

# Cost excellence for automotive suppliers in challenging times

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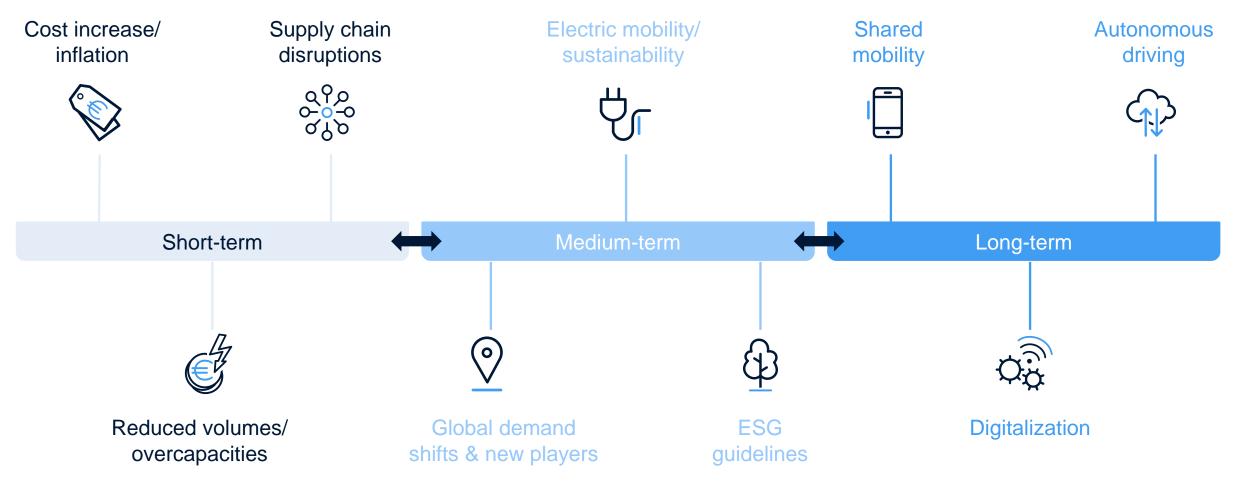


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## Suppliers face numerous challenges



Important trends

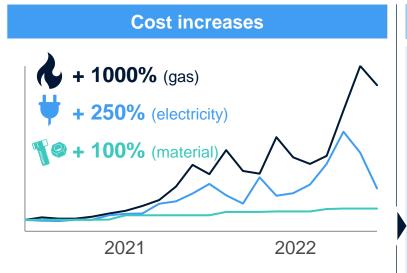


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## Exploding costs, volumes declining and high volatility



Short-term challenges

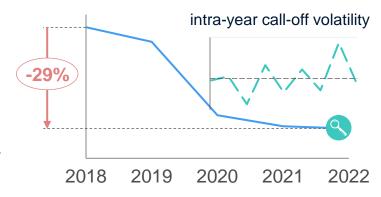


- Huge cost increases in last two years (raw materials, energy, labor)
- Suppliers' P&L and liquidity heavily affected
- OEMs keep or improve profitability via price increases and product mix shifts



Volume reduction and volatility

#### **European LV production (mn vehicles)**



- Volumes in 2023 still much lower than before start of covid-19
- Many suppliers suffer from overcapacities
- Still ongoing supply chain disruptions lead to high call-off volatility

Automotive suppliers are facing huge cost increases and substantial volume reductions/volatilities

### We have a proven program to achieve cost excellence



Key functions and selected levers



## Global turnaround program for automotive supplier

We supported the development & implementation of a highly successful turnaround

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#### **Initial Situation**

## Our client develops and manufactures chassis components/ systems (tier 1 supplier).

The company has sales and production in all major automotive markets (Europe, North America, South America, China).

The company faces losses due to a number of reasons (e.g. pricing, cost management, organizational deficiencies, operational problems).

The company initiated an own turnaround plan, but is not happy with the first results.

#### **Project objectives**

- Review of turnaround plan
- Development of full potential program based on realistic assumptions
- Implementation support

#### **Our Role**

#### Review of turnaround plan

- Evaluate company status and planned initiatives, involving the management of all global sites and all functions (marketing & sales, development, purchasing, production & logistics)
- Identify improvement potentials
- Check key assumptions of turnaround plan and derive areas of improvement

#### Development of full potential program

- Specify improvement initiatives
  - Product-market strategy
  - Production footprint
  - Material cost improvement
  - SG&A improvement
  - Company processes & responsibilities
- Quantify impact of improvement initiatives (P&L, liquidity)
- Identify implementation requirements and resources
- Define implementation organization and plan (timeline, responsibilities, dependencies)

#### Implementation support

- Track progress, remove roadblocks
- Prepare and drive implementation concepts for high-impact initiatives

#### **Achievements**



**Comprehensive turnaround program** covering all sites and functions. Strong management commitment based on close involvement into the program and ambitious, but realistic assumptions



**Product-market strategy**: Additional profitable sales (new clients developed, new products offered) and discontinuation of loss-making business



**Production**: Consolidation of sites and establishment of new site: Cost improved by up to 20%, operational KPIs (quality, logistics) strongly improved

#### Material and transportation cost

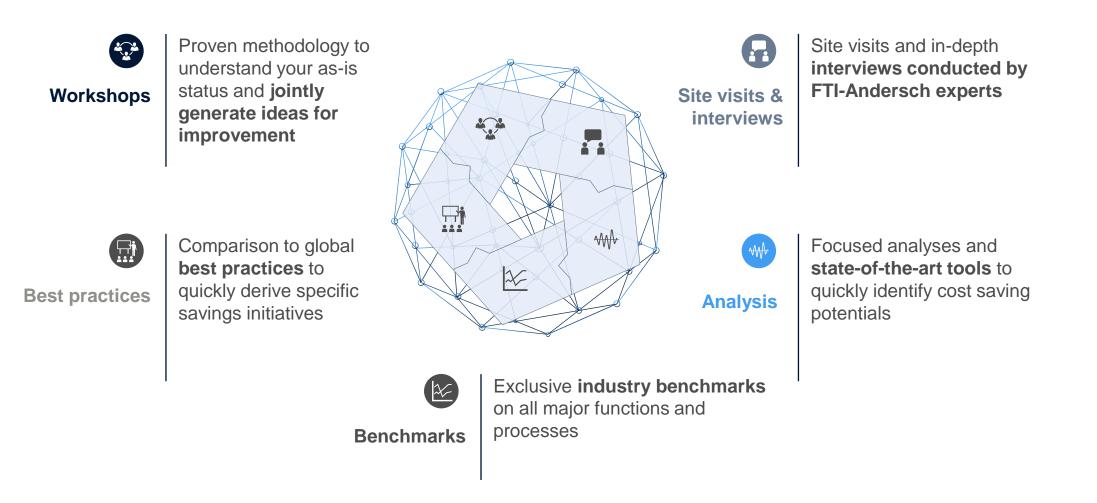


reduced by 8% based on supply chain re-design, adaptation/ localization of supplier portfolio, and improved cost understanding when negotiating prices

### We offer a quick-check to set-up a cost excellence project

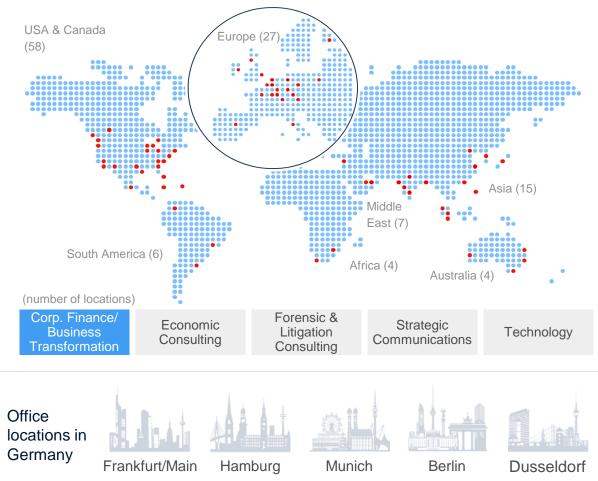


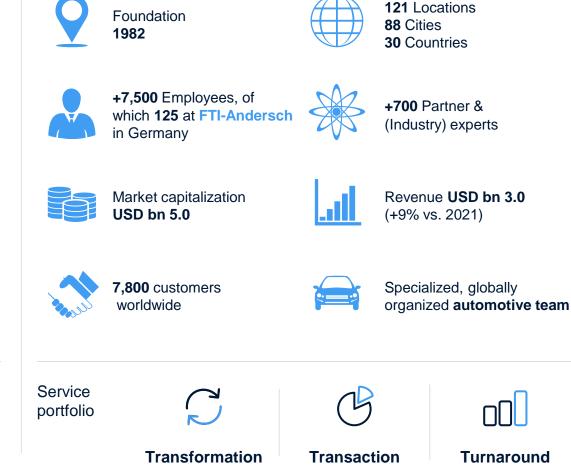
Within 3-4 weeks we identify cost reduction potentials, and set-up an improvement program



## We are part of a global group with deep automotive expertise **FTI** Andersch<sup>7</sup>

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