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#### Misitano & Stracuzzi: "Where Citrus is of the Essence"

#### A historic Messina business



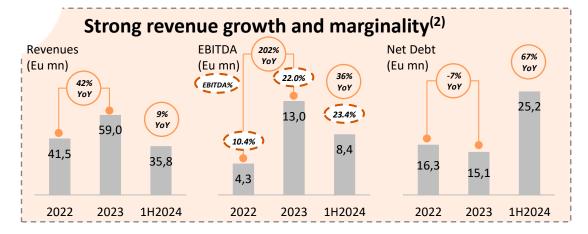
 Misitano & Stracuzzi is a family-owned Sicilian company dating back more than 100 years, the result of a historic collaboration between the two founders and today fully controlled by the Stracuzzi family

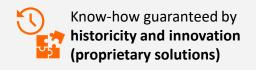


 The core business is production of specialty citrus essences resulting from the proprietary solutions of essential oils and aromatic substances ("Specialties") and to a lesser extent the production of juices

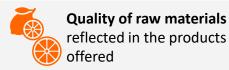














**Bespoke products** to satisfy customer requirements



## Top Management, BoD and Strategic Advisory Board



Antonio Stracuzzi Chairman, CEO

- Antonio has been a director of Misitano & Stracuzzi since January 2001, and is responsible for the Occupational Safety and Health Department and Essences Sales Department
- Antonio actively participates to trade events. He also maintains business relations with the company's Italian and foreign clients



**Emanuela Stracuzzi** 

MD Logistics

- Emanuela has been a director of Misitano & Stracuzzi since January 1995 and is responsible for the Essence Logistics Department and Juice Logistics Department
- Emanuela stands out as a manager due to her continuous relationship with shippers, customs bodies and Italian and foreign clients



Diego Stracuzzi

MD Juice Department

- Diego has been a director of Misitano & Stracuzzi since January 2002 and is responsible for the Juice Sales Department
- Diego has considerable experience in the marketing industry due to the many trade fair events he has attended and long-standing relationships with Italian and foreign clients



**Giuseppe Trusso** 

**CFO** 

- Giuseppe graduated from the University of Palermo with a degree in Economics and Business.
- He began his career in 2004 at KPMG, where he rose to the position of Manager. In 2015, he moved to Sipafer S.p.A, where he headed the AFC department for five years
- Since January 2020, he has been CFO of Misitano & Stracuzzi

#### **Strategic Advisory Board**



**Bhavesh Shah** - Former Chief Procurement Officer and Executive Board Member of Firmenich.

**Alain Frix** - Former Vice President Sales Europe, Africa, and Middle East at Symrise, a leading multinational in fragrances, flavors, and food ingredients.

**Daemmon Reeve** - Former Group CEO of Treatt plc, listed on the London Stock Exchange; he will focus on driving the Misitano & Stracuzzi's strategic growth.

#### **Board of Directors**

Antonio Stracuzzi – Emanuela Stracuzzi – Diego Stracuzzi

Antonio Riccio

Independent Director
Head of PE fund Invitalia S.p.A
(Fondo Cresci al Sud)

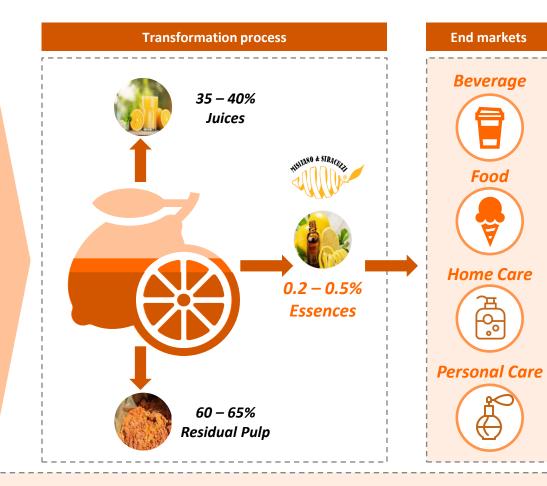
Carlo Munafò
Independent Director

Former President of the Milan Notary Council



#### What is an Essence and what is it used for?









Improve the organoleptic qualities of the products



Improve the taste of food & beverage



Multiple use in personal care due to its beneficial properties

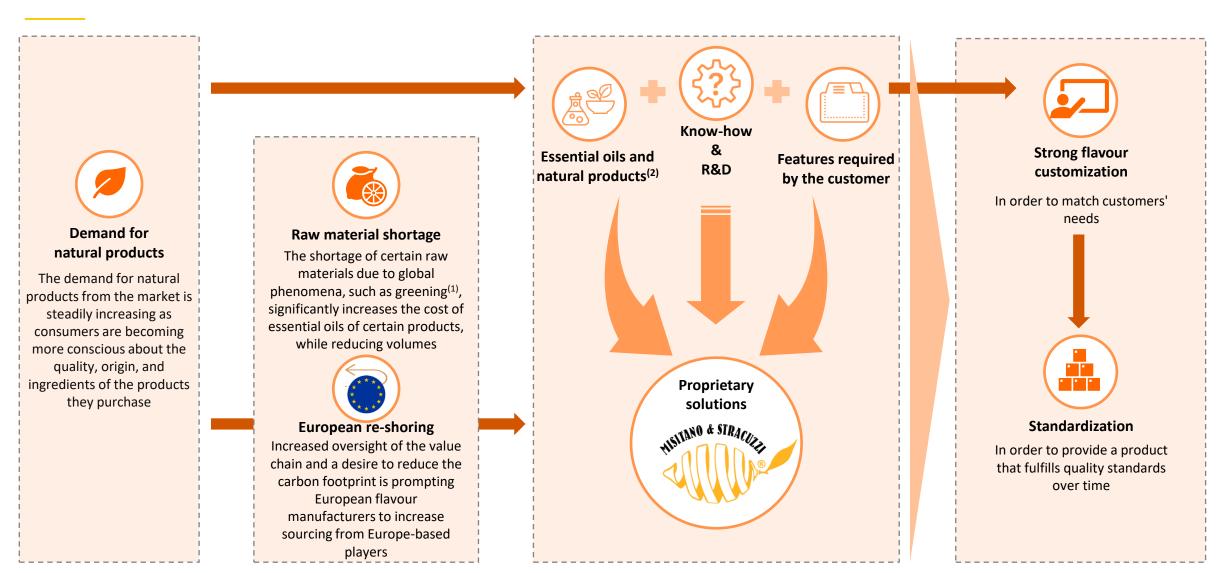


Sustainable use of the limited resources

Residual pulp can be used in several applications such as pet food or biofuel

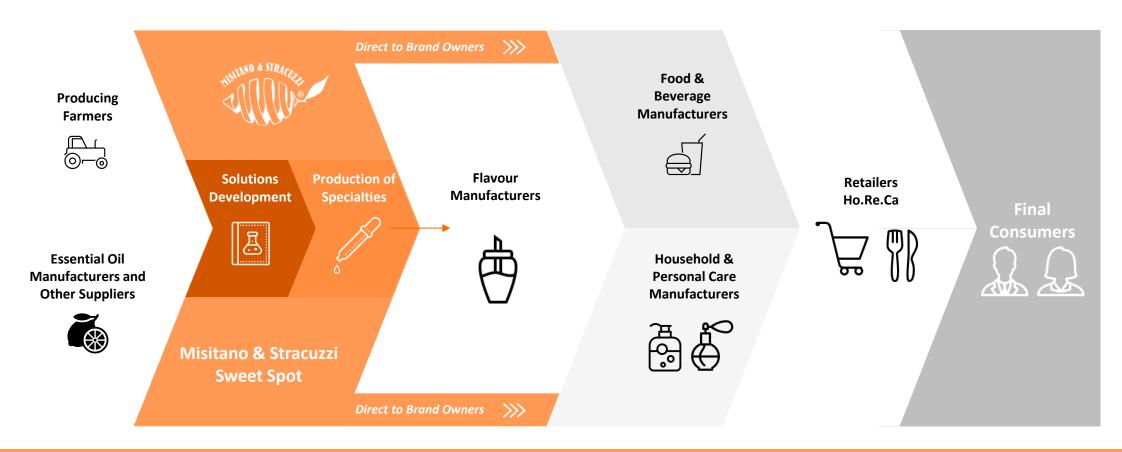


#### **Know-how is at the heart of the Essences business**





# Key positioning in the value chain through proprietary solutions that are decisive in the final consumer's choice

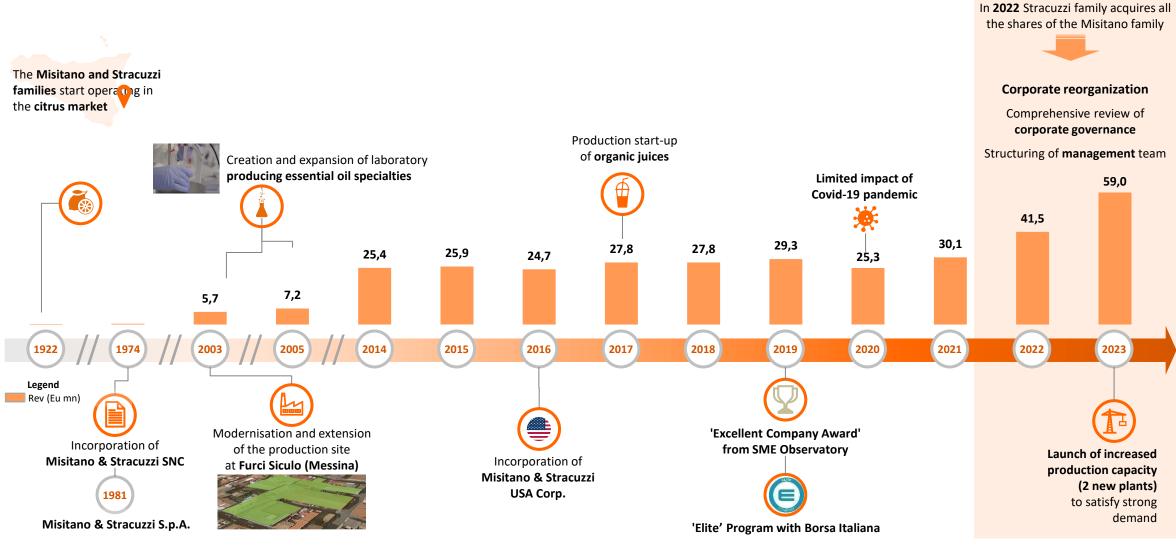




Misitano & Stracuzzi has a key position in the value chain of flavour manufacturers, offering bespoke solutions that are decisive in the final consumer's choice and which feature a strong cost advantage



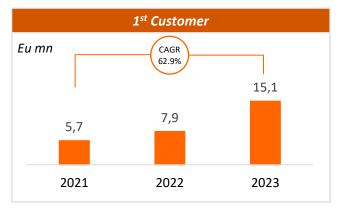
# Accomplished entrepreneurs leveraging a 100+ year business heritage driven by significant foreign growth in recent years





## Established, long-standing relationships with highly reputable customers

# Essences M&S customers for citrus essences are large international players active mainly in the food sector and to a lesser extent personal care and home care Givaudan symrise FREY&LAU® P&G P&G P&G P&G P&G P&G TREATI T







**25+** years of partnership



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# Extensive international presence: ~90% of revenues generated abroad through business relationships in more than 40 countries



Santa Teresa di Riva (ME) **Production of citrus essences** 

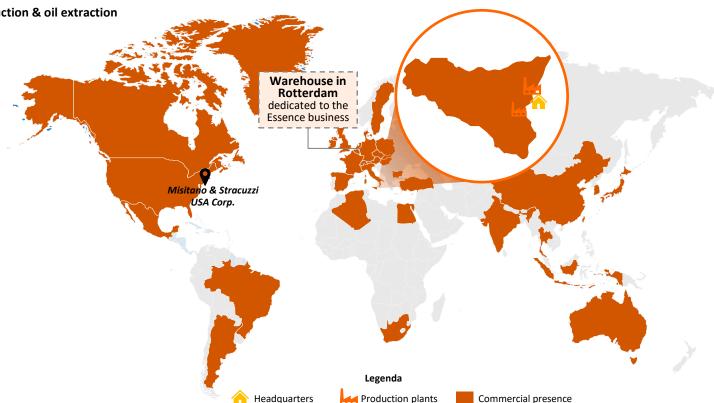


Furci Siculo (Messina)



Juice production & oil extraction





San Filippo del Mela (ME)

Covered surface: 6,488 sqm

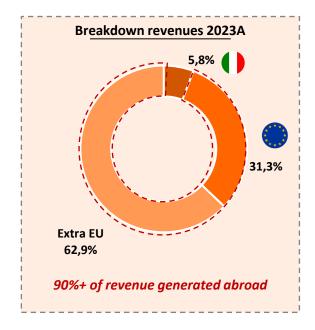
Factory surface 17,328 sqm

Under development ----

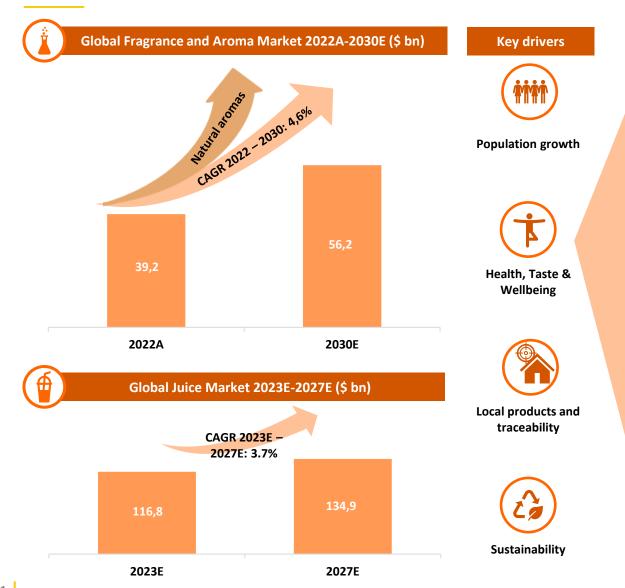
Pace del Mela (ME)

Covered surface: 4,390 sqm

Factory surface: 11,990 sqm



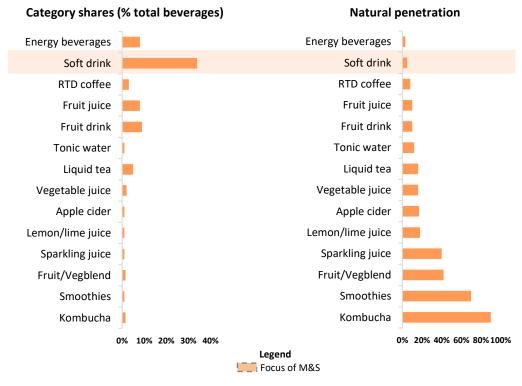
# A broad market supported by structural mega-trends, with high growth potential in natural products driven by health and wellbeing



Soft drinks (main target segment for M&S essences) account for ~33% of total non-alcoholic drinks with a penetration rate of natural flavourings ~2% only

Great growth opportunity for natural flavourings companies, such as



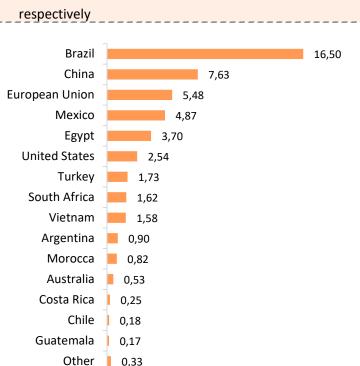




## Turning challenges into opportunities: the greening case study

#### Leading orange producing countries 2023/2024 (mn tons)

- The global production of oranges in 2023/2024 amounts to 48.8 mn of tons
- Brazil accounts for more than 30% of global production while China and European Union for 15.6% and 11.2% respectively



#### Greening

"Greening", also called "Yellow Dragon disease" is one of the most serious citrus plant diseases in the world
Citrus greening is spread by a disease-infected insect, the Asian citrus psyllid (Diaphorina citri Kuwayama or ACP)
Infected trees produce fruits that are green, misshapen and bitter, unsuitable for sale as fresh fruit or for juice. Most infected trees die within a few years

Some 38% of Brazil's citrus-producing area has been infected

- Affected orchards can see yields plunge by 60%
- **Brazil's citrus belt** could **lose some 25% of its output** by the end of a decade
- Production could fall to around 9.59 mn tons
- 12% output drop over the next five years

"Florida, known as the Orange State in the US, was once a major producer of sweet orange juice. Then, 20 years ago, citrus greening devastated trees in the region and caused production to drop by 70%"

Pre-HLB<sup>1</sup> - European Union

Structural trend due to the absence of a cure

#### **Experience and innovation**

Success factor for high-quality tailor-made products

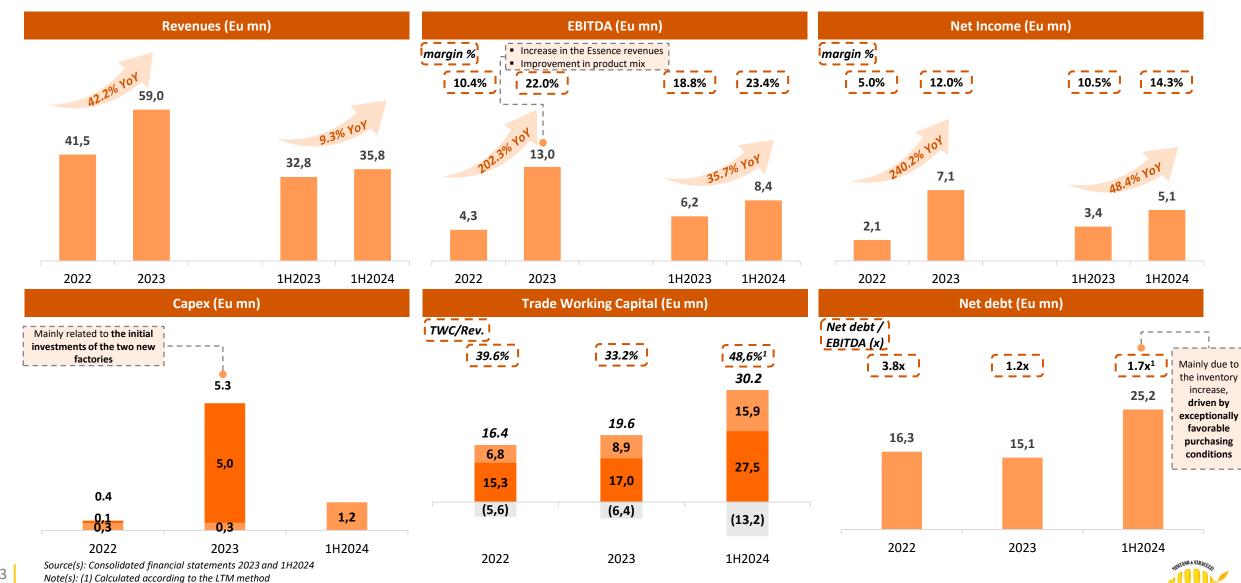
Thanks to its R&D expertise coupled with manufacturing processes that integrate century-old experience



has been able to develop alternative proprietary recipes capable of creating alternative solutions, matching customers' demands



## A combination of high growth and high profitability



Receivables

Inventory

Payables

**Expansion Capex** 

Maintenance Capex

#### Eu ca. 20 mn total investments for the two new under development plants

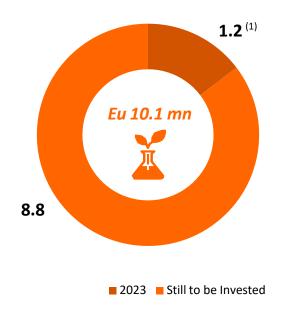
New Plant 1 - Pace del Mela (Messina)

**Essences** 

Factory surface: 11,990 sqm Covered surface: 4,390 sqm

Investments 2023- Still to be Invested

(Eu mn)





New Plant 2 - S. Filippo del Mela (Messina) Juices

Factory surface: 17,328 sqm Covered surface: 6,488 sqm

Investments 2023-Still to be Invested (Eu mn)



## **Closing remarks**

Investment opportunity in a listed Italian leader focused on the niche of natural citrus essence production leveraging a 100+ year business heritage



A broad market supported by structural mega-trends, with high growth potential in natural products driven by health and wellbeing



Key positioning in the value chain thanks to strong know-how providing proprietary solutions that are decisive in the final consumer's choice



Extensive international presence (90%+ of revenues generated abroad) and established, long-standing relationships with highly reputable customers



A combination of high growth and high profitability with a clear strategy to go even further





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