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CLOSING PRICE* **EUR33.3**VALUATION (UPSIDE) **EUR37** (+11%) **- EUR40** (+20%)

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Waiting for demand to restart

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Q3 showed no change in underlying trends...

COM reported a Q3 still affected by the weak demand environment, though showed margin resiliency. Q3 sales were down by >20% y/y organically with similar trends across the two businesses: AG (-21%) and Industrial (-24%). Regionally, EMEA suffered the most (-32%), while NA was down mid-teens and LATAM and APAC were down MSD (in aggregate). Below the top-line, EBITDA was down 28% but cost control translated into >16% EBITDA margin in Q3. Net debt was modestly up QoQ and closed at cEUR111m.

...as end-markets remain largely negative for this year

The company reiterated the margin outlook for the year, while highlighting that the demand environment remains challenging. Both of COM's major markets are unlikely to show a U-turn inversion in the ST. That said, AG seems close to trough (in term of momentum) while CE is stabilising, and both factors (coupled with the end of the destocking cycle) should be broadly supportive for volume improvement into 2025.

2024/25e estimates cut by 2%/7%. Improved momentum needed to unlock rerating

We cut our numbers, reflecting a spillover of AG weakness into Q4 and a still-soft Industrial environment. As such, our FV range comes down to EUR 37-40/sh (vs former EUR 38-42/sh). YTD the shares have outperformed EU small caps as COM is executing well on costs and showed structurally higher margins against a challenging volume backdrop. The shares are not expensive vs COM's main peers (>10% discount on 2025e EBIT), but improved momentum is needed to support a rerating from this level.

*Closing Price (29 October	2024)			EUR33.3	Performance ⁽¹⁾	1w	1m	3m	12m
Market cap (EURm)				955	Absolute(%)	0	(1)	(0)	37
Free float (EURm)				183	Rel. Capital Goods(%)	1	` 2	(7)	(13)
EV (EURm)				1,195	Rel. MSCI Small Cap(%)	1	3	`1	` 8
3m avg volume (EURm)				NC					
Refinitiv / Bloomberg			COME.MI	COM IM					
Country / Sub Sector		Italy / I	ndustrial N	Machinery					
Financials	12/23	12/24e	12/25e	12/26e	Valuation metrics(2)	12/23	12/24e	12/25e	12/26e
EPS, Adjusted (EUR)	3.79	2.80	3.14	3.51	P/E (x)	8.0	11.9	10.6	9.5
EPS, Company (EUR)	3.28	2.30	2.64	3.01	Net yield (%)	4.1	3.8	4.3	4.9
EPS - Refinitiv (EUR)	3.78	2.84	3.30	3.62	FCF yield (%)	16.2	3.6	13.4	9.8
Net dividend (EUR)	1.25	1.25	1.43	1.63	EV/Sales (x)	0.9	1.2	1.1	0.9
, ,					EV/EBITDA (x)	5.6	7.3	6.2	5.4
Sales (EURm)	1,224	981.6	1,037	1,114	EV/EBITA (x)	7.0	9.9	8.3	7.1
EBITA, Adj. (ÉURm)	164.1	120.6	133.0	147.9	EV/CE (x)	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3
Net profit, Adj.(EURm)	108.7	80.3	89.9	100.5	* /				
ROCE (%)	14.2	10.1	11.8	13.3					
Net Debt/ÉBITDA, Adj. (x)	0.5	0.3	-	-	All valuation metrics base	d on adj	usted figu	ires	

Source: BNP Paribas Exane (estimates), Refinitiv (consensus) (1) In listing currency, with dividend reinvested (2) Yearly average price for FY ended 12/23

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Figure 1: We cut our 2024/25e estimates by 2/7%

	31 Dec 24			31 Dec 25			31 Dec 26			
	Old	New	Revision	Old	New	Revision	Old	New	Revision	
Sales	1,017	981.6	(3%)	1,089.9	1,036.9	(5%)	1,156.4	1,113.8	(4%)	
COM EBITDA	170.0	163.7	(4%)	190.0	178.8	(6%)	202.5	194.4	(4%)	
BNPPE adj. EBIT restated*	123.1	120.6	(2%)	143	133	(7%)	155.8	147.9	(5%)	
BNPPE adj. Net profit	82.2	80.3	(2%)	97.1	89.9	(7%)	106.3	100.5	(5%)	

Source: BNP Paribas Exane estimates, *not including PPA

Figure 2: Peers table

Name	Country	Price	Mkt cap		PE			EV/EBIT			EV/EBITD#	١		EV/Sales	
		LC	(EUR bn)	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026
JOST WERKE SE	DE	43.15	0.6bn	8.9x	7.9x	6.8x	7.1x	6.5x	5.3x	5.6x	4.6x	3.6x	0.7x	0.6x	0.5x
BUCHER INDUSTRIES AG-REG	CH	346.5	3.8bn	14.9x	15.7x	14.1x	10.1x	10.5x	9.0x	7.8x	7.9x	7.0x	1.0x	1.0x	0.9x
INTERPUMP GROUP SPA	IT	41.14	4.4bn	18.6x	17.2x	16.1x	13.5x	12.2x	11.1x	10.2x	9.3x	8.5x	2.3x	2.1x	1.9x
DANA INC	US	10.14	1.3bn	10.7x	8.5x	6.7x	9.2x	8.2x	7.1x	4.4x	4.2x	3.8x	0.4x	0.4x	0.3x
MEDIAN				12.8x	12.1x	10.5x	9.7x	9.3x	8.0x	6.7x	6.3x	5.4x	0.8x	0.8x	0.7x
COMER INDUSTRIES SPA	IT	33.3	1.0bn	11.9x	10.6x	9.5x	9.9x	8.3x	7.1x	7.3x	6.2x	5.4x	1.2x	1.1x	0.9x
Premium/(Discount) vs median				-7%	-12%	-9%	3%	-11%	-11%	9%	-1%	1%	44%	34%	33%

Source: BNP Paribas Exane estimates, Bloomberg

Figure 3: Our DCF points to EUR 40/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	1,223.9	981.6	1,036.9	1,113.8	1,169.4	1,199.3	1,229.3
% YoY growth		51.0%	106.9%	-1.1%	-19.8%	5.6%	7.4%	5.0%	2.6%	2.5%
Restated EBITDA	47.8	77.2	179.7	204.3	163.6	178.6	194.3	208.2	213.1	218.4
% YoY growth		61.5%	132.9%	13.7%	-19.9%	9.2%	8.8%	7.2%	2.3%	2.5%
% margin	12.1%	12.9%	14.5%	16.7%	16.7%	17.2%	17.4%	17.8%	17.8%	17.8%
Restated EBIT	30.5	56.8	142.8	164.1	120.6	133.0	147.9	162.0	165.5	169.6
% YoY growth		86.3%	151.5%	15.0%	-26.5%	10.2%	11.2%	9.6%	2.2%	2.5%
% margin	7.7%	9.5%	11.5%	13.4%	12.3%	12.8%	13.3%	13.9%	13.8%	13.8%
Taxrate	28.0%	28.0%	29.0%	29.0%	29.0%	29.0%	29.0%	29.0%	29.0%	29.0%
NOPAT	21.9	40.9	101.4	116.5	85.6	94.4	105.0	115.0	117.5	120.4
WC change	(73.7)	(98.4)	(63.8)	33.6	(44.2)	31.3	(12.8)	(8.1)	(2.7)	(5.9)
wc	73.7	170.1	233.9	200.3	244.5	213.2	225.9	234.0	236.7	242.6
WC / Sales (%)	18.6%	28.4%	18.9%	16.4%	24.9%	20.6%	20.3%	20.0%	19.7%	19.7%
D&A including RoU, excl PPA & cap. dev. costs	17.3	20.4	37.0	40.2	42.9	45.6	46.4	46.2	47.6	48.8
D&A / Sales (%)	4.4%	3.4%	3.0%	3.3%	4.4%	4.4%	4.2%	3.9%	4.0%	4.0%
Capex	(13.1)	(19.6)	(33.9)	(42.3)	(40.2)	(34.2)	(36.8)	(38.6)	(39.6)	(40.9)
Capex / Sales (%)	3.3%	3.3%	2.7%	3.5%	4.1%	3.3%	3.3%	3.3%	3.3%	3.3%
Operating FCF					44.1	137.1	101.9	114.5	122.8	122.3
Terminal Value										1672
Discount factor						1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7	
Discounted FCF						137.1	91.3	93.5	91.2	

2025-2028 Discounted FCF	413
Discounted terminal value	1242
Enterprise Value	1655
- 2024 Net debt restated	42
- Adjusted lease liability	94
- Other liabilities and commitments	187
- Revalued minority interests	0
+ (Assoc. + revalued investments)	2
Equity value	1334
Diluted shares (m)	28.7
Liquidty discount	15%
Value per share	40

Source: BNP Paribas Exane estimates

Figure 4: Our peer-based valuation now points to EUR 37/sh

	EV/EBIT
Valuation summary	2025e
Median	9x
Premium	0%
Fair multiple	9x
BNPPE Adj. EBIT	133
EV	1237
- Net debt (exclufing IFRS 16)	51
- Adjusted lease liability	(39)
- Other liabilities and commitments	(187)
- Revalued minority interests	0
+ (Assoc. + revalued investments)	2
Equity Value	1064
Liquidity discount	0%
Nosh	28.7
Equity value per share	37

Source: BNP Paribas Exane estimates

Forthcoming events

Date	Event
12 Nov. 2024	Q3 Results 2024

Investment case, valuation and risks

Comer Industries

Investment case

We expect synergies and further market share growth to result in a positive earnings trajectory, with an M&A boost potentially coming on top. With the market ignoring sound MT prospects and structurally higher profitability, we believe the current share price offers an attractive entry point.

Valuation methodology

We base our valuation range on a DCF and on peers' 2025e 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:

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Source: BNP Paribas

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30 Oct. 2024 (1)		EUR37.00 EUR37.00	EUR33.30		G. Grimaldi, M. Baldelli
2 Aug. 2024 19:50	n/a	EUR 38.00 42.00	EUR32.90	Valuation range change	G. Grimaldi
14 Mar. 2024 10:06	n/a	EUR 40.00 46.00	EUR31.80	Valuation range change	G. Grimaldi
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5 May 2023 09:18	n/a	EUR 46.00 55.00	EUR32.90	Valuation range change	G. Grimaldi
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22 Feb. 2023 06:11	n/a	EUR 41.00 50.00	EUR27.40	Valuation range change	G. Grimaldi, M. Baldelli
9 Nov. 2022 05:59	n/a	EUR 35.00 40.00	EUR27.90	Valuation range change	M. Baldelli
5 Aug. 2022 06:57	n/a	EUR 32.00 37.00	EUR22.90	Valuation range change	M. Baldelli
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Restated EBITDA margin (**)
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8.2% (a) Intangibles: EUR385.37m, or EUR13 per share. (b) adjusted for capital gains/losses, exceptional restructuring charges, capitalized R&D; EBITA also adjusted for impairment and financial result/tax adjustments (d) including lease principal post FRS 16 (*) In listing currency, with div. reinvested, (**) EBITDAR post FRS16, (1) First application of IFRS 16 its and am. of intangibles from M&A (c) aft

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