

## The net profit of Cementos Molins grew by 5% in 2019 to 90 million euros

**27 February 2020** Cementos Molins today released its annual results for 2019, a period in which net profit reached 90 million euros, a growth of 5% on the previous year. In comparable terms of exchange rates and adjustment for the hyperinflation of Argentina, the net profit would have grown by 16% in 2019.

The good results achieved in Spain, Argentina and Bangladesh were offset by a shrinking market in Mexico, social instability during the fourth quarter in Bolivia and the depreciation of the Argentinian peso.

Revenue increased to 797 million euros, which represents a growth of 4% on the same period the previous year (+15% with no variation in the exchange rate) because of greater activity mainly in Spain, Argentina and Bangladesh.

EBITDA grew by 5% on the same period the previous year (+15% in comparable terms with no variation in the exchange rate). The EBITDA margin increased by 0.3 percent to 24.0%.

Net financial debt meanwhile grew to 181 million euros on 31 December 2020, which is similar to the 31 December 2018 amount, although represents a 12% decrease in comparable terms (exchange rate and hyperinflation of Argentina). The Net Financial Debt/EBITDA ratio fell to 0.9x. The Group's financing structure was likewise optimised in December by means of syndicated financing for the amount of €180 M, linked to a sustainability goal.

Cementos Molins meanwhile allocated 82 million euros to investment in 2019, primarily to the construction of the new plant in Colombia, which began operating satisfactorily last October, and to the expansion of the San Luis plant in Argentina, the grinder of which is now operating. The group's total investment in both projects amounts to 230 million euros.

Julio Rodríguez, CEO of Cementos Molins, stated that ***“2019 was a year of growth in results and consolidation of our position on the market, which we shall continue to boost in the coming years with the implementation of our 2020-2022 Strategic Plan”***.

### **2020-2022 Strategic Plan**

The Board of Administration also approved the 2020-2022 Strategic Plan, the goal of which is profitable and sustainable growth based on 5 main areas: sustainability as the core area, operational efficiency, geographical development, digitalisation and people.

This plan involves the implementation of 16 strategic initiatives grouped into 5 priority core areas. The goal for the coming 3 years is to increase sales by an average of 4% per year and to keep growth aligned with EBITDA in a yearly average range of 6% to 8%.



*In accordance with the guidelines of the European Securities Markets Authority (ESMA) on Alternative Performance Measures (APM), which are of obligatory application for regulated information, the information and breakdowns relative to the APM used in this Press Release are included in the “Presentation of Results for 2019”, issued by the Company to the Spanish National Securities Commission.*

**About Cementos Molins.** *Cementos Molins has a track record of over 90 years in the cement industry and is one of the major companies in the sector in our country. It operates in Spain, Argentina, Uruguay, Mexico, Bolivia, Colombia, Tunisia and Bangladesh. In addition to cement, it also works in the business of concrete, aggregates, prefabricated concrete structures, special mortars and fast-drying cements, and in environmental activities. These activities are performed through the companies Cementos Molins Industrial, S.A.; Promotora Mediterránea-2, S.A.; Prefabricaciones y Contratas, S.A.; and Propamsa, S.A.; and the holdings Cementos Avellaneda, S.A.; Cementos Artigas, S.A.; Corporación Moctezuma, S.A. de C.V., Itacamba Cemento, S.A., Société Tuniso-Andalouse de Ciment Blanc, S.A., Sotacib Kairouan S.A., LafargeHolcim Bangladesh Limited, and Empresa Colombiana de Cementos e Insumos y Agregados de Colombia S.A.S.*