Results Q4 of 2011/12 and Fiscal Year 2011/12

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1. About LEM

- LEM is the global market leader in providing innovative and high quality solutions for measuring electrical parameters.
- The current and voltage transducers are used in a broad range of applications in Industrial, Traction, Energy & Automation and Automotive markets.
- LEM is a high growth global company with approximately 1'100 employees. Production plants are in Geneva (Switzerland), Beijing (China) and Machida (Japan). Regional sales offices are close to the clients' locations.
- LEM (SIX: LEHN) has been listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange since 1986 and has a market cap of CHF 564 million per 31.3.2012.



1. LEM Applications: Robot



- To control the arm, power inverters drive a motor from one position to the next and stop precisely in position
- Accurate measurement of the current with transducers needed to control the arm



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1. LEM Applications: Mobile Phone Base Station



- Transducers ensure stable power supply and control in case of a failure
- Transducers used to control the charge and discharge of power batteries for backup



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1. LEM Applications: Electric Plug-in Car



- Battery management
- Electric motor management
- Charger management

At the heart of power electronics



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1. LEM Applications: Plasma Cutting



- To maintain the arc continuously, current transducer measures the current through the arc
- Accuracy of measurement is important to guarantee accuracy and shape of cut



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1. LEM Production & Logistics World-Wide





1. LEM at a Glance - Businesses

Industry segment

Drives & welding

- Motor drives
- Welding
- Miscellaneous

Renewable energies & power supplies

- Solar
- Wind
- UPS
- Battery monitoring, process control, energy metering

Traction

- On-board applications
- Trackside
- Energy monitoring

High precision

- Medical scanner
- Test & measurement





Automotive segment

Conventional cars

- Lead battery management
- Start/stop application

Green cars (HEV, EV)

- Battery pack management
- Electric motor control



2. Highlights and Business Review François Gabella, CEO





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2. Highlights 2011/12

In CHF million, %	2011/12	2011/12 vs. 2010/11	Q4 vs. Q3 2011/12
Orders	182.9	-45.7%	16.2%
Sales	236.3	-20.2%	1.6%
Operational EBIT	34.2	-43.4%	15.6%
Net earnings	28.5	-28.1%	38.2%

- Economic weakness adversely impacted LEM's industry businesses with renewables energies business affected most
- Second-best result in LEM's history after record year 2010/11
- Automotive businesses growing constantly
- Restructuring measures in order to adjust capacity
- Slow recovery in Q4 of 2011/12
- Continued investment in R&D and operational excellence



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2. Net Sales

In CHF million, %	Sales	YoY	YoY at constant currencies	QoQ
Industry	208.3	-23.6%	-16.2%	-0.9%
Automotive	28.0	19.1%	34.3%	17.5%
Total sales	236.3	-20.2%	-12.2%	1.6%

- Second highest sales in LEM history after record 2010/11
- Industry business slowed down
- Strong performance of automotive businesses
- Strong currency impact



2. Quarterly View



Book-to-bill ratio

- Slow recovery of bookings: Q4 of 2011/12 book-to-bill ratio 0.99
 - Customers' inventory corrections ended in Q4 of 2011/12
- Cancellations of orders received of CHF 10.5 million in Q1 and CHF 14.0 million in Q2 of 2011/12



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2. Cost and Capacity Management Update

- On 22 September 2011 LEM announced a step-up of cost reduction measures
 - Reduction of worldwide headcount to below 1'100 employees
 - Continued transfer of production lines to China
 - Strict cost control
- Successful cost management
 - Restructuring cost of CHF 0.7 million recorded in Q2 of 2011/12
 - Sales, general & administrative expenses (SG&A) declined by 5.4% compared to 2010/11
- Continued investment in LEM's future
 - Increased focus on R&D, operational excellence and efficiency



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2. Industry Segment: Regional Markets



In CHF million, %	Sales	YoY	QoQ
Europe	107.3	-26.6%	19.4%
N. America	27.6	-9.1%	-1.0%
Asia	68.5	-24.7%	-23.9%
ROW	4.9	-4.7%	-42.3%
Total	208.3	-23.6%	-0.9%

- Intensified competition with new capacities and broadened product portfolios
- LEM launched important new products

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2. Industrial Segment: Business Development



Businesses and Applications

Drives & welding

- Weak demand and continued inventory corrections of customers in Europe and Asia in H1 2011/12
- Stabilization since Q4 of 2011/12

Renewable energies & power supplies

- Most volatile business
- Normalization of customers' inventories and restart of bookings in Q4 of 2011/12

Traction

- Delays of major projects in China
- Partial compensation with trackside project in UK

High precision

 Increased market share in the medical market



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2. Automotive Segment: Regional Markets



In CHF million, %	Sales	YoY	QoQ
Europe	2.7	-8.9%	39.9%
N. America	14.5	14.4%	10.6%
Asia and ROW	10.9	36.8%	21.7%
Total	28.0	19.1%	17.5%

- Global car industry performed well in 2011/12 with more focus on energy efficiency
- Increased price competition due to more "me-too" products
- Signed new contracts in all regions



2. Automotive Segment: Business Development



Businesses and Applications

Conventional cars

- Increased sales with key customers
- Won new contracts in Asia and North America
- New start/stop application attractive addition to the product range

Green cars (HEV, EV)

- Positive trend due to market growth
- Growth above 50%
- Majority of all green car platforms planned or in production today equipped with LEM products



2. Business Development Automotive Market

New business > CHF 0.5 million	Application	In volume	Added platforms 2011/2012	Added platforms 2012/2013
USA	BM	х	Q3	Q1 + Q3
USA	BM			Q4
USA	Green Car	Х	Q3	Q1
Europe	BM	х	Q3	
Europe	Green Car	Х	Q4	Q2
Korea	Green Car	х	Q2	Q2 + Q4
Japan	BM			Q4
Japan	BM	x	Q2	Q2
Japan	Green Car			Q3 + Q4
China	Green Car			Q4
China	BM	X	Q2	

BM:battery managementGreen Car:electric vehicle + hybrid electric vehicle + fuel cells



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2. Business Development China

Sales

- Market share of over 50%
- Sales impacted by slowing activity especially in solar, wind and traction



Production

- LEM China expands its #1 position as largest manufacturing site of the Group (43.2% of total production, compared to 37.5% in 2010/11)
- "Made by LEM" quality





3. Financial Review Julius Renk, CFO





3. Consolidated Balance Sheet

In CHF thousands	31.3.2011	31.3.2012
Cash and cash equivalents	27'231	21'121
Accounts receivable	60'026	42'140
Inventories	34'187	26'605
Other current assets	3'027	4'965
Total non-current assets	37'508	37'683
Total assets	161'979	132'514
Accounts payable	29'617	17'863
Other current liabilities	28'850	29'774
Total non-current liabilities	6'599	5'316
Equity	96'913	79'561
Total liability and equity	161'979	132'514
Avg. net working capital in % sales	13.3%	12.3%
Inventory turns	5.0	5.3
Equity ratio	59.8%	60.0%
Net financial assets	26'613	18'121



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3. Income Statement

In CHF thousands,%	2010/11	2011/12	Change	Q3 2011/12	Q4 2011/12	Change
Sales	296'203	236'634	-20.2%	54'980	55'844	1.6%
Gross margin	42.6	40.8%	-1.8%pt	41.0%	37.0%	-4.0%pt
Operating expenses	-65'886	-62'315	-5.4%	-15'569	-12'617	-19.0%
Operational EBIT	60'413	34'171	-43.4%	6'946	8'030	15.6%
Additional SOP income / costs	-5'426	315	N/A	17	-322	N/A
EBIT	54'987	34'486	-37.3%	6'964	7'709	10.7%
Financial expense (net)	-4'622	-1'962	-57.5%	290	-1'090	N/A
Income tax	-10'722	-4'037	-62.3%	-1'603	1'189	-174.2%
Net profit	39'643	28'487	-28.1%	5'651	7'808	38.2%



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3. Results by Quarter



Orders received —— Sales —— Op. ROS —— Net Profit in % of sales

- Orders normalizing, sales stabilizing
 - Improved operating EBIT margin in Q4 of 2011/12 ; still below target range
- High net profit in % of sales, resulting from significantly decreased tax charge



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3. Gross Margin



	2010/11	2011/12	Q3 2011/12	Q4 2011/12
Gross margin	126.3	96.5	22.5	20.6
Gross margin in % of sales	42.6%	40.8%	41.0%	37.0%

Negative impacts on gross margin:

- Foreign exchange effects
- Increased price pressure
- Lower absorption of fixed cost
- Impairment of CHF 2.1 million in renewables energies production equipment in Q4 of 2011/12



3. Operating Expenses



	2010/11	2011/12	Q3 2011/12	Q4 2011/12
Operating expenses in CHF million	65.9	62.3	15.6	12.6
Operating expenses in % of sales	22.2%	26.4%	28.3%	22.6%

Restructuring cost of CHF 0.7 million in Q2 of 2011/12

All savings targets more than achieved in Q4 of 2011/12

Overall savings of 5.4% in 2011/12 compared to 2010/11



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3. R&D Expenses



	2010/11	2011/12	Q3 2011/12	Q4 2011/12
R&D expenses in CHF million	14.0	13.0	3.4	2.6
R&D expenses in % of sales	4.7%	5.5%	6.2%	4.7%

R&D exempt from restructuring exercise

R&D expense within long-term average of 5.5%



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3. Operational EBIT



	2010/11	2011/12	Q3 2011/12	Q4 2011/12
Operational EBIT in CHF million	60.4	34.2	6.9	8.0
Operational EBIT in % of sales	20.4%	14.5%	12.6%	14.4%

- Excluding additional SOP cost/income
- Exceptionally good profitability in 2010/11
- Lower sales impacted operational EBIT



3. Legacy SOP Programs Expired per 31.03.2012

- Additional stock option plan cost/income amounted to CHF 0.3 million, directly linked to the share price decrease from CHF 570 at 31 March 2011 to CHF 494.50 at 31 March 2012
- With the closing of fiscal year 2011/12, all legacy stock option plans are closed
- LEM will not record any additional stock option plan cost/income going forward
- LEM has no further option based compensation programs

	31.3.2008	31.3.2009	31.3.2010	31.3.2011	31.3.2012
# outstanding options	70'457	66'207	40'794	4'952	0
			Closure of	SOP 5	SOP 6



3. Financial Expense

In CHF thousands	2010/11	2011/12	Q3 2011/12	Q4 2011/12
Exchange effect*	-4'263	-1'704	359	-1'028
Other financial expense & income	-359	-258	-69	-62
Total	-4'622	-1'962	290	-1'090

Q4 of 2011/12 exchange effect mainly driven by JPY (dividend), EUR, USD

- Foreign exchange hedging policy
 - In general: 50% of net exposure on a rolling 3-9 month basis
 - Euro: 100% of net exposure 12 months forward

* The line "exchange effect" in the financial result is mainly due to currency volatility during the time between booking and settling a receivable/payable. Over and above this line, foreign exchange rates impact every P&L line through the rate at which each transaction is booked and at which it is consolidated into CHF.



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3. Income Taxes

In CHF thousands	2010/11	2011/12
EBT	50'365	32'524
Income taxes	-10'722	-4'037
Effective tax rate	21.3%	12.4%

Strongly decreased tax rate from 34.9% in 2009/10 to 12.4% in 2011/12

- Expected tax rate decreased from 31.9% in 2009/10 to 17.8% in 2011/12
- Events in 2011/12:
 - Japan withholding tax reduction
 - High and New Technology Status in China



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3. Income Taxes

	Expected tax rate	One-off items	Total tax rate
2010/11 effective tax rate	-20.8%	-0.5%	-21.3%
Japan withholding tax reduced for results covering prior years Other adjustments in withholding tax for results		+3.7%	+3.7%
covering prior years		+2.5%	+2.5%
China adjustment in prior period income tax		+0.5%	+0.5%
China adjustment in prior period deferred tax		-0.8%	-0.8%
China reduced current income tax (HNTE status)	+1.6%		+1.6%
Other expected tax rate impacts	+1.4%		+1.4%
Variation	+3.0%	+5.9%	+8.9%
2011/12 effective tax rate	-17.8%	5.4%	-12.4%



3. Net Profit





3. Cash Flow Statement

In CHF thousands	2010/11	2011/12
Profit before taxes	50'365	32'524
Non-cash items	1'133	2'892
Cash flow from changes in net working capital	-21'452	11'238
Cash flow from operating activities	30'046	46'654
Cash flow from investing activities	-9'383	-9'120
Free cash flow	20'663	37'534
Cash flow from financing activities	-23'209	-45'922
Change in cash and cash equivalents	-2'546	-8'388
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	26'613	18'121



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3. Financial Highlights in 2011/12 - Summary

Strong balance sheet at 31 March 2012

- Total assets CHF 132.5 million (CHF 162.0 million)
- Equity ratio 60% (unchanged)
- Net financial assets CHF 18.1 million (CHF 26.6 million)

Profitability slightly below target range

- In fiscal year 2011/12 operating expenses declined by 5.4%
- Operating EBIT margin of 14.5% for fiscal year 2011/12

Strong cash generation

Free cash flow CHF 37.5 million (CHF 20.7 million) for fiscal year 2011/12



4. Strategy and Outlook François Gabella, CEO





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4. Market Factors and Strategy



- We firmly believe in our strategic direction and the 4 drivers for our business remain unchanged
- We will continue to capitalize on the drivers of LEM's markets through
 - pure play components company
 - diversification across geographies and markets



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4. Strategic Priorities to Extend Leadership Position

Increase technology leadership

- Established multidisciplinary innovation team
- R&D roadmap foresees increased number of product launches
- Improve performance of products in terms of precision and functionalities
- Dedicated team of experts to manage LEM's IP

Increase efficiency

- Improve product cost through low cost sourcing and manufacturing
- Reduce complexity of organization

Increase production flexibility

- Improve supply chain management
- Develop systems to better forecast demand fluctuations



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4. Outlook

- We expect the economic climate to remain challenging and uncertainty to persist in LEM's markets
- For 2012/13 we expect:
 - progressive restart in the Industry segment
 - growth in the Automotive segment
 - increasing competitive pressure
- Our ambition is to deliver a result within the operational EBIT margin target range of 15 to 20%



5. Proposals Shareholders' Meeting Felix Bagdasarjanz, Chairman of the Board





5. Proposals for the Shareholders' Meeting

Dividend proposal

- Ordinary dividend of CHF 25 per share
- Payment corresponds to a payout ratio of 99.7%

Organizational structure

- Transfer seat of LEM Holding SA to Fribourg
 - LEM becoming an increasingly global company with the majority of its employees outside Switzerland
 - Clarify roles between the sites providing R&D, manufacturing and support services to the Group and the Group management represented by LEM Holding
 - Established LEM Intellectual Property in Fribourg to reinforce LEM's global intellectual property strategy



Financial Calendar and Contact Details

Financial calendar

28 June 2012	Ordinary shareholders' meeting for the year 2011/12
4 July 2012	Dividend ex-date
9 July 2012	Dividend payment date
7 August 2012	First quarter results of 2012/13
13 November 2012	Half-year results of 2012/13
14 February 2013	Third quarter results of 2012/13
5 June 2013	Year-end results and media and analyst conference
27 June 2013	Ordinary shareholders' meeting for the year 2012/13
2 July 2013	Dividend ex-date
5 July 2013	Dividend payment date

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