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Wirecard

Price EUR46.25

Bloomberg Reuters 12-month High Market Cap (EU Avg. 6m daily vo	WDI GR WDIG.DE 47.4 / 31.2 5,715 562.3			
	1 M	3 M	6 M 3	1/12/15
Absolute perf. Softw.& Comp.	0.9%	16.3%	33.2%	-0.5%
SVS	1.1%	17.3%	12.3%	8.8%
DJ Stoxx 600	-2.1%	3.3%	3.0%	-6.2%
	2015	2016e	2017e	2018e
P/E	34.9x	25.3x	19.5x	15.9x
Div yield (%)	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%

2016 EBITDA guidance increased from EUR290-310m to EUR298-312m

Fair Value EUR58 (+25%)

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ANALYSIS

- Wirecard has just increased its EBITDA guidance of EUR290-310m to a bandwidth of between EUR298m and EUR312m in view of the positive business development. This new midpoint of EUR305m (vs. EUR300m previously) compares with BG est. of EUR306.3m and Thomson Reuters consensus of EUR303.4m. This confirms and pinpoints what Markus Braun said on 26th September during the opening of Wirecard's analyst day in Munich. The meeting had a mainly technical and business model focus. However, during the introduction, the CEO said that after a strong H1, the group's EBITDA could reach the higher half of its guidance range of EUR290-310m.
- Note also that short interest on the stock is now close to 15% of the share capital (vs. ~25% earlier this year after the Zatarra affair). As we wrote in our research report in early September, US investors (a category accounting for a significant proportion of short positions) are revisiting the investment case. The announcement of the acquisition of one of the Citi subsidiaries appears to be the proof that they were lacking conviction over the group's quality.
- We are maintaining our estimates, which are at the high-end of the guidance range and above consensus: we have FY16e revenue of EUR1.015.9bn i.e. +31.7% and +20.3% Ifl, EBITDA of EUR306.3m i.e. margin of 30.1% +60bp (cons.: EUR303.4m) and restated net income of EUR225.9m i.e. margin of 22.2%, +100bp. Since the recent acquisition of Citi Prepaid Card Services in the US, Wirecard is now formally a global issuing and acquiring payment services provider. A number of US investors are rumoured to be looking at the stock simply because it recently acquired this business from Citi (add weight to the quality of Wirecard). By increasing its size, Wirecard should mechanically improve its margins (fixed cost structure business).

VALUATION

- We maintain our Buy recommendation and FV of EUR58. The stock is on our Q4 Top Pick list.
- Wirecard's PEG is still very appealing, with a P/E of 25x vs. EPS growth of 38% in 2016e.

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