(SDAX, Technology, BSL GR)



Buy eur 39.00		Value Indicators: DCF: FCF-Value Potential 25e: Peer group:	39.59 20.91	Warburg ESG Risk Score: ESG Score (MSCI based): Balance Sheet Score: Market Liquidity Score:	2.7 3.0 4.0 1.0	Description: B2B digital cameras for applisuch as factory, medical, trafretail.	
		Market Snapshot:	EUR m	Shareholders:		Key Figures (WRe):	2023e
		Market cap:	623.0	Freefloat	38.00 %	Beta:	1.1
Price	EUR 20.85	No. of shares (m):	29.9	Norbert Basler	53.00 %	Price / Book:	4.1 x
Upside	87.1 %	EV:	653.9	Treasury shares	5.00 %	Equity Ratio:	58 %
		Freefloat MC:	236.7	Dr. Ley (CEO)	4.00 %	Net Fin. Debt / EBITDA:	0.7 x
		Ø Trad. Vol. (30d):	305.12 th	Invesco	6.00 %	Net Debt / EBITDA:	0.8 x

Demand from the semi and electronics industry remains weak

Stated Figure	es Q1/2	023:						Comment on Figures:
FY End: 31.12. in EUR m	Q1 23	Q1 23e	Q1 22	уоу	23e	22	уоу	 Sales declined mainly due to a cyclical lull in demand from the ser electronics industry
Sales EBT Margin EPS	56.3 -1.6 -2.8 % -0.07	58.4 -0.1 -0.2 % 0.00	66.3 9.2 13.9 % 0.23	-15 % n.a. n.a.	264.2 19.8 7.5 % 0.48	272.2 28.3 10.4 % 0.71	-3 % -30 % -32 %	 Teething troubles after the S4/Hana roll-out delayed a delivery volu approx. EUR 3m The gross margin was still burdened by inflated spot prices EBIT margin suffered from lower sales and last year's headcount incomesting to the second se

Basler published its Q1 results and confirmed the guidance for the full year (sales EUR 235-265m, EBT margin 5-8%). Sales decreased by 15% yoy to EUR 56.3m, which was slightly below our expectation (WRe EUR 58.4m). The decline was mainly driven by low demand from the customer segments semi and electronics industry as well as logistics. As a result, sales in Asia and the Americas dropped by a quarter, while revenues in Europe increased by approx. 15%. In addition, there were some teething troubles with the S4/Hana roll-out in December, which delayed a delivery volume of approx. EUR 3m, originally planned for Q1.

The gross margin was down from 50.2% to 44.6% due to inflated spot prices from some critical components and the recent RMB weakness. The EBT fell from EUR 9.2m in Q1 22 to EUR -1.6, which was again slightly below our estimate (WRe EUR -0.1m). This was mainly a result of the lower sales volume and an increased headcount. The operating cash flow improved from EUR -5.1m last year to EUR -3.3m, mainly due to the significant increase in inventories and accounts receivable last year. However, inventories still grew by 4.4m in the first quarter as a result of the long delivery time of non-cancelable component orders placed during the shortages.

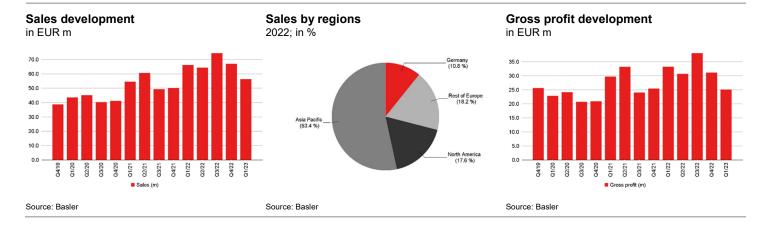
The order intake of EUR 54.1m was significantly below the extraordinarily strong figure of the previous year (Q1 22 EUR 88.5m) but improved compared to the last quarter (Q4 22 EUR 38.7m). At the same time cancelations reached a peak at EUR 13.3m. For the second quarter, we expect some improvement. While the revenue should remain low, cost-cutting measures were implemented that are reducing fixed costs in second quarter by approx. EUR 2m (WRe) compared to Q1. Moreover, the cancelations should decline since the remaining order backlog contains almost no orders from the overheated market phase. We also expect a positive development in the second half of the year. Seasonally, H2 has a higher share of business with automotive and general industry, where there is still rather robust demand as indicated by the solid 15% growth in Europe and a growth rate of 25% in Germany. This should also lead to an acceleration of the order momentum towards the end of Q2, although we are still expecting order intake to be below the previous year's figure of EUR 70.8m.

Against this background, we still expect Basler to reach its confirmed targets at the upper end. Q2 should show some improvement compared to the first quarter, but development throughout the year should be very H2-heavy. With a recovery of the semi and electronics industry next year, Basler should be able to return to its 15% CAGR next year and come close to its 2024 goal of EUR 400m in sales without taking smaller acquisitions into account. Considering the strong mid-term prospect, we maintain our estimates, our target price and our Buy recommendation.

37.5	FY End: 31.12. in EUR m	CAGR (22-25e)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
35 - M	Sales	13.0 %	162.0	170.5	214.7	272.2	264.2	319.7	392.5
32.5 - I'm	Change Sales yoy		8.0 %	5.2 %	26.0 %	26.8 %	-2.9 %	21.0 %	22.8 %
30 the month month of	Gross profit margin		50.9 %	52.0 %	52.4 %	48.9 %	50.9 %	51.5 %	51.8 %
man and a man a man	EBITDA	18.4 %	30.0	34.6	44.5	45.8	40.7	60.2	75.9
27.5 MY M M	Margin		18.5 %	20.3 %	20.7 %	16.8 %	15.4 %	18.8 %	19.3 %
25 -	EBIT	20.5 %	17.0	20.1	28.4	28.9	20.6	36.9	50.6
22.5 - VV	n Margin		10.5 %	11.8 %	13.2 %	10.6 %	7.8 %	11.6 %	12.9 %
20 -	EBT		16.9	20.4	28.0	28.3	19.8	36.1	49.8
	Margin		10.4 %	12.0 %	13.0 %	10.4 %	7.5 %	11.3 %	12.7 %
07/22 09/22 11/22 01/23 03/23	05/23 Net income	18.9 %	12.9	15.1	20.8	21.4	14.2	26.0	35.9
Basler — SDAX (normalised)	EPS	19.1 %	0.43	0.50	0.69	0.71	0.48	0.87	1.20
Rel. Performance vs SDAX:	DPS	37.0 %	0.09	0.19	0.21	0.14	0.14	0.26	0.36
	Dividend Yield		0.6 %	1.1 %	0.5 %	0.4 %	0.7 %	1.3 %	1.8 %
1 month: -10.	^{7%} FCFPS		-0.32	0.46	0.32	-0.59	0.91	0.64	0.79
6 months: -47.	2 % FCF / Market cap		-2.1 %	2.6 %	0.8 %	-1.8 %	4.4 %	9.2 %	12.1 %
Year to date: -43.	4 % EV / Sales		3.0 x	3.2 x	5.5 x	3.7 x	2.5 x	0.7 x	0.5 x
Trailing 12 months: -38.	6 % EV / EBITDA		16.1 x	15.6 x	26.5 x	22.3 x	16.1 x	3.8 x	2.6 x
<u> </u>	EV / EBIT		28.4 x	26.9 x	41.7 x	35.2 x	31.8 x	6.1 x	3.8 x
Company events:	P/E		36.4 x	36.1 x	57.2 x	45.6 x	43.4 x	24.0 x	16.4 x
26.05.23 A	GM FCF Potential Yield		4.3 %	4.6 %	2.5 %	3.1 %	4.2 %	17.9 %	25.9 %
10.08.23	Q2 ROE		14.4 %	13.9 %	17.0 %	15.8 %	9.8 %	16.2 %	19.1 %
08.11.23	Q3 ROCE (NOPAT)		12.7 %	12.8 %	17.3 %	13.5 %	7.9 %	14.4 %	18.7 %
	Guidance:	Sales EUR 23	5-265m, EB1	۲ margin 5-8	6				

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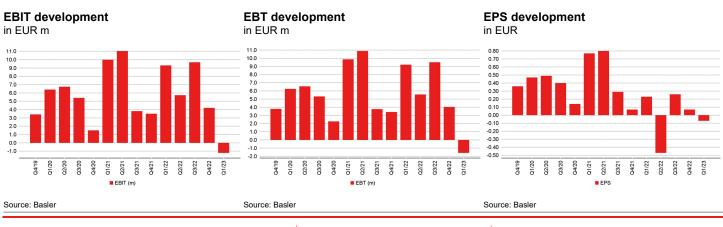


Company Background

- Basler is a full-line supplier of camera solutions for production, medical applications, traffic control or retail.
- Basler focuses on the mainstream and entry-level market segments.
- Customers are mainly OEMs. The customer base is well diversified and no single customer accounts for more than 10% of revenue. Almost 80% of revenues are direct sales.

Competitive Quality

- In terms of units Basler is the world's largest developer and manufacturer of digital cameras in a fragmented, but consolidating, market for digital cameras for B2B-applications.
- High level of vision technology expertise: Basler has one of the largest developer pools in the sector and differentiates itself with camera software competence, which accounts for more than 50% of the value creation.
- State-of-the-art product portfolio: Basler is among the first movers in digital cameras based on GigE Vision and the USB3 Vision standard. It is also an early adopter of new sensor technology.
- High service and consulting quality through direct sales and Basler's network of specialised distributors.
- Basler is present in the most important markets for vision technology in South East Asia, Europe and the US.





DCF model														
	Detaile	d forecas	t period				٦	ransition	al period					Term. Value
Figures in EUR m	2023e	2024e	2025e	2026e	2027e	2028e	2029e	2030e	2031e	2032e	2033e	2034e	2035e	
Sales	264.2	319.7	392.5	452.6	520.3	596.4	681.8	777.2	883.6	1,001.9	1,133.1	1,278.2	1,441.8	
Sales change	-2.9 %	21.0 %	22.8 %	15.3 %	15.0 %	14.6 %	14.3 %	14.0 %	13.7 %	13.4 %	13.1 %	12.8 %	12.8 %	2.5 %
EBIT	20.6	36.9	50.6	57.5	65.6	74.6	85.2	97.1	110.4	125.2	145.0	159.8	180.2	
EBIT-margin	7.8 %	11.6 %	12.9 %	12.7 %	12.6 %	12.5 %	12.5 %	12.5 %	12.5 %	12.5 %	12.8 %	12.5 %	12.5 %	
Tax rate (EBT)	28.0 %	28.0 %	28.0 %	28.0 %	28.0 %	28.0 %	28.0 %	28.0 %	28.0 %	28.0 %	28.0 %	28.0 %	28.0 %	
NOPAT	14.8	26.6	36.4	41.4	47.2	53.7	61.4	69.9	79.5	90.2	104.4	115.0	129.8	
Depreciation	20.1	23.3	25.3	30.8	33.8	38.8	44.3	50.5	57.4	65.1	73.6	83.1	93.7	
in % of Sales	7.6 %	7.3 %	6.4 %	6.8 %	6.5 %	6.5 %	6.5 %	6.5 %	6.5 %	6.5 %	6.5 %	6.5 %	6.5 %	
Changes in provisions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	
Change in Liquidity from														
- Working Capital	-16.3	3.2	9.2	9.6	10.6	12.9	14.5	16.2	18.1	20.1	22.3	24.7	27.8	
- Capex	24.0	27.5	28.8	31.7	35.9	40.6	45.0	50.5	57.4	65.1	73.6	83.1	93.7	
Capex in % of Sales	9.1 %	8.6 %	7.3 %	7.0 %	6.9 %	6.8 %	6.6 %	6.5 %	6.5 %	6.5 %	6.5 %	6.5 %	6.5 %	
- Other	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Free Cash Flow (WACC Model)	26.2	18.2	22.8	31.1	34.8	39.3	46.6	54.2	62.0	70.6	82.8	91.1	102.8	127
PV of FCF	25.2	16.2	18.8	23.7	24.6	25.7	28.2	30.3	32.1	33.8	36.7	37.3	39.0	867
share of PVs		4.86 %						25.14	4 %					69.99 %
Model parameter							Valuat	on (m)						
Derivation of WACC:			Derivation	of Beta:			Presen	t values 20	035e	37	72			
							Termin	al Value		86	67			
Debt ratio	8.00 %		Financial S	Strength		0.90	Financi	al liabilitie	s	7	79			
Cost of debt (after tax)	2.1 %		Liquidity (s	hare)		1.20	Pensio	n liabilities	i		2			
Market return	8.25 %		Cyclicality			1.30	Hybrid	capital			0			
Risk free rate	2.75 %		Transpare	ncy		1.00	Minorit	y interest			0			
			Others			0.90	Market	val. of inv	estments		0			
							Liquidit	у		2	26	No. of sha	ares (m)	29.9
WACC	8.06 %		Beta			1.06	Equity	Value		1,18	33	Value per	r share (E	UR) 39.59

Sensitivity Value per Share (EUR)

		Terminal (Growth								Delta EBIT	-margin					
Beta	WACC	1.75 %	2.00 %	2.25 %	2.50 %	2.75 %	3.00 %	3.25 %	Beta	WACC	-1.5 pp	-1.0 pp	-0.5 pp	+0.0 pp	+0.5 pp	+1.0 pp	+1.5 pp
1.26	9.1 %	29.45	30.14	30.89	31.69	32.56	33.50	34.52	1.26	9.1 %	27.14	28.66	30.18	31.69	33.21	34.73	36.25
1.16	8.6 %	32.53	33.38	34.30	35.30	36.38	37.56	38.84	1.16	8.6 %	30.28	31.95	33.63	35.30	36.97	38.64	40.31
1.11	8.3 %	34.26	35.21	36.24	37.35	38.56	39.89	41.34	1.11	8.3 %	32.07	33.83	35.59	37.35	39.11	40.87	42.63
1.06	8.1 %	36.15	37.20	38.35	39.59	40.96	42.46	44.12	1.06	8.1 %	34.03	35.88	37.74	39.59	41.45	43.31	45.16
1.01	7.8 %	38.20	39.38	40.66	42.07	43.61	45.32	47.21	1.01	7.8 %	36.18	38.14	40.10	42.07	44.03	45.99	47.95
0.96	7.6 %	40.44	41.76	43.21	44.80	46.55	48.50	50.67	0.96	7.6 %	38.56	40.64	42.72	44.80	46.87	48.95	51.03
0.86	7.1 %	45.59	47.27	49.13	51.20	53.50	56.09	59.02	0.86	7.1 %	44.15	46.50	48.85	51.20	53.55	55.90	58.25

• Financial liabilities are also related to the lease of the company building.

• The beta takes into consideration Basler's strong track record, the high equity ratio and the cyclicality

• The structural growth of the vision technology market forms the basis of Basler's revenue increases.

Payment for the acquisitions of DATVISION and IOVIS are accounted for in the "others" line



Free Cash Flow Value Potential

Warburg Research's valuation tool "FCF Value Potential" reflects the ability of the company to generate sustainable free cash flows. It is based on the "FCF potential" - a FCF "ex growth" figure - which assumes unchanged working capital and pure maintenance capex. A value indication is derived via the perpetuity of a given year's "FCF potential" with consideration of the weighted costs of capital. The fluctuating value indications over time add a timing element to the DCF model (our preferred valuation tool).

in EUR m	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
Net Income before minorities	12.9	15.1	20.8	21.4	14.2	26.0	35.9
+ Depreciation + Amortisation	12.9	14.5	16.2	16.8	20.1	23.3	25.3
- Net Interest Income	-0.1	0.4	-0.4	-0.6	-0.8	-0.8	-0.8
 Maintenance Capex 	5.0	4.4	7.5	7.5	7.9	9.6	11.8
+ Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
= Free Cash Flow Potential	20.9	24.9	29.8	31.3	27.2	40.5	50.2
FCF Potential Yield (on market EV)	4.3 %	4.6 %	2.5 %	3.1 %	4.2 %	17.9 %	25.9 %
WACC	8.06 %	8.06 %	8.06 %	8.06 %	8.06 %	8.06 %	8.06 %
= Enterprise Value (EV)	482.9	540.1	1,181.7	1,019.3	653.9	226.0	194.1
= Fair Enterprise Value	259.5	308.9	369.8	387.9	337.6	502.8	622.6
- Net Debt (Cash)	50.4	50.4	50.4	50.4	28.9	15.6	-4.0
- Pension Liabilities	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
- Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
 Market value of minorities 	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
+ Market value of investments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
= Fair Market Capitalisation	207.1	256.5	317.4	335.5	306.7	485.3	624.7
Number of shares, average	29.8	30.0	29.9	29.9	29.9	29.9	29.9
= Fair value per share (EUR)	6.94	8.55	10.61	11.23	10.26	16.24	20.91
premium (-) / discount (+) in %					-50.8 %	-22.1 %	6.6 %
Sensitivity Fair value per Share (EUR)							
11.06 %	4.58	5.78	7.27	7.71	7.20	11.68	15.26
10.06 %	5.21	6.53	8.16	8.65	8.02	12.90	16.76
9.06 %		7.45	9.26	9.80	9.02	14.38	18.61
WACC 8.06 %		8.55	10.61	11.23	10.26	16.24	20.91
7.06 %		10.05	12.38	13.07	11.86	18.62	23.86
6.06 %		12.00	14.71	15.51	13.99	21.79	27.78
5.06 %	o 12.08	14.71	17.96	18.93	16.96	26.22	33.26

Assumptions on the beta and the wacc are consistent with indicators used in our DCF model

• The capex requirements for machinery and plant are low.



Valuation							
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
Price / Book	4.5 x	4.7 x	9.2 x	6.8 x	4.1 x	1.2 x	1.0 x
Book value per share ex intangibles	1.32	1.62	2.09	1.57	1.68	6.52	9.33
EV / Sales	3.0 x	3.2 x	5.5 x	3.7 x	2.5 x	0.7 x	0.5 x
EV / EBITDA	16.1 x	15.6 x	26.5 x	22.3 x	16.1 x	3.8 x	2.6 x
EV / EBIT	28.4 x	26.9 x	41.7 x	35.2 x	31.8 x	6.1 x	3.8 x
EV / EBIT adj.*	28.4 x	26.9 x	41.7 x	35.2 x	31.8 x	6.1 x	3.8 x
P / FCF	n.a.	39.2 x	122.9 x	n.a.	22.9 x	32.5 x	24.7 x
P/E	36.4 x	36.1 x	57.2 x	45.6 x	43.4 x	24.0 x	16.4 x
P / E adj.*	36.4 x	36.8 x	57.2 x	45.6 x	43.4 x	24.0 x	16.4 x
Dividend Yield	0.6 %	1.1 %	0.5 %	0.4 %	0.7 %	1.3 %	1.8 %
FCF Potential Yield (on market EV)	4.3 %	4.6 %	2.5 %	3.1 %	4.2 %	17.9 %	25.9 %
*Adjustments made for: -							



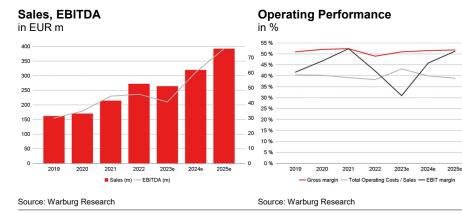
Consolidated profit and loss

In EUR m	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
Sales	162.0	170.5	214.7	272.2	264.2	319.7	392.5
Change Sales yoy	8.0 %	5.2 %	26.0 %	26.8 %	-2.9 %	21.0 %	22.8 %
COGS	79.5	81.7	102.2	139.0	129.7	155.1	189.2
Gross profit	82.4	88.7	112.5	133.2	134.5	164.6	203.3
Gross margin	50.9 %	52.0 %	52.4 %	48.9 %	50.9 %	51.5 %	51.8 %
Research and development	17.9	21.7	29.9	31.4	34.2	41.5	50.8
Sales and marketing	31.5	30.6	34.9	47.9	52.4	57.4	67.3
Administration expenses	15.8	17.4	20.4	26.7	27.4	28.5	34.2
Other operating expenses	1.0	0.2	0.3	0.5	1.2	1.4	1.6
Other operating income	0.8	1.1	1.3	2.3	1.3	1.1	1.2
Unfrequent items	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EBITDA	30.0	34.6	44.5	45.8	40.7	60.2	75.9
Margin	18.5 %	20.3 %	20.7 %	16.8 %	15.4 %	18.8 %	19.3 %
Depreciation of fixed assets	5.0	6.3	6.3	5.5	6.5	7.2	7.8
EBITA	25.0	28.3	38.2	40.2	34.2	53.0	68.1
Amortisation of intangible assets	8.0	8.2	9.8	11.3	13.6	16.1	17.5
Goodwill amortisation	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EBIT	17.0	20.1	28.4	28.9	20.6	36.9	50.6
Margin	10.5 %	11.8 %	13.2 %	10.6 %	7.8 %	11.6 %	12.9 %
EBIT adj.	17.0	20.1	28.4	28.9	20.6	36.9	50.6
Interest income	1.0	1.1	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2
Interest expenses	1.1	0.8	0.6	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Other financial income (loss)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
EBT	16.9	20.4	28.0	28.3	19.8	36.1	49.8
Margin	10.4 %	12.0 %	13.0 %	10.4 %	7.5 %	11.3 %	12.7 %
Total taxes	4.0	5.3	7.2	7.0	5.5	10.1	13.9
Net income from continuing operations	12.9	15.1	20.8	21.4	14.2	26.0	35.9
Income from discontinued operations (net of tax)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net income before minorities	12.9	15.1	20.8	21.4	14.2	26.0	35.9
Minority interest	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net income	12.9	15.1	20.8	21.4	14.2	26.0	35.9
Margin	7.9 %	8.9 %	9.7 %	7.8 %	5.4 %	8.1 %	9.1 %
Number of shares, average	29.8	30.0	29.9	29.9	29.9	29.9	29.9
EPS	0.43	0.50	0.69	0.71	0.48	0.87	1.20
EPS adj.	0.43	0.49	0.69	0.71	0.48	0.87	1.20
EFS auj.	0.40	0.40	0.00	0.71	0.40	0.07	1.20

Guidance: Sales EUR 235-265m, EBT margin 5-8%

Financial Ratios

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
			-	-			
Total Operating Costs / Sales	40.4 %	40.3 %	39.2 %	38.3 %	43.1 %	39.9 %	38.9 %
Operating Leverage	-3.9 x	3.4 x	1.6 x	0.1 x	9.8 x	3.8 x	1.6 x
EBITDA / Interest expenses	28.3 x	45.0 x	75.4 x	43.8 x	40.7 x	60.2 x	75.9 x
Tax rate (EBT)	23.9 %	26.0 %	25.8 %	24.6 %	28.0 %	28.0 %	28.0 %
Dividend Payout Ratio	20.1 %	38.4 %	29.8 %	19.6 %	30.2 %	30.0 %	30.0 %
Sales per Employee	200,944	210,964	248,528	242,173	233,805	284,938	338,946



Performance per Share



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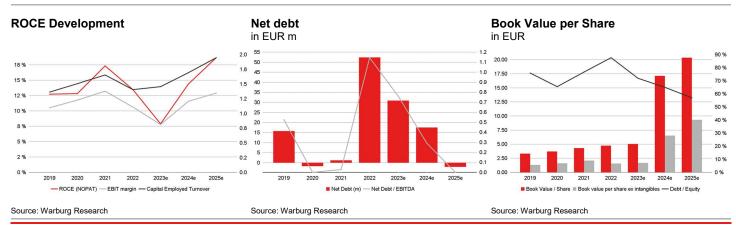
Consolidated balance sheet



In EUR m	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
Assets							
Goodwill and other intangible assets	62.0	64.8	66.0	94.5	100.4	106.0	110.2
thereof other intangible assets	3.0	3.7	6.5	13.8	16.0	18.4	20.5
thereof Goodwill	27.5	27.5	27.5	46.1	46.1	46.1	46.1
Property, plant and equipment	30.6	29.3	28.7	29.4	27.4	25.9	25.2
Financial assets	4.6	2.2	0.0	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4
Other long-term assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fixed assets	97.2	96.3	94.7	125.3	129.2	133.4	136.8
Inventories	20.9	20.0	37.1	50.3	40.6	43.2	51.0
Accounts receivable	19.4	19.5	33.3	41.2	33.3	36.8	43.0
Liquid assets	35.2	47.9	54.8	28.7	35.7	49.1	68.7
Other short-term assets	8.5	6.5	7.3	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0
Current assets	84.0	93.8	132.5	140.2	129.6	149.1	182.7
Total Assets	181.2	190.1	227.3	265.5	258.8	282.5	319.5
Liabilities and shareholders' equity							
Subscribed capital	10.0	10.0	10.0	29.8	29.8	29.8	29.8
Capital reserve	22.4	22.6	26.8	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2
Retained earnings	74.8	87.1	94.2	107.2	121.4	147.5	183.3
Other equity components	-4.2	-4.8	-2.4	-2.8	-7.9	-13.2	-16.9
Shareholders' equity	103.0	114.9	128.7	141.5	150.5	171.3	203.5
Minority interest	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total equity	103.0	114.9	128.7	141.5	150.5	171.3	203.5
Provisions	8.2	9.4	16.0	14.6	14.6	14.6	14.6
thereof provisions for pensions and similar obligations	0.9	1.1	1.6	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Financial liabilities (total)	50.0	45.1	54.4	79.1	64.7	64.7	64.7
Short-term financial liabilities	5.3	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Accounts payable	10.6	11.1	18.8	19.4	18.1	21.0	25.8
Other liabilities	9.4	9.7	9.4	10.9	10.9	10.9	10.9
Liabilities	78.2	75.2	98.6	124.0	108.3	111.2	116.0
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	181.2	190.1	227.3	265.5	258.8	282.5	319.5

Financial Ratios

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
Efficiency of Capital Employment							
Operating Assets Turnover	2.7 x	3.0 x	2.7 x	2.7 x	3.2 x	3.8 x	4.2 x
Capital Employed Turnover	1.4 x	1.5 x	1.7 x	1.4 x	1.5 x	1.7 x	1.9 x
ROA	13.2 %	15.7 %	21.9 %	17.0 %	11.0 %	19.5 %	26.2 %
Return on Capital							
ROCE (NOPAT)	12.7 %	12.8 %	17.3 %	13.5 %	7.9 %	14.4 %	18.7 %
ROE	14.4 %	13.9 %	17.0 %	15.8 %	9.8 %	16.2 %	19.1 %
Adj. ROE	14.4 %	13.4 %	17.0 %	15.8 %	9.8 %	16.2 %	19.1 %
Balance sheet quality							
Net Debt	15.7	-1.7	1.2	52.4	30.9	17.5	-2.1
Net Financial Debt	14.9	-2.8	-0.4	50.4	28.9	15.6	-4.0
Net Gearing	15.3 %	-1.5 %	0.9 %	37.0 %	20.5 %	10.2 %	-1.0 %
Net Fin. Debt / EBITDA	49.6 %	n.a.	n.a.	110.2 %	71.2 %	25.9 %	n.a.
Book Value / Share	3.3	3.7	4.3	4.7	5.0	17.1	20.4
Book value per share ex intangibles	1.3	1.6	2.1	1.6	1.7	6.5	9.3



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Consolidated cash flow statement

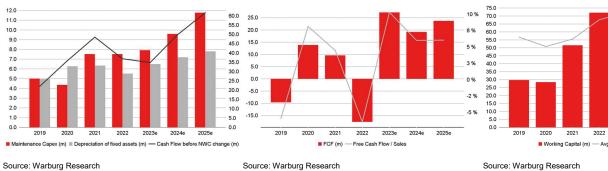


In EUR m	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
Net income	12.9	15.1	20.8	21.4	14.2	26.0	35.9
Depreciation of fixed assets	5.0	6.3	6.3	5.5	6.5	7.2	7.8
Amortisation of goodwill	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Amortisation of intangible assets	8.0	8.2	9.8	11.3	13.6	16.1	17.5
Increase/decrease in long-term provisions	-0.1	1.1	6.6	-1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other non-cash income and expenses	-3.7	5.1	5.1	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.5
Cash Flow before NWC change	22.1	35.9	48.6	36.9	34.8	49.8	61.7
Increase / decrease in inventory	0.1	0.9	-17.1	-13.2	9.7	-2.6	-7.8
Increase / decrease in accounts receivable	-1.1	-0.1	-13.8	-7.9	7.9	-3.5	-6.2
Increase / decrease in accounts payable	3.2	0.5	7.8	0.6	-1.3	2.9	4.8
Increase / decrease in other working capital positions	0.5	0.1	-0.1	-4.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Increase / decrease in working capital (total)	2.7	1.5	-23.2	-24.5	16.3	-3.2	-9.2
Net cash provided by operating activities [1]	24.7	37.3	25.3	12.4	51.1	46.6	52.5
nvestments in intangible assets	-29.3	-20.6	-11.8	-20.8	-19.5	-21.7	-21.7
Investments in property, plant and equipment	-5.1	-2.7	-3.9	-8.6	-4.5	-5.8	-7.1
Payments for acquisitions	0.0	0.0	0.0	-14.5	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0
Financial investments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
ncome from asset disposals	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1
Net cash provided by investing activities [2]	-34.2	-23.3	-15.3	-44.2	-24.9	-28.4	-29.7
Change in financial liabilities	-1.8	2.3	10.4	18.0	-14.4	0.0	0.0
Dividends paid	-5.1	-2.6	-5.8	-6.2	-4.2	-4.3	-2.6
Purchase of own shares	20.8	-0.2	-3.9	-2.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
Capital measures	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other	-1.0	-0.8	0.1	0.0	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6
Net cash provided by financing activities [3]	13.0	-1.3	-3.1	5.7	-19.2	-4.9	-3.2
Change in liquid funds [1]+[2]+[3]	3.5	12.7	7.0	-26.1	7.0	13.4	19.6
Effects of exchange-rate changes on cash	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cash and cash equivalent at end of period	35.3	47.9	54.8	28.7	35.7	49.1	68.7

Financial Ratios

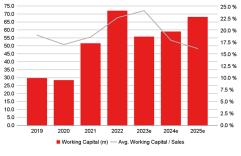
Findificial Ratios							
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
Cash Flow							
FCF	-9.6	13.8	9.6	-17.6	27.2	19.2	23.7
Free Cash Flow / Sales	-5.9 %	8.1 %	4.5 %	-6.5 %	10.3 %	6.0 %	6.0 %
Free Cash Flow Potential	20.9	24.9	29.8	31.3	27.2	40.5	50.2
Free Cash Flow / Net Profit	-74.6 %	91.6 %	46.3 %	-82.3 %	190.7 %	73.7 %	66.1 %
Interest Received / Avg. Cash	2.9 %	2.7 %	0.4 %	0.7 %	0.6 %	0.5 %	0.3 %
Interest Paid / Avg. Debt	2.4 %	1.6 %	1.2 %	1.6 %	1.4 %	1.5 %	1.5 %
Management of Funds							
Investment ratio	21.2 %	13.7 %	7.3 %	10.8 %	9.1 %	8.6 %	7.3 %
Maint. Capex / Sales	3.1 %	2.6 %	3.5 %	2.8 %	3.0 %	3.0 %	3.0 %
Capex / Dep	265.4 %	160.6 %	97.2 %	174.8 %	119.4 %	117.8 %	113.7 %
Avg. Working Capital / Sales	19.0 %	17.1 %	18.6 %	22.7 %	24.2 %	18.0 %	16.2 %
Trade Debtors / Trade Creditors	183.1 %	175.9 %	176.9 %	212.1 %	184.0 %	175.2 %	166.7 %
Inventory Turnover	3.8 x	4.1 x	2.8 x	2.8 x	3.2 x	3.6 x	3.7 x
Receivables collection period (days)	44	42	57	55	46	42	40
Payables payment period (days)	49	49	67	51	51	49	50
Cash conversion cycle (Days)	91	82	122	136	109	94	89





Free Cash Flow Generation

Working Capital



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Sell	8	4
Rating suspended	3	1
Total	213	100

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