

Hexagon AB

Company report

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Valuation gap no longer exists

Hexagon will report its Q4 results on Friday, January 31. We expect growth to remain low, weighed down by weak industrial investment. However, we have raised our earnings estimates for 2025-26E due to recent acquisitions and positive FX changes. The recent rise in the company's share price has weakened the risk/reward ratio, which is why we change our recommendation to Reduce (was Accumulate) with a target price of SEK 120 (was SEK 115). We believe that the next key drivers for the share are related to global economic activity and the impact of changes in US trade policy.

Growth to be muted in Q4

Hexagon's organic growth has been declining since Q4'23 and reached -2% y/y in Q3'24. We expect organic growth to improve to 1% in Q4'24, slightly helped by easier y/y comparisons compared to previous quarters. However, we do not see any material change in the fundamental market activity. Weak spots in the market include in particular the construction markets in China and Europe, as well as the European manufacturing and automotive industries. However, we expect some improvement in growth by 2025, which we hope will be reflected in Hexagon's market commentary in the Q4 report. Our Q4'24 adjusted EBIT estimate is 437 MEUR, roughly flat y/y and 2% above consensus. We forecast net debt of 3,401 MEUR at the end of 2024.

FX and M&A to provide support to 2025-26 growth estimates

In conjunction with the pre-comment, we have made certain adjustments to our estimates for Hexagon with a net positive impact of 1% on revenue and 2% on adjusted EBIT. The changes are motivated by the recent strengthening of USD/EUR and the relatively small acquisitions of Geomagic and Septentrio in late December and early January, respectively. Our organic growth estimate for 2025 of around 6% is a significant improvement from the weak pace in 2024, as we expect organic growth to continue at a long-term average of 5% per year, possibly with a small bounce in 2025 due to the low starting point in 2024. The most important external driver for organic growth is the development of the global macroeconomy, which could be partly influenced by the decisions of the newly elected US president. Hexagon's revenue is more balanced across geographies, so overall growth and investment levels are relevant indicators.

Valuation not attractive enough with the increased share price

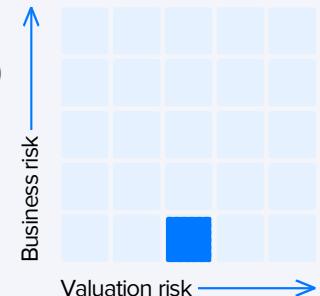
Hexagon currently trades at an adjusted EV/EBIT multiple of 20x for 2024e and 17x for 2025e. We believe 18x is a fair valuation multiple for this diversified, value-creating, high-quality technology company. Current valuation levels no longer offer attractive return expectations, we argue, as our current estimates and fair valuation assumptions would imply a return of only 6% p.a. over the next two years. We also flag that there is a risk of a delay in the recovery of organic growth due to political concerns. The recent changes in the company's management and governance seem to have stimulated the market valuation. We believe the nominations are a good fit for the company, but their near-term impact on earnings is likely to be muted and the long-term impact is still difficult to assess.

Recommendation

Reduce
(was Accumulate)

SEK 120.00
(SEK was 115.00)

Share price:
SEK 118.5



Key indicators

| | 2023 | 2024e | 2025e | 2026e |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Revenue | 5435.2 | 5393.1 | 5790.7 | 6146.3 |
| growth-% | 5% | -1% | 7% | 6% |
| EBIT adj. | 1596.7 | 1590.0 | 1755.6 | 1879.2 |
| EBIT-% adj. | 29.4 % | 29.5 % | 30.3 % | 30.6 % |
| Net income | 858.9 | 1006.6 | 1157.0 | 1297.1 |
| EPS (adj.) | 0.43 | 0.42 | 0.48 | 0.53 |

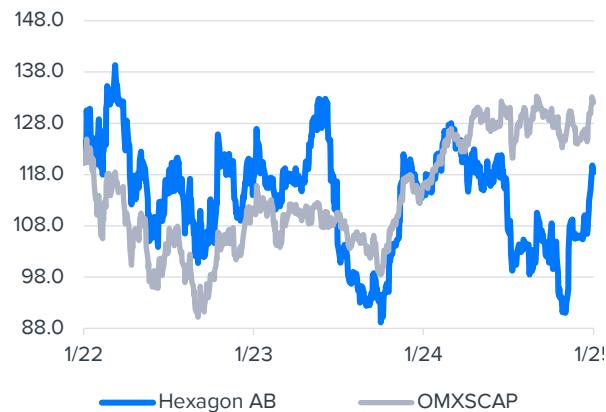
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|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| P/E (adj.) | 21.1 | 24.3 | 21.4 | 19.6 |
| P/B | 2.4 | 2.6 | 2.4 | 2.2 |
| Dividend yield-% | 1.4 % | 1.4 % | 1.5 % | 1.6 % |
| EV/EBIT (adj.) | 17.5 | 19.6 | 17.3 | 15.7 |
| EV/EBITDA | 15.7 | 15.8 | 14.0 | 12.5 |
| EV/S | 5.2 | 5.8 | 5.3 | 4.8 |

Source: Inderes

Guidance

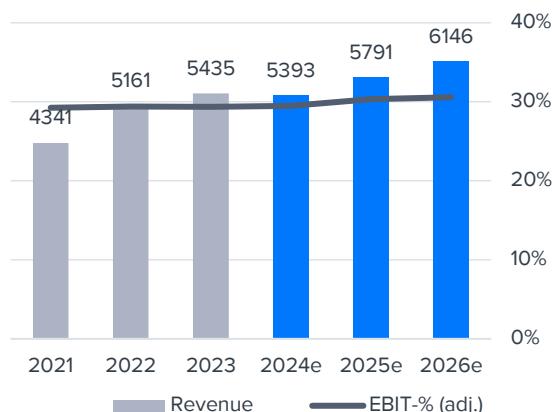
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Share price



Source: Millistream Market Data AB

Revenue and operating earnings-%



Source: Inderes

Earnings per share and dividend



Source: Inderes

Value drivers

- Strong market position in core technologies
- Need to utilise data more efficiently in various industries adds demand for Hexagon's solutions over medium-term
- Focus on margin-additive growth and increasing the share of recurring revenue
- Solid track-record of creating value through acquisitions

Risk factors

- Cyclical demand in hardware sales and certain software products
- M&A strategy partially dependent on strong valuation multiples of Hexagon's share
- Execution risk in M&A
- Gradually saturating end-markets in certain segments

| | 2024e | 2025e | 2026e |
|----------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Share price | 10.3 | 10.3 | 10.3 |
| Number of shares, million | 2684.3 | 2684.3 | 2684.3 |
| Market cap | 27696 | 27696 | 27696 |
| EV | 31181 | 30452 | 29574 |
| P/E (adj.) | 24.3 | 21.4 | 19.6 |
| P/E | 27.5 | 23.9 | 21.4 |
| P/B | 2.6 | 2.4 | 2.2 |
| P/S | 5.1 | 4.8 | 4.5 |
| EV/Sales | 5.8 | 5.3 | 4.8 |
| EV/EBITDA | 15.8 | 14.0 | 12.5 |
| EV/EBIT (adj.) | 19.6 | 17.3 | 15.7 |
| Payout ratio (%) | 37.3 % | 34.8 % | 33.1 % |
| Dividend yield-% | 1.4 % | 1.5 % | 1.6 % |

Source: Inderes

Growth likely to remain soft in Q4

Growth has not yet picked up

- We forecast Hexagon's organic growth to remain low in Q4 at around 1%. Total revenue growth is likely to remain close to zero.
- Large divisions such as Manufacturing Intelligence and Geosystems are likely to post negative organic growth due to weak construction and manufacturing investment conditions in e.g. China and Europe.
- We still expect strong growth around 8% in Asset Lifetime Intelligence and Autonomous Solutions.
- We forecast flat adjusted EBIT year-on-year at 437 MEUR that is slightly above consensus of 427 MEUR.

| | Q1 23 | Q2 23 | Q3 23 | Q4 23 | Q1 24 | Q2 24 | Q3 24 | Q4 24e |
|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| Group | 8% | 8% | 8% | 5% | 3% | 0% | -2% | 1% |
| Manufacturing Intelligence | 10% | 11% | 8% | 7% | 5% | 0% | -2% | -1% |
| Asset Lifetime Intelligence | 16% | 11% | 10% | 8% | 2% | 9% | 6% | 8% |
| Geosystems | 7% | 4% | 3% | 1% | -2% | -5% | -5% | -3% |
| Autonomous Solutions | 13% | 27% | 34% | 16% | 8% | -2% | -12% | 8% |
| Safety, Infrastructure and Geospatial | -11% | -9% | -5% | -4% | 5% | 6% | 2% | 4% |

| Estimates MEUR / EUR | Q4'23 | Q4'24 | Q4'24e | Q4'24e | Consensus | | 2024e |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|---------|-----------|-----------|------|---------|
| | Comparison | Actualized | Inderes | Consensus | Low | High | Inderes |
| Revenue | 1435 | | 1440 | 1411 | | | 5393 |
| Gross margin | 66.5 % | | 66.2 % | | | | 66.8 % |
| EBIT (adj.) | 438 | | 437 | 427 | | | 1590 |
| EBIT | 391 | | 392 | 383 | | | 1423 |
| EPS (reported) | 0.10 | | 0.10 | 0.10 | | | 0.37 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Revenue growth-% | 2.4 % | | 0.3 % | -1.7 % | | | -0.8 % |
| EBIT-% (adj.) | 30.5 % | | 30.4 % | 30.3 % | | | 29.5 % |

Source: Inderes & Hexagon (consensus includes 20 estimates)

FX and M&A to boost 2025-26 earnings

We slightly revised up the estimates

- We raised our revenue estimate by 1% and adjusted EBIT estimate by 2% for 2025-26.
- The strengthened USD/EUR is likely to give a material boost to earnings in 2025, according to our FX model.
- Hexagon announced acquisitions of Geomagic and Septentrio in December 2024 and January 2025. We have now included them into our estimates. We estimate the combined EBIT impact to be around 18 MEUR to 2025.

| Estimate revisions MEUR / EUR | 2024e | | 2024e | | Change | | 2025e | | 2025e | | Change | | 2026e | | 2026e | | Change | |
|----------------------------------|-------|------|-------|------|--------|----|-------|------|-------|-----|--------|---|-------|-----|-------|-----|--------|---|
| | Old | New | % | Old | New | % | Old | New | % | Old | New | % | Old | New | % | Old | New | % |
| Revenue | 5407 | 5393 | 0% | 5713 | 5791 | 1% | 6063 | 6146 | 1% | | | | | | | | | |
| EBITDA | 1984 | 1978 | 0% | 2139 | 2168 | 1% | 2334 | 2362 | 1% | | | | | | | | | |
| EBIT (exc. NRIs) | 1596 | 1590 | 0% | 1727 | 1756 | 2% | 1851 | 1879 | 2% | | | | | | | | | |
| EBIT | 1429 | 1423 | 0% | 1559 | 1588 | 2% | 1706 | 1734 | 2% | | | | | | | | | |
| PTP | 1260 | 1254 | -1% | 1419 | 1448 | 2% | 1591 | 1619 | 2% | | | | | | | | | |
| EPS (excl. NRIs) | 0.43 | 0.42 | 0% | 0.47 | 0.48 | 2% | 0.52 | 0.53 | 2% | | | | | | | | | |
| DPS | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0% | 0.15 | 0.15 | 0% | 0.16 | 0.16 | 0% | | | | | | | | | |

Source: Inderes

Detailed estimates

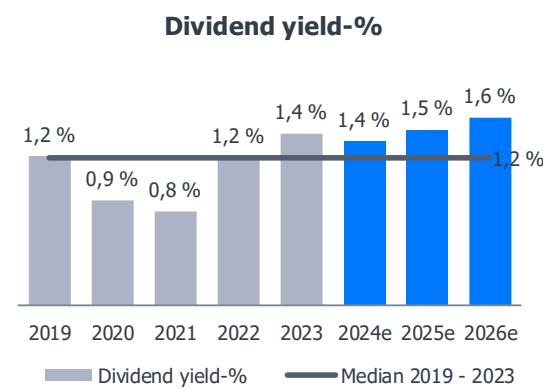
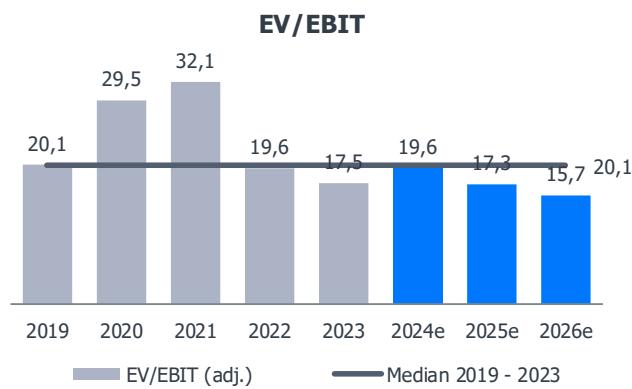
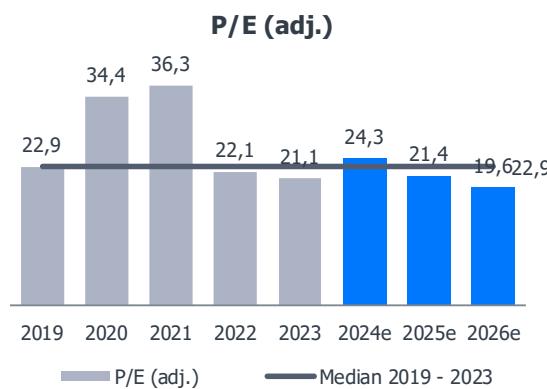
| Group, MEUR | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024e | 2025e | 2026e |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Net operating sales | 3761 | 3908 | 3771 | 4347 | 5176 | 5440 | 5393 | 5791 | 6146 |
| -Growth y/y | 8% | 4% | -4% | 15% | 19% | 5% | -1% | 7% | 6% |
| -of which organic | 8% | -1% | -4% | 12% | 8% | 7% | 0% | 6% | 6% |
| -of which FX | -3% | 2% | -2% | -1% | 6% | -4% | -1% | 0% | 0% |
| -of which structural | 4% | 3% | 3% | 5% | 5% | 2% | 0% | 0% | 0% |
| Gross margin (%) | 62.1 % | 62.8 % | 63.6 % | 64.6 % | 65.4 % | 66.1 % | 66.8 % | 66.7 % | 66.8 % |
| Fixed costs (excluding adjustments) | -1357 | -1430 | -1385 | -1535 | -1857 | -1996 | -2011 | -2107 | -2227 |
| -Growth y/y | 10% | 5% | -3% | 11% | 21% | 7% | 1% | 5% | 6% |
| Adjusted EBIT | 978 | 1024 | 1010 | 1270 | 1518 | 1597 | 1590 | 1756 | 1879 |
| -of net operating sales | 26.0 % | 26.2 % | 26.8 % | 29.2 % | 29.3 % | 29.4 % | 29.5 % | 30.3 % | 30.6 % |
| FX-impact on adj. EBIT | | | | | 98 | -81 | -19 | 55 | 0 |
| EBIT-% change y/y if adjusting for FX-impact | | | | | 0.6 pp | 0.7 pp | 0.4 pp | 0.6 pp | 0.4 pp |
| Divisions | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024e | 2025e | 2026e |
| Manufacturing Intelligence | | | | | | | | | |
| Sales | | | | | 1902 | 2013 | 1957 | 2093 | 2219 |
| Organic growth | 9% | -5% | -9% | 15% | 10% | 9% | 0% | 6% | 6% |
| Adj. EBIT-% | | | | | 25.9 % | 26.4 % | 26.6 % | 27.5 % | 27.7 % |
| Asset Lifecycle Intelligence | | | | | | | | | |
| Sales | | | | | 728 | 782 | 826 | 892 | 955 |
| Organic growth | 7% | 8% | -3% | 1% | 7% | 11% | 6% | 8% | 7% |
| Adj. EBIT-% | | | | | 35.8 % | 36.2 % | 35.7 % | 36.5 % | 36.7 % |
| Geosystems | | | | | | | | | |
| Sales | | | | | 1585 | 1603 | 1543 | 1604 | 1693 |
| Organic growth | 11% | 2% | -4% | 19% | 7% | 4% | -4% | 4% | 6% |
| Adj. EBIT-% | | | | | 32.8 % | 31.8 % | 31.5 % | 32.3 % | 32.6 % |
| Autonomous Solutions | | | | | | | | | |
| Sales | | | | | 476 | 571 | 577 | 685 | 740 |
| Organic growth | 18% | 2% | 2% | 8% | 13% | 22% | 0% | 10% | 8% |
| Adj. EBIT-% | | | | | 33.1 % | 33.9 % | 35.1 % | 35.3 % | 35.5 % |
| Safety, Infrastructure & Geospacial | | | | | | | | | |
| Sales | | | | | 476 | 464 | 487 | 511 | 537 |
| Organic growth | -6% | -3% | 13% | -3% | 3% | -7% | 4% | 5% | 5% |
| Adj. EBIT-% | | | | | 22.8 % | 22.4 % | 23.1 % | 23.8 % | 24.0 % |

Source: Inderes

Valuation table

| | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024e | 2025e | 2026e | 2027e |
|-------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Revenue, millions | 7,19 | 10,7 | 14,1 | 9,79 | 9,13 | 10,3 | 10,3 | 10,3 | 10,3 |
| EBITDA, millions | 2572,8 | 2568,3 | 2599,3 | 2689,7 | 2684,3 | 2684,3 | 2684,3 | 2684,3 | 2684,3 |
| EBITDA margin, % | 18494 | 27415 | 38095 | 26345 | 24506 | 27696 | 27696 | 27696 | 27696 |
| EBITDA EBITDA margin, % | 20552 | 29732 | 40703 | 29747 | 27992 | 31181 | 30452 | 29574 | 28642 |
| EBITDA EBITDA margin, % | 22,9 | 34,4 | 36,3 | 22,1 | 21,1 | 24,3 | 21,4 | 19,6 | 18,6 |
| EBITDA EBITDA margin, % | 26,3 | 44,4 | 45,7 | 26,1 | 28,5 | 27,5 | 23,9 | 21,4 | 19,9 |
| EBITDA EBITDA margin, % | 3,0 | 4,6 | 4,4 | 2,7 | 2,4 | 2,6 | 2,4 | 2,2 | 2,1 |
| EBITDA EBITDA margin, % | 4,7 | 7,3 | 8,8 | 5,1 | 4,5 | 5,1 | 4,8 | 4,5 | 4,3 |
| EBITDA EBITDA margin, % | 5,3 | 7,9 | 9,4 | 5,8 | 5,2 | 5,8 | 5,3 | 4,8 | 4,4 |
| EBITDA EBITDA margin, % | 16,1 | 22,5 | 25,6 | 17,0 | 15,7 | 15,8 | 14,0 | 12,5 | 11,5 |
| EBITDA EBITDA margin, % | 20,1 | 29,5 | 32,1 | 19,6 | 17,5 | 19,6 | 17,3 | 15,7 | 14,4 |
| EBITDA EBITDA margin, % | 32,4 % | 38,6 % | 37,1 % | 32,0 % | 40,6 % | 37,3 % | 34,8 % | 33,1 % | 32,8 % |
| EBITDA EBITDA margin, % | 1,2 % | 0,9 % | 0,8 % | 1,2 % | 1,4 % | 1,4 % | 1,5 % | 1,6 % | 1,6 % |

Source: Inderes



Peer group valuation

| Peer group valuation Company | Market cap MEUR | EV MEUR | EV/EBIT | | EV/EBITDA | | EV/S | | P/E | | Dividend yield-% | | P/B 2024e |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | | 2024e | 2025e | 2024e | 2025e | 2024e | 2025e | 2024e | 2025e | 2024e | 2025e | |
| Ansys | 26009 | 25671 | 26,0 | 23,9 | 23,7 | 21,9 | 11,2 | 10,3 | 32,6 | 30,0 | | | 9,2 |
| Autodesk | 56902 | 57280 | 32,5 | 28,6 | 30,0 | 27,1 | 11,3 | 10,1 | 38,2 | 34,6 | | | 37,9 |
| Dassault Systemes | 43298 | 42244 | 21,8 | 20,7 | 19,6 | 17,6 | 6,7 | 6,2 | 25,3 | 23,4 | 0,8 | 0,9 | 5,0 |
| Faro Technologies | 317 | 291 | 17,7 | 12,5 | 10,5 | 8,8 | 0,9 | 0,9 | 29,3 | 19,5 | 5,7 | 5,7 | |
| Nikon | 3806 | 3540 | | 1,0 | 8,1 | 7,8 | 0,8 | 0,8 | 21,7 | 21,2 | 2,8 | 3,0 | 1,0 |
| Renishaw | 2839 | 2583 | 18,9 | 16,7 | 14,9 | 13,1 | 3,1 | 3,0 | 22,8 | 20,7 | 2,3 | 2,5 | 2,6 |
| Topcon | 1020 | 1413 | | | 10,4 | 8,7 | 1,1 | 1,0 | 54,0 | 20,3 | 2,7 | 3,0 | 1,6 |
| Trimble | 13697 | 14480 | 17,4 | 16,9 | 15,9 | 15,3 | 4,3 | 4,2 | 22,0 | 20,1 | | | 2,8 |
| Hexagon AB (Inderes) | 27696 | 31181 | 21,9 | 19,2 | 15,8 | 14,0 | 5,8 | 5,3 | 32,2 | 27,5 | 1,4 | 1,5 | 2,6 |
| Average | | | 22,4 | 17,2 | 16,6 | 15,0 | 4,9 | 4,6 | 30,7 | 23,7 | 2,9 | 3,0 | 8,6 |
| Median | | | 20,4 | 16,9 | 15,4 | 14,2 | 3,7 | 3,6 | 27,3 | 21,0 | 2,7 | 3,0 | 2,8 |
| Diff-% to median | | | 8 % | 14 % | 2 % | -1 % | 55 % | 47 % | 18 % | 31 % | -50 % | -52 % | -6 % |

Source: Refinitiv / Inderes

Income statement

| Income statement | 2021 | 2022 | Q1'23 | Q2'23 | Q3'23 | Q4'23 | 2023 | Q1'24 | Q2'24 | Q3'24 | Q4'24e | 2024e | 2025e | 2026e | 2027e |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Revenue | 4341 | 5161 | 1285 | 1365 | 1350 | 1435 | 5435 | 1300 | 1353 | 1300 | 1440 | 5393 | 5791 | 6146 | 6463 |
| Manufacturing Intelligence | 2201 | 2537 | 477 | 498 | 487 | 552 | 2013 | 478 | 484 | 464 | 532 | 1957 | 2093 | 2219 | 2330 |
| Asset Lifecycle Intelligence | 2146 | 2639 | 191 | 186 | 198 | 208 | 782 | 192 | 203 | 208 | 223 | 826 | 892 | 955 | 1012 |
| Geosystems | -6,3 | -15,0 | 390 | 425 | 389 | 399 | 1603 | 377 | 406 | 373 | 387 | 1543 | 1604 | 1693 | 1777 |
| Autonomous Solutions | 0,0 | 0,0 | 125 | 139 | 157 | 150 | 571 | 136 | 141 | 135 | 166 | 577 | 685 | 740 | 777 |
| Safety, Infrastructure & Geospatial | 0,0 | 0,0 | 103 | 115 | 120 | 126 | 464 | 117 | 120 | 120 | 131 | 487 | 511 | 537 | 564 |
| Group adjustments | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,7 | 1,8 | -1,0 | 0,7 | 2,2 | 0,4 | 0,0 | 1,0 | 1,5 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 4 |
| EBITDA | 1589 | 1754 | 447 | 475 | 292 | 565 | 1779 | 471 | 497 | 475 | 535 | 1978 | 2168 | 2362 | 2489 |
| Depreciation | -578,9 | -467,0 | -119,0 | -124,6 | -144,7 | -174,7 | -563,0 | -134,8 | -136,6 | -140,5 | -143,1 | -555 | -580 | -628 | -628 |
| EBIT (excl. NRI) | 1270 | 1518 | 371 | 394 | 393 | 438 | 1597 | 377 | 400 | 377 | 437 | 1590 | 1756 | 1879 | 1988 |
| EBIT | 1010 | 1287 | 328 | 350 | 147 | 391 | 1216 | 336 | 361 | 334 | 392 | 1423 | 1588 | 1734 | 1860 |
| Manufacturing Intelligence | 685 | 787 | 120 | 129 | 124 | 159 | 531 | 125 | 129 | 118 | 148 | 521 | 576 | 615 | 650 |
| Asset Lifecycle Intelligence | 609 | 755 | 68,3 | 62,1 | 73,5 | 79,3 | 283 | 66,5 | 70,5 | 72,5 | 85,3 | 295 | 326 | 350 | 373 |
| Geosystems | -284,0 | -254,9 | 128 | 139 | 123 | 121 | 510 | 118 | 131 | 122 | 117 | 487 | 518 | 552 | 579 |
| Autonomous Solutions | 0,0 | 0,0 | 41,3 | 48,1 | 54,0 | 50,2 | 194 | 47,7 | 52,6 | 45,8 | 56,4 | 202 | 242 | 263 | 280 |
| Safety, Infrastructure & Geospatial | 0,0 | 0,0 | 18,4 | 21,7 | 26,6 | 37,3 | 104 | 24,3 | 23,8 | 24,6 | 39,7 | 112 | 122 | 129 | 135 |
| Group adjustments | 0,0 | 0,0 | -46,6 | -49,6 | -253,5 | -56,2 | -406 | -44,9 | -46,5 | -48,3 | -54,0 | -194 | -195 | -175 | -158 |
| Net financial items | -26,2 | -38,7 | -26,8 | -36,2 | -43,0 | -49,3 | -155 | -42,7 | -42,1 | -44,2 | -40,0 | -169 | -140 | -115 | -100 |
| PTP | 984 | 1248 | 302 | 314 | 104 | 341 | 1061 | 293 | 318 | 290 | 352 | 1254 | 1448 | 1619 | 1760 |
| Taxes | -173,6 | -228,9 | -54,3 | -56,6 | -16,6 | -61,4 | -189 | -52,8 | -57,3 | -52,2 | -70,9 | -233 | -275 | -304 | -352 |
| Minority interest | -8,4 | -11,5 | -2,9 | -3,7 | -3,6 | -2,7 | -13 | -2,6 | -3,1 | -2,8 | -5,7 | -14 | -16 | -17 | -19 |
| Net earnings | 802 | 1008 | 244 | 254 | 83,6 | 277 | 859 | 238 | 258 | 235 | 276 | 1007 | 1157 | 1297 | 1389 |
| EPS (adj.) | 0,39 | 0,44 | 0,10 | 0,11 | 0,10 | 0,12 | 0,43 | 0,10 | 0,11 | 0,10 | 0,12 | 0,42 | 0,48 | 0,53 | 0,56 |
| EPS (rep.) | 0,31 | 0,37 | 0,09 | 0,09 | 0,03 | 0,10 | 0,32 | 0,09 | 0,10 | 0,09 | 0,10 | 0,37 | 0,43 | 0,48 | 0,52 |

| Key figures | 2021 | 2022 | Q1'23 | Q2'23 | Q3'23 | Q4'23 | 2023 | Q1'24 | Q2'24 | Q3'24 | Q4'24e | 2024e | 2025e | 2026e | 2027e |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Revenue growth-% | 15,3 % | 18,9 % | 10,8 % | 6,4 % | 2,5 % | 2,4 % | 5,3 % | 1,2 % | -0,8 % | -3,7 % | 0,3 % | -0,8 % | 7,4 % | 6,1 % | 5,2 % |
| Adjusted EBIT growth-% | | 19,5 % | 10,8 % | 4,1 % | 1,8 % | 4,9 % | 5,2 % | 1,4 % | 1,4 % | -4,2 % | -0,2 % | -0,4 % | 10,4 % | 7,0 % | 5,8 % |
| EBITDA-% | 36,6 % | 34,0 % | 34,8 % | 34,8 % | 21,6 % | 39,4 % | 32,7 % | 36,2 % | 36,7 % | 36,5 % | 37,2 % | 36,7 % | 37,4 % | 38,4 % | 38,5 % |
| Adjusted EBIT-% | 29,2 % | 29,4 % | 28,9 % | 28,9 % | 29,1 % | 30,5 % | 29,4 % | 29,0 % | 29,5 % | 29,0 % | 30,4 % | 29,5 % | 30,3 % | 30,6 % | 30,8 % |
| Net earnings-% | 18,5 % | 19,5 % | 19,0 % | 18,6 % | 6,2 % | 19,3 % | 15,8 % | 18,3 % | 19,1 % | 18,1 % | 19,1 % | 18,7 % | 20,0 % | 21,1 % | 21,5 % |

Source: Indères

Balance sheet

| Assets | 2022 | 2023 | 2024e | 2025e | 2026e |
|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Non-current assets | 13833 | 14132 | 14527 | 14583 | 14602 |
| Goodwill | 9600 | 9931 | 10048 | 10048 | 10048 |
| Intangible assets | 3206 | 3063 | 3319 | 3374 | 3394 |
| Tangible assets | 791 | 801 | 801 | 801 | 801 |
| Associated companies | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Other investments | 115 | 158 | 160 | 160 | 160 |
| Other non-current assets | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Deferred tax assets | 122 | 179 | 200 | 200 | 200 |
| Current assets | 2644 | 2752 | 2793 | 2942 | 3066 |
| Inventories | 577 | 585 | 609 | 643 | 670 |
| Other current assets | 173 | 200 | 220 | 220 | 220 |
| Receivables | 1407 | 1420 | 1316 | 1384 | 1438 |
| Cash and equivalents | 486 | 547 | 647 | 695 | 738 |
| Balance sheet total | 16477 | 16884 | 17320 | 17524 | 17668 |

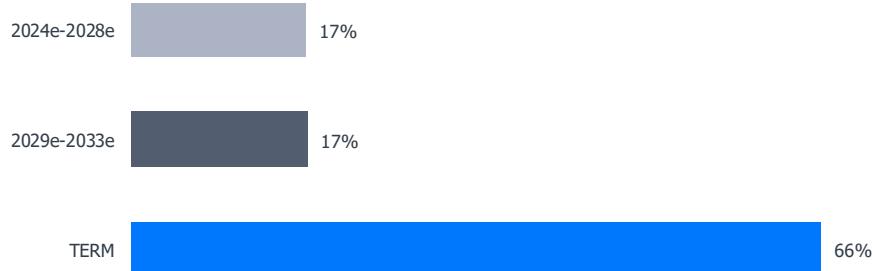
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| Liabilities & equity | 2022 | 2023 | 2024e | 2025e | 2026e |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Equity | 9865 | 10046 | 10704 | 11485 | 12379 |
| Share capital | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Retained earnings | 0,0 | 0,0 | 658 | 1 439 | 2333 |
| Hybrid bonds | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Revaluation reserve | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Other equity | 9830 | 1 0014 | 1 0014 | 1 0014 | 1 0014 |
| Minorities | 34,4 | 32,2 | 32,2 | 32,2 | 32,2 |
| Non-current liabilities | 3945 | 3753 | 3638 | 3145 | 2538 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | 582 | 580 | 560 | 560 | 560 |
| Provisions | 63,4 | 65,0 | 20,0 | 20,0 | 20,0 |
| Interest bearing debt | 31 78 | 2984 | 2958 | 2465 | 1 858 |
| Convertibles | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Other long term liabilities | 122 | 124 | 100,0 | 100,0 | 100,0 |
| Current liabilities | 2667 | 3085 | 2978 | 2895 | 2750 |
| Interest bearing debt | 696 | 1100 | 1090 | 908 | 685 |
| Payables | 1971 | 1985 | 1888 | 1986 | 2065 |
| Other current liabilities | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Balance sheet total | 16477 | 16884 | 17320 | 17524 | 17668 |

DCF calculation

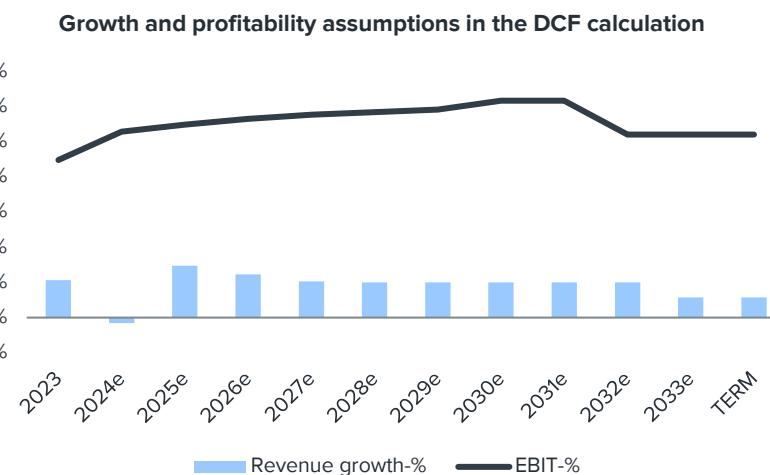
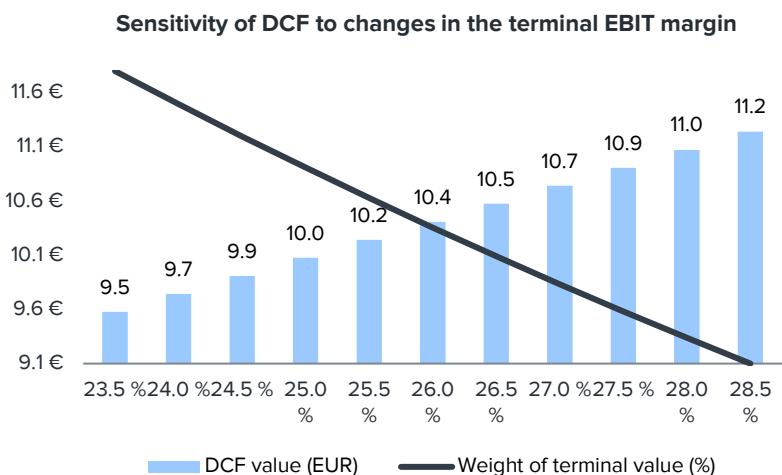
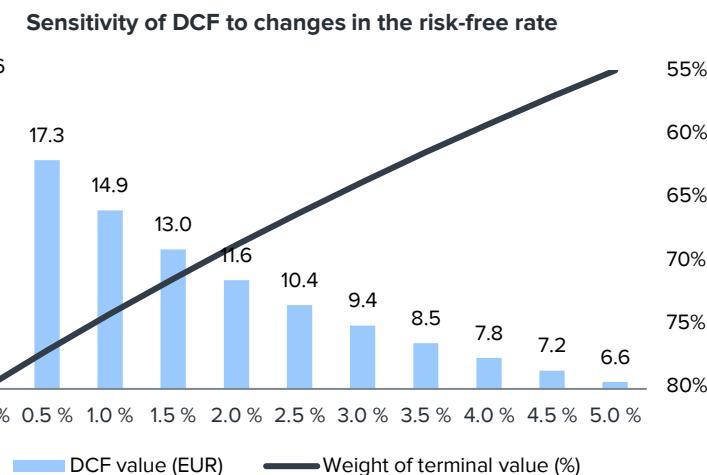
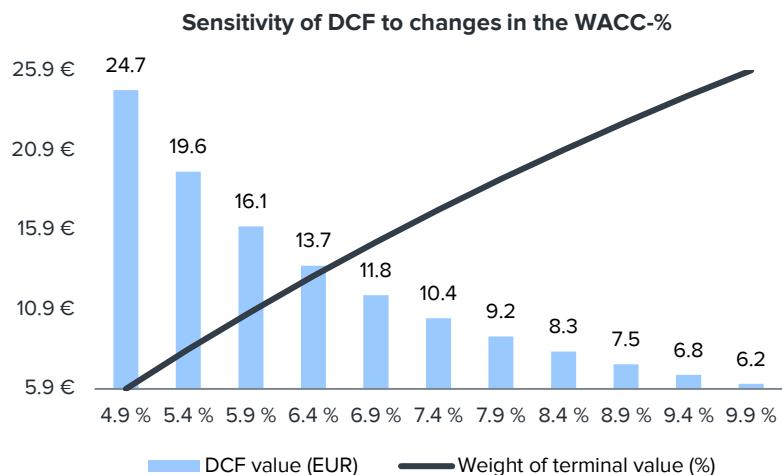
| DCF model | 2023 | 2024e | 2025e | 2026e | 2027e | 2028e | 2029e | 2030e | 2031e | 2032e | 2033e | TERM |
|--|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------|
| Revenue growth-% | 5,3 % | -0,8 % | 7,4 % | 6,1 % | 5,2 % | 5,0 % | 5,0 % | 5,0 % | 5,0 % | 5,0 % | 2,8 % | 2,8 % |
| EBIT-% | 22,4 % | 26,4 % | 27,4 % | 28,2 % | 28,8 % | 29,2 % | 29,6 % | 30,8 % | 30,8 % | 26,0 % | 26,0 % | 26,0 % |
| EBIT (operating profit) | 1216 | 1423 | 1588 | 1734 | 1860 | 1980 | 2106 | 2304 | 2419 | 2144 | 2205 | |
| + Depreciation | 563 | 555 | 580 | 628 | 628 | 645 | 653 | 642 | 660 | 676 | 686 | |
| - Paid taxes | -248 | -274 | -275 | -304 | -352 | -387 | -419 | -461 | -484 | -429 | -441 | |
| - Tax, financial expenses | -26,8 | -30,8 | -26,6 | -21,6 | -20,0 | -9,2 | -2,6 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | |
| + Tax, financial income | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | |
| - Change in working capital | -33,9 | -37,7 | -2,8 | -2,5 | -2,2 | 4,5 | 5,1 | 5,7 | 6,4 | 7,1 | -0,5 | |
| Operating cash flow | 1471 | 1636 | 1863 | 2034 | 2114 | 2234 | 2342 | 2491 | 2602 | 2399 | 2450 | |
| + Change in other long-term liabilities | 4,1 | -69,4 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | |
| - Gross CAPEX | -804 | -930 | -635 | -648 | -659 | -670 | -682 | -693 | -704 | -704 | -695 | |
| Free operating cash flow | 670 | 636 | 1228 | 1385 | 1455 | 1564 | 1661 | 1799 | 1898 | 1694 | 1755 | |
| +/- Other | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | |
| FCFF | 670 | 636 | 1228 | 1385 | 1455 | 1564 | 1661 | 1799 | 1898 | 1694 | 1755 | 39900 |
| Discounted FCFF | 640 | 1150 | 1208 | 1182 | 1183 | 1170 | 1181 | 1160 | 965 | 931 | 21165 | |
| Sum of FCFF present value | 31935 | 31295 | 30145 | 28937 | 27755 | 26572 | 25401 | 24221 | 23060 | 22095 | 21165 | |
| Enterprise value DCF | 31935 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| - Interest bearing debt | -4083,4 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| + Cash and cash equivalents | 547 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| -Minorities | -83,6 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| -Dividend/capital return | -349,0 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Equity value DCF | 27966 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Equity value DCF per share | 10,4 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Equity value DCF per share (SEK) | 119,6 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| WACC | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tax-% (WACC) | 20,0 % | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Target debt ratio (D/(D+E)) | 15,0 % | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cost of debt | 3,0 % | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Equity Beta | 1,21 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Market risk premium | 4,75 % | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Liquidity premium | 0,00 % | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Risk free interest rate | 2,5 % | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cost of equity | 8,2 % | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Weighted average cost of capital (WACC) | 7,4 % | | | | | | | | | | | |

Cash flow distribution



■ 2024e-2028e ■ 2029e-2033e ■ TERM

DCF sensitivity calculations and key assumptions in graphs



Source: Inderes. Note that the weight of the terminal value (%) is shown on an inverse scale for clarity.

Summary

| Income statement | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024e | 2025e | Per share data | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024e | 2025e |
|----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------------|---------------|
| Revenue | 4341 | 5161 | 5435 | 5393 | 5791 | EPS (reported) | 0,31 | 0,37 | 0,32 | 0,37 | 0,43 |
| EBITDA | 1589 | 1754 | 1779 | 1978 | 2168 | EPS (adj.) | 0,39 | 0,44 | 0,43 | 0,42 | 0,48 |
| EBIT | 1010 | 1287 | 1216 | 1423 | 1588 | OCF / share | 0,54 | 0,56 | 0,55 | 0,61 | 0,69 |
| PTP | 984 | 1248 | 1061 | 1254 | 1448 | FCF / share | -0,85 | -0,36 | 0,25 | 0,24 | 0,46 |
| Net Income | 802 | 1008 | 859 | 1007 | 1157 | Book value / share | 3,36 | 3,65 | 3,73 | 3,98 | 4,27 |
| Extraordinary items | -260 | -231 | -381 | -167 | -168 | Dividend / share | 0,11 | 0,12 | 0,13 | 0,14 | 0,15 |
| Balance sheet | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024e | 2025e | Growth and profitability | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024e | 2025e |
| Balance sheet total | 14095 | 16477 | 16884 | 17320 | 17524 | Revenue growth-% | 15 % | 19 % | 5 % | -1 % | 7 % |
| Equity capital | 8765 | 9865 | 10046 | 10704 | 11485 | EBITDA growth-% | 20 % | 10 % | 1 % | 11 % | 10 % |
| Goodwill | 8206 | 9600 | 9931 | 10048 | 10048 | EBIT (adj.) growth-% | 26 % | 20 % | 5 % | 0 % | 10 % |
| Net debt | 2466 | 3388 | 3536 | 3401 | 2678 | EPS (adj.) growth-% | 25 % | 14 % | -2 % | -2 % | 13 % |
| Cash flow | | | | | | EBITDA-% | 36,6 % | 34,0 % | 32,7 % | 36,7 % | 37,4 % |
| EBITDA | 1589 | 1754 | 1779 | 1978 | 2168 | EBIT (adj.)-% | 29,2 % | 29,4 % | 29,4 % | 29,5 % | 30,3 % |
| Change in working capital | -14 | -96 | -34 | -38 | -3 | EBIT-% | 23,3 % | 24,9 % | 22,4 % | 26,4 % | 27,4 % |
| Operating cash flow | 1411 | 1509 | 1471 | 1636 | 1863 | ROE-% | 10,9 % | 10,9 % | 8,7 % | 9,7 % | 10,5 % |
| CAPEX | -3589 | -2461 | -804 | -930 | -635 | ROI-% | 9,9 % | 10,1 % | 8,7 % | 9,9 % | 10,7 % |
| Free cash flow | -2199 | -971 | 670 | 636 | 1228 | Equity ratio | 62,2 % | 59,9 % | 59,5 % | 61,8 % | 65,5 % |
| Valuation multiples | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024e | 2025e | Gearing | 28,1 % | 34,3 % | 35,2 % | 31,8 % | 23,3 % |
| EV/S | 9,4 | 5,8 | 5,2 | 5,8 | 5,3 | | | | | | |
| EV/EBITDA | 25,6 | 17,0 | 15,7 | 15,8 | 14,0 | | | | | | |
| EV/EBIT (adj.) | 32,1 | 19,6 | 17,5 | 19,6 | 17,3 | | | | | | |
| P/E (adj.) | 36,3 | 22,1 | 21,1 | 24,3 | 21,4 | | | | | | |
| P/B | 4,4 | 2,7 | 2,4 | 2,6 | 2,4 | | | | | | |
| Dividend-% | 0,8 % | 1,2 % | 1,4 % | 1,4 % | 1,5 % | | | | | | |

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| 29/04/2024 | Reduce | 110.00 kr | 120.20 kr |
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