

TXT

Sector: Technology

Time to Empty the War Chest

We confirm our HOLD rating and we leave unchanged our target price of Eu10.00, providing limited upside to the current share price. FY18 results came broadly in line to our expectations as for revenues, below as for margins. Top line benefited from a strong performance in the Aerospace, Aviation & Automotive business and the perimeter effect in Banking division. EBITDA was penalized by an increase in R&D expenses and a higher incidence of fixed costs. The acquisition of Cheleo and TXT Risk solutions, both completed in 2018, set the stage for a repositioning of banking activities towards Fintech. In our opinion, the stock is unlikely to re-rate unless the sizeable pile of cash coming from the sale of TXT Retail (executed in December 2017) is reinvested. Management is considering acquisitions in both Aerospace, Aviation & Automotive and Fintech. The BoD proposed a DPS of Eu0.5 (>4.5% yield).

- Newsflow. FY18 results came in line with our expectations as for revenues, below as for margins. Revenues went up 11.4% (+7.5% at constant perimeter) to Eu40.0mn (vs our estimate of Eu39.2mn); Cheleo contributed for Eu1.4mn. By division, Aerospace, Aviation & Automotive was up 12.0% YoY, Banking was down -8.6% at constant perimeter. EBITDA came to Eu3.8mn (+9.5% YoY), below our estimate (Eu4.0mn). The EBITDA margin was down 40bps YoY due to higher R&D expenses (+20.5% YoY). EBIT amounted to Eu1.8mn (-31.0% YoY) penalized by IFRS16 adoption. Net profit went down by 67.8%% YoY to Eu0.6mn: financial expenses to the tune of Eu1.3mn due to losses on liquidity management fully offset the one-off benefit from the Patent Box. Net cash decreased from Eu87.3mn at YE17 to Eu60.4mn at YE18 after dividend distribution (Eu11.7mn), Cheleo and TXT Risk Solutions acquisition (Eu6.7mn), treasury shares purchase (Eu4.6mn) and the effect of IFRS16 application (Eu2.8mn). The BoD proposed a DPS of Eu0.5 DPS (>4.5% yield). In 4Q revenues were increased by +6.2% at constant perimeter; EBITDA margin was almost flat YoY at 8.6%.
- Catalysts. In July TXT executed the acquisition of Cheleo, an Italian specialist in the field of design and development of products and services for the life cycle management of financing by financial and banking intermediaries. In FY17 Cheleo reported revenues of Eu2.8mn and EBITDA of Eu0.95mn (34% on revenues); revenues and EBITDA are forecast to grow by 25% in FY18. More recently, TXT has acquired a 51% stake in T3M Innovation, a start-up providing risk assessment solutions to Banks and Financial institutions. M&A is set to continue: TXT operates in a fragmented competitive landscape that offers space for consolidation and is willing to become a platform to aggregate niche engineering software solution providers. Acquisitions may be considered in Aerospace & Aviation, and in Automotive and Fintech. We estimate the company to have a Eu80-100mn firepower (net cash of Eu60.4mn at YE18; 1.2mn treasury shares).
- Estimates. Following the release of FY18 results, we made minor changes to our estimates. In FY19 we now expect revenues to reach Eu46.0mn (+15.2% YoY or +9.5% at constant perimeter). Aerospace, Aviation & Automotive sector will be leading growth; Fintech segment will benefit from revenue synergies following Cheleo acquisition and a recovery in the legacy testing business. EBITDA is expected to reach Eu5.1mn (+33.3% YoY); margin is seen up by 150bps YoY due to G&A rationalization and the full contribution from Cheleo (highly profitable). TXT will continue to invest in R&D (ca. 6.5% of revenues). EBIT is forecast to reach Eu2.9mn (+55.2% YoY). Liquidity management may provide some volatility on net profit. Net cash is seen declining to Eu56.9mn at YE19, after Eu5.8mn dividend payment. Additional M&A is not factored in our model.
- **Recommendation and valuation**. We confirm our HOLD rating and we leave unchanged our target price of Eu10.00 per share. Our valuation is the simple average between a DCF model and a multiples comparison. At our target price the stock would be trading at 31.3x P/E ex cash, 10.3x EV/EBITDA and 18.2x EV/EBIT on FY19 figures, with a low single digit FCF yield and dividend yield. The stock is currently trading at premium to national and international peers.

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Target price upside: 9%

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Change in EPS es	t,	7.5%	-7.3%
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Share price Ord. (E	u)		9.2
N. of Ord. shares (r			11.8
Total N. of shares (13.0
Market cap (Eu mn			108
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Free Float Ord. (%)			45%
Free Float Ord. (Eu			48
Daily AVG liquidity	Ord. (Eu l	<)	523
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	FY18A	FY19E	FY20E
Sales	40	46	50
EBITDA adj.	3.8	5.1	5.7
Net profit adj.	0.6	2.0	2.3
EPS adj.	0.048	0.166	0.198
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EV/EBITDA adj.	15.9x	8.3x	7.4x
P/E adj.	122.9x	26.0x	21.9x
Dividend yield	4.9%	3.2%	3.2%
FCF yield	0.7%	2.2%	3.0%
Net debt/(Net cash)	(60.4)	(56.9)	(56.6)
Net debt/EBITDA	nm	nm	nm

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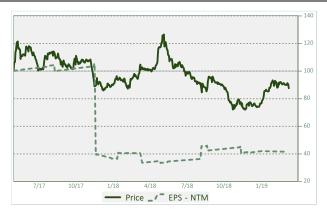
Key Data

P&L account (Eu mn)	FY17A	FY18A	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E
Sales	35.9	40.0	46.0	49.8	53.8
Gross margin	15.6	17.7	20.3	22.0	23.8
EBITDA reported	3.5	3.8	5.1	5.7	6.5
D&A	(0.8)	(2.0)	(2.2)	(2.4)	(2.6)
EBIT reported	2.7	1.8	2.9	3.4	3.9
Net financial charges	(0.2)	(1.3)	(0.2)	(0.2)	(0.2)
Associates	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Extraordinary items	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Pre-tax profit	2.5	0.6	2.7	3.2	3.7
Taxes	(0.7)	0.0	(0.7)	(0.8)	(1.0)
Minorities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Discontinued activities	66.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net profit reported	68.6	0.6	2.0	2.3	2.7
EBITDA adjusted	3.5	3.8	5.1	5.7	6.5
EBIT adjusted	2.7	1.8	2.9	3.4	3.9
Net profit adjusted	1.8	0.6	2.0	2.3	2.7
Margins (%)	FY17A	FY18A	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E
Gross margin	43.6%	44.2%	44.0%	44.2%	44.3%
EBITDA margin (adj)	9.9%	9.5%	11.0%	11.5%	12.0%
EBIT margin (adj)	7.5%	4.6%	6.2%	6.8%	7.3%
Pre-tax margin	6.9%	1.4%	5.8%	6.4%	6.9%
Net profit margin (adj)	4.9%	1.4%	4.3%	4.7%	5.1%
Growth rates (%)	FY17A	FY18A	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E
Sales	-48.2%	11.4%	15.2%	8.2%	8.1%
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Cash flow (Eu mn)	FY17A	FY18A	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E
EBITDA adjusted	3.5	3.8	5.1	5.7	6.5
Net financial charges	(0.1)	(1.3)	(0.2)	(0.2)	(0.2)
Cash taxes	(0.7)	0.0	(0.7)	(0.8)	(1.0)
Ch. in Working Capital	(2.5)	(1.1)	(1.1)	(0.7)	(0.8)
Operating cash flow	0.2	1.4	3.0	4.0	4.5
Сарех	(0.7)	(0.5)	(0.7)	(0.7)	(0.8)
FCF	(0.4)	0.9	2.3	3.2	3.7
Disposals/Acquisitions	82.3	(6.7)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Changes in Equity	0.0 3.7	(2, 1)	0.0 0.0	0.0 0.0	0.0 0.0
Others		(2.1)			
Dividends	(3.5)	(11.7)	(5.8)	(3.5)	(3.5)
Ch. in NFP	82.0	(19.6)	(3.5)	(0.3)	0.2
Ratios (%)	FY17A	FY18A	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E
Capex/Sales	1.8%	1.3%	1.5%	1.5%	1.5%
Capex/D&A	0.8x	0.3x	0.3x	0.3x	0.3x
FCF/EBITDA	-12.4%	23.4%	45.8%	56.4%	57.5%
FCF/Net profit	-0.6%	157.4%	118.5%	138.3%	136.3%
Dividend pay-out	nm	nm	-50.0%	-50.0%	-50.0%
Balance sheet (Eu mn)	FY17A	FY18A	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E
Working capital	6.3	7.4	8.5	9.2	10.0
Fixed assets	8.9	22.9	21.6	20.9	20.6
Provisions & others	(2.6)	(4.3)	(4.5)	(5.4)	(6.8)
Net capital employed	12.6	26.0	25.6	24.7	23.7
Net debt/(Net cash)	(87.3)	(60.4)	(56.9)	(56.6)	(56.8)
Equity	99.9	86.3	82.5	81.3	80.6
Minority interests	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Ratios (%)	FY17A	FY18A	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E
Working capital/Sales	17.6%	18.4%	18.5%	18.5%	18.5%
Net debt/Equity	17.0%	10.4 <i>%</i>	10.5 <i>%</i>	10.5 <i>%</i>	10.5% nm
Net debt/EBITDA	nm	nm	nm	nm	nm
Valuation	FY17A	FY18A	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E
EV/CE	2.7x	2.0x	1.4x	1.4x	1.4x
P/BV	1.4x	1.5x	1.3x	1.3x	1.3x
EV/Sales	1.1x	1.5x	0.9x	0.8x	0.8x
EV/EBITDA	11.9x	15.9x	8.3x	7.4x	6.5x
EV/EBITDA adjusted	11.6x 15.4x	15.9x 32.8x	8.3x	7.4x 12.5x	6.5x
EV/EBIT EV/EBIT adjusted	15.4x 15.4x	32.8x 32.8x	14.6x 14.6x	12.5x 12.5x	10.7x 10.7x
P/F	15.4x 2.0x	122.9x	26.0x	21.9x	10.7x 18.7x
P/E adjusted	78.3x	122.9x	26.0x	21.9x 21.9x	18.7x
ROCE pre-tax	11.1%	8.1%	9.5%	11.2%	12.9%
ROE	1.8%	0.7%	2.4%	2.9%	3.4%
EV/FCF	-93.5x	68.0x	18.0x	13.0x	11.3x
FCF vield	-0.3%	0.7%	2.2%	3.0%	3.4%
Dividend yield	9.4%	4.9%	3.2%	3.2%	3.2%
	5.77		5.270	2.2/0	<u> </u>

Share price performance

Positive performance YTD



Valuation

P/E multiples penalized by excess cash

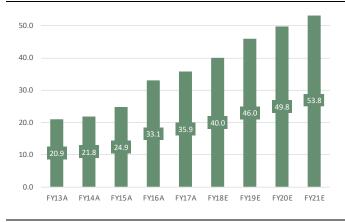


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Key Charts

Revenues trend (FY13A-FY21E)

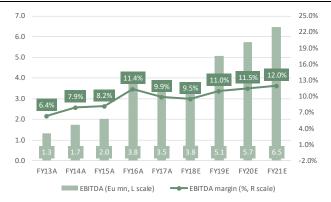
TXT Next 13-18CAGR was 13.9% including Pace and Cheleo acquisitions



Source: company data and Alantra estimates

EBITDA trend (FY13A-FY21E)

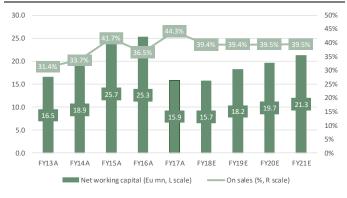
Revenue mix (more on software) is expected to improve profitability



Source: company data and Alantra estimates

Balance sheet (FY13A-FY21E)

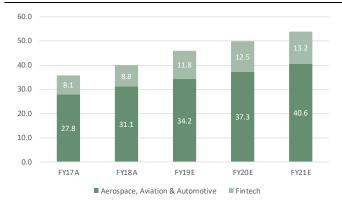
Exposure to Italy leads to a structurally high working capital



Source: company data and Alantra estimates

Revenue breakdown by sector (FY17A-FY21E)

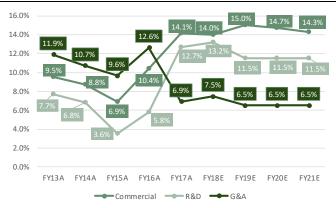
Aerospace, Aviation & Automotive outpacing Banking organic growth rate



Source: company data

Costs trends (FY013A-FY20E)

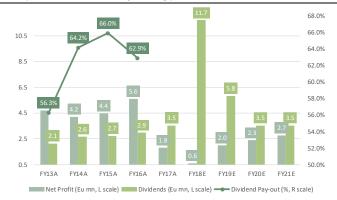
Sustained R&D investments



Source: company data and Alantra estimates

Dividends (FY13A-FY21E)

We expect ca. Eu0.3 DPS over following years



Source: company data and Alantra estimates

ALANTRA Italian Equity Research Profile

Background	customers in high-tech markets in t product lifecycles. Company's refere and Banking & Finance (22%). TXT op	l, specialized provider of engineering software solutions supporting heir mission- and business-critical core processes and throughout their nce industries are Aerospace & Aviation (74% of total revenues in FY18) perates mainly in the domestic market (64% of total revenues in 1H18); p in recent years thanks to the acquisition of PACE in 2016.
	customers with cutting edge solution	7% of revenues), at the base of TXT development, is aiming to provide ns. Recently, TXT has developed a new platform for rapid development and operations support applications; and a real-time augmented reality an aircraft's cabin.
Positioning	revenues), customer engineering an engagements weight 75% of division Services weight for 85% of divisional company has built a diversified cus	TXT supports customers in the product development (40% of divisional d manufacturing (30%), and aircraft operations (30%). Turn-key service hal revenues, with time and material accounting for the remaining 25%. I revenues, with assets software accounting for the remaining 15%. The stomer base of industry leaders; customers are split between aircraft hers), Tier I suppliers (20%), airlines and lessors (10%), and Automotive its 55% of the divisional turnover.
	core applications and in software que customers (the company is targeting	is specialized in the independent testing, verification and validation of uality services. Revenues are coming entirely from services and Italian g 40-50 banking institutions). The reference market is estimated to be k, recently acquired, strengthens TXT's positioning in the Fintech sector portfolios.
Growth		'13 to Eu40.0mn in FY18 driven by organic growth and the acquisition of 9% in the period. EBITDA margin improved from 6.4% in FY13 to 9.5% in
	cutting edge solution development;	s expected to post an 8-10% revenue CAGR in next years supported by the Banking & Finance business is expected to benefit from Cheleo nal business. EBITDA margin is expected to reach 12% over the medium
Strategy	The future development of TXT will b	e driven by investments in R&D and M&A activities.
	the position to be a platform to aggr	etitive landscape that offers space for consolidation. The company is ir regate niche engineering software solution providers. Following the sale ge net cash position gives the company plenty of financial flexibility.
	capture new international customers	g to organically increase the share of wallet in current customers and to ; inorganic growth will be driven by selective mid-sized acquisitions with Eu100mn. The development of on-board software and systems for the t represent an upside opportunity.
	software and services are increasing Quality is becoming a key pillar of ba Cheleo's innovative products and ser Europe, due to the continuous de obsolescence of the software current	ing increasingly stricter regulatory frameworks; on top emerging Fintech g the complexity of the banking software systems. Therefore, Software anks' IT strategy and a growing portion of IT budgets. TXT believes that vices have a significant potential market in Italy and in the future also in evelopment of the financing and NPL segment and the progressive cly in use by financial and banking intermediaries. TXT has acquired a 51% sk solutions), a start-up providing risk assessment solutions to Banks and
	Strengths d qualified customer base	Weaknesses Lack of scale
Effective R&D activities	(augmented reality, artificial intelligent) itioning in Aerospace sector	Weak positioning in the Banking sector Unefficient capital allocation
	Opportunities	Threats
Upselli	of the balance sheet by M&A ng to existing customers n in the Automotive sector	Failure in M&A execution Increased competition in the Aerospace sector
Key shareho Laserline SpA 2		a, Enrico Magni CEO 1Q19 results: 10 May 2019

Key shareholders Laserline SpA 25.6% A. Braga Illa 14.0% Free float 44.8%

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Management Marco Guida, Enrico Magni CEO Paolo Matarazzo CFO Alvise Braga Illa Chairman Next events 1Q19 results: 10 May 2019 2Q19 results: 1 Aug 2019 3Q18 results: 7 Nov 2019



Results

Quarterly results came below our estimates but for revenues

Eu mn		4Q17A	4Q18A	YoY %	4Q18E	A vs E	FY17A	FY18A	YoY %	FY18E	A vs E
Revenues		9.8	11.3	15.4%	10.6	7.4%	35.9	40.0	11.4%	39.2	2.0%
	on sales %	100.0%	100.0%		100.0%		100.0%	100.0%		100.0%	
EBITDA Adjusted		0.8	1.0	14.8%	1.2	-20.0%	3.5	3.8	7.4%	4.0	-6.0%
Ebito	da Margin %	8.6%	8.6%		11.5%		9.9%	9.5%		10.3%	
EBIT Adjusted		0.6	0.4	-32.1%	0.5	-25.2%	2.7	1.8	-31.0%	2.0	-6.5%
Eb	oit Margin %	5.7%	3.4%		4.8%		7.5%	4.6%		5.0%	
Pretax Profit		0.4	(0.5)	-215.5%	0.8	-165.2%	2.5	0.6	-77.2%	1.9	-70.1%
Preto	ax Margin %	4.6%	-4.6%		7.5%		6.9%	1.4%		4.8%	
Net Profit		67.2	(0.4)	-100.6%	0.3	-238.9%	68.6	0.6	-99.2%	1.3	-56.9%
Net Proj	fit Margin %	684.0%	-3.8%		3.0%		191.2%	1.4%		3.3%	
NFP end of the period		87.3	60.4				87.3	60.4			

Source: Factset and Alantra estimates

Estimates

Change in estimates

We have marginally downward revised our estimates

	NEW Estimates			% Change				OLD Estimates				
(Eu mn)	FY18A	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E	FY18AvE	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E	FY18A	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E
Total Revenues / Value of Production	40.0	46.0	49.8	53.8	2.0%	1.8%	3.2%	5.6%	39.2	45.2	48.3	51.0
EBITDA Adjusted	3.8	5.1	5.7	6.5	-6.0%	-2.4%	-1.6%	2.7%	4.0	5.2	5.8	6.3
EBIT Adjusted	1.8	2.9	3.4	3.9	-6.5%	-8.3%	-8.7%	-4.1%	2.0	3.1	3.7	4.1
Pretax Profit	0.6	2.7	3.2	3.7	-70.1%	-11.9%	-11.7%	-6.8%	1.9	3.0	3.6	4.0
Net profit	0.6	2.0	2.3	2.7	-56.9%	-7.5%	-7.3%	-2.1%	1.3	2.1	2.5	2.8
Net profit restated	0.6	2.0	2.3	2.7	-56.9%	-7.5%	-7.3%	-2.1%	1.3	2.1	2.5	2.8
EPS	0.048	0.166	0.198	0.231	-56.9%	-7.5%	-7.3%	-2.1%	0.111	0.179	0.213	0.236

Source: Factset and Alantra estimates

ALANTRA Italian Equity Research Peers

Trading multiples

The stock is trading at a significant premium to both international and Italian ICT peers

Company TXT Premium (discount) to Peers' I PEERS AKKA Technologies SE Altran Technologies SA Alten SA Assystem SA HCL Technologies Limited Tech Mahindra Limited	Average Median FRANCE FRANCE FRANCE FRANCE	Mkt Cap (Eu mn) 122 1,201 2,551 3,155	FY19E 8.3 x -4% 9.4 x 8.6 x 8.6 x 8.6 x 8.1 x	EV/EBITDA FY20E 7.4 x -2% 8.3 x 7.5 x 7.5 x	FY21E 6.5 x -16% 8.2 x 7.7 x	FY19E 14.6 x 33% 11.4 x 11.0 x	EV/EBIT FY20E 12.5 x 37% 9.9 x 9.1 x	FY21E 10.7 x 21% 9.6 x 8.8 x	FY19E 26.0 x 92% 14.2 x 13.5 x	PE FY20E 21.9 x 83% 12.5 x 11.9 x	FY21E 18.7 x 79% 12.3 x 10.4 x
Premium (discount) to Peers' I PEERS AKKA Technologies SE Altran Technologies SA Alten SA Assystem SA HCL Technologies Limited	Median Average Median FRANCE FRANCE FRANCE FRANCE FRANCE	122 1,201 2,551	8.3 x -4% 9.4 x 8.6 x 8.6 x	7.4 x -2% 8.3 x 7.5 x	6.5 x -16% 8.2 x 7.7 x	14.6 x 33% 11.4 x	12.5 x 37% 9.9 x	10.7 x 21% 9.6 x	26.0 x 92% 14.2 x	21.9 x 83% 12.5 x	18.7 x 79% 12.3 x
Premium (discount) to Peers' I PEERS AKKA Technologies SE Altran Technologies SA Alten SA Assystem SA HCL Technologies Limited	Median Average Median FRANCE FRANCE FRANCE FRANCE FRANCE	1,201 2,551	-4% 9.4 x 8.6 x 8.6 x	-2% 8.3 x 7.5 x	-16% 8.2 x 7.7 x	33% 11.4 x	37% 9.9 x	21% 9.6 x	92% 14.2 x	83% 12.5 x	79% 12.3 x
NKKA Technologies SE Ntran Technologies SA Nten SA Assystem SA HCL Technologies Limited	Median FRANCE FRANCE FRANCE FRANCE FRANCE	2,551	8.6 x 8.6 x	7.5 x	7.7 x						
KKA Technologies SE Ntran Technologies SA Nten SA Assystem SA 4CL Technologies Limited	Median FRANCE FRANCE FRANCE FRANCE FRANCE	2,551	8.6 x 8.6 x	7.5 x	7.7 x						
Altran Technologies SA Alten SA Assystem SA HCL Technologies Limited	FRANCE FRANCE FRANCE FRANCE	2,551	8.6 x			11.0 X	9.1 X	8.8 X	13.5 X	11.9 X	10.4 X
Altran Technologies SA Alten SA Assystem SA HCL Technologies Limited	FRANCE FRANCE FRANCE	2,551		7.5 x							
Altran Technologies SA Alten SA Assystem SA HCL Technologies Limited	FRANCE FRANCE FRANCE	2,551			6.6 x	11.0 x	9.1 x	7.9 x	13.5 x	11.9 x	10.4 x
Alten SA Assystem SA HCL Technologies Limited	FRANCE FRANCE		0.1 X	7.4 x	6.4 x	9.5 x	8.6 x	8.1 x	10.9 x	9.8 x	9.0 x
HCL Technologies Limited		د د د رد	11.3 x	10.1 x	8.9 x	12.3 x	10.9 x	9.6 x	17.1 x	16.1 x	14.9 x
	INIDIA	485	14.4 x	13.0 x	11.1 x	16.7 x	14.9 x	12.6 x	13.4 x	11.9 x	10.4 x
Tech Mahindra Limited	INDIA	17,359	7.8 x	6.7 x	na	9.1 x	7.9 x	na	12.5 x	11.5 x	na
	INDIA	10,124	10.0 x	8.7 x	na	12.1 x	10.4 x	na	14.7 x	13.2 x	na
	Average		10.0 x	8.9 x	8.2 x	11.8 x	10.3 x	9.6 x	13.7 x	12.4 x	11.2 x
PEERS Group 1	Median		9.3 x	8.1 x	о.2 x 7.7 x	11.5 x	9.7 x	9.0 x 8.8 x	13.7 x 13.4 x	12.4 x 11.9 x	10.4 x
Be Think, Solve, Execute S.p.A.	ITALY	119	5.8 x	5.2 x	na	8.5 x	7.2 x	na	14.9 x	12.6 x	na
Reply S.p.A.	ITALY	2,127	12.7 x	10.9 x	na	13.9 x	11.9 x	na	20.8 x	18.3 x	16.8 x
Exprivia SpA	ITALY	66	5.6 x	5.3 x	na	9.8 x	8.6 x	na	10.3 x	6.9 x	na
Compony	Median	Mkt Cap	5.8 x	5.3 x Dividend Yiel	nm Id	9.8 x 8.6 x nm FCF Yield			14.9 x Ne	12.6 x t Debt/EBIT	16.8 x
Company	Country	(Eu mn)	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E
тхт	ITALY		3.2%	3.2%	3.2%	2.2%	3.0%	3.4%	nm	nm	nm
	Average		2.2%	2.4%	2.2%	5.5%	6.7%	8.0%	2.4 x	2.0 x	1.3 x
PEERS	Median		2.2%	2.4%	2.2%	5.4%	6.5%	8.0% 8.0%	2.4 x 2.1 x	2.0 x 1.7 x	1.3 x 1.3 x
	Wedian		2.370	2.370	2.470	5.470	0.570	0.070	2.1 ×	1.7 ×	1.5 x
AKKA Technologies SE	FRANCE	1,201	1.8%	2.1%	2.4%	5.7%	7.5%	na	1.5 x	1.1 x	0.8 x
Altran Technologies SA	FRANCE	2,551	2.4%	2.6%	3.0%	6.5%	8.8%	9.9%	2.7 x	2.3 x	1.9 x
Alten SA	FRANCE	3,155	1.1%	1.1%	1.1%	4.4%	5.4%	6.1%	nm	nm	nm
Assystem SA	FRANCE	485	3.0%	3.3%	3.8%	2.8%	5.6%	na	0.9 x	0.5 x	nm
HCL Technologies Limited	INDIA	17,359	3.2%	3.5%	na	7.0%	8.1%	na	nm	nm	na
Fech Mahindra Limited	INDIA	10,124	2.1%	2.4%	na	5.2%	5.4%	na	nm	nm	na
	Average		2.3%	2.5%	2.5%	5.3%	6.8%	8.0%	1.7 x	1.3 x	1.3 x
PEERS Group 1	Median		2.3%	2.5%	2.7%	5.4%	6.5%	8.0%	1.5 x	1.1 x	1.3 x
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	17.413/		2.8%	3.7%	na	8.8%	9.2%	na	nm	nm	na
3e Think, Solve, Execute S.p.A.	ITALY	119		0.00/	0.00/						
Be Think, Solve, Execute S.p.A. Reply S.p.A.	ITALY	2,127	0.8%	0.9%	0.9%	3.5%	4.1%	na	nm	nm	na
Be Think, Solve, Execute S.p.A. Reply S.p.A. Exprivia SpA				0.9% na	0.9% na	3.5% na	4.1% na	na na	nm 4.3 x	nm 4.0 x	na na
Be Think, Solve, Execute S.p.A. Reply S.p.A.	ITALY	2,127	0.8%								

Source: Alantra estimates and Factset



Financials

Compared to peers, the company shows lower margins and higher sales and EBITDA CAGR

				FY19E - I	Y21E average	e margins			CAGR FY1	8A - FY21E	
Company	Country	Mkt Cap (Eu mn)	EBITDA Margin	EBIT Margin	Net Income Margin	Capex / Sales	Dividend Payout	Sales	EBITDA	EBIT	EPS
ТХТ	ITALY	122	11.5%	6.8%	4.7%	1.5%	50.0%	10.4%	19.4%	28.4%	68.8%
PEERS	Average		13.4%	11.1%	8.1%	2.2%	30.0%	8.3%	11.4%	12.5%	15.4%
	Median		13.7%	10.0%	7.7%	2.1%	28.9%	8.1%	11.5%	12.9%	15.5%
AKKA Technologies SE	FRANCE	1,213	10.2%	8.3%	5.0%	2.3%	24.8%	9.8%	16.1%	15.8%	21.4%
Altran Technologies SA	FRANCE	2,563	15.1%	12.6%	7.7%	3.1%	26.0%	7.1%	11.4%	8.1%	15.5%
Alten SA	FRANCE	3,168	10.8%	10.0%	7.4%	0.7%	17.1%	8.1%	9.4%	9.9%	10.1%
Assystem SA	FRANCE	488	7.5%	6.6%	7.8%	1.3%	39.8%	6.4%	11.6%	15.5%	18.2%
HCL Technologies Limited	INDIA	17,836	23.1%	19.7%	16.1%	4.2%	40.0%	na	na	na	na
Tech Mahindra Limited	INDIA	10,101	18.6%	15.5%	12.8%	3.0%	31.7%	na	na	na	na
PEERS Group 1	Average		14.2%	12.1%	9.5%	2.4%	29.9%	7.8%	12.1%	12.3%	16.3%
PEEKS Gloup I	Median		13.0%	11.3%	7.8%	2.6%	28.9%	7.6%	11.5%	12.7%	16.8%
Be Think, Solve, Execute S.p.A.	ITALY	120	13.7%	9.9%	6.0%	1.0%	44.2%	8.2%	8.2%	14.5%	na
Reply S.p.A.	ITALY	2,099	14.1%	12.8%	9.1%	2.0%	16.2%	10.3%	11.8%	11.3%	12.0%
Exprivia SpA	ITALY	67	7.5%	4.3%	1.0%	na	na	na	na	na	na
	Average		11.8%	9.0%	5.4%	1.5%	30.2%	9.2%	10.0%	12.9%	12.0%
PEERS Group 2	Median		13.7%	9.9%	6.0%	1.5%	30.2%	9.2%	10.0%	12.9%	12.0%

Source: Alantra estimates and Factset

Performance

Negative share price performance over the last year

Company	Country	Mkt Cap			Perfor	mance		
company	Country	(Eu mn)	1M	ЗM	6M	1YR	3YR	5YR
ТХТ	ITALY	122	0.4%	20.3%	-2.3%	-12.7%	18.7%	-6.7%
PEERS	Average		7.3%	19.8%	5.8%	6.0%	63.4%	111.0%
FEEKS	Median		8.8%	17.9%	4.9%	9.2%	73.7%	76.1%
AKKA Technologies SE	FRANCE	1,213	9.7%	22.0%	-7.7%	14.3%	126.8%	221.2%
Altran Technologies SA	FRANCE	2,563	22.0%	42.4%	24.6%	-21.4%	1.7%	41.2%
Alten SA	FRANCE	3,168	8.8%	22.4%	7.8%	21.5%	74.4%	141.7%
Assystem SA	FRANCE	488	3.8%	11.6%	15.8%	2.1%	34.4%	41.8%
HCL Technologies Limited	INDIA	17,836	-2.5%	7.6%	-3.7%	9.2%	23.8%	39.4%
Tech Mahindra Limited	INDIA	10,101	0.5%	16.6%	4.9%	33.0%	79.0%	76.1%
PEERS Group 1	Average		7.1%	20.5%	6.9%	9.8%	56.7%	93.6%
	Median		6.3%	19.3%	6.3%	11.7%	54.4%	59.0%
Be Think, Solve, Execute S.p.A.	ITALY	120	-1.6%	2.8%	0.2%	-6.7%	73.7%	146.1%
Reply S.p.A.	ITALY	2,099	12.2%	17.9%	4.0%	13.6%	91.1%	251.7%
Exprivia SpA	ITALY	67	13.0%	34.7%	6.5%	-11.8%	65.2%	40.0%
	Average		7.9%	18.4%	3.6%	-1.6%	76.7%	145.9%

PEERS Group 2	Average	7.9%	18.4%	3.6%	-1.6%	76.7%	145.9%
	Median	12.2%	17.9%	4.0%	-6.7%	73.7%	146.1%

Source: Factset



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