

Quality For All

**ESG** Report

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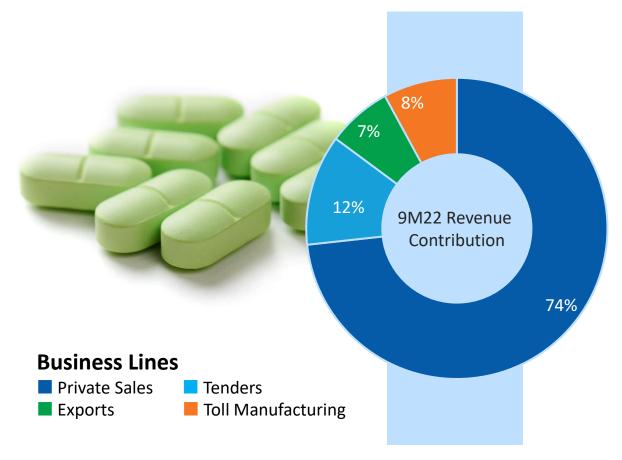
### Overview of Rameda

Tenth of Ramadan for Pharmaceutical Industries and Diagnostic Reagents S.A.E. ("Rameda") specializes in the manufacture and sale of a wide range of branded **generic pharmaceuticals**, **nutraceuticals**, **cosmeceuticals**, **food supplements**, **medical devices & veterinary products** 

Through a careful selection, acquisition and registration process, Rameda's growing portfolio of products is focused on Egypt's high growth therapeutic areas associated with strong margins

The Group's headquarters and state-of-the-art production facility, **consisting of 3 factories**, is located in 6th of October City in the Giza Governorate west of Cairo.

Rameda ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> among its peers in 2021 in terms of its year-on-year top-line growth by value according to IQVIA, with overall sales up by 35.5% compared to the average overall market growth of 7.3%<sup>(1)</sup>



(1) Source: IQVIA

### **ESG Snapshot**

In order to keep serving our patients in the best way possible, we have to grow in a manner that respects the environment, encourages social progress and contributes to long-term economic sustainability.

We believe our business is strengthened by systematically engaging and fostering relationships with our key internal and external stakeholders in social, environmental and governance matters through a wide range of communication tools.

This ongoing dialog provides the underpinning for our responsible business practices and efforts to develop these practices in ways that advance the cause of sustainability.

In June 2022, we joined the **United Nations Global Compact,** the world's largest corporate citizenship initiative with the objective of aligning Rameda's corporate strategies with universal principals on human rights, labour, environment, and anti-corruption.

**Key Stakeholders** 



**Our Patients** 

**Sustainability Objectives** 

Provide patients access to affordable quality medication

Alignment with UN's Sustainable Development Goals









Minimize our impact on the environment









Our People

Attract and retain the best talent while promoting a safe and healthy work environment









Deliver superior returns to shareholders while ensuring the best in corporate governance practices and accountability





# **Our Patients**









### Our Patients | The Cornerstone of Everything We Do

Patients are at the center of Rameda's operations, and so our business model continues to showcase adaptability as we examine needs and accordingly broaden our services and accessibility, ensure local and international compliance and invest in quality management.



Improving Access to Services

Our mission to broaden the region's access to high-quality, affordable medicines and pharmaceutical products is regularly improved on, to benefit the patients we serve today and those we envision helping in the future

**ISO** 9001:2015

**Quality Management Systems Accreditation** 

Rameda is currently ISO 9001:2015
certified by the International
Organization for Standardization, in
recognition of its efforts to enhance
product quality and preserve facility
hygiene



**Quality Management** 

Our proactive quality assurance system meets the highest standards in product safety, and outlines clear requirements for policies, specifications, and programs that guide our operations. We also conduct regular self-inspections and audits, in line with the UN's Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 12 for responsible consumption and production



As we regularly improve on our operations to better serve our patients, we ensure alignment with the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) 3 and 10 for good health and well-being and reduced inequalities by providing quality generics for Egyptians from all classes

### Our Patients | Ensuring Quality Management

Our quality assurance team follows strict guidelines throughout our products' lifecycles to ensure the delivery of safe quality pharmaceuticals to our patients, from inspection and quarantine of raw materials to quarantine, warehousing and distribution of products.

Compliance with
Global Guidelines and
Best Practices



Next to complying with local laws and regulations within its markets, Rameda's standards comply with the guidelines of the World Health Organization (WHO), with all pharma products produced at our GMP-compliant facility. Integrity and security are protected by compliance with Good Distributing Practices (GDP).

Risk Assessment and Audits



Risk assessment and audits are central to quality assurance at our facility. We drive quality management action by conducting regular self-inspections and internal audits, tracking issues, analysing metrics to identify trends and risks, and examining KPIs to receive accurate analyses.

Compliance with Global Guidelines and Best Practices





Regulators

Our production cycle is regulated by the MoH in Egypt and is subject to periodical audits, inspections, and approval of raw materials and finished products.



**Export Markets** 

We are subject to audits from foreign ministries of health within our export markets. We passed audits in Iraq, Yemen, Libya, Jordan, Palestine, Niger, Uganda and South Sudan.



We passed a number of key production audits conducted by multinational third-party clients, such as Sanofi, seeking to purchase toll manufacturing services from Rameda.

## Our Environment









### Our Environment | Complying with Local & International Policies

As a manufacturer with sizeable operations, Rameda is committed to building a sustainable organization that protects our community and environment. As such, we have put corporate policies in place with the objective to minimize the environmental impact of our operations.



**Environmental Controls** in Egypt

The Egyptian Environment Affairs Agency (EEAA) sets general policy and guidelines for environmental protection and reviews the implementation by public and private sector entities



Rameda's Corporate Environmental Policies

Rameda's policies ensure its full compliance with guidelines set by its industrial zone of operation, Egypt's governing environmental laws, and international standards for environmental protection

**ISO** 14001:2015

Environmental
Management Systems
Accreditation

Rameda has attained the ISO
14001:2015 Environment
Management Systems certification
across all its factories, which are
located adjacently within the
industrial zone in 6th of October city,
far from residential areas







**Alignment with SDGs** 

We ensure alignment with the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) 6,7 and 13 for clean water and sanitization, affordable and clean energy and climate action

Egypt is a member of various multilateral conventions which cover multiple aspects of environmental protection including worker protection, climate change, conservation of nature and natural resources, marine life, oceanic and coastal conservation, oil pollution damage, and nuclear weapons testing

### Our Environment | Recent Initiatives

Rameda's efforts to curb its environmental impact includes responsibly processing its waste materials, monitoring its greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and reducing its consumption of diesel in favor of natural gas

#### **Water Treatment**



With liquid waste being a major waste stream for Rameda, a comprehensive feasibility study was conducted with the purpose of finding the most cost-efficient way to treat the Group's wastewater.

Based on its results, the Group's management opted to install a new in-house wastewater treatment station, which was officially inaugurated in August 2022.

Rameda's new in-house wastewater treatment station is anticipated to save around 165,000 m<sup>3</sup> of water per annum, reflecting a potential 50% in water savings.

### **Natural Gas Project**



Finalized an agreement with Egypt's national oil company (EGPC), the Industrial Development Authority (IDA) & the country's largest privately owned gas distribution company (NATGAS) to begin substituting its use of diesel for natural gas.

The project, which was completed at the end of 2021, will see Rameda reduce its consumption of diesel by approximately 2 million liters per year, as well decrease its annual emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> by 95%, SO<sub>2</sub> by 99%, and NO<sub>2</sub> by 75%.



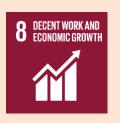






# Our People









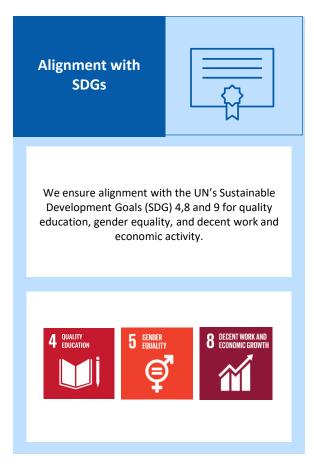
### Our People | Fostering a Culture of Diversity, Equality & Growth

We embrace a diverse workforce and inclusive culture, with the health, safety, professional development, work-life balance and equitable, respectful treatment of our employees among our highest priorities.





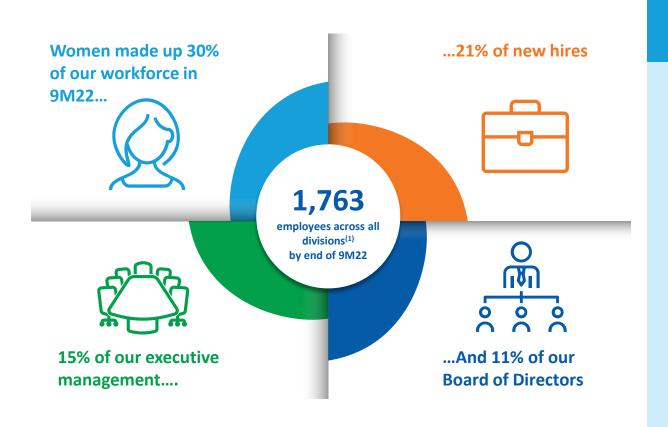




(1) LTIFR is calculated for every half-year.

### Our People | Embracing Diversity & Empowering Women

We will strive to further close the gap between the number of men and women in our workforce, while encouraging our existing female employees to pursue growth within the Group to leadership positions



### Key principles and approaches include:

Flexible work schedules and part-time opportunities based on family needs

Equal wages for equal work and experience irrespective of gender

Maternal leave policy as per the Egyptian law

On-site nursery (daycare) to support return to work from maternity leave

Effective career mapping for women to management and executive positions

Rameda's Human Resources team, with the co-operation and input of its Compliance function, created a new comprehensive Code of Conduct handbook for guidelines on employee behavior. Completed in December 2020, the handbook outlines the ethical principles that govern our decisions and behavior at Rameda, and provides specific guidance for handling workplace issues, such as harassment, safety and conflicts of interest, among others.

(1) Includes full-time and part-time employees and those on contract

### Our People | Investing in Growth

As a responsible manufacturer of pharmaceutical products, we believe in the consistent enrichment of our employees across all levels in matters related to the Group's operations.

30

training programs were offered in 9M22

with

1,104

attendees (including online)

74

training days were provided in 9M22

with

867

aggregate training hours

#### **RLDA** | Rameda Learning Development Academy

In 2018, we launched the Rameda Learning and Development Academy (RLDA), an in-house teaching institution licensed by the Canadian Corporate Training Organization, a division of Global Courseware Inc. of New Glasgow.

Through the RLDA, we provide comprehensive professional learning and development programs in both classroom and lab settings to our employees.

We will continue to monitor and improve these educational resources with an ear to both scientific and technical developments and the demand dynamics across our markets.

#### **Other Resources**

Rameda also offers training courses through third-parties for employees requiring more tailored solutions to their learning and development.

These courses are provided primarily through LEADS Group, the Middle Eastern partner for the Centre for Management and Organization Effectiveness (CMOE), one of the most reputable management and leadership development institutions globally.





### Our People | Promoting Wellness and Togetherness

Rameda is dedicated to helping its employees to successfully integrate their careers and private lives, with a growing collaboration between our executive management team and employees to identify the ways in which we can help our people balance life priorities and improve workplace flexibility.



Promoting Work/Life Balance



As a healthcare company, we believe that a balanced lifestyle can significantly impact the well-being of our people and have begun taking the necessary steps to ensure that this is promoted throughout all levels of the organization via compulsory training programs for management to help address the diverse needs of team members, through a number of measures, including creating part-time positions and increasing support for remote-work, where possible.

**Sports, Wellness and Other Activities** 



At Rameda, we hold multiple events designed to promote a culture of wellness among our employees and their families, such as recreational trips to coastal cities, team building exercises, annual sporting tournaments, marathons and galas. However, the onset of the pandemic in March 2020 hindered the Group's ability to hold such events throughout the year. With the easing of restrictions and the eventual rollout of the vaccine, we look forward to resuming these activities once it is safe to do so, and adding new mega events, such as concerts and galas, that can strengthen bonds on a corporate, family and personal level. Meanwhile, we provided our employees with subsidized gym memberships in 2020 with the priority to further empower them to take charge of their personal well-being and health, particularly during these trying times .



# Governance





### **Governance | Overview**

Rameda's board of directors enforces a strong corporate governance framework, benchmarked against global standards, to protect the interests of shareholders. This framework is continually reviewed to ensure the Group's alignment with the latest global standards.



Name	Position	Initial Year of Appointment
Ayman Abbas	Chairman, Non-executive Director	2011
Dr. Amr Morsy	CEO, Executive Director	2011
Mahmoud Fayek	CFO, Executive Director	2019
Shamel Aboul Fadl	Non-executive Director	2011
Dr. Mohamed Farouk	Non-executive Director	2016
Karim Zahran	Non-executive Director	2016
Tarek Abdelrahman	Non-executive Director	2018
Hatem Soliman	Independent Director	2019
Farida Khamis	Independent Director	2020

Committee	Chairman	Members
Audit Committee	Hatem Soliman	Shamel Aboul Fadl – Farida Khamis
Strategy Committee	Dr. Amr Morsy	Shamel Abou Fadl – Ayman Abbas
Governance & Compensation Committee	Hatem Soliman	Dr. Mohamed Farouk – Shamel Aboul Fadl

### **Governance – Board Members**



Ayman Abbas Non-Executive Chairman

#### Highlights:

- Chairman of ADES
- Co-founder of ECDC
- Serves on multiple boards including:
- Advansys Systems
- Advansys Engineering



Dr. Amr Morsi
Executive Director and Group CEO

#### **Highlights:**

Served as:

- Country Manager of Pfizer Egypt
- Director of Schering-Plough, Saudi Arabia



Mahmoud Fayek
Executive Director and Group CFO

#### Highlights:

- Worked with Compass Capital since inception
- Served as CFO and Business Development Director in the manufacturing sector



Shamel Aboul Fadl
Non-Executive Director

#### **Highlights:**

- Founder and Chairman of Compass Capital
- Served as Managing Partner of Pharos Holding
- Founded and served as Managing Partner of Paragon Asset Management



Dr. Mohamed Farouk
Non-Executive Director

#### Highlights:

- Chief Executive Officer of ADES
- Served as:
- -VP of Invensys Operations Management
- -Director of Invensys Global Engineering Excellence Centers in 4 countries

### **Governance – Board Members**



Karim Zahran Non-Executive Director

#### Highlights:

- Chief Executive Officer Zahran Group
- Held roles with HSBC securities in New York, USA



Tarek Abdelrahman
Non-Executive Director

#### Highlights:

- Managing Partner at Compass Capital
- Founding partner of Akanar Partners
- Served as CEO of Palm Hills Development
- -Director and Co-Head of Beltone Investment Banking.



Hatem Soliman
Independent Non-Executive
Director

#### Highlights:

- Sits on the boards of Ocyan-SA in Brazil, ADES Group, Exterran, USA and Energy and Mining Investments (EMI) based in Dubai.
- 37 years of experience in engineering and management with Schlumberger
- One of the Middle East's Top 100 Executives by Forbes Middle East.



Farida Khamis Independent Non-Executive Director

#### **Highlights:**

- Vice President of Corporate Finance at Oriental Weavers
- Serves on the board of various Oriental Weavers subsidiaries
- Member of numerous business associations



Mohamed Gamal El Shoura Non-Executive Director

#### Highlights:

- Deputy Chief Investment Officer at Ekuity Holding
- Served as the Senior Vice
   President of Private Equity at
   Arab Moltaga Investments
   (AMIC)



### **Governance – Committees**

#### **Audit Committee**



- Oversees Rameda's financial reporting, internal control system, risk management system and internal and external audit functions
- Advises and assists the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities regarding Rameda's compliance with latest reporting standards
- Inspects methods used in preparation of the periodic and annual financial statements
- Oversees the appointment and removal of the auditor
- Reviews auditor's report and ensures that results are reviewed and acted on by Rameda's management
- Submits a report by non-conflicted, competent experts to the Board concerning all transactions for related parties
- Required to meet at least four times per year

### **Strategy Committee**



- Assists the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities regarding the Group's long-term strategy, potential risks and related opportunities
- Assists the Board in assessing strategic decisions regarding potential investments, acquisitions and divestures
- Works with the CEO to oversee the development of the Group's strategy and to provide guidance for the strategic planning process
- Ensures that the strategic implementation plan is developed, adhered to, and imbedded in the organization
- Monitors the Group's progress against its strategic goals and, when necessary, provides feedback

# Governance and Compensation Committee



- Oversees the process of determining the size, composition and structure of the board and its committees
- Leads the director nomination process
- Oversees the orientation and continual training of directors
- Assesses matters involving conflicts of interest and transactions from related parties.
- Decides compensation packages for the Group's senior management, up to managing director level, and the total compensation for officers and employees
- Oversees the Group's human resources policies and procedures.
- Meets on an as-needed basis, with no annual minimum meeting requirement