# **Drone Volt**

Aerosp. & Defence Equipt. / France



Contract execution for a potentially record year - 08/12/2021

## ■ Change in EPS

2021 : € -0.01 vs 0.00 ns 2022 : € 0.00 vs 0.01 ns

Drone Volt had signed two mega contracts with Aquiline Drones, one in April concerning 600 Hercules 2 drones (€3m at catalogue price) and, later, another one concerning 500 Hercules 20 and 200 Hercules 10 (€15m at catalogue price). Though the latter was not a fixed contract, we had previously expected some sales to occur in H2. The Q3 results have proved us wrong as Drone Volt has put all its resources into the first Hercules 2 contract. This, we now believe, will lead to no sales in FY21 of the second mega contract. The Hungarian contract on 275 Hercules 20 drones has also been postponed to next year, directly impacting our EPS.

## Change in NAV

€ 0.24 vs 0.29 -16.9

As we use EV/Sales multiples to value the different businesses, the decline in anticipated sales due to the mega contracts being delayed has negatively impacted the NAV's final value. The multiples have remained unchanged, with the Training multiple being the highest (3x) of Drone Volt's historical businesses as it is the most profitable (excluding the royalties from Aquiline Drones).

## Change in DCF

€ 0.26 vs 0.37 -30.8%

As major contracts have been postponed, the expected sales have been pushed further down the road. As a consequence, FCF has been impacted due to the hit on profitability. Nevertheless, the reason for the delay on these contracts is mainly linked to the limited production capacity of Drone Volt which is currently fully utilised to fulfill the 600 Hercules 2 fixed contract with Aquiline Drones. The demand for Drone Volt's products remains intact, and the sales not generated this year will be the drivers for the coming years. Hence, we remain positive in the mid-term outlook of Drone Volt.



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Buy	<b>Upside: 107%</b>
Target Price (6 months)	€ 0.18
Share Price	€ 0.09
Market Cap. €M	23.6
Price Momentum	NEGATIVE
Extremes 12Months	0.09 > 0.34
Bloomberg	ALDRV FP Equity
Reuters	ALDRV.PA

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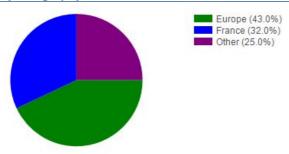


PERF	1w	1m	3m	12m
Drone Volt	-9.36%	-28.5%	-44.0%	-73.7%
Aerospace-Defence	5.95%	-8.27%	-2.81%	2.13%
SXXR Index	3.75%	-0.56%	1.89%	24.9%

Last updated: 08/12/2021	12/20A	12/21E	12/22E	12/23E
Adjusted P/E (x)	-3.14	-11.1	-42.4	15.2
Dividend yield (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EV/EBITDA(R) (x)	-12.1	-6.24	-1.82	0.15
Adjusted EPS (€)	-0.05	-0.01	0.00	0.01
Growth in EPS (%)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Dividend (€)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sales (€th)	5,836	9,972	13,654	18,931
Other margin (%)	29.3	37.4	42.5	50.4
Attributable net profit (€th)	-6,393	4,655	-553	1,565
ROE (after tax) (%)	-47.6	19.7	-1.88	5.19
Gearing (%)	8.95	-26.0	-46.0	-47.3

Company Valuation - Company Financials

## Sales by Geography



Net dividend per share	€	0.00	0.00	0.0
Restated NAV per share	€			
Benchmark EPS	€	-0.05	-0.01	0.0
Number of diluted shares (average)	Th	131,321	230,360	263,08
No. of shares net of treas. stock (year	Th	198,523	259,963	263,96
Per Share Data				
Free cash flow (pre div.)	€th	-1,645	-2,098	-1,09
Change in cash position	€th	5,812	8,280	1,90
Total financial flows	€th	13,967	2,537	
New shareholders' equity	€th	8,590	6,178	1,00
Dividends to minorities interests	€th	0.00	0.00	0.0
Dividends (parent company)	€th	010	011	
Net interest expense	€th	-673	-341	-26
Total investment flows	€th	-8,992	5,505	-1,9
Capital expenditure	€th	-1,810	-1,995	-1,9
Total operating cash flows	€th	838	238	1,12
Other operating cash flows	€th	-991	-286	-2:
Paid taxes  Exceptional items	€th	2,209	802	40
Actual div. received from equity holdi Paid taxes	€th	0.00	802	
Change in WCR	€th	1,685	245 0.00	-62 0.0
EBITDA Changa in WCD	€th	-2,065	-524	1,0
Cashflow Statement				
NOPAT	€th	-2,932	-2,503	-7:
Adjusted attributable net profit	€th	-6,393	-1,845	-5
Minority interests	€th	252	569	6
Equity associates	€th			
Corporate tax	€th	2,209	802	40
Exceptional items & other	€th		6,500	
of which related to pensions	€th		0.00	0.
Net financial expense	€th	-673	-341	-2
Operating profit (EBIT)	€th	-8,181	-2,875	-1,3
Underlying operating profit	€th	-4,189	-3,576	-1,0
Depreciation	€th			
EBITDA(R) margin	%	-35.4	-5.25	7.4
EBITDA	€th	-2,065	-524	1,0
Change in staff costs	%	-5.12	5.40	17
Change in sales	%	-17.9	70.9	36
Sales	€th	5,836	9,972	13,6

## **Valuation Summary**

Benchmarks	Value	Weight
DCF	€ 0.26	35%
NAV/SOTP per share	€ 0.24	20%
EV/Ebitda	€ 0.16	20%
P/E	€ 0.04	10%
Dividend Yield	€ 0.00	10%
P/Book	€ 0.18	5%
TARGET PRICE	€ 0.18	100%

## Largest comparables

KUKA

### **NAV/SOTP Calculation**

Balance Sheet		12/20A	12/21E	12/22E
Goodwill	€th	152	150	149
Total intangible	€th	5,477	5,376	5,554
Tangible fixed assets	€th	743	1,130	1,268
Financial fixed assets	€th			
WCR	€th	1,360	1,115	1,177
Other assets	€th	7,656	7,120	6,622
Total assets (net of short term liab.)	€th	19,985	20,849	21,035
Ordinary shareholders' equity	€th	17,640	29,605	29,199
Quasi Equity & Preferred	€th			
Minority interests	€th	-129	-100	-99.0
Provisions for pensions	€th		0.00	0.00
Other provisions for risks and liabilities	€th	244	281	323
Total provisions for risks and liabilities	€th	244	281	323
Tax liabilities	€th	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other liabilities	€th	4,141	4,555	5,011
Net debt (cash)	€th	-1,911	-13,491	-13,398
Total liab. and shareholders' equity	€th	19,985	20,849	21,035
Capital Employed				
Capital employed after depreciation	€th	7,580	7,621	7,999
Profits & Risks Ratios				
ROE (after tax)	%	-47.6	19.7	-1.88
ROCE	%	-38.7	-32.8	-9.13
Gearing (at book value)	%	8.95	-26.0	-46.0
Adj. Net debt/EBITDA(R)	Х	0.93	25.8	-13.2
Interest cover (x)	Х	-6.22	-10.5	-3.91
Valuation Ratios				
Reference P/E (benchmark)	x	-3.14	-11.1	-42.4
Free cash flow yield	%	-5.41	-9.06	-4.65
P/Book	Х	1.72	0.78	0.81
Dividend yield	%	0.00	0.00	0.00
EV Calculation				
Market cap	€th	30,389	23,163	23,519
+ Provisions	€th	244	281	323
+ Unrecognised acturial losses/(gains)	€th	0.00	0.00	0.00
+ Net debt at year end	€th	-2,172	-13,765	-13,686
+ Leases debt equivalent	€th	0.00	0.00	0.00
- Financial fixed assets (fair value)	€th	3,898	6,712	12,305
+ Minority interests (fair value)	€th	387	300	297
= EV	€th	24,949	3,266	-1,852
EV/EBITDA(R)	x	-12.1	-6.24	-1.82
		4.28	0.33	

Analyst: Romain Pierredon, Changes to Forecasts: 08/12/2021.