

Rieter Automotive Systems

Presentation

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1. Market Development

- Markets, Products, Customers, Competitors

2. Strategic Intent

- Innovation
- Cost Competitiveness
- Global presence / External Growth

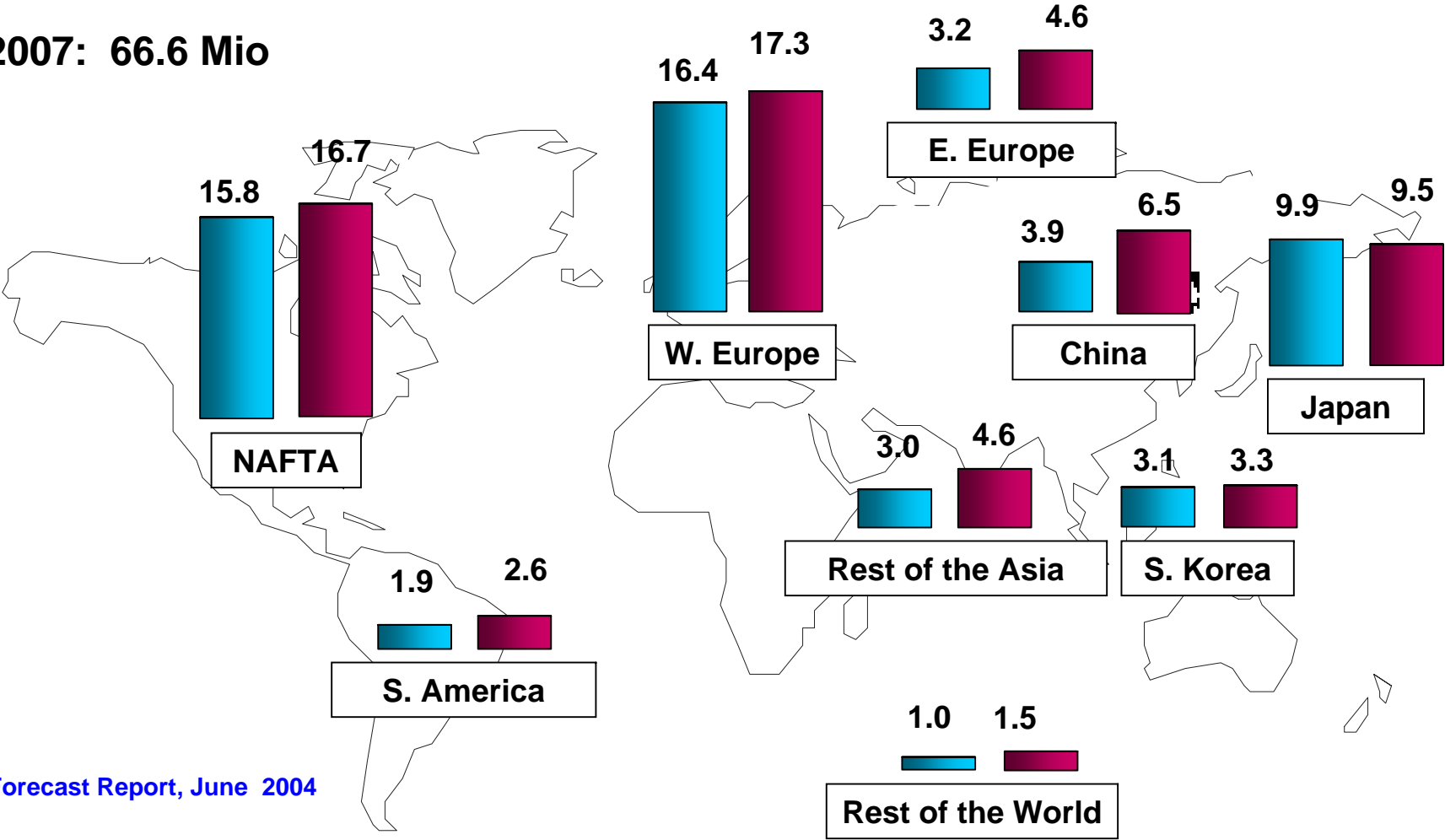
Global Light Vehicle Production: 2007 Forecast vs. '03



World Production

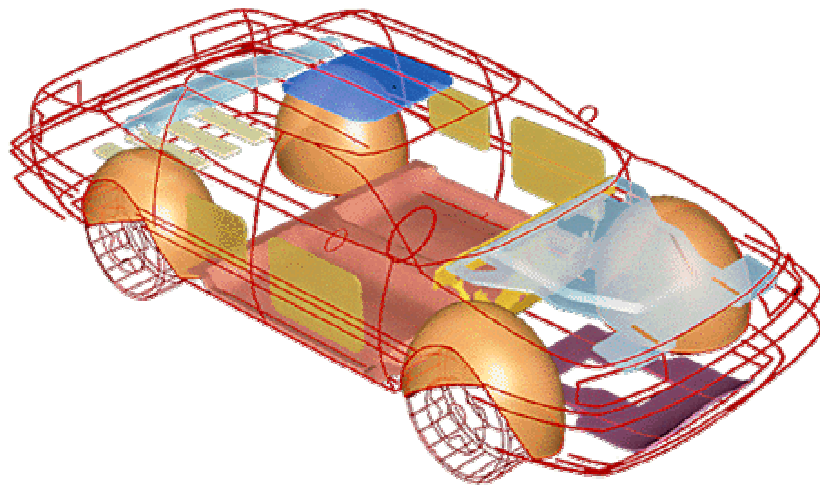
2003: 58.4 Mio

2007: 66.6 Mio



DRI-WEFA Forecast Report, June 2004

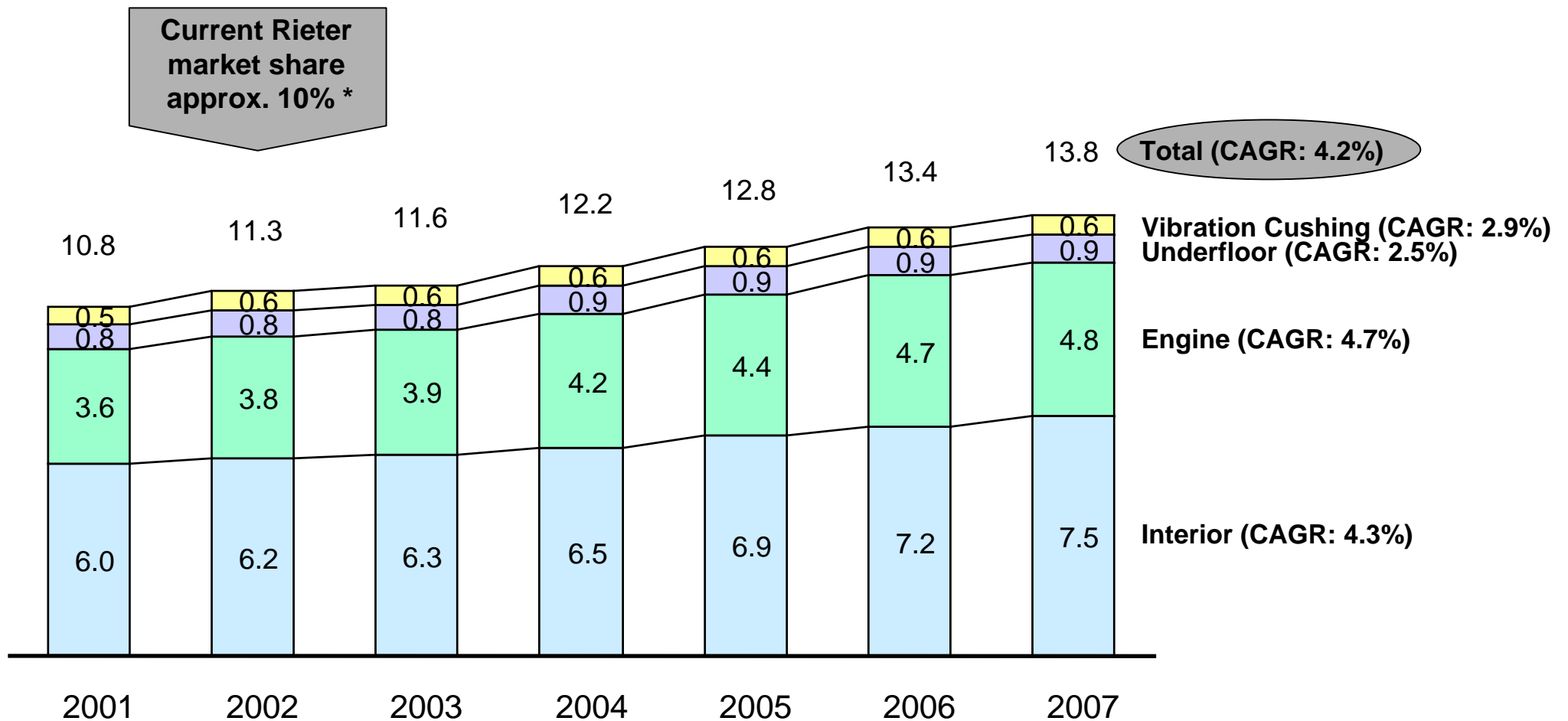
Eight Key Market Trends in the Acoustic & Thermal Systems



Demand Drivers	Effect
1. Price pressure	-
2. Fuel efficiency / lightweight construction	-
3. Increase in global vehicle production	+
4. Growing demand for more comfort within car (interior enhancement)	+
5. Shift toward premium brands	+
6. Increasing share of diesel powered cars (+9% package/car)	+
7. Regulatory changes / noise reduction	+
8. Technological innovations	=

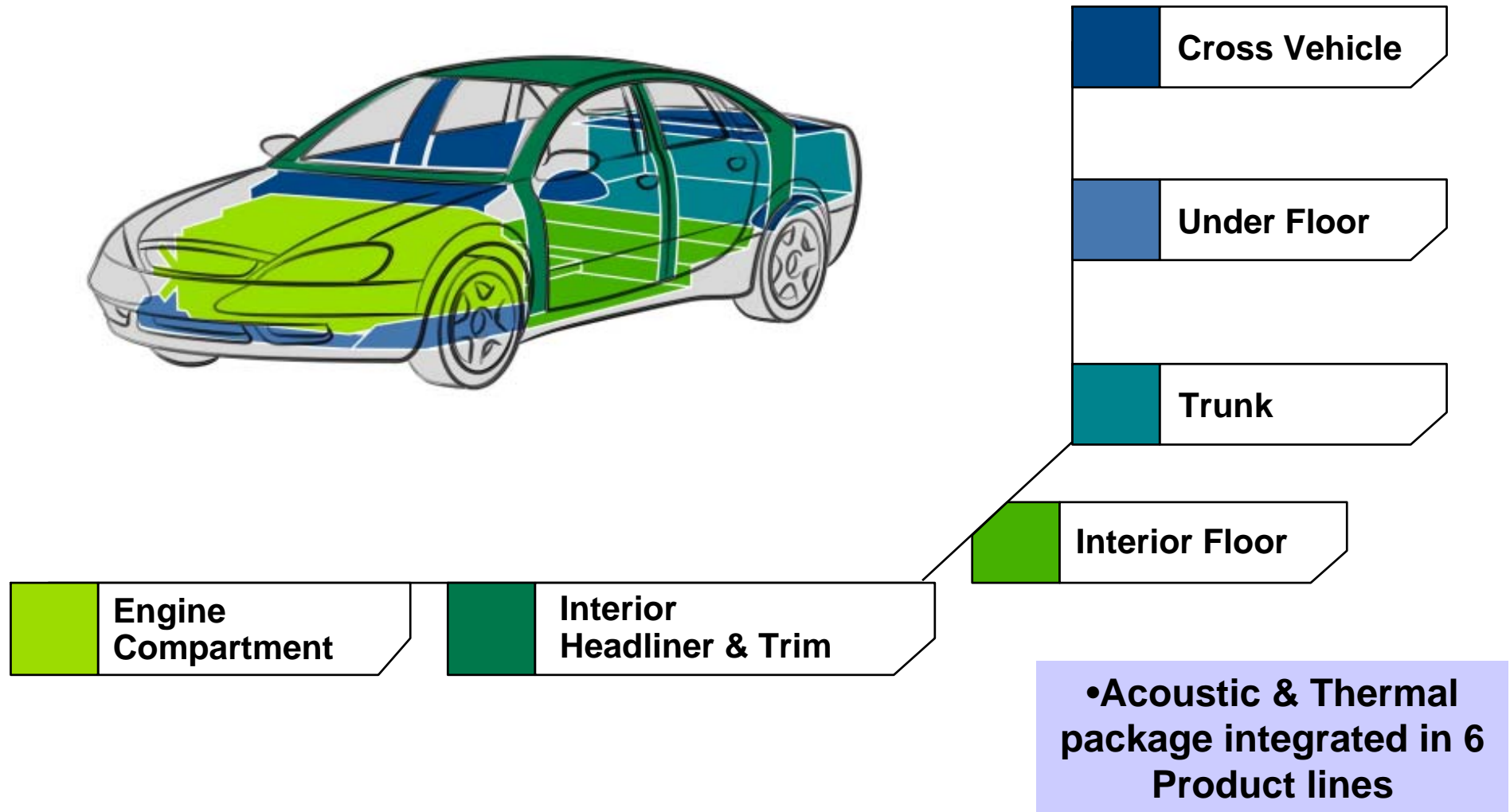
Source: Mercer Mgt Consulting

Worldwide Automotive Acoustic Market 2001-07, in bn. CHF



*Rieter market share estimate on acoustic **and thermal** products

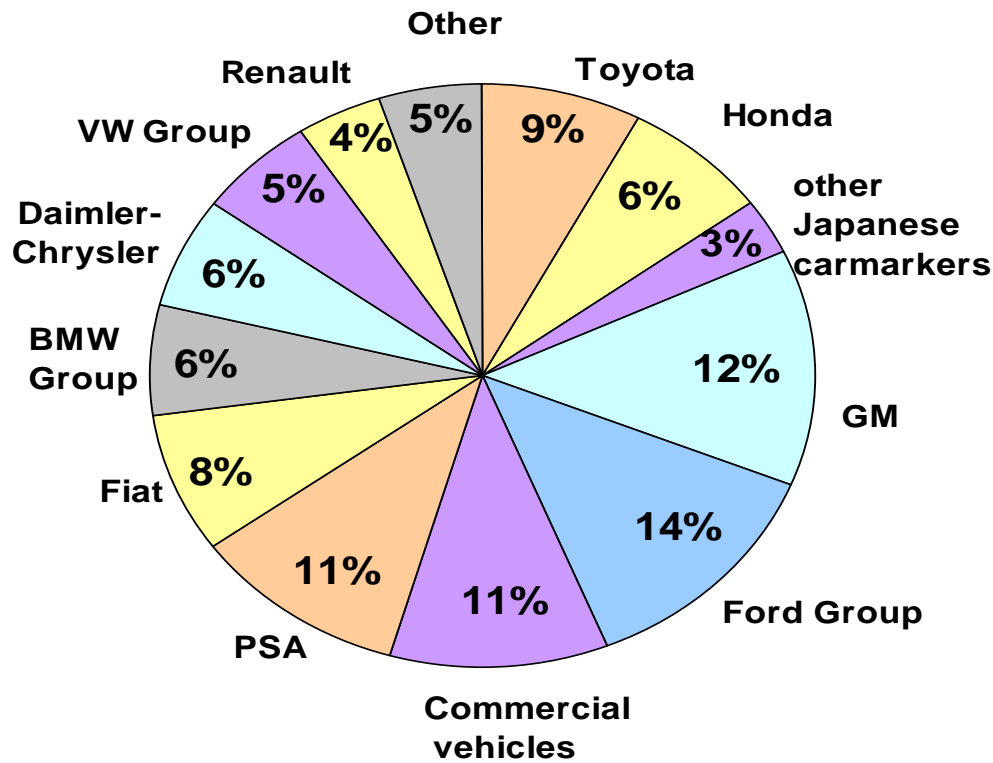
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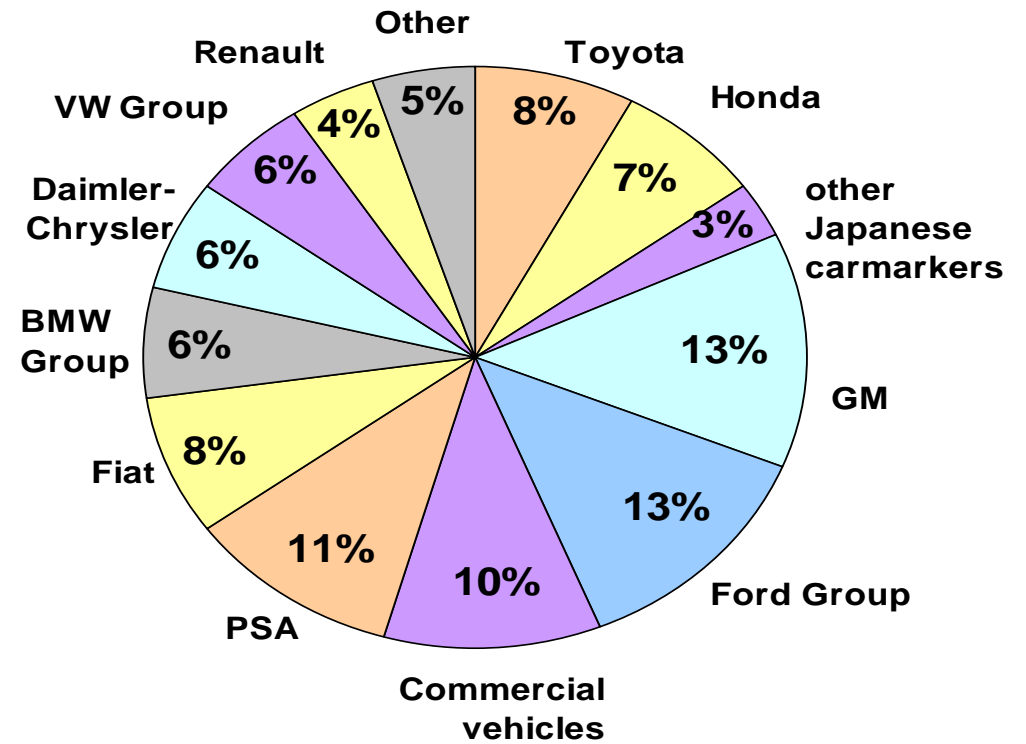
Our Customers



Automotive Sales: Strong and Balanced Customer Base



Sales HY1 2004

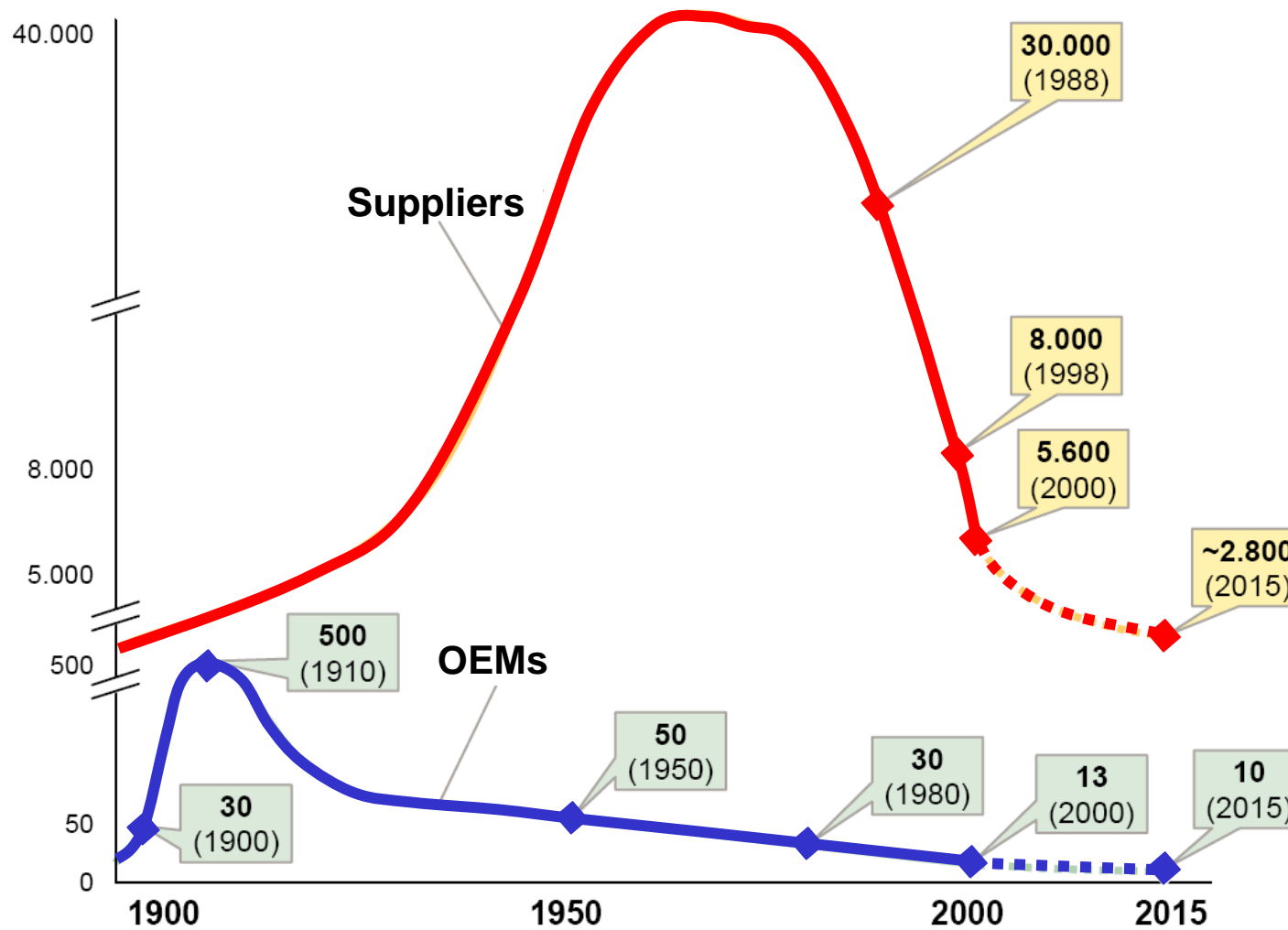


Sales 2003

Number of OEMs and Automotive Suppliers 1900–2015



Further supplier consolidation expected



Source: Mercer & Fraunhofer, 2003

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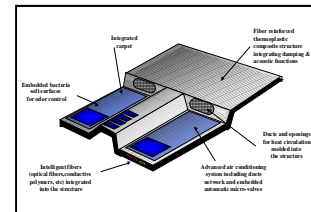
Product vision so far: from Acoustic Integrator into *living cell*

Value added / Complexity
(CHF/car) ↑



Living Cell

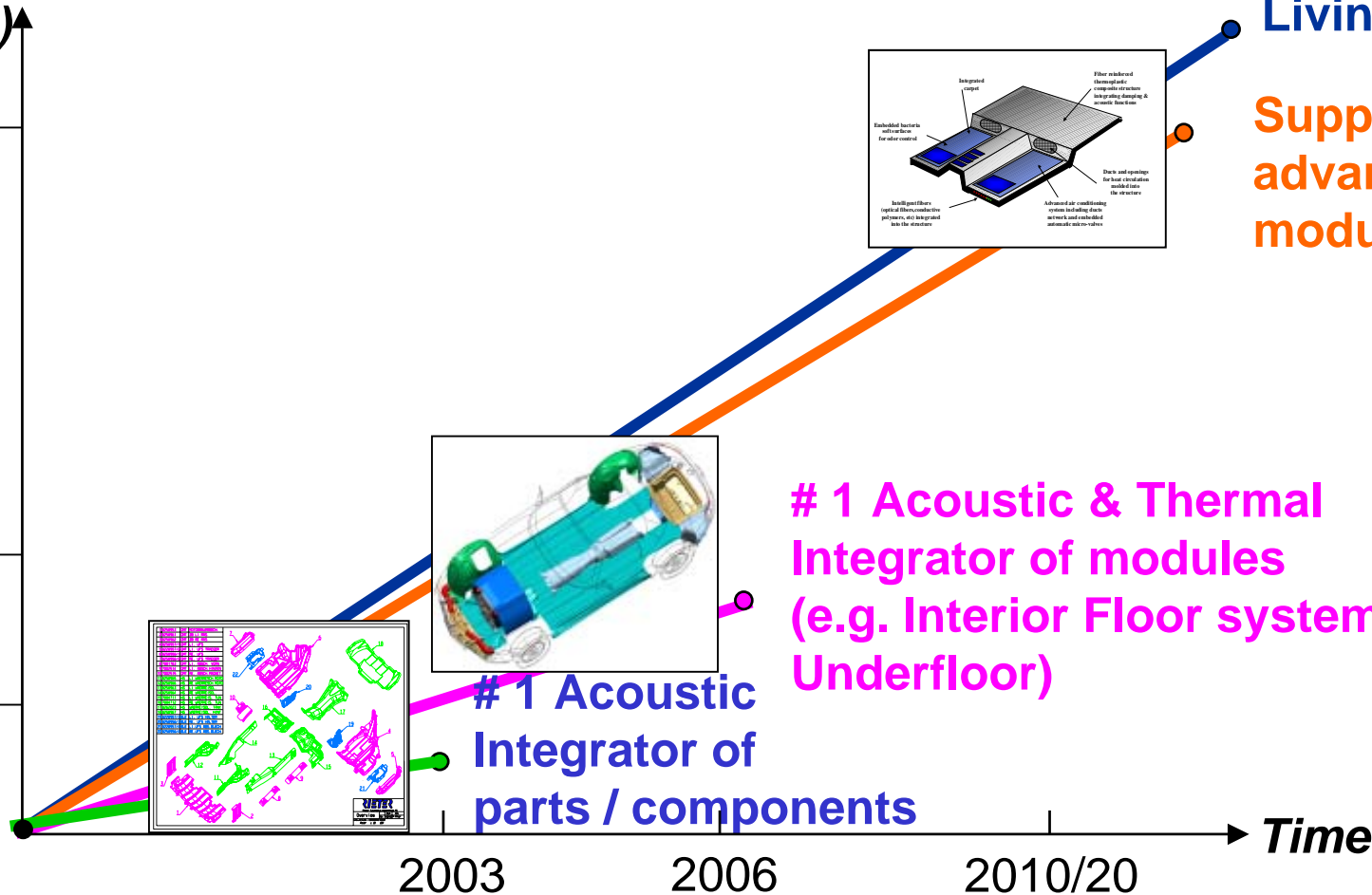
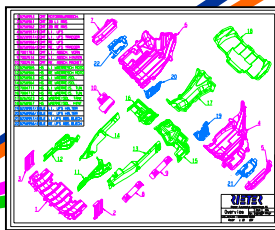
Supplier of advanced structural modules



1 Acoustic & Thermal Integrator of modules (e.g. Interior Floor system + Underfloor)



1 Acoustic Integrator of parts / components



RIETER ULTRA LIGHT™ principle



Until 1999: INSULATION

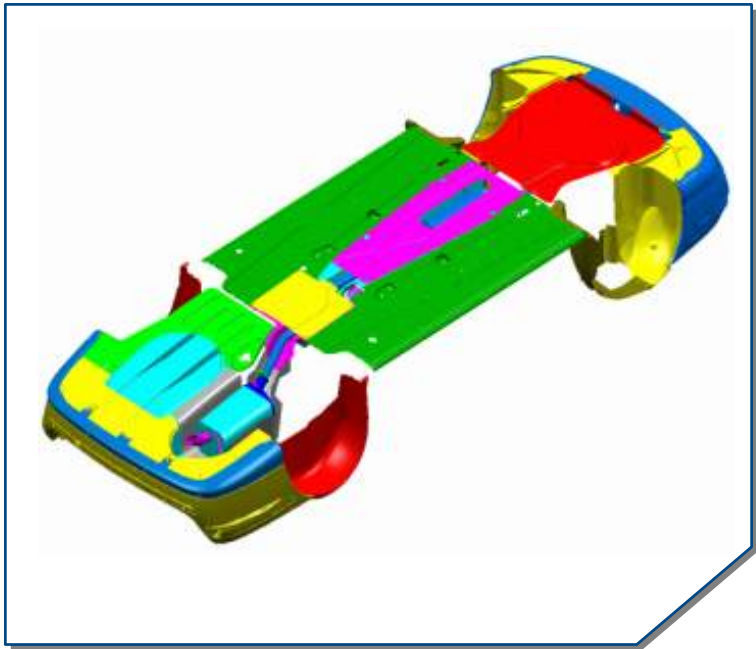


NOISE ABSORPTION

Innovating the Last Frontier: Underfloor

**Today
COMPONENTS**

**Tomorrow
MODULE**

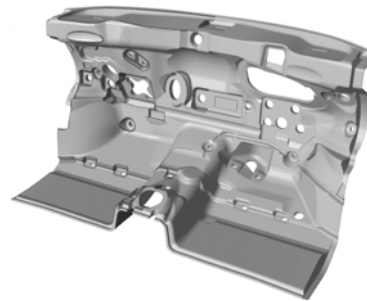


IFP* TECHNOLOGY: Process Innovation



CAR MODEL : CITROEN C2/C3 – PEUGEOT 1007

RIETER PRODUCTION : ONS EN BRAY (France), BARCELONA (Spain)



INNOVATION

- Low process cost
- Acoustic performance
- Recyclability

*IFP = Injection Fibre Process

PLASTIC INJECTION: Product Innovation (Acoustics)



CAR MODEL: RENAULT MODUS/ NEW CLIO
RIETER PRODUCTION : MOISSAC (France)



INNOVATION

- Plastic parts with integrated acoustic function (air and water box)

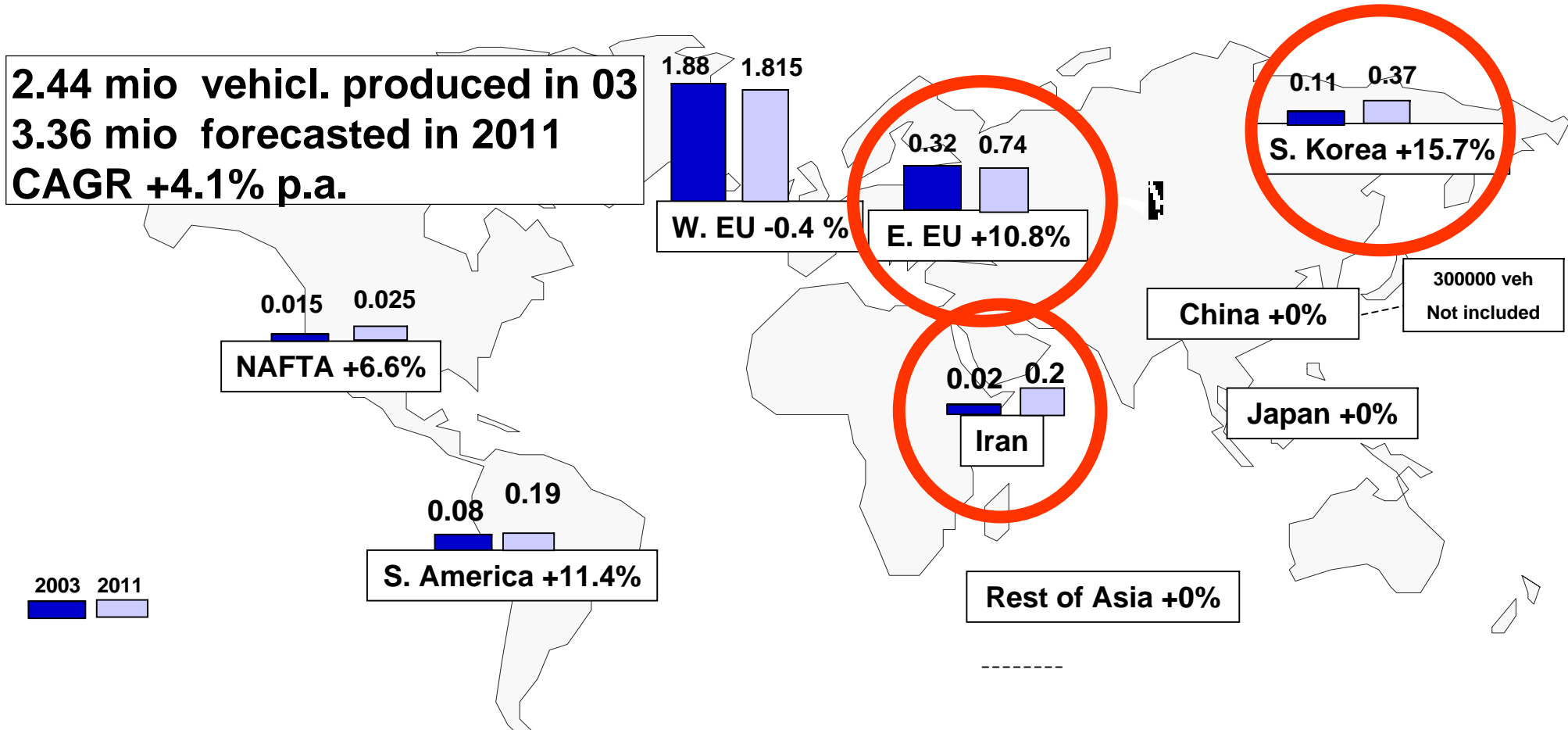
Benefits:

- **Sound package, 50% weight reduction**
- **Best in class acoustics**
- **Quality and aesthetics**



Renault forecasts highest Growth in

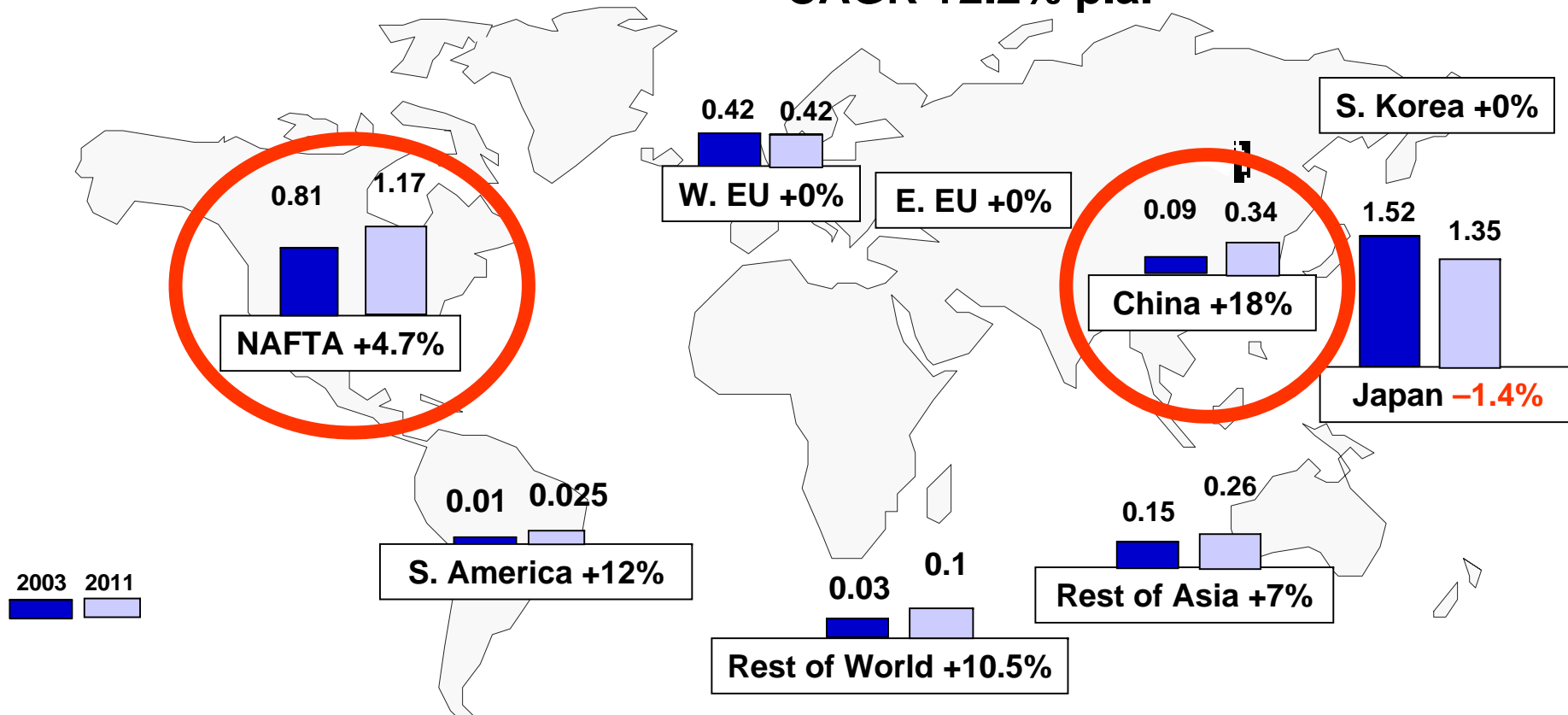
... Eastern Europe, S. Korea, Iran



Source: DRI-WEFA Forecast Report, March 2004 – LV production (million units) – Compounded annual growth in %

... and growth in NAFTA

3.05 mio vehicles produced in 2003
 3.65 mio forecasted in 2011
 CAGR +2.2% p.a.



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- **Improvement of Productivity**
 - further improvement and standardization of processes (benchmarking)
 - KAIZEN workshop in the plants
- **Reduction of Procurement costs**
 - further product standardization to bundle volumes
 - short-term: countermeasure against higher market prices
 - mid-to-long-term: reduction of material costs and CAPEX
- **Decrease in the use of raw material**
 - continuous process and product reengineering (better use of material input)
 - implementation of further recycling processes
- **Reduction of fixed costs**
 - streamlining of the organizational structure in Europe
- **Extension of low-cost locations**
 - Eastern Europe
 - Asia (China)



Benchmark plant



Plant with improvement potential

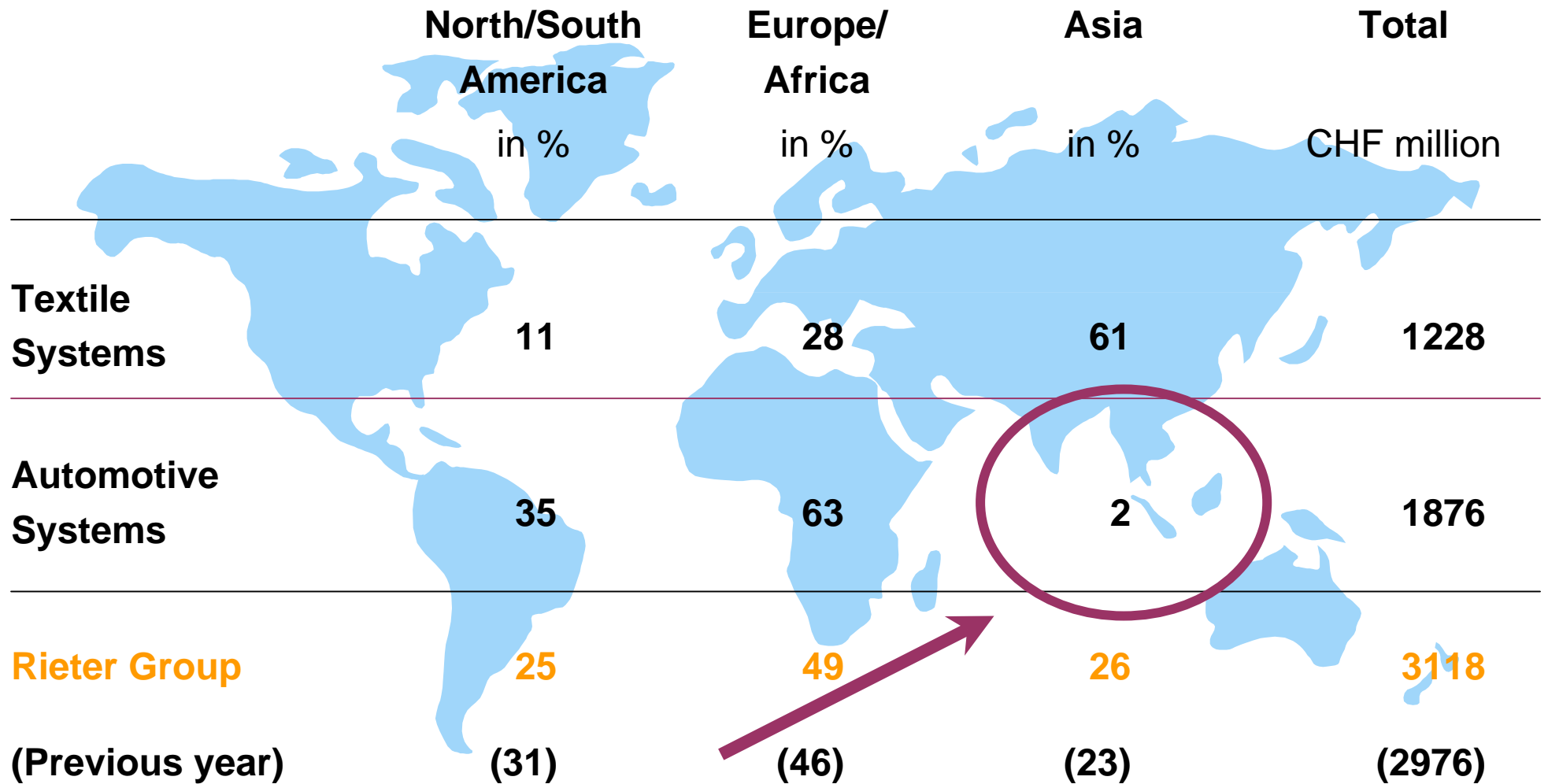
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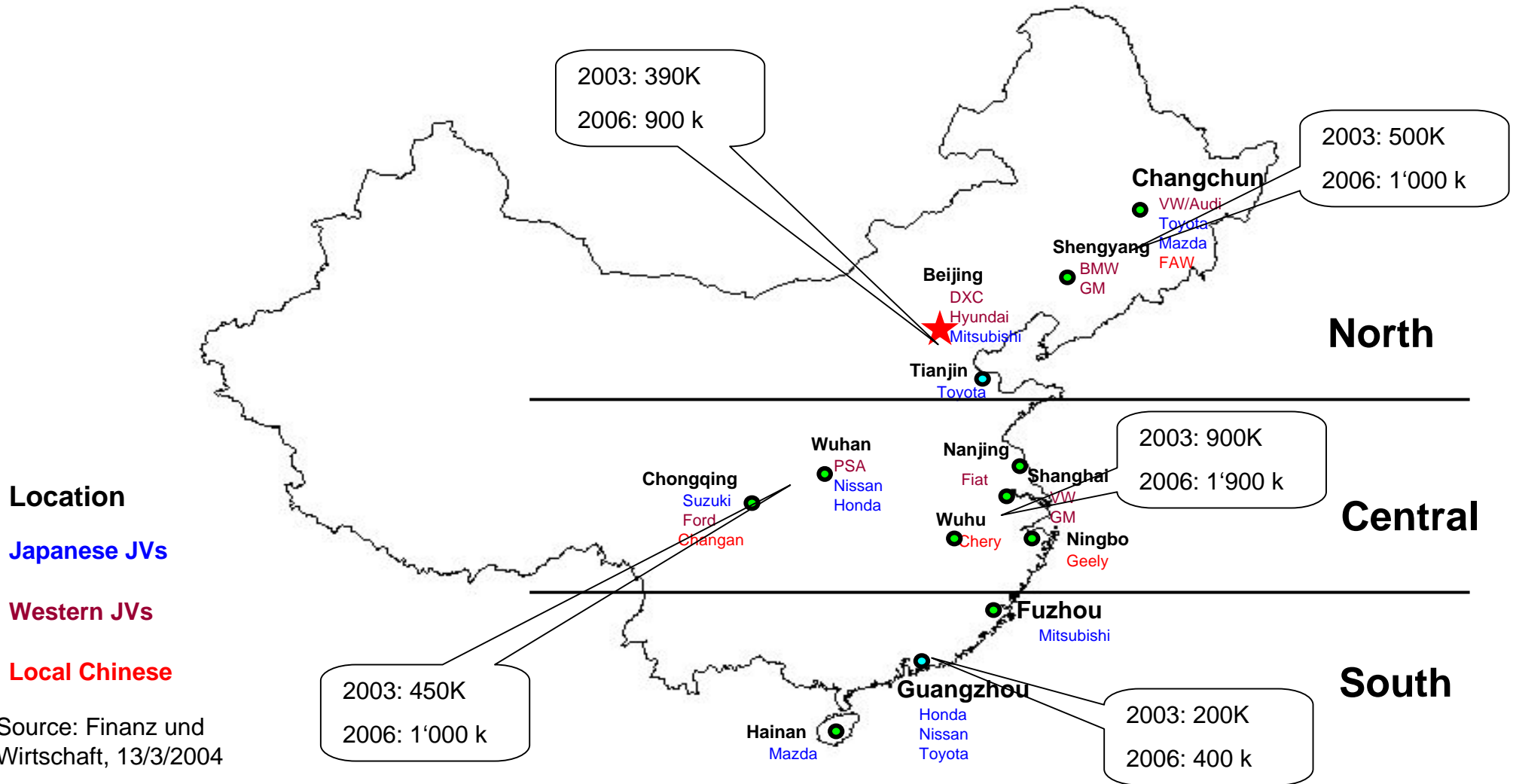
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Growth Potential



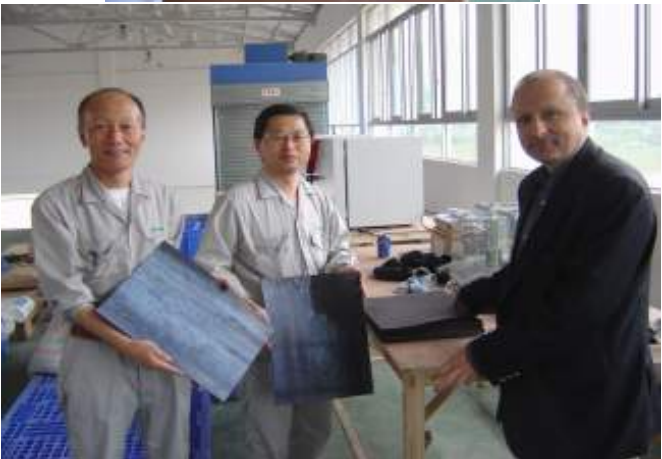
Chinese Automotive Industry: Overview



JV China South – Status



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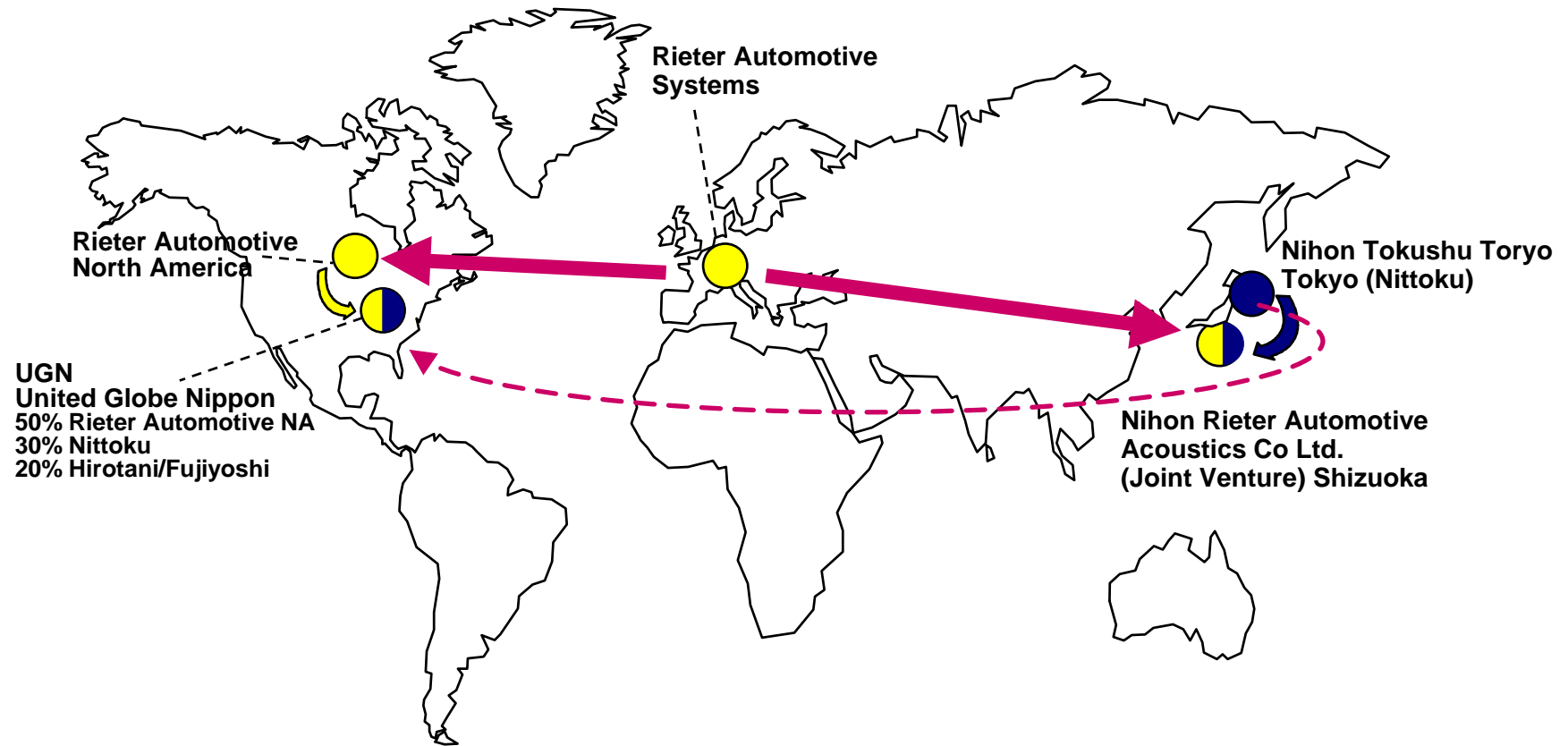


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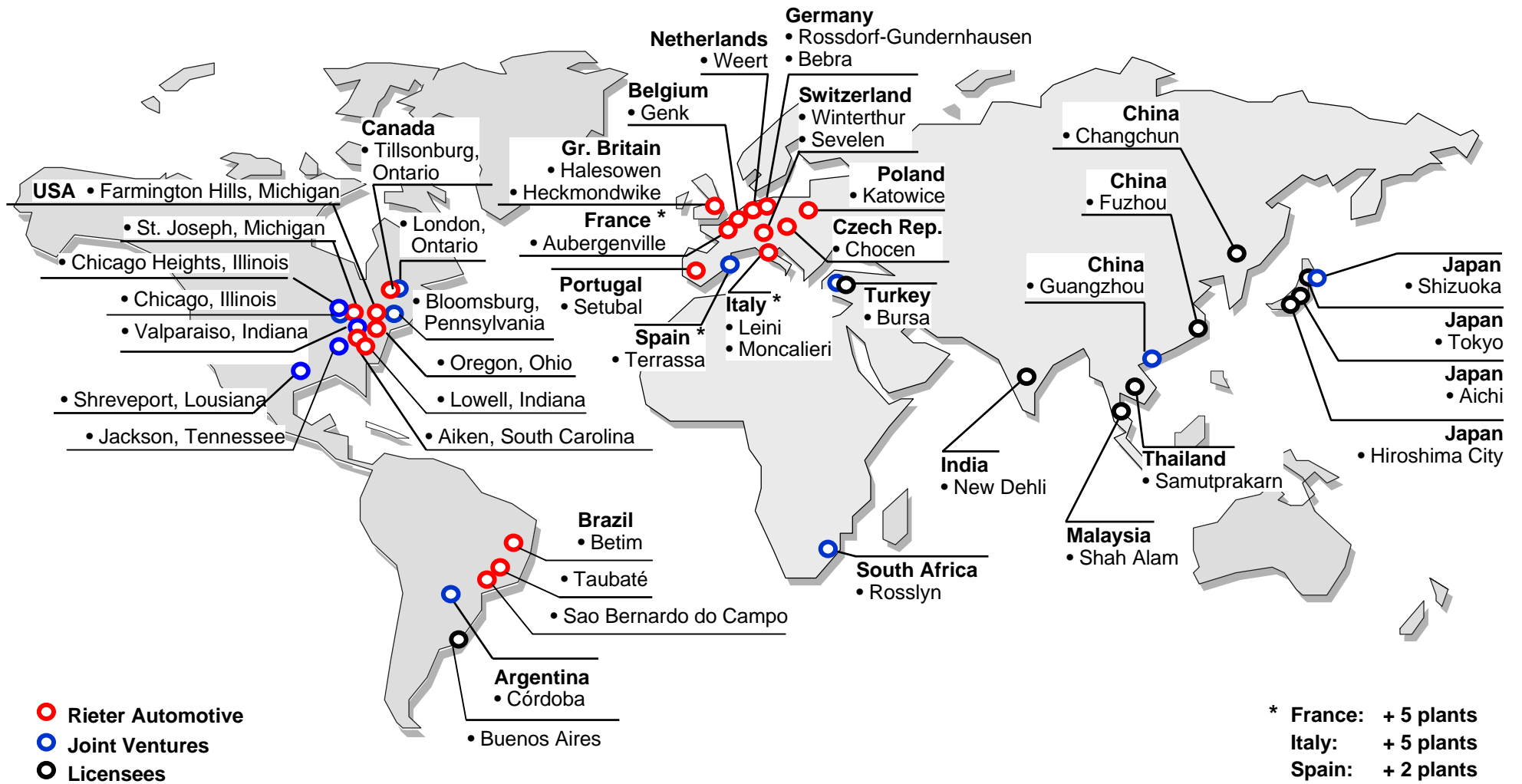
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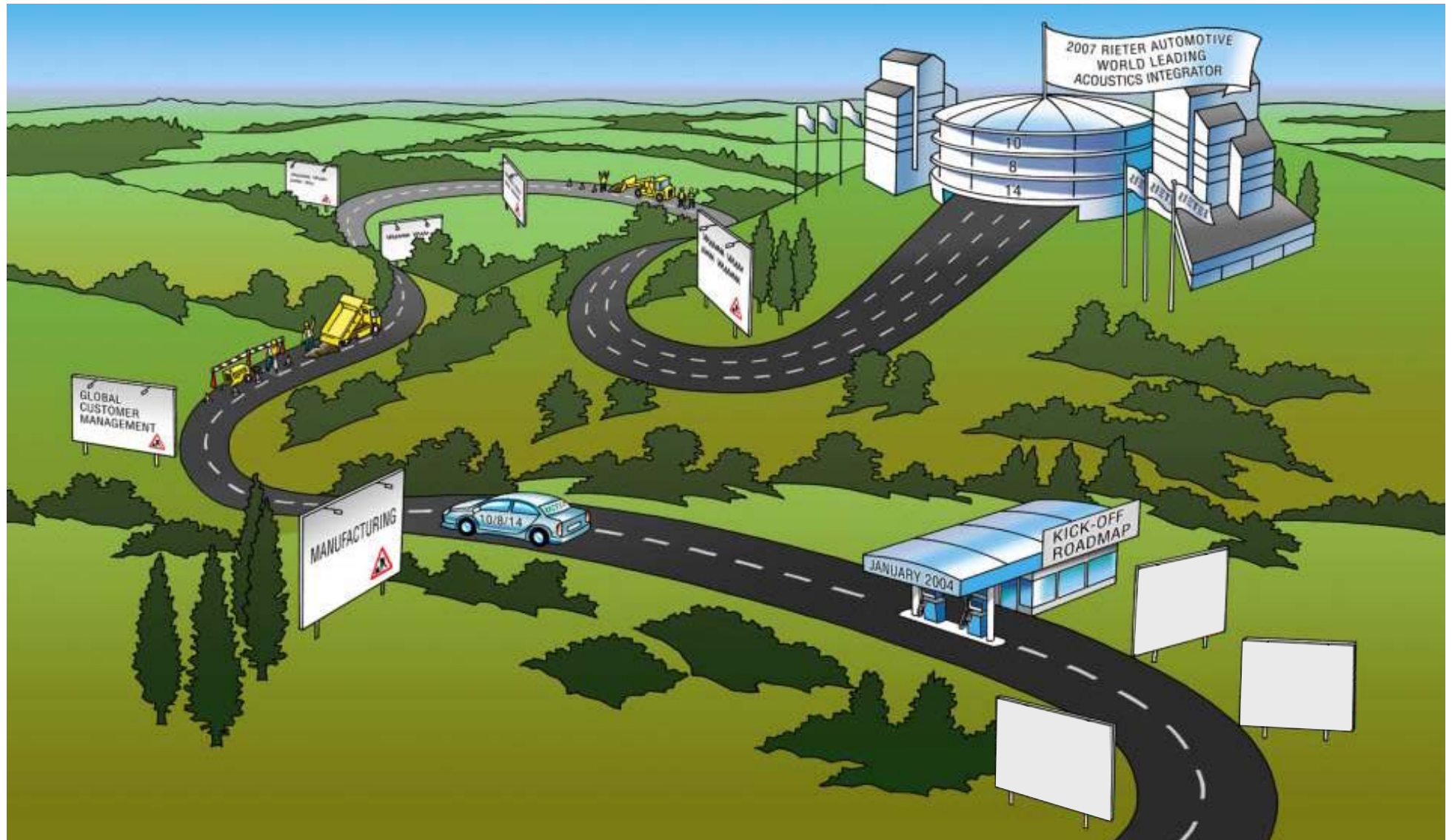
Worldwide Leadership in Acoustics



Automotive Systems: Worldwide Locations



"Roadmap to Profitable Growth"





Rieter Football Tournament in the Czech Republic 2004