splendid medien AG



Recommendation: Risk: Price Target:

BUY (BUY) MEDIUM (MEDIUM) EUR 3.50 (3.50)

02 September 2013

Final figures with no surprises

Mid-term outlook remains unchanged

- Final figures 1H13: End of last week evening splendid medien AG published its 1H13 report which did not contain any surprises. The recently adjusted company guidance for 2013 had been confirmed in the report. Overall, Group revenues as already noted amounted to EUR 28.4m after EUR 21.7m in 1H12 (+31% YoY). Reported EBIT (incl. FX effects) came in at EUR 2.2m for 1H13 (1H12: EUR 2.0m) and EUR 0.5m for 2Q13 (2Q12: EUR 0.6m). Excluding FX effects EBIT was at EUR 2.1m (1H12: EUR 1.8m). Net result amounted to EUR 1.8m after EUR 1.6m in 1H12. The translating EPS stood at EUR 0.18 (1H12: EUR 0.17). Furthermore, the group stated that Splendid Synchron GmbH has acquired the remaining 49% of FFS Köln GmbH and since 4 July FFS Köln merged into Splendid Synchron GmbH. Splendid did not disclose the transaction costs, however, we expected these costs only to be marginal.
- Outlook 2H13: As we had already pointed out in our last update from 23 August some delays in film release schedules (especially 'I, Frankenstein') towards 2014 forced the company to update its previous guidance for 2013. However, despite this step the outlook remains positive. After the adjustments the group confirmed the guidance in the half-year report and still plans to achieve revenues within a range of EUR 53m up to EUR 56m (previously: EUR 58-61m). Group EBIT should range within EUR 3.8m and EUR 4.2m (previously: EUR 4.4m-4.9m). With unchanged 2013E estimates we still forecast 2H13 revenues to come in at EUR 27.4m and EBIT at 2.0m with a net result of EUR 1.0m. Hence, even after the delays the assumed performance for 2H13E is very solid.
- Unchanged estimates: As aforementioned we did not change our estimates. Group sales are still to amount to EUR 56.2m (higher end of the guidance) with an EBIT of EUR 4.2m (higher end) for 2013E. For 2014E we see sales at EUR 71.0 with an EBIT of EUR 5.6m. On EPS level this corresponds to EUR 0.29 for 2013E and EUR 0.36 for 2014E.
- PT at EUR 3.50: Given that the half-year report did not present any surprises and the outlook remains as positively as at the time of our last update (23 August) we stick to our PT of EUR 3.50/ BUY recommendation.

Y/E 31 Dec, EURm	2010	2011	2012	2013E	2014E	
Sales	39.5	41.8	50.1	56.2	71.0	
EBITDA	12.6	15.5	16.2	20.2	21.7	
EBIT (reported)	3.0	4.6	4.2	4.2	5.6	
Net income/loss	1.8	5.1	3.6	2.8	3.6	
EPS	0.18	0.53	0.37	0.29	0.36	
CPS	0.72	1.18	1.63	1.51	1.88	
DPS	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.10	0.10	
EBITDA margin	31.9%	37.0%	32.3%	35.9%	30.5%	
EBIT margin	7.7%	11.1%	8.4%	7.4%	7.9%	
Net margin	4.5%	12.3%	7.2%	5.0%	5.0%	
EV/EBITDA	1.9	1.5	1.5	1.2	1.1	
EV/EBIT	7.9	5.2	5.7	5.8	4.3	
P/E	11.7	4.1	5.9	7.5	5.9	
Source: splendid medien AG, CBS Research AG						

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Change	2012	2013E		2014E	
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Sales	50.1	-	56.2	-	71.0
EBIT	4.2	-	4.2	-	5.6
EPS	0.37	-	0.29	-	0.36

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Short company profile:

splendid medien is a medium-sized media group that generates sales and income from the exploitation of films and edutainment program, sales services for companies in the home entertainment sector and postproduction services.

Share data:

Share price (last closing price):	EUR 2.15
Shares outstanding (m):	9.79
Market capitalisation (EURm):	21.0
Enterprise value (EURm):	23.9
Ø daily trading volume (3m, no. of shares):	6,385

Performance data:

High 52 weeks (EUR):	3.25
Low 52 weeks (EUR):	2.04
Absolute performance (12 months):	4.1%
Relative performance (vs. CDAX):	
1 month:	3.1%
3 months:	-18.8%
6 months:	-24.7%
12 months:	-15.1%

Shareholders:

Andreas R. Klein (CEO)	53.4%
Family Klein GbR	6.3%
Josef Siepe	5.1%
Free float	35.2%

Financial calender:

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Appendix

Profit and loss account

	IFRS	EURm	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013E	2014E
Sales			36.43	39.48	41.82	50.11	56.18	71.03
YoY grow th			29.5%	8.4%	5.9%	19.8%	12.1%	26.4%
Cost of revenues			-25.66	-24.12	-26.56	-30.16	-32.87	-39.77
as % of sales			-70.4%	-61.1%	-63.5%	-60.2%	-58.5%	-56.0%
Total output			10.78	15.36	15.25	19.95	23.32	31.25
as % of sales			29.6%	38.9%	36.5%	39.8%	41.5%	44.0%
General & administrative expens	ses		-4.17	-5.18	-6.73	-7.36	-6.74	-7.81
as % of sales			-11.5%	-14.2%	-18.5%	-20.2%	-18.5%	-21.4%
Sales & marketing			-7.16	-8.97	-6.79	-11.15	-14.21	-19.18
as % of sales			-19.6%	-24.6%	-18.6%	-30.6%	-39.0%	-52.6%
Other operating income			1.59	1.88	2.90	3.04	2.36	2.77
as % of sales			4.4%	5.1%	8.0%	8.4%	6.5%	7.6%
Other operating expenses			-0.40	-0.22	-0.44	-0.22	-0.56	-1.42
as % of sales			-1.1%	-0.6%	-1.1%	-0.4%	-1.0%	-2.0%
Operating profit			0.63	2.85	4.19	4.28	4.16	5.61
as % of sales			1.7%	7.2%	10.0%	8.5%	7.4%	7.9%
Currency effects			-0.08	0.19	0.44	-0.08	0.00	0.00
EBIT (reported)			0.56	3.04	4.63	4.20	4.16	5.61
as % of sales			1.5%	7.7%	11.1%	8.4%	7.4%	7.9%
Net financial results			-0.79	-0.82	-0.86	-0.84	-0.89	-0.80
EBT (Earnings before income ta	ixes)		-0.24	2.22	3.77	3.36	3.27	4.81
as % of sales			-0.7%	5.6%	9.0%	6.7%	5.8%	6.8%
Income taxes (incl. other taxes)			-1.31	-0.44	1.37	0.23	-0.46	-1.25
as % of EBT			548.1%	-19.6%	36.4%	6.8%	-14.0%	-25.9%
Net income			-1.55	1.78	5.14	3.58	2.81	3.57
Minorities			0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net income attributable to share	eholders		-1.55	1.80	5.14	3.59	2.81	3.57
as % of sales			-4.3%	4.5%	12.3%	7.2%	5.0%	5.0%
Shares outstanding (in m)			9.79	9.79	9.79	9.79	9.79	9.79
Basic earnings per share (EUR)			-0.16	0.18	0.53	0.37	0.29	0.36

Source: splendid medien AG, CBS Research AG



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14 February 2013	BUY	EUR 2.88	EUR 3.00
02 April 2013	BUY	EUR 2.34	EUR 3.50
15 May 2013	BUY	EUR 2.62	EUR 3.50



23 August 2013	BUY	EUR 2.23	EUR 3.50
02 September 2013	BUY	EUR 2.15	EUR 3.50

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