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### Utilities

# Amoéba

## Price EUR30.69

Bloomberg	AMEBA.FP			
Reuters	AMEBA.PA			
12-month High	38.	2 / 17.4		
Market Cap (EU		184		
Avg. 6m daily vo		8.10		
	4.00			
	1 M	3 M	6 M 3	1/12/15
Absolute perf.	5.1%	20.8%	-5.3%	-11.3%
Utilities	0.0%	0.4%	-1.5%	-6.1%
DJ Stoxx 600	0.3%	4.8%	-0.1%	-6.7%
	2015	2016e	2017e	<b>2018</b> e
P/E	NS	NS	80.0x	13.3x
Div yield (%)	NM	NM	NM	NM

H1 2016 results in line, still pending marketing approval by the end of this year

Fair Value EUR35 (+14%)

**CORPORATE** 

### **ANALYSIS**

- French natural biocide producer Amoeba released its H1 2016 results yesterday evening. Revenues reached EUR60k (vs. EUR80k in H1 2015) stemming from the contract with Aquaprox. The company's net income amounted to -EUR2.7m vs. -EUR1.5m a year ago. The decrease was mainly explained by higher marketing expenses as well as by the sharp increase in R&D expenses (EUR1m vs. EUR350k in H1 2015) spurred by the request for marketing authorisation and patent-linked expenses. Over H1 2016, the company has also extended its patent portfolio in Europe and in the US with potential new applications to be developed for its biocide.
- As a reminder, Amoeba signed two new letters of intent (LOI) over the first half of the year in Brazil with Green Chemicals and in the USA with Aqua-Serv for the distribution of the company's solutions and products in these countries. These potential commercial agreements are still pending marketing authorisation, which should come by the end of the year with the first sales to be generated at the beginning of 2017. The company's first production line in Lyon should also be operational by the end of the year.

#### **VALUATION**

• Corporate with FV at EUR35 (+14% vs. current share price)

### **NEXT CATALYSTS**

By the end of the year: marketing authorisation

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