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PRODWARE

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Transformation to SaaS

Pros

- Prodware's business development is based on Microsoft software, essentially. Prodware benefits from its demanding 'Microsoft Gold Certified partner' status and is a member of the Microsoft Dynamics Inner Circle
- The differentiation between Prodware and most traditional software vendors lies in the editing of specific solutions dedicated to a selective number of sectors (retail, manufacturing, professional services, financial services)
- Prodware is involved in a business transformation to SaaS with the expansion of Microsoft Dynamics 365 online. The advantage of SaaS is higher recurring and predictable revenue in the future

Cons

- The switch of software licences to software subscriptions revenue and the need of investments in the business weigh on both growth and margin over the transformation phase
- The SaaS model could facilitate the emergence of new small-sized and agile competitors and, consequently, force price pressure and lower margins for traditional software editors and their vendors
- Restated from the significant impact of the research tax credits, net of fees (€+10.7m in 2017), the group posts a low operating margin (<5% of revenue)</p>

Key Figures	12/16A	12/17A	12/18E	12/19E	12/20E
Adjusted P/E (x)	6.66	8.70	5.97	4.42	3.18
Dividend yield (%)	0.58	0.53	0.79	1.29	2.09
EV/EBITDA(R) (x)	3.34	4.38	3.21	2.08	1.04
Adjusted EPS (€)	1.04	1.29	1.69	1.75	1.81
Growth in EPS (%)	52.7	23.8	30.8	3.78	3.24
Dividend (€)	0.04	0.06	0.08	0.10	0.12
Sales (€M)	176	168	176	175	174
EBITDA/R margin (%)	18.2	18.3	18.6	18.8	19.3
Attributable net profit (€M)	9.44	11.6	14.5	15.0	16.1
ROE (after tax) (%)	8.26	9.30	10.6	10.2	10.1
Gearing (%)	48.5	49.6	40.3	32.4	25.7



Add	Upside : 31.8%
Price (€)	9.05
Target Price (€)	11.9
Momentum	¢
Market Cap (€M)	0.00
Enterprise Value (€M)	0.00
High/Low (12M)	€ 6.36/9.50
BBG : ALPRO FP	RIC : ALPRO.PA
Credit Risk & outlook	\rightarrow
Fundamental Strength	0 /10



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