Price (Eu):

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**FY11 Results** 

Target Price (Eu): 20.70 SECTOR: Industrials

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# 2012: El.En Improving, Cynosure Accelerating

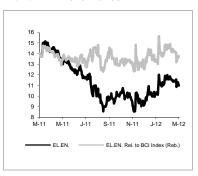
- 4Q11 results for El.En ex-Cynosure: weak financials, strong cash generation. The company posted unchanged revenues YoY at Eu39.7mn (compared to 4.4% growth in 3Q) due to the impact of the economic slowdown in 4Q and clients encountering greater difficulties in gaining financing. EBITDA came to Eu3.2mn, 26.7% lower than our estimate. Pricing pressure in the medical division should have increased in Europe due to low sales volumes. The margin came to 8.1% vs. 11.8% in 4Q10. FY11 closed with net profit of Eu0.7mn, down 67.1% YoY and 9.6% below our forecast. The company has a net cash position of Eu1.8mn from a net debt of Eu3.8mn as at 9M11 due to excellent working capital management in the quarter.
- El.En group result: Cynosure boosted top line, but no margin contribution yet. Group posted sales of Eu63.8mn in 4Q11, up 16.30% YoY; over FY11, sales growth was 11.2% YoY. EBITDA remained basically unchanged at Eu14.0mn. EBIT decreased by 45% YoY to Eu3.0mn, equal to a margin of 1.4% (down 150bps YoY due to higher D&A and risk provisions). The Group posted a pre-tax profit of Eu2.5mn, down from Eu4.7mn in FY10, due to negative changes in the USD/EUR exchange rate. The net cash position decreased to Eu53.0mn from Eu74.9mn at the end of 2010 due to the cash-out at Cynosure for the acquisitions of HOYA ConBio and Eleme Medical. At September, net cash amounted to Eu42.7mn, demonstrating the strong cash generation in 4Q11. Cynosure's results had already been released.
- 2012 guidance looks reasonable. Management stated that within the current economic situation in Europe they expect El.En ex-Cynosure to post growth of around 5% and an improvement in operating income (EBIT). If the economic environment should improve in the coming months, in contrast to what happened in 2011, with a reduction in uncertainty and an increase in the availability of funding for investments, El.En ex-Cynosure could hit the target of 10% revenues growth and income from operations amounting to over 5% of sales.
- Estimates revised upwards due to Cynosure. We are basically leaving our estimates for El.En ex-Cynosure unchanged: we expect sales to grow by 5.5% to Eu145.0mn (former estimate 6.9%) and the EBIT margin to increase from 3.7% in 2010 to 4.9% in 2011 (previously 5.0%). Our new EPS estimates are 2.1% higher for 2012 but 1.5% lower for 2013. The positive changes in our consolidated EPS estimates for 2012 and 2013 mainly come from much higher figures for Cynosure, for which on average we revised our sales and EBIT estimates upwards by 16.5% and 90% in 2012 and 2013 respectively, as a result of the FDA clearance granted for the commercial distribution of Cellulaze in the US. Our new EPS forecasts for Cynosure are 37.4% higher for 2012 and 56.7% for 2013.
- BUY confirmed, target price lifted by 24.6% to Eu20.70. Our new target price, based on an SoP valuation which adds the value of El.En without Cynosure (based on a DCF model) to the market value of El.En's 23.37% stake in Cynosure (listed on NASDAQ), is the result of Cynosure's strong stock performance (+53.0% since our last report dated 16th November 2011). We reiterate our positive stance on the stock as i) El.En should benefit from high exposure to the medical and aesthetic treatment sector, which enjoys sustainable growth drivers; and ii) Cynosure's turnaround, sustained by the acquisitions of Eleme Medical and HOYA ConBio and the marketing of new products, should provide a further boost to Group results. Finally, El.En excluding Cynosure is trading at 7.1x P/E, 2.3x EV/EBIT and 0.11x EV/sales on 2012, demonstrating that the valuation is undemanding.

2010A	2011A	2012E	2013E	2014E
190	211	240	260	279
14	14	23	28	31
1	0	2	3	4
0.269	-0.056	0.460	0.686	0.907
0.269	0.083	0.373	0.643	
0.200	0.000	0.228	0.497	0.497
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Ratios & Multiples	2010A	2011A	2012E	2013E	2014E
P/E	41.3	nm	24.1	16.2	12.3
Div. Yield	1.8%	0.0%	2.1%	4.5%	4.5%
EV/Ebitda	4.6	6.2	3.9	3.1	2.8
ROCE	5.7%	2.7%	8.4%	12.4%	14.3%

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#### EL.EN. - 12m Performance



Eu/USD: 1.39 2011: 1.30 2012/13

**RATING: Unchanged** TARGET PRICE (Eu): from 16.60 to 20.70 2012E 2013E Change in EPS est: +23.8% +6.8%

STOCK DATA

Reuters code: Bloomberg code	:		ELEN.M ELN IM
Performance	1m	3m	12m
Absolute	-6.0%	19.5%	-21.4%
Relative	-5.0%	9.6%	-1.5%
12 months H/L:		15	.14/8.55

SHAREHOLDER DATA	
No. of Ord. shares (mn):	!
Total No. of shares (mn):	!
Mkt Cap Ord (Eu mn):	5
Total Mkt Cap (Eu mn):	5:
Mkt Float - ord (Eu mn):	2!
Mkt Float (in %):	46.3%
Main shareholder:	
Cangioli Andrea	13.5%

BALANCE SHEET DATA	2012
Book value (Eu mn):	97
BVPS (Eu):	20.14
P/BV:	0.5
Net Financial Position (Eu mn):	51
Enterprise value (Eu mn):	88



I KEY FIGURES	5.	2010A	2011A	2012E	2013E	2014
	Fiscal year end	31/12/2010	31/12/2011	31/12/2012	31/12/2013	31/12/201
PROFIT & LOSS (Eu mn)	Sales	190	211	240	260	27
	ebitda ebit	14 5	14 3	23 10	28 15	3
	Financial income (charges)	0	0	0	0	
	Associates & Others	(1)	(1)	(0)	(0)	(
	Pre-tax profit (Loss)	5	2	10	15	
	Taxes	(4)	(3)	(5)	(6)	(
	Tax rate (%)	-90.7%	-111.7%	-45.2%	-42.6%	-42.4
	Minorities & discontinue activities	(1)	0	(3)	(5)	(
	Net profit	1	0	2	3	
	Total extraordinary items	0	0	0	0	
	Ebitda excl. extraordinary items	14	14	23	28	
	Ebit excl. extraordinary items	5	3	10	15	
	Net profit restated	1	(0)	2	3	
PER SHARE DATA (Eu)	Total shares out (mn) - average fd	5	5	5	5	
	EPS stated fd	0.269	-0.056	0.460	0.686	0.9
	EPS restated fd	0.269	-0.056	0.460	0.686	0.9
	BVPS fd	19.940	19.904	20.136	20.325	20.7
	Dividend per share (ord) Dividend per share (sav)	0.200	0.000	0.228	0.497	0.4
	Dividend pay out ratio (%)	76.0%	0.0%	49.6%	72.5%	54.9
CASH FLOW (Eu mn)	Gross cash flow	8	11	14	16	
` '	Change in NWC	(5)	(13)	(9)	(5)	
	Capital expenditure	(6)	(7)	(8)	(8)	
	Other cash items	0	0	0	0	
	Free cash flow (FCF)	(3)	(9)	(2)	3	
	Acquisitions, divestments & others	1	(18)	0	0	
	Dividend	(0)	(1)	0	(1)	
	Equity financing/Buy-back Change in Net Financial Position	(1) 6	0 (22)	0 (2)	0 2	
ALANCE CUEFT (F.,)	Total fixed assets	37	52	55		
BALANCE SHEET (Eu mn)	Net working capital	56	69	78	82	
	Long term liabilities	4	1	(7)	(13)	(1
	Net capital employed	97	122	125	124	1
	Net financial position	75	53	51	53	
	Group equity	172	175	176	177	1
	Minorities	78	79	79	79	
	Net equity	94	96	97	98	1
TERPRISE VALUE (Eu mn)	Average mkt cap - current	53	53	53	53	
	Adjustments (associate & minorities)	(87)	(86)	(86)	(86)	3)
	Net financial position	75	53	51	53	
	Enterprise value	65	86	88	87	
RATIOS(%)	EBITDA margin*	7.5%	6.6%	9.4%	10.7%	10.9
	EBIT margin*	2.9%	1.4%	4.3%	5.9%	6.4
	Gearing - Debt/equity	-43.6%	-30.3%	-28.9%	-29.7%	-31.1
	Interest cover on EBIT	nm	nm	nm	nm	r
	Debt/Ebitda	nm	nm	nm	nm	r
	ROCE* ROE*	5.7%	2.7%	8.4%	12.4%	14.
	EV/CE	1.4% 0.7	-0.3% 0.8	2.3% 0.7	3.4% 0.7	4.4
	EV/Sales	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7	(
	EV/Sales EV/Ebit	12.0	28.9	8.5	5.6	4
	Free Cash Flow Yield	-1.8%	-6.7%	-1.5%	2.1%	3.9
GROWTH RATES (%)	Sales	27.3%	11.2%	13.5%	8.3%	7.
GROWIN KAIES (%)	EBITDA*	nm	-2.4%	61.5%	23.8%	9.4
	EBIT*	nm	-45.0%	248.4%	48.7%	15.0
	Net profit	nm	nm	nm	49.2%	32.1
	EPS restated	nm	nm	nm	49.2%	32.1

Source: Intermonte SIM estimates

# **4Q11 Results**

#### El.En ex Cynosure

The company posted flat revenues YoY at Eu39.7mn (compared to 4.4% growth in 3Q) due to the impact of the economic slowdown in the fourth quarter and clients encountering greater difficulties in gaining financing. EBITDA came to Eu3.2mn, 26.7% lower than our estimate. Pricing pressure in the medical division should have increased in Europe due to low sales volumes. The margin came to 8.1% vs. 11.8% in 4Q10. FY11 closed with net profit of Eu0.7mn, down 67.1% YoY and 9.6% below our forecast. The company has a net cash position of Eu1.8mn from a net debt of Eu3.8mn in 9Q11 due to excellent working capital management in the quarter.

El.En ex Cynosure 4Q11 and FY11 results

(€ mn)	1Q10A	1Q11A	2Q10A	2Q11A	3Q10A	3Q11A	4Q10A	4Q11A	4Q11E	A V E	2010A	2011A	2011E	A V E
Sales	28.4	30.9	35.5	36.4	29.1	30.4	39.6	39.7	40.8	-2.7%	132.6	137.4	138.5	-0.8%
YoY growth %		8.8%		2.7%		4.4%		0.3%	3.1%			3.6%	4.5%	
EBITDA	1.7	2.4	3.9	3.7	3.0	1.5	4.7	3.2	4.4	-26.8%	13.3	10.8	12.0	-9.8%
Ebitda margin %	6.0%	7.8%	11.1%	10.1%	10.4%	5.0%	11.8%	8.1%	10.8%		10.1%	7.9%	8.7%	
YoY growth %		41.7%		-6.7%		-49.7%		-30.8%	-5.6%			-18.8%	-10.0%	
Total D&A	(0.7)	(1.4)	(1.4)	(1.5)	(1.2)	(1.3)	(1.7)	(1.6)	(1.7)		(5.0)	(5.7)	(5.8)	
EBIT	1.0	1.0	2.5	2.2	1.8	0.3	3.0	1.6	2.7	-40.3%	8.4	5.1	6.2	-17.8%
Ebit margin %	3.4%	3.3%	7.2%	6.0%	6.3%	0.9%	7.6%	4.1%	6.7%		6.3%	3.7%	4.5%	
YoY growth %		3.9%		-14.0%		-85.7%		-45.5%	-8.7%			-39.1%	-25.8%	
Net financials & Partecipation	0.1	(1.0)	(0.0)	(0.2)	(1.2)	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.0		(0.7)	(0.3)	(0.7)	
Pretax Profit	1.1	(0.0)	2.5	2.0	0.6	0.8	3.4	2.0	2.7	-27.1%	7.7	4.8	5.5	-13.3%
Taxes											(3.7)	(2.7)	(3.2)	
Minorities											(1.8)	(1.4)	(1.5)	
El.En ex Cynosure Net Profit											2.2	0.7	0.8	-9.8%
Net margin %											1.7%	0.5%	0.6%	
YoY growth %												-67.2%	-61.4%	

Source: Company data and Intermonte Sim

#### Guidance

In the press release management stated: "The outlook for the months ahead is uncertain as never before, for the great general economic instability that is reflected on the expectations of growth of our organization, which in general terms is well-positioned on the individual markets. We expect a growth in turnover and income in the full consolidated financial report, partly due to external growth by Cynosure. Regarding the consolidated financial report drafted without Cynosure, in relation to which guidance has always been provided, within the current economic situation in Europe we expect growth of around 5% and an improvement in operating income. If, conversely to what happened in 2011, the economic environment conditions should improve in the coming months, exiting from the phase of uncertainty and recession and increasing the availability of funding for investments, we could reach the target we have however fixed, 10% growth in revenue and income from operations exceeding 5% of sales."





## Cynosure

The company published positive 4Q11 results, finally reaching break-even after three years of operating losses. In North America Cynosure recorded strong organic growth; in 2012 the roll-out of Cellulaze (cleared by the FDA for commercial distribution in the US in January 2012) should add momentum to sales starting from 2Q12.

Revenues increased 53% YoY to USD34.1mn in 4Q11 from USD22.3mn in 4Q10. ConBio and Eleme Medical acquisitions accounted for about one half of the increase, as the products associated with these transactions are performing well. The acquisition of distribution rights to the PinPointe FootLaser also contributed to top-line growth. North American organic growth was 38% due to an expanded product offering and further improvement in the U.S. lending environment for aesthetic equipment.

Gross profit increased by 40bps to 56.3% due to a favourable product mix and a larger percentage of laser product revenue from North America, where average sales prices tend to be higher. EBIT totaled USD1.4mn, compared with a loss from operations in 4Q10. Net income was USD1.1mn, compared with a net loss in 4Q10.

Cash from operations was equal to USD8.3mn; net cash at December 2011 stands at USD73mn.

Management stated: "With Cellulaze now FDA cleared, we are in the process of establishing several U.S. physician training centers and completing launch preparations. We expect to begin introducing the product in North America by the end of the first quarter, and accelerate production as we move through 2012."

Cynosure FY11 results

Cynosure i	Y I I resuits		
(USD mn)	-	FY10A	FY11A
Sales		81.8	110.6
	YoY growth %		35.3%
EBIT		-5.0	-2.0
	Ebit margin %	-6.2%	-1.8%
	YoY growth %		59.9%
Net Profit		-5.5	-2.9
	Net margin %	-6.8%	-2.6%
	YoY growth %		47.6%

Source: Company data

Cynosure FY11 results

(Eu mn)		FY10A	FY11A
Sales		61.5	79.6
	YoY growth %		29.4%
EBIT		-3.8	-1.5
	Ebit margin %	-6.2%	-1.8%
	YoY growth %		61.6%
Net Profit		-4.2	-2.1
	Net margin %	-6.8%	-2.6%
	YoY growth %		49.9%

Source: Company data

Cynosure FY11 results by quarter

Cynosure	FY11 result	s by quarte	er				
1Q10A	1Q11A	2Q10A	2Q11A	3Q10A	3Q11A	4Q10A	4Q11A
18.9	21.9	21.5	26.3	19.1	28.3	22.3	34.1
	15.9%	 !	22.6%	 !	48.4%		52.6%
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(2.5)	(1.9)	(0.9)	(1.2)	(1.0)	(0.4)	(0.7)	1.5
-13.2%	-8.7%	-4.2%	-4.5%	-5.1%	-1.4%	-3.0%	4.3%
	24.0%	<u> </u>	-32.4%	<u> </u>	60.2%		n.m.
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(2.8)	(1.9)	(1.5)	(1.3)	(0.5)	(0.8)	(8.0)	1.1
-14.8%	-8.7%	-6.9%	-4.9%	-2.4%	-2.8%	-3.6%	3.2%
	32.1%	İ	12.0%		72.2%		n.m.

Source: Company data

Cynosure FY11 results by quarter

1Q10A	1Q11A	2Q10A	2Q11A	3Q10A	3Q11A	4Q10A	4Q11A
13.7	16.0	16.9	18.3	14.7	20.0	16.2	25.3
	17.1%	  -	8.5%		35.7%		55.8%
(1.8)	(1.4)	(0.7)	(0.8)	(0.8)	(0.3)	(0.5)	1.0
-13.2%	-8.7%	-4.2%	-4.5%	-5.1%	-1.4%	-3.2%	4.1%
	23.2%		-17.3%		63.6%		n.m.
(2.0)	(1.4)	(1.2)	(0.9)	(0.4)	(0.6)	(0.6)	0.8
-14.8%	-8.7%	-6.9%	-4.9%	-2.4%	-2.8%	-3.9%	3.0%
	31.4%	i I	22.1%		-57.4%		n.m.

Source: Company data

# **El.En Group**

The El.En Group posted sales of Eu63.8mn in 4Q11, up 16.30% YoY; over FY11, sales growth was 11.2% YoY.

EBITDA remained basically unchanged at Eu14.0mn. EBIT decreased by 45% YoY to Eu3.0mn, equal to a margin of 1.4% (down 150bps YoY due to higher DA and risk provisions).

The Group posted a pre-tax profit of Eu2.5mn, down from a profit of Eu4.7mn in FY10, due to negative changes in the USD/EUR exchange rate.

The Group's net cash position decreased to Eu53.0mn from Eu74.9mn at the end of 2010 due to the cash out at Cynosure for the acquisitions of HOYA ConBio and Eleme Medical. As at the end of September net cash stood at Eu42.7mn, highlighting the strong cash generation in 4Q11.

El.En Group 4Q11 and FY11 results

(€ mn)	1Q10A	1Q11A	2Q10A	2Q11A	3Q10A	3Q11A	4Q10A	4Q11A	2010A	2011A
Sales	41.1	45.3	50.8	52.9	43.1	49.1	54.9	63.8	189.8	211.1
YoY grow	th %	10.4%		4.2%		14.0%		16.3%		11.2%
EBITDA	1.4	2.1	4.2	3.5	3.7	2.2	5.0	6.1	14.3	14.0
Ebitda marg	in % 3.4%	4.7%	8.3%	6.7%	8.5%	4.5%	9.2%	9.6%	7.5%	6.6%
YoY grow	th %	54.7%		-16.3%		-40.2%		21.1%		-2.4%
Total D&A	(1.9)	(2.6)	(2.4)	(2.5)	(2.2)	(2.8)	(2.4)	(3.1)	(8.9)	(11.0)
EBIT	(0.5)	(0.5)	1.9	1.0	1.5	-0.6	2.6	3.0	5.4	3.0
Ebit marg	in % -1.2%	-1.0%	3.7%	1.9%	3.4%	-1.2%	4.7%	4.8%	2.9%	1.4%
YoY grow	th %	-4.5%		-47.1%		n.m.		n.m.		-45.0%
Net financials & Partecipation	s 0.1	(0.8)	(0.4)	(0.2)	(0.9)	0.3	0.4	0.2	(0.7)	(0.5)
Pretax Profit	(0.4)	(1.3)	1.5	0.8	0.6	-0.2	3.0	3.2	4.7	2.5
Taxes									(4.3)	(2.8)
Minorities									(0.8)	0.0
Group Net Profit									1.3	(0.3)
Net marg	in %								0.7%	-0.1%
YoY grow	th %									n.m.

Source: Company data and Intermonte Sim





# **Estimates**

#### El.En ex Cynosure

Sales should be slightly below our previous forecasts in 2012 and 2013 as we reduced the expected growth rate (from 6.9% to 5.5% in 2012). As far as profitability is concerned, we have also revised our EBITDA and EBIT estimates downwards a touch (by 10bps in terms of margins) to take into account some difficulties in the European market for medical and aesthetic treatments which should translate into lower margins due to a certain amount of pricing pressure. Finally, group net profit was basically unchanged due to lower FOREX losses.

El.En ex Cynosure Change in estimates

(€ mn)		2010A	2011A	2012E	2013E	2014E
Sales new		132.6	137.4	145.0	155.0	168.0
Sales old				148.0	160.0	
	% change			-2.0%	-3.1%	
EBITDA new		13.3	10.8	13.1	15.6	17.6
EBITDA old				13.6	16.3	
	% change			-3.8%	-4.1%	
EBIT new		8.4	5.1	7.1	9.3	11.0
EBIT old				7.4	9.8	
	% change			-4.3%	-4.8%	
Pretax Profit new		7.7	4.8	6.7	9.0	10.7
Pretax Profit old				6.7	9.1	
	% change			0.5%	-1.3%	
Group net profit n	new	2.2	0.7	1.9	3.2	4.2
Group Net Profit of	old			1.9	3.2	
	% change			2.1%	-1.5%	

Source: Company data and Intermonte Sim

El.En ex Cynosure P&L

(€ mn)	2007A	2008A	2009A	2010A	2011A	2012E	2013E	2014E	CAGR11-14E
Sales	110.3	140.0	101.8	132.6	137.4	145.0	155.0	168.0	6.9%
YoY growth %		26.9%	-27.3%	30.3%	3.6%	5.5%	6.9%	8.4%	
EBITDA	12.3	18.5	2.3	13.3	10.8	13.1	15.6	17.6	17.6%
Ebitda margin %	11.1%	13.2%	2.2%	10.1%	7.9%	9.0%	10.1%	10.5%	
YoY growth %		50.2%	-87.6%	484.2%	-18.8%	20.9%	19.5%	12.6%	
Total D&A	(2.7)	(4.6)	(3.7)	(5.0)	(5.7)	(6.0)	(6.3)	(6.6)	
EBIT	9.6	13.8	(1.5)	8.4	5.1	7.1	9.3	11.0	29.3%
Ebit margin %	8.7%	9.9%	-1.4%	6.3%	3.7%	4.9%	6.0%	6.5%	
YoY growth %		44.7%	-110.5%	-674.6%	-39.1%	39.0%	31.7%	17.9%	
Net financials & Participations	17.7	(0.1)	(0.6)	(0.7)	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.3)	
Pretax Profit	27.3	13.8	(2.0)	7.7	4.8	6.7	9.0	10.7	30.8%
Taxes	(4.6)	(5.1)	(0.9)	(3.7)	(2.7)	(3.0)	(3.7)	(4.3)	
Minorities	(1.0)	(0.6)	(0.2)	(1.8)	(1.4)	(1.8)	(2.1)	(2.1)	
Group Net Profit	21.6	8.1	(3.1)	2.2	0.7	1.9	3.2	4.2	80.7%
Net margin %	19.6%	5.8%	-3.0%	1.7%	0.5%	1.3%	2.0%	2.5%	
YoY growth %		-62.5%	n.m.	n.m.	-67.3%	169.3%	62.5%	34.8%	

Source: Intermonte Sim

# Cynosure

Following the release of very positive 4Q11 results, we have revised our 2012 and 2013 forecasts for Cynosure significantly upwards to incorporate a better economic and financial environment in the North American market, Cellulaze's significantly upward sales in the US starting from 2Q12 and a good performance abroad due to ConBio and Eleme Medical products. Finally, our new net profit estimates do not incorporate any fiscal benefits that should come from prior losses.

For completeness, we report our estimates in both USD and in EUR.

Cynosure Change in estimates

(€ mn)		2010A	2011A	2012E	2013E	2014E
Sales new		61.5	79.6	104.6	115.4	123.1
Sales old				91.0	97.8	
	% change			15.0%	18.0%	
EBITDA new		1.1	3.9	10.0	13.1	13.8
EBITDA old				6.7	8.8	
	% change			49.3%	48.6%	
EBIT new		(3.8)	(1.5)	3.8	6.9	7.7
EBIT old				1.9	3.8	
	% change			102.4%	82.2%	
Pretax Profit new		(3.8)	(1.5)	3.8	6.9	7.7
Pretax Profit old			1	2.0	3.9	
	% change			92.3%	77.5%	
Group net profit n	ew	(4.2)	(2.1)	1.9	4.2	4.6
Group Net Profit of	old		1	1.4	2.7	
	% change			37.4%	56.7%	

Source: Company data and Intermonte Sim





(€ mn)	2007A	2008A	2009A	2010A	2011A	2012E	2013E	2014E	CAGR11-14E
Sales	90.3	94.5	52.0	61.5	79.6	104.6	115.4	123.1	15.6%
YoY growth 9	6	4.7%	-45.0%	18.3%	29.4%	31.5%	10.3%	6.7%	
EBITDA	14.8	12.1	(8.0)	1.1	3.9	10.0	13.1	13.8	52.8%
Ebitda margin 9	6 16.3%	12.8%	-15.4%	1.8%	4.9%	9.6%	11.3%	11.3%	
YoY growth 9	6	-18.0%	n.m.	n.m.	243.4%	157.4%	30.8%	5.9%	
Total D&A	(2.3)	(3.7)	(4.8)	(4.9)	(5.3)	(6.2)	(6.2)	(6.2)	
EBIT	12.5	8.5	(12.9)	(3.8)	(1.5)	3.8	6.9	7.7	n.m.
Ebit margin 9	6 13.8%	9.0%	-24.7%	-6.2%	-1.8%	3.7%	6.0%	6.3%	
YoY growth 9	6	-31.7%	n.m.	75.0%	70.4%	n.m.	80.0%	11.1%	
Net financials & Participations	2.3	1.7	0.8	(0.0)	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Pretax Profit	14.8	10.1	(12.1)	(3.8)	(1.5)	3.8	6.9	7.7	n.m.
Taxes	(6.0)	(3.2)	(2.6)	(0.3)	(0.6)	(1.5)	(2.7)	(3.1)	
Minorities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Group Net Profit	8.7	6.9	(14.7)	(4.2)	(2.1)	1.9	4.2	4.6	n.m.
Net margin 9	6 9.7%	7.3%	-28.3%	-6.8%	-2.6%	1.8%	3.7%	3.8%	
YoY growth 9	6	-20.4%	n.m.	75.9%	61.4%	n.m.	120.0%	9.1%	

Source: Company data and Intermonte Sim

Cynosure	P&L
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(USD mn)		2007A	2008A	2009A	2010A	2011A	2012E	2013E	2014E	CAGR11-14E
Sales		123.8	139.0	72.5	81.5	110.6	136.0	150.0	160.0	13.1%
	YoY growth %		12.3%	-47.8%	12.4%	35.7%	23.0%	10.3%	6.7%	
EBITDA		20.2	17.8	(11.1)	1.5	5.4	13.0	17.0	18.0	49.4%
	Ebitda margin %	16.3%	12.8%	-15.4%	1.8%	4.9%	9.6%	11.3%	11.3%	
	YoY growth %		-12.0%	n.m.	n.m.	260.0%	140.7%	30.8%	5.9%	
Total D&A		(3.2)	(5.4)	(6.8)	(6.5)	(7.4)	(8.0)	(8.0)	(8.0)	
EBIT		17.1	12.5	(17.9)	(5.0)	(2.0)	5.0	9.0	10.0	n.m.
	Ebit margin %	13.8%	9.0%	-24.7%	-6.2%	-1.8%	3.7%	6.0%	6.3%	
	YoY growth %		-26.7%	n.m.	71.9%	59.9%	n.m.	80.0%	11.1%	
Net financia	als & Participations	3.2	2.5	1.1	(0.1)	(0.1)	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Pretax Profit	<b>.</b>	20.2	14.9	(16.8)	(5.1)	(2.1)	5.0	9.0	10.0	n.m.
Taxes		(8.3)	(4.8)	(3.7)	(0.4)	(0.8)	(2.0)	(3.5)	(4.0)	
Minorities		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Group Net F	Profit	12.0	10.2	(20.5)	(5.5)	(2.9)	2.5	5.5	6.0	n.m.
	Net margin %	9.7%	7.3%	-28.3%	-6.8%	-2.6%	1.8%	3.7%	3.8%	
	YoY growth %		-14.6%	n.m.	73.0%	47.6%	n.m.	120.0%	9.1%	

USD/EUR 1.37 1.47 1.39 1.33 1.39 1.30 1.30 1.30

# **El.En Group**

Our estimates for the El.En Group are the result of a combination of El.En ex-Cynosure and new forecasts for Cynosure, net of some consolidation effects.

We are assuming a USD/EUR exchange rate of 1.30, both in 2012 and 2013.

El.En Group Change in estimates

(€ mn)		2010A	2011A	2012E	2013E	2014E
Sales new		189.8	211.1	239.6	259.6	279.4
Sales old				229.4	247.5	
	% change			4.5%	4.9%	
EBITDA new		14.3	14.0	22.5	27.9	30.5
EBITDA old				19.8	24.5	
	% change			13.8%	13.8%	
EBIT new		5.4	3.0	10.4	15.4	17.8
EBIT old				8.8	13.0	
	% change			18.0%	18.8%	
Pretax Profit new		4.7	2.5	10.0	15.1	17.4
Pretax Profit old				8.2	12.4	
	% change			22.4%	21.7%	
Group net profit new		1.3	(0.3)	2.2	3.3	4.4
Group Net Profit old				1.8	3.1	
	% change			23.3%	6.8%	

Source: Company data and Intermonte Sim

El.En Group P&L CONSOLIDATED

(€ mn)	2007A	2008A	2009A	2010A	2011A	2012E	2013E	2014E	CAGR11-14E
Sales	193.4	221.7	149.1	189.8	211.1	239.6	259.6	279.4	9.8%
YoY growth %		14.6%	-32.7%	27.3%	11.2%	13.5%	8.3%	7.7%	
EBITDA	26.3	28.8	(4.0)	14.3	14.0	22.5	27.9	30.5	29.8%
Ebitda margin %	13.6%	13.0%	-2.7%	7.5%	6.6%	9.4%	10.7%	10.9%	
YoY growth %		9.4%	n.m.	n.m.	-2.4%	61.5%	23.8%	9.4%	
Total D&A	(5.0)	(8.3)	(8.6)	(8.9)	(11.0)	(12.2)	(12.5)	(12.8)	
EBIT	21.3	20.6	(12.6)	5.4	3.0	10.4	15.4	17.8	81.3%
Ebit margin %	11.0%	9.3%	-8.4%	2.9%	1.4%	4.3%	5.9%	6.4%	
YoY growth %		-3.5%	n.m.	n.m.	-45.0%	248.4%	48.7%	15.0%	
Net financials & Participati	14.1	1.5	0.3	(0.7)	(0.5)	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.3)	
Pretax Profit	35.4	22.1	(12.3)	4.7	2.5	10.0	15.1	17.4	91.9%
Taxes	(10.5)	(7.9)	(4.1)	(4.3)	(2.8)	(4.5)	(6.4)	(7.4)	
Minorities	(7.3)	(5.9)	11.1	0.8	0.0	(3.3)	(5.4)	(5.7)	
Group Net Profit	17.7	8.3	(5.3)	1.3	(0.3)	2.2	3.3	4.4	n.m.
Net margin %	9.1%	3.8%	-3.5%	0.7%	-0.1%	0.9%	1.3%	1.6%	
YoY growth %		-52.8%	n.m.	n.m.	-121.4%	n.m.	49.2%	32.1%	

Source: Company data and Intermonte Sim





# **Valuation**

#### SOP

For our valuation of the El.En Group, we have used a sum of the parts (SoP) model, adding together the value of El.En without Cynosure (based on a discounted cash flow model) to the market value of El.En's 23.37% stake in Cynosure (listed on NASDAQ, ticker CYNO US). Our new target price of Eu20.7, 24.6% higher than in our last note dated 16<sup>th</sup> November 2011, is the result of a greater equity value being attached to El.En ex-Cynosure (+11.9% due to a lower risk free rate, now at 5.0%) combined with a much higher equity value for Cynosure (+53.0%).

El.En Group - SOP (€ mn)

	Method	€mn∄p	er share	previous (16-11-2011)	change
El.En ex Cynosure	DCF	59.9	12.4	11.1	11.9%
El.En stake in Cynosure (23.37%)	market value	39.9	8.3	5.4	53.0%
Total Equity Value		99.8	20.7	16.6	24.6%
El.En Share Price			11.1	9.9	12.1%
potential upside			86.3%	67.7%	

Source: Intermonte Sim

## **DCF**

Once we restate El.En's EV for the value of its stake in Cynosure (Eu39.9mn based on market prices) we can see that El.En ex-Cynosure is trading at really undemanding multiples, even at our DCF fair value.

El.En ex Cynosure multiples at our DCF fair value

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
P/E	27.2	83.2	30.9	19.0	14.1
EV/Sales	0.44	0.42	0.40	0.37	0.35
EV/Ebitda	4.4	5.4	4.4	3.7	3.3
EV/Ebit	7.0	11.4	8.2	6.2	5.3

Source: Intermonte Sim

El.En ex Cynosure multiples at current market price

		2012	2013	2014
17.6	19.0	7.1	4.4	3.2
0.22	0.09	0.11	0.10	0.08
2.2	1.1	1.2	1.0	0.8
3.4	2.3	2.3	1.7	1.2
	0.22	0.22 0.09 2.2 1.1 3.4 2.3	0.22       0.09       0.11         2.2       1.1       1.2         3.4       2.3       2.3	0.22       0.09       0.11       0.10         2.2       1.1       1.2       1.0         3.4       2.3       2.3       1.7

Source: Intermonte Sim

# **Multiples**

As a sanity check, we have compared multiples for El.En and Cynosure with those of peer groups made up respectively of companies operating in the industrial lasers and medical lasers sector. As shown in the table, El.En ex Cynosure is trading at a huge discount to peers. Cynosure is trading now bang in line to its US medical peers based on P/Sales and on P/BV.

El.En - Industrial peer comparison

Company	EV/Sales		EV/EBITDA		EV/EBIT		P/E			P/BV					
	2011	2012	2013	2011	2012	2013	2011	2012	2013	2011	2012	2013	2011	2012	2013
Rofin Sinar	1.1x	1.1x	0.9x	5.6x	7.4x	5.6x	6.5x	9.6x	6.8x	12.2x	17.4x	13.2x	1.5x	1.4x	1.3x
Cymer	2.0x	2.0x	1.5x	10.4x	12.4x	7.6x	12.4x	15.6x	9.8x	18.2x	28.1x	15.9x	2.0x	2.0x	2.2x
Amada	0.8x	0.8x	0.8x	7.5x	7.6x	6.5x	12.9x	12.7x	10.9x	35.3x	22.3x	19.2x	0.5x	0.6x	0.6x
Coherent	1.4x	1.4x	1.2x	6.6x	7.2x	5.8x	8.6x	9.2x	7.1x	16.5x	15.8x	13.2x	2.3x	2.1x	1.9x
GSI	0.7x	0.7x	0.5x				8.9x	16.7x	4.3x	23.5x	47.8x	14.3x			
Prima Industrie	0.6x	0.6x	0.6x	8.6x	6.9x	5.7x	15.5x	10.1x	7.9x	46.3x	10.3x	7.8x	1.1x	1.0x	0.9x
Mean	1.1x	1.1x	0.9x	7.7x	8.3x	6.2x	10.8x	12.3x	7.8x	25.3x	23.6x	13.9x	1.5x	1.4x	1.4x
Median	0.9x	0.9x	0.9x	7.5x	7.4x	5.8x	10.7x	11.4x	7.5x	20.9x	19.8x	13.7x	1.5x	1.4x	1.3x
El.En ex Cynosure*	0.1x	0.1x	0.1x	1.1x	1.2x	1.0x	2.3x	2.3x	1.7x	19.0x	7.1x	4.4x	0.2x	0.2x	0.2x
El.En Group*	0.4x	0.4x	0.3x	6.2x	3.9x	3.1x	29.1x	8.6x	5.6x	n.m.	16.2x	12.3x	0.5x	0.5x	0.5x

Source: Factset data and (\*) Intermonte SIM estimates

El.En - Medical peer comparison

Company	P/S	ales	P/BV		
	2011	2012	2011	2012	
Syneron	1.8x	1.6x	1.6x	1.5x	
Palomar	2.8x	2.4x		1.3x	
Cutera	2.1x	1.9x			
Biolase	2.0x	1.4x			
Solta Medical	1.3x	1.1x	1.5x	1.5x	
Mean	2.0x	1.7x	1.6x	1.4x	
Median	2.0x	1.6x	1.6x	1.5x	
Cynosure*	2.1x	1.7x	1.7x	1.6x	

Source: Factset data and (\*) Intermonte SIM estimates





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