

## Boliden – Metals for generations to come

Q4 Interim & Year-End Report 2021

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Q4 2021

### Q4 2021 – Strong result despite disruptions in production

#### **KEY HIGHLIGHTS**

- Strong prices & terms
- Inflation pressure
- Strong production in Mines excluding Tara
- Water inflow in Tara and explosion in Harjavalta

#### FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

- EBIT excl. PIR\* 2,835 (3,043) MSEK
- Free cash flow 2,008 (2,750) MSEK
- Capex 1,971 (1,703) MSEK

#### **DIVIDEND PROPOSAL**

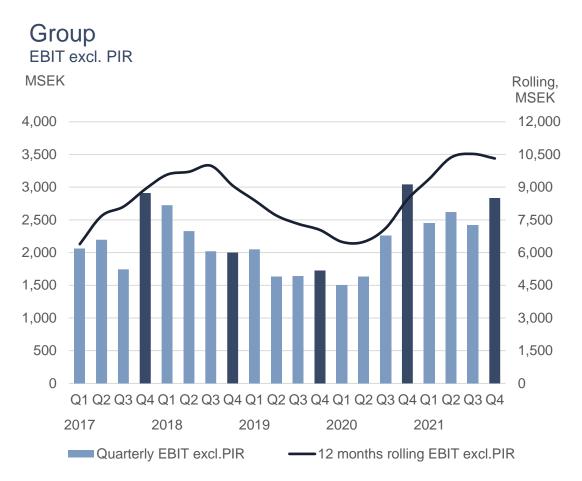
- Ordinary dividend 10.50 (8.25) SEK
- Redemption of shares 15.50 (6.00) SEK

#### **PROJECTS**

- Ni capacity expansion in Harjavalta commissioned
- Key Odda 4.0 supply contracts signed
- Tara Deep delayed
- Covid-19 related delays

### Q4 2021 EBIT\* development

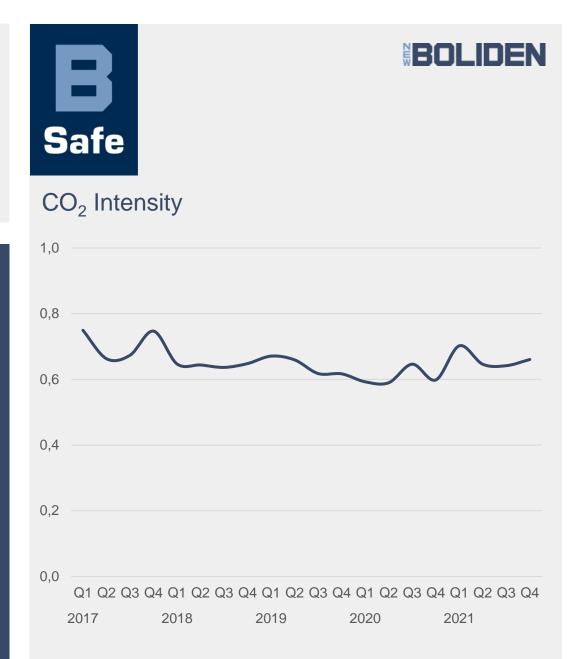
- Group 2,835 (3,043) MSEK
- Mines 3,002 (1,858) MSEK
- Smelters 553 (1,109) MSEK



## ESG is key in our purpose, vision and values

#### Q4 2021

- Lost Time Injury\* 6.9 (4.3)
- Sick leave 5.6 (5.4)
- Carbon dioxide intensity of 0.66 (0.60)



\*Per million hours worked, including contractors

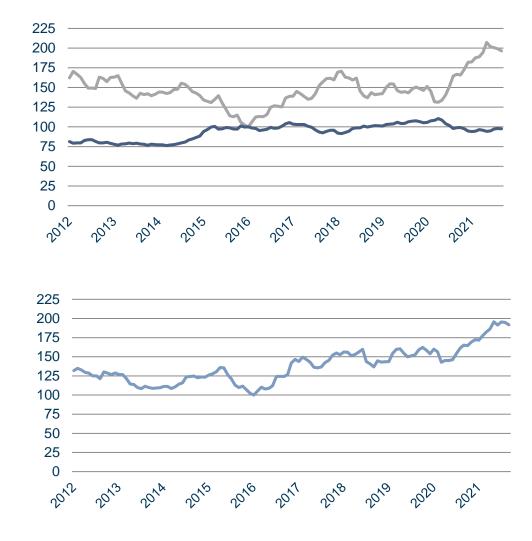
## Boliden price index close to historic highs

- Continued strong increase in base metal prices
- Precious metals stable at a high level
- Stronger USD

#### Boliden price index\*



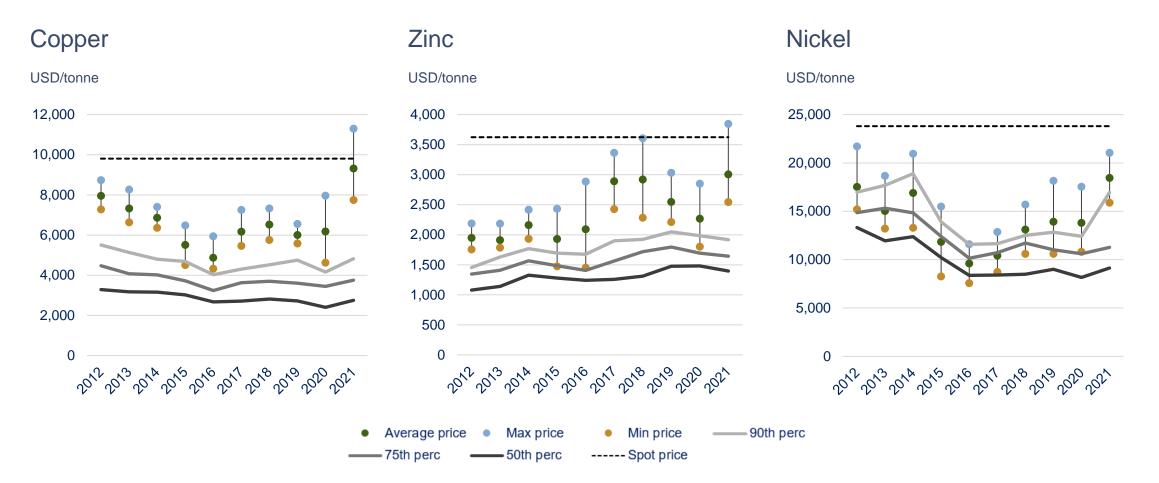
-----Metal price/ TC index (USD) -----Currency index -----Boliden weighted index



\*Index 100 = 1 January 2016



### Copper, zinc and nickel prices relative to cash cost



Source: Wood Mackenzie 2021 Composite C1 cash cost\* data, Refinitiv Datastream February 7, 2022 price data

\* Composite costing, C1 cash cost: normal C1 mines for mines with net revenue from one metal > 65 % total net revenue, pro-rata for other mines

### Mines – Q4 2021 production

#### Aitik

- Record milled volume 11.2 (10.5) Mtonnes
- Cu grade 0.23 (0.25) %

#### Garpenberg

- Milled volume 756 (735) Ktonnes
- Zn grade 3.7 (3.8) %, Ag grade 105 (123) g/tonne

#### Kevitsa

- Record milled volume 2.7 (2.6) Mtonnes
- Cu grade 0.37 (0.36) %, Ni grade 0.20 (0.20) %

#### **Boliden Area**

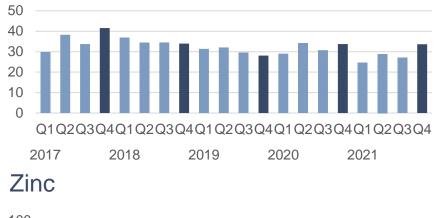
Stable milled volume

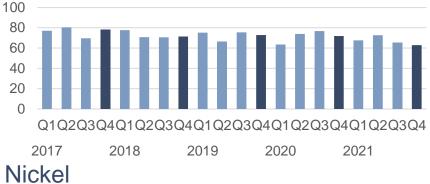
#### Tara

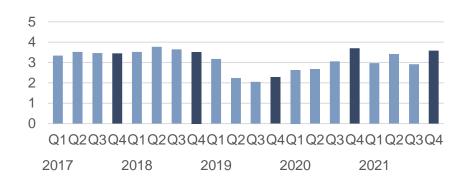
Weak production due to water inflow

#### Metal content, ktonnes

#### Copper







### Smelters – Q4 2021 production

#### Harjavalta

- Planned maintenance stop and delayed ramp-up in Ni line
- Negative raw material mix
- Explosion in the Ni line
- Strong Cu production

#### Rönnskär

- Negative raw material mix
- Delayed ramp-up of feed capacity expansion

#### Kokkola, Odda

• Stable production

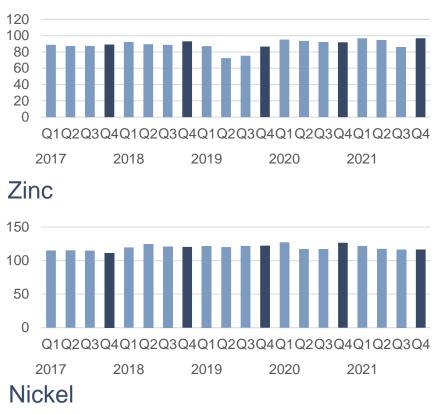
#### Bergsöe

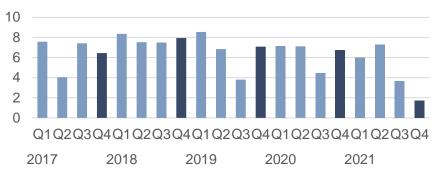
Production limited by environmental permit

#### Metal production, ktonnes

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#### Copper





### Group – Full Year 2021

#### EBIT excl. PIR 10,318 (8,438) MSEK

#### Improved prices & terms

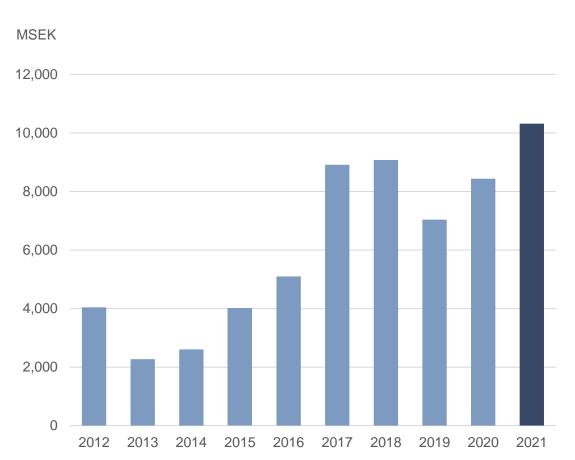
- Strong development of base metal prices
- Lower USD and treatment charges

#### **Decreased volumes**

- Lower grades in Mines
- Production disturbances; Aitik, Tara and Harjavalta
- Extensive planned maintenance
- Kylylahti closed in late 2020

High inflation during the second half of 2021

#### EBIT excl. PIR



### Mines – Full Year 2021

EBIT 8,761 (4,594) MSEK

Strong development of base metal prices

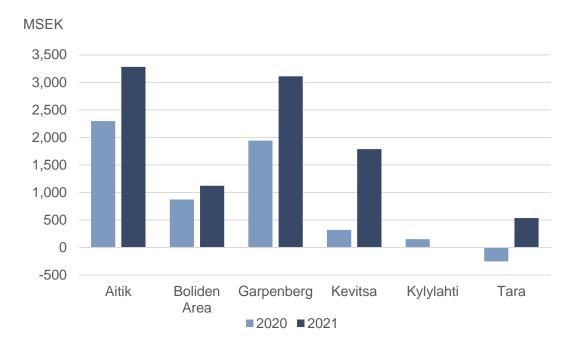
Record milled volumes in Garpenberg and Kevitsa

Production disturbances in Aitik and Tara

Kylylahti closed 2020

Lower ore grades in Aitik and Boliden Area

#### EBIT



### Smelters – Full Year 2021

#### EBIT excl. PIR 2,903 (3,975) MSEK

Prices & terms stronger for Cu smelters but weaker for Zn smelters

- High metal prices
- Lower Zn treatment charges

#### Stable production across most units

- Disturbances in Ni production in Harjavalta

#### Unfavorable feed mix in Cu smelters

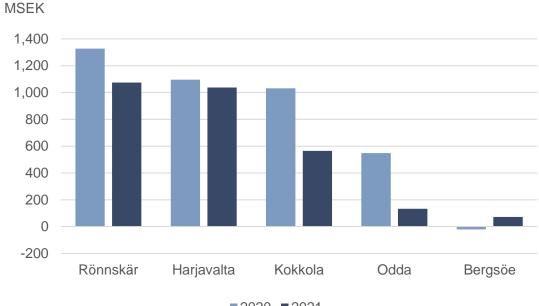
#### Increased maintenance in 2021

- EBIT effect of -560 (-345) MSEK

High inflation during the second half of 2021

- Electricity
- Chemicals

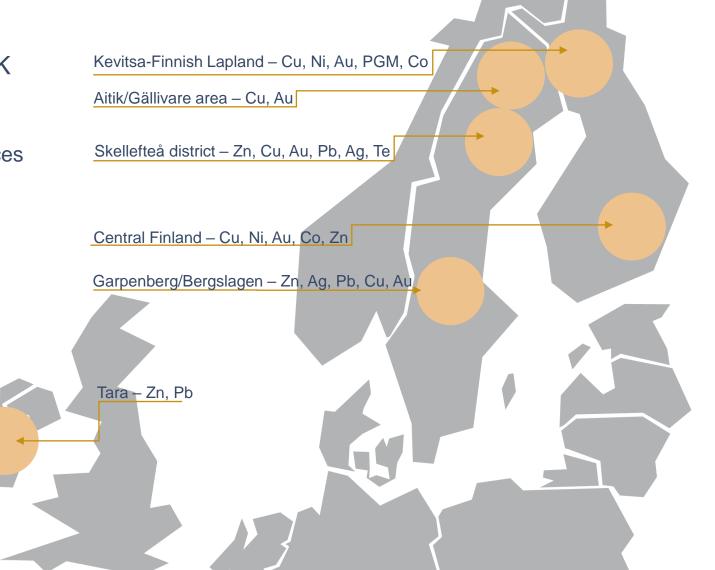
#### EBIT excl. PIR



#### ■2020 ■2021

### **Exploration 2021**

- Exploration cost 629 (504) MSEK
- Garpenberg
  - Major increase in Mineral Resources
- Kevitsa
  - Decline in Mineral Resources
- Boliden Area
  - Strömfors New discovery
  - Rävliden Conversion of resources to reserves
- Tara Deep
  - Delayed



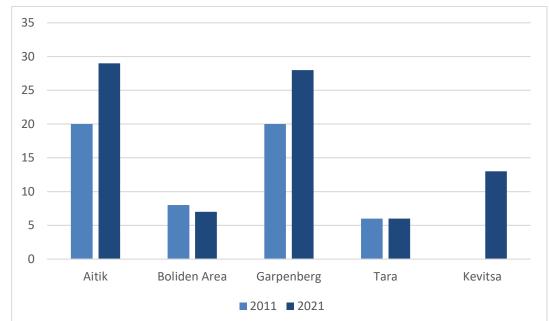
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### Mineral Reserves end of 2021

- Aitik\*
  - Reserves covering full production until 2050 (2050)
    - Cu reserve grade 0.22 (0.22) %
- Boliden Area
  - Reserves covering full production until 2028 (2027)
- Garpenberg\*
  - Reserves covering full production until 2049 (2050)
    - Zn reserve grade 2.8 (2.8) %
    - Ag reserve grade 93 (94) g/tonne
- Tara
  - Reserves covering full production until 2027 (2027)
- Kevitsa
  - Reserves covering full production until 2034 (2033)
    - Cu reserve grade 0.32 (0.32) %
    - Ni\*\* reserve grade 0.22 (0.21) %

#### Reserve life (years)\*\*\*



\*Reclassification from proven to probable reserves due to PERC 21, \*\*Nickel in Sulphides, Ni(S), \*\*\*2011 and 2021 year end reserves divided by designed full production



### Mineral Resources end of 2021

- Aitik
  - No major update
- Boliden Area
  - Strömfors
  - Addition in Mineral Resources 26.6 (25.7) Mtonnes
- Garpenberg
  - Major increase in Mineral Resources 79 (62) Mtonnes
- Tara
  - Tara Deep
    - Inferred Mineral Resource 28.1 (26.2) Mtonnes
    - Zn grade 8.4 (8.4) %
    - Pb grade 1.6 (1.6) %
- Kevitsa
  - Major decline in Mineral Resources 139 (179) Mtonnes
  - Outside planned final pit



Note! Boliden reports Mineral Resources exclusive of Mineral Reserves to avoid double counting. This means that quantities converted to Mineral Reserve are removed from Mineral Resource.

### Financial summary

MSEK	Q4 2021	Q4 2020	Q3 2021
Revenues	17,755	16,170	15,906
EBITDA	4,722	4,685	3,684
EBIT	3,214	3,077	2,305
EBIT excl. PIR	2,835	3,043	2,419
Investments	1,971	1,703	1,538
Free cash flow	2,008	2,750	962
Earnings per share, SEK	9.27	8.60	6.57

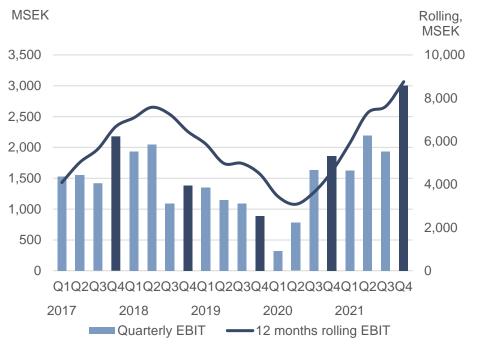




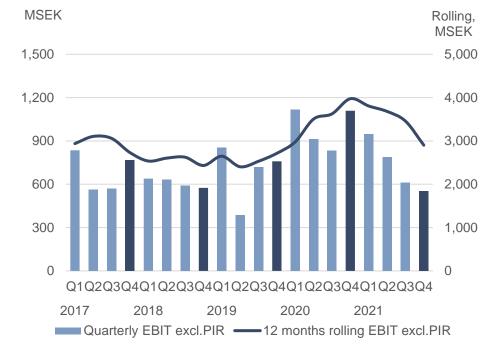
### EBIT excl. PIR by Business Area

MSEK	Q4 2021	Q4 2020	Q3 2021
Mines	3,002	1,858	1,936
Smelters	553	1,109	611
Other/eliminations	-721	76	-129
The Group	2,835	3,043	2,419

#### Mines



#### **Smelters**



### EBIT deviation Q4 2021 vs Q4 2020

EBIT excl. PIR	MSEK	
Q4 2020	3,043	Higher base metal prices Stronger USD
Prices and terms	1,655	
Whereof currency	363	Lower grades Water inflow in Tara, Kylylahti closure
Volumes	-1,555	Improved milled volumes in other mines Unfavorable raw material mix
Costs	-366	Lower Ni feed and more planned maintenance in Smelters Negative impact from internal profit elimination
Depreciation	89	
Other	-31	Inflation Higher maintenance costs
Q4 2021	2,835	60 MSEK one-off reclamation cost

### EBIT deviation Q4 2021 vs Q3 2021

EBIT excl. PIR	MSEK	
Q3 2021	2,419	Higher metal prices Stronger USD
Prices and terms	876	Stronger USD
Whereof currency	235	Higher milled volume and grades
Volumes	221	Negative impact from internal profit elimination
Costs	-539	
Depreciation	-132	Higher production Production disturbances in Tara and Harjavalta
Other	-10	Seasonally higher costs
Q4 2021	2,835	Inflation

### Cash flow

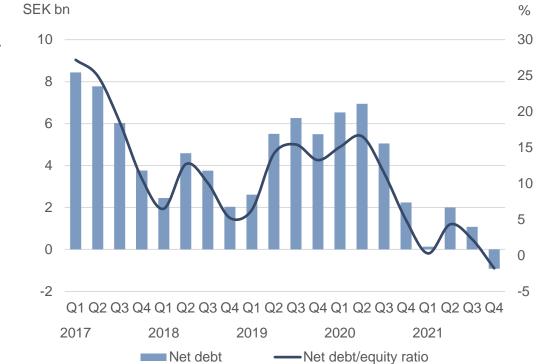
MSEK	Q4 2021	Q4 2020	Q3 2021
EBITDA excl. PIR	4,343	4,651	3,798
Cash flow from working capital	351	397	-841
Cash flow from investments	-1,986	-1,698	-1,540
Financial items	-64	-63	-61
Tax paid	-634	-558	-404
Other	-1	21	9
Free cash flow	2,008	2,750	962



### Capital structure

SEK bn	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2020	30 Sep 2021
Total Assets	80.5	72.5	75.4
Capital Employed	53.4	51.0	52.8
Equity	50.9	45.6	48.3
Net debt	-0.9	2.2	1.1
Net debt/equity, %	-2	5	2
Net reclamation liability/equity, %	5	5	5
Average interest rate, %	1.6	1.6	1.6
Net payment capacity	16.1	12.7	14.1
Net reclamation liability	2.4	2.2	2.4

#### Net debt & Gearing

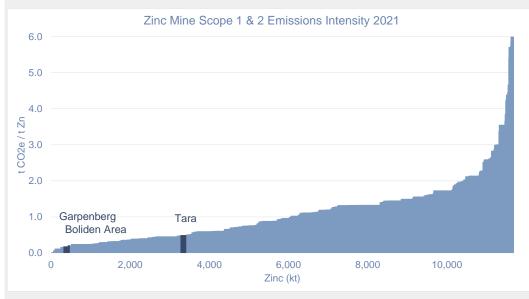


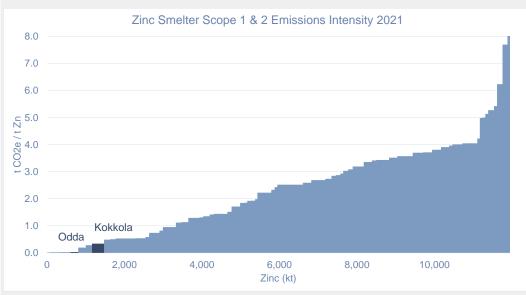
### Updated discount rate for Reclamation Reserves

- Discount rate adjusted at year-end 2021
  - Reduced to 0.5 % from 2.0 %
  - Real interest rate (excluding inflation)
  - Reflects current view on forward long-term interest rates
- Q4 2021 financial effects
  - Increased reclamation liability and corresponding asset by 1,2 BSEK
  - EBIT: -40 MSEK\* regarding closed operations
- Financial impact going forward
  - Higher annual depreciation by about 60 MSEK
  - Corresponding improvement of financial net

### Low Carbon Zinc – Boliden takes the next step

- Zn with a low carbon footprint, verified by third party
- Produced from own zinc concentrate
- All significant emission categories from cradle-to-gate included
- Well positioned compared to global average





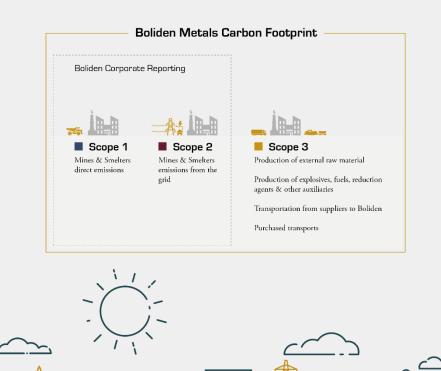
Source: Wood Mackenzie Zinc Emissions benchmarking tool

## World's first verified Low-Carbon Zinc now available!

- First contracts signed
  - Agreements with Zinkpower and Everzinc
- First volumes to customers in February 2022
- Boliden invests in more low carbon smelting capacity in Odda
  - Odda 4.0 is commissioning Q4 2024
  - Ramp up during 2025



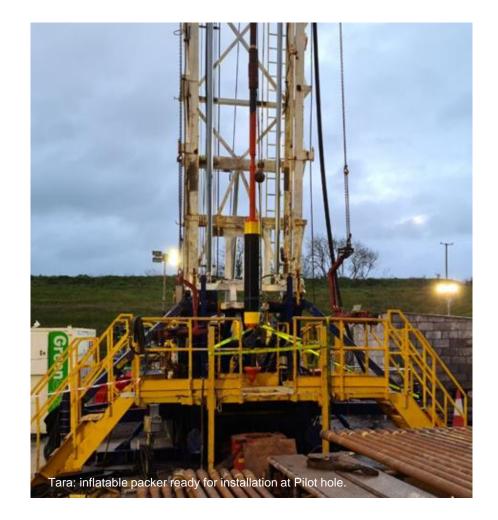
#### Boliden Low-Carbon Zinc <1 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/kg Zn Produced from zinc concentrate mined in our own mines





### Tara Q4 2021 disturbances in production

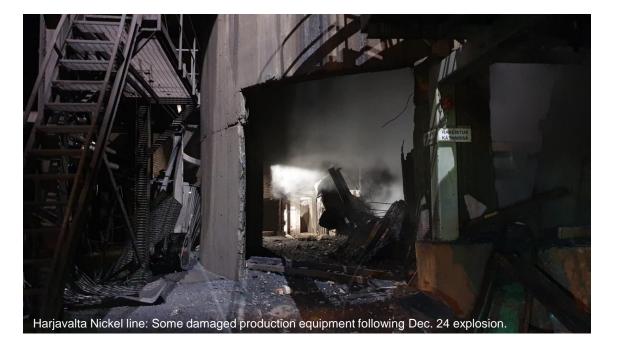
- Water inflow from pilot hole for ventilation shaft, starting Nov. 20
  - Production partially resumed Dec. 10
- Fire in underground conveyor Dec. 27
- 250 MSEK EBIT impact in Q4 2021
- Q1 2022 production at reduced capacity
  - Milled volume ~10 % lower than 2021 average
  - Zn grade ~0.5 percentage point lower than 2021 average
- Normalization during Q2 2022
- Tara Deep full access to exploration drift during second half of 2022





### Harjavalta, Q4 2021 disturbances in production

- Delayed start-up following maintenance stop and expansion
- Explosion in Ni electric furnace slag tapping system on Dec. 24
  - Production resumed Jan. 19, 2022
  - 50 MSEK EBIT impact each in Q4 2021 and Q1 2022

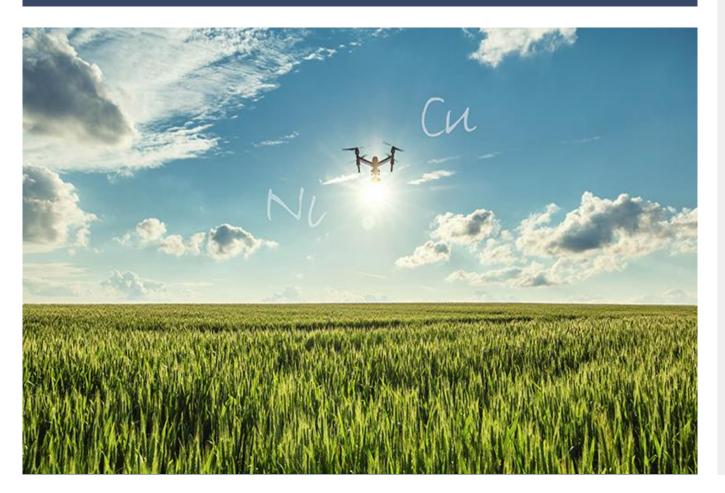


### 2022 Capital Markets Day

Boliden's Capital Markets Day 2022 will be held in Stockholm on November 15, followed by a site-visit on November 16.

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### Outlook



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- Aitik
  - 2022: Cu 0.20 %, Au 0.10 g/tonne
- Garpenberg
  - 2022: Zn 3.6 %, Ag 110 g/tonne
- Kevitsa
  - 2022: Cu slightly below reserve grade
- Tara
  - Q1 2022: Affected by the Q4 2021 water inflow
- Harjavalta
  - Q1 2022: -50 MSEK EBIT impact due to Q4 2021 explosion
- Maintenance shutdowns
  - 2022: -350 (-560) MSEK
- Covid-19
  - High sick leave
- Inflation pressure
- Capex
  - 2022: slightly above 10 BSEK

### This is Boliden



### **Our purpose**

To provide the metals essential to improve society for generations to come

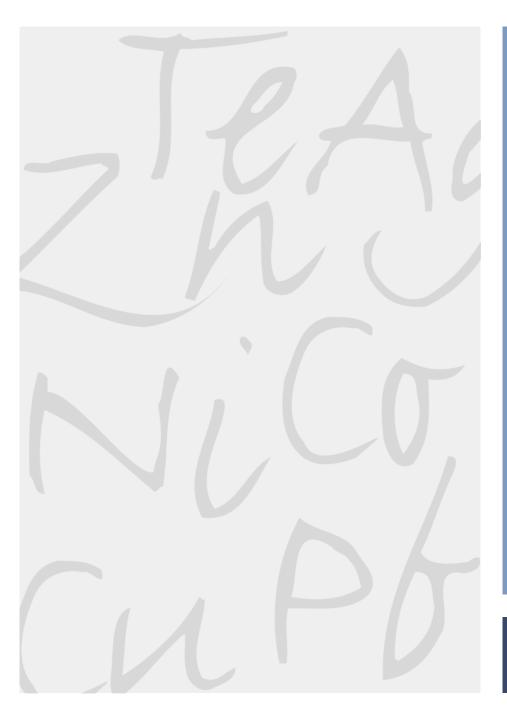
### **Our vision**

To be the most climate friendly and respected metal provider in the world

### **Our values**

Care, Courage, Responsibility

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### APPENDIX

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### Financing

#### Net Debt

MSEK	Q4 2021	Q4 2020	Q3 2021
Debt to credit institutions	5,993	5,951	5,987
Other interest bearing debt	169	203	183
Pensions	1,180	1,159	1,178
Interest bearing assets	-9	-18	-9
Cash	-8,251	-5,060	-6,258
Total	-918	2,236	1,081

#### Net Payment Capacity

MSEK	Q4 2021	Q4 2020	Q3 2021
Not utilized credit facilities	7,875	7,729	7,855
Cash	8,251	5,060	6,258
Credits with maturity < 1 year	-38	-50	-44
	16,088	12,741	14,069

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### Loan structure

			Maturity		
MSEK	of which Reported value utilized		< 1 year	1-5 years	> 5 years
Revolving credit facility	7,875	-	-	-	-
Bilateral loans	5,243	5,243	-	4,902	341
Bonds	750	750	-	750	-
Commercial papers	-	-	-	-	-
Leases, other	169	169	38	131	-
Total		6,162	38	5,783	341

### Preliminary priced volumes

Preliminary priced volumes in Mines*	31 Dec 2021
Copper, ktonnes	13.0
Zinc, ktonnes	20.6
Nickel, ktonnes	3.1
Lead, ktonnes	5.1
Silver, kg	48,129
Gold, kg	1,313
Palladium, kg	231
Platinum, kg	345





### Q4 2021 Internal profits

- Relates to timing of revenue recognition
  - Group recognizes revenue when at external sales
  - Mines recognizes revenue at sales to Smelters
- Q4 2021 EBIT impact -660 MSEK
  - 1/3 due to higher inventory volumes
  - 2/3 due to higher prices

- Strong production in Mines, disturbances in Smelters
- High inventories of internal Cu and Ni concentrate
- +10 % change in metal prices corresponds to ca -300 MSEK impact on EBIT\* from internal profit adjustment



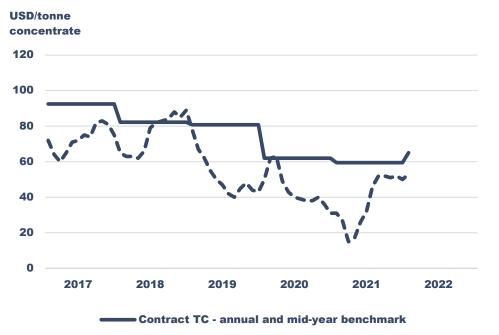
\*One-off EBIT effect, based on current SEK metal prices and average inventory levels and mix

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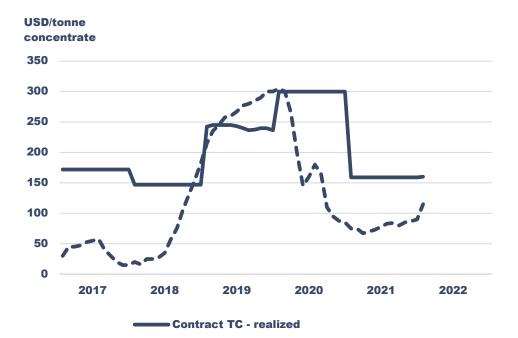
### Copper and zinc treatment charges

#### Copper TC



- - - Standard grade spot TC

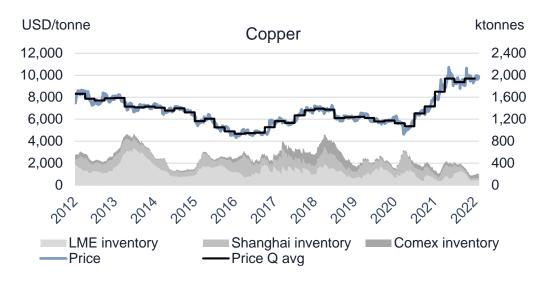
#### Zinc TC



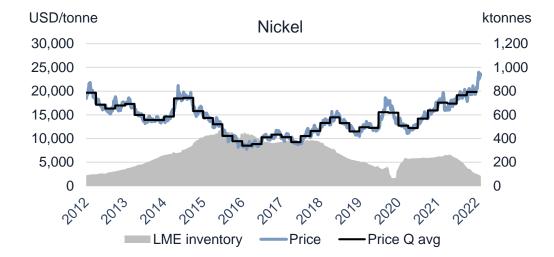
--- Spot TC imported concentrate to China



### Base metal prices







Average	price in	Q4 2021	vs period
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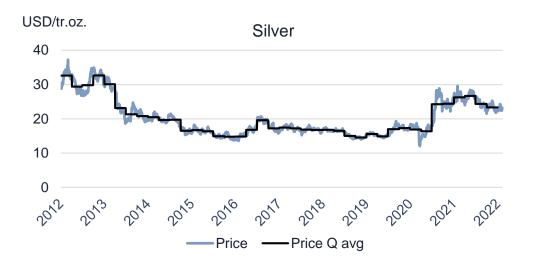
	Q3 2021	Q2 2021	Q1 2021	Q4 2020
Copper	3%	0%	14%	35%
Zinc	12%	15%	22%	28%
Nickel	4%	14%	13%	24%

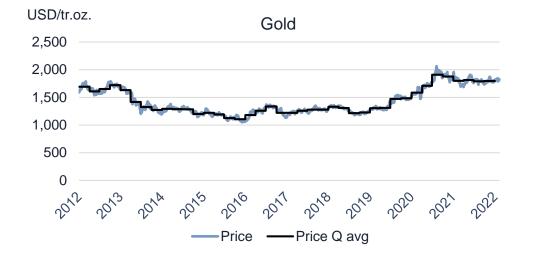
Source: Refinitiv Datastream February 9, 2022 price data



### Gold, silver and lead prices







#### Average price in Q4 2021 vs period

	Q3 2021	Q2 2021	Q1 2021	Q4 2020
Gold	0%	-1%	0%	-4%
Silver	-4%	-13%	-11%	-4%
Lead	0%	10%	16%	23%

Source: Refinitiv Datastream February 9, 2022 price data

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