# **RELAIS GROUP**

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# **COMPANY REPORT**



## Wheels likely to continue rolling along familiar tracks

Now that Relais' equity-based financing solution is secured, the focus shifts to the appointment of a new CEO, which is expected to occur soon, as well as updated financial targets and strategy. While we estimate that the company's strategy and value creation model will remain unchanged, we believe that the new financial targets will measure value creation more directly than before. We reiterate our target price of EUR 18.5 for this moderately valued stock and our Buy recommendation.

#### Hybrid bond issuance added to our estimates

Relais recently announced the issuance of a 50 MEUR hybrid bond, the proceeds of which will be used primarily to repay the bridge loan taken out in connection with the TVH acquisition. The fixed interest rate of the hybrid bond is set at 7.875% for the next four years, and after the interest adjustment day (09'2029), the interest rate will float. We have included the hybrid loan in our estimates, and we have also reviewed depreciation levels for the coming years after the company published pro forma figures reflecting the more precise effects of the completed acquisitions on Relais' balance sheet. Reflecting these estimate changes, our adjusted earnings per share estimates for the coming years decreased by 4-7%.

#### Leverage at a moderate level

According to our estimates, with the hybrid bond, Relais' net debt (based on Q2'25 figures and excluding IFRS16 liabilities) will decrease to around 110 MEUR, taking into account the Wetteri acquisition, which is also included in our estimates already. This corresponds to around 2.4x of our 2026 EBITA estimate, which is a rather moderate level. Thus, the continuously strengthening financial position through cash flow enables complementary add-on acquisitions even in the short term. However, we estimate that the company will focus on strategy work and integrating the already-announced acquisitions in the short term.

#### Familiar themes and new targets in strategy

Relais' business model for value creation, and thus its current strategy, has largely relied on acquisitions in the Nordic countries and developing its owned businesses. We expect the new strategy to follow this same concept because there is still room for the company to grow in the Nordic countries and its current operations provide a solid foundation for additional acquisitions. Therefore, we do not expect any fundamental changes to the company's strategy. Instead, we believe financial targets will be based on metrics examining value creation and growth rate rather than absolute revenue or earnings metrics. These could include, for example, metrics measuring return on capital or relative annual (earnings) growth. We believe that the board's intention is for the company to appoint a new CEO to replace Ekholm, who is retiring in the spring, before finalizing the strategy and objectives. We anticipate that the CEO selection process, which has been ongoing since spring, will conclude in the near future.

#### Valuation is moderate on multiple measures

According to our forecasts, the adjusted P/E ratios for 2025-2026 are about 13x and 11x, and the corresponding adjusted EV/EBITA multiples are 11x and 10x. In our view, the valuation multiples for next year, which fully reflect the acquisitions made and are therefore more relevant, are quite reasonable and have upside, considering Relais' business operations quality and the company's track record in capital allocation. Relatively, Relais is valued roughly in line with companies engaged in similar operational businesses, whereas compared to serial acquirers, the valuation is at a significant discount. In our opinion, Relais' justified valuation lies somewhere between these two peer groups. Thus, relative valuation supports our view of a moderate valuation level, as does our cash flow model, which is above the current share price.

#### Recommendation

#### Accumulate

(was Accumulate)

#### **Target price:**

**EUR 18.50** 

(was EUR 18.50)

#### **Share price:**

EUR 16.50

#### **Business risk**



#### Valuation risk



2025e

8.6

1.3



2027e

7.0

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2026e

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	2024	20256	20206	20276
Revenue	322.6	382.2	440.8	454.0
growth-%	13%	18%	15%	3%
EBIT adj.	36.1	38.9	45.6	47.1
EBIT-% adj.	11.2 %	10.2 %	10.3 %	10.4 %
Net Income	18.5	18.7	23.4	25.1
EPS (adj.)	1.21	1.27	1.49	1.57
P/E (adj.)	11.4	13.0	11.1	10.5
P/B	2.1	1.7	1.6	1.5
Dividend yield-%	3.6 %	3.2 %	3.3 %	3.5 %
EV/EBIT (adj.)	10.8	13.0	10.9	10.3

2024

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Source: Inderes

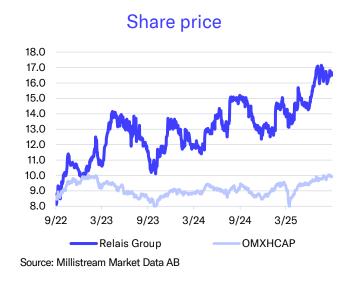
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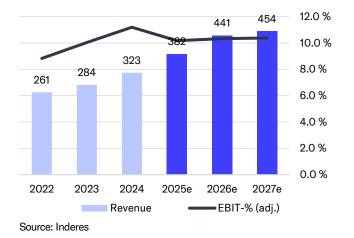
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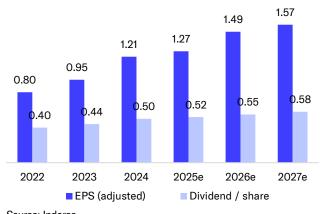
Relais Group does not provide a numeric quidance for the financial year 2025. The company has a long-term financial target published on February 3, 2023, according to which it aims to reach a proforma comparable EBITA of 50 MEUR by the end of the year 2025.



#### Revenue and EBIT-% (adj.)



#### EPS and dividend



Source: Inderes

#### Value drivers

- The stable and defensive market over time is huge relative to Relais' size class
- Plenty of room for consolidation on the fragmented vehicle aftermarket
- Serial consolidator business model's value creation potential and growth strategy is quite good
- Mutual sales synergies of the owned businesses support growth preconditions

#### Risk factors

- Working capital commitment in the wholesale business slows down cash flow
- Typical risks associated with acquisitions
- Long-term risks associated with limited pricing power and competitive situation
- Low liquidity of the stock

Valuation	2025e	<b>2026</b> e	<b>2027</b> e
Share price	16.50	16.50	16.50
Number of shares, millions	18.2	18.3	18.4
Market cap	300	302	303
EV	504	496	484
P/E (adj.)	13.0	11.1	10.5
P/E	16.8	14.9	13.9
P/B	1.7	1.6	1.5
P/S	0.8	0.7	0.7
EV/Sales	1.3	1.1	1.1
EV/EBITDA	8.6	7.4	7.0
EV/EBIT (adj.)	13.0	10.9	10.3
Payout ratio (%)	50.7 %	43.0 %	42.4 %
Dividend yield-%	3.2 %	3.3 %	3.5 %

## **Strategy features familiar themes and new targets**

## Changes in depreciation estimates, hybrid bond included in projections

We have included the hybrid loan to be issued in the coming days in our estimates. This reduced our adjusted EPS forecasts for the coming years because our previous forecasts included corresponding financing in the form of debt at a lower interest rate. In the same context, we reviewed the M&A-related depreciation in the coming years, as the company published pro forma figures for 2024 and H1 of 2025.

## We believe the new strategy includes some familiar themes

In connection with its Q2'25 report, Relais announced that it would publish a new strategy and financial targets later this year. In its current strategy, which will remain in effect briefly, the company has sought to create value by focusing on acquisitions, synergies between its owned

businesses, and operational efficiency. In practice, the company has focused on consolidating the Nordic vehicle aftermarket, which we believe will continue to be its playing field in the future as well. With its current repair workshop operations in Finland, Sweden, and Norway, the company has three platforms offering good opportunities to reallocate capital to targeted (add-on) acquisitions. Additionally, we believe there is also room on the product side for geographical expansion and selective acquisitions that expand the product offering.

## We estimate that economic targets will expand to include additional indicators

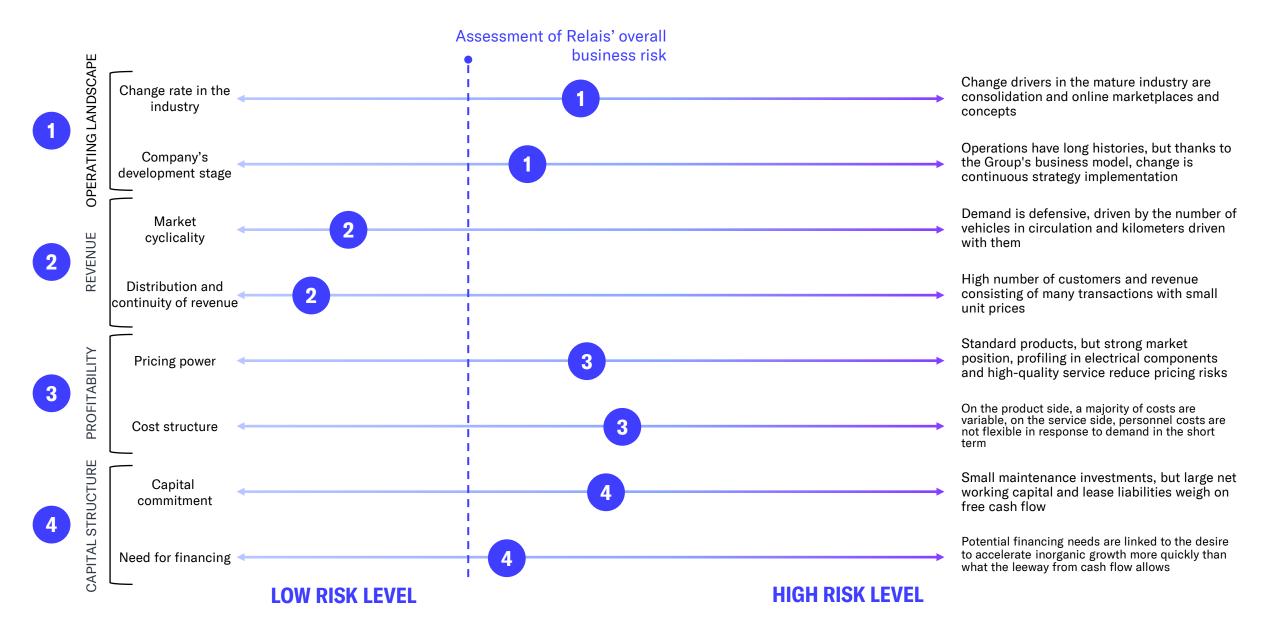
The company's financial target set for the end of the current year is tied to an absolute (comparable pro forma) EBITA level. In our view, targets linked to absolute top- or bottom-line levels are not ideal, as achieving or failing to achieve them does not reflect business value creation and therefore does not serve as a measure of it.

Although Relais has a strong history of creating value, even with this type of target setting, we believe that the new targets will set the level for Relais' return on capital (ROIC/ROCE-%). Furthermore, we believe the company will continue communicating its growth ambitions through its targets, so we expect some kind of relative growth target for revenue and/or earnings to be announced.

In line with the company's business model's capital allocation priorities, we would not be surprised if the company maintained its current or similar dividend policy, which promises a moderate dividend relative to results and thus signals that reallocating capital to business operations is a higher priority.

Estimate revisions MEUR / EUR	2025e Old	2025 New	Change %	2026e Old	2026e New	Change %	2027e Old	2027e New	Change %
Revenue	382	382	0%	441	441	0%	454	454	0%
EBITDA	58.6	58.6	0%	67.2	67.2	0%	68.7	68.7	0%
EBIT (exc. NRIs)	38.9	38.9	0%	45.6	45.6	0%	47.1	47.1	0%
EBIT	35.2	33.6	-4%	41.7	38.6	-7%	43.4	40.1	-8%
PTP	26.0	24.4	-6%	32.6	31.0	-5%	35.0	33.1	-5%
EPS (excl. NRIs)	1.29	1.27	-2%	1.57	1.49	-5%	1.65	1.57	-5%
DPS	0.52	0.52	0%	0.55	0.55	0%	0.58	0.58	0%

## Risk profile of the business model



## **Investment profile**

- Good historical track record in allocating capital to growth
- Significant growth potential in the target market and accumulated experience in M&A
- Flexible cost structure and mainly stable performance history
- Business model consumes funds through working capital and lease obligations, limiting the amount of capital that can be reallocated
- In the long run, the expected return is determined by the success of the capital reallocation

#### **Potential**

- Demand drivers are not susceptible to cyclical fluctuations, so demand is defensive
- If Relais is a successful serial consolidator it has good preconditions to generate ROI that exceeds the cost of equity
- In a large and fragmented market, the number of potential acquisition targets is huge
- Relatively flexible cost structure

#### **Risks**

- The business requires significant inventories that tie up working capital and depress cash flow
- Usual risks associated with the implementation of an inorganic growth strategy
- No identifiable sources of strong and sustainable competitive advantages in the business
- Low liquidity of the share

## **Valuation is moderate on multiple measures**

#### Next year's multiples are not demanding

Acquisitions of significant size that Relais has already made have been fully reflected in the current year's balance sheet, while their impact on earnings will only be fully reflected in next year's earnings projections. Therefore, we believe the 2026 valuation multiples are a more relevant benchmark. Based on 2026 estimates, the EV/EBITA multiple is just over 10x and the corresponding P/E multiple is just over 11x. We believe these multiples are justified for current business operations.

As far as we can tell, the value creation potential of Relais, in line with its business model, consists of two components: These are the existing businesses while the value creation potential of the acquisition strategy is another component. We consider the current valuation to be justified based on current operations alone, and therefore the current valuation does not set any expectations for value creation through capital reallocation. Thus, in our view, the current valuation offers an attractive opportunity for additional purchases in Relais' long-term growth story.

#### Relative valuation supports upside

We apply two peer groups to Relais, one of which consists of companies operating with a similar business model and the other of so-called serial consolidators. The business models of the latter peer group rely especially on value creation through active capital reallocation, which is especially based on successful acquisitions. In our view, it is relevant to compare Relais's valuation to both of these peer groups on a relative basis, as a valuation based solely on operational business does not, in our view, give credit to the company's historical track record of capital allocation

capabilities. Relais is in practice valued in line with the median of key near-term earnings-based valuation multiples of a peer group consisting of international companies operating in the automotive aftermarket. In absolute terms, we believe this peer group is fairly valued, and we believe Relais' valuation is reasonable. Compared to a peer group of serial consolidators, the share is valued at a discount of just above 50% using valuation multiples for the coming years. In our view, Relais should be valued at a discount to its peer group of serial consolidators, as the group has experienced more rapid value creation in recent years, as can be seen in their on average higher returns on capital. In addition, we believe that the valuation multiples of serial consolidators are quite high. We believe Relais should be valued in between its peer groups, so the relative valuation supports our view on the share's upside.

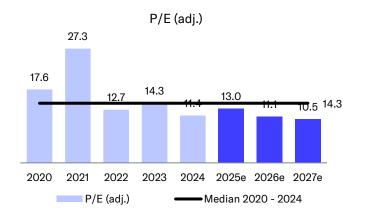
#### **DCF** slightly below target price

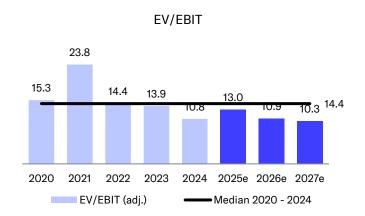
Our DCF model indicates a share value of EUR 17.5. In our view, the cash flow model is well suited for valuing Relais's existing business due to its stable nature, but it does not measure the value creation of capital reallocation. We believe that our cash flow model indicates that the current share valuation does not include expectations of value creation from future arrangements, whereas Relais' historical track record, in our view, to some extent supports relying on this.

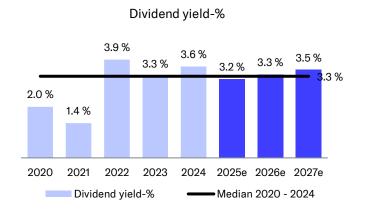
Valuation	<b>2025</b> e	<b>2026</b> e	<b>2027</b> e
Share price	16.50	16.50	16.50
Number of shares, millions	18.2	18.3	18.4
Market cap	300	302	303
EV	504	496	484
P/E (adj.)	13.0	11.1	10.5
P/E	16.8	14.9	13.9
P/B	1.7	1.6	1.5
P/S	0.8	0.7	0.7
EV/Sales	1.3	1.1	1.1
EV/EBITDA	8.6	7.4	7.0
EV/EBIT (adj.)	13.0	10.9	10.3
Payout ratio (%)	50.7 %	43.0 %	42.4 %
Dividend yield-%	3.2 %	3.3 %	3.5 %

## **Valuation table**

Valuation	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	<b>2025</b> e	<b>2026</b> e	<b>2027</b> e	<b>2028</b> e
Share price	14.7	26.0	10.2	13.5	13.7	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50
Number of shares, millions	17.4	17.9	18.1	18.1	18.1	18.2	18.3	18.4	18.4
Market cap	256	466	185	245	248	300	302	303	304
EV	285	613	332	396	390	504	496	484	472
P/E (adj.)	17.6	27.3	12.7	14.3	11.4	13.0	11.1	10.5	10.2
P/E	36.9	32.5	18.4	17.8	13.4	16.8	14.9	13.9	13.3
P/B	3.6	4.5	1.8	2.2	2.1	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.4
P/S	2.0	2.0	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7
EV/Sales	2.2	2.6	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.0
EV/EBITDA	14.9	17.0	9.1	9.1	7.5	8.6	7.4	7.0	6.7
EV/EBIT (adj.)	15.3	23.8	14.4	13.9	10.8	13.0	10.9	10.3	9.9
Payout ratio (%)	75.3 %	44.9 %	72.3 %	58.1 %	48.9 %	50.7 %	43.0 %	42.4 %	42.5 %
Dividend yield-%	2.0 %	1.4 %	3.9 %	3.3 %	3.6 %	3.2 %	3.3 %	3.5 %	3.6 %







## **Peer group valuation (1/2)**

Peer group valuation	Market cap	EV	EV/	EBIT	EV/EI	BITDA	EV	'/S	Р	/E	Dividen	d yield-%	P/B
Company	MEUR	MEUR	2025e	2026e	2025e	2026e	2025e	2026e	2025e	2026e	2025e	2026e	2025e
Inter Cars SA	1890	2638	9.3	8.3	7.8	6.9	0.5	0.5	9.5	8.3	0.3	0.3	1.3
Advance Auto Parts Inc	3057	3171	19.4	12.0	8.4	6.6	0.4	0.4	34.3	21.4	1.7	1.7	1.7
Duell	22	44	22.0	14.7	8.3	6.3	0.4	0.3		47.8			0.4
Auto Partner SA	594	684	8.9	7.4	7.9	6.6	0.6	0.5	12.1	10.2	1.0	1.0	1.8
Genuine Parts Co	16349	20050	14.5	13.3	11.6	10.8	1.0	1.0	18.0	16.4	3.0	3.1	4.0
LKQ Corp	6628	10152	8.9	8.4	7.5	7.1	0.9	0.8	9.7	8.9	4.3	4.6	1.2
O'Reilly Automotive Inc	74611	79379	27.1	24.9	23.7	22.0	5.3	5.0	35.2	31.3			
Autozone Inc	58203	65481	21.0	19.7	18.1	16.9	4.1	3.8	28.0	24.9			
Bapcor Ltd	606	1003	11.4	11.4	7.0	7.0	0.9	0.9	12.8	12.8	36.4	4.4	1.2
Mekonomen AB	423	1053	13.1	10.1	6.8	5.6	0.6	0.6	11.9	7.0	4.1	4.8	0.7
Relais Group (Inderes)	300	504	13.0	10.9	8.6	7.4	1.3	1.1	13.0	11.1	3.2	3.3	1.7
Average			15.6	13.0	10.7	9.6	1.5	1.4	19.1	18.9	7.2	2.8	1.5
Median			13.8	11.7	8.1	7.0	0.7	0.7	12.8	14.6	3.0	3.1	1.3
Diff-% to median			-6%	-7%	6%	6%	78%	56%	1%	-24%	6%	8%	35%

## Peer group valuation (2/2)

Peer group valuation	Market cap	EV	EV/I	EBIT	EV/E	BITDA	EV	'/S	Р	/E	Dividend	yield-%	P/B
Yhtiö	MEUR	MEUR	2025e	2026e	2025e	2026e	2025e	2026e	2025e	2026e	2025e	2026e	2025e
Relais Group OYJ	307	533	14.9	11.7	9.0	7.4	1.4	1.2	15.7	12.3	3.1	3.4	2.4
Indutrade AB	7605	8382	22.5	20.5	16.7	15.5	2.9	2.7	29.2	26.0	1.4	1.5	4.7
Bergman & Beving AB	858	1044	26.3	28.4	15.9	15.8	2.3	2.3	37.7	38.3	1.2	1.2	4.1
Momentum Group AB	727	795	29.8	26.1	19.4	17.4	2.8	2.5	40.1	34.8	0.9	1.1	9.5
Bufab AB	1663	1954	21.9	19.3	16.9	15.2	2.6	2.5	29.4	24.7	1.2	1.3	4.3
Addtech AB	8012	8508	34.2	29.9	25.7	22.6	4.3	3.9	46.2	38.8	1.0	1.1	11.4
Beijer Ref AB	7157	8078	22.6	20.8	18.1	16.8	2.3	2.2	30.9	27.2	1.0	1.1	3.1
Beijer Alma AB	1431	1728	18.2	16.2	13.4	12.2	2.5	2.3	22.3	20.0	1.6	1.7	3.2
Lifco AB (publ)	12579	13507	29.2	26.3	22.1	20.1	5.4	5.0	42.9	37.9	8.0	0.9	7.2
Lagercrantz Group AB	4174	4531	34.7	30.8	24.6	22.7	5.3	4.8	45.1	39.7	1.0	1.1	10.7
Volati AB	888	1168	17.9	14.7	13.1	10.8	1.5	1.4	21.8	15.7	0.7	1.1	3.6
Boreo	51	112	16.0	13.2	9.7	8.6	0.7	0.7	17.4	11.1			1.2
AddLife AB	2097	2531	33.5	28.0	17.1	15.6	2.7	2.5	53.3	37.3	0.7	0.9	4.1
Addnode Group AB (publ)	1371	1475	27.0	22.8	16.6	14.8	2.8	2.7	38.4	31.0	1.1	1.1	5.5
Instalco AB	688	1087	17.2	12.9	9.8	8.1	0.9	0.8	16.1	11.6	2.3	2.7	2.1
Seafire AB (publ)	26	44	19.6	10.9	6.4	5.4	0.5	0.5	13.4	8.8			0.5
Sdiptech AB (publ)	621	621	7.9	7.2	5.5	5.1	1.3	1.2	18.4	12.5			1.4
Fasadgruppen Group AB (publ)	179	383	8.6	6.9	5.3	5.6	0.8	0.7	6.6	4.5	4.9	6.5	0.7
Berner Industrier	111	125	15.6	14.3	10.8	10.4	1.3	1.2	20.8	18.8	2.4	2.7	4.5
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Average			22.7	19.8	15.1	13.8	2.5	2.3	30.2	25.1	1.5	1.7	4.7
Median			22.5	20.5	16.6	15.2	2.5	2.3	29.4	26.0	1.1	1.1	4.1
Diff-% to median			-42%	-47%	-48%	-51%	-47%	-52%	-56%	-57%	187%	192%	-59%

Source: Refinitiv/Inderes. NB! The market value used by Inderes does not take into consideration treasury shares.

## **Income statement**

Income statement	2023	Q1'24	Q2'24	Q3'24	Q4'24	2024	Q1'25	Q2'25	Q3'25e	Q4'25e	<b>2025</b> e	<b>2026</b> e	<b>2027</b> e	2028e
Revenue	284	82.8	74.3	74.9	90.7	323	82.8	82.9	97.4	119	382	441	454	463
Technical Wholesale and Products	192	56.9	48.7	49.5	62.0	217	53.7	51.2	56.7	71.6	233	256	264	269
Maintenance	91.9	25.9	25.6	25.4	28.7	106	29.1	31.7	40.7	47.5	149	184	190	194
EBITDA	43.5	13.5	11.1	13.0	14.3	51.9	13.0	11.8	15.9	18.0	58.6	67.2	68.7	69.9
Depreciation	-18.4	-4.5	-4.5	-4.6	-5.3	-18.9	-4.9	-5.5	-7.3	-7.3	-24.9	-28.6	-28.6	-29.1
EBIT (excl. NRI)	28.6	9.7	7.3	9.1	10.0	36.1	9.0	7.2	10.4	12.4	38.9	45.6	47.1	47.8
EBIT	25.1	9.0	6.6	8.4	9.0	33.0	8.1	6.3	8.6	10.6	33.6	38.6	40.1	40.8
Relais Group	25.1	9.0	6.6	8.4	9.0	33.0	8.1	6.3	8.6	10.6	33.6	38.6	40.1	40.8
Net financial items	-7.4	-3.1	-1.7	-1.9	-2.5	-9.2	-0.6	-4.4	-2.1	-2.1	-9.2	-7.6	-7.0	-6.5
PTP	17.7	5.8	4.9	6.5	6.5	23.8	7.5	1.9	6.5	8.5	24.4	31.0	33.1	34.3
Taxes	-4.0	-2.0	-1.6	-1.9	0.2	-5.2	-1.6	-0.4	-1.4	-1.9	-5.4	-6.7	-7.1	-7.4
Minority interest	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.2	-0.2	-0.4	-0.9	-0.9	-0.9
Net earnings	13.7	3.9	3.3	4.6	6.7	18.5	5.9	1.5	4.9	6.4	18.7	23.4	25.1	26.0
EPS (adj.)	0.95	0.25	0.22	0.30	0.44	1.21	0.37	0.13	0.36	0.41	1.27	1.49	1.57	1.62
EPS (rep.)	0.76	0.21	0.18	0.26	0.37	1.02	0.32	0.08	0.27	0.31	0.98	1.11	1.19	1.24
Key figures	2023	Q1'24	Q2'24	Q3'24	Q4'24	2024	Q1'25	Q2'25	Q3'25e	Q4'25e	<b>2025</b> e	<b>2026</b> e	<b>2027</b> e	<b>2028</b> e
Revenue growth-%	9.0 %	20.0 %	15.8 %	6.6 %	12.0 %	13.5 %	0.1 %	11.6 %	30.1 %	31.3 %	18.5 %	15.3 %	3.0 %	2.0 %
Adjusted EBIT growth-%	24.1 %	28.4 %	52.2 %	8.9 %	27.8 %	26.5 %	-7.4 %	-1.5 %	13.4 %	23.6 %	7.6 %	17.2 %	3.4 %	1.4 %
EBITDA-%	15.3 %	16.3 %	14.9 %	17.4 %	15.8 %	16.1 %	15.7 %	14.2 %	16.3 %	15.1 %	15.3 %	15.2 %	15.1 %	15.1 %
Adjusted EBIT-%	10.0 %	11.7 %	9.8 %	12.2 %	11.0 %	11.2 %	10.8 %	8.7 %	10.6 %	10.4 %	10.2 %	10.3 %	10.4 %	10.3 %
Net earnings-%	4.8 %	4.7 %	4.4 %	6.2 %	7.4 %	5.7 %	7.1 %	1.8 %	5.0 %	5.4 %	4.9 %	5.3 %	5.5 %	5.6 %

Source: Inderes NB! EBIT excluding NRI is the company's reported EBITA

## **Balance sheet**

Assets	2023	2024	<b>2025</b> e	<b>2026</b> e	<b>2027</b> e
Non-current assets	204	196	298	294	290
Goodwill	120	120	152	152	152
Intangible assets	13.1	12.0	35.8	31.0	26.3
Tangible assets	65.8	61.7	108	109	111
Associated companies	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other investments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other non-current assets	0.9	0.9	0.1	0.1	0.1
Deferred tax assets	4.0	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6
Current assets	125	134	169	184	191
Inventories	74.1	83.7	99.4	108	111
Other current assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Receivables	41.4	40.6	53.5	61.7	63.1
Cash and equivalents	9.7	9.6	16.3	14.3	16.7
Balance sheet total	329	330	467	478	481

Liabilities & equity	2023	2024	<b>2025</b> e	<b>2026</b> e	<b>2027</b> e
Equity	111	118	185	196	207
Share capital	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Retained earnings	42.0	52.3	61.1	71.9	83.7
Hybrid bonds	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Revaluation reserve	0.0	0.0	50.0	50.0	50.0
Other equity	68.5	65.2	65.2	65.2	65.2
Minorities	0.0	0.0	8.5	8.5	8.5
Non-current liabilities	144	135	184	174	164
Deferred tax liabilities	5.2	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Provisions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Interest bearing debt	139	131	180	170	160
Convertibles	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other long term liabilities	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Current liabilities	74.3	77.3	97.8	108	110
Interest bearing debt	21.8	19.6	25.0	25.0	25.0
Payables	46.8	53.7	68.8	78.9	80.8
Other current liabilities	5.7	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Balance sheet total	329	330	467	478	481

## **DCF-calculation**

DCF model	2024	<b>2025</b> e	<b>2026</b> e	<b>2027</b> e	<b>2028</b> e	<b>2029</b> e	<b>2030</b> e	<b>2031</b> e	<b>2032</b> e	2033e	2034e	TERM
Revenue growth-%	13.5 %	18.5 %	15.3 %	3.0 %	2.0 %	3.0 %	3.0 %	2.8 %	2.7 %	2.5 %	2.0 %	2.0 %
EBIT-%	10.2 %	8.8 %	8.7 %	8.8 %	8.8 %	10.5 %	10.5 %	10.6 %	10.7 %	10.4 %	10.4 %	10.4 %
EBIT (operating profit)	33.0	33.6	38.6	40.1	40.8	50.1	51.6	53.5	55.5	55.3	56.4	
+ Depreciation	18.9	24.9	28.6	28.6	29.1	27.9	27.4	27.7	27.7	27.8	27.9	
- Paid taxes	-4.0	-5.4	-6.7	-7.1	-7.4	-9.5	-9.8	-10.2	-10.6	-10.6	-10.8	
- Tax, financial expenses	-2.0	-2.0	-1.6	-1.5	-1.4	-1.3	-1.3	-1.3	-1.3	-1.3	-1.3	
+ Tax, financial income	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
- Change in working capital	-3.5	-13.5	-6.7	-2.7	-1.9	-2.9	-2.9	-2.8	-2.8	-2.7	-2.2	
Operating cash flow	42.3	37.7	52.2	57.4	59.2	64.3	65.0	66.9	68.4	68.5	70.0	
+ Change in other long-term liabilities	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
- Gross CAPEX	-13.7	-126	-24.7	-25.3	-26.3	-26.4	-27.5	-27.6	-28.1	-28.4	-28.8	
Free operating cash flow	28.5	-88.5	27.5	32.1	32.9	37.9	37.5	39.3	40.3	40.1	41.2	
+/- Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
FCFF	28.5	-88.5	27.5	32.1	32.9	37.9	37.5	39.3	40.3	40.1	41.2	728
Discounted FCFF		-86.8	25.0	27.1	25.8	27.6	25.3	24.6	23.4	21.6	20.6	364
Sum of FCFF present value		498	585	560	533	507	480	454	430	406	385	364
Enterprise value DCF		498										
- Interest bearing debt		-151										

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+ Cash and cash equivalents

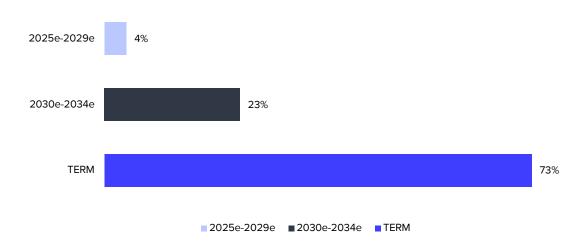
Equity value DCF per share

-Dividend/capital return

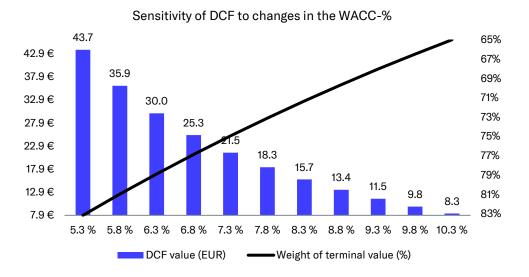
**Equity value DCF** 

Weighted average cost of capital (WACC)	7.8 %
Cost of equity	9.8 %
Risk free interest rate	2.5 %
Liquidity premium	1.4 %
Market risk premium	4.75%
Equity Beta	1.3
Cost of debt	5.0 %
Target debt ratio (D/(D+E)	35.0 %
Tax-% (WACC)	21.5 %
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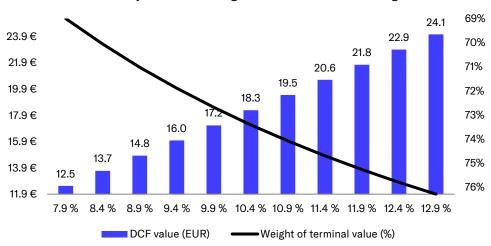
#### Cash flow distribution



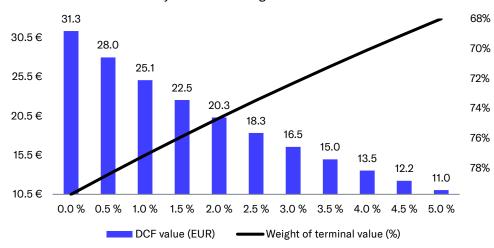
## DCF sensitivity calculations and key assumptions in graphs



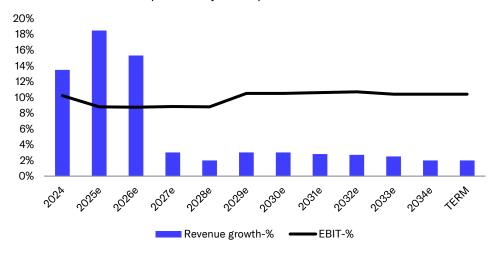
#### Sensitivity of DCF to changes in the terminal EBIT margin



#### Sensitivity of DCF to changes in the risk-free rate



#### Growth and profitability assumptions in the DCF calculation



## **Summary**

Income statement	2022	2023	2024	<b>2025</b> e	<b>2026</b> e	Per share data	2022	2023	2024	<b>2025</b> e	<b>2026</b> e
Revenue	260.7	284.3	322.6	382.2	440.8	EPS (reported)	0.55	0.76	1.02	0.98	1.11
EBITDA	36.6	43.5	51.9	58.6	67.2	EPS (adj.)	0.80	0.95	1.21	1.27	1.49
EBIT	19.7	25.1	33.0	33.6	38.6	OCF / share	1.64	1.82	2.33	2.07	2.85
PTP	13.1	17.7	23.8	24.4	31.0	OFCF / share	0.72	0.50	1.57	-4.86	1.50
Net Income	10.0	13.7	18.5	18.7	23.4	Book value / share	5.73	6.10	6.49	9.69	10.24
Extraordinary items	-3.3	-3.4	-3.1	-5.2	-7.0	Dividend / share	0.40	0.44	0.50	0.52	0.55
Balance sheet	2022	2023	2024	2025e	2026e	Growth and profitability	2022	2023	2024	<b>2025</b> e	<b>2026</b> e
Balance sheet total	312.8	329.1	330.2	466.7	477.6	Revenue growth-%	10%	9%	13%	18%	15%
Equity capital	103.9	110.7	117.6	184.9	195.7	EBITDA growth-%	2%	19%	19%	13%	15%
Goodwill	118.2	120.1	120.1	151.8	151.8	EBIT (adj.) growth-%	-11%	24%	27%	8%	17%
Net debt	147.2	151.0	141.3	188.7	180.7	EPS (adj.) growth-%	-16%	18%	28%	5%	17%
						EBITDA-%	14.0 %	15.3 %	16.1 %	15.3 %	15.2 %
Cash flow	2022	2023	2024	<b>2025</b> e	<b>2026</b> e	EBIT (adj.)-%	8.8 %	10.0 %	11.2 %	10.2 %	10.3 %
EBITDA	36.6	43.5	51.9	58.6	67.2	EBIT-%	7.5 %	8.8 %	10.2 %	8.8 %	8.7 %
Change in working capital	-1.8	-0.3	-3.5	-13.5	-6.7	ROE-%	9.6 %	12.8 %	16.2 %	12.7 %	12.9 %
Operating cash flow	29.8	33.0	42.3	37.7	52.2	ROI-%	7.5 %	9.4 %	12.2 %	10.2 %	9.9 %
CAPEX	-16.1	-24.1	-13.7	-126.2	-24.7	Equity ratio	33.2 %	33.6 %	35.6 %	39.6 %	41.0 %
Free cash flow	13.1	9.0	28.5	-88.5	27.5	Gearing	141.7 %	136.5 %	120.1 %	102.1 %	92.4 %
Valuation multiples	2022	2023	2024	<b>2025</b> e	2026e						
EV/S	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.3	1.1						
EV/EBITDA	9.1	9.1	7.5	8.6	7.4						
EV/EBIT (adj.)	14.4	13.9	10.8	13.0	10.9						
P/E (adj.)	12.7	14.3	11.4	13.0	11.1						
P/B	1.8	2.2	2.1	1.7	1.6						
Dividend-%	3.9 %	3.3 %	3.6 %	3.2 %	3.3 %						
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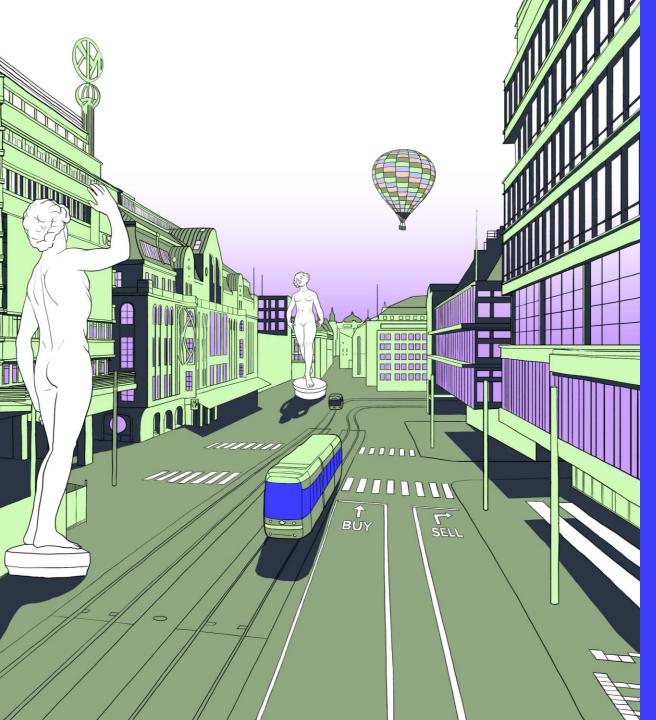
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5/13/2022	Accumulate	20.00 €	18.00€
8/9/2022	Accumulate	14.50 €	13.25 €
8/12/2022	Accumulate	14.00 €	12.20 €
11/9/2022	Buy	13.00 €	10.45 €
11/11/2022	Buy	13.50 €	10.95 €
3/1/2023	Accumulate	13.50 €	11.50 €
3/3/2023	Accumulate	13.50 €	12.50 €
5/5/2023	Accumulate	15.50 €	14.00 €
5/30/2023	Accumulate	15.50 €	13.15 €
8/11/2023	Accumulate	15.50 €	13.15 €
11/3/2023	Buy	15.50 €	11.35 €
3/7/2024	Buy	15.00 €	12.65 €
5/9/2024	Buy	15.00 €	12.50 €
6/5/2024	Buy	15.00 €	12.70 €
8/15/2024	Accumulate	16.50 €	14.45 €
11/8/2024	Accumulate	16.50 €	14.50 €
2/14/2025	Buy	16.50 €	14.10 €
4/8/2025	Buy	16.50 €	13.12 €
5/6/2025	Accumulate	17.00 €	14.45 €
5/14/2025	Accumulate	17.00 €	15.20 €
6/19/2025	Accumulate	17.00 €	14.40 €
8/12/2025	Accumulate	18.50 €	16.55 €
8/15/2025	Accumulate	18.50 €	17.15 €
9/25/2025	Accumulate	18.50 €	16.50 €



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