### WoMen4Metals:

The Industry Branding & Female Empowerment Initiative in the Metals Industry

**IWCC Joint Meeting 2024** 

Washington DC, USA

Founded by (colleagues of)





### WoMen4Metals x IWCC (Members)

Why me?

The purpose of this presentation is to guide programs benefiting the copper industry and to provide attendees with information to make independent business decisions.

2 Why W4M?

What is W4M?

How do we work (together)?

We want you (to work with us)!



"You can't be what you can't see."

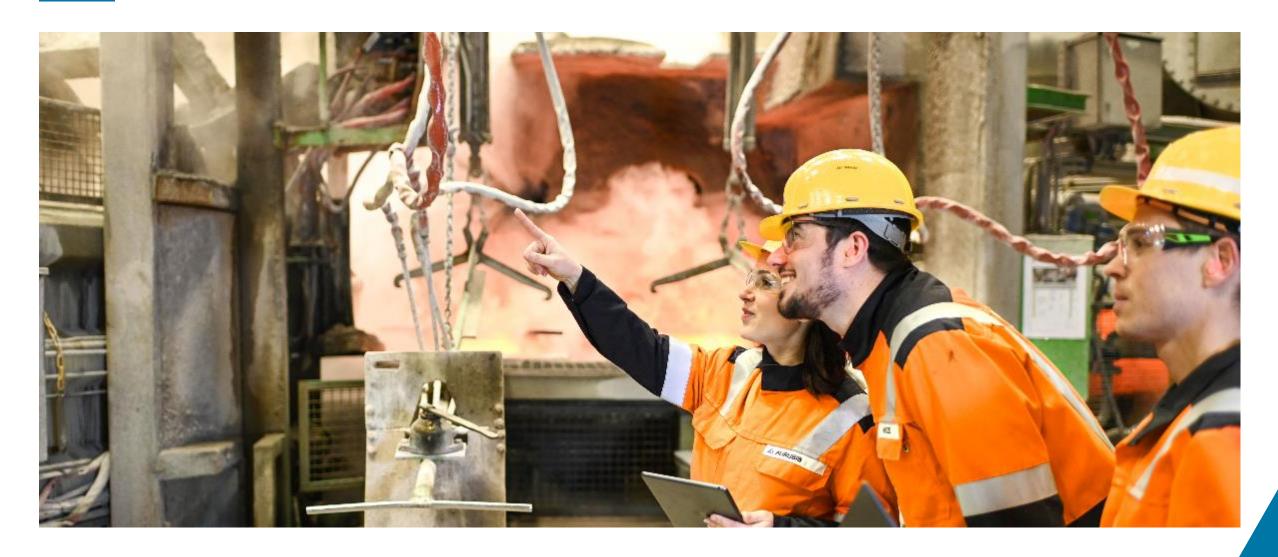
-Marian Wright Edelman



















### ...but also rather "the only one in the room"





# **Exaggerated? Some facts & figures from Germany & beyond:**



#### Women in the M&E industry

Overall, around 21% of employees in the German M&E industry are women<sup>1</sup> (in comparison: 47% of all employees are women<sup>2</sup>).

#### Women in management positions in the M&E industry

Only around 10% of management positions in German M&E companies are held by women<sup>1</sup> (29% of all managers are women<sup>3</sup>)



Only 1 in 3 executives are very confident that they will deliver on their DEI commitments this year<sup>4</sup>



The Top 5 Reasons why people stay: Job Security, Working Culture, Fair Pay, Learning Opportunities, Flex Working.<sup>4</sup>



Male managers see less progress on DEI - but also see less need for it.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Gesamtmetall (2023). Frauen in Führungspositionen; <sup>2</sup>Destatis (2023). Teilhabe von Frauen am Erwerbsleben; <sup>3</sup>Destatis (2023). Frauen in Führungspositionen; Mercer (2024), Global Talent Trends; <sup>5</sup>Mercer (2022). Global Talent Trends 2022 © 2024 Mercer Deutschland GmbH. Alle Rechte vorbehalten.

### **Even more concrete: Aurubis**



### Expandable women's quota at Aurubis Group\*

- 4% female employees / blue-collar jobs
- 28% female employees / white-collar jobs
- 13% female apprentices

\*FY 2021-2022

# Critical feedback on gender diversity within the global EVP project

 inadequate working conditions for women were reported, esp. in production (e.g., cases of sexual harassment, exclusion, lack of changing rooms and proper work clothes)

#### **High turnover rate amongst female employees\***

- 35 % in blue-collar jobs / Aurubis AG
- 15 % in white-collar jobs / Aurubis AG

Annual average: 7% Aurubis AG

\*FY 2021-2022

### **Applications\* received Aurubis Group**

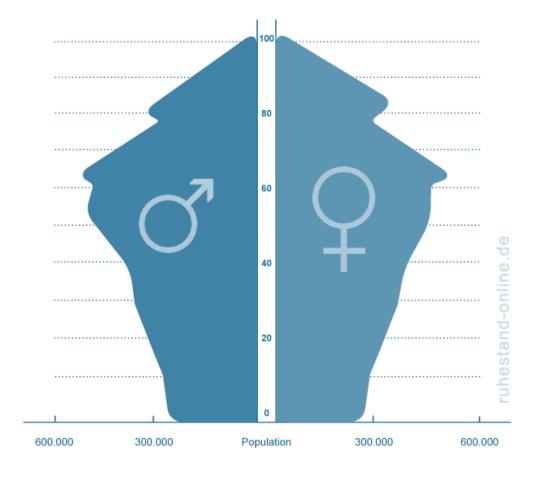
- 19% female applicants
- 77% male applicants
- 1% diverse applicants
- 3% no specification

FY 2021-2022



We the CopperIndustry – want to survive. Right?

So let's act. Together.







An initiative founded by **Aurubis** 

### Vision and Goals of WoMen4Metals





#### **Our vision**

Jointly establish the metals industry as an attractive employer for female employees, where fair conditions prevail for all.

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### Our goals

- ✓ Attract more female employees to the metals industry
- ✓ Enforce equal opportunities for all

- ✓ Support female employees on their career paths
- ✓ Gain more visibility for female employees

- ✓ Fill more expert & leadership positions with female employees
- ✓ Improve working conditions where necessary

### W4M focus topics



# Recruiting



Best Practice Sharing



Career Development & Enablement



**Framework Conditions** 



Awareness & Communication

### Why W4M is relevant & successful



Our aim is to attract more women to our industry, particularly in the production areas. Thanks to the comprehensive survey by W4M, I am particularly pleased that we are eliminating existing shortcomings and all colleagues will benefit."



**Michael Jordan**Plant Director,
Aurubis Hamburg



We as the Aurubis' Executive Board extend our warmest congratulations to the entire W4M team on winning the Aurubis Special Award! Gender diversity has faced significant challenges in our industry and recognizing the visible potential of women in our company breaks down barriers along our industry. You have contributed to the establishment of this grassroots initiative with a great invest of private commitment. For this, we say thank you."



Marie Bolay R&D Aurubis AG I heard about W4M even before I joined Aurubis. It has **helped** me to feel welcome and has already supported my **personal development** as well as facilitated to grow my **network** rapidly. I feel **home** at and with W4M."

The network's reach, the strong presence of W4M reps is remarkable as well as that 30% are male.
Winning the renown HR Excellence Award is well deserved for this exemplary industry-wide initiative."



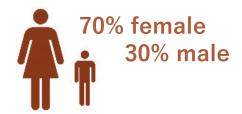
### Impact & results at Aurubis



registered internal network members, constantly increasing



**all sites involved** with local coordinators **Executive Board sponsor** of the initiative





HR Excellence **Award Winner** 





Conversion of **job descriptions** into inclusive ones → increase in female applicants



Data collection and transparency of the conditions for female employees at all production sites worldwide



- √ Hygiene products for female production employees
- ✓ Approval to build additional sanitary facilities for women in HH + Lünen
- √ Female Clothing at all sites
- ✓ Exclusive W4M **training** offerings



- Monthly virtual sessions on various topics
- √ Peer-mentoring
- ✓ Mystery lunches

### Impact for our industry

>80 Interested companies + associations









On- & Off-Line Workshops on Focus Topics

















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### **Individual Membership & Packages for Company Supporters**



#### "Ada Lovelace"

#### Individual member

√ Free of charge



#### **Key Offerings:**

- ✓ Access to closed W4M community platform via collaboration tool
- ✓ Access to different resources, e.g., W4M newsletter, podcast, industry-specific publications
- ✓ Cross-mentoring program across the metal industry
- ✓ Access to exclusive events & training sessions

#### "Bertha Benz"

#### Basic package

- ✓ Company supporters
- Very low annual fee (max. 2 k€ p.a.)



#### Add. Offering:

✓ External presentation as supporter of W4M and gender diversity via W4M website

#### "Marie Curie"

#### Advanced package

- ✓ Company supporters
- ✓ Low annual fee (max. 3 k€ p.a.)



#### Add. Offerings incl.:

- ✓ Discount & early access to exclusive events, trainings and programs
- ✓ Annual feature in one of the W4M communication channels
- ✓ External presentation as supporter of W4M via joint events, W4M marketing materials, etc.

- Additionally, there are selected W4M Premium Partners, the co-creators of the network who will be part of the advisory committee.
- Marie Curie supporters can individually agree on further ways to cooperate with W4M (e.g., jointly hosting an event at the company site, virtually, ...)
- As the founder of the initiative, Aurubis will not generate any profits from it

### ... when are you joining us?







