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“With Innovations towards an Integrated Ag Player”

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Ladies and gentlemen,

I am delighted that we are able to welcome you to Bayer CropScience's Annual Press Conference in Monheim. I would like to welcome our guests from Germany and, especially, our guests from various countries in Europe, North America and Asia, all of whom are here today to find out more about the global agricultural economy and about Bayer CropScience.



Agenda	
	Bayer CropScience Business Review
	Future Perspectives for Agriculture and the Crop Science Industry
	Our Strategic Approach: Become the Partner of Choice for Farmers Worldwide



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In my presentation, I would like to initially take a look at current developments on the international agricultural markets, the resulting challenges for us and the future perspectives for the global agricultural economy. I will then focus primarily on the growth opportunities for Bayer CropScience, in particular in the area of plant biotechnology, and our future strategic alignment.



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Let's start with a quick review of the past months.

Bayer CropScience Highlights 2008

- Strong sales expansion (+14%*)
- Significant growth in profitability (+21%), achieving our target of an underlying EBITDA-margin of 25%
- Substantial progress in terms of our strategic agenda
 - Excellent performance of our new active ingredients (introduced since 2000), with a sales increase of 36%* to €1.8 billion; underlining our innovation leadership in agrochemicals
 - Worldwide first regulatory approvals for two new substances: the herbicide Thiencarbazone-methyl and the safener Cyprosulfamide
 - Extension of our Seeds & Traits franchise through regional expansion and launch of new varieties

2008 marks a record year in the history of our company

* At constant exchange rates

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The underlying conditions on the world agricultural markets have been highly favorable since late 2007. Market prices for the principal plant-based raw materials reached an all-time high in the first half of 2008, boosting investments in crop production and the related demand for high-quality seed and crop protection products worldwide. Climatic conditions

in the most important growing regions were also favorable. These conditions allowed us to increase our sales in 2008 at constant exchange rates by 14 percent to a record level of EUR 6.4 billion.

EBITDA before special items advanced by 21 percent to EUR 1.6 billion in 2008. With an EBITDA margin before special items of 25.1 percent, we achieved our 2009 target well in advance.

The main growth drivers here were the new active ingredients that we have launched since 2000, which have developed extremely well. These active ingredients alone contributed EUR 1.8 billion in sales to the total. This success once again underlines our innovation leadership in the field of agrochemicals.

In addition, we have also been granted regulatory approval for two new substances: our herbicide thiencarbazone-methyl and the safener cyprosulfamide, which we have been marketing in initial countries since early 2009. We have also achieved important strategic progress in our Seeds & Traits business in the BioScience business unit. The introduction of new seed varieties together with regional expansion have allowed us to markedly expand our business in this sector.

Global Ag Market Environment in the First Half of 2009

- Overall, agchem demand remained on a high level, although market conditions have deteriorated compared to exceptionally good first half of last year
- After a record year 2008, agchem product stocks in the distribution channels have been very low, leading to strong first quarter sales in the industry
- Volatile crop commodity prices are affecting cash flows in distribution channels and bear uncertainty for farmers in many markets
- Globally less favorable growing and weather conditions with partly lower pest and disease pressure compared to 2008
- Price deterioration of glyphosate-based products may lead to an overall agchem market value decline in 2009

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The demand for agrochemicals remained high in the first half of 2009, despite an overall deterioration in the market conditions relative to the first half of 2008. Following our

record year in 2008, retailers had only minimal inventories of our products which meant that sales developed positively in the first quarter in particular.

Prices for plant-based raw materials were subject to significant fluctuation in the first half of 2009. This subsequently had an impact on liquidity in sales channels and led to uncertainty among farmers in many markets.

Unfavorable weather conditions made themselves noticeable in major agricultural regions such as Latin America, southern Europe and Asia. In addition, the level of insect and disease infestation was lower overall.

Increase in our Herbicide, Seed Treatment and BioScience Businesses

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(in € million)	H1 2008	H1 2009	Δ YOY	Δ YOY ^{CER}
Crop Protection	3,148	3,274	4.0%	4.1%
Herbicides	1,185	1,281	8.1%	9.7%
Fungicides	1,024	1,002	-2.1%	-1.0%
Insecticides	643	651	1.2%	-1.8%
Seed Treatment	296	340	14.9%	11.8%
Environmental Science/ BioScience	634	698	10.1%	8.3%
Environmental Science	330	336	1.8%	-1.4%
BioScience	304	362	19.1%	18.8%
Total sales	3,782	3,972	5.0%	4.8%

CER: At constant exchange rates

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Despite various factors negatively affecting the market, Bayer CropScience managed to grow its business in the first half of 2009.

The Crop Protection segment recorded growth of 4.0 percent to EUR 3.3 billion. The main drivers were our herbicides and seed treatment products, while sales of fungicides declined slightly in almost all regions. Our Seed Treatment business developed gratifyingly, partly as a result of earlier sales for the fall season relative to last year.

Sales in the Environmental Science/BioScience segment posted a gratifying 10.1 percent increase in the first half of 2009, to EUR 698 million. This development is mainly attributable to increases in our seed business, in particular with canola seed. In the

Environmental Science segment, increases in products for consumers almost compensated for reductions in the business with products for professional users.

Our EBITDA before special items increased by 2 percent to EUR 1.2 billion in the first half of 2009. The main contributing factor here was higher selling prices, but increased sales volumes also played a part. These increases were offset by higher raw material costs and increased expenditure for marketing activities.

Strong Sales Growth in North America and Asia in the First Half of 2009

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(in € million)	H1 2008	H1 2009	Δ YOY	Δ YOY ^{CER}
Europe	1,820	1,778	-2.3%	2.6%
North America	909	1,138	25.2%	16.4%
Asia Pacific	471	519	10.2%	8.0%
Latin America, Africa, Middle East	582	537	-7.7%	-9.1%
Sales worldwide	3,782	3,972	5.0%	4.8%

CER: At constant exchange rates

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In regard to sales developments by region, we can see that our growth in the first half of 2009 was primarily thanks to increases in North America and Asia. The main growth drivers were our seed business and our innovative crop protection products. Sales in Latin America declined primarily because of the more unfavorable growing conditions in Brazil and Argentina compared with the same period last year.

Despite Volatility, Commodity Prices Are Still Above Historic Average

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Source: Reuters, September, 2009

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An important factor with a global impact on farmers' decisions on what crops to grow is how agricultural raw material prices develop.

Prices have undergone considerable fluctuation so far this year. While prices for cotton, for example, have increased again since the beginning of the year, the prices for the major crops wheat and corn dropped. This has an in some cases considerable effect on the farmers' decisions on which seeds, crop protection agents and fertilizers to use. The great volatility has led farmers in some regions to postpone their purchasing decision in the hope of more favorable prices. The crop protection industry has felt this reticence more and more as the year progresses.

Following the good results in the first six months, our performance at the start of the third quarter has been more subdued. In addition to declining prices for wheat and corn and unfavorable weather conditions, particularly in Europe and on the Indian subcontinent, the relative late start of the season in Argentina as well as a drop in demand in the United States have had an impact on our business.

Against this background, we have to consider our target of retaining a margin forecast of a clean EBITDA margin of 25 percent for the full year as ambitious.



Future Perspectives for Agriculture and the Crop Science Industry

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Ladies and gentlemen,

We believe that the medium to long-term perspectives for the agricultural economy and the crop science industry remain fundamentally positive.

Appreciation of Agriculture Considerably Improved

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- Volatile food prices especially during 2008 have put agriculture back on the public agenda
- Although prices have come down from their 2008 peaks, they remain above long-term average
- Global demand for agricultural produce continues to rise, posing enormous challenges on the supply side
- Agricultural output has to be doubled by 2050
- To not compromise local ecologies and avoid widespread deforestation, raising productivity is essential to safeguard future food supply
- High value seed with improved characteristics is expected to play a major role to secure future food supply



① We therefore renew our call for a 'Second Green Revolution'

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Despite recently announced reductions, we expect the prices for agricultural raw materials to remain at a significantly higher level than a few years ago in the long term.

This has also been confirmed by macroeconomists, in particular the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).

The reasons for this are obvious. The global challenges facing the agricultural industry remain unchanged and are becoming increasingly significant. A growing number of people have to be fed from an area of land that is, at best, remaining constant. This represents an enormous challenge for the global food supply.

If we want to avoid harming the environment in the affected countries and prevent the common, widespread destruction of woodland to create new arable land, we have no choice but to substantially increase the productivity of the land already under cultivation. Crop protection solutions play a role in safeguarding the food supply, but high-quality seed with improved traits is also making an ever more important contribution.

We are therefore still firmly convinced that we need a second green revolution in agriculture, utilizing all technological possibilities to master the challenge of safeguarding the global food supply.

Increase in Agricultural Productivity is a Prerequisite for Food Security

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“Substantial agricultural production increases are necessary in order to feed the growing world population. This also requires harnessing the potentials of modern biotechnology, complementing more traditional crop improvement techniques.”

Prof. Dr. M. Qaim
University Göttingen, Chair in International Food Economics and Rural Development

“Growth in agricultural productivity is the only way to ensure people have access to enough affordable food.”

Dr. A. Dobermann
International Rice Research Institute, Manila



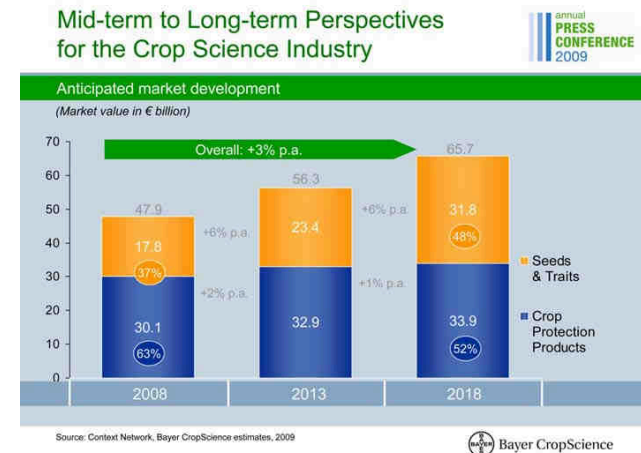
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Internationally renowned scientists and institutions agree that this increase in productivity, employing all means available, is vital. For example, Professor Matin Qaim from the Institute for Global Food Economy and Rural Development at the University of Göttingen stresses that food production will have to be roughly doubled by 2050. He believes that

new technologies, in particular modern seed breeding and plant biotechnology, will play a particularly significant role.

Dr. Achim Dobermann, Head of the internationally renowned International Rice Research Institute in Manila, Philippines, likewise stresses that a marked increase in productivity is the only way to ensure a safe supply of food for the constantly growing world population.

The heads of state at this summer's G8 summit in Italy also gave a clear signal towards safeguarding the supply of food and intensifying agricultural research. Now it is time for action to follow words.



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We at Bayer CropScience want to use our innovative power in conventional crop protection and our research capacities in plant biotechnology to make an important contribution here.

We believe that the growing demand for agricultural produce in the medium and long-term will entail excellent perspectives for our markets: we estimate the market to grow by an average of 3 percent each year in the next 10 years, with the total market increasing from approximately EUR 48 billion to some EUR 66 billion by 2018. While we may see above-average growth of 6 percent in the plant biotechnology segment, we expect moderate growth of about 1 to 2 percent on average per year in the conventional crop protection market. Consequently, the share of the Seeds & Traits business will increase

to 48 percent by 2018, putting it almost on a par with the crop protection business. We are taking steps to address this development.



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I would now like to explain how we intend to align our growth strategy to address the anticipated developments.



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Ladies and gentlemen,

Our objective is to be the partner of choice for farmers worldwide. To this end, we have set ourselves three strategic priorities

- We want to further strengthen our role as an innovation leader – in all areas of Bayer CropScience
- We want to strategically extent our portfolio – particularly in the Seeds & Traits market
- We want to expand our business in the increasingly significant, fast-growing developing countries and emerging markets, and offer sustainable solutions for farmers.



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Let me turn first to the topic of innovation leadership.

Fluopyram – An Outstanding Solution for Managing Problematic Crop Diseases

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- A new and unique chemical class of SDHI*: Pyramide
- World-wide use in foliar application and seed treatment on more than 70 horticultural and industrial crops
- Significantly reduced application rates with outstanding efficacy against botrytis, sclerotinia, powdery mildew and other diseases responsible for quality losses
- Co-formulations provide farmers with innovative and complete solutions including built-in resistance management
- Presents benefits for the food chain industry through better storability and longer shelf-life of harvested produce
- Global peak sales potential of up to €200 million



* SDHI: Succinate dehydrogenase inhibitor

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Fluopyram was developed to effectively combat various problematic plant diseases caused by fungal pathogens which can lead to substantial economic damage. It is used in more than 70 crops, including vines and grapes, pome and stone fruit, vegetables and field crops. One important advantage that is particularly beneficial for the food industry and ultimately also the consumer is that it improves storability and increases the shelf life of harvested produce. We expect a peak sales potential of up to EUR 200 million for this active ingredient.


Bixafen – New Cereal Fungicide with Yield-Boosting Effect

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- Pyrazole fungicide from a new generation of SDHI* for foliar use in cereals
- Excellent control of key cereal diseases including strobilurin-resistant septoria in intensive cereal growing regions
- Boosting yield through a positive impact on plant physiology
- The combined formulation of Bixafen and Prothioconazole offers unrivalled broad-spectrum and long-lasting disease control, leading to the best "all-in-one" cereal fungicide on the market
- Our new range of products based on the combination of our two most powerful a.i.s is expected to further strengthen our excellent cereal fungicide portfolio
- Global peak sales potential of about €300 million



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Bixafen is an innovative cereals fungicide that, thanks to its positive effects on plant physiology, exerts a harvest-increasing effect. It is scheduled to be launched in various European countries from 2010 onwards. Bixafen was developed specifically for leaf application to combat speckled leaf blotch (*Septoria tritici*) and rust. Bixafen will set a new standard in combination with our established active ingredient prothioconazole. In addition, as a member of a completely new group of active ingredients, Bixafen is extremely suitable for use as a component in resistance management. We expect an annual peak sales potential of about EUR 300 million for this fungicide. As such, this active ingredient has blockbuster potential, as we in the crop protection industry say about products with predicted sales of this magnitude.

Indaziflam – The New Base Herbicide

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- New herbicidal active ingredient from the chemical class of alkylazines for the control of a broad spectrum of weeds, including difficult to control species such as annual bluegrass, goosegrass, ryegrass and goosefoot
- Indaziflam is intended for use as a non-selective herbicide in numerous broad-acre crops as well as for weed control in non-agricultural segments such as turf, industrial vegetation management and ornamentals
- Provides an excellent biologically long-lasting efficacy at low application rates
- Important mixing partner that can be used either pre-emergent or post-emergent in conjunction with post-emergent herbicides
- Global peak sales potential of more than €150 million



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Bayer CropScience's research in the economically significant market segment of weed control agents has also been successful. We are particularly proud of indaziflam, as this new substance is the result of an intensive interdepartmental collaboration between our Crop Protection and Environmental Science business units.

Indaziflam is characterized by an extremely long duration of action and is effective against a broad spectrum of difficult-to-control weeds. The substance is intended for use in agricultural crops – for example, fruit- and wine-growing, citrus fruit, olives and sugarcane – as well as a large number of non-agricultural markets, including landscaping, for example on golf courses and sports fields, public lawns and gardens and ornamental plants.

The first marketing authorization for use in the non-agricultural segment is expected in 2011. We believe that this new active ingredient has an annual sales potential of more than EUR 150 million.

New Technological Solution for Effective Protection against Malaria

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- Long lasting insecticidal nets are one of the key interventions in the fight against Malaria
- We are currently developing an innovative technological solution where the highly effective active ingredient Deltamethrin (specified by the WHO) is incorporated into the net structure
- Granting a longevity of more than five years and retaining more than 20 washes: the active ingredient is replaced quickly to maintain the high efficacy of the net
- New material for more durability, but much softer to the touch and able to be compacted for transport



 New solutions besides classical research fields underline our innovation leadership – in all parts of our company

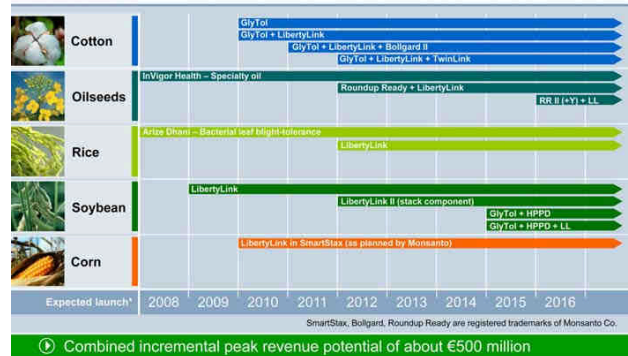
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However, innovation at Bayer CropScience is not restricted solely to the search for active ingredients for agriculture. As one of our activities in the field of public health, our company is also playing a crucial role in malaria prevention, which we are driving forward by improving the control of the disease-spreading Anopheles mosquito with specially developed applications such as mosquito nets pretreated with insecticides. We have found a new technological solution with which the tried and true insecticidal active ingredient deltamethrin – which is recommended by the WHO – can be integrated directly into the nets. We regard these novel mosquito nets as an important contribution to support the United Nations in their efforts to get malaria under control in the coming years by providing a universal supply of mosquito nets.

Well-Filled Traits Pipeline in BioScience

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We also have a well-filled pipeline in BioScience, which comprises our activities with seeds and plant traits. The traits currently in development at Bayer CropScience cover solutions for cotton, rapeseed, rice, soybeans and corn. We are planning to launch 14 seed varieties with innovative traits in these crops between 2008 and 2016 and expect a combined incremental peak revenue potential of about EUR 500 million. My colleague Dr. Joachim Schneider will report to you in more detail about our plans to expand our traits pipeline, but I would first like to explain our fundamental strategy using cotton as an example.

With our research, we want to make a contribution to ensuring that farmers around the world can utilize a larger selection of high-performance trait solutions. We are therefore developing new solutions, for example for herbicide tolerance, stress tolerance and resistance to insect pests and plant diseases. It is becoming increasingly important to combine these different solutions into what are termed "stacks". For example, next year we will be the first company worldwide to offer cotton seed with an in-built tolerance to the two leading herbicides glyphosate and glufosinate-ammonium, thus giving farmers more freedom in the selection of the crop protection solutions they can use.

In the year after that, we intend to supply this cotton with additional integrated protection against the most important insect pests. Starting in 2012, we plan to bring cotton varieties from our research program to market that have a "double stack" producing two different substances against insect pests. That means that in the future we will be able to market a

unique product with four traits: a double herbicide-tolerant and double insect-resistant stack.

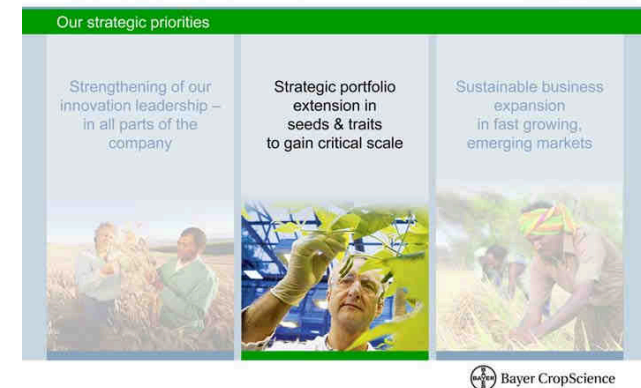
With this research strategy, we are increasingly replacing solutions from third-parties that we previously licensed in with traits from our own research, thus further improving our margin in BioScience.

Our rapeseed range will be extended with multiple stacks in similar fashion, and we are also expanding our portfolio in rice. In this area, we are on the one hand using further improvements in the properties of our conventional hybrid varieties, but are also working with green genetic engineering methods to develop desired plant traits.

We are also increasingly focusing our research on the soybean. We want to bring a new property to market in the coming years: a tolerance to HPPD inhibitors, a new, innovative class of herbicidal active ingredients in which Bayer CropScience is the world leader and which we manufacture at our facility in Dormagen that some of you visited yesterday. Combined with other measures for weed control, the HPPD inhibitors will offer a variety of options in future for effectively combating increasingly resistant weeds.

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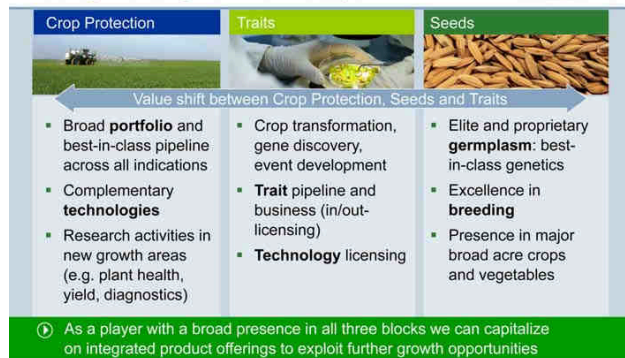
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Ladies and gentlemen,

We intend to strategically extend our portfolio of innovative solutions for agriculture in future, in particular in the areas of high-quality seed and optimized plant traits.

Building Blocks for a Leading Integrated Ag-Business Player

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In crop protection, we already have a comprehensive portfolio today as well as a first-class pipeline in all major indications. Important elements such as safener additives and formulation technologies round off our range of products. At the same time, we are intensively conducting research in new growth areas and investing in projects that make a contribution to plant health. These include diagnostic procedures that will guarantee targeted use of our products and help to safeguard and boost yields.

Another major element is plant traits that can be selectively optimized using state-of-the-art technologies. As I mentioned before, our company has a comprehensive pipeline of traits. By inlicensing further traits but also outlicensing our own plant traits, we are creating more options for farmers. We are working together with numerous partners to further develop our traits platform and have entered into technology agreements to secure access to major innovative approaches in the fields of genomics, bioinformatics, gene finding and event development.

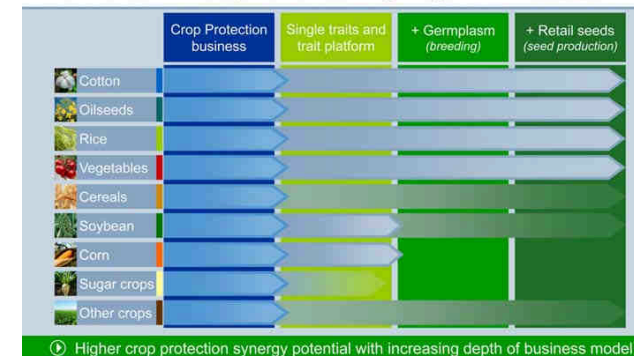
An integrated range of products and services in future will necessarily include the development and marketing of high-quality, high-yield seed. This requires the greatest possible expertise in breeding research on the basis of conventional and modern breeding procedures. The result does not necessarily have to be exclusively genetically modified seed. We are always on the lookout for the most suitable method for developing the solutions needed by farmers as quickly as possible.

In this, we use both conventional plant breeding and green genetic engineering methods but also state-of-the-art non-GM solutions such as marker-assisted breeding processes.

There is going to be a certain amount of reappraisal of the significance of "chemical crop protection", "seeds" and "traits" for value creation in individual crops in the coming years. Value creation will tend to focus more strongly on crop protection, plant traits or seeds, depending on the crop in question and the specific requirements for safeguarding the yield and quality in each segment. We therefore want to operate much more intensively in all three sub-sections of the global crop science market.

Build Technology and Seeds Position to Generate Crop Protection Synergies

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For this, we will have to look far beyond the individual products in the long term. While individual product ranges and their optimization can remain at the center of strategic considerations for 40 years and longer, the customers' thinking, planning and purchasing decisions are focused on specific crops.

Our goal is not only to simply provide better products but to deliver attractive, universal solutions. In ideal cases, these integrated solutions will comprise the seed, optimized traits, crop protection and tailor-made service.

We will exploit the synergy potential and increasingly integrate it into our business model in order to better intermesh the Crop Protection and BioScience business units and thus fundamentally strengthen our customer orientation.

In the plants that are currently our key crops – cotton, rapeseed/canola, rice and vegetables – we already have a presence in the conventional crop protection business and other areas with plant traits, germplasm and our own seeds. In soybeans and corn, we are seeking to reposition ourselves in the market with our in-house technologies and the plant traits we have developed ourselves. In addition, we have taken an important first step towards broadening our set-up in cereals with the cooperation project we have agreed with the Australian state research organization CSIRO. As with soybeans, we want to further extend our business with cereals right through to breeding. In addition, we are also conducting research into the applicability of our technologies for the development of traits in sugarcane and sugar beets. We also want to investigate the extent to which we can enlarge our integrated range for other, lesser arable crops.

Systematic Expansion of our Seeds and Traits Franchise

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- Strong development of our seeds & traits activities during the past years based on
 - Targeted acquisitions
 - Regional expansion
 - Licensing of state-of-the-art technologies and establishing R&D cooperations with public and private partners
 - Successful introduction of a broad range of new seed varieties with improved characteristics
- Between 2003 and 2008 we have spent more than €1 billion to build-up our BioScience business
- To further successfully grow our BioScience business, we plan to invest about €3.5 billion in R&D and capital expenditures by the year 2018

Investment split (2003-2008: €1 billion)

■ R&D spending
■ Capital expenses
■ Acquisitions

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These measures are a systematic continuation of our growth strategy over the past years. To this end, we have made numerous acquisitions in recent years, extended our business into new, regional markets and signed licensing agreements for state-of-the-art technologies. We have also entered into numerous research and development cooperation agreements with public and private partners. Last but not least, we have successfully launched a large number of new seed varieties with enhanced traits.

In the past six years from 2003 to 2008, Bayer CropScience has invested more than EUR 1 billion in systematically expanding the BioScience business. To continue growing successfully in this business, we intend to invest considerable resources in the future as

well. We plan to spend some EUR 3.5 billion from 2009 to 2018 in Research & Development and the expansion of our infrastructure alone

Targeting to Become the Partner of Choice for Farmers Worldwide

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Our strategic priorities

- Strengthening of our innovation leadership – in all parts of the company
- Strategic portfolio extension in seeds & traits to gain critical scale
- Sustainable business expansion in fast growing, emerging markets

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Ladies and gentlemen,
The sustained expansion of our business in fast-growing new markets is the third pillar of our strategic approach to becoming a leading provider for farmers worldwide.

Considerable Business Expansion in Emerging Markets

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We have already recorded double-digit growth rates with our business in the past three years in the growth regions Brazil, India, China and Eastern Europe and Russia. Increased use of high-quality, innovative technologies to safeguard yields and boost harvests is being reported in these countries.

During this time, Russia has held first place among the BRIC states with a growth rate of 31 percent. However, Brazil has also posted considerable growth with an average annual rate of 27 percent. There is also great potential for agriculture in China and the markets of Eastern Europe, where productivity will have to be raised to meet the growing demand for high-quality food and animal feed. Another important market for the future is India, where we have successfully realigned our portfolio in recent years.

India: Accelerated Business Growth

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CAGR: Compound average growth rate; CER: At constant exchange rates

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Let me briefly explain the example of India in more detail. The medium-term perspectives for growth in India are excellent as farmers are increasingly investing in boosting agricultural production and modern agricultural engineering. In view of the fact that the population is growing by around 20 million people per year, this topic is becoming increasingly important.

With the introduction of modern, innovative crop protection agents and commercial seed, we have already been able to participate in this growth in recent years, and India has since developed into our second-largest business after Japan in the Region Asia.

Despite the global financial crisis, we expect the agricultural economy to continue developing positively in the medium term as well. We want to continuously extend our business in this environment and support farmers with comprehensive solutions from the seed to the harvest to boost productivity. This year, we expect our business in India to develop positively despite unfavorable weather conditions as a result of the late and only moderate monsoon.

Strong Commitment to Corporate Social Responsibility at the Example India

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Education	Safe use & better farming	Community Support
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Education: door opener for a better future for the deprived; We focus on science & environmental education „Learning for Life“ to integrate children into the mainstream school system and provide vocational training 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Farmer training on safe use of our products and targeted know-how transfer on crop cultivation „Target 400“ program in cotton seed production to help farmers to increase yield and profitability 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support in addressing basic needs of farmers and their families in deprived rural communities Providing micro-credits and services to farmers to better manage uncertainties of the agricultural market
<p>📌 Holistic business approach to support rural development</p>		

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As one of the world's leading companies in the agricultural sector, we have a great responsibility for our employees, our customers and our partners in the supply chain and their families. Our systematic commitment in the areas of education, safe use of crop protection agents, agricultural efficiency and rural development shows that we take our duty to society seriously.

I would like to explain this in more detail using India as an example.

We are convinced that education can open the door to a better future for disadvantaged children in rural Indian communities. Our extensive „Learning for Life“ initiative is aimed at increasing the matriculation rate at schools in India and getting school drop-outs back into regular schooling. We increase the attractiveness of school attendance by introducing work-related elements into lessons and are sponsoring a vocational school near Hyderabad. By specifically teaching knowledge about crop production, we also help local farmers to increase their harvest yields and thus earn a higher income. This is the basis for a better standard of living. We also instruct our customers and suppliers on how to use crop protection products safely.

Our „Target 400“ program covers a wide range of these measures for farmers involved in cotton production. So far, more than 5,000 farmers have substantially increased their productivity and profitability by taking part in our program. We also help to improve the livelihoods of farmers and their families in disadvantaged rural communities in India, for example by granting micro-credits.

With this holistic approach, we are systematically helping to improve rural development.

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- Very good progress in executing our strategic agenda and driving our business development
- Positive mid to long-term perspectives for agriculture and the Crop Science industry
- Innovation is the key to our future success and we will continue to invest substantial resources into our R&D activities
- To manage value capture across agrochemicals, seeds and traits we aim to become an integrated ag player and plan to substantially extend our seeds and traits business
- We want to further expand our activities in the fast growing, emerging markets with the help of integrated, sustainable business approaches



📌 This strategy is also reflected in the key principles guiding our company

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Ladies and gentlemen,
allow me to briefly summarize the cornerstones of our strategy once again. In recent years, we have continuously developed our business and systematically implemented our strategic goals. We believe that there is significant potential for growth in the agricultural economy and the crop science industry in both the medium and the long term.

We are convinced that innovation remains the crucial factor for guaranteeing success in our industry, and we will continue to make substantial resources available for our research and development activities.

To be able to supply our partners and customers in agriculture with our products and services even better in the future, we want to substantially expand our business with high-quality seeds and optimized plant traits. In this, we are now focusing primarily on cereals and soybeans in addition to our current key crops cotton, rapeseed oil, rice and vegetables. We also want to further intensify our trait activities for corn and sugar crops.

We want to systematically exploit the opportunities for growth arising from the modernization of agriculture in developing countries and emerging markets, and present ourselves as the partner of choice for farmers around the world.

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» Bayer CropScience strives to be the global innovation leader, providing sustainable crop solutions from seed to harvest.

We help farmers worldwide meet the ever-increasing demand for affordable and high quality food, feed, fiber and energy crops.

At Bayer CropScience, we share a passion for discovering new approaches – anywhere in our company. Thus we help shape the future of agriculture and create value for our customers and society.

This is how we live *Science For A Better Life* every day. «



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Ladies and gentlemen,

we have set ourselves the goal of becoming the global innovation leader in every area in which we are active – with sustainable crop solutions from seed to harvest. In this way, we want to help farmers around the world meet the ever-increasing demand for affordable and high quality food, feed, fiber and energy crops.

We at Bayer CropScience share a passion for discovering new approaches – anywhere in our company. Thus we help shape the future of agriculture and create value for our customers and society. This is how we live “Science For A Better Life” every day.

Thank you for your attention.

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