

# HAMBURGER INVESTORENTAGE

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## MARKET RELEVANCE BASED ON A STRONG LEGACY

Business development on the foundation of global mega trends



# Gaming / E-Sports

- > 3bn gamers worldwide
- Individualization trend
- Mindset with start-up logic



# Work from anywhere

- > 2/3 of Germans prefer hybrid workplaces
- Up to 80k daily keystrokes for creators
- Enormous sales potential via e-commerce



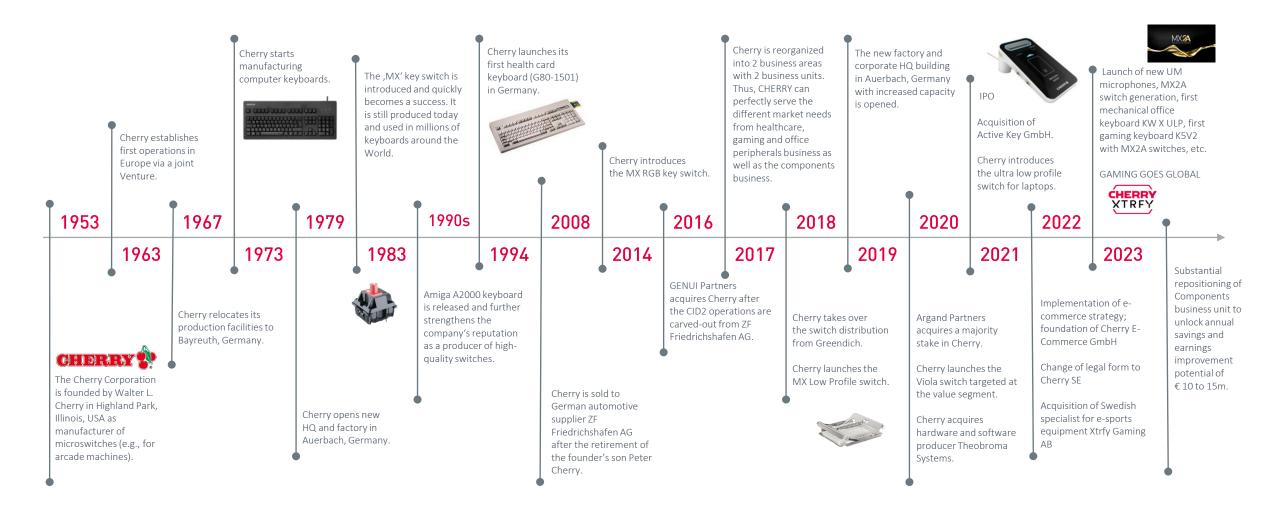
# Digital Healthcare

- > 70% German market share in new HW sales
- E-Health PIN pad required in future
- Scalability via cloud-based SaaS-offering





# CHERRY – 70 YEARS OF RELEVANCE, TRANSFORMATION & INNOVATION







# MANAGEMENT BOARD



Oliver Kaltner, CEO

Experienced CEO with proven track record in IT, digital, consumer electronics and branded companies, both in large corporations and small/mid caps and start-ups.



Mathias Dähn, CFO

Extensive management experience in finance functions such as auditing and controlling and CFO positions at various listed companies.



Udo Streller, COO

> 20 years of management experience in operational excellence, including constructing and managing factories, R&D, product management, supply chain management procurement.





# INTERNATIONALIZATION AND DIGITIZATION TO DRIVE GROWTH

Supported by constant cost control und inventory management

# STRATEGIC FOCUS

- Combination of profitable organic & and strategic non-organic growth
- Leverage digitization of German healthcare sector to introduce platform-based SaaS business model with recurring revenues
- Expand and internationalize CHERRY's premium market position with the rapid global spread of e-sports activities and the global work-from-anywhere trend
- Keep the CHERRY business model asset-light and regain above-average profitability







# **CORE TARGETS**

- Strict cost control
- Agile treasury management
- Implementation of margin growth strategy
- Constant inventory management





### INTRODUCTION OF OUR BUSINESS AND STRATEGIC OUTLOOK - B2B2C

Innovative and high-quality products & services that are specially developed for specific customer needs

#### Switch business

Peripherals for gaming and (hybrid) office

Health & security







Successful positioning of business activities in core markets along major global trends





# **CHERRY LEGACY**

TOUCH IT. FEEL IT. LOVE IT.













High-end peripherals for Gaming/ E-Sports, Creators and (hybrid) Office





# INTERNATIONALIZATION TO SECURE FURTHER GROWTH

Country expansion, multi-channel approach and various partnerships leverage strong growth potential

#### Direct business on 3 continents with 30 countries covered

- Country expansion and deepening sales lines in the major markets outside of German-speaking markets, the United States and China.
- Broadening our sales lines in Central Europe with focus on France and the UK, Benelux, the Nordic countries, Italy, and Spain, as well as Korea and other Asian countries.

#### Multi-channel approach as a B2B and B2C company

 Further strengthening of multi-channel sales and targeted additions to our product portfolio.

B2B – Direct partnerships & Distribution partnerships

B2C – Direct retail & e-commerce & distribution partnerships & sub-distribution partnerships.



At CHERRY, we invest in the successive expansion of our e-commerce activities. Platforms such as Amazon in the USA and Europe are supplemented by online social media platforms such as TikTok, JD and others in China and Asia.





# RECENT PRODUCT RELEASE HIGHLIGHTS – PORTFOLIO OPTIMIZATION

New product innovations in peripherals serve as ambassadors for latest CHERRY switch technology





#### CHERRY KW 7100 MINI BT keyboard – ready for use anywhere

- Multi-device function without a dongle, featuring our precise CHERRY SX scissor mechanism
- Comes with a carrying case made of environmentally friendly recycled plastic

#### CHERRY XTRFY K5V2 - first gaming keyboard with CHERRY MX2A

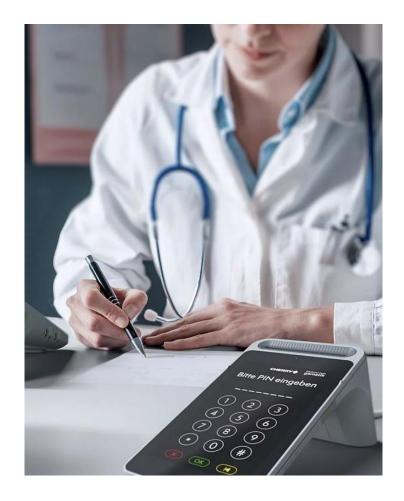
- Global market introduction of one of the most customizable 65% mechanical gaming keyboards in the world in August at Gamescom 2023 (ETA: Q1 2024).
- Based on the popular K5 keyboard, it will feature hot-swappable CHERRY MX2A Red switches, pre-lubed PCB-mounted stabilizers as well as double layers of sound-dampening foam and super-scan technology for instant response.





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Driver & enabler for healthcare digitalization





# 5 PILLAR STRATEGY OF CHERRY DIGITAL HEALTH & SOLUTIONS

Expanding portfolio, revenue sources, and geographic footprint – enabling digital transformation by M&A



#### Transformation towards platform of HW, SW & Cloud Services

# Core Services TI 2.0

- Cloud-based access services for TI in Germany
- HW as a Service
- App-based authentication service
- Recurring revenues

# Value added services TI

- Extended SW-based services in Healthcare
- Expansion of geographic footprint

# New business

- Business development in telemedicine, patient/asset tracking, ambient assisted living, security, etc.
- Inorganic growth via selective M&A

# Specialized peripherals

- Expanding protected peripherals business activities on international scale
- Cross- and upselling
- Optimization of product portfolio

# Embedded Solutions

- Expanding business activities on international scale
- new Cherry device and board development
- Cross- and upselling

"Cherry is ideally positioned for growing momentum in the digitalization of healthcare systems and security applications" Oliver Kaltner, CEO of Cherry SE





# CHERRY AT THE SWEET SPOT OF FUTURE DIGITAL HEALTHCARE MARKET

Digitization of German healthcare system unlocks potential for additional recurring revenues via SaaS

#### Momentum of digitization of the German healthcare system is picking – driven by TI key applications

- Strong political momentum to accelerate digitization of healthcare in Germany
- E-prescription is set to be made mandatory from 2024 and thus established as a fully digital standard in the provision of medicines
- New digital health applications brought closer to the point of care; statuary electronic health record on opt-out basis as of January 2025
- The move will create a huge demand for diverse cloud-based application software combined with certified hardware in future

#### Cherry Digital Health preparing to expand business model

- => Capitalize on technical advancements of current devices, driven by
  - Roll-out of additional applications
  - Deployment to new user groups
  - Synergies with connector replacement efforts
  - Strong partnerships, i.e.

# akquinet BECHTLE CGM Complete Concat AG DGN Gesundheitsnetz SAMHAMMER AG CONCETTELEKONNEKT T Systems

#### Future-proof expansion of the value chain







eHealth PIN-Pad PP-1516 (Since Q3/2023)



Future Cloudbased Services...





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World leading switch technology





# INVENTOR & INNOVATION LEADER FOR MECHANICAL SWITCHES

The CHERRY legacy: the first snap-action switches were produced in 1953

#### Driving innovator for mechanical switches for 70 years

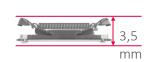


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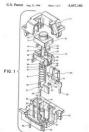




MX ULP







Maximum precision, durability and perfect function

Highly precise and extremely reliable gold crosspoint contact system Special choice of materials and environmentfriendly packaging

#### MX2A – the new Gold Standard for mechanical keyboards



MX2A



Improved smoothness, ping, and stem wobble by the next gold standard MX2



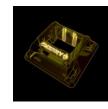
Ring Lubrication on Socket Dome: The Silent Revolution



Updated Spring Geometry: Precision in Every Press



Updated Stem Geometry: Stability Meets Precision



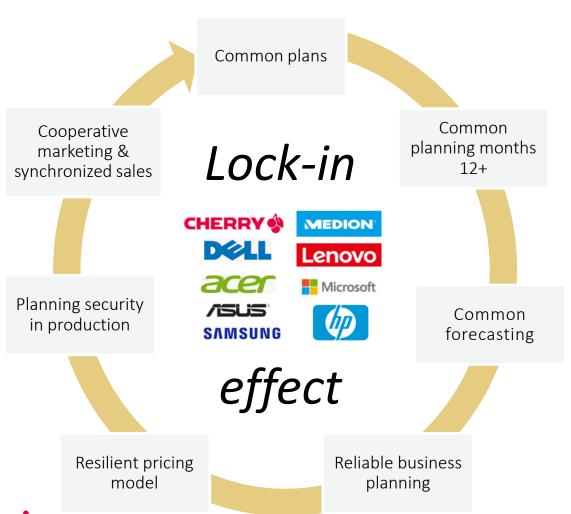
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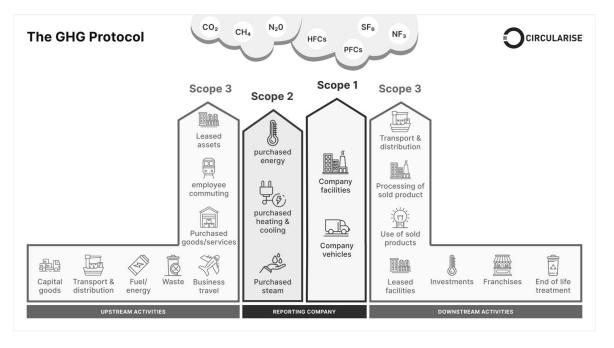
# COMPONENTS – SWITCHES GO OEM AND MULTI-COUNTRY-PRODUCTION

From indirect business to direct business



### Cherry's extra opportunity

OEM brands are trying to reduce their dependence on China for sourcing and production and are looking for production sites in Europe to reduce Scope 3 emissions







# OVERVIEW REALIGNMENT OF COMPONENTS BUSINESS UNIT

Market relevance, innovation leadership, product quality, volume solutions, price expertise and profitability

#### Location Auerbach, Germany (Cherry owned)

- Development and production of MX2 switches for use in own products in international markets
- Development and production of ULP switches in the international market
- Innovation developments for the MX and ULP product lines

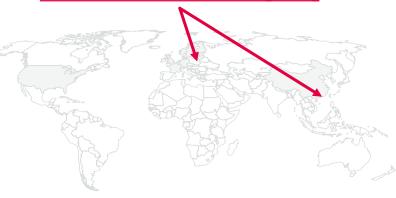
#### Location Zhuhai, China (Cherry owned)

- Production of office and gaming hardware for the international market
- Development and production of office and gaming hardware especially for the Chinese and other Asian markets
- Control and quality assurance of MX2 switch production for use in Cherry partner products in international markets
  - in cooperation with a new external production partner
- Product innovation and engineering competence for innovative gaming products in China with local development teams and start-ups

#### Collaboration partner in China

 Production of MX2 switches for use in CHERRY partner products in the international market (expected to commence in H2/24 and to provide potential for profitable growth again)







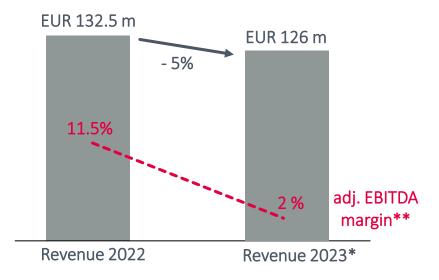


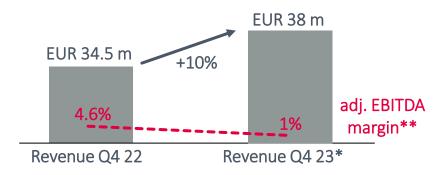
# WE MISSED OUR FY SALES AND EARNINGS FORECAST



Profitability burden of switch business and weaker than expected sales momentum in peripherals

YOY REVENUE AND MARGIN DEVELOPMENT





#### FORECAST MISS DRIVEN BY SEVERAL FACTORS

- Demand growth in computer peripherals fell short of Cherry's own expectation, esp. in B2B in USA, France, and UK.
- Sales forecast accuracy in H2 significantly behind H1 in Gaming and Office Peripherals
- Cost cutting compensated only for a part of it
- Stop selling components due to negative profit effects
- Delay in Digital Health and Solutions sale of terminals and pin pads
- Top line miss led to drag on margin and EBITDA





<sup>\*\*</sup> schematic



## CHALLENGES ARE ADDRESSED AND CORRECTIVE MEASURES IMPLEMENTED

Q4 wake-up call fosters even faster execution of personnel and process solutions

#### Management Action Plan

#### Senior Management Changes to further professionalize Distribution and Finance

#### Jan 2024:

- ✓ Nicole Schillinger SVP Investor Relations
- ✓ Thomas Ziegelbauer Interim Controlling

#### Feb 2024:

- ✓ Volker Christ Interim CFO
- ✓ Josh Phillips MD of Cherry Americas LLC
- ✓ Tbd MD Cherry France

#### **Management Team in China/APAC**

- ✓ Polly Fu General Management
- ✓ Henry Zhang Operations
- ✓ Apple Ou Finance
- ✓ Kenya Liu People & Culture

#### Streamlining of processes

- ✓ Forecast Planning
- ✓ Deal pipeline management
- ✓ Margin management

- ✓ Accruals management
- ✓ Net working capital management
- ✓ Cost control management

#### Components Restructuring Measures and Impact



#### **Restructuring measures**

- ✓ Relocation of MX2 partner related production to China
- ✓ FTE reduction from 455 to c. 350 targeted (c. -25%), process closed
- ✓ Associated costs of EUR 20m in 2023, thereof EUR 11m provisions and EUR 9m impairment
- ✓ Earnings improvement potential >EUR 10 m from 2024









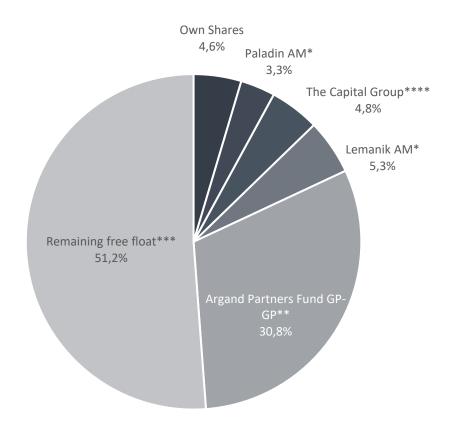


# **APPENDIX**





# CHERRY SHAREHOLDER STRUCTURE



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- \*\*\*\* Includes 0.3% Rights to recall lent shares of Common Stocks.





# FINANCIAL CALENDAR 2024

DATE	EVENT
February 7	Hamburger Investorentag
March 28	Annual Report 2023
April 9/10	Virtual US Roadshow (ABN Amro ODDO BHF)
April 23	Metzler Small Cap Days
May 8	Interim Report Q1 2024
May 13-15	German Spring Conference (Equity Forum)
June 14	AGM (virtual)
August 14	Half-year Report 2024
September 2/3	German Fall Conference (Equity Forum)
November 14	Interim Report Q3 2024
November 18/19	Winter 1on1-Summit (Equity Forum)





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