

# First quarter 2022

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# Diversified portfolio with a hub strategy enabling long-term value creation



Material and diversified production base with longevity, in partnership with world-class operators



Maximising value creation with hub-centred strategy on the NCS



World-class capabilities, with tangible growth and track record of successful development and exploration



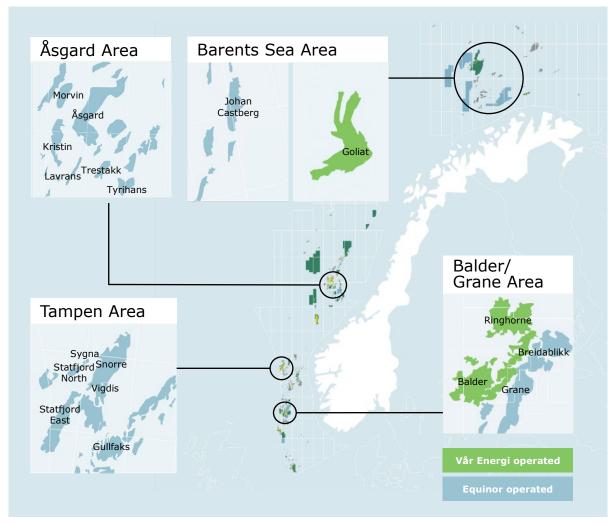
**Disciplined approach to M&A**, with strong track record of value-accretive acquisitions



Material cash flow generation and Investment grade balance sheet supporting attractive and resilient distributions



Path to net zero (Scope 1 and 2) by 2030 with strong HSEQ credentials

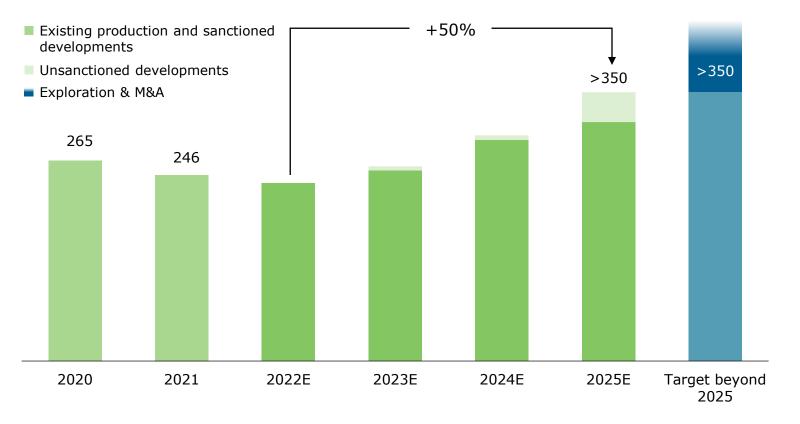




# Robust portfolio positioned for production growth

#### Production target >350 kboepd by end 2025

kboepd



#### **Growth levers**



#### Material, long-lived resources

~1.1 bnboe 2P reserves and 550 mmboe 2C resources, with R/P of ~13 years<sup>1</sup>



#### **Improved recovery**

Leading subsurface technology and infill drilling



#### **Project development**

Development of robust pipeline of sanctioned and unsanctioned projects



#### **Exploration**

New commercial discoveries leveraging best-in-NCS exploration capability



#### M&A

Accretive M&A in hub areas driving value and synergies



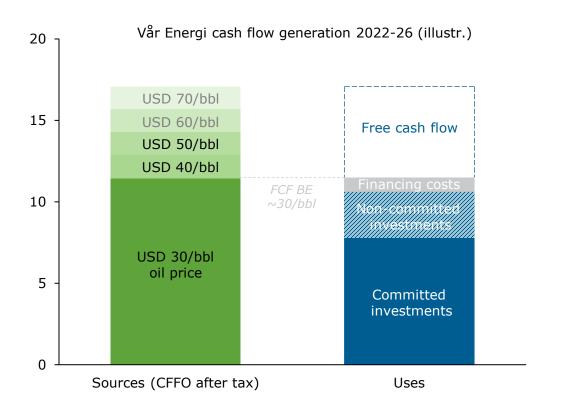
# Raising 2022 dividend guidance to USD 1 billion

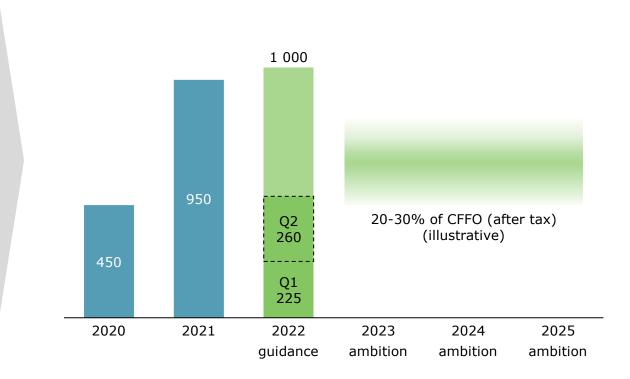
USDm

#### Potential for strong cash flow generation ahead...

#### ...driving robust returns to shareholders<sup>1</sup>

USDbn





<sup>📉</sup> vår energi

## First quarter 2022 highlights

#### **Robust operational performance**

- Production within the 2022 guided range
- Cost of operations reduced due to seasonal lower maintenance
- Subsea leak at the Balder field led to one actual serious incident

#### **Exceptional cash flow generation**

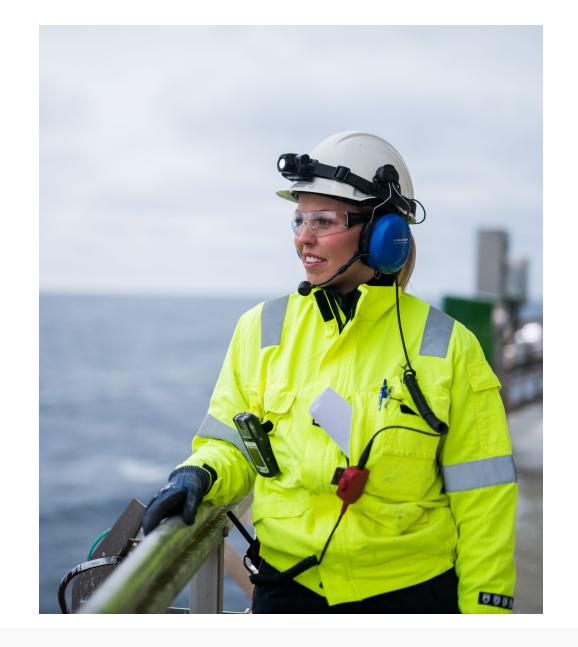
- Average volume-weighted realised price of USD 119.8/boe
- Dividend of USD 0.09 per share declared for Q1 totalling USD 225 million to be distributed 12 May
- Guidance of USD 260 million for the second quarter
- 2022 dividend guidance raised to USD 1 billion under current market conditions

#### **Strong financial position**

- USD 3 799 million in available liquidity at the end of the quarter
- Leverage ratio reduced to 0.6x from 1.1x at year-end 2021

#### On track to deliver on YE 2025 production target

- Main development projects progressing according to schedule
- Increased macro and supply chain uncertainties





# **Key performance indicators**

Q1 2022 vs. Q4 2021

Actual serious incidents frequency<sup>1</sup>

0.1

(0.0)

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions intensity

**7.6** kg/boe

(8.1)

**Production** 

242 kboepd

 $(259^2)$ 

**Production cost** 

**USD 12.1/boe** 

(13.4)

**Cash flow from operations** 

**USD 2 182m** 

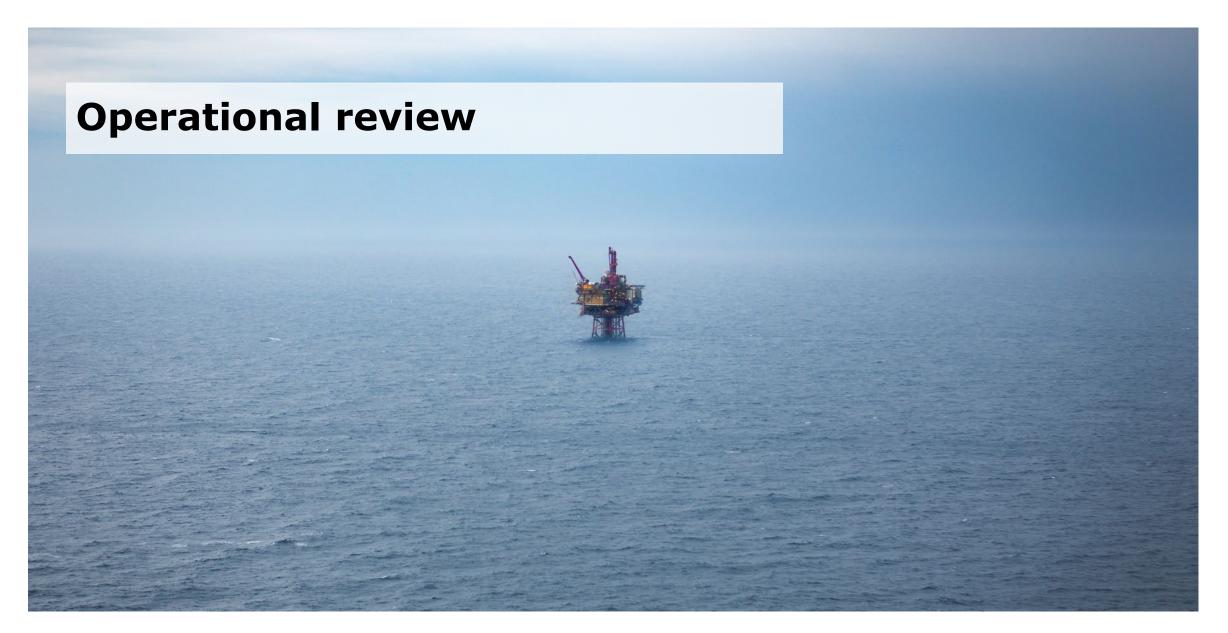
(923)

**Dividend for the quarter** 

**USD 225m** 

(262)

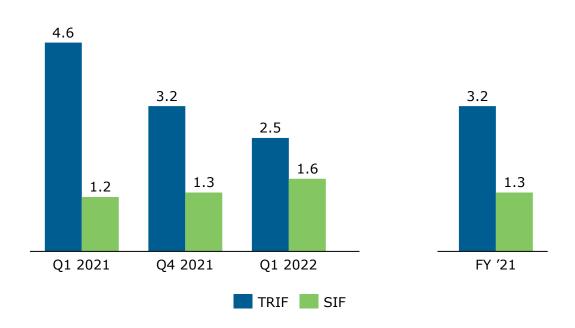






# **HSSE** is the number one priority

#### TRIF<sup>1</sup> and SIF<sup>2</sup>



- One Actual SIF incident subsea leak at the Balder field
- Positive TRIF development 3 low potential personnel injuries
- Continued focus on Always Safe program and implementation of IOGP Life-Saving rules

#### CO<sub>2</sub> emission intensity for operated assets

kg CO<sub>2</sub>/boe



CO<sub>2</sub> intensity slightly improving quarter on quarter



# Awarded carbon storage license in the Barents Sea

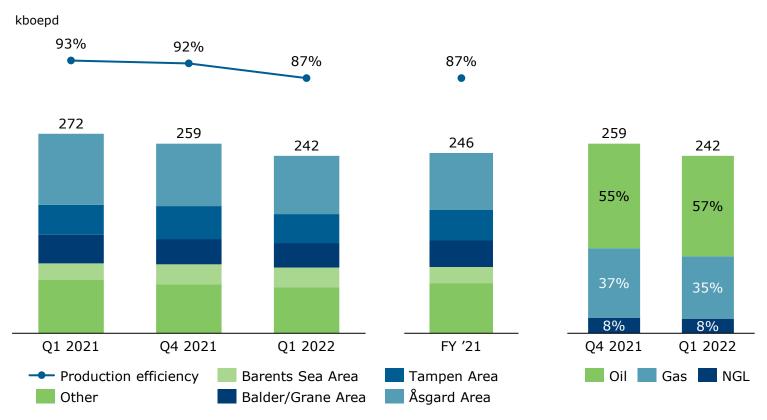


- The awarded Polaris CO<sub>2</sub> storage license is planned to be used to permanently store CO<sub>2</sub> captured from the Barents Blue facility to be developed with partners Equinor and Horisont Energi
- The planned facility will produce carbon neutral (blue) ammonia and is an important step towards Vår Energi becoming a net-zero producer (scope 1 and 2) within 2030
- The first stage of the development includes capture, transport and storage of up to two million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> per year



# Robust production performance in line with guiding

#### **Production, production efficiency operated assets and product mix**



- Reduced gas production of ~5 kboepd from previous quarter due to technical adjustment of gas conversion factor
- Minor operational events and natural depletion impacting production
- Continued material gas share
- 2022 production guidance of 230-245 kboepd maintained



## **Operational update on operated assets**



# Balder / Ringhorne Resumed full Balder production in April

- Balder production efficiency of 74% reflects a subsea leak causing shut-in of some production templates; production fully restored in April. Impact of 3.7 kboepd in Q1
- Ringhorne infill drilling program progressing per plan
- Two week turnaround activity planned in Q3



# **Goliat High operational efficiency**

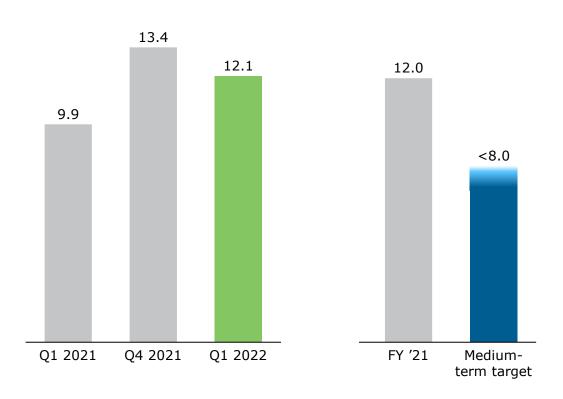
- Operational efficiency increased from 94% to 96%
- Production slightly down in quarter due to natural well decline
- Efficiency and opex improvement program progressing to plan
- Preparing for three week turnaround commencing late May



# **Declining unit production cost**

#### Production cost per boe produced<sup>1</sup>

USD/boe

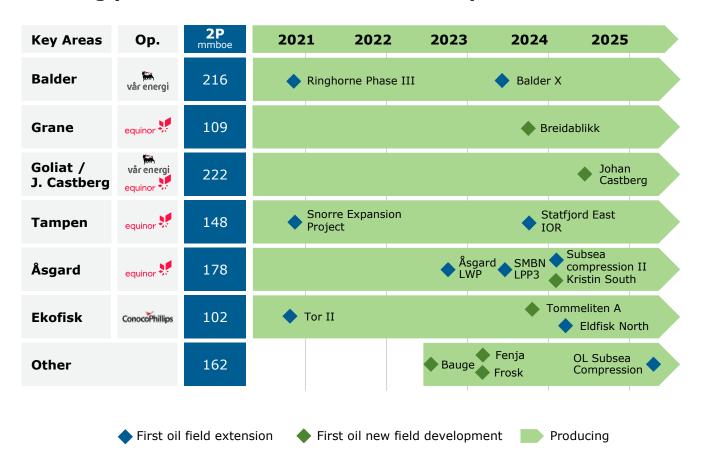


- Lower unit production cost mainly due to low maintenance activities in the quarter
- 2022 opex per boe guidance maintained at USD 12.5 to 13.5
- Opex and unit cost improvement programs progressing according to plan
- Medium term production cost ambition of 8 USD/boe



# On track to deliver on end-2025 production target

#### **Existing production and sanctioned developments**



- Generally good progress on major projects
- Increased macro and supply chain uncertainties
- Continued Covid-19 impact on certain projects
- Eldfisk North FID Q1 2022, PDO submission planned end-April
- Halten East FID in Q2 2022



# Balder X on track to support medium-term production target

#### Highly profitable project targeting 143 mmboe in net recoverable reserves

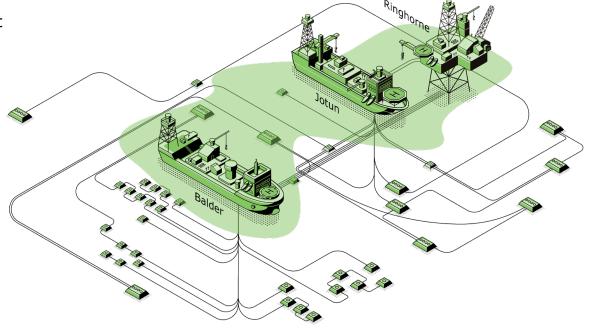
- Leveraging existing Balder hub infrastructure
- Field production expected to increase to >70 kboepd annual net at peak with attractive break-even
- Significant additional upside potential

#### Progressing on schedule for planned first oil in Q4 2023

- The inspection program on Jotun FPSO is concluded and results are incorporated into the integrated plan
- Drilling programme under way
- Final equipment orders to be placed in Q2 2022
- SURF 2022 campaign progressing according to plan

#### Continuous focus on mitigating project risks

- Drilling progress impacted by challenging weather
- Additional engineering hours and increased procurement scope
- Continued impact from Covid-19





1999 Balder start-up 2003 Ringhorne start-up **2019** Balder X FID 2021 Balder X Project execution 2023 First Oil 2045+



# Johan Castberg FPSO arrived in Norway

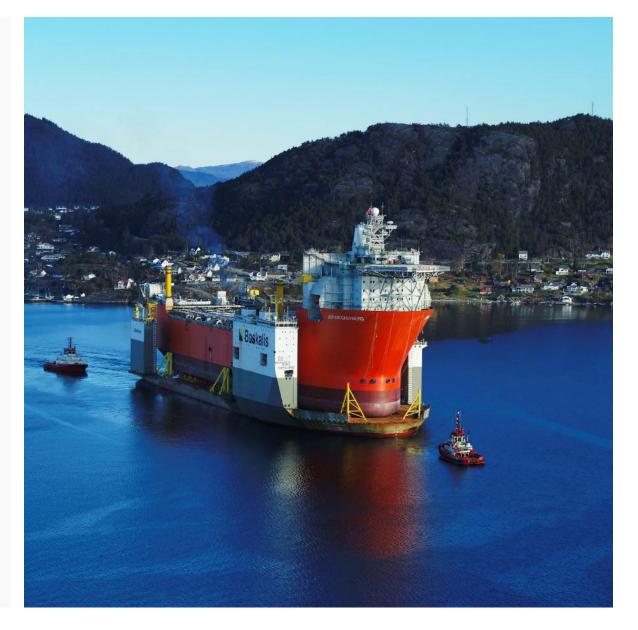
#### Positioned to be a Barents Sea giant

- Second oil field development with high perspectivity in the Barents Sea
- Large additional potential through infill drilling, tie-back of discoveries and exploration drilling after project completion

#### On track for planned first oil in Q4 2024

- FPSO hull and living quarter arrived at Aker Stord, Norway in early April
- Heavy lift campaign and turret installation planned during summer
- Phase 1 drilling campaign completed ahead of time and below budget
- SURF activities progressing according to plan

2P reserves (gross)	OPEX <sup>1</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> intensity <sup>1</sup>		
535	~3	~5		
mmboe	USD/boe (real)	kg/boe		





# Breidablikk ready for Q2 drilling program

#### One of the largest ongoing developments on the NCS

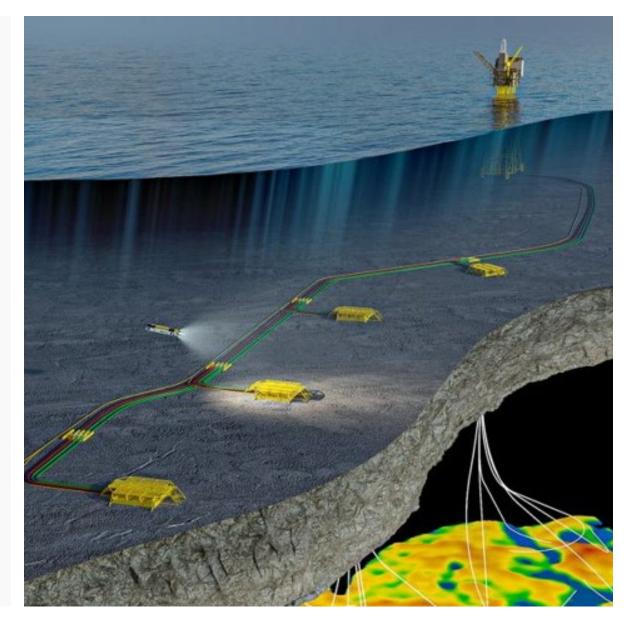
- Highly attractive and cost-effective development leveraging on existing Grane infrastructure
- Four subsea templates tied back to the Grane platform
- Possibility to extend production plateau through installation of a fifth template

#### On track for planned first oil in Q1 2024

- All four subsea templates successfully installed in Q1
- Drilling program to commence in May 2022
- Breidablikk project scope incorporated in Grane high activity period that started in April

207 ~3 ~1

mmboe USD/boe (real) kg/boe





# 2022 campaign targeting more high-value barrels

#### 2022 work programme

License	Prospect	Operator	Vår Energi share	Pre-drill unrisked mmboe	Pre-drill unrisked mmboe VE	Timing	Status
PL 057	Statfjord Kile	Equinor	18.6%	6	1	Q1	Dry
PL 532	Snøfonn	Equinor	30%	44	13	Q2	Drilling
PL 532	Skavl Stø	Equinor	30%	20	6	Q2	
PL 209	Ormen Lange Deep	Equinor	10%	290	29	Q1/Q2	Drilling
PL 124	Othello North	Equinor	10%	43	4	Q2/Q3	
PL 554	Angulata	Equinor	30%	58	17	Q3	
PL 938	Calypso	Neptune	20%	34	7	Q4	
PL 229E	Lupa	Vår Energi	50%	85	43	Q4	
PL 229	Countach	Vår Energi	65%	41	27	Q4/Q1 23'	

#### **Continued hub-focused exploration**









# **Key financials**

USD million	Q1 2022	Q4 2021	Q1 2021	FY 2021
Petroleum revenues	2 483	2 282	1 039	6 043
EBIT	1 674	1 235	553	2 910
Profit before taxes	1 651	1 124	499	2 498
Production cost (USD/boe)	12.1	13.4	9.9	12.0
Operating CF before tax	2 366	1 495	696	4 274
CFFO	2 182	923	930	4 438
CAPEX	622	710	546	2 584
NIBD / EBITDAX	0.6x	1.1x	2.1x	1.1x
Available liquidity	3 799	2 304	1 291	2 304



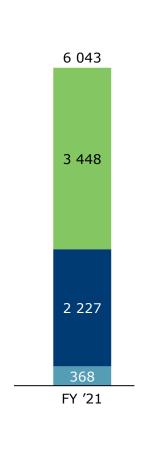


# Average weighted realised price of USD 120/boe driving revenues

#### **Total petroleum revenues**

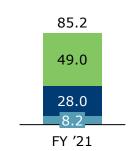
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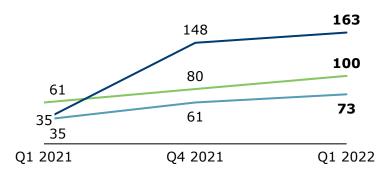
#### **Sold volumes**

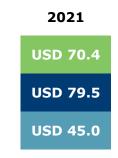




#### **Realised prices**

USD/boe



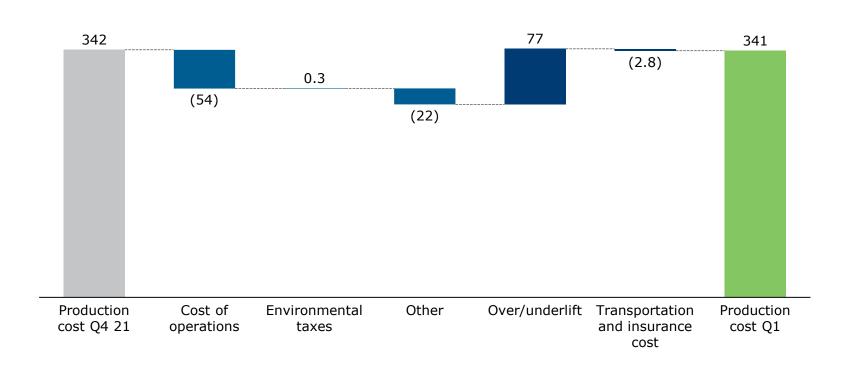




## Lower cost of operations due to seasonal low maintenance

#### **Production cost (sold volumes)**

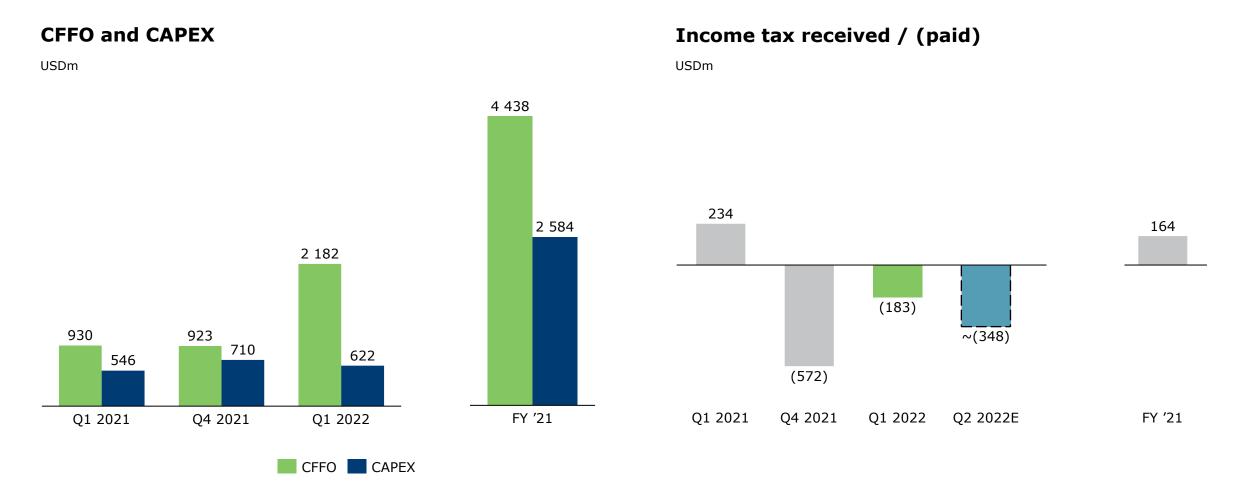
**USDm** 



- Cost of operations down on low maintenance activities
- Fourth quarter production cost included one-off own restructuring costs, restructuring costs billed from partners and revised bonus provisions
- Seasonally higher maintenance activity planned in Q2/Q3
- Over/underlift position impacted by product prices



# Record-high CFFO driven by higher prices and lower tax payments





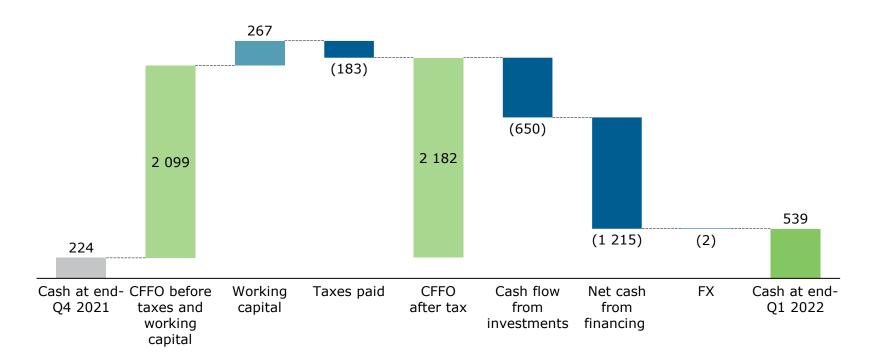
# **Exceptional cash flow generation**

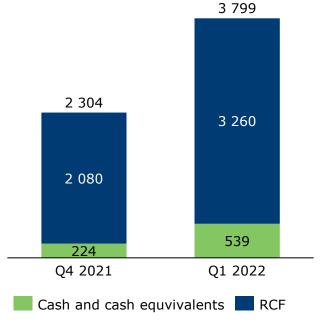
#### Cash flow development Q1 2022

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#### **Available liquidity**

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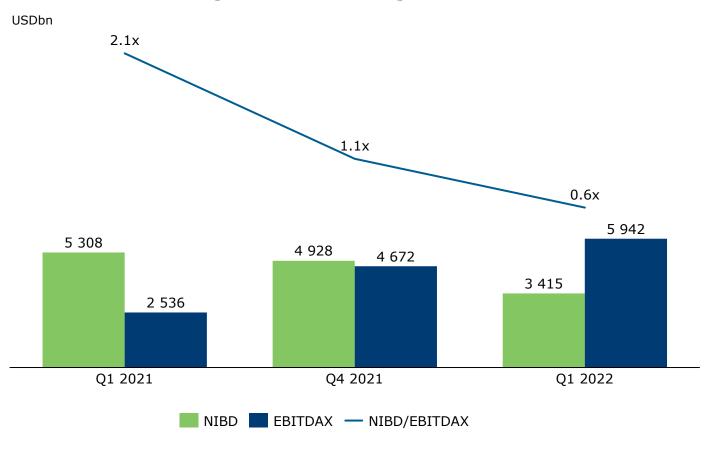






# Strong cash flow generation supports continued deleveraging

#### **Net interest-bearing debt and leverage ratio**<sup>1</sup>



- Committed to maintaining an Investment Grade rating
- Through-the-cycle leverage target of 1.3x NIBD / EBITDAX

S&P Global

BBB (Outlook Stable) 1st November 2021 Moody's

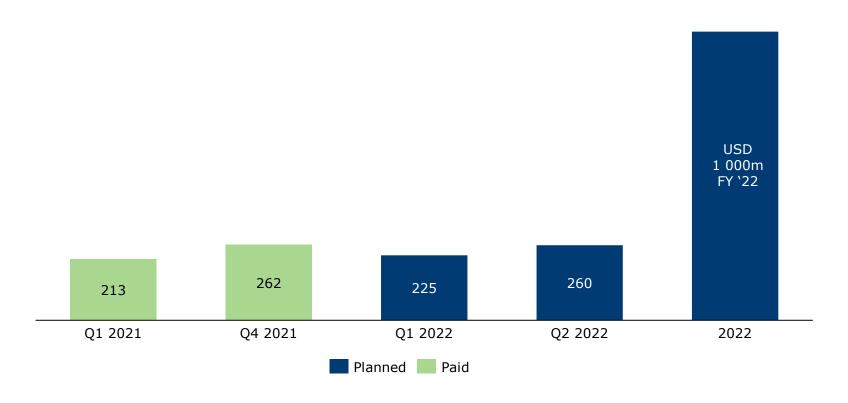
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## Dividend guidance of USD 1 billion for 2022

#### **Dividend distribution**

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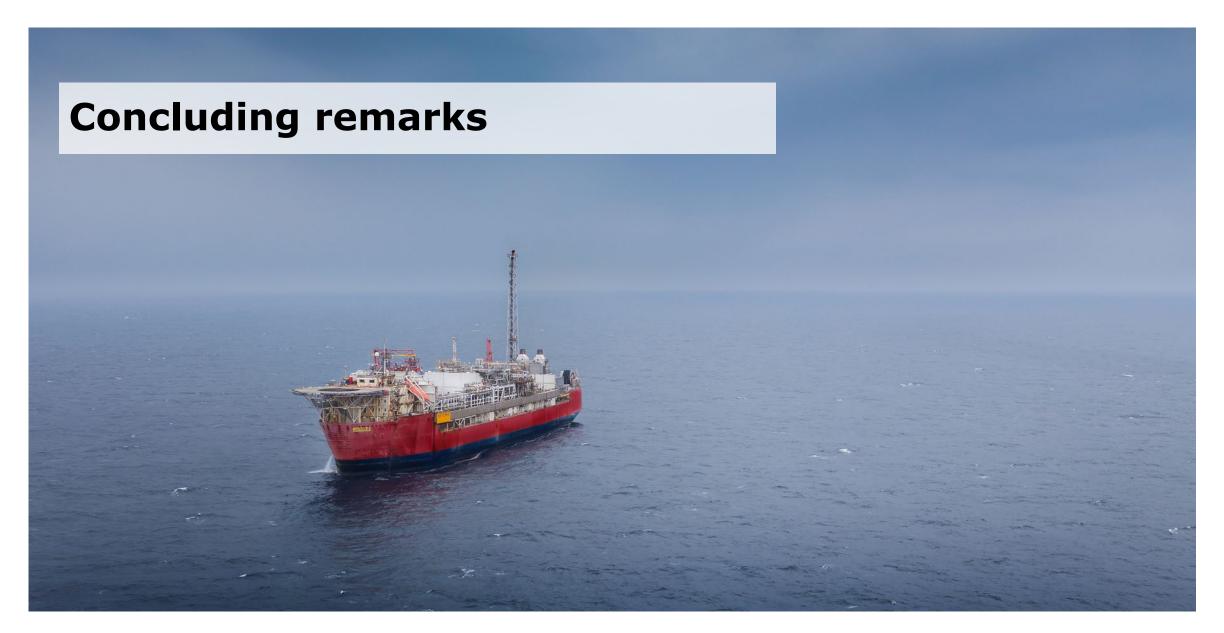
- Dividend for Q1 2022 of USD 0.09 per share to be paid 12 May 2022
  - Dividend paid in NOK at exchange rate of NOK/USD 9.1758
- Dividend guiding for Q2 of USD 260 million (0.10 USD per share)
- Dividend policy of 20-30% of cashflow from operations after tax from 2023 onwards



# Outlook

Production	<ul> <li>Production target in 2022 of 230-245 kboepd</li> </ul>
Production cost	<ul> <li>Targeting USD 12.5 - USD 13.5 in 2022</li> <li>Expected to improve over the medium term towards USD 8/boe as new projects come onstream and cost savings are achieved</li> </ul>
Capex	<ul> <li>2022 capex guidance of USD 2.3 – USD 2.6 billion excluding exploration and abandonment (exploration USD ~150 million and abandonment USD ~50 million)</li> <li>Limited cash outflow on decommissioning in the next ten years</li> </ul>
Other	■ Final payment to ExxonMobil of ~USD 300-350 million due in 2022 as part of the 2019 acquisition
Leverage	<ul> <li>Conservative through-the-cycle leverage target of 1.3x net debt / EBITDAX</li> </ul>
Dividends	<ul> <li>Dividend guidance for 2022 raised to USD 1 billion (USD 0.40 per share) under current market conditions, paid on a quarterly basis</li> <li>Q2 dividend guidance of USD 260 million (USD 0.10 per share)</li> <li>From 2023 onwards plan to distribute around 20-30% of cash flow from operations (after tax) across the cycle</li> </ul>







# **Summary**

- Robust operational performance
- Exceptional cash flow generation
- Strong financial position
- On track to deliver on YE 2025 production target
- Raising dividend guidance for 2022 to USD 1 billion







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