

News Release

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Barry Callebaut Group – 3-Month Key Sales Figures, Fiscal Year 2022/23

Slow start to back-end loaded year, committed to achieve current guidance in this final year. New mid-term guidance focuses on accelerated value creation

- **Sales volume down -5.1%, as expected, due to residual effects of Wieze ramp-up and against strong comparator (+8.9%)**
- **Sales revenue of CHF 2.1 billion, up +7.2% in local currencies (+3.8% in CHF)**
- **Committed to achieve current mid-term guidance¹ in this final year**
- **New mid-term guidance focuses on accelerated value creation for 3-year period 2023/24 - 2025/26 of on average: +4-6% volume growth and +8-10% EBIT growth in local currencies, with further ROIC improvement²**

Zurich/Switzerland, January 18, 2023 – Peter Boone, CEO of the Barry Callebaut Group, said: "With Wieze fully operational since end of October and against a strong comparator, we had, as expected, a slow start to the year. In markets where Gourmet products were widely available, we continued to win. We are committed to achieve our current 3-year mid-term guidance in this final year, based on our broad product portfolio and broad geographic and customer base."

Group Key Sales Figures

for the 3-month period ended November 30,		Change in %		2022	2021
		in local currencies	in CHF		
Sales volume	Tonnes		(5.1)%	578,694	610,048
Sales revenue	CHF m	7.2 %	3.8 %	2,110.3	2,032.2

The Barry Callebaut Group, the world's leading manufacturer of high-quality chocolate and cocoa products, reported **sales volume** of 578,694 tonnes during the first three months of the fiscal year 2022/23 (ended on November 30, 2022). Volume was down -5.1%, in an overall declining market according to Nielsen (-2.8%)³. The chocolate business was down by -5.8%, due to residual effects from the Wieze ramp-up and against a particularly strong comparator of +9.6% in the same quarter in prior year. This affected all Regions, in particular EMEA (-8.5%). The Group's Key Growth Drivers Emerging Markets (-3.8%), Outsourcing (-0.1%) and Gourmet & Specialties (-11.2%) had a slow start. Excluding the delayed impact due to the Wieze ramp-up, Gourmet & Specialties volume would have been flat against a record high comparator (+33.8%).

Sales revenue amounted to CHF 2,110.3 million, an increase of +7.2% in local currencies (+3.8% in CHF), clearly higher than volume growth. The increase was driven by higher raw material prices and the inflationary environment, which Barry Callebaut manages through its cost-plus pricing model for the majority of its business, and positive mix components.

¹ On average for the 3-year period 2020/21 to 2022/23: +5-7% volume growth and EBIT above volume growth in local currencies, barring any major unforeseeable events.

² On average for the 3-year period 2023/24 to 2025/26: +4-6% volume growth and +8-10% EBIT growth in local currencies, with further ROIC improvement, barring any major unforeseeable events.

³ Source: Nielsen volume growth excluding e-commerce – 26 countries, September 2022 - October/November 2022. Data subject to adjustment to match Barry Callebaut's reporting period. Nielsen data only partially reflects the out-of-home and impulse consumption.

Outlook – New 3-year guidance focuses on accelerated value creation

Looking ahead, CEO Peter Boone said: “We expect a more back-end loaded year with improvements in the coming quarters as the Wieze factory is fully back on stream and Gourmet products are more widely available. Our consistent long-term growth strategy and its successful execution give us the confidence to issue a new 3-year mid-term guidance for 2023/24 to 2025/26 focusing on accelerated value creation. The new guidance consists of on average +4-6% volume growth and +8-10% EBIT growth in local currencies, with further ROIC improvement.”

Strategic milestones in the first three months of fiscal year 2022/23

- **Expansion:** Barry Callebaut announced in December 2022 the next phase in the expansion of its Chatham factory in Ontario, Canada. The investment includes both liquid and molding lines, as well as enhanced capabilities for the production of dairy-free compound to accommodate growing customer demand for plant-based indulgence. These investments will enable Barry Callebaut to continue to drive long-term growth in North America.
In November 2022, Barry Callebaut announced the groundbreaking of its new chocolate and compound factory in Neemrana, about 120 km southwest of Delhi, its third manufacturing facility in India. Upon completion of the factory, India will become Barry Callebaut's largest chocolate manufacturing footprint in Region Asia Pacific.
- **Cost Leadership:** In January 2023, Barry Callebaut celebrated the official opening of its Business Excellence Center (BEC) in the Greater Kuala Lumpur Area, Malaysia. The Business Excellence Center bundles shared services in Finance and other corporate services, such as Customer Service and Information Technology, for Region Asia Pacific. Together with the existing Shared Services Center in Lodz, Poland, this further increases operational efficiency and strengthens the Group's cost leadership.
- **Sustainability:** In December 2022, Barry Callebaut published its 6th Forever Chocolate progress report, presenting the achievements on its journey to make sustainable chocolate the norm. The Group continued to scale up its activities by partnering with customers as well as societal and industry stakeholders to create tangible impact on the ground. One of its key achievements in the past fiscal year was that with the support of its customers, Barry Callebaut increased the proportion of products sold containing 100% sustainable cocoa or chocolate to one in two products. The full report can be accessed [here](#).
Barry Callebaut has been recognized for leadership in corporate transparency and performance on forests by the global environmental non-profit organization CDP for the second year in a row. Barry Callebaut is one of only 25 high-performing companies that achieved an 'A' rating, out of nearly 15,000 companies. CDP's annual environmental disclosure and scoring process is widely acknowledged as the gold standard for corporate environmental transparency and action.

Regional/Segment performance

Region EMEA – Residual effects from Wieze ramp-up weigh on volume

Sales volume in Region EMEA (Europe, Middle East and Africa) still experienced residual effects from the Wieze factory ramp-up, leading to a volume decline of -8.5% to 261,902 tonnes. Excluding the ramp-up effect, volume in the first quarter would have grown in the low single-digit range and therefore well above the declining regional chocolate confectionery market (-4.5%)⁴. Food Manufacturers volume improved compared to the fourth quarter of last fiscal year, but lagged behind the prior-year quarter, as Wieze became fully operational as of end of October. The Gourmet & Specialties business was affected as expected by the delayed impact on volume due to

⁴ Source: Nielsen volume growth excluding e-commerce – September 2022 to October/November 2022, data subject to adjustment to match Barry Callebaut's reporting period. Nielsen data only partially reflects the out-of-home and impulse consumption.

Wieze. Sales revenue in the Region amounted to CHF 902.6 million, up +6.2% in local currencies (-2.0% in CHF). While currency movements led to a highly negative translation impact on sales revenue, Barry Callebaut has been able to pass on higher prices amid the general inflationary environment.

Region Americas – Temporary destocking and delayed orders

Sales volume in Region Americas experienced a slow start of -2.4% to 160,908 tonnes in the first three months of fiscal year 2022/23, in line with the underlying regional chocolate confectionery market (-2.2%)⁵. Food Manufacturers was impacted by a more cautious environment, leading customers to prioritize destocking and delaying orders. Gourmet & Specialties volume growth continued in key markets with strong local brands, such as Brazil. However, volume in North America suffered from the limited availability of global brands due to the delayed effect from the ramp-up in the Wieze factory. Sales revenue amounted to CHF 595.5 million, up +7.9% in local currencies (+14.3% in CHF).

Region Asia Pacific – Mixed country performances

Sales volume in Region Asia Pacific remained about flat at +0.1% at 39,543 tonnes in the first three months of fiscal year 2022/23, softer than the underlying regional chocolate confectionery market (+3.2%)⁵. The performance of Food Manufacturers varied strongly with continued double-digit growth in key markets such as India and China, while in Japan and Indonesia customer volumes were impacted by pricing actions to compensate for inflation, leading to low single-digit growth. Gourmet & Specialties volume was down due to limited availability of global brands, a delayed effect from the ramp-up in the Wieze factory. In addition, it was impacted by lockdowns in China, which had a negative effect on out-of-home consumption. Australia returned to a positive growth trajectory. Sales revenue amounted to CHF 136.0 million, up +6.2% in local currencies (+2.5% in CHF).

Global Cocoa – Slow start against high comparator

Sales volume in Global Cocoa amounted to 116,341 tonnes, down by -2.6% in the first three months of fiscal year 2022/23, compared to a strong prior-year. Sales revenue amounted to CHF 476.2 million, up +8.5% in local currencies (+4.2% in CHF).

Price developments of key raw materials

During the first three months of fiscal year 2022/23, terminal market⁶ prices for **cocoa** beans fluctuated between GBP 1,822 and GBP 2,052 per tonne and closed at GBP 1,994 per tonne on November 30, 2022. On average, cocoa bean prices increased by +8.1% versus the prior-year period. Global bean supply and demand for the 2021/22 crop ended with a deficit, after two years of sizable surpluses, leading to an overall more balanced situation.

Sugar prices in Europe were on average +91.9% higher than in the prior-year period, mainly due to low stocks and high energy prices. The world market price for sugar was on average +1.4% higher than in the prior-year period, on the back of lower Indian sugar exports.

Dairy prices increased on average by +15.7% compared to the first three months of prior year. Following peak prices in April 2022, dairy prices have softened. However, production is expected to recover only slowly as the costs of production combined with labor availability remain limiting factors.

⁵ Source: Nielsen volume growth excluding e-commerce – September 2022 to October/November 2022, data subject to adjustment to match Barry Callebaut's reporting period. Nielsen data only partially reflects the out-of-home and impulse consumption.

⁶ Source: London terminal market prices for 2nd position, September 2022 to November 2022. Terminal market prices exclude Living Income Differential (LID) and country differentials.







Financial Calendar for Fiscal Year 2022/23 (September 1, 2022 to August 31, 2023):

Half-Year Results 2022/23	April 5, 2023
9-Month Key Sales Figures 2022/23	July 13, 2023
Full-Year Results 2022/23	November 1, 2023
Annual General Meeting 2022/23	December 6, 2023

About Barry Callebaut Group (www.barry-callebaut.com):

With annual sales of about CHF 8.1 billion (EUR 7.8 billion / USD 8.6 billion) in fiscal year 2021/22, the Zurich-based Barry Callebaut Group is the world's leading manufacturer of high-quality chocolate and cocoa products – from sourcing and processing cocoa beans to producing the finest chocolates, including chocolate fillings, decorations and compounds. The Group runs more than 65 production facilities worldwide and employs a diverse and dedicated global workforce of more than 13,000 people. The Barry Callebaut Group serves the entire food industry, from industrial food manufacturers to artisanal and professional users of chocolate, such as chocolatiers, pastry chefs, bakers, hotels, restaurants or caterers. The global brands catering to the specific needs of these Gourmet customers are [Callebaut](#)[®] and [Cacao Barry](#)[®], [Carma](#)[®] and the decorations specialist [Mona Lisa](#)[®]. The Barry Callebaut Group is committed to make sustainable chocolate the norm by 2025 to help ensure future supplies of cocoa and improve farmer livelihoods. It supports the [Cocoa Horizons Foundation](#) in its goal to shape a sustainable cocoa and chocolate future.

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Key Figures					
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By Region					
EMEA					
Sales volume	Tonnes		(8.5)%	261,902	286,262
Sales revenue	CHF m	6.2 %	(2.0)%	902.6	921.4
Americas					
Sales volume	Tonnes		(2.4)%	160,908	164,860
Sales revenue	CHF m	7.9 %	14.3 %	595.5	521.1
Asia Pacific					
Sales volume	Tonnes		0.1 %	39,543	39,506
Sales revenue	CHF m	6.2 %	2.5 %	136.0	132.7
Global Cocoa					
Sales volume	Tonnes		(2.6)%	116,341	119,420
Sales revenue	CHF m	8.5 %	4.2 %	476.2	457.0
By Product Group					
Sales volume	Tonnes			578,694	610,048
Cocoa Products	Tonnes		(2.6)%	116,341	119,420
Food Manufacturers Products	Tonnes		(4.7)%	388,670	407,667
Gourmet & Specialties Products	Tonnes		(11.2)%	73,683	82,961
Sales revenue	CHF m			2,110.3	2,032.2
Cocoa Products	CHF m	8.5 %	4.2 %	476.2	457.0
Food Manufacturers Products	CHF m	9.5 %	6.8 %	1,265.2	1,184.3
Gourmet & Specialties Products	CHF m	(1.5)%	(5.6)%	368.9	390.9

Appendix: Reallocation between product groups⁷

2022/23		Cocoa Products	Food Manufacturers Products	Gourmet & Specialties Products	Group
Sales volume					
3-Month	Tonnes	116,341	388,670	73,683	578,694
Half-Year	Tonnes	—	—	—	—
9-Month	Tonnes	—	—	—	—
Full-Year	Tonnes	—	—	—	—
Sales revenue					
3-Month	CHF m	476.2	1,265.2	368.9	2,110.3
Half-Year	CHF m	—	—	—	—
9-Month	CHF m	—	—	—	—
Full-Year	CHF m	—	—	—	—
2021/22		Cocoa Products	Food Manufacturers Products	Gourmet & Specialties Products	Group
Sales volume					
3-Month	Tonnes	119,420	407,667	82,961	610,048
Half-Year	Tonnes	228,024	781,387	155,338	1,164,749
9-Month	Tonnes	339,630	1,180,110	231,682	1,751,422
Full-Year	Tonnes	457,089	1,552,241	297,351	2,306,681
Sales revenue					
3-Month	CHF m	457.0	1,184.3	390.9	2,032.2
Half-Year	CHF m	1,027.8	2,284.9	717.6	4,030.3
9-Month	CHF m	1,495.9	3,504.5	1,075.4	6,075.8
Full-Year	CHF m	2,013.2	4,689.0	1,389.7	8,091.9

⁷ Certain Gourmet & Specialties customers have been shifted to the Food Manufacturers product group to better serve them. The minor reallocation represented less than 1% of Gourmet & Specialties volume and sales revenue in fiscal year 2021/22. The table shows quarterly adjusted numbers for 2021/22.