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Forecast 2025 for the global Foundry Industry

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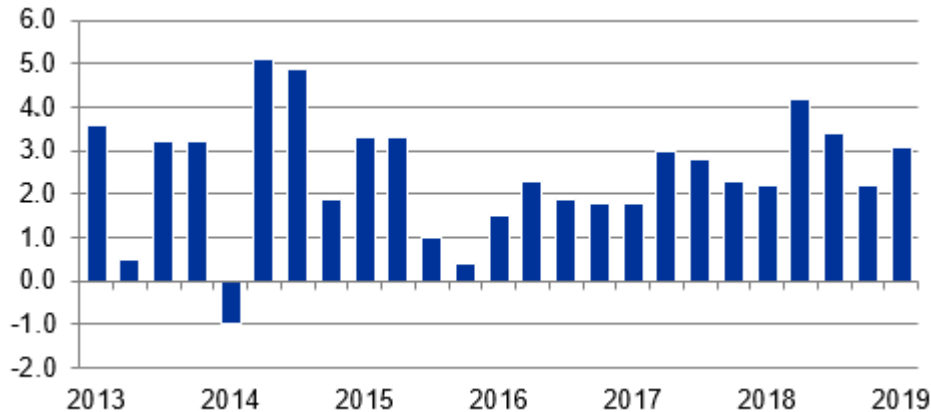
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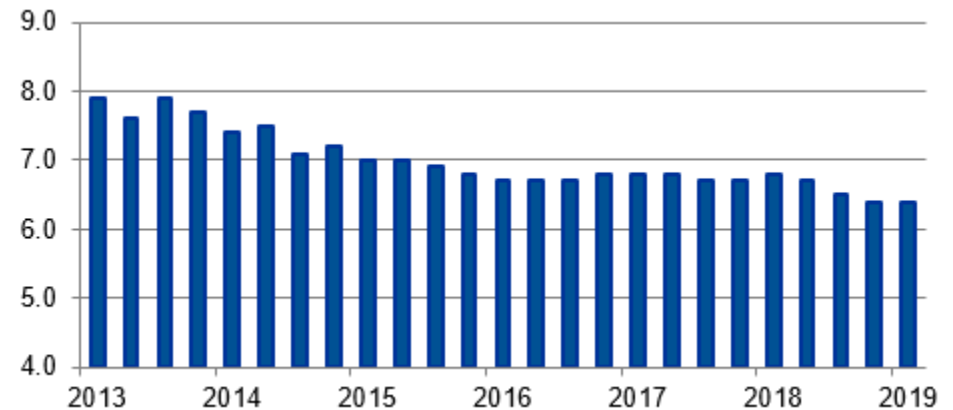
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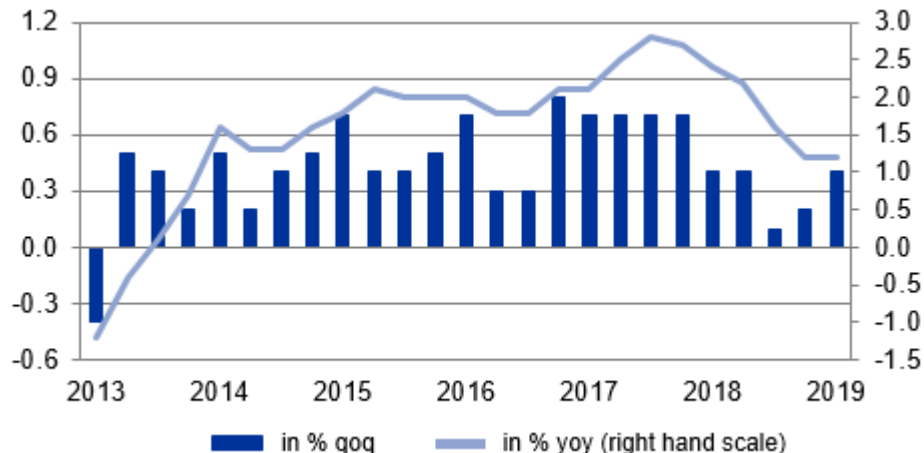
US Real GDP; qoq; in %



China Real GDP; yoy; in %



Euro Zone Real GDP; qoq; in %



In Detail

- The **US-GDP grew by 3.1 % (qoq)** during the **first quarter of 2019**. In total, the economic development was **very strong**. Therefore, IKB forecasts a **growth rate of 2.6 % in 2019**
- **China's economy** had a **strong start** into the current year. The **GDP grew by 6.4 % yoy**. The consensus **forecast** had expected a **lower growth** in relation to the last quarter. We expect an average **growth** of the **industrial production** between **5 and 6 %** in the current year
- Eurostat confirms for the euro zone a **GDP growth of 0.4 % qoq** for the first quarter of 2019: A **significant improvement** in relation to the previous quarter. IKB **forecasts** for the euro zone a **GDP growth of 1.2 %** in 2019

Crude Oil: Geopolitical Disturbances

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Brent Blend; US-\$/Barrel¹⁾



Active Oil Rigs USA²⁾



High Reliability of Supply

- In **2018** a strong rise of the **worldwide demand** for crude oil was seen: On average the demand rose by 1.4 mbd (million barrel per day) to 98.75 mbd
- For **2019**, we expect another rise in the global crude oil demand of 1.15 mbd **to nearly 100 mbd**
- In addition to a higher oil production in **Non-OPEC countries** an **OPEC production of 35.4 mbd will be necessary**. Around 4.8 mbd will come from the **OPEC NGL grades**
- As a result an OPEC production of around 30.5 mbd is necessary in the current year. This equals the OPEC monthly production in the **first quarter of 2019**. **But in April and May 2019** the monthly production of the OPEC was below this level
- We have seen a **rise in geopolitical disturbances**, e.g. the war in **Yemen**, the war in **Syria** and the political instability in **Venezuela**. But the highest risk in our point of view is the conflict after the cancellation of the **nuclear agreement with Iran by President Trump**
- The number of **active oil rigs** in the United States of America equal 788, significantly below the peak
- Therefore, we forecast a **crude oil price** fluctuating between **60 and 70 US-\$ per barrel Brent** for the next three months of 2019. **WTI** will be around 8 US-Dollars per barrel below the Brent price

Higher Geopolitical Risks



Crisis in the Middle East



- The main **geopolitical risks** are the wars in **Yemen** and **Syria**, the political instability in **Venezuela** and the cancellation of the **nuclear agreement with the Iran including strong sanctions**
- We see **no process of democratization in Saudi-Arabia**
- **Iran's threat** to close the **Strait of Hormuz** – an important part of the **crude oil exports from the Gulf region** is passed through the Strait of Hormuz – could induce an explosion
- The **attacks on several oil tankers** lead to a **rise in insecurity** in the region



Tweets and Trade Wars



- For President Trump there are threats concerning tariffs on imports and other **sanctions**, an instrument to sharpen his **domestic political profile**
- Even very newly **closed agreements** (e.g. with **Mexico**) are **no longer reliable**
- The **conflict with China** has more and more **negative impacts on the major trading partners**
- Does it make sense to **close agreements** and **contracts with the US government**, if a quick **cancellation via tweets** is possible?



Brexit: Is it time to say “Good bye”?



- The **retirement of Prime Minister May** raises the **possibility** of a **hard Brexit**
- We could see a **rising uncertainty in the British sentiment indicators**, which have been **going down** since the summer of 2018
- For the **second quarter of 2019** a **decrease in the British GDP** is expected as a result of **anticipatory effects** of the **Brexit**
- A **hard Brexit** will induce a **reduction in economic growth** in the countries of the **EU**



Tariffs on Automotive Imports

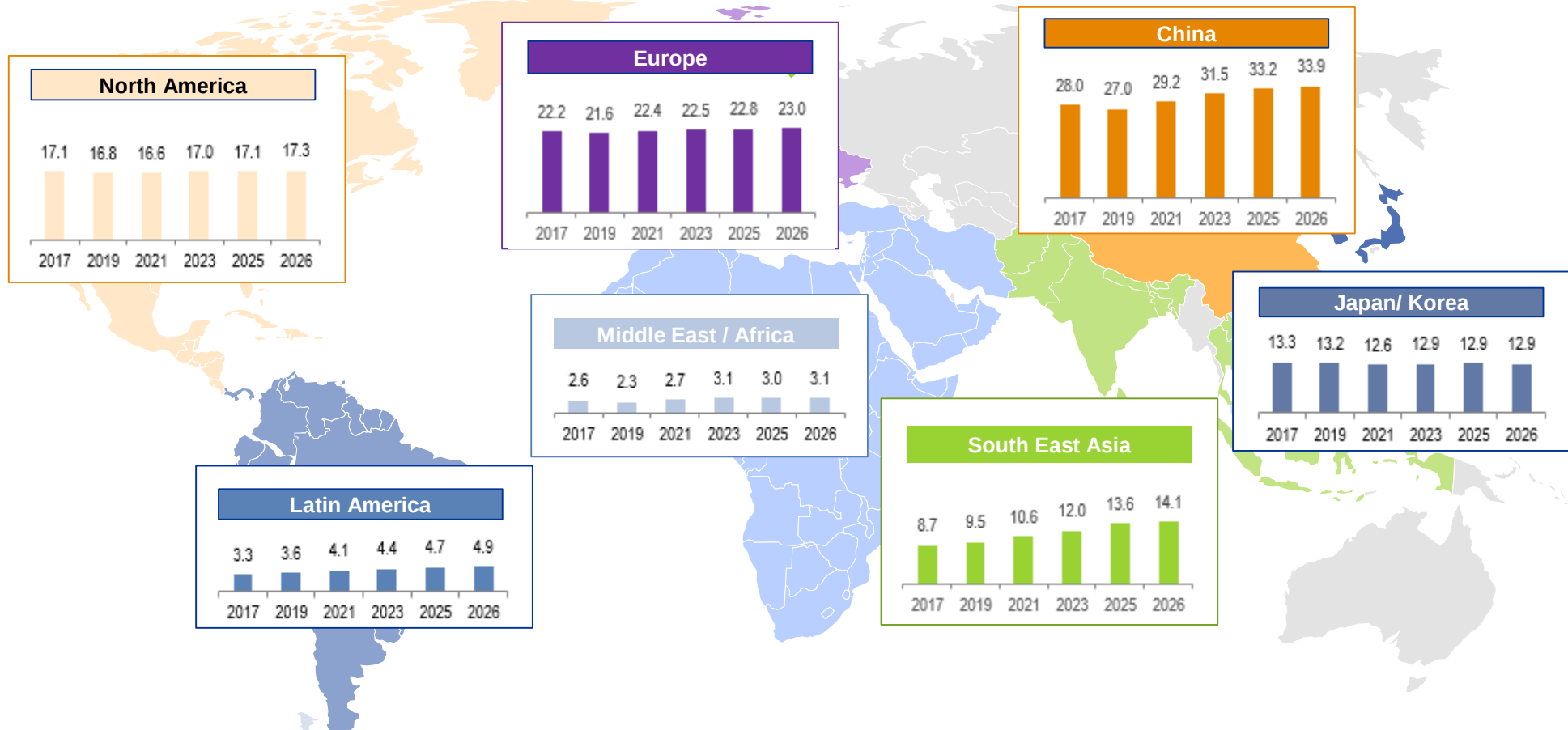


- Trump is **threatening to impose tariffs** on **imports** of **European light vehicles** as a possible reaction in the trade conflict. His main focus is on **deliveries from Germany**
- The EU proposal to **eliminate tariffs on light vehicles** was **rejected** by Trump as **insufficient**. Reason: **Europeans are used to buying** European cars, thus American OEM's do not have a real chance
- The **US-American car manufacturers** are in total **against tariffs** on car imports

Production of Light Vehicles

In million €

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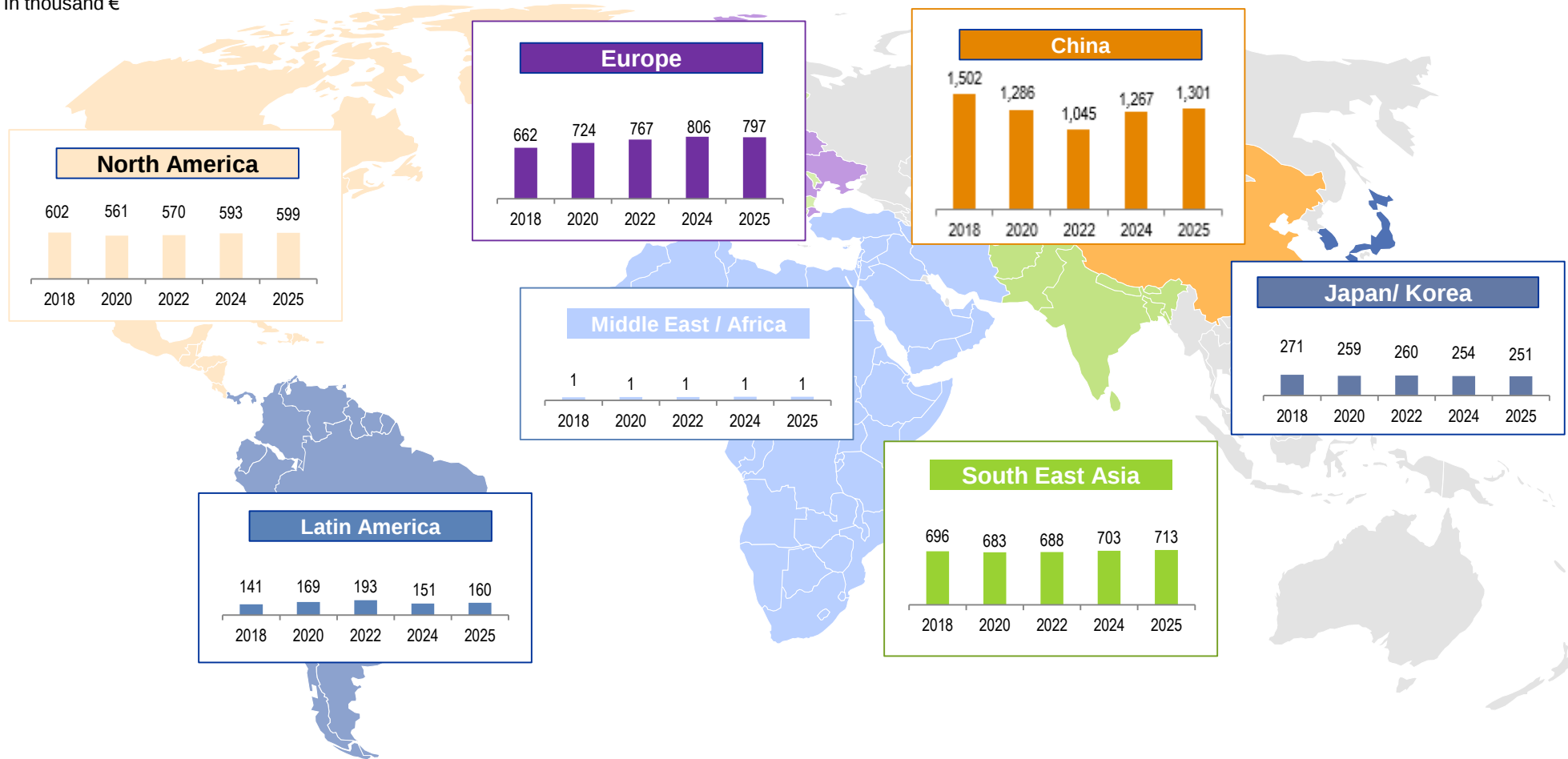


- The European automotive industry recovers. The growth is stronger in the Eastern European countries
- Within the NAFTA we see a rising importance of Mexico: The new manufacturing plants of several global OEM's will not reduce their production volume as a result of "America First"
- Japan and Korea will lose production volume to new manufacturing plants in China

Production of Medium & Heavy Vehicles

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In thousand €

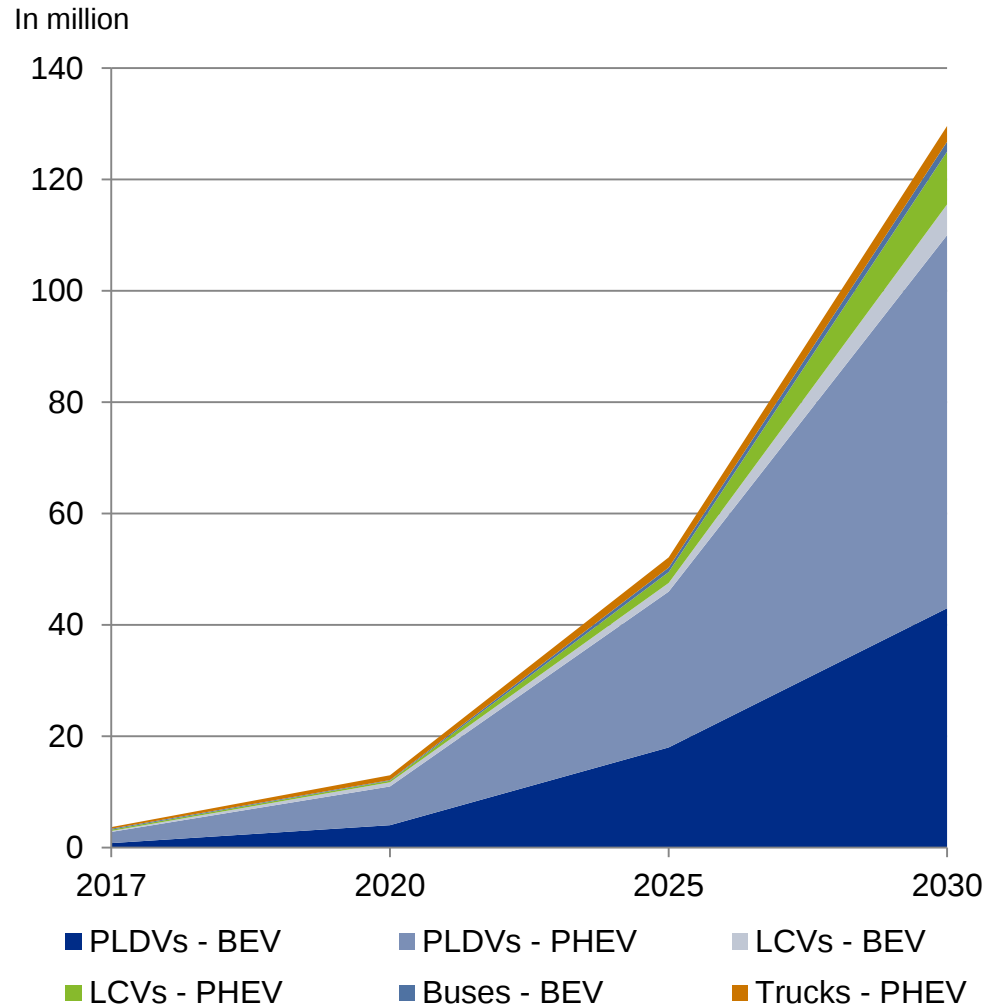


- Stronger emission regulations in the European Union and the US induce a reduced fuel consumption
- This stimulates investments in a new generation of trucks and commercial vehicles

Global Electrical Vehicle Stock with strong Growth

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Outlook to 2030



In Detail

- The following **forecast** is the **basic scenario** of the **International Energy Agency (IEA)**. The scenario is based on the **announced policies** and **measures** that **governments** all over the world put in place
- In **2020**, the global stock will **rise to 13 million vehicles** from 3.7 million in 2017
- **Between 2020 and 2030** the total **stock** of vehicles will **nearly tenfold** to around **130 million** in this scenario
- The **increase** will **result** primarily from the **private passenger light vehicles** market
- In the **commercial sector** we see – with the exception of buses – only a very **slight rise**



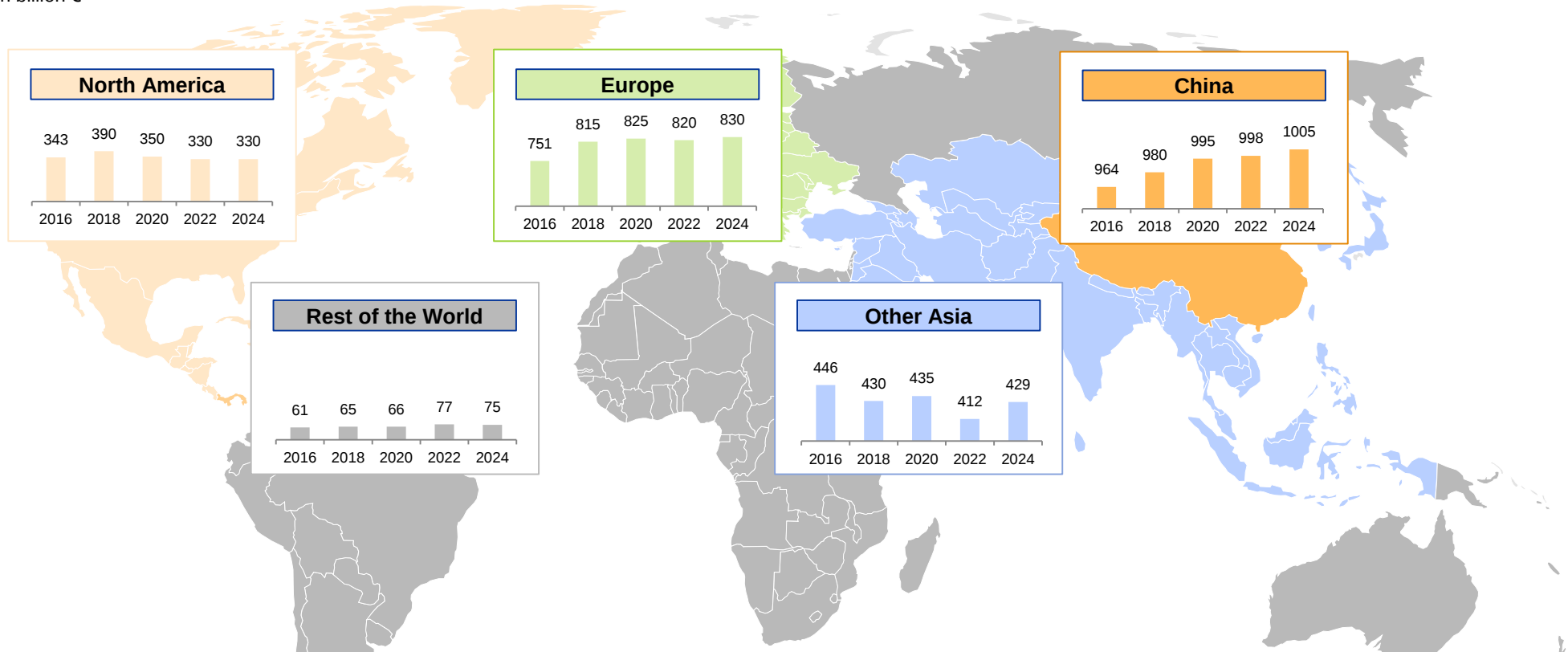
1) PLDV = Passenger light duty vehicle; LCV = light commercial vehicle; BEV = battery electric vehicle; PHEV = plug-in hybrid electric vehicle

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Mechanical Engineering: Slight Recovery in Europe, Growth in Asia

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In billion €

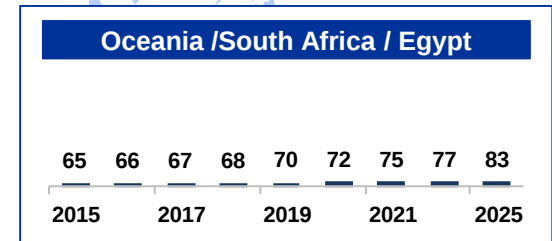
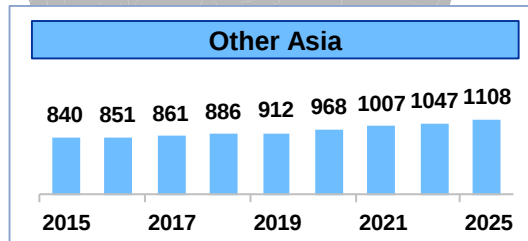
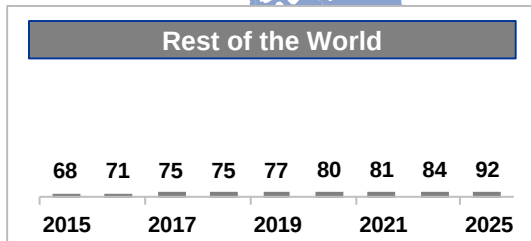
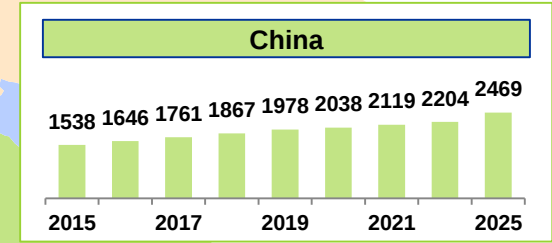
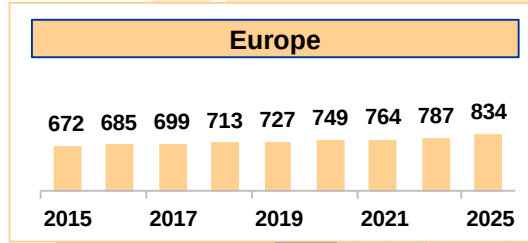
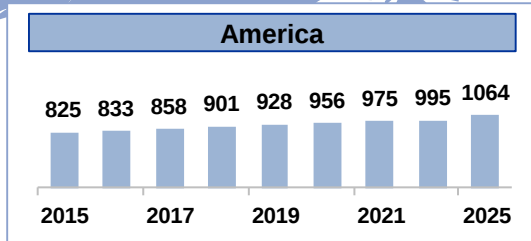


- Globally, we expect further increases in demand for mechanical engineering products
- Sales in China will show a further growth within the next years. Chinese sales will be higher than the combined sales of the rest of Asia and North America
- In Europe, Germany and Italy will gain market share compared to other western European states
- In the mechanical engineering industry there is a movement towards lightweight construction (robotics, machine tools, etc.)

World Market for Electric Products and Electronics

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In billion €

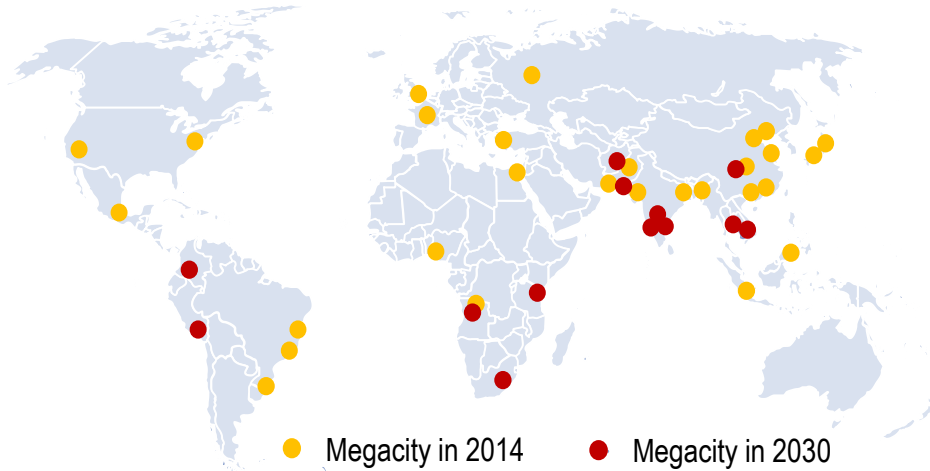


- The global market for electric products and electronics was estimated with around €4,500 billions in 2016. By 2025 we see a production volume of above 5,600 bn. Euros
- During the next years a stable growth is expected. The growth rate in China will fluctuate between 5 and 7 per cent after double-digit rates in previous years
- We expect an increasing production in all major sub-segments of the market

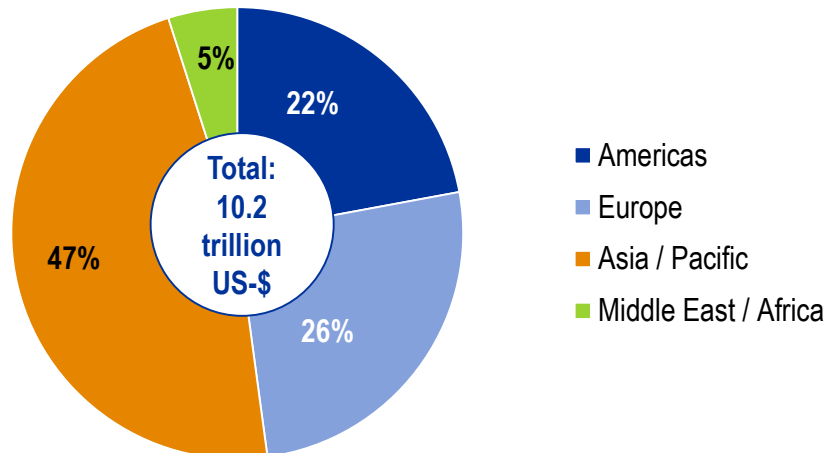
Construction Sector: Further Growth Prospects

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Urbanization and Development of Megacities¹⁾

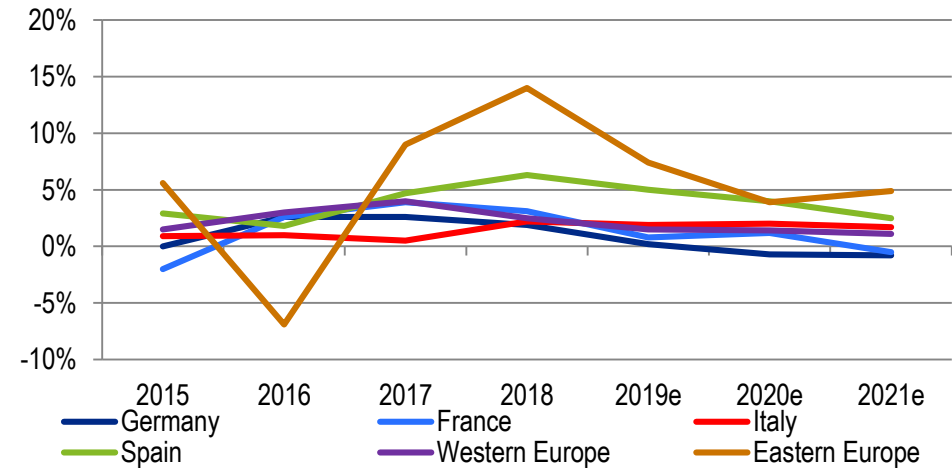


Forecast Global Construction Sector



1) Megacity: > 10 mill. inhabitants
Sources: Euroconstruct, UNEP, CIC

Recovery of the European Construction Sector



In Detail

- The **global construction industry** will be on a **stable growth path** during the next five years. We do not only expect a strong **urbanization process in the emerging markets**. By 2030 several new „megacities“ will have been developed
- Between 2017 and 2021 the **global construction output** will grow at an average of 2.8 % a year to more than 10 trillion US-\$
- **China, the US, Japan, India and Germany** will account for more than half of the global construction output in 2021
- Therefore we forecast a **rising demand for construction-related casting products** in the major markets. Mainly iron cast will profit from this development

Challenges in major Customer Industries

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Challenge Automotive Industry

- For 2019 we forecast a small **dip** in the global **automotive production**. This is the result e.g. of: the impact of **trade conflicts** the secondary effects of the **diesel crisis problems with new testing methods** in Europe
- The **Brexit** has a negative impact in Europe
- **In the middle and long run the trend towards E-Mobility has a negative impact on foundries. The light-weight construction reduces the part weights and the change in the power train has impacts on the supply chain**



Challenge Digitalization

- The digital transformation **will strengthen existing supply chains**. Customers with digital requirements for casting products will have a look on geographical proximity
- The development in **lightweight construction** in the automotive **industry could only be realized together with foundries**
- **Medium-sized foundries will be successful if they are able to strengthen their own USP between niche players and commodity producers**



Challenge Emerging Markets

- We forecast **new capacities for foundries** mainly in the emerging markets, e.g. **India, Brazil and Mexico**
- We see a rising importance of **Eastern Europe**. Especially countries with new or **extended automotive production**, e.g. **Slovakia, Poland or Romania**
- **In the long run countries like Indonesia or Vietnam have an increased potential for casting production**



Challenge Climate Protection

- We expect rising energy costs in Europe. Therefore, **high needs for investments into energy efficiency** are necessary in Europe
- The **regulation on emission reductions** will increase during the next years
- **As a result a loss of competitiveness mainly for medium-sized foundries is possible**



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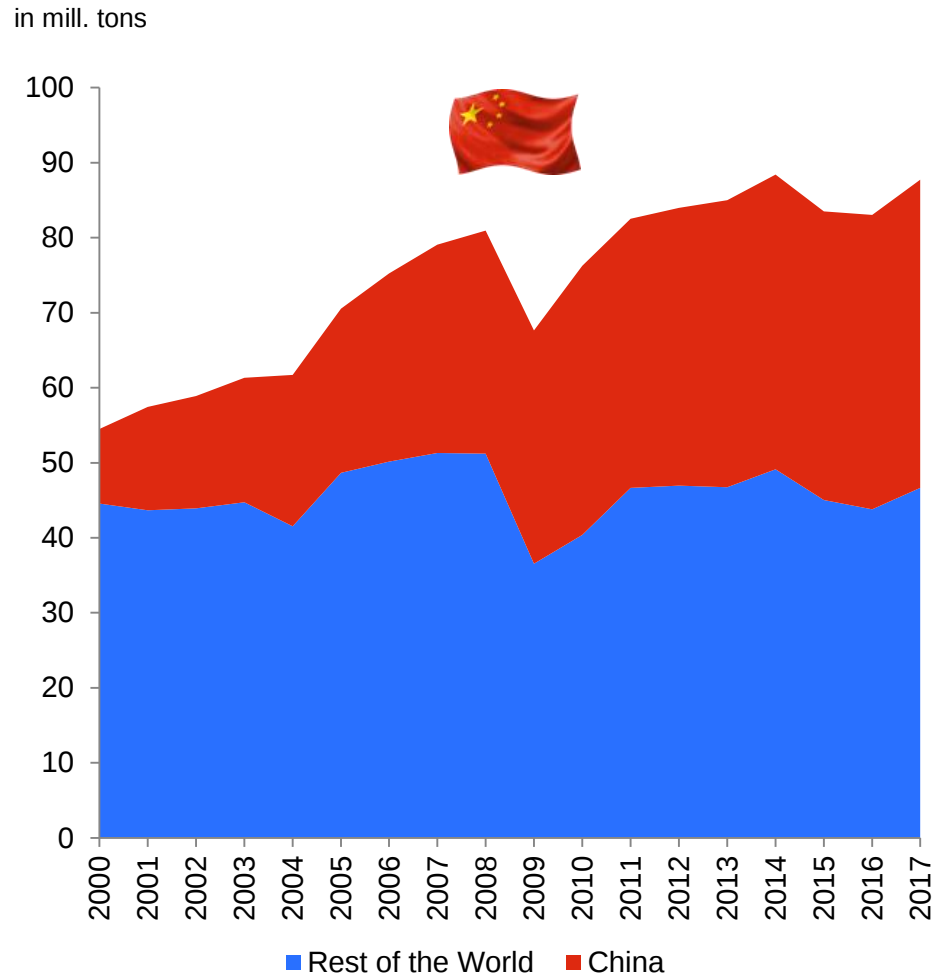
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Cast Iron: Growth only in China?

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Cast Iron Production from 2000 to 2017



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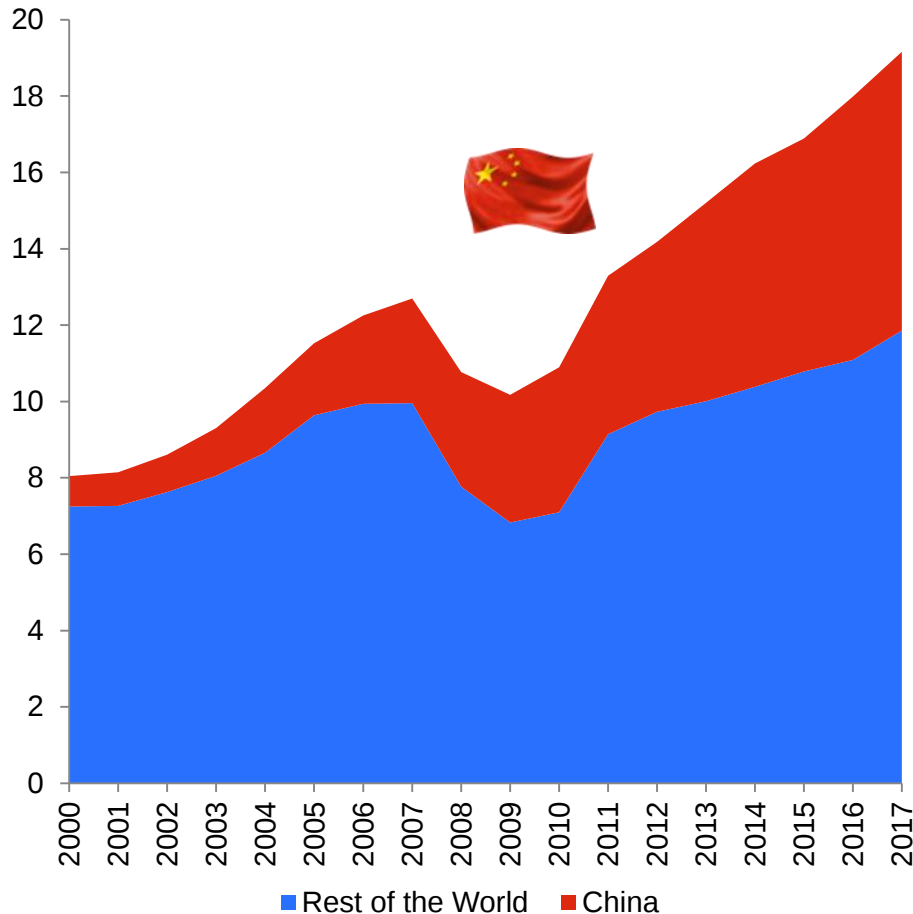
- The global iron cast production rose from 54.5 million metric tons in the year 2000 to over **85 million tons** in **2017**
- In 2000, **China** produced around 9.9 million tons of iron cast products in total. **Until 2017**, the country **expanded** its **foundry production** output to around **41 million tons**
- During the same time, the cast iron production in the **rest of the world stabilized**
- While some of the **leading producers** in the **western world** (e.g. USA, Japan, France, Italy) as well as **Russia lost market shares**, the production in some **emerging markets** (e.g. India, Brazil, Turkey) **expanded**
- Between **2000 and 2017** the **output of grey iron cast** rose by around **40 %** while the production **volume of ductile iron cast doubled worldwide** to around **27 million tons**. The **steel cast** production grew by **65%**
- **China** showed a **similar trend**: While **grey cast** nearly **quadrupled**, the output of **ductile iron cast sextupled** and the **steel cast** output became **three times** higher

Aluminum Cast Production on a stable Growth Path

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Cast Aluminium Production from 2000 to 2017

in mill. tons



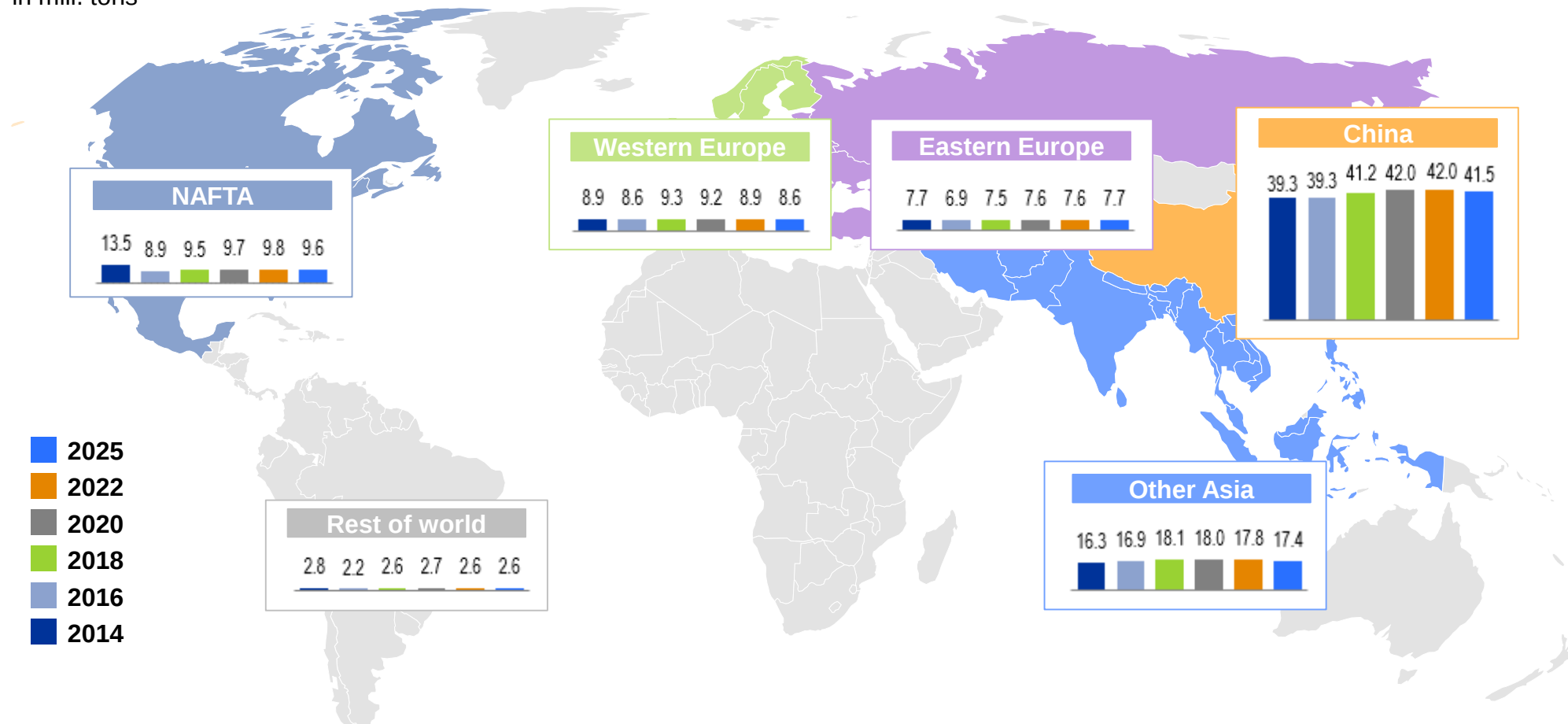
In Detail

- The global aluminum foundry production rose from **8 million metric tons** in the year 2000 to **19 million tons** in 2017
- China's aluminum cast output equaled **only 0.8 million tons in 2000**
- But in **the year 2017** the Chinese aluminum foundries manufactured a new all-time record with **7.3 million tons** of casting products: Within 17 years their aluminum foundry production **increased by a factor of over nine**
- In the **rest of the world** the aluminum cast output rose **from 7.2 million tons to over 12 million tons** in 2017
- While the **global growth of the iron cast production** mainly **resulted from an increase of the Chinese** production with a stable output level in the rest of the world, the **aluminum cast production rose in all major regions of the world**
- Between 2000 and the year 2017 the **production level stabilized in the USA, France and Russia**. During the same period **Japan and Italy** realized a **slight growth** of around 20 per cent, while the **German output grew by around 75 per cent**
- As a result of new plants for aluminum wheel rims the **Turkish foundry production expanded tenfold**, while the **Indian output sextupled**

Global Production of Iron and Ductile Iron Cast stabilizes¹⁾

in mill. tons

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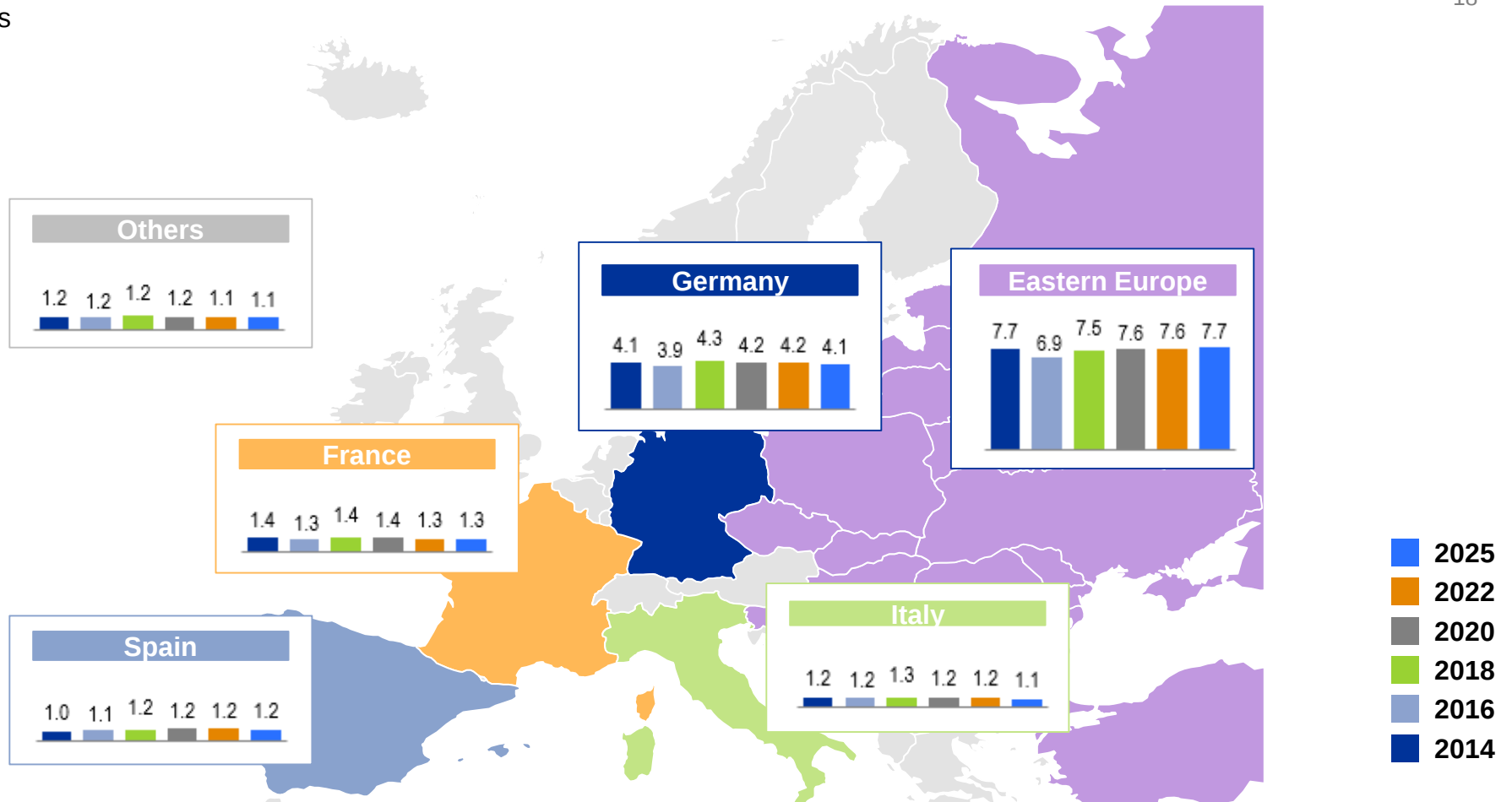


- ▶ Production in Western Europe will move sideways by 2025 with a slight decline from 2020 on
- ▶ Despite the partly re-industrialization of the US economy and temporary lower energy costs the foundry production in the NAFTA declined between 2014 and 2016. Development will level off from 2022 onwards
- ▶ China will dominate the world market but India will catch up. Japan and Korea will lose cast production to these countries

Iron Cast recovers in Eastern Europe¹⁾

in mill. tons

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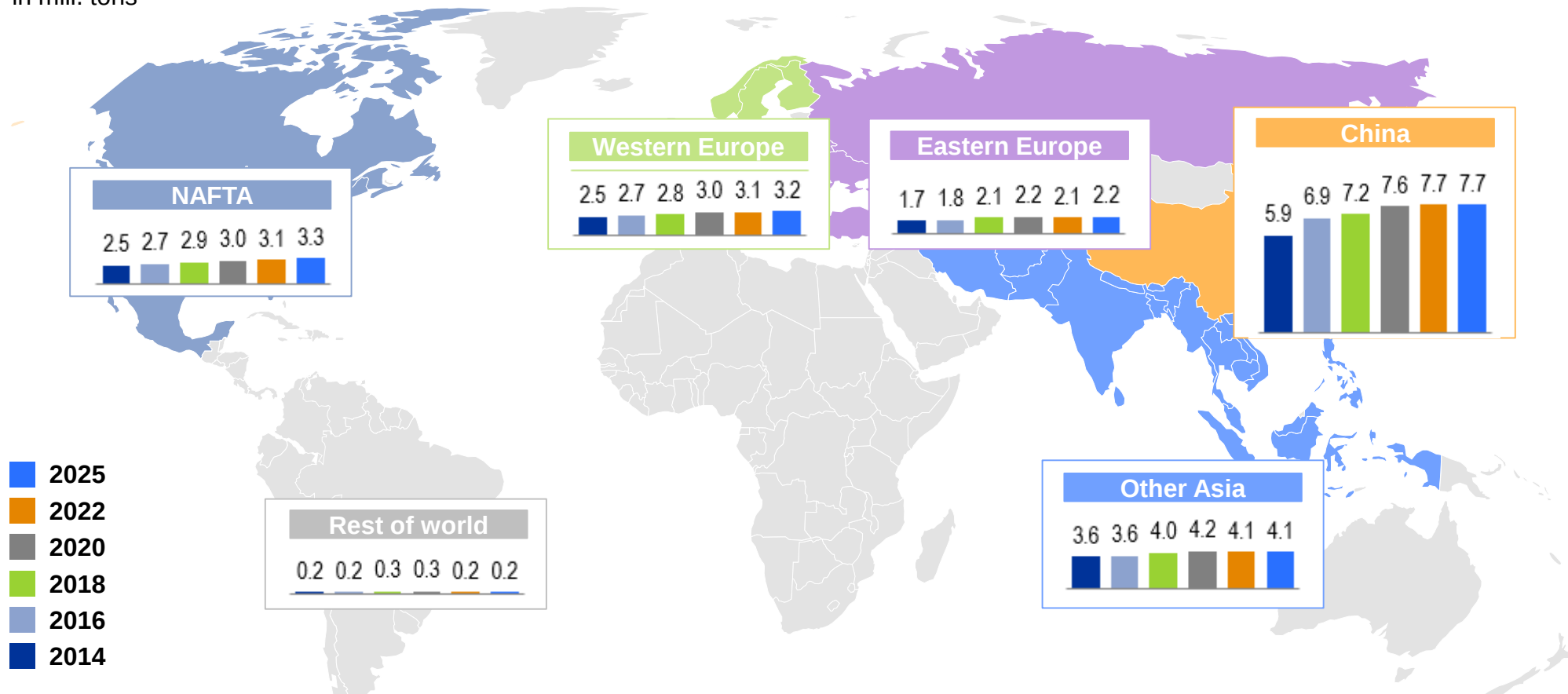


- ▶ In Eastern Europe a large part of growth will take place in Turkey but we also expect a recovery after sharp declines in Russia and Ukraine
- ▶ Western European production shows a tendency towards declining volumes. Spain could show stronger growth
- ▶ We see chances for Germany in case of a stronger recovery of mechanical engineering activities

Global Aluminum Cast Production will strengthen

in mill. tons

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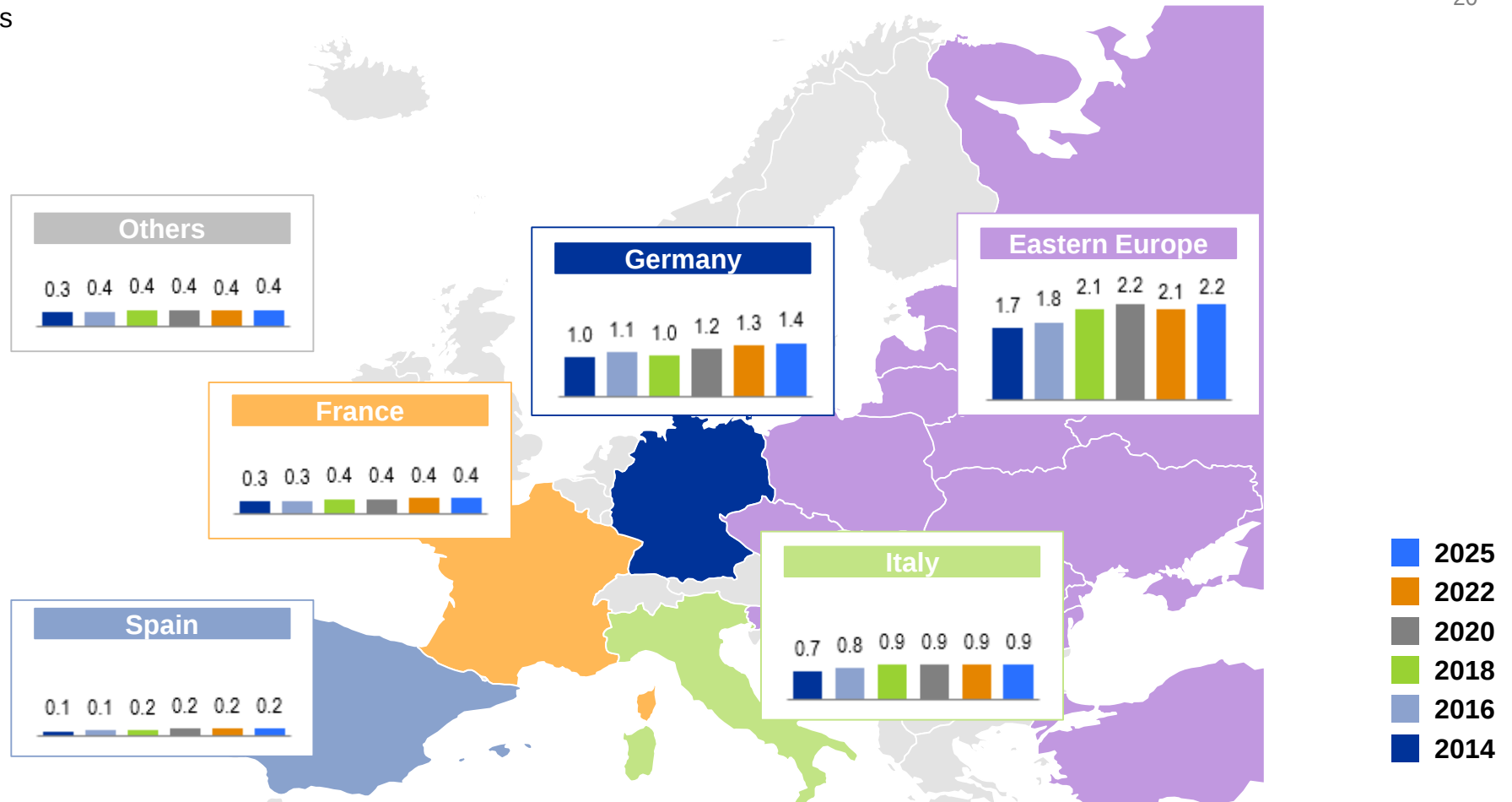


- ▶▶ The trend towards electrical vehicles and light-weight production induces a rising aluminum foundry production
- ▶▶ In addition to the higher production volume in Western Europe some of the leading foundry groups invest in Eastern Europe, too. We see a recovery in Russia and Ukraine and a catching-up process in Turkey
- ▶▶ The majority of growth in the NAFTA region will be fueled by investments of foreign OEMs and global foundry groups
- ▶▶ Korea and Japan will lose market shares to China

European Aluminum Cast Production shows stronger Growth

in mill. tons

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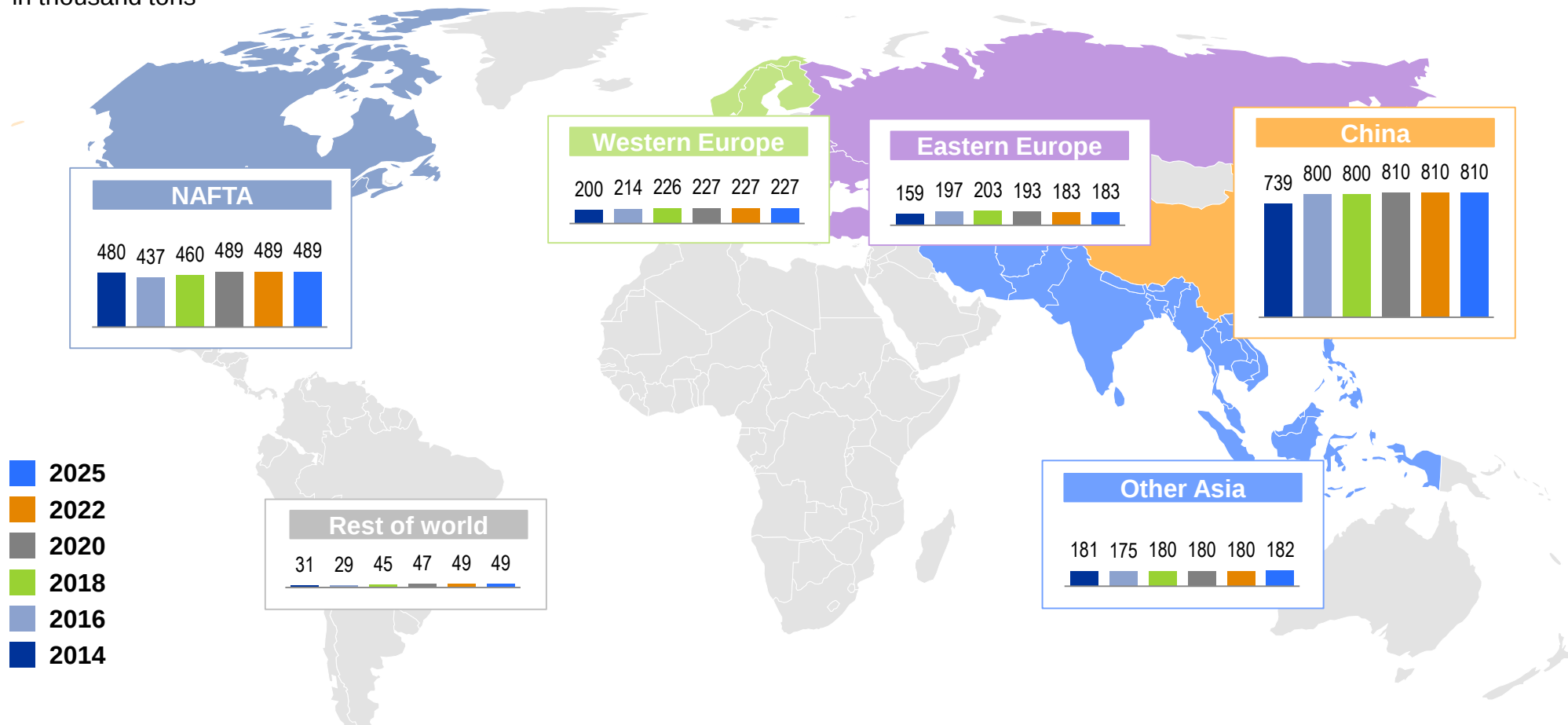


- For Eastern Europe we see a steady recovery within the next years (e.g. Russia, Ukraine)
- In the medium-term an expansion of aluminum rim production in Turkey as well as increased capacities in Slovakia, the Czech Republic and other countries will stimulate European production
- After a strong growth in the past years German aluminum foundries are expected to produce 1.2 million tons from 2018 on

Global Copper Casting Production with slight Increase

in thousand tons

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- ▶▶ The global copper die casting production increased by 11.7 % from 2010 to 2017
- ▶▶ By 2025 we expect global copper die casting production to rise to about 1.95 million tons
- ▶▶ While copper die casting production will slightly recover in Western Europe and Northern America, more than half of the global copper die casting production will take place in Asia

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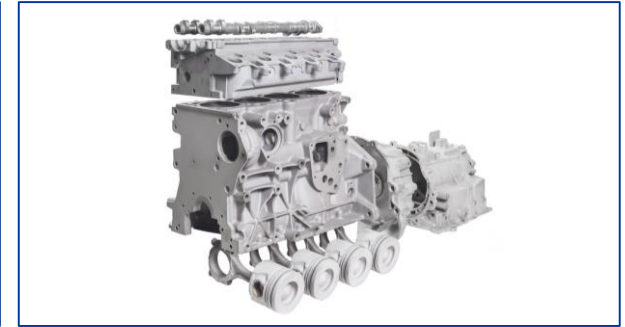
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Consequences for the global Foundry Demand

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- The trend towards **e-mobility** has tremendous consequences for the supply chain. Mainly the **suppliers** of **powertrain components** are negatively affected
- If we assume the weight of an average **engine block** of around **50 kg** and expect a **shift of 10 million light vehicles** from **combustion engine to e-battery-vehicles** ...
- ... this will result in a **reduction** of around **500,000 tons of iron cast**



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- **Hybrid vehicles** are a better solution for foundries under the aspect of the necessary volume of casting production:
- They do **not only need a battery** but also **an engine block**
- The **average engine block** for an **e-vehicle is smaller** in relation to a traditional **combustion engine**, but the **battery** leads to a **higher total weight** of the car



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- A **higher usage of copper** (autonomous driving) and **higher battery weight** will intensify the trend towards **light-weight production**:
- This will result either in a **reduction of the specific weight of a cast part** (as a result of a change in the geometry of the cast product) ...
- ... or in a **substitution** of iron cast **by aluminum cast**



Strategic challenges of foundries

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Globalization



- Emerging markets will account for the majority of demand growth
- The automotive industry in particular demands local production outside of Europe
- Increased requirement of a global presence close to the customer will raise logistics costs

Technological challenges



- Preservation of technology leadership is of high importance, especially for the foundry industry
- Pressure on weight reduction will continue (e.g. in automotive and machine construction)
- The E-Mobility discussion will significantly change the supply chain, especially in powertrain

Retaining qualified personnel



- Many qualified employees will retire in the upcoming years (primarily in Western Europe)
- Competition for qualified personnel intensifies due to changing demographics
- Need for new employee retention programs (e.g. balance between work and family) and training

Investment requirements



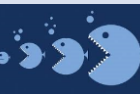
- Trend towards delivery of completely processed castings will demand corresponding investment
- Increased complexity of metal alloy will also demand investment
- High costs of energy will have to be managed

Margin pressure



- International competition in vehicle construction will go up
- This limits the possibility of cost transfer to the end customer
- OEMs could pass on cost pressure to suppliers

Industry consolidation



- Continuation of industry consolidation is expected
- Main reasons are globalization pressure and increased investment requirements
- Many family businesses face problems in terms of company succession in our point of view

➤ **The global foundry industry is facing increased investment requirements. In combination with technological changes this should intensify industry consolidation**

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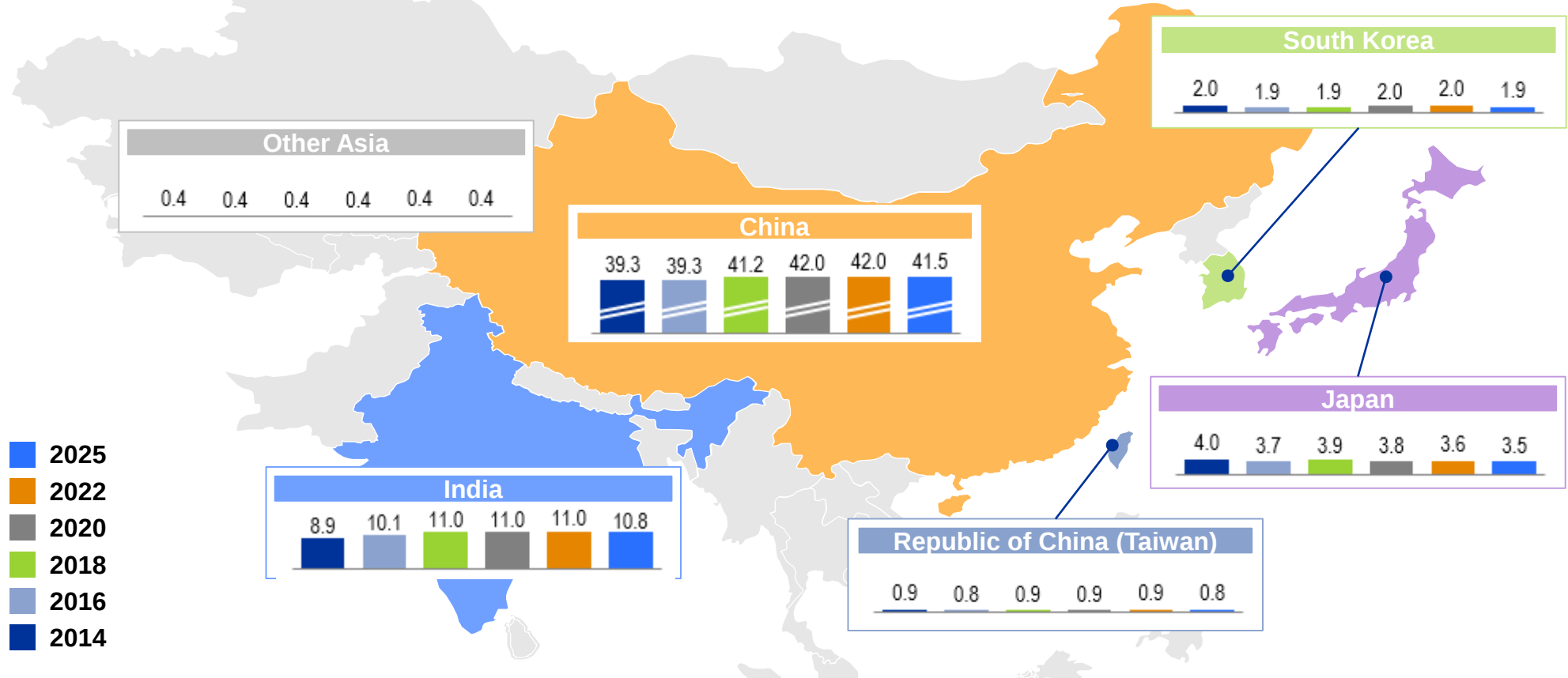
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Iron Cast in Asia: India with high Growth Potential¹⁾

in mill. tons

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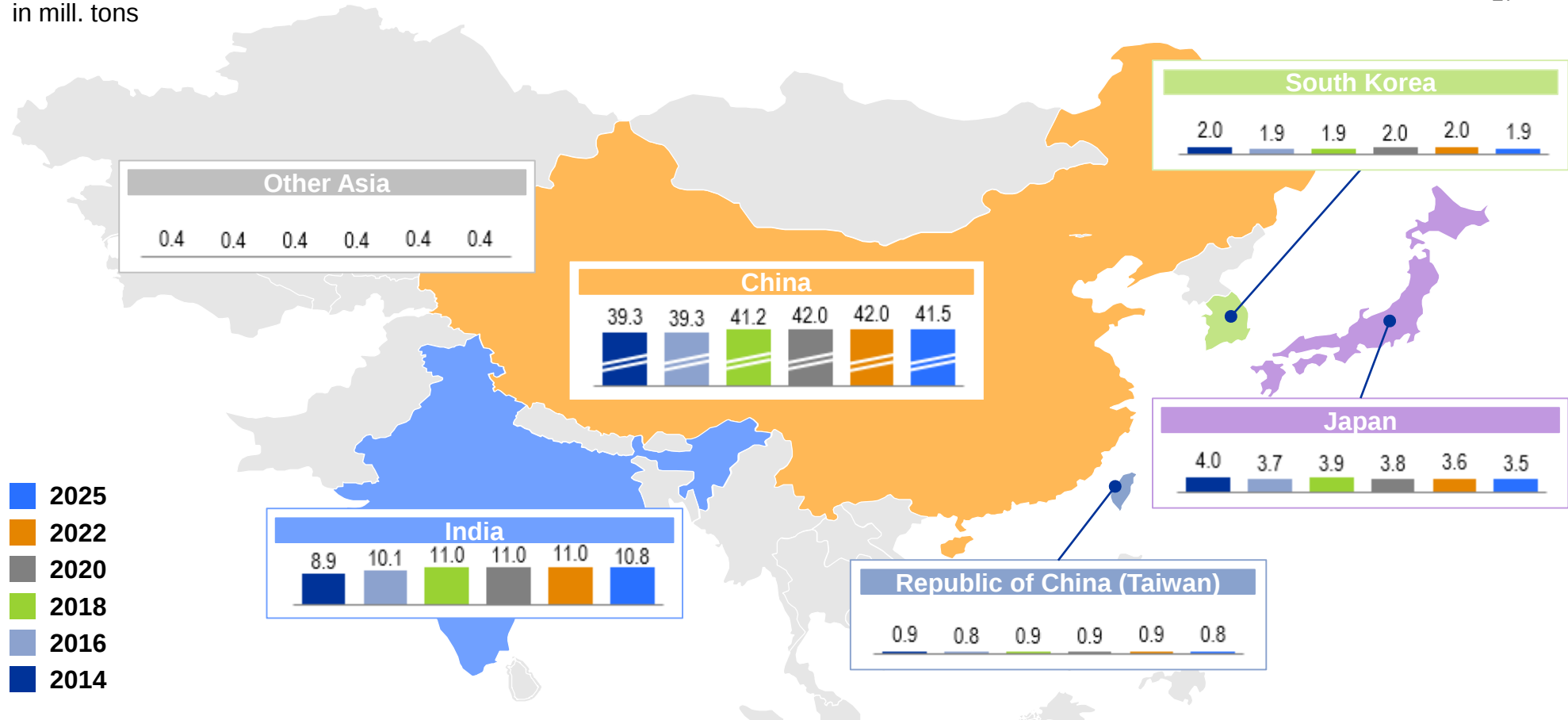


- ▶▶ The Indian foundry industry will have a high growth potential: The infrastructure has an enormous investment backlog in relation to China and an improving car production will induce a rising demand for foundry products
- ▶▶ The losses of car manufacturing in South Korea and Japan to Chinese car production plants result in a declining iron cast output, which cannot be compensated by other customer segments
- ▶▶ From 2020 on the increasing importance of electrical vehicles will reduce the casting output in China

Asian Aluminum Cast Production on further Growth Path

in mill. tons

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- ▶▶ The Chinese aluminum cast production shows a continuously strong growth. The main driver is the demand from the car manufacturing industry. In addition we see a substitution of iron cast by aluminum foundry parts in the mechanical engineering industry
- ▶▶ India will catch up, but will start from a relatively low level
- ▶▶ The production level in Japan and South Korea will remain relatively constant

Sources: World Census, CAEF, IKB forecast

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