPDM &amp; Zone Controllers</li><li>• Lighting with mass market penetration and acquisition success in Asia</li><li>• Lifecycle Solutions with increased customer outreach and demand for customized technologies</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>Operating income margin</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› <b>Operating income margin largely stable at 5.8% of sales</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• R&amp;D ratio &lt;10% with reduction of external spend and higher efficiency</li><li>• Reduction of fixed cost base with sustained progress of measures</li></ul></li></ul>	<b>Cost structure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› <b>Various structural initiatives paying off</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Stringent execution of European Competitiveness Program to adapt capacities and increase efficiency</li><li>• Global rollout of SIMPLIFY program to improve processes and organizational structures</li><li>• Integrated transformation program for Lighting initiated</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>Net cash flow/ Sales</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› <b>Net Cash Flow development as expected, NCF/ sales at 1.2% (vs.-0.1% PY)</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reduction of tangible CAPEX by ~23% YoY due to stringent CAPEX governance and increased efficiency</li><li>• Positive Working Capital contribution</li></ul></li></ul>	<b>Cash flow</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› <b>CAPEX reduction vs. prior year</b> due to efficient capital allocation and strong discipline</li><li>› <b>Stringent Working Capital management</b></li></ul>



# COMPANY OUTLOOK FOR FY 2025 CONFIRMED – SHORT TERM CHALLENGES TO BE MANAGED

## OUTLOOK FY 2025 CONFIRMED

Assuming a sufficiently secure supply situation for semiconductors and considering measures to maintain supply chain stability

Sales Currency and portfolio adjusted	Between around €7.6bn to €8.0bn
Operating Income Margin	Between around 5.3% to 6.0% of sales
Net Cash Flow	At least €200m

## SHORT TERM CHALLENGES AND RISKS

- 2025 LVP estimate<sup>1</sup> at 2.5%, but growth solely out of Asia
- Q4 FY 2025 LVP down by -2.9%
- Sizable uncertainties within the global supply and logistics chains – supply bottlenecks for semiconductors
- 2026 LVP stagnate at ~91m vehicles with declines in major regions, largest decline currently anticipated for North America
- Adverse impacts from customer & product mix, international OEMs losing market share

## MOVING FORWARD INTO 2026

- Improve cash to further invest in future-proof market positioning, reduce CAPEX with prioritization & optimization, improve Working Capital
- Strengthen competitiveness to reflect global market changes and customer needs
  - Accelerate Competitiveness Program in Europe
  - SIMPLIFY global process
  - Transform Lighting business
- Diversify and globalize customer base to set the foundation for profitable growth, focus on acquisitions in Americas & Asia
- Evolve the company towards a culture of empowerment and accountability

1) S&P mobility as of November, 2025



# 02 GROUP STRATEGIC OUTLOOK



# 3 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES TO NAVIGATE DURING RECENT MARKET DEVELOPMENTS



Strategic focus on active portfolio management and cost reduction to set the basis for future growth

## MARKET TRENDS

Electrification	➤ Demand growth of high-voltage components
Automated Driving	➤ Regulatory push ➤ Ongoing chip shortage risks
Digitalization & Connectivity	➤ Shift towards software-defined vehicles and centralized E/E architectures
Software development & Gen AI	➤ Automation of (software) development activities, faster development cycles
Cybersecurity	➤ Increased regulation and OEM requirements
New OEMs	➤ Growing C-OEM market shares ➤ Increased development speed/flexibility requirements
Deglobalization	➤ Increased geopolitical tensions, and trade restrictions ➤ Local content rules with impact on supply chains

## STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

## FOCUS AREAS

1 <b>Best in Class Performance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>Use opportunities for growth</b>, e.g. energy &amp; thermal management, iPDM, smart lighting, and secure ECU</li><li>➤ <b>Strengthen relations with Asian and American OEMs</b></li><li>➤ <b>Reduce CAPEX</b> and <b>improve Working Capital</b></li><li>➤ <b>Leverage AI</b> potential</li></ul>
2 <b>Business Transformation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>Pursue rigorous portfolio management</b> and focused investment</li><li>➤ <b>Do structural adjustments</b> across all domains</li><li>➤ <b>SIMPLIFY</b> processes and focus on value adding tasks</li><li>➤ <b>Transform</b> Lighting business</li></ul>
3 <b>Invigorating Culture</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Establish &amp; strengthen local teams to drive <b>dedicated regional approaches, de-risk supply chains</b> and <b>access local customers</b></li><li>➤ <b>Reshape engineering</b> towards the digital age</li><li>➤ Evolve <b>culture</b> towards <b>empowerment &amp; accountability</b></li></ul>

# POSITIONING ALIGNED WITH MARKET TRENDS OFFERS OPPORTUNITIES FOR PROFITABLE GROWTH



Best in Class Performance: world's first series application of eFuses

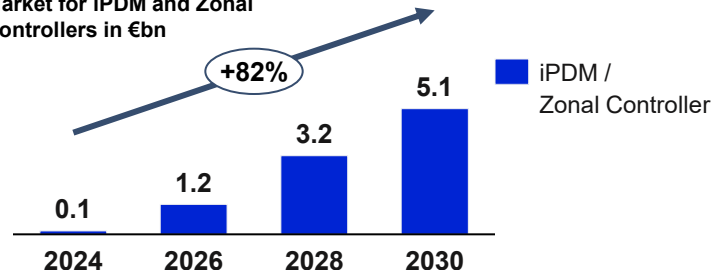
## TECHNOLOGY

- > **Zonal Controllers and intelligent Power Distribution Modules (iPDM) are key products for modern E/E architectures**
- > **Zonal Controllers control a certain zone** of a vehicle by integrating multiple ECUs. This **enables new E/E-architectures** and paves the way for software-defined vehicles
- > **iPDM** secures power supply in vehicles, enables **fail-operational power supply and predictive maintenance**
- > **eFuses** with the ability to detect and quickly react to overcurrent and overvoltage conditions, replacing melting fuses with integrated circuits

## MARKET

- > **Strong momentum driven** by electrification, autonomous driving, and software-defined vehicles
- > **Zonal E/E-architectures expected to reach >50%** of new vehicle platforms by 2030

Market for iPDM and Zonal Controllers in €bn



## POSITIONING

- > **#1st mover** in series production of eFuse-based power distribution; over **15 years of experience** in iPDM
- > **Unique system competence:** electronics, own ASIC, software and system integration from a single source
- > **Proven reliability** and reduced wiring complexity support OEM transitions to zonal architectures
- > **Leading market position in Europe**, growing traction in Asia & North America

## OUTLOOK

- > **Order intake ~€1.5bn** for iPDM and Zonal Controllers
- > Industry-first **iPDM** with eFuse technology in series production 2025; additional launches in preparation
- > **Zonal Controllers** into series production mid-2028
- > **Further growth expected** with next-generation high-voltage and central compute zone applications

## Award Winning Innovation

> The PACE

> CLEPA Innovation Award



## VISION 2030



**Leading supplier in Zonal Controllers and eFuse** setting a new industry standard for new architectures



**Global player with market entry for Zonal Controllers/ eFuse** in all regions



# FOCUS ON COMPETITIVENESS INCREASE AND BUSINESS TRANSFORMATION TO REDUCE COST AND BECOME MORE EFFICIENT



































Business Transformation to leverage growth potential and secure profitability

	COMPETITIVENESS PROGRAM	SIMPLIFY	TRANSFORMATION LIGHTING
FOCUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>› Improve competitiveness and adapt capacities</li> <li>› Focus on Europe, started 2024</li> <li>› Focus on operations, purchasing, production &amp; R&amp;D                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 40% structural measures</li> <li>▪ 60% performance measures</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>› Make administration/functions &amp; processes leaner and more efficient</li> <li>› Global focus, started mid 2025</li> <li>› Focus on functional excellence and simplification of operating model                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Focus on all indirect functions</li> <li>▪ Based on best-in class benchmark</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>› Facilitate mass market penetration and cost innovations in Lighting to secure growth</li> <li>› Global focus, started mid 2025</li> <li>› Turnaround program with decisive modules to address growth &amp; customer focus, operations and R&amp;D</li> </ul>
IMPACT	<p><b>Expected gross savings ~€400m until 2028</b></p> <p><b>Restructuring costs up to €200m</b></p>	<p><b>Expected gross savings ~€80m until 2028</b></p> <p><b>Restructuring costs up to €100m</b></p>	<p><b>Return to growth</b></p> <p><b>Achievement of benchmark profitability</b></p>
STATUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ &gt; 40% implemented until end 2025</li> <li>▪ Large scope of measures announced</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ ~20% implemented until end 2025</li> <li>▪ First quick wins in Operations and HR realized</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Concrete measures defined</li> <li>▪ SteerCo's and governance organization put in place</li> </ul>
⇒ NEXT STEPS	<p>⇒ Further consequent implementation of defined measures</p>	<p>⇒ Detailing of measures; further project realization 2026 along implementation roadmap</p>	<p>⇒ Push order intake in 2025; further project realization incl. reporting, responsibilities, and staffing</p>

# STRENGTHEN LOCAL TEAMS VIA DEDICATED REGIONAL APPROACHES TO INCREASE RESILIENCE AND REDUCE SUPPLY CHAIN RISKS

Invigorating Culture in all regions – access markets and customers with local products and solutions

	INDIA 	JAPAN 	CHINA 	North America 
<b>Ambition</b>	Benefit from Indian market growth; match HELLA's market share with India's share of the global market (~8% in 2030)	Use window of opportunity and grow with J-OEMs globally	Sustain strong position in China through enhanced local-for-local approach and grow with C-OEMs locally and outside China	Realize growth potentials through share of wallet increase at US and Asian OEMs
<b>Footprint</b>	DEVELOPMENT 	DEVELOPMENT 	DEVELOPMENT 	DEVELOPMENT 
	PRODUCTION <sup>1</sup> 	PRODUCTION 	PRODUCTION 	PRODUCTION <sup>3</sup> 
	SALES 	SALES <sup>2</sup> 	SALES 	SALES 
<b>Strategy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>› Enhance production footprint (using e.g. joint ventures)</li> <li>› Invest and launch local products</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>› Strengthen capabilities</li> <li>› Focus on opportunities with J-OEMs globally; increase customer intimacy e.g. via tech shows</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>› Continue focus on cost-down paired with local innovations and products</li> <li>› Investigate partnership potentials</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>› Expand regional R&amp;D capabilities and tech center resources</li> <li>› Use changing regulations to penetrate adaptive lighting; scale-up advanced products</li> </ul>
<b>Portfolio</b>	 Off-/On-Board Charger  Radar Base Bi-LED HLs / RCLs  	 HV Powerbox  Radar MXB HLs and Flat Light RCLs Essential Edge Light  	 Lighting Electronics  Position Sensors MXB and HD SSL HLs / Display RCLs Phygital Shields / IL smart lights  	 Smart Car Access  Battery Mgmt. System MXB and HD SSL HLs / Flat Light RCLs Phygital Shields  
<b>OEM Sales Ambition</b> 2024 ⇨ 2030	Electronics 3-4x  <i>HL = HeadLamp, RCL = Rear Combination Lamp; MXB Matrix Beam= ; HD = High Definition; SSL= Solid State Lighting; IL = Interior Lights</i>	Lighting 2-3x Electronics ~2x	Lighting ~2x Electronics ~2x	Lighting ~2x Electronics ~2x

1) Electronics and Lifecycle Solutions 2) Electronics 3) Electronics in Mexico





# 03 BUSINESS GROUPS STRATEGIC OUTLOOK

# LIGHTING – SCALE TECHNOLOGY LEADERSHIP WITH FOCUS ON AFFORDABLE INNOVATIONS DEDICATED TO CUSTOMERS AND REGIONS

## POSITIONING

- > **Technology leader** with high customer intimacy; **#1 player high-end LED** solutions
- > **System supplier** for innovative automotive lighting solutions
- > **Leader** for multi function **Front Phygital Shields** and foil applications

## KEY TRENDS

- > **Ongoing technology penetration** across all product drives **higher CpV**
- > Demand for **sophisticated exterior lighting solutions** to differentiate carlines
- > **Penetration of high-end digital light** solutions
- > **Cost-down innovations** in and from China demanded

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

- > **Scale key technologies** into broader markets / customers
  - **LED headlamp** for dynamic light signatures & styling, incl. ADB
- > **Focus on cost innovations**
  - **Essential Edge Light** for cost sensitive applications
  - **Digital FlatLight** scaling from rear lamp into headlamps
- > **Enhance styling driven technologies** for advanced customization
  - **Front and Rear Phygital Shields** with animated functions, sensor functionalities, self-healing surfaces headlamps
  - **(Ultra Slim) Surface Illumination** with light tiles integrated in vehicle side & surface / film technologies
  - **Personalized interior illumination** and smart lighting technology integration



## STRATEGIC DIRECTION

### REGIONS – GO EAST INITIATIVE

- > Focus on cost innovations and efficiency
- > Introduction of Flat Light, exterior display technology, and sustainable technology modules
- > Expansion towards displays in front and rear; trendsetter for customization and accelerated development cycles; continue focus on “cost-down” paired with local innovations
- > Penetration with ADB and transfer of technologies from the EU and China

### CUSTOMERS – REBALANCING MIX

- > Further expansion into volume segment - focus on affordable innovations
- > Realize business opportunities with Japanese/ Korean OEMs globally
- > Continue increase of business share with COEM's in portfolio and re-asses European customer portfolio

### OPERATIONS – TRANSFORMATION

- > Improve material & manufacturing costs with focus on lean manufacturing; implement FES globally and implement UAL
- > Reduce development times to meet faster product life-cycles
- > Increase speed for development and industrialization

CpV = Content per Vehicle; FES = FORVIA Excellence System; UAL = Universal Assembly Line

## VISION 2030

### Top #1-3 player in respective markets

#1 global market leader for illuminated grills and panels

#1 market leader for ADB technology in NSA

Strong share in smart light and overhead consoles #3 globally

### Industry-leading profit and cash generation



# ELECTRONICS – FOSTER PRODUCT INNOVATIONS ALONG MARKET TREND TO GROW IN ATTRACTIVE MARKETS



## POSITIONING

- Lead position for most of key products
- Full scope radar sensor provider with 20+ years of expertise
- 20+ years of experience in battery applications
- 25+ years experience in software development & integration

## KEY TRENDS

- Increasing content per vehicle for electronic components, e.g. driven by regulation, AD levels and comfort features
- High dynamics of technological change (e.g. electrification and E/E architecture)
- New competitors from China and tech players




## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

- Leverage technological edge esp. for iPDM/eFuse and smart car access
  - 1<sup>st</sup> to market with **Intelligent Power Distribution Module** with **eFuse** to observe all system components 
  - **Smart Car Access** with UWB technology 
- Scale key technologies, foster innovation pipeline e.g. front/high-resolution radar and UWB add-on feature
  - **77Ghz Radar** for environment detection of stationary & dynamic objects 
  - Replacing other systems with **SW add-on features for UWB car access**, e.g. intrusion detection, child presence detection, kick-sensor 
- Grow LV business and push market entry for HV power electronics
  - **12V LiIB** replacement for conventional batteries, supports a compact size and a lightweight design 
  - **HV Powerbox** combination of HV DC/DC Converter and OBC for safe & stable power supply 

ACM = Advanced Control Modules; DC/DC= Direct Current / Direct Current; LV/HV = Low Voltage/High Voltage LiIB= Lithium Ionen Battery; OBC = Onboard Charger; UWB = Ultra Wide Band

## STRATEGIC DIRECTION

### REGIONS – SPECIFIC LOCAL APPROACHES

- Penetrate modern ECU concepts, like iPDM and ACM; adapt footprint via project, increase efficiency 
- Foster business with new players; increase local-for-local R&D and supply chain 
- Push radar and body control especially China
- Further grow actuator and sensors business
- Roll-out innovations, e.g. iPDM/ eFuse, HV battery and power electronics, grow with smart car access 
- Foster business with US and JOEMs

### CUSTOMERS – BROADER BASE

- Build on strong relation and expand technology leadership with EU OEMs
- Further grow with large US OEMs
- Increase customer proximity in with CN and J-OEMs
- Build-on strong local-for-local expertise to grow with Indian OEMs

### OPERATIONS – SPEED AND AGILITY

- Increase efficiency in R&D and administration by strengthen regional responsibility
- Optimize organizational structure and AI support
- Increase CAPEX efficiency with e.g. higher reuse of productions lines

## VISION 2030

**Top #1-3 player in respective markets**

**Top global radar sensor supplier** enabling AD Level 3 and above functions

**Leading supplier in zonal modules and eFuse** setting an industry standard for new architectures

**Leading global supplier for smart car access; LV and HV power electronics supplier**



# LIFECYCLE SOLUTIONS – LEVERAGE LEADING POSITIONS AND PRODUCT PORTFOLIOS TO ACHIEVE GROWTH IN LINE WITH MEGATRENDS



## POSITIONING





- **HELLA IAM** as leading aftermarket branded spare parts supplier
- **HELLA Gutmann** leading automotive aftermarket enabler for multi-brand diagnostics
- **HELLA SOE** is a leading supplier for off-highway and commercial vehicle customers





## KEY TRENDS

- **IAM with increasing competition** by repackers, copy players, and OEMs, further **customer consolidation**
- **Workshop tools with high technical complexity** and high services needs from workshops; market entry of new competitors
- **SOE** after significant volume decline **market is coming back to growth**; low-cost competitors entering market

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

- **THERMAL business product range** incl. air and engine cooling) 
- Comprehensive **HELLA VSL OE** range 
- Strong **HELLA E/E** products 
- **ADAS & BEV spare-parts**, e.g. low energy UL LED solutions 
- **Brake products** 

- **Mega macs M20** for volume segment 
- **New cloud based** data platform for RMI Data 
- **CSC Pro tool** for fully digital & guided ADAS calibration 
- **Macs Remote** as best in class service offering for workshops 

- Reliable & robust **work lamps**; smart **Matrix Worklight Systems** 
- **Front and rear lighting** 
- Broad range of **E/E products** for emission reduction e.g. IBS 12V 
- Smart **Vehicle Access System** to open and start vehicle with a smart phone 

## STRATEGIC DIRECTION

### IAM – EXPAND RANGE AND OUTREACH

- Strategic product expansion: re-entry into thermal business: increase # of parts in next two years; add further product with focus on lighting and E/E
- Increase focus on expanding truck business and widen coverage of Asian OEM applications
- Further optimize inventory structure and cash conversion with customers & suppliers

### WORKSHOP – TRANSFER LEADING POSITION TO NEW SEGMENTS

- Increase resilience in the portfolio by internationalization and opening new sales channel with white label and e-commerce
- Further penetrate entry-professional segment
- Drive remote services growth and monetize connectivity
- Increase efficiency through use of AI e.g. for the service delivery

### SOE – PREPARE FOR GROWTH

- Right size and adjust global production footprint
- Foster growth with E/E products
- Leverage the potential of profitable niches and enable growth with initiatives outside Europe (e.g. Americas)
- Developing entry-level products to establish market entry barriers esp. in Asia

## VISION 2030

**Top 10 IAM player** with a **globally balanced portfolio**

**Ranking among the top two workshops products suppliers** in the EU with an extended portfolio

**Leading global supplier** for **commercial vehicles**





# 04 KEY TAKEAWAYS



# HELLA IS STRATEGICALLY WELL POSITIONED TO CAPITALIZE ON MARKET TRENDS

Clear focus areas to secure profitable growth & cash generation going forward



## SHORT-TERM

- **Focus on cash generation** to further invest in future-proof market positioning; reduce CAPEX and improve Working Capital
- **Strengthen competitiveness:** accelerate European Competitiveness Program, SIMPLIFY global process and Transform Lighting business
- Focus on **program acquisitions in Americas & Asia**
- **Promote** a company culture of **empowerment** and **accountability**

## MID- TO LONG-TERM

- **Pursue rigorous portfolio management**
- **Focus on megatrends** as Electrification & Automated Driving to drive future growth
- **Expand towards new customers** to strengthen global customer base & allocate volumes to OEMs with stronger momentum
- **Pursue local-for-local** approach
- **Simplify processes, reduce complexity** and **improve** agility to increase efficiency as key enablers to ensure competitiveness



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