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Buy					
Recommendation unchar	nged				
Share price: EUR	3.98				
closing price as of 14/02/2024		0.00			
Target price: EUR		6.00			
Target Price unchanged					
Upside/Downside Po		50.8%			
Reuters/Bloomberg	UD.MI/UD IM				
Market capitalisation (E	123				
Current N° of shares (m)		31			
Free float	33%				
Daily avg. no. trad. sh. 12 mth (k)					
Daily avg. trad. vol. 12 mth (k) 147.11					
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	4.84/3.60				
Abs Perfs 1/3/12 mths (%)	-0.50/6.4	-0.50/6.42/-20.08			
Key financials (EUR)	12/22	12/23e	12/24e		
Sales (m)	51	97	117		
EBITDA (m)	16	23	30		
EBITDA margin	31.6%	23.6%	25.5%		
EBIT (m)	20.9%	15 15.4%	20 17.5%		
EBIT margin Net Profit (adj.)(m)	20.9%	10.4%	17.5%		
ROCE	15.2%	18.5%	25.0%		
Net debt/(cash) (m)	10.270	47	23.070		
Net Debt/Equity	0.3	0.8	0.6		
Debt/EBITDA	0.6	2.0	1.5		
Int. cover(EBITDA/Fin. int)	239.0	7.9	10.3		
EV/Sales	2.5	1.7	1.4		
EV/EBITDA	8.0	7.4	5.6		
EV/EBITDA (adj.)	8.0	7.4	5.6		
EV/EBIT	12.0	11.4	8.2		
P/E (adj.)	15.5	13.2	10.0		
P/BV	3.2	2.0	1.7		
OpFCF yield Dividend yield	-0.7% 0.3%	1.6% 0.3%	9.3% 0.3%		
EPS (adj.)	0.3%	0.3%	0.40		
BVPS	1.45	1.95	2.34		
DPS	0.01	0.01	0.01		
Shareholders					

Uninvest 55%; Michela Colli 6%; Others 6%;



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2023 preliminary results in line

The facts: Unidata on Monday published some preliminary 2023 results.

Our analysis: Overall they are in line, with EBITDA adjusted numbers slightly higher than expected despite lower reported sales. NFP reflects higher capex and financial investments for app. EUR 26m vs Akros EUR 20 m. The company also mentioned some "management figures" with "Management Sales" at EUR 100.8m and "Management EBITDA adjusted" of EUR 25.9m. The difference vs reported numbers reflects TWT consolidation for 12 months (vs reported 10 months). The interest bearer NFP was EUR 46.7m or in line with our forecast.

Unidata: 2023 results

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EURm	2022a	2023p	%Ch.	2023e	%Ch.
TOTAL SALES	51.3	92.7	81%	97	89%
GROUP EBITDA adj.	16.2	24.4	51%	23.9	47%
EBITDA Margin	31.6%	26.3%		24.7%	
Non-rec.	0.0	(2.0)		(1.0)	
EBITDA rpt	16.2	22.2	37%	22.9	41%
EBITDA margin	31.6%	23.9%		23.6%	
Net Debt/(Cash)	9.6	47.9		46.7	

Source: Company Data, Banca Akros forecasts

Conclusion & Action: We confirm recommendation and target price.



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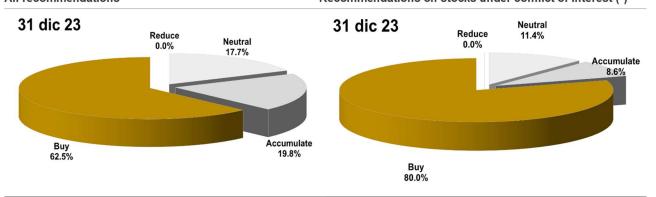
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