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Business Services

## Sodexo

Price EUR92.37

### Bellon SA increased its control on Sodexo

Fair Value EUR88 (-5%)

NEUTRAL

Bloomberg	SW FP
Reuters	EXHO.PA
12-month High / Low (EUR)	95.3 / 71.0
Market Cap (EURm)	14,514
Avg. 6m daily volume (000)	308.6

#### ANALYSIS

- Bellon SA, the holding family controlling Sodexo, announced yesterday that it would like to reinforce its stake in Sodexo with the acquisition of around 2.2m shares no later than September 2016.
- All in all, after the completion by Sodexo of the EUR300m share buyback program approved by the AGM on 26<sup>th</sup> January, the repurchase of around 2.2m shares and double voting rights received from over 2.7m shares which were held in registered form for four years, **Bellon SA will hold around 40.02% of the capital equity and 54.83% of the voting rights in Sodexo** (vs. respectively 37.71% and 52.94% after double voting rights, but before the share buyback and the purchase of additional Sodexo shares).
- Reiterating its confidence in the company, Bellon SA nevertheless requested a derogation from AMF to file a proposed public exchange tender offer, which ought to be the case with an increase by more than 1% of its stake in less than twelve months.

#### VALUATION

- At the current share price, the stock is trading 12.3x EV/EBIT 2016e and 10.9x 2017e which compares with historical median of 10.8x.

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