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# **ASML**

## Price EUR87.29

Bloomberg			AS	SML NA
Reuters			Α	SML.AS
12-month High	Low (EU	IR)	98.	3 / 71.8
Market Cap (EUI	Rm)			37,826
Avg. 6m daily vo	lume (00	0)		1,304
	1 M	3 M	6 M 3	1/12/15
Absolute perf.	-1.6%	-2.5%	9.0%	5.7%
Semiconductors	-0.7%	-1.7%	1.0%	-2.1%
DJ Stoxx 600	-3.4%	-1.4%	-7.5%	-9.9%
	2015	2016e	2017e	2018e
P/E	27.2x	28.9x	20.5x	15.0x
Div yield (%)	0.8%	1.2%	1.4%	1.6%

As previously announced, ASML issues EUR1.5bn in bonds to finance the acquisition of HMI Fair Value EUR81 (-7%)

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## **ANALYSIS**

- Yesterday, ASML announced the success of the two Eurobond offerings for an aggregate amount
  of EUR1.5bn. The transaction is expected to settle on 7th July 2016 and, as previously announced,
  ASML will use the net proceeds to fund the acquisition of Hermes Microvision (HMI). The bonds
  split into two tranches, consisting of EUR500m due 2022 and EUR1.0bn due 2026. Following the
  issuance of bonds, ASML's net cash position will remain positive and at close to EUR500m.
- Note that on 16th June 2016, ASML announced the acquisition of Hermes Microvision for EUR2.75bn. ASML said it would issue 1/ around 5.9m shares or a limited dilution of about 1.4% of currently outstanding shares at a price of EUR85.24 for a total issue of EUR500m, 2/ EUR1.5bn of debt (today's issue) and 3/ add the remainder of EUR750m from available cash (net cash of EUR2.0bn by the end of Q1-16).
- This operation does not change our view on the case and we continue to consider risk-reward on ASML as attractive given risks concerning 1/ the timing of adoption of the EUV Technology and 2/ demand for DUV systems as the current market environment remains generally unsupportive. In addition, the demanding high valuation (2016e P/E of 28.9x) offers no room for disappointment.

## **VALUATION**

Based on our estimates, ASML's shares trade at a 2016e P/E ratio of 28.9x and a 2016e PEG ratio of 1.3x.

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