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El.En.

Italy/Industrial Engineering

Buy	
Recommendation unchanged	
Share price: EUR	11.49
closing price as of 27/08/2010	
Target price: EUR	15.50
Target Price unchanged	
Reuters/Bloomberg	ELEN.MI/ELN IM
Market capitalisation (EURm)	55
Current N° of shares (m)	5
Free float	47%
Daily avg. no. trad. sh. 12 mth	6,893
Daily avg. trad. vol. 12 mth (m)	0
Price high 12 mth (EUR)	14.77
Price low 12 mth (EUR)	10.68
Abs. perf. 1 mth	0.79%
Abs. perf. 3 mth	-1.03%
Abs. perf. 12 mth	0.35%

Key financials (EUR)	12/09	12/10e	12/11e
Sales (m)	149	157	173
EBITDA (m)	(4)	7	15
EBITDA margin	nm	4.6%	8.4%
EBIT (m)	(13)	(2)	5
EBIT margin	nm	nm	3.0%
Net Profit (adj.)(m)	3	(1)	3
ROCE	-8.5%	-1.2%	3.3%
Net debt/(cash) (m)	(69)	(67)	(67)
Net Debt/Equity	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4
Debt/EBITDA	17.1	-9.3	-4.6
Int. cover(EBITDA/Fin. int	15.1	(31.0)	(48.4)
EV/Sales	0.3	0.3	0.2
EV/EBITDA	nm	5.8	2.9
EV/EBITDA (adj.)	nm	5.8	2.9
EV/EBIT	nm	nm	8.2
P/E (adj.)	nm	nm	20.5
P/BV	0.6	0.6	0.6
OpFCF yield	10.8%	31.5%	15.0%
Dividend yield	0.0%	0.3%	0.4%
EPS (adj.)	(1.09)	(0.13)	0.56
BVPS	18.71	18.58	19.10
DPS	0.00	0.04	0.04



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H1 10 results above our estimates

The facts: El.En. published its H1 10 results last Friday.

H1 10 El.En group consolidated results: H1 10 sales were up by 26.6% Y/Y (higher than our forecast of +18.0%); this increase was due to the signs of recovery of the demand for "capital goods". Thanks to the process of operating cost reduction realised by the management, even though the investments and the expense in R&D were maintained, the group succeeded to strongly reduce its break-even point and realize a positive EBITDA of EUR 5.6m (higher than our forecast of EUR 5.0m))and a positive EBIT of EUR 1.4m which showed a strong improvement compared to the negative performance in H1 09 (EUR -9.0m).

EL.EN GROUP: H1 10 CONSOLIDATE results

	H1 09a	H1 10a	%Chg.
Sales	72.6	91.9	+26.6%
EBITDA	(4.5)	5.6	n.m.
Margin %	n.m.	6.1%	

Source: Company Data

H1 10 EI.En group excluding Cynosure estimates: H1 10 consolidated results, excluding Cynosure, were better compared to the fully consolidated results thanks to a structure of the European companies that resulted to be more flexible than Cynosure's structure. The group registered a higher increase in revenues and thanks to a lower impact from fixed costs on revenues, EBIT margin of 5.5% was higher than 1.5% marked by the fully consolidates financials.

EL.EN GROUP: H1 10 EXCLUDING CYNOSURE results

	H1 09a	H1 10a	%Chg.
Sales	49.0	63.8	+30.3%
EBIT	(1.9)	3.5	n.m.
Margin %	n.m.	5.5%	

Source: Company Data

H1 10 CYNOSURE results (EUR m)

	H1 09a	H1 10a	%Chg.
Sales	11.3	30.4	+13.7%
EBIT	(5.5)	(1.9)	n.m.
Margin %	n.m.	n.m.	

Source: Company Data

Positive FY 10 outlook: based on H1 results higher than the internal budget and on the current visibility on the H2 10, the management confirmed an expected good FY 10 sales growth and FY 10 EBIT margin in line with H1 10 EBIT margin of 1.5%, so decidedly *higher than our estimates* (FY 10e EBIT of EUR -2m).

Based on the H1 result trend higher than expected and on the foregoing management outlook, if Q3 results will show a further positive performance, I can not rule out the need of revising upward our FY 10 estimates.

Conclusion & Action: we maintain our FY 10 estimates and we confirm our Buy recommendation and our target price of EUR 15.50 per share.

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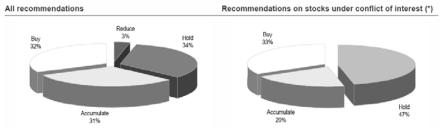
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