



COMER INDUSTRIES

PRICE VALUATION (UPSIDE) **EUR32.8**
EUR46 (+40%) ■ EUR55 (+68%)

VALUATION RANGE	EPS 23e	EPS 24e
↗ 10% ↗ 8%	↗ 10%	↗ 8%

AG business in full swing

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Q1 23 marked a strong start...

COMER posted a strong Q1 print running ahead our estimates both on growth and margins thanks to a strong performance of the AG business. Sales (at EUR 346m vs BNPPe of EUR 320m) grew by 11% and were up 8.8% at constant perimeter. The growth was driven by the AG (+18.5%) as industrial business ended almost flat in the quarter. By region, EU (+20%) and NA (+6%) grew nicely, while LATAM and APAC ended down HSD. Profitability expanded by 190bps in Q1 translating into 15.5% EBITDA margin (or EUR 53.6m of EBITDA vs BNPPe at EUR 45m) and c.27% YoY growth. Net debt (including IFRS 16) closed at EUR183m (vs BNPPe of EUR 195m) from EUR 149m in Q4 22 and it mirrors the cash-out for the acquisition of e-COMER (of c. EUR 54m).

...with AG strength likely to keep up in Q2

No guidance was released but the press release mentions the company seeing a trend for the whole year similar to what have been seen in Q1. APAC recovery in H2 may potentially offset a softening coming from the other regions. In our view, the constructive current trading commentaries are well supported. AG was on the bright spot with this trend likely to spill-over into the next quarter (AGCO expects a ramp up in production in Q2 23 – see figure 1) with a flattening in the second part of the year.

2023-25 EPS estimates increased. FV range points to EUR 46-55/sh

We increased our estimates factoring a stronger volume growth in the AG business. This led us to increase our BNPPe adj. EPS by 10% and 8% in 2023e and 2024e, respectively. Our FV value range increases to EUR 46-55/sh, mirroring higher estimates. Stock still trades at >20% discount (2023e EBIT) vs our panel of suppliers, despite the strong momentum. Delivery on growth should support rerating.

Price (4 May 2023)	EUR32.8				Performance ⁽¹⁾	1w	1m	3m	12m
Market cap (EURm)	941				Absolute(%)	(2)	1	15	16
Free float (EURm)	180				Rel. Capital Goods(%)	NC	NC	NC	NC
EV (EURm)	1,246				Rel. MSCI Small Cap(%)	(2)	1	20	22
3m avg volume (EURm)	0.2								
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Country / Sub Sector	Italy / Industrial Machinery								

Financials	12/22	12/23e	12/24e	12/25e	Valuation metrics ⁽²⁾	12/22	12/23e	12/24e	12/25e
EPS, Adjusted (EUR)	3.43	3.90	4.22	4.62	P/E (x)	7.8	8.4	7.8	7.1
EPS, Company (EUR)	3.16	3.52	3.84	4.24	Net yield (%)	2.8	2.5	2.8	3.1
EPS - Refinitiv (EUR)	3.43	3.54	3.89	4.33	FCF yield (%)	7.0	8.9	9.9	11.1
Net dividend (EUR)	0.75	0.84	0.91	1.01	EV/Sales (x)	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.8
Sales (EURm)	1,238	1,300	1,369	1,458	EV/EBITDA (x)	6.0	6.1	5.3	4.6
EBITA, Adj. (EURm)	142.8	165.6	178.2	194.3	EV/EBITA (x)	7.6	7.5	6.6	5.7
Net profit, Adj. (EURm)	98.3	111.9	121.0	132.5	EV/CE (x)	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.2
ROCE (%)	12.6	13.4	14.2	15.2					
Net Debt/EBITDA, Adj. (x)	0.8	0.7	0.3	-					

Source: BNP Paribas Exane (estimates), Refinitiv (consensus) (1) In listing currency, with dividend reinvested (2) Yearly average price for FY ended 12/22

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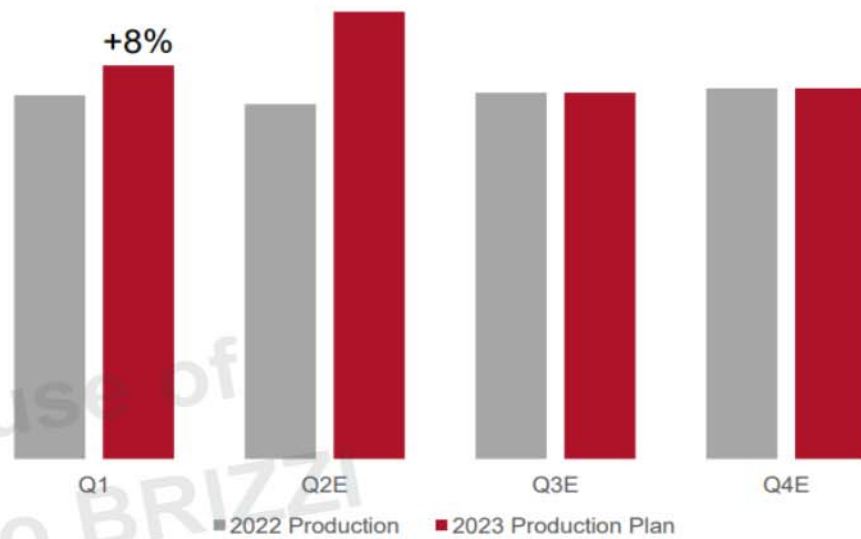
Figure 1: AGCO (not covered) sees a stronger production in Q2 23

AGCO production schedule



2023 PRODUCTION

AGCO Production Hours



Source: AGCO Q1 investor presentation

Below a summary of the changes in our estimates

Figure 2: We increased our 2023-25e EPS numbers by 8% on average

Summary of 2023-2025 change in BNPPE estimates

	31 Dec 23			31 Dec 24			31 Dec 25		
	Old	New	Revision	Old	New	Revision	Old	New	Revision
Sales	1,202.7	1,300.2	8%	1,276.4	1,368.9	7%	1,375.8	1,458.5	6%
BNPPE adj. EBITDA	188.9	204.4	8%	206.3	220.9	7%	227.5	241.1	6%
BNPPE adj. EBIT	150.6	165.6	10%	164.6	178.2	8%	182.1	194.3	7%
BNPPE adj. Net profit	101.6	111.9	10%	111.7	121	8%	124.2	132.5	7%

Source: BNP Paribas Exane estimates

Below the main summary of our Fair Value range calculation

Figure 3: Our DCF now points to EUR 55/sh (vs former EUR 51/sh)

	Dec-20	Dec-21	Dec-22	Dec-23	Dec-24	Dec-25	Dec-26	Dec-27	Dec-28	Terminal
Sales	396.2	598.1	1,237.6	1,300.2	1,368.9	1,458.5	1,518.9	1,571.9	1,625.7	1,666.3
% YoY growth		51.0%	106.9%	5.1%	5.3%	6.5%	4.1%	3.5%	3.4%	2.5%
Restated EBITDA	47.8	77.2	179.7	204.4	220.9	241.1	250.7	259.1	267.7	274.4
% YoY growth		61.5%	132.9%	12.7%	8.1%	9.1%	4.0%	3.4%	3.3%	2.5%
% margin	12.1%	12.9%	14.5%	15.7%	16.1%	16.5%	16.5%	16.5%	16.5%	16.6%
Restated EBIT	30.5	56.8	142.8	165.6	178.2	194.3	201.3	208.1	213.5	218.8
% YoY growth		86.3%	151.5%	16.0%	7.7%	9.0%	3.6%	3.4%	2.6%	2.5%
% margin	7.7%	9.5%	11.5%	12.7%	13.0%	13.3%	13.3%	13.2%	13.1%	13.1%
Tax rate	28.0%	28.0%	28.0%	29.0%	29.0%	29.0%	29.0%	29.0%	29.0%	29.0%
NOPAT	21.9	40.9	101.4	117.5	126.6	138.0	143.0	147.7	151.6	155.4
WC change	(73.7)	(98.4)	(83.8)	(10.7)	(12.9)	(16.9)	(11.4)	(10.0)	(10.1)	(7.8)
WC	73.7	170.1	233.9	244.6	257.5	274.3	285.7	295.7	305.8	313.4
WC / Sales (%)	18.6%	28.4%	18.9%	18.8%	18.8%	18.8%	18.8%	18.8%	18.8%	18.8%
D&A including RoU, excl PPA & cap. dev. costs	17.3	20.4	37.0	38.8	42.6	46.8	49.3	51.0	54.2	55.9
D&A / Sales (%)	4.4%	3.4%	3.0%	3.0%	3.1%	3.2%	3.2%	3.2%	3.3%	3.3%
Capex	(13.1)	(19.8)	(33.9)	(51.2)	(52.8)	(53.1)	(52.3)	(52.5)	(52.7)	(52.5)
Capex / Sales (%)	3.3%	3.3%	2.7%	3.9%	3.8%	3.6%	3.4%	3.3%	3.2%	3.1%
Operating FCF	-47.6	-54.7	40.7	94.4	103.7	114.8	128.6	136.3	143.0	150.8
Terminal Value										2487
Discount factor					1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.7	
Discounted FCF					103.7	100.1	103.3	100.9	97.4	

2024-2028 Discounted FCF	605
Discounted terminal value	1695
Enterprise Value	2200.7
- 2023 Net debt restated	83
- Adjusted lease liability	91
- Other liabilities and commitments	166
- Revalued minority interests	0
+ (Assoc. + revalued investments)	2
Equity value	1861
Diluted shares (m)	28.7
Liquidity discount	15%
Value per share	55

Wacc	8.8%
LT growth	2.5%

Source: BNP Paribas Exane estimates

Figure 4: Overview of the peer panel

Company	EV	Market Cap	P/E (x)			EV/EBIT (x)		
			2023e	2024e	2025e	2023e	2024e	2025e
Suppliers								
DANA	3930	1841	18.9x	11.0x	8.9x	11.4x	8.8x	7.3x
INTERPUMP	6396	5231	18.1x	16.8x	15.7x	13.4x	12.0x	10.8x
JOST WERKE	890	733	8.7x	9.0x	9.1x	8.4x	7.8x	6.7x
BUCHER INDUSTRIES	3534	4098	12.8x	13.5x	13.3x	8.4x	8.5x	8.0x
Median			15.4x	12.3x	11.2x	9.9x	8.7x	7.7x
COMER	1178	940.6	8.4x	7.8x	7.1x	7.5x	6.6x	5.7x
% discount (premium) vs suppliers			(45%)	(37%)	(37%)	(24%)	(24%)	(28%)

Source: BNP Paribas Exane estimates

Figure 5: Our peer based valuation points to EUR 46/sh (vs former EUR 42/sh)

Valuation summary	EV/EBIT	
	2023e	2024e
Median	10x	9x
Premium	0%	0%
Fair multiple	10x	9x
EBNP Adj. EBIT	166	178
EV	1639	1551
- Net debt (excluding IFRS 16)	(83)	(14)
- Adjusted lease liability	(58)	(58)
- Other liabilities and commitments	(166)	(166)
- Revalued minority interests	0	0
+ (Assoc. + revalued investments)	2	2
Equity Value	1333	1314
Liquidity discount	0%	0%
Nosh	28.7	28.7
Equity value per share	46	46
FV	46	

Source: BNP Paribas Exane estimates

Forthcoming events

Date	Event
3 Aug. 2023	H1 Results 2023

Investment case, valuation and risks

Comer Industries

Investment case

Synergies and further market share seal a visible earnings trajectory with M&A boost potentially coming on top. With market ignoring sound MT prospects and structurally higher profitability, the current share price offers an attractive entry point.

Valuation methodology

We base our valuation range on a DCF (WACC @ 8.6% and LT growth at 2.5% together with a liquidity discount of 15%) and on peers' 2023-2024 EV/EBIT multiple.

Risks

To the upside:

Stronger AG and CE equipment market, higher than expected margin expansion thanks to operating leverage, value accretive M&A deal(s)

To the downside:

Cyclical slowdown of its reference markets, price pressure from OEMs

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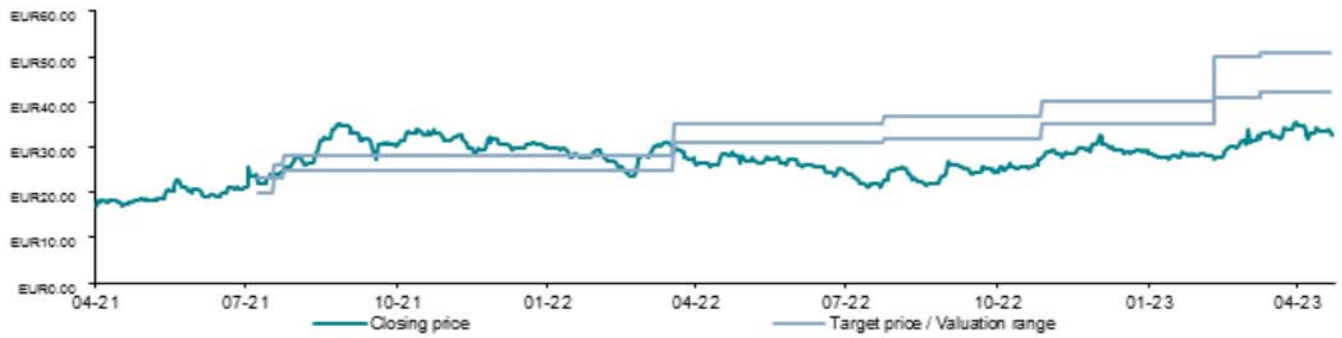
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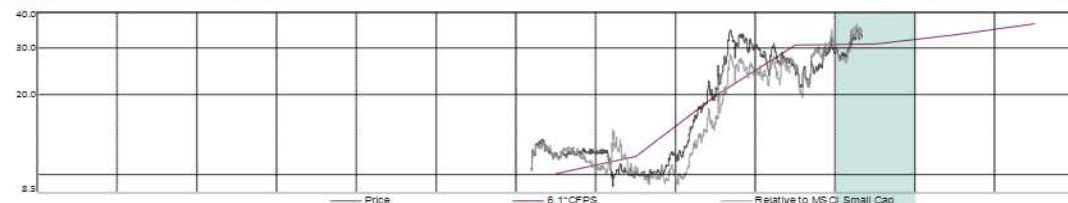
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Company Highlights				
Enterprise value	EURm 1,246			
Market capitalisation	941			
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3m average volume	0.2			
Performance (*)				
Absolute	1m	3m	12m	
Rel. Sector	1%	15%	16%	
Rel. MSCI Small Cap	NC	NC	NC	
12m Hi/Lo (EUR)	35.4 -7%	21.2 +55%		
CAGR				
2016/2023	2023/2025			
EPS restated	30%		9%	
CFPS	NC		9%	



Price (yearly avg from Dec. 19 * to Dec. 22)

PER SHARE DATA (EUR)	Dec. 15	Dec. 16	Dec. 17	Dec. 18	Dec. 19 *	Dec. 20	Dec. 21	Dec. 22	Dec. 23e	Dec. 24e	Dec. 25e
No of shares year end, basic, (m)	10,000	10,000	10,000	17,000	20,409	20,409	28,678	28,678	28,678	28,678	28,678
Avg no of shares, diluted, excl. treasury stocks (m)	10,000	10,000	10,000	13,500	20,620	20,650	20,650	28,678	28,678	28,678	28,678
EPS reported, Gaap	1.30	0.67	1.14	0.92	0.91	1.07	1.37	3.16	3.52	3.94	4.24
EPS company definition	1.30	0.67	1.14	1.16	1.06	1.27	1.43	3.16	3.52	3.94	4.24
EPS restated, fully diluted	1.37	0.81	1.13	1.20	0.90	1.06	1.93	3.43	3.90	4.22	4.62
% change	NC	(55.3%)	84.0%	6.3%	(25.0%)	17.8%	81.8%	77.3%	13.9%	8.1%	9.5%
Book value (BVS) (a)	11.4	7.1	7.6	5.2	6.3	7.0	12.1	15.5	18.3	21.3	24.6
Net dividend	0.50	4.55	0.26	0.60	0.35	0.50	0.50	0.75	0.84	0.81	1.01

STOCKMARKET RATIOS	Dec. 15	Dec. 16	Dec. 17	Dec. 18	Dec. 19 *	Dec. 20	Dec. 21	Dec. 22	Dec. 23e	Dec. 24e	Dec. 25e
P / E (P EPS restated)					13.4x	10.0x	11.8x	7.8x	8.4x	7.8x	7.1x
P / E relative to MSCI Small Cap					78%	20%	77%	55%	64%	68%	69%
FCF yield					4.4%	16.7%	10.6%	7.0%	8.9%	9.0%	11.1%
P / BVPS					1.91x	1.51x	1.89x	1.72x	1.80x	1.54x	1.33x
Net yield					2.9%	4.7%	2.2%	2.9%	2.5%	2.9%	3.1%
Payout					38.8%	47.0%	26.6%	21.9%	21.4%	21.6%	21.8%
EV / Sales					0.72x	0.56x	1.40x	0.87x	0.96x	0.86x	0.75x
EV / Restated EBITDA (**)					8.5x	4.9x	10.9x	6.0x	6.1x	5.3x	4.6x
EV / Restated EBITA					10.4x	7.7x	14.8x	7.5x	7.5x	6.6x	5.7x
EV / NOPAT					14.4x	10.7x	20.5x	10.6x	10.6x	9.3x	8.0x
EV / OpFCF					11.2x	4.9x	11.5x	10.3x	8.7x	7.6x	6.4x
EV / Capital employed (incl. gross goodwill)					1.7x	1.5x	1.2x	1.3x	1.4x	1.3x	1.2x

ENTERPRISE VALUE (EURm)	Dec. 15	Dec. 16	Dec. 17	Dec. 18	Dec. 19 *	Dec. 20	Dec. 21	Dec. 22	Dec. 23e	Dec. 24e	Dec. 25e
Market cap					245	217	471	766	941	941	941
+ Adjusted net debt (including lease liability)	16	55	41	37	29	(3)	177	149	141	72	(6)
+ Other liabilities and commitments					16	21	193	166	166	166	166
+ Revalued minority interests					0	0	1	2	2	2	2
- Revalued investments					0	0	1	2	2	2	2

P & L HIGHLIGHTS (EURm)	Dec. 15	Dec. 16	Dec. 17	Dec. 18	Dec. 19 *	Dec. 20	Dec. 21	Dec. 22	Dec. 23e	Dec. 24e	Dec. 25e
Sales	327.6	303.7	342.1	379.0	404.6	396.2	598.1	1,237.6	1,300.2	1,368.9	1,458.5
Restated EBITDA (b) (**)	21.4	21.4	29.3	37.6	44.9	47.8	77.2	179.7	204.4	229.9	241.1
Depreciation	(11.0)	(11.6)	(12.1)	(12.7)	(16.9)	(17.3)	(20.4)	(37.0)	(38.8)	(42.6)	(46.8)
Restated EBITA (b)	10.4	9.9	17.1	25.0	28.1	30.5	56.8	142.8	165.6	178.2	194.3
Reported operating profit (loss)	10.4	9.8	17.1	24.9	27.8	30.4	56.8	127.5	150.3	162.9	179.0
Net financial income (charges)	(1.3)	0.6	(0.4)	(2.1)	(1.3)	(1.0)	(2.0)	(2.6)	(7.9)	(7.8)	(7.6)
Affiliates											
Other	6.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	(0.9)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Tax	(2.5)	(3.8)	(5.3)	(7.1)	(7.1)	(7.6)	(15.4)	(34.2)	(41.3)	(45.0)	(49.7)
Minorities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net attributable profit reported	13.0	6.7	11.4	15.7	18.5	21.8	39.4	90.7	101.1	110.2	121.7
Net attributable profit restated (c)	13.7	6.1	11.3	16.2	18.6	22.0	39.9	98.3	111.9	121.0	132.5

CASH FLOW HIGHLIGHTS (EURm)	Dec. 15	Dec. 16	Dec. 17	Dec. 18	Dec. 19 *	Dec. 20	Dec. 21	Dec. 22	Dec. 23e	Dec. 24e	Dec. 25e
EBITDA (reported) (**)	22.1	22.0	29.8	38.4	45.7	48.6	78.2	180.0	204.6	221.1	241.3
EBITDA adjustment (b)	(0.7)	(0.5)	(0.5)	(0.8)	(0.7)	(0.8)	(1.0)	(0.3)	(0.2)	(0.2)	(0.2)
Other items	(1.5)	(23.8)	3.9	(0.1)	4.4	5.7	12.7	15.0	0.2	0.2	0.2
Change in WCR	(3.9)	6.1	8.9	(8.5)	(5.9)	7.5	2.7	(67.4)	(10.7)	(12.9)	(16.9)
Operating cash flow	15.9	3.8	42.1	29.0	43.5	61.1	92.6	138.3	193.9	208.2	224.4
Capex	(14.3)	(16.6)	(12.2)	(15.4)	(17.4)	(13.1)	(19.6)	(33.9)	(51.2)	(52.6)	(53.1)
Operating free cash flow (OpFCF)	1.6	(12.8)	29.9	13.6	26.1	47.9	73.0	104.4	142.7	155.6	171.3
Net financial items (d) + tax paid	(3.8)	(4.3)	(6.0)	(8.3)	(15.3)	(13.9)	(23.0)	(50.7)	(59.1)	(62.7)	(67.3)
Free cash flow	(2.2)	(17.1)	23.9	5.3	10.8	34.0	50.0	53.7	83.6	92.9	104.1
Net financial investments & acquisitions	1.0	2.8	3.2	2.6	1.4	1.5	(191.8)	(0.2)	(54.0)	0.0	0.0
Other	0.0	(20.2)	37.8	(0.7)	(22.7)	7.0	(35.9)	(6.7)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Capital increase (decrease)	3.5	0.0	(4.9)	0.4	30.4	(3.2)	7.9	(4.6)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Dividends paid	(5.0)	(5.0)	(45.5)	(3.5)	(12.2)	(7.1)	(10.2)	(14.3)	(21.5)	(24.0)	(26.1)
Increase (decrease) in net financial debt	2.6	39.5	(14.6)	(4.0)	(7.6)	(32.3)	180.0	(27.9)	(8.0)	(68.9)	(78.0)
Cash flow, group share	16	(7)	27	29	34	40	67	145	145	158	174

BALANCE SHEET HIGHLIGHTS (EURm)	Dec. 15	Dec. 16	Dec. 17	Dec. 18	Dec. 19 *	Dec. 20	Dec. 21	Dec. 22	Dec. 23e	Dec. 24e	Dec. 25e
Net operating assets	53	57	56	57	85	80	533	599	630	634	635
WCR	79	73	67	78	85	74	170	234	245	247	274
Restated capital employed, incl. gross goodwill	132	130	122	135	170	154	703	803	874	891	909
Shareholders' funds, group share	114	71	76	89	129	143	346	444	523	610	705
Minorities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Provisions/ Other liabilities	16	14	13	17	20	22	224	248	248	248	248
Net financial debt (cash)	16	55	41	37	29	(3)	177	149	141	72	(6)

FINANCIAL RATIOS (%)	Dec. 15	Dec. 16	Dec. 17	Dec. 18	Dec. 19 *	Dec. 20	Dec. 21	Dec. 22	Dec. 23e	Dec. 24e	Dec. 25e
Sales (% change)	NC	(7.3%)	12.6%	10.8%	6.7%	(2.1%)	51.0%	109.9%	5.1%	5.3%	6.5%
Organic sales growth	(7.7%)	(6.8%)	12.9%	12.6%	5.9%	(0.6%)	42.7%	14.3%	5.4%	5.7%	6.5%
Restated EBITA (% change)	NS	(5.2%)	73.6%	46.7%	12.3%	8.7%	88.3%	151.5%	16.0%	7.7%	9.0%
Restated attributable net profit (% change)	NC	(55.3%)	84.0%	43.5%	14.6%	18.0%	81.8%	146.2%	13.9%	8.1%	9.5%
Personnel costs / Sales	20.0%	21.6%	21.3%	18.3%	18.0%	18.9%	14.5%	19.7%	19.3%	18.9%	18.3%
Restated EBITDA margin (**)	6.5%	7.1%	8.6%	9.9%	11.1%	12.1%	12.9%	14.5%	15.7%	16.1%	16.5%
Restated EBITA margin	3.2%	3.3%	5.0%	6.8%	6.9%	7.7%	9.5%	11.5%	12.7%	13.0%	13.3%
Tax rate	16.1%	36.1%	31.8%	31.1%	27.8%	26.0%	28.1%	27.4%	29.0%	29.0%	29.0%
Net margin	4.2%	2.0%	3.3%	4.3%	4.8%	5.5%	6.7%	7.0%	8.6%	8.8%	9.1%
Capex / Sales	4.4%	5.5%	3.6%	4.1%	4.3%	3.3%	3.3%	2.7%	3.9%	3.8%	3.8%
OpFCF / Sales	0.5%	(4.2%)	8.8%	3.6%	6.4%	12.1%	12.2%	8.4%	11.0%	11.4%	11.7%
WCR / Sales	24.3%	24.0%	16.4%	20.6%	20.9%	18.6%	28.4%	18.9%	18.3%	18.3%	18.8%
Capital employed (excl. gdw./intangibles) / Sales	39.1%	41.2%	34.3%	34.5%	41.1%	37.9%	62.7%	38.0%	41.0%	41.3%	41.0%
ROE	12.1%	8.6%	14.8%	18.3%	14.4%	16.3%	11.5%	22.1%	21.4%	19.0%	18.8%
Gearing	14%	76%	53%	41%	23%	(2%)	51%	34%	27%	12%	(1%)
EBITDA / Financial charges (**)	NS	83.6x	39.8x	28.6x	32.3x	57.6x	61.0x	24.2x	25.8x	28.4x	31.6x
Adjusted financial debt (A)+(B) / EBITDA (**)	0.7x	2.6x	1.4x	1.0x	0.6x	NC	2.3x	0.8x	0.7x	0.3x	NC
ROCE excl. gdw./intangibles	6.6%	5.4%	10.3%	13.6%	12.2%	14.6%	10.9%	22.8%	22.1%	22.4%	23.1%
ROCE incl. gross goodwill	6.4%	5.2%	9.9%	13.3%	11.9%	14.3%	5.6%	12.6%	13.4%	14.2%	15.2%
WACC	8.2%	8.9%	8.2%	6.6%	6.6%	6.7%	8.0%	9.9%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%

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(a) Intangibles: EUR357.27m; or EUR12 per share. (b) adjusted for capital gains/losses, exceptional restructuring charges, capitalized R&D. EBITA also adjusted for impairments and am. of intangibles from M&A (c) after EBITA adjustments and financial result/tax adjustments (d) including lease principal post IFRS 16 (*) In listing currency, with div. reinvested, (**) EBITDA R post IFRS 16, (1) First application of IFRS 16



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