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Margins improve

Both the Media and the Printing segment posted higher margins vs. last year, and the digital subscriber growth is set to improve margins further. The first quarter is loss making due to seasonality, which is still a surprise to many investors. We raise our Base case motivated share price.

Higher margins

Digital subscriber growth (+74% y-on-y) boosted the Q1/21 Media segment margin to 7.5% from 2.5% in Q1 last year, while cost efficiencies improved the Printing segment margin to 10.0% from 9.4%. We forecast margins excl. Covid subsidies for the Media segment to improve to 14.2% in 2021 from 13.3% in 2020, while the Printing segment margins are expected to improve to 9.8% (8.8%).

Q1 low season quarter

Due to the seasonality of the advertising market, Q1 is usually a loss making quarter – something that seems to surprise many investors given the share price reaction (down ~9% after the report). We believe this year will follow the usual seasonal pattern i.e., each remaining quarter of the year will be better than the previous quarter.

Base case share price raised

Despite lowering our Sales estimates by 3-4% in 2021-23, our EBITDA estimates are raised by 8-10% due to higher margins from digital sales. The higher EBITDA estimate means our Base case Sum-of-the-parts motivated share price is raised to EUR 1.17 (1.10).

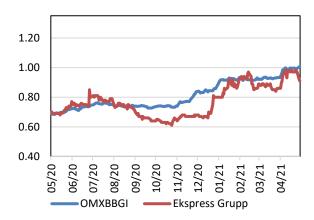
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|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | 2019 | 2020 | 2021E | 2022E | 2023E | | | | | |
| Net sales | 67.5 | 63.2 | 63.5 | 64.6 | 65.5 | | | | | |
| Net sales growth | 11.5% | -6.3% | 0.4% | 1.8% | 1.3% | | | | | |
| EBITDA | 6.8 | 7.0 | 7.5 | 8.1 | 8.4 | | | | | |
| EBITDA margin | 10.0% | 11.1% | 11.9% | 12.5% | 12.9% | | | | | |
| EBIT | 2.7 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.5 | 3.8 | | | | | |
| EBIT margin | 4.0% | 4.9% | 4.9% | 5.5% | 5.9% | | | | | |
| EV/Sales | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 | | | | | |
| EV/EBITDA | 6.8 | 5.9 | 5.7 | 5.2 | 4.9 | | | | | |
| EV/EBIT | 16.9 | 13.5 | 14.0 | 11.9 | 10.7 | | | | | |
| P/E adj. | 16.9 | 9.8 | 13.5 | 11.1 | 10.2 | | | | | |
| P/BV | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | | | | | |
| EPS adj. | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.09 | | | | | |
| EPS growth adj. | nm | 20.5% | 19.5% | 24.1% | 11.5% | | | | | |
| Div. per share | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.03 | | | | | |
| Dividend yield | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 2.25% | 3.37% | | | | | |
| Source: Company data, Enlight Research (estimates) | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Fair value range (EUR) | |
|------------------------|---------|
| Bull | 1.52 |
| Base | 1.17 |
| Bear | 0.85 |
| Key Data | |
| Price (EUR) | 0.90 |
| Ticker | EEG1T |
| Country | Estonia |
| Listed | Tallinn |
| Market Cap (EURm) | 27 |
| Net debt (EURm) | 15 |
| | |
| Shares (m) | 31 |
| Free float | 42% |



| Price range | |
|--------------|------|
| 52-week high | 0.98 |
| 52-week low | 0.61 |

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Q1 Key takeaways

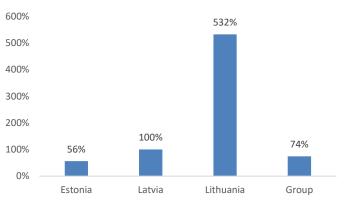
Continued strong digital subscriber growth

The main driver of Ekspress Grupp's digitalization is the digital subscriber growth. Since the company started reporting the number of digital subscribers in Q4/19, the quarterly sequential growth has been 13-16%, and the reported annual growth was 73-74% in the last two quarters (Q4/20, Q1/21). As of Q1/21, most of the digital subscribers are in Estonia (78% or 74K), while Latvia and Lithuania have around 11% or 10K subscribers each. A lower base means the growth rate is much higher in Latvia (+100%) and Lithuania (+500%) compared to Estonia (+54%). We foresee a continued strong digital subscriber growth as the willingness to pay for content seems to steadily increase.

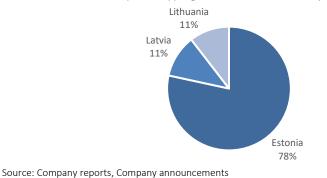
100 20% 19% 90 Digital subscribers (thous.) 18% growth 17% 80 16% 70 15% Sequential 14% 60 13% 12% 50 11% 40 10% Q1/20 Q2/20 Q3/20 Q4/20 Q1/21 Digital subscribers (thous.) Sequential growth (%)

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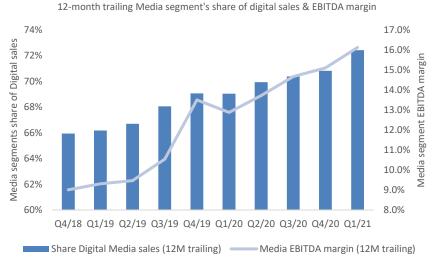
Ekspress Grupp Digital subscriber distribution by Country



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Digital sales boost margins

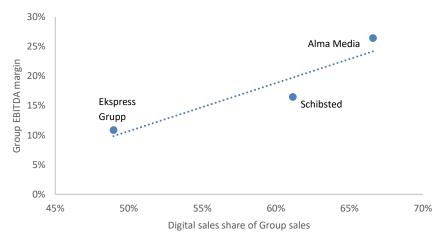
The main benefit of digitalization are higher margins, and it has indeed been the case for Ekspress Grupp's Media segment. Between Q4/18 and Q1/21, the share of digital sales on a 12-month rolling basis for the Media segment has increased from 66% to 72%. Meanwhile, the 12-month rolling EBITDA margin increased from 9.0% to 16.1% i.e., there seems to be a clear relationship between the share of digital sales and margins, which makes sense given the low incremental cost of a digital customer.



Source: Company reports

From a group perspective, we see further potential for an EBITDA margin improvement if the share of digital sales continues to increase. Looking at the regional digital leaders, Schibsted and Alma Media, both have a higher share of digital sales and EBITDA margin (see below chart). We believe Schibsted is the is the best comparable as it also has printing operations. This implies that Ekspress Grupp's group EBITDA margin could gradually improve from around 11% to 16% as the share of digital sales increase.

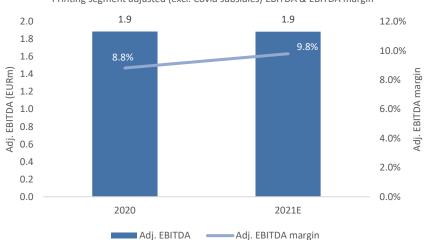




Source: Company reports

The EBITDA outlook is positive

At first glance, the Printing segment's Q1/21 sales decline of 21% y-on-y might seem alarming, but we believe it is more important to focus on the EBITDA that came in above our forecast (EUR 0.493m vs. forecast 0.410m) with an EBITDA margin that improved from 9.4% in Q1/20 to 10.0% in Q1/21. For the full-year 2021, we forecast a Printing segment EBITDA of EUR 1.9m which is unchanged compared to the 2020 EBITDA excluding one-offs (covid subsidies) i.e., the estimated 10% sales decline in 2021 is not expected to hurt the EBITDA as the underlying margin is forecast to improve from 8.8% to 9.8%. For the Media segment, we forecast an EBITDA improvement to EUR 6.5m in 2021 from EUR 5.8m in 2020 (excluding covid subsidies), corresponding to a margin improvement of almost one percentage point to 14.2%.



Printing segment adjusted (excl. Covid subsidies) EBITDA & EBITDA margin

Source: Company reports, Enlight Research

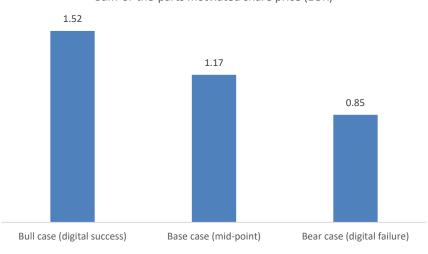
Media segment adjusted EBITDA & EBITDA margin



Source: Company reports, Enlight Research

Sum-of-parts-valuation (SOTP) valuation increased

Our Sum-of-the-parts valuation is based on the EV/EBITDA 2021E multiple. For the Media segment, we apply an EV/EBITDA ratio of 7x in our Base case, while our Bull and Bear case apply a multiple of 8x, and 6x, respectively. For the Printing segment, we apply a multiple of 3.0x for all scenarios. After deducting our end of 2021 estimated Net debt of EUR 15m, the motivated Base case share price is EUR 1.17 (prev. 1.10), while the Bull and Bear case indicate a share price of EUR 1.52 (prev. 1.46), and EUR 0.85 (prev. 0.69), respectively.



Sum-of-the-parts motviated share price (EUR)

Source: Enlight Research

Estimate deviations

Sales deviations by segment

The Q1/21 Media segment sales of EUR 10.7m was slightly above our EUR 10.2m forecast. The Media segment sales grew 6.3% y-on-y vs. our forecast growth of 2.0%. Continued growth in Digital subscriptions (+74% y-on-y) contributed to a better than expected digital and online segment sales EUR 7.7m vs. EUR 6.8m estimate. The Q1/21 Printing segment sales declined by 21.4% y-on-y to EUR 4.9m, which was below our estimated decline of 7.0% to EUR 5.8m. The main reason for the negative sales deviation for the Printing segment was lower export sales due to the pandemic. Worth noting is that the Printing segment's EBITDA was above our forecast despite the lower than expected sales.

Deviation table by Segment

| Sales | Estimate Q1/21 | Outcome Q1/21 | Diff EURm | Diff % |
|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Media segment | 10.203 | 10.656 | 0.5 | 4.4% |
| whereof digital and online | 6.830 | 7.663 | 0.8 | 12.2% |
| Printing | 5.806 | 4.908 | -0.9 | -15.5% |
| Corporate functions | 0.520 | 1.052 | 0.5 | 102.2% |
| Eliminations pct of sales | -1.157 | -1.326 | -0.2 | 14.6% |
| Total Sales (Equity) | 15.372 | 15.290 | -0.1 | -0.5% |
| | | | | |
| Sales growth | Estimate Q1/21 | Outcome Q1/21 | Diff bps | |
| Sales growth Media segment | | | | |
| | Q1/21 | Q1/21 | bps | |
| Media segment | Q1/21 2.0% | Q1/21 6.3% | bps 428 | |
| Media segment whereof digital and online | Q1/21 2.0% 5.0% | Q1/21 6.3% 17.8% | bps 428 1280 | |
| Media segment whereof digital and online Printing | Q1/21 2.0% 5.0% -7.0% | Q1/21 6.3% 17.8% -21.4% | bps 428 1280 -1438 | |

Source: Company reports, Enlight Research

EBITDA deviations by segment

The Q1/21 Media segment EBITDA was EUR 0.8m or 56% above our forecast as cost savings and digital subscribers improved margins. The Q1/21 Printing segment EBITDA of EUR 0.5m was 20% higher than our forecast despite lower than expected sales. The Printing segment Q1/21 EBITDA margin of 10.0% was better than our estimate of 7.1%.

| | Estimate | Outcome | Diff | Diff |
|---|----------|---------|------|--------|
| EBITDA by segment | Q1/21 | Q1/21 | EURm | % |
| Media segment | 0.510 | 0.795 | 0.3 | 55.8% |
| Printing | 0.410 | 0.493 | 0.1 | 20.1% |
| Corporate functions | -0.161 | -0.178 | 0.0 | 10.4% |
| Eliminations | -0.025 | -0.020 | 0.0 | -20.0% |
| EBITDA (equity) | 0.734 | 1.090 | 0.4 | 48.4% |
| | | | | |
| | Estimate | Outcome | Diff | |
| EBITDA margin by segment | Q1/21 | Q1/21 | bps | |
| Media segment | 5.0% | 7.5% | 246 | |
| Printing | 7.1% | 10.0% | 297 | |
| Corporate functions | -31.0% | -16.9% | 1408 | |
| EBITDA (equity) | 4.8% | 7.1% | 235 | |
| Source: Company reports, Enlight Research | | | | |

Group deviations

The Q1/21 Group sales of EUR 15.3m was in-line with our estimate, while the Gross profit was 10.3% or EUR 0.2m higher than forecast. The Q1/21 EBITDA was EUR 1.1m corresponding to an EBITDA margin of 7.1% vs. our estimated EBITDA of EUR 0.8m and EBITDA margin of 4.8%, while the Q1/21 Operating profit was just above the break-even vs. our estimated negative Operating profit of EUR 0.3m and negative Operating margin of 1.9%. The positive deviation at the Operating profit line was slightly reduced due to losses in the joint venture, nevertheless, the Q1/21 Group Net loss of EUR -0.265m was 50% smaller net loss than expected.

Deviation table Group

| | Estimate | Outcome | Diff | Diff |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------|
| P&L (EURm) | Q1/21 | Q1/21 | EURm | % |
| Sales | 15.372 | 15.290 | -0.082 | -0.5% |
| Costs of sales | -13.066 | -12.747 | 0.319 | -2.4% |
| Gross profit (loss) | 2.306 | 2.543 | 0.237 | 10.3% |
| Other income | 0.077 | 0.107 | 0.030 | 39.2% |
| Marketing expenses | -0.769 | -0.596 | 0.173 | -22.5% |
| Administrative expenses | -1.880 | -2.025 | -0.145 | 7.7% |
| Other expenses | -0.025 | -0.025 | 0.000 | 0.0% |
| Operating profit | -0.291 | 0.004 | 0.295 | -101.4% |
| Interest income | 0.009 | 0.009 | 0.000 | 0.0% |
| Interest expense | -0.238 | -0.211 | 0.027 | -11.2% |
| FX gain/loss | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | |
| Other finance costs | 0.000 | 0.011 | 0.011 | |
| Financial net | -0.229 | -0.191 | 0.038 | -16.4% |
| Profit on shrs of JVs | 0.025 | -0.107 | -0.132 | -528.0% |
| Profit on shrs of associates | -0.032 | 0.035 | 0.067 | -209.4% |
| Profit (loss) before taxes | -0.526 | -0.259 | 0.267 | -50.8% |
| Income tax | -0.002 | -0.005 | -0.003 | 150.0% |
| Net profit | -0.528 | -0.264 | 0.264 | -50.0% |
| Other | -0.001 | -0.001 | 0.000 | 0.0% |
| Net profit (loss) | -0.529 | -0.265 | 0.264 | -49.9% |
| EBITDA | 0.734 | 1.089 | 0.355 | 48.3% |
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| Salac growth | Estimate | Outcome | Diff | |
| Sales growth Group Sales | Q1/21 -2.0% | Q1/21 -2.6% | bps -67 | |

| Group Sales | -2.0% | -2.6% | -67 | |
|-------------------|----------|---------|------|--|
| | Estimate | Outcome | Diff | |
| | | | Dill | |
| Margins | Q1/21 | Q1/21 | bps | |
| Gross margin | 15.0% | 16.6% | 163 | |
| EBITDA margin | 4.8% | 7.1% | 234 | |
| EBIT margin | -1.9% | 0.0% | 192 | |
| PTP margin | -3.4% | -1.7% | 173 | |
| Net profit margin | -3.4% | -1.7% | 171 | |

Source: Company reports, Enlight Research

Estimate changes

Sales estimate changes by Segment

We raise our Media segment Sales by 0.5% each year in the forecast period 2021-23, which is a result of our Digital & Online media sales estimates being raised by 2.8% for the same years. Our sales estimates for the Printing segment are lowered by 12% in 2021, 16% in 2022, and 19% in 2023, which is mainly an effect of the structural transition from print to digital media (this year is also affected by the pandemic). Worth noting is that our Print segment EBITDA estimates are raised despite the lower expected sales (see EBITDA section below).

| Estimate changes | | | |
|----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Sales | 2021E | 2022E | 2023E |
| Media segment | | | |
| Old | 45.258 | 47.069 | 48.481 |
| New | 45.477 | 47.296 | 48.715 |
| Change (EURm) | 0.219 | 0.227 | 0.234 |
| Change (%) | 0.5% | 0.5% | 0.5% |
| whereof digital and online | | | |
| Old | 32.821 | 34.462 | 35.840 |
| New | 33.750 | 35.437 | 36.855 |
| Change (EURm) | 0.929 | 0.975 | 1.014 |
| Change (%) | 2.8% | 2.8% | 2.8% |
| | | | |
| Printing | | | |
| Old | 21.812 | 21.812 | 21.812 |
| New | 19.246 | 18.283 | 17.735 |
| Change (EURm) | -2.566 | -3.528 | -4.077 |
| Change (%) | -11.8% | -16.2% | -18.7% |

Source: Enlight Research

EBITDA estimate changes by Segment

We raise our Media segment EBITDA estimate by 1.9% in 2021, and 3.9% in 2022, and 3.8% in 2023 on higher than expected digital sales. For the Printing segment, we raise our EBITDA estimate by 12% in 2021, 8% in 2022, and 4% in 2023 on the back of efficiency improvements evident in the second half in 2020 (e.g. cost cutting from personnel reduction enabled by automation of the printing process).

| Estimate changes | | | |
|------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| EBITDA | 2021E | 2022E | 2023E |
| Media segment | | | |
| Old | 6.336 | 6.825 | 7.272 |
| New | 6.458 | 7.094 | 7.551 |
| Change (EURm) | 0.122 | 0.269 | 0.279 |
| Change (%) | 1.9% | 3.9% | 3.8% |
| Printing | | | |
| Old | 1.679 | 1.701 | 1.701 |
| New | 1.886 | 1.828 | 1.773 |
| Change (EURm) | 0.207 | 0.127 | 0.072 |
| Change (%) | 12.3% | 7.5% | 4.2% |

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Group estimate changes

Our Group Sales forecast is lowered by around 3-4% in the forecast period 2021-23E due to lower Printing segment estimates. Our Group EBITDA estimates are raised by 8-10% in the forecast period as both our Media and Printing segment estimates are raised. Our EPS estimate is raised by EUR 0.01 this year and EUR 0.02 for 2022, and 2023. We do not forecast dividends for 2021, but keep our dividend estimate of EUR 0.02 in 2022, and EUR 0.03 in 2023.

| Sales (EURm) | 2021E | 2022E | 2023E |
|----------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Old estimate | 65.1 | 66.8 | 68.2 |
| New estimate | 63.5 | 64.6 | 65.5 |
| Change | -1.6 | -2.2 | -2.7 |
| Change (pct) | -2.5% | -3.3% | -3.9% |
| EBITDA (EURm) | 2021E | 2022E | 2023E |
| Old estimate | 7.0 | 7.3 | 7.7 |
| New estimate | 7.5 | 8.1 | 8.4 |
| Change | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.7 |
| Change (pct) | 7.7% | 10.4% | 8.8% |
| EBIT (EURm) | 2021E | 2022E | 2023E |
| Old estimate | 2.9 | 2.9 | 3.2 |
| New estimate | 3.1 | 3.5 | 3.8 |
| Change | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.7 |
| Change (pct) | 6.7% | 21.1% | 20.7% |
| EPS (EUR) | 2021E | 2022E | 2023E |
| Old estimate | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.07 |
| New estimate | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.09 |
| Change | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.02 |
| Change (pct) | 15.3% | 34.1% | 34.4% |
| Dividend (EUR) | 2021E | 2022E | 2023E |
| Old estimate | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.03 |
| New estimate | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.03 |
| Change | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Change (pct) | nm | 0.0% | 0.0% |

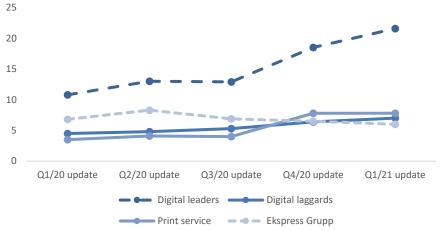
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Valuation update

Peer valuation

We divide our peer companies into Digital leaders (60%+ digital sales), Digital laggards (less than 50% digital sales), and Print service providers. Since our last peer valuation update (after the Q4/20 report), the 2021E EV/EBITDA multiple has expanded further for the digital leaders which depict the market's appreciation of a successful digitalization of a media business. During the same period, Ekspress Grupp's 2021E EV/EBITDA ratio has contracted from 6.5x to 5.7x, which shows that Ekspress Grupp has yet to be rewarded for its digitalization.





Source: MarketScreener, Enlight Research, Q1/20 prices from 14 May 2020, Q2/20 prices from 4 Aug 2020, Q3/20 prices from 11 Nov 2020, Q4/20 prices from 17 Feb 2021, Q1/21 prices from 6 May 2021

Digital leaders

| | | Price | Shares | Mcap (m) | EV (m) | EV/Sales | EV/Sales | EV/Sales | EV/EBITDA | EV/EBITDA | EV/EBITDA |
|----------------------|-----|--------|--------|----------|---------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Company | Ссу | (last) | (m) | (last) | (last) | 2020 | 2021E | 2022E | 2020 | 2021E | 2022E |
| Alma Media | EUR | 10.08 | 82 | 830 | 821 | 3.6 | 3.2 | 3.0 | 13.5 | 11.6 | 10.1 |
| Daily Mail & General | GBP | 8.96 | 227 | 2,030 | 1,854 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 12.4 | 13.8 | 12.0 |
| Schibsted | NOK | 420.50 | 234 | 98,334 | 102,585 | 7.9 | 7.2 | 6.9 | 48.3 | 39.3 | 34.6 |
| Average | | | | | | 4.3 | 4.0 | 3.8 | 24.7 | 21.6 | 18.9 |
| Median | | | | | | 3.6 | 3.2 | 3.0 | 13.5 | 13.8 | 12.0 |
| Ekspress Grupp | EUR | 0.90 | 30.8 | 29 | 43 | 0.66 | 0.69 | 0.65 | 5.9 | 5.7 | 5.2 |
| Digital laggards | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Price | Shares | Mcap (m) | EV (m) | EV/Sales | EV/Sales | EV/Sales | ev/ebitda | ev/ebitda | ev/ebitda |
| Company | Ссу | (last) | (m) | (last) | (last) | 2020E | 2021E | 2022E | 2020 | 2021E | 2022E |
| Monrif S.P.A. | EUR | 0.09 | 150 | 14 | 95 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 19.0 | 13.6 | 10.5 |
| Agora | PLN | 7.84 | 47 | 365 | 945 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 18.4 | 6.4 | 4.8 |
| Cofina SGPS | EUR | 0.22 | 103 | 23 | 74 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 |
| North Media A/S | DKK | 120.60 | 18 | 2,165 | 2,145 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 7.9 | 7.9 | 7.6 |
| Reach PLC | GBP | 2.20 | 310 | 680 | 661 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.0 |
| Sanoma Oyj | EUR | 13.76 | 163 | 2,243 | 2,904 | 2.7 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 6.5 | 8.7 | 8.2 |
| Roularta Media Group | EUR | 14.85 | 12 | 173 | 80 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 4.1 | 3.1 | 2.5 |
| Average | | | | | | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 9.3 | 7.0 | 6.1 |
| Median | | | | | | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 6.5 | 6.4 | 5.3 |

Print service

| | | Price | Shares | Mcap (m) | EV (m) | EV/Sales | EV/Sales | EV/Sales | ev/ebitda | ev/ebitda | ev/ebitda |
|----------------------|-----|--------|--------|----------|--------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Company | Ссу | (last) | (m) | (last) | (last) | 2020E | 2021E | 2022E | 2020 | 2021E | 2022E |
| Elanders | SEK | 172.6 | 35 | 6,103 | 8,957 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 6.3 | 5.5 | 5.3 |
| Lisgrafica Impressao | EUR | 0.01 | 185 | 2 | 14 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 28.2 | 14.1 | 9.4 |
| ScandBook | SEK | 28.0 | 5 | 129 | 151 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 4.0 | 3.8 | 3.6 |
| Average | | | | | | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 12.8 | 7.8 | 6.1 |
| Median | | | | | | 0.8 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 6.3 | 5.5 | 5.3 |

Source: MarketScreener, Enlight Research, prices from 6 May 2021

Sum-of-the-parts (SOTP) valuation

As in previous reports, we base our SOTP valuation on the estimated EV/EBITDA 2021 peer multiples for our peer groups (Digital leaders, Digital laggards, and Print service). For the Media segment, our Bull case applies an EV/EBITDA multiple of 8.0x, while our Bear case applies a multiple of 6.0x. Our Base case uses the midpoint multiple of 7.0x. For the Print segment, we apply an EV/EBITDA multiple of 3.0x for all scenarios. Applying these multiples to our estimated 2021 EBITDA, and deducting the estimated year-end 2021 Net debt, indicates a Base case value per share of EUR 1.17 (up from EUR 1.10 in our previous report). Our Bull and Bear cases indicate a value per share of EUR 1.52 (prev. 1.46), and EUR 0.85 (prev. 0.69), respectively (see below table for SOTP summary).

| Sum-of-parts valuation | Bull case | Base case | Bear case Digital failure | |
|--|-----------------|-----------|------------------------------|--|
| Media segment | Digital success | Mid-point | | |
| Media segment EBITDA (EURm) | 6.9 | 6.5 | 6.0 | |
| Media segment EV/EBITDA multiple | 8.0 | 7.0 | 6.0 | |
| EV Media segment (EURm) | 55 | 45 | 36 | |
| Print service segment | | | | |
| Print service segment EBITDA (EURm) | 2.1 | 1.9 | 1.7 | |
| Print service segment EV/EBITDA multiple | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | |
| EV Print service segment (EURm) | 6 | 6 | 5 | |
| EV Ekspress Grupp | 62 | 51 | 41 | |
| Less Net debt | 15 | 15 | 15 | |
| Equity value | 47 | 36 | 26 | |
| Equity value per share | 1.52 | 1.17 | 0.85 | |

Source: Enlight Research

Risk factors

Below is a selection of risk factors that we have chosen to highlight given the current environment. It should not be regarded as a complete list of all risk factors. For examples of additional risks, we refer to our initiation report "Transforming to Digital" published on Nov 18, 2019.

Covid-19

Although the pandemic seems to have increased the speed of the digital transformation in the form of digital subscriber growth, the digital ticketing platform and the printing segment have been negatively affected. A prolonged pandemic with restrictions on larger events could continue to affect the ticketing platform negatively, while travel restrictions could affect the print demand from the travel & leisure sector.

Loan re-financing risk

There could be a risk that the company cannot re-finance its loans at the same terms. For example, the Mar-Aug loan vacation granted from SEB in the amount of EUR 1.2 will be added as a bullet on the due date of the loan in October 2021 (current loan interest is 2.15-2.6% base interest rate of zero).

Interest rate risk

The interest rates on loans are tied to the EURIBOR. A significant increase in the EURIBOR most likely would affect the profitability of the company.

Recession risk

In the event of a sharp rise in unemployment due to e.g., a prolonged recession, there is a risk that clients will not be able to pay their invoices, which could result in accounts receivables write-down

| Income Statement | 2019 | 2020 | 2021E | 2022E | 2023E |
|--|------|------------------------|--------------|--------|--------|
| Net sales | 67 | 63 | 64 | 65 | 65 |
| Total operating costs | -61 | -56 | -56 | -57 | -57 |
| EBITDA | 7 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| Depr. & Amort. | -4 | -4 | -4 | -5 | -5 |
| One-off EBIT items | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| EBIT | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 |
| Financial net | -1 | 0 | -1 | -1 | -1 |
| Pre-tax profit | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| Taxes | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Minority interest | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other items Net profit | 1 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Balance Sheet | 2019 | 2020 | 2021E | 2022E | 2023E |
| Cash and cash equivalent | 4 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Receivables | 13 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 10 |
| Inventories | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Other current assets | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total current assets | 19 | 18 | 17 | 16 | 17 |
| Tangible assets | 15 | 14 | 13 | 12 | 11 |
| Goodwill & Intangible | 56 | 57 | 57 | 57 | 57 |
| assets | | | | | |
| Lease & Investment | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| properties | | | | | |
| Long-term Investments | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Associated companies | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Other long-term assets | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Total fixed assets | 76 | 76 | 75 | 75 | 75 |
| Total assets | 95 | 94 | 92 | 92 | 92 |
| Accounts payable | 16 | 15 | 14 | 13 | 12 |
| Short-term IB debt | 5 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| Other current liabilities | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total current liabilities | 22 | 19 | 17 | 16 | 14 |
| Long-term IB debt | 19 | 19 | 15 | 13 | 11 |
| Convertibles & Lease liab. Deferred tax liab. | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 0 | 3 0 |
| Provisions | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other long-term liab. | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Total long-term liab | 22 | 21 | 18 | 17 | 16 |
| Total liabilities | 44 | 40 | 35 | 32 | 30 |
| Minority interest | 0 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Shareholders' equity | 52 | 54 | 57 | 59 | 61 |
| Total liabilities and Equity | 95 | 94 | 92 | 92 | 92 |
| DCF valuation | | Cash fl | ow, mEUR | | |
| WACC (%) | 8.45 | NPV FCF (2020-2022) | | 8 | |
| Assumptions 2020-2026 (%) | | NPV FCF (2023-2029) | | 11 | |
| Average sales growth (%) | 2.84 | NPV FCF (2030-) | | 33 | |
| EBIT margin (%) | 5.52 | Non-operating assets | | | 5 |
| Fair value per share (EUR) | 1.14 | Interest | bearing debt | | -22 |
| Share price (EUR) | 0.89 | Fair value estimate 35 | | | 25 |

| Free Cash Flow | 2019 | 2020 | 2021E | 2022E | 2023E |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Operating profit | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 |
| Depreciation | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 5 |
| Working capital chg | 2 | 2 | -1 | -1 | -1 |
| Other operating CF items | -2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -1 |
| Operating Cash Flow | 7 | 9 | 6 | 6 | 7 |
| Net investments | -9 | -3 | -3 | -4 | -4 |
| Other items Free Cash Flow | -1 -3 | 0 6 | 0 3 | 0 3 | 0 3 |
| 0 | 2010 | 2020 | 2024 | 2022 | 2022 |
| Capital structure | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 64.6% | 2023 |
| Equity ratio Debt/Equity ratio | 54.1% 47.3% | 58.0% 40.7% | 61.6% 34.0% | 29.5% | 66.8% 27.2% |
| Net debt/Equity ratio | 40.1% | 29.2% | 26.1% | 22.9% | 20.7% |
| Net debt/EBITDA ratio | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Profitability | 2019 | 2020 | 2021E | 2022E | 2023E |
| ROE | 2.8% | 4.7% | 3.7% | 4.3% | 4.5% |
| FCF yield | -0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| EBITDA margin | 10.0% | 11.1% | 11.9% | 12.5% | 12.9% |
| EBIT margin | 4.0% | 4.9% | 4.9% | 5.5% | 5.9% |
| PTP margin | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Valuation | 2019 | 2020 | 2021E | 2022E | 2023E |
| P/E | 16.9 | 9.8 | 13.5 | 11.1 | 10.2 |
| P/E adjusted | 16.9 | 9.8 | 13.5 | 11.1 | 10.2 |
| P/Sales | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 |
| EV/Sales | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| EV/EBITDA | 6.8 | 5.9 | 5.7 | 5.2 | 4.9 |
| EV/EBIT | 16.9 | 13.5 | 14.0 | 11.9 | 10.7 |
| P/BV | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 |
| P/BV tangible | -4.9 | -11.3 | -187.7 | 11.8 | 6.2 |
| Per share ratios | 2019 | 2020 | 2021E | 2022E | 2023E |
| EPS | 0.05 | 0.08 | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.09 |
| EPS, adjusted | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.09 |
| Operating CF/share | 0.29 | 0.30 | 0.19 | 0.21 | 0.21 |
| Free Cash Flow/share | -0.11 | 0.14 | 0.09 | 0.10 | 0.10 |
| BV/share | 1.73 | 1.77 | 1.84 0.00 | 1.92 | 1.98 |
| Tangible BV/share Div. per share | -0.16 0.00 | -0.07 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.08 0.02 | 0.14 0.03 |
| Div. payout ratio | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 24.9% | 34.2% |
| Dividend yield | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 2.3% | 3.4% |
| | | | | | |
| Shareholders | | | Capital | | Votes |
| HHL RÜHM OÜ HANS LUIK | | | 9.423 7.087 | | 34.38 % 25.86 % |
| ING LUXEMBOURG S.A. AIF | | | | | |
| ACCOUNT | | | 3.562 | | 13.00 % |
| LHV Pensionfond L | | | 1.669 | | 6.09 % |
| SEB S.A. Client UCITS | | | 0.772 | | 2.81% |
| Ekspress Grupp AS LHV Pensionfond XL | | | 0.654 | | 2.38 % 1.55 % |
| Citibank/Govt of Norway | | | 0.426 | | |
| Compensa Life Vienna Ins. | | | 0.333 0.293 | | 1.21 % 1.07 % |
| Wood Grouse Consulting O | U | | 0.293 | | 0.54 % |
| Koy poorle | | | | | |
| Key people CEO | | Mari. Li | is Rüütsalu | | |
| CFO | | Signe K | | | |
| IR | | Signe K | | | |
| | | | | | |

| P/E | EPS | | | |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| Price per share | | | | |
| Earnings per share | Profit before extraordinary items and taxes – income taxes + | | | |
| | minority interest | | | |
| | Number of shares | | | |
| P/Sales | DPS | | | |
| Market cap | Dividend for financial period per share | | | |
| Sales | | | | |
| P/BV | CEPS | | | |
| Price per share | Gross cash flow from operations | | | |
| Shareholders' equity + taxed provisions per share | Number of shares | | | |
| P/CF | EV/Share | | | |
| Price per share | Enterprise value | | | |
| Operating cash flow per share | Number of shares | | | |
| | | | | |
| EV (Enterprise value) | Sales/Share | | | |
| Market cap + Net debt + Minority interest at market value – share of | Sales | | | |
| associated companies at market value | Number of shares | | | |
| · | | | | |
| Net debt | EBITDA/Share | | | |
| Interest-bearing debt – financial assets | Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization | | | |
| | Number of shares | | | |
| EV/Sales | EBIT/Share | | | |
| | | | | |
| Enterprise value | Operating profit Number of shares | | | |
| Sales | | | | |
| EV/EBITDA | EAFI/Share | | | |
| Enterneira valua | Pre-tax profit | | | |
| Enterprise value Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization | Number of shares | | | |
| Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization | | | | |
| EV/EBIT | Capital employed/Share | | | |
| Enterprise value | | | | |
| Operating profit | Total assets – non-interest-bearing debt Number of shares | | | |
| | | | | |
| Div yield, % | Total assets | | | |
| Dividend per share Price per share | Balance sheet total | | | |
| File per share | | | | |
| Payout ratio, % | Interest coverage (x) | | | |
| Total dividends | Operating profit | | | |
| Earnings before extraordinary items and taxes – income taxes + minority interest | Operating profit Financial items | | | |
| Lannings before excluding a vicens and taxes – income taxes + initionity interest | | | | |
| Net cash/Share | Asset turnover (x) | | | |
| | Turnover | | | |
| Financial assets – interest-bearing debt | Balance sheet total (average) | | | |
| Number of shares | | | | |
| ROA, % | Debt/Equity, % | | | |
| | | | | |
| Operating profit + financial income + extraordinary items | Interest-bearing debt | | | |
| Balance sheet total – interest-free short-term debt – long-term advances | Shareholders' equity + minority interest + taxed provisions | | | |
| received and accounts payable (average) | | | | |
| ROCE, % | Equity ratio, % | | | |
| Profit hefore extraordinary items + interest exponses + other financial easts | Sharahaldare' aquitu I minaritu interact I tavad provision- | | | |
| Profit before extraordinary items + interest expenses + other financial costs Balance sheet total – non-interest-bearing debt (average) | Shareholders' equity + minority interest + taxed provisions Total assets – interest-free loans | | | |
| שמומותים שוניבי נסומו – חסוריוונבובאבישבמיוווצ עבשר (מעבומצב) | וסנמו מספרה – ווונכובטריוופט וטמווג | | | |
| ROE, % | CAGR, % | | | |
| | | | | |
| | Cumulative annual growth rate = Average growth rate per year | | | |
| Profit before extraordinary items – income taxes Shareholders' equity + minority interest + taxed provisions (average) | Cumulative annual growth rate = Average growth rate per year | | | |

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