

Kontron AG

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Buy (old: Buy)

Price target: EUR 30.00 (old: EUR 30.00)

Price:	EUR 18.75	Next result:	Q2'23 03.11.23
Bloomberg:	KTN GR	Market cap:	EUR 1,317.2 m
Reuters:	KTN.DE	Enterprise Value:	EUR 1,180.6 m

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Preview Q3: eCons looking too cautious

Reason to write: Kontron will release Q3 figures on Friday, November 3. **Expect results to outperform consensus on net income: our € 18.0m estimate is almost 10% ahead of the street.** At the same time, in light of healthy current trading and a seasonally strong Q4 pending, **Kontron is likely to raise its FY'23E bottom-line guidance:** we model € 72m FY'23E net income vs. a current guidance of € 66m.

Q3 sales are seen to rise by 15% yoy from € 262m to € 301m (eCons: € 299m), courtesy of strength in verticals Transportation, Defense and Avionics, above all, offsetting cyclical weakness in Industrial carried by an inventory correction. Acquired companies Telit and Comlab should contribute some € 15-20m to Q3 revenues, though at dilutive EBITDA margins pre-synergies. **Revenue growth ex M&A is seen at 7-9% yoy;** the underlying organic performance should be stronger, however, considering that Kontron is actively scaling back low-margin revenues across the remaining IT services entities in Eastern Europe.

We expect Q3 order intake to arrive at € 310m, carried by Transportation, Defense and Avionics, amongst other. The resulting book-to-bill of slightly above 1.0x highlights a continued firm demand backdrop, though dynamics should be slightly decelerating vs Q1 and Q2 in light of macro uncertainty.

Q3 net income is expected to soar from € 5.4m to € 18.0m (eCons: € 16.4m), by virtue of (i) a stronger sales mix given the disproportionate growth of high-margin segment Software + Solutions (17% of sales); (ii) a major margin improvement of segment Global (18% of sales) on the back of efficiency measures. Note that the bottom-line contribution of Telit and Comlab should be negligible.

As 9M'23E net income is seen to come in at € 52m and the upcoming Q4 is seasonally strong, **we expect Kontron to upgrade its FY'23E bottom-line guidance:** the current net income target of € 66m would require only € 14m of net income in Q4, which looks much too conservative. **We are expecting € 72m, in-line with eCons.** Meanwhile, the FY'23E sales outlook of € 1.2bn should be confirmed.

Reiterate Buy with a € 30.00 PT based on DCF. CC at 9:00 am CET on Nov. 3.

Y/E 31.12 (EUR m)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Sales	1,122.9	1,254.8	1,002.9	1,096.1	1,201.0	1,395.3	1,546.0
Sales growth	13 %	12 %	-20 %	9 %	10 %	16 %	11 %
EBITDA	111.7	130.0	90.1	70.0	128.3	143.7	163.1
EBIT	61.8	68.6	40.1	-2.0	82.9	96.8	116.1
Net income	49.1	55.6	48.3	232.5	72.0	85.5	102.9
Net debt	91.5	104.1	116.0	-65.6	-156.5	-198.9	-205.6
Net gearing	24.5 %	25.8 %	27.7 %	-10.3 %	-25.8 %	-30.5 %	-29.1 %
Net Debt/EBITDA	0.8	0.8	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EPS pro forma	0.74	0.84	0.45	-0.19	1.13	1.34	1.62
CPS	0.88	1.67	0.87	-0.15	1.15	1.21	1.15
DPS	0.00	0.30	0.35	1.00	0.60	0.60	0.60
Dividend yield	0.0 %	1.4 %	1.7 %	4.8 %	2.9 %	2.9 %	2.9 %
Gross profit margin	37.2 %	37.2 %	37.1 %	35.1 %	39.5 %	39.1 %	39.2 %
EBITDA margin	9.9 %	10.4 %	9.0 %	6.4 %	10.7 %	10.3 %	10.6 %
EBIT margin	5.5 %	5.5 %	4.0 %	-0.2 %	6.9 %	6.9 %	7.5 %
ROCE	8.8 %	9.9 %	4.5 %	-0.2 %	9.0 %	9.5 %	11.7 %
EV/sales	1.3	1.2	1.5	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.7
EV/EBITDA	13.3	11.5	16.8	18.2	9.2	7.9	6.9
EV/EBIT	24.1	21.9	37.7	-630.7	14.2	11.8	9.7
PER	27.9	24.6	45.9	-107.5	18.3	15.4	12.8
Adjusted FCF yield	5.6 %	6.4 %	3.4 %	1.3 %	7.8 %	9.1 %	10.7 %

Source: Company data, Hauck Aufhäuser Investment Banking Close price as of: 26.10.2023

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Source: Company data, Hauck Aufhäuser Investment Banking

High/low 52 weeks: 20.78 / 14.10

Price/Book Ratio: 2.0

Relative performance (TecDAX):

3 months 11.0 %

6 months 20.3 %

12 months 27.6 %

Changes in estimates

		Sales	EBIT	EPS
2023	old:	1,201.0	82.9	1.13
	Δ	-	-	-
2024	old:	1,395.3	96.8	1.34
	Δ	-	-	-
2025	old:	1,546.0	116.1	1.62
	Δ	-	-	-

Key share data:

Number of shares: (in m pcs) 63.6

Authorised capital: (in € m) 12.1

Book value per share: (in €) 9.5

Ø trading volume: (12 months) 155,000

Major shareholders:

Free Float 55.2 %

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Management 6.5 %

Amiral Gestion 5.4 %

Naneva BV 5.3 %

Company description:

Leading IoT solutions provider targeting industrial, medical, avionics, smart energy, and other applications

Financials

Profit and loss (EUR m)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Net sales	1,122.9	1,254.8	1,002.9	1,096.1	1,201.0	1,395.3	1,546.0
Sales growth	13.3 %	11.7 %	-20.1 %	9.3 %	9.6 %	16.2 %	10.8 %
Increase/decrease in finished goods and work-in-process	15.5	17.6	21.2	23.4	12.6	14.0	15.5
Total sales	1,138.4	1,272.4	1,024.2	1,119.5	1,213.6	1,409.3	1,561.5
Other operating income	8.0	8.8	14.6	19.7	8.0	7.0	7.7
Material expenses	715.4	799.0	644.7	726.6	734.2	858.1	950.0
Personnel expenses	245.2	273.3	237.6	258.8	278.8	319.5	352.5
Other operating expenses	74.2	78.8	66.5	83.8	80.5	94.9	103.6
Total operating expenses	1,026.7	1,142.4	934.1	1,049.5	1,085.3	1,265.5	1,398.4
EBITDA	111.7	130.0	90.1	70.0	128.3	143.7	163.1
Depreciation	25.9	30.9	50.0	72.0	25.9	27.4	27.5
EBITA	85.8	99.1	40.1	-2.0	102.4	116.3	135.6
Amortisation of goodwill	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Amortisation of intangible assets	24.0	30.5	0.0	0.0	19.5	19.5	19.5
Impairment charges	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EBIT (inc revaluation net)	61.8	68.6	40.1	-2.0	82.9	96.8	116.1
Interest income	1.3	1.6	1.4	1.4	6.7	6.9	7.2
Interest expenses	9.0	9.3	9.0	10.0	7.7	6.6	6.3
Other financial result	0.0	-0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Financial result	-7.7	-7.9	-7.6	-8.6	-1.0	0.4	0.8
Recurring pretax income from continuing operations	54.1	60.7	32.4	-10.7	81.9	97.2	116.9
Extraordinary income/loss	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Earnings before taxes	54.1	60.7	32.4	-10.7	81.9	97.2	116.9
Taxes	4.6	6.1	2.0	2.2	9.8	11.7	14.0
Net income from continuing operations	49.5	54.6	30.5	-12.8	72.0	85.5	102.9
Result from discontinued operations (net of tax)	0.0	0.0	-18.5	-244.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net income	49.5	54.6	49.0	231.9	72.0	85.5	102.9
Minority interest	0.4	-1.0	0.7	-0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net profit (reported)	49.1	55.6	48.3	232.5	72.0	85.5	102.9
Average number of shares	66.1	65.0	65.0	63.6	63.6	63.6	63.6
EPS reported	0.74	0.86	0.74	3.65	1.13	1.34	1.62

Profit and loss (common size)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Net sales	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
Increase/decrease in finished goods and work-in-process	1.4 %	1.4 %	2.1 %	2.1 %	1.1 %	1.0 %	1.0 %
Total sales	101.4 %	101.4 %	102.1 %	102.1 %	101.1 %	101.0 %	101.0 %
Other operating income	0.7 %	0.7 %	1.5 %	1.8 %	0.7 %	0.5 %	0.5 %
Material expenses	63.7 %	63.7 %	64.3 %	66.3 %	61.1 %	61.5 %	61.5 %
Personnel expenses	21.8 %	21.8 %	23.7 %	23.6 %	23.2 %	22.9 %	22.8 %
Other operating expenses	6.6 %	6.3 %	6.6 %	7.6 %	6.7 %	6.8 %	6.7 %
Total operating expenses	91.4 %	91.0 %	93.1 %	95.7 %	90.4 %	90.7 %	90.5 %
EBITDA	9.9 %	10.4 %	9.0 %	6.4 %	10.7 %	10.3 %	10.6 %
Depreciation	2.3 %	2.5 %	5.0 %	6.6 %	2.2 %	2.0 %	1.8 %
EBITA	7.6 %	7.9 %	4.0 %	neg.	8.5 %	8.3 %	8.8 %
Amortisation of goodwill	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
Amortisation of intangible assets	2.1 %	2.4 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	1.6 %	1.4 %	1.3 %
Impairment charges	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
EBIT (inc revaluation net)	5.5 %	5.5 %	4.0 %	neg.	6.9 %	6.9 %	7.5 %
Interest income	0.1 %	0.1 %	0.1 %	0.1 %	0.6 %	0.5 %	0.5 %
Interest expenses	0.8 %	0.7 %	0.9 %	0.9 %	0.6 %	0.5 %	0.4 %
Other financial result	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
Financial result	neg.	neg.	neg.	neg.	neg.	0.0 %	0.1 %
Recurring pretax income from continuing operations	4.8 %	4.8 %	3.2 %	neg.	6.8 %	7.0 %	7.6 %
Extraordinary income/loss	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
Earnings before taxes	4.8 %	4.8 %	3.2 %	neg.	6.8 %	7.0 %	7.6 %
Tax rate	8.4 %	10.0 %	6.1 %	-20.5 %	12.0 %	12.0 %	12.0 %
Net income from continuing operations	4.4 %	4.4 %	3.0 %	neg.	6.0 %	6.1 %	6.7 %
Income from discontinued operations (net of tax)	0.0 %	0.0 %	-1.8 %	-22.3 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
Net income	4.4 %	4.4 %	4.9 %	21.2 %	6.0 %	6.1 %	6.7 %
Minority interest	0.0 %	neg.	0.1 %	neg.	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
Net profit (reported)	4.4 %	4.4 %	4.8 %	21.2 %	6.0 %	6.1 %	6.7 %

Source: Company data, Hauck Aufhäuser Investment Banking

Balance sheet (EUR m)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Intangible assets	294.9	302.3	312.5	261.8	261.1	257.5	261.2
Property, plant and equipment	99.8	135.1	132.5	95.5	81.0	69.3	74.3
Financial assets	22.8	22.1	32.5	146.0	32.0	32.0	32.0
FIXED ASSETS	417.5	459.5	477.5	503.4	374.1	358.8	367.5
Inventories	146.8	159.9	187.3	192.6	210.7	244.8	297.3
Accounts receivable	212.2	204.5	214.1	148.1	162.2	188.5	208.8
Other current assets	102.6	104.2	136.5	126.0	129.1	132.4	135.7
Liquid assets	312.3	281.9	296.5	437.8	451.5	473.9	480.6
Deferred taxes	34.4	36.6	40.2	33.1	33.1	33.1	33.1
Deferred charges and prepaid expenses	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CURRENT ASSETS	808.2	787.1	874.6	937.5	986.6	1,072.6	1,155.4
TOTAL ASSETS	1,225.7	1,246.6	1,352.1	1,440.9	1,360.6	1,431.4	1,522.9
SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY	372.7	404.0	418.6	633.8	605.9	651.7	707.1
MINORITY INTEREST	12.4	5.4	4.7	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
Long-term debt	341.0	343.2	340.2	246.5	270.0	260.0	260.0
Provisions for pensions and similar obligations	30.0	26.8	25.1	19.9	19.9	19.9	19.9
Other provisions	54.4	40.5	31.4	27.0	27.0	27.0	27.0
Non-current liabilities	425.4	410.5	396.7	293.3	316.8	306.8	306.8
short-term liabilities to banks	62.8	42.8	72.3	125.7	25.0	15.0	15.0
Accounts payable	205.0	210.0	270.0	226.3	248.4	288.6	319.8
Advance payments received on orders	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other liabilities (incl. from lease and rental contracts)	134.2	160.6	176.7	154.1	158.8	163.5	168.4
Deferred taxes	13.4	13.3	13.2	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7
Deferred income	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Current liabilities	415.3	426.6	532.2	511.9	437.9	472.9	508.9
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY	1,225.7	1,246.6	1,352.1	1,440.9	1,360.6	1,431.4	1,522.9

Balance sheet (common size)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Intangible assets	24.1 %	24.2 %	23.1 %	18.2 %	19.2 %	18.0 %	17.1 %
Property, plant and equipment	8.1 %	10.8 %	9.8 %	6.6 %	6.0 %	4.8 %	4.9 %
Financial assets	1.9 %	1.8 %	2.4 %	10.1 %	2.4 %	2.2 %	2.1 %
FIXED ASSETS	34.1 %	36.9 %	35.3 %	34.9 %	27.5 %	25.1 %	24.1 %
Inventories	12.0 %	12.8 %	13.9 %	13.4 %	15.5 %	17.1 %	19.5 %
Accounts receivable	17.3 %	16.4 %	15.8 %	10.3 %	11.9 %	13.2 %	13.7 %
Other current assets	8.4 %	8.4 %	10.1 %	8.7 %	9.5 %	9.2 %	8.9 %
Liquid assets	25.5 %	22.6 %	21.9 %	30.4 %	33.2 %	33.1 %	31.6 %
Deferred taxes	2.8 %	2.9 %	3.0 %	2.3 %	2.4 %	2.3 %	2.2 %
Deferred charges and prepaid expenses	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
CURRENT ASSETS	65.9 %	63.1 %	64.7 %	65.1 %	72.5 %	74.9 %	75.9 %
TOTAL ASSETS	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY	30.4 %	32.4 %	31.0 %	44.0 %	44.5 %	45.5 %	46.4 %
MINORITY INTEREST	1.0 %	0.4 %	0.3 %	0.1 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
Long-term debt	27.8 %	27.5 %	25.2 %	17.1 %	19.8 %	18.2 %	17.1 %
Provisions for pensions and similar obligations	2.4 %	2.2 %	1.9 %	1.4 %	1.5 %	1.4 %	1.3 %
Other provisions	4.4 %	3.2 %	2.3 %	1.9 %	2.0 %	1.9 %	1.8 %
Non-current liabilities	34.7 %	32.9 %	29.3 %	20.4 %	23.3 %	21.4 %	20.1 %
short-term liabilities to banks	5.1 %	3.4 %	5.3 %	8.7 %	1.8 %	1.0 %	1.0 %
Accounts payable	16.7 %	16.8 %	20.0 %	15.7 %	18.3 %	20.2 %	21.0 %
Advance payments received on orders	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
Other liabilities (incl. from lease and rental contracts)	10.9 %	12.9 %	13.1 %	10.7 %	11.7 %	11.4 %	11.1 %
Deferred taxes	1.1 %	1.1 %	1.0 %	0.4 %	0.4 %	0.4 %	0.4 %
Deferred income	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
Current liabilities	33.9 %	34.2 %	39.4 %	35.5 %	32.2 %	33.0 %	33.4 %
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %

Source: Company data, Hauck Aufhäuser Investment Banking

Cash flow statement (EUR m)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Net profit/loss	49.5	54.6	49.0	-2.0	72.0	85.5	102.9
Depreciation of fixed assets (incl. leases)	49.9	30.9	63.6	72.0	25.9	27.4	27.5
Amortisation of goodwill	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Amortisation of intangible assets	0.0	30.5	0.0	0.0	19.5	19.5	19.5
Others	3.7	-8.5	-20.3	-42.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cash flow from operations before changes in w/c	103.1	107.5	92.3	27.4	117.4	132.4	149.9
Increase/decrease in inventory	-16.0	-13.1	-27.5	-5.3	-18.1	-34.1	-52.5
Increase/decrease in accounts receivable	-30.0	41.4	-9.6	66.0	-14.1	-26.2	-20.4
Increase/decrease in accounts payable	49.7	5.0	60.0	-43.6	22.1	40.2	31.2
Increase/decrease in other working capital positions	-23.5	0.0	-19.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Increase/decrease in working capital	-19.8	33.3	3.0	17.1	-10.1	-20.1	-41.7
Cash flow from operating activities	83.4	140.8	95.3	44.4	107.3	112.3	108.2
CAPEX	27.1	33.9	47.0	40.5	45.6	51.6	55.7
Payments for acquisitions	27.2	41.0	13.9	20.5	24.5	0.0	0.0
Financial investments	4.3	3.6	8.2	-13.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Income from asset disposals	2.9	1.3	2.8	191.7	117.3	20.0	0.0
Cash flow from investing activities	-55.7	-77.2	-66.3	143.7	47.2	-31.6	-55.7
Cash flow before financing	27.7	63.6	29.0	188.1	154.5	80.7	52.5
Increase/decrease in debt position	128.1	-40.9	28.8	-56.7	-77.2	-20.0	0.0
Purchase of own shares	14.6	12.2	20.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Capital measures	0.0	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Dividends paid	10.6	0.0	19.2	22.3	63.6	38.2	38.2
Others	-19.1	-14.1	-9.3	-11.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash	1.1	-8.1	4.3	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cash flow from financing activities	83.8	-65.8	-20.2	-90.8	-140.8	-58.2	-38.2
Increase/decrease in liquid assets	112.6	-10.2	13.0	97.7	13.7	22.5	14.4
Liquid assets at end of period	312.3	281.9	296.5	437.8	451.5	473.9	488.3

Source: Company data, Hauck Aufhäuser Investment Banking

Regional split (EUR m)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Domestic	102.2	106.7	156.5	178.6	195.7	227.3	251.9
yoy change	3.8 %	4.4 %	46.7 %	14.2 %	9.6 %	16.2 %	10.8 %
Rest of Europe	336.9	373.9	484.6	512.4	561.4	652.3	722.7
yoy change	12.3 %	11.0 %	29.6 %	5.7 %	9.6 %	16.2 %	10.8 %
NAFTA	152.7	178.2	96.5	109.8	124.9	146.5	162.3
yoy change	14.7 %	16.7 %	-45.8 %	13.8 %	13.7 %	17.3 %	10.8 %
Asia Pacific	n/a	n/a	62.4	80.0	87.6	101.8	112.8
yoy change	n/a	n/a	n/a	28.2 %	9.6 %	16.2 %	10.8 %
Rest of world	531.1	596.0	203.0	215.3	230.6	266.5	295.3
yoy change	15.6 %	12.2 %	-65.9 %	6.1 %	7.1 %	15.6 %	10.8 %
TTL	1,122.9	1,254.8	1,002.9	1,096.1	1,201.0	1,395.3	1,546.0
yoy change	13.3 %	11.7 %	-20.1 %	9.3 %	9.6 %	16.2 %	10.8 %

Source: Company data, Hauck Aufhäuser Investment Banking

Key ratios (EUR m)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
P&L growth analysis							
Sales growth	13.3 %	11.7 %	-20.1 %	9.3 %	9.6 %	16.2 %	10.8 %
EBITDA growth	23.4 %	43.6 %	-19.4 %	-46.2 %	42.4 %	105.3 %	27.2 %
EBIT growth	0.4 %	11.5 %	-35.1 %	-102.9 %	106.8 %	-	40.1 %
EPS growth	9.2 %	25.7 %	-0.1 %	327.0 %	52.5 %	-63.2 %	42.8 %
Efficiency							
Total operating costs / sales	91.4 %	91.0 %	93.1 %	95.7 %	90.4 %	90.7 %	90.5 %
Sales per employee	259.8	242.1	225.8	207.9	265.1	308.7	338.6
EBITDA per employee	25.9	25.1	20.3	13.3	28.3	31.8	35.7
Balance sheet analysis							
Avg. working capital / sales	13.8 %	12.4 %	14.2 %	12.3 %	10.7 %	9.3 %	10.1 %
Inventory turnover (sales/inventory)	7.7	7.8	5.4	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.2
Trade debtors in days of sales	69.0	59.5	77.9	49.3	49.3	49.3	49.3
A/P turnover [(A/P*365)/sales]	66.6	61.1	98.3	75.4	75.5	75.5	75.5
Cash conversion cycle (days)	39.2	36.6	31.1	32.4	30.5	30.7	40.7
Cash flow analysis							
Free cash flow	56.3	106.9	48.3	4.0	61.7	60.7	52.5
Free cash flow/sales	5.0 %	8.5 %	4.8 %	0.4 %	5.1 %	4.3 %	3.4 %
FCF / net profit	114.6 %	192.2 %	100.1 %	1.7 %	85.6 %	70.9 %	51.1 %
Capex / deprn	62.9 %	61.2 %	86.7 %	38.2 %	100.5 %	110.1 %	118.4 %
Capex / maintenance capex	74.6 %	114.5 %	n/a	44.1 %	77.6 %	87.3 %	92.1 %
Capex / sales	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Security							
Net debt	91.5	104.1	116.0	-65.6	-156.5	-198.9	-205.6
Net Debt/EBITDA	0.8	0.8	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net debt / equity	0.2	0.3	0.3	neg.	neg.	neg.	neg.
Interest cover	6.9	7.4	4.5	0.0	10.8	14.8	18.4
Dividend payout ratio	0.0 %	35.7 %	47.9 %	27.4 %	53.0 %	44.6 %	37.1 %
Asset utilisation							
Capital employed turnover	1.3	1.5	1.1	1.0	1.3	1.4	1.5
Operating assets turnover	4.4	4.3	3.8	5.2	5.8	6.5	5.9
Plant turnover	11.3	9.3	7.6	11.5	14.8	20.1	20.8
Inventory turnover (sales/inventory)	7.7	7.8	5.4	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.2
Returns							
ROCE	8.8 %	9.9 %	4.5 %	-0.2 %	9.0 %	9.5 %	11.7 %
ROE	13.2 %	13.8 %	11.5 %	36.7 %	11.9 %	13.1 %	14.6 %
Other							
Interest paid / avg. debt	3.4 %	3.7 %	2.2 %	2.7 %	2.2 %	2.0 %	2.2 %
No. employees (average)	4322	5184	4442	5271	4530	4520	4565
Number of shares	66.1	65.0	65.0	63.6	63.6	63.6	63.6
DPS	0.0	0.3	0.4	1.0	0.6	0.6	0.6
EPS reported	0.74	0.86	0.74	3.65	1.13	1.34	1.62
Valuation ratios							
P/BV	3.7	3.4	3.3	2.1	2.2	2.0	1.9
EV/sales	1.3	1.2	1.5	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.7
EV/EBITDA	13.3	11.5	16.8	18.2	9.2	7.9	6.9
EV/EBITA	17.4	15.1	37.7	-630.7	11.5	9.8	8.3
EV/EBIT	24.1	21.9	37.7	-630.7	14.2	11.8	9.7
EV/FCF	26.5	14.0	31.3	321.6	19.1	18.8	21.5
Adjusted FCF yield	5.6 %	6.4 %	3.4 %	1.3 %	7.8 %	9.1 %	10.7 %
Dividend yield	0.0 %	1.4 %	1.7 %	4.8 %	2.9 %	2.9 %	2.9 %

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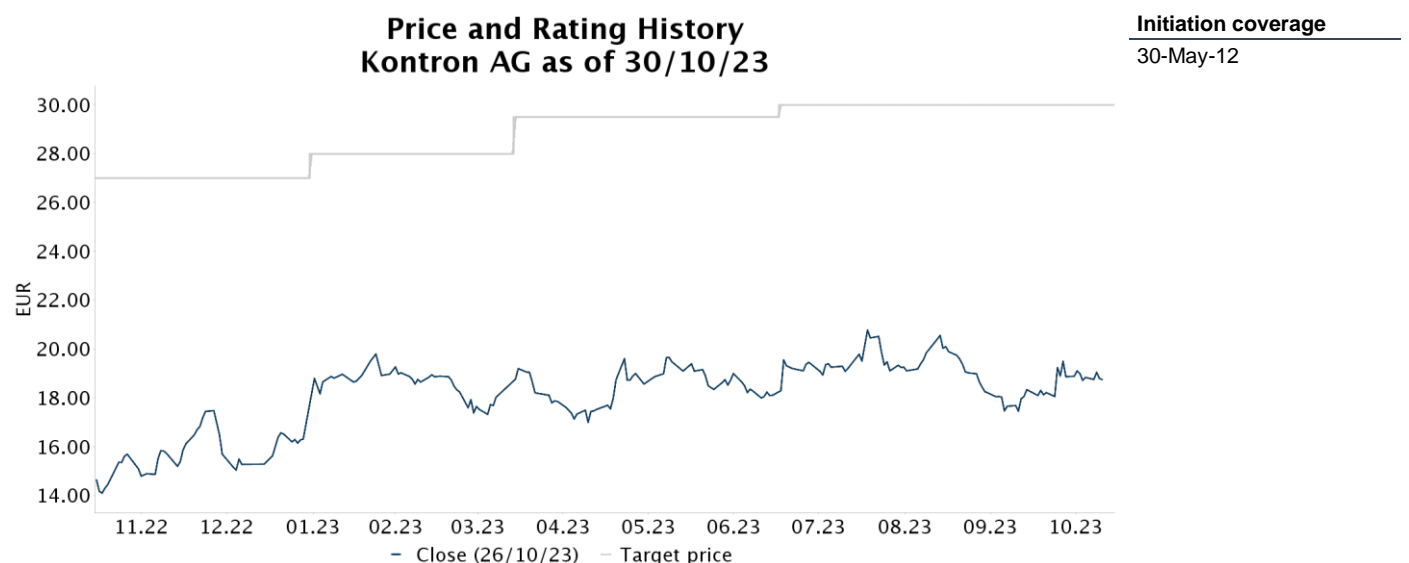
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