

## On the road to net zero

How to achieve your emissions target sustainably and with more than just an alternative drive!

## **Aebi Schmidt Group**

Your global partner for intelligent solutions for clean and safe infrastructure and challenging grounds

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Street cleaning and marking, environmental maintenance



Airport runway clearing



**Agriculture** 



**Commercial trucks & trailers** 



presence in 16 countries with our own sales & service organisations, in another 90 countries through established partnerships with dealers who in turn serve even more countries



3,000 employees



14 production facilities



935 Mio. € net sales in 2023





## Emissions targets: Municipal equipment is a key piece of the puzzle

The municipal sector is increasingly important in the context of rapid developments to reduce emissions

### Importance of the municipal sector

- Global population to surpass 10 bn;
   more than 70% will live in cities
- 97 % of the EU's urban population was exposed to emission levels above WHO guidelines
- Majority of emissions come from combustion processes
- Examples of city targets:

City		Target	
Copenhagen (DK)	:=	2025	Carbon-neutral
Nottingham (UK)	2 2	2028	Carbon-neutral
Liverpool (UK)	2 2	2030	Carbon-neutral
Munich (DE)	_	2035	Carbon-neutral
Düsseldorf (DE)		2035	Carbon-neutral

### Regulation

- Ambitious EU climate protection targets 2030 to 2050
- European Green Deal
  - Achieving climate neutrality by 2050
  - Transitioning to a circular economy
- Government programs to embrace the transition:
  - Netherlands Circular economy strategy
  - USA Clean energy programs
  - South Korea Circular economy act
- Growing public demand for public action by European Union and national and local governments

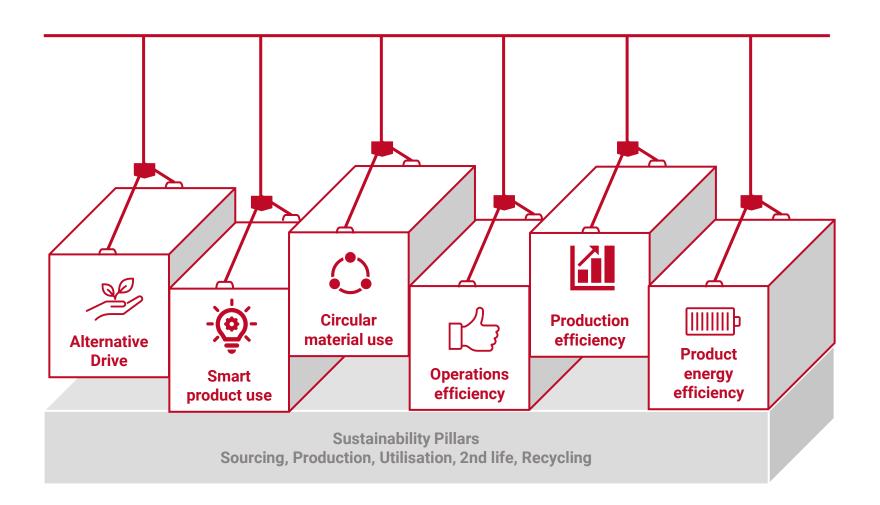
#### **Call for Action**

- Cities must act to maintain clean air for livability & attractiveness
- Lower emissions improve air quality by reducing air pollution
- Leading cities in emission reduction attract investments & skilled workers

Reduce your own emissions with robust equipment and systems that deliver the reliability you need to operate in all conditions.



## Beyond the drive: a holistic approach



#### **Transformative enablers**

- 1 Reliable technology
- Reliable sales & service network
- 3 One-stop-shop
- 4 Critical size for future updates
- 5 Partnership approach



## Our alternative drive product range is diverse Shift started in street cleaning

### **Guiding principles** (application dependent, excerpt)

Technology assessment	Evaluate the maturity, reliability, and performance of different alternative drive technologies for different kind of machines
Continuous improvements	Conduct rigorous testing and validation, and consider feedback to improve all our products & solutions that meet the needs of our customers
Flexible design	Modular concept with 4 or 6 independent packs for enhanced adaptability, scalability and safety
Enhanced efficiency	For example, 400 V systems in electric carrier vehicles minimise resistance for optimised performance and efficiency
Advanced battery mgmt.	Intelligent Multimaster system for monitoring and optimising battery performance and longevity
Fast charging (DC)	Integrated fast charging interface (DC) to enable swift recharges, alongside the convenience of AC charging
Maximizing range & durability	Implementing system-wide efficiency optimisations to extend operational range & enhance service life





















## Our new Schmidt eCleango 550 Compact Sweeper

Design, outstanding sweeping performance, and innovation in electric drive system

## Cleango 500



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#### Heritage



Journey through the history of the Cleango 500.

- Launch of the SM4200 in in Italy in the 80s
- 1995 the SM4200 becomes the Cleango
- Production in St. Blasien (Germany) since 2005
- > 6,000 units produced

#### **Electrification**



Electrification of the first 5.2 m<sup>3</sup> compact sweeper.

- New electric innovative battery system
- Modular high-voltage battery concept with four or six independent battery packs
- 102 kWh or 153 kWh capacity

#### **Sweeping Performance**



Fully electric, compact and robust sweeper.

- Available in 2- or 3-brush system
- Front-mounted pulled disc brush system
- Newly developed side brush kinematics and suction shaft
- Enhanced suction power

#### **Comfort & Safety**



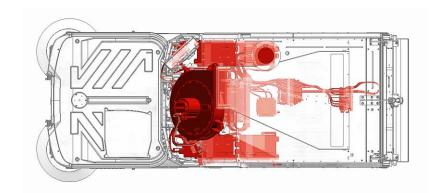
Unique cabin with enhanced safety and comfort.

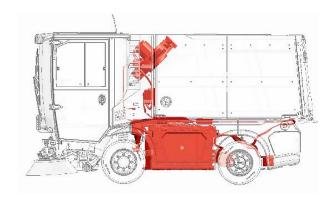
- High-quality noise and vibration insulation
- Coordinated suspension package ensures a safe and comfortable ride
- ROPS tested
- Optional with air-sprung driver's seat



## Our new Schmidt eCleango 550 Compact Sweeper

## **High-voltage architecture**





- **Modular battery packs:** The modular high-voltage battery concept consists of either four or six independent battery packs with up to 153 kWh. This is the basis for safe and trouble-free operation.
- **Power Distribution Unit:** Thanks to the **Power Distribution Unit**, the individual battery packs operate as a **complete system**. This enables an **individual** battery configuration **tailored** to the **customer's needs**.
- **Intelligent battery control:** The intelligent Multimaster battery control system enables independent organisation and monitoring of the high-voltage architecture. This guarantees optimum usage of all resources.
  - **Fast charging:** Integrated **fast-charging interface** with a future charging capacity of up to **90 kW (DC)** ensures to achieve **short charging cycles** with **optimum battery protection, guaranteed** by an **integrated battery cooling system**.
  - **Recuperation:** During braking, the vehicle converts kinetic energy into electric energy, recharging the battery (motor as generator)

## Our new Schmidt eCleango 550 Compact Sweeper

**High-voltage battery pack** 

**Type**: Li-lon NMC

■ **System voltage:** 400 V (Automotive standard)

Capacity (one pack): 25.5 kWh

■ Temperature range: -5 °C up to +45 °C

Certification: ECE R100, UN 38.3

Cooling: Liquid cooling

■ **AC Charging:** Type 2 Charging socket 22 kW OnBoard Charger

■ DC Charging (Fast): CCS2 charging socket, Charging power up to 90 kW

One battery pack works independently, up to 8 connected (150 kWh)

Outstanding energy density

Clamp connection to easily replace cells – Innovation for maximum sustainability



One battery pack



## eCleango 550: German Innovation Award '24 WINNER

Innovation leader in product performance and electric drives

#### **Jury's Statement:**

"With the all-electric Schmidt eCleango 550 compact sweeper, noise and  $CO_2$  emissions are a thing of the past. The powerful and durable electric drive, with its modular high-voltage battery, operates not only whisper-quiet but also sustainably, matching diesel vehicles in terms of performance and sweeping efficiency. The ergonomically designed cockpit, equipped with state-of-the-art technology, offers maximum seating and operating comfort, while the quiet drive also benefits the operator. A meticulously thought-out concept that perfectly reflects the demands of modernity, sustainability, and performance in its progressive appearance."



## Schmidt eSyntos in combination with Flux Electric Commercial Vehicle Alternative drives



#### **Schmidt eSyntos Spreader**

- Battery with heating system, especially for low temperatures
- > 2 full hopper loads without recharging
- Safe low-voltage 48 V DC system can be maintained without special training or safety measures

#### Flux Electric Commercial Vehicle

- **Battery capacity**: 112 kWh
- Real range: around 300km
- Engine power: 140 kW peak / 90 kW cont.
   Optionally available as 4x4: 190 kW peak / 140 kW continuous
- Charging:AC up to 22 kWDC up to 100 kW
- Maximum gross weight: up to 5.5 t
- Net payload: up to 2.5 tons



## Case study Alternative drives

## **Spreader Winter service operations**

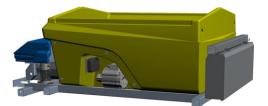




Refurbished Stratos retrofitted to an eStratos, and upgraded to FS 50



eSyntos for delivery in Netherlands (4.1 kWh or 8.1 kWh)



E-Motor, Inverter and Hydraulic pump

Battery
Onboard charger
(OBC)
230 V plug



## Large truck mounted electric system

## Leveraging our partnerships and expertise



#### Schmidt eAS 990

- Designwerk MID CAB 4x2R 500E (all-electric truck)
- Powerful simple design: Single power supply source simplified design, while delivering sufficient capacity for comfortable sweeping and driving performance
- Sweeping unit PTO-powered
- Electrified main loads for highest efficiency

#### **Schmidt eASP Sprayer**

- Volvo FM 62 Rigid Tag Electric
- Vehicle Battery with 360 kWh
- Hooklift system connected to vehicle by ePTO
- Hooklift system provides hydraulic pressure to ASP



## Sustainable heavy duty winter service operations Connecting industries to achieve emission reduction in challenging environments



Challenging winter service operations with electric trucks also for highways and country roads

Utilizing full battery electric driven trucks to reduce carbon footprints in demanding winter operations

Pioneering sustainable innovation

Partnering closely with customers and industry leaders to realize challenging new projects tailored to unique operational needs

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## **Driver Assistance Systems to save resources**

Smart product use: 85 % of the CO<sub>2</sub> footprint during the life-time of spreader is due to fuel and salt usage

#### **Salt Saving**



#### **ThermoLogic**

#### **Automated temperature-based dosage**

 Continuous and automated adaptation of the dosage based on road surface temperature



- ✓ Up to 15 % spreading material saved
- ✓ Optimum between safety and efficiency

#### Salt saving and fuel saving



#### **Route Assistant**

#### **GPS** controlled spreading and navigation

- Automatic adjustment of dosage & width based on GPS position along a set route
- Driver provides feedback from vehicle to platform



- ✓ Up to 15 % time saved with Smart Route Guidance
- ✓ Up to 30 % salt saved

### Optimised salt and fuel saving



## **Route Manager**

#### Online platform

- Create and optimize reference routes
- Define required activities along the route
- Send routes wireless from platform to vehicle



- ✓ Saving route travel times by optimised routing
- ✓ Salt savings due to optimised routes



## Norwegian customer Risa AS: Salt usage reduction in winter service operations



- Risa is one of the biggest construction and road maintenance contractors in Norway
- Risa places great emphasis on continuous development of equipment, machinery and working methods
- Risa is using Schmidt spreaders with IntelliOPS, ThermoLogic and Route Assistant to achieve salt reduction

Risa has reported a decrease in salt use of more than 40% – due to the use of multiple systems!









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## **Aebi Schmidt ThermoLogic**

- Infrared sensor continuously measures road temperature changes on the surface
- Data transmitted to Control system
- Adjust spreading density automatically to current weather
- Dosage of material adjusted within milliseconds
- Suitable for dry salt, wet salt, spraying and spraying with salt
- Reduced environmental impact
- Relief for driver
- Increased road safety



## **Provence of Utrecht (Netherlands) – Winter service operations**



- Utrecht is one of 12 provinces of the Netherlands with
   1.3 Mio. inhabitants
- Equipment for winter maintenance:
  - Main roads: 13 spreaders, 28 ploughs
  - Bike lanes: 12 spreaders, 12 ploughs
  - 1'561 km per action
- Utrecht aimed to improve the quality of winter maintenance and reduce the environmental impact
- Solution by Aebi Schmidt:
  - Route Optimization
  - Route Assistant
- Achievements:
  - 29% reduction in area to treat per action
  - 22.5% reduction in kilogram salt usage per action
    - 1'900 kg CO<sub>2</sub> reduction per action





## Studies on optimal brine and salt ratio in winter service operations Optimize salt brine ratio

- Studies on distribution of salt on the road, after spreading and after time
- Investigation studies, e.g.
  - 'Distribution of de-icing salt on the road'
     2008 Study. Original title: 'Verteilung von Tausalzen auf der Fahrbahn'
  - 'Thawing Capacity, Freezing Time and High Shares of Brine as Main Factors in the Success of Preventive Winter Maintenance' Austrian Study, presented at Piarc Winter Congress 2018
- Pre-wetting concept
  - Dry salt usually mixed with brine (approx. 20% dissolved salt)
  - Currently commonly used is FS 30 ("Feuchtsalz 30"), but very country specific
  - Also FS 50, FS 70 and FS 100 possible (increase brine in mixture)

? How does an optimized brine salt ratio benefit the environment and cost?

Measuring the amount of salt using wet wash vacuum



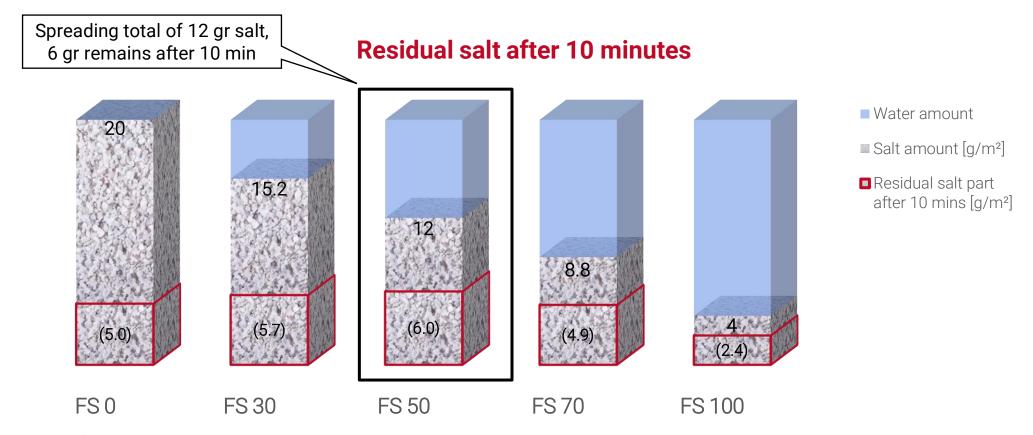
Measuring the amount of salt using sensors (test field, 12 sensors)



## Residual salt on road surface

The higher the brine percentage, the more of the spread salt (percentage-wise) still present after time.

- Remarkable: residual salt levels differ for the individual brine percentages
- Higher brine percentage = more residual salt (relative)



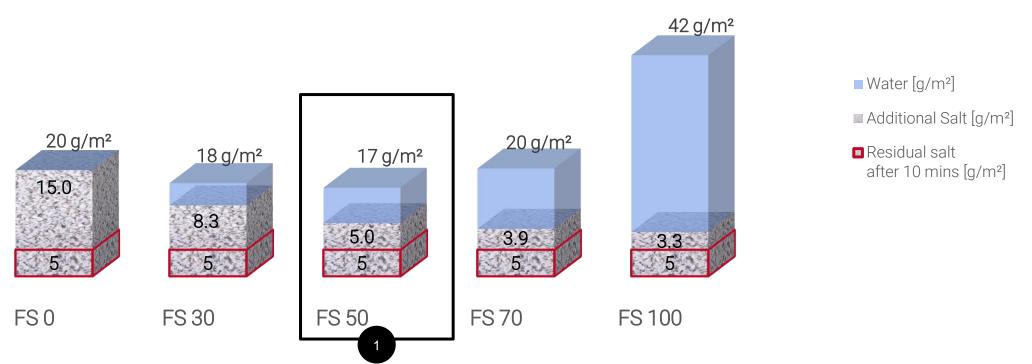
Example for 20 g/m² material dosage setting. Brine contains ca. 20% dissolved salt, adding up to the dry salt amount.

## Required dosage for specific residual salt levels

The higher the brine percentage, the more of the spread salt (percentage-wise) still present after time.

- Let's calculate the required dosage per FS setting for a specific residual salt level
- Example: 5 g/m2 residual salt on the road desired

## Required dosage for specific residual salt level



Conclusion: FS 50 requires the lowest amount of material, thus most effective



## **Example: Stratos 3 m<sup>3</sup>**

## With optimized hopper/tank ratios the action distance with the FS 50 is similar to the FS 30 version

#### Optimized hopper/tank ratio for FS 30

**Parameters** 

Weight salt 1'200 kg/m³
Weight brine 1'150 kg/m³
Salt solution 22%

Data machine:

Salt 3 m<sup>3</sup>
Brine 1'270 liter
Spreading width 6 m

Dosage 15 g/m² spreading 30 g/m² spraying

Payload:

Weight salt 3'600 kg
Weight Brine 1'461 kg

Results

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Methode	Dry salt	FS	FS	FS	Spraying
Dosage	15	15	15	15	30
FS	FS0	FS 30	FS 50	FS70	FS100
Salt in gr	15.0	11.5	9.2	6.8	6.6
Salt m²	240'000	342'857	480'000	800'000	0
Brine m <sup>2</sup>	0	324'556	194'733	139'095	48'683
Salt km	40	57	80	133	
Brine km		54	32	23	8
Max. dist	40.0	54.1	32.5	23.2	8.1

#### Optimized hopper/tank ratio for FS 50

**Parameters** 

Weight salt 1'200kg/m³
Weight brine 1'150kg/m³
Salt solution 22%

Data machine:

Salt
Brine

2.1 m³
2'140 liter

Spreading width

6 m

Increased tank size

Dosage 15 g/m² spreading 30 g/m² spraying

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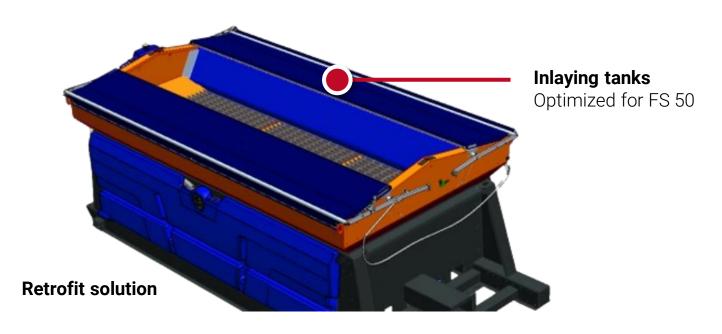
Weight salt 2'460 kg Weight Brine 2'461 kg

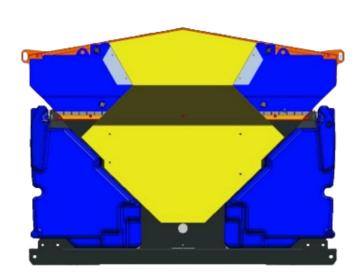
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Salt m²	164'000	234'286	328'000	546'667	0
Brine m²	0	546'889	328'133	234'381	82'033
Salt km	27	39	55	91	
Brine km		91	55	39	14
Max. dist	27.3	39.0	54.7	39.1	13.7

## **Stratos with FS 50 Hopper**

- Studies have shown that use of FS 50 (50% dry salt and 50% brine) have a positive effect on residual salt, and positive results regarding cost savings and environmental protection
- For increased brine share, larger brine tanks are reasonable
- Current hopper / tank ratios are based on pre-wetted salt on the use of FS 30
- Aebi Schmidt will offer the FS 50 optimized hopper / tank ratio as an option on the Stratos Middle and Big Range
- We aim for a retrofit solution





## Results of optimization on FS 50 tank hopper ratio (option)

**Smart Product Use** 

### Results

- **Salt reduction**: Reduction of salt use (> 20 % compared to FS 30)
- Cost reduction:
  - 5 m3 spreader, cost for road salt approx. 120 EUR / t, weight of 6 t
  - Savings per action: Approx 150 EUR
- Operations:
  - No change in planning (same distance with FS 50 possible)
  - Longer intervals between operations possible
- **Performance:** Higher amount of residual salt on road surface
- **■** Product:
  - Retrofit of existing machines
  - Flexibility: Customers can choose Combi functionality (FS 0 FS 100) also for carrier vehicles such as the Unimog, allowing them to operate one machine during the complete season
- **Environment:** Overall reduced environmental impact

## **Circular strategies**

## Increase resource efficiency

## **Circular strategies (10 R)**

Design	R0	Refuse
Responsible use and production	R1	Rethink
	R2	Reduce
	R3	Re-use
Consumption phase	R4	Repair
Optimal use Preserve and	R5	Refurbish
extend life of products	R6	Remanufacture
	<b>R7</b>	Repurpose
End-of-life or return phase	R8	Recycle
Capture and retain value	R9	Recover

## **Examples (excerpt)**

#### Refuse / Reduce (R0 / R2)

- Optimize equipment size and machine size (consultative approach)
- Reduce routes by optimal routing (Route Manager, IntelliOPS)
- **⋖** Use sustainable fuels (e.g. HVO) or alternative drives (eSpreaders)
- **⊘** Reduce salt material with automation applications (up to 30 %)

#### Repair / Remanufacture (R4 / R6)

- Focus on repair and maintenance to extend life of spreaders
- Refurbished or remanufactured spreaders to save about 85 % of CO<sub>2</sub> emission compared to new production
- Remote diagnostics to detect failures early and solve them fast

Sustainable businesses aim to minimise waste & maximise resource efficiency

## **Circular strategies Spreader Lifetime Extension**

## What are lifetime extended spreaders?

- Process as rigorous and qualified as original manufacturing, spanning from maintenance and repair to refurbishment or remanufacturing of equipment
- The machine is brought to the latest state of the art (e.g. control systems)

#### **Current stats**

- > 177 refurbished spreaders & ploughs until 2023
- In total, > 20 customers have refurbished spreaders in use (provinces, municipalities & contractors)

### **Impact on emissions**

 Approx. 70 % savings in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions compared to production with new material

#### **Further actions**

 The growing demand for lifetime extended spreaders is shaping the evolution of our product line-up.





Nido Refurbished Spreader

## **Provence of Utrecht (Netherlands) – Winter service operations**



15 refurbished spreaders34 refurbished plows

Savings per spreading operation based on optimization:

- > -44 km (-3%)
- > -1,708,272 m2 (-29%)
- > 560 tons of salt per winter

Spreading methodology variable wet salt ratio FS 50 savings: 506 tons of salt per winter

Over total contract period (15 years) savings of 1,900 tons of  $CO_2$  (-25 %) potential up to 52 %



## **Conclusions**

## **Embracing sustainable municipal equipment**



## Profound transformation is unfolding

- Urbanisation is advancing on a global scale
- Cities are at the forefront to set examples and new standards for sustainability
- Regulatory adjustments, both on the EU and national levels, are imminent



# Benefits of environmentally friendly and sustainable equipment

- Reduced emissions and pollution
- Reduced noise
- Cost savings
- Enhanced public health
- Attractive urban environment



## How to efficiently transform your operations in both summer and winter applications

- Use the complete variety of sustainability pillars
- Take a broad and integrated approach to climate protection, energy, and resource efficiency



## Transformation as an opportunity

- View the current transformation not as a challenge, but as an opportunity for growth and progress
- Lead by example and demonstrate commitment to environmental stewardship



Thank you for your time and interest!