

PAION AG

Germany / Biotechnology Frankfurt Prime Standard Bloomberg: PA8 GR ISIN: DE000A0B65S3

Annual Report

RATING PRICE TARGET

BUY € 4.30

Return Potential Risk Rating 92.4% High

REMIMAZOLAM FILING EXPECTED 2018 IN JAPAN; Q4/18-Q1/19 IN U.S.

Highlights of 2017 were the completion of the programme of phase III trials with remimazolam in the U.S. and the conclusion of a license agreement with Mundipharma for the development and commercialisation of remimazolam in Japan. U.S. partner Cosmo's guidance on the timing of filing for regulatory approval of remimazolam in procedural sedation in the U.S. is now Q4/18-Q1/19 (previously: H2/18). Meanwhile Mundipharma expects filing in general anesthesia in 2018 (previously: mid-2018). Our previous forecast assumed filing milestones in both the U.S. and Japan and first revenues in Japan in 2018. In line with guidance, we now assume only the Japanese filing milestone in 2018 and have pushed back first Japanese revenues and the US filing milestone into 2019. We expect the end 2017 cash position of €24.8m together with tax credits from the British tax authorities and milestones from regulatory approval in the U.S. and Japan to cover planned activity until H2/19. This includes filing in the U.S. and Japan as well as the EU phase III study of remimazolam in the indication general anesthesia. However, filing for approval in the EU in this indication is expected to require an additional €15m which will be only partially covered by potential further milestone payments. We have inserted a further €5m capital raise into our model in 2019. These adjustments cause us to lower our price target to €4.30 (previously: €4.40). We maintain our Buy recommendation.

U.S. clinical development of remimazolam in procedural sedation complete In March 2017 PAION announced positive results of a U.S. clinical safety trial with remimazolam in high risk patients undergoing colonoscopy. These results were followed in June by positive headline data from the second pivotal U.S. phase III trial of remimazolam in bronchoscopy patients. Efficacy and efficiency improvements in this trial were comparable to the results of the pivotal U.S. Phase III trial in colonoscopy patients published in 2016. In 2017 PAION conducted additional Phase I studies in consultation with the FDA to further assess the abuse potential of remimazolam. (p.t.o.)

FINANCIAL HISTORY & PROJECTIONS

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018E	2019E
Revenue (€m)	3.46	0.07	4.26	5.81	3.00	17.64
Y-o-y growth	-18.3%	n.a.	n.a.	36.4%	-48.4%	487.9%
EBIT (€m)	-11.64	-34.09	-25.08	-15.87	-16.75	-6.26
EBIT margin	0.0	1.0%	2.0%	3.0%	4.0%	5.0%
Net income (€m)	-9.10	-28.21	-20.12	-12.09	-13.73	-3.05
EPS (diluted) (€)	-0.23	-0.56	-0.38	-0.20	-0.22	-0.05
DPS (€)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FCF (€m)	-12.07	-26.32	-11.78	-17.75	-12.93	-2.18
Net gearing	-94.1%	-91.9%	-120.7%	-98.5%	-100.2%	-105.7%
Liquid assets (€m)	58.91	32.68	30.11	24.84	13.91	16.73

RISKS

Risks to our price target include but are not limited to: drug development, finding development partners with favourable terms, financial, and legal risks.

COMPANY PROFILE

PAION is a specialty pharmaceutical company headquartered in Aachen (Germany) with operations in Cambridge (United Kingdom). PAION's lead substance, remimazolam, is an intravenous ultra-short-acting benzodiazepine anaesthetic that is currently in Phase III clinical development for procedural sedation.

MARKET DATA	As of 09 Apr 2018
Closing Price	€ 2.23
Shares outstanding	61.12m
Market Capitalisation	€ 136.60m
52-week Range	€ 2.21 / 3.60
Avg. Volume (12 Months)	186,957

Multiples	2017	2018E	2019E
P/E	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
EV/Sales	19.0	36.7	6.3
EV/EBIT	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Div. Yield	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

STOCK OVERVIEW



COMPANY DATA	As of 31 Dec 2017
Liquid Assets	€ 28.73m
Current Assets	€ 35.13m
Intangible Assets	€ 2.65m
Total Assets	€ 37.58m
Current Liabilities	€ 10.21m
Shareholders' Equity	€ 27.37m

SHAREHOLDERS

Cosmo Pharmaceuticals	9.1%
TIAA-CREF	3.0%
Free Float	87.9%

Two studies examined the potential for abuse of remimazolam as a knock-out cocktail in combination with alcohol and its potential for abuse intranasally. In November 2017 the FDA stated that this abuse liability program was sufficient to provide the necessary data regarding the abuse potential of the drug. This statement from the FDA marked the completion of clinical development of remimazolam in procedural sedation in the U.S.

December 2017 conclusion of partnership with Mundipharma for Japan PAION's previous Japanese marketing partner, Ono, completed a pivotal phase III study of remimazolam in 2013. But in 2014 Ono announced that for strategic reasons it had abandoned plans to file for marketing approval of remimazolam for general anesthesia. Following the transfer of know-how and technology from Ono to PAION in 2015, the Japanese Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency (PMDA) stated in 2016 that they considered the non-clinical and clinical data package for remimazolam to be complete for filing for the indication "induction and maintenance of general anesthesia." In December 2017, PAION granted a license to Mundipharma for the development and commercialisation of remimazolam in Japan. Mundipharma is a global network of independent associated companies with a presence in over 120 countries and annual revenues of over USD3.4bn. Mundipharma regards itself as a global leader in pain medicine, but also has a significant presence in the therapeutic areas of respiratory, oncology and biosimilars.

The agreement with Mundipharma stipulates a €1m upfront payment to PAION, additional regulatory and commercial milestone payments of up to €25m and royalties ranging from low double-digits to over 20%. Under the terms of the agreement, Mundipharma has the right and obligation to further develop remimazolam in all indications in Japan with PAION's support. Mundipharma will bear all costs for market authorisation and distribution.

Phase III EU study of remimazolam in general anesthesia to start in H2/2018 In early 2016 PAION discontinued a phase III study of remimazolam in the EU with cardiac surgery patients in the indication general anesthesia. The trial was discontinued due to recruitment challenges caused by the study's complex design. During the remainder of 2016 PAION planned the resumption of clinical development of remimazolam in the EU In 2017 PAION conducted a Phase I trial to define key elements and sample size calculation for a new Phase III trial. Based on advice from the European authority EMA management currently expects approximately 450 to 500 patients will be required for the EU Phase III study in general anesthesia. The study design is expected to be in general surgery resembling the successfully completed Phase III programme in general anesthesia in Japan, but in sicker patients, where the medical need to reduce hypotensive events is greater. The study is expected to start in H2/2018.

Besides Cosmo for the U.S. and Mundipharma for Japan, PAION has concluded regional partnerships for remimazolam in countries including China, South Korea, Canada, Russia (CIS) and Turkey. The regional partners continue development and preparatory filing activities as summarised in figure 1.

Figure 1: Partnerships agreements for Canada, China, Russia, South Korea and Turkey

_			
Country	Partner	Indications	Current status
Canada	Pharmascience	Lead indication: PS	Plans to file for market approval based on U.S. dossier
China	Yichang Humanwell	GA and PS	To conduct phase II study in GA and phase III study in PS
Russia	R-Pharm	Lead indication: GA	Completion of phase III study in GA H1/18. Filing for market approval end 2018
South Korea	Hana Pharm	Lead indication: GA	Has started a phase III study in GA
Turkey	TR-Pharm	GA and PS	Plans to file for market approval based on U.S. or Japanase dossier (whichever comes first)

Source: PAION

Figure 2 shows 2017 results and management guidance for 2018. The 2017 results were close to our forecasts. Revenue in both 2017 and 2016 stemmed from the upfront payment received from Cosmo in 2016. The €5.8m recognised in 2017 was dependent on the progress of certain development components. The €5.6m decrease in R&D expenditure was due mainly to lower costs for phase III studies which were partially offset by higher costs for phase I studies. SG&A costs were higher in 2016 than in 2017 because of preparations for capital raising measures which were ultimately not conducted and higher costs related to the initiation and preparation of license agreements. The tax credits relate to the partial reimbursement of R&D expenses by the British tax authorities. The reduction in 2017 relative to 2016 stems from the decrease in development expenses for remimazolam.

Figure 2: 2018 guidance and 2017 results vs. our forecasts

in EURm	FY/18G	FY/17A	FY/17E	Delta	FY/16A	Delta
Revenue*	~€3m	5.81	5.73	1.4%	4.26	36.3%
R&D expenses	~€15-€17m	17.85	19.00	-6.0%	23.41	-23.7%
S,G&A expenses	~€3.5-€4m	3.83	3.75	-	5.13	-
EBT	n.a.	-15.85	-16.87	-	-25.06	-
Tax credit	~€3m	3.76	3.75	0.3%	4.94	-23.9%
Net income	~€-12 - €-15m	-12.09	-13.12	-	-20.12	-
margin	neg.	neg.	neg.	-	neg.	-
EPS (dil., in EUR)	€-0.20-€-0.25	-0.20	-0.21	-	-0.38	-

^{*} including other operating income such as milestone payments

Source: PAION, First Berlin Equity Research estimates

Management's expectation of revenues of €3m for 2018 relates to the licensing agreement with Mundipharma for Japan. €1m of this figure stems from the upfront payment received from Mundipharma in January 2018 and €2m from the planned regulatory filing for remimazolam in the indication general anesthesia scheduled for later this year. PAION's U.S. partner Cosmo currently expects to file for approval of remimazolam in procedural sedation in the U.S. in Q4/18 or Q1/19.

Operating cash outflow during 2017 was €17.7m (2016: an outflow of €11.6m). The outflow was partially covered by two equity capital raises which generated a gross €13m. €5m were raised through a rights issue in February 2017. A further €8.0m was placed with a US investor in July 2017. The U.S. investor may subscribe for an additional up to 2.8 million new shares by 30 April this year. If the U.S. investor does not subscribe to a minimum of 0.9 million new shares by 30 April 2018, under certain conditions PAION can request that the U.S. investor makes this minimum investment. The offer price will be at a 5% discount to the volume-weighted average Xetra price.

Priority is approval for remimazolam in as many countries/applications as possible Management has confirmed that the company's main priority over the next few years is to gain regulatory approval for remimazolam in as many countries for as many indications as possible. PAION estimates the peak sales opportunity for remimazolam at over USD500m annually for each of the three indications, procedural sedation, general anesthesia and intensive care unit (ICU) sedation. The two main incumbent products in these indications are midazolam which is used mainly in conscious sedation and propofol which is used mainly in deep sedation. We believe that remimazolam's advantages over midazolam and propofol will enable it to gain market share from both products.

Advantages over incumbent products midazolam and propofol On the key US procedural sedation market propofol is most widely used in the eastern states and midazolam in the western part of the country. As we wrote in our studies of 5 July 2016 and 24 October 2016, data from Paion's U.S. phase III study with remimazolam in procedural sedation suggested that the time saved through using remimazolam instead of midazolam is likely to exceed twenty minutes. This is a substantial time saving on a typical colonoscopy procedure time of 30-60 minutes.

The US colonoscopy market is currently seeing trends towards lower reimbursement per procedure and "bundling" or a contracted flat fee for the total cost of each colonoscopy. In this environment, physicians are looking for ways to maintain their income. Remimazolam's advantage over midazolam of shorter onset/offset times and over its other main prospective competing product, propofol, of not requiring an anesthetist is a clear potential answer to this problem.

The current standard of care for induction of general anesthesia is propofol. A major problem with propofol is that it causes hypotension. During surgery vasopressors are routinely used to maintain blood pressure in the normal range and counteract pronounced blood pressure decreases. Vasopressors are however known to impair the microcirculation in vital organs and thus have a negative effect on short, mid and long-term outcomes. In the course of Ono's phase II/III trial with remimazolam for general anethesia, remimazolam and propofol were intravenously administered to 375 patients. Two remimazolam groups received induction doses of 6 mg/kg/h or 12 mg/kg/h, 150 subjects per group and 75 patients received a standard dose of propofol. The incidence rates of decrease in blood pressure were 35.3%, 34.7% and 60.0% in 6 mg/kg/h and 12 mg/kg/h of remimazolam and propofol groups, respectively. This suggests that remimazolam has a clinically meaningfully lower cardiodepressive effect compared with propofol. The forthcoming E.U. phase III trial of remimazolam in the indication general anesthesia has been designed to confirm this.

Long term plan to make PAION an acute/critical care specialist In the conference call accompanying the 2017 results, management outlined plans for PAION beyond the international roll-out of remimazolam. The intention is to move the company out of the small-cap and into the mid-cap space by turning PAION into an acute/critical care specialist. Management intends to achieve this through forward integration in selected regions and partnering in others. Meanwhile, management intends to enrich the product portfolio to encompass a range of products used by anesthesiologists and emergency physicians. At present, these plans are still at an early stage and we have not taken account of them in our forecasts.

Figure 3 shows changes to our forecasts. U.S. partner Cosmo's guidance on the timing of filing for regulatory approval of remimazolam in procedural sedation in the U.S. is now Q4/18-Q1/19 (previously: H2/18). Meanwhile Mundipharma expects filing in general anesthesia in 2018 (previously: mid-2018). Our previous 2018 forecast assumed filing milestones in both the U.S. and Japan and first revenues in Japan. In line with company guidance, we now assume only the Japanese upfront payment/filing milestone in 2018 and have pushed back first Japanese revenues and the U.S. filing milestone into 2019. Our previous 2019 forecast assumed first revenues in the U.S. We have now moved these to 2020.

Figure 3: Changes to our forecasts

		2018			2019	
in EURm	Old	New	Δ	Old	New	Δ
Revenues	13.26	0.00	n.a.	3.00	1.84	-38.8%
Other operating income	20.00	3.00	-85.0%	11.25	15.80	40.4%
Total revenues	33.26	3.00	-91.0%	14.25	17.64	23.8%
EBIT	0.63	-16.75	n.a.	-8.27	-6.26	-24.3%
margin	neg.	-558.3%	-	-58.0%	-35.5%	-
Net income	3.33	-13.73	n.a.	-5.30	-3.05	-42.5%
margin	25.1%	-457.8%	-	-37.2%	-17.3%	-
EPS (dil., in EUR)	0.05	-0.22	n.a.	-0.08	-0.05	-42.7%

Source: First Berlin Equity Research estimates

Buy recommendation maintained but price target lowered to €4.30 (previously: €4.40)

We expect the end 2017 cash position of €24.8m together with tax credits from the British tax authorities and milestones from regulatory approval in the U.S. and Japan to cover planned activity until H2/19. This includes filing in the U.S. and Japan as well as the EU phase III study of remimazolam in the indication general anesthesia. However filing for approval in the EU in this indication is expected to require an additional €15m which will be only partially covered by potential further milestone payments. We have inserted a further €5m capital raise into our model in 2019. These adjustments cause us to lower our price target from €4.40 to €4.30. We maintain our Buy recommendation.

VALUATION MODEL

Figure 4: Pipeline valuation model

Compound	Project (1)	Present Value	Patient Pop	Treatment Cost	Market Size	Market Share	Peak Sales	PACME Margin (2)	Discount Factor	Patent Life (3)	Time to Market
Remimazolam	PS EU	€90.6M	25,300K	€14	€348.5M	25%	€117.3M	3 %	15%	15	3 Years
Remimazolam	PS US	€150.3M	20,000K	€20	€400.0M	50%	€258.7M	2 %	15%	13	2 Years
Remimazolam	PS CAN	€7.1M	1,056K	€20	€21.1M	50%	€13.7M	18%	15%	13	2 Years
Remimazolam	GA EU	€198.3M	29,000K	€40	€1,160.0M	20%	€312. 2 M	30%	15%	15	3 Years
Remimazolam	GA US	€84.1M	23,925K	€40	€957.0M	20%	€247.6M	2%	15%	13	4 Years
Remimazolam	GA JAP	€92.2M	10,000K	€40	€400.0M	25%	€134.6M	8%	15%	15	1 Year
Remimazolam	GA CHN	€18.1M	51,000K	€28	€1,405.0M	10%	€189. 1 M	10%	15%	15	4 Years
Remimazolam	PS CHN	€9.9M	33,260K	€10	€346.5M	10%	€46.6M	10%	15%	15	3 Years
Remimazolam	GA KOR	€7.4M	3,750K	€28	€103.3M	25%	€34.8M	10%	5%	15	3 Years
Remimazolam	GA CIS/MENA/TUR	€67.5M	55,247K	€28	€1,566.6M	10%	€210.8M	12%	15%	15	2 Years
Remimazolam	ICU US	€15.7M	1,561K	€250	€390.2M	25%	€126.2M	2%	15%	13	6 Years
Remimazolam	ICU EU	€33.3M	2,439K	€167	€406.5M	25%	€136.8M	3 %	15%	15	5 Years
Remimazolam	ICU Japan	€4.2M	606K	€167	€101.0M	25%	€34.0M	18%	15%	15	6 Years
PACME PV		€778.6M									
Costs PV (4)		€578.2M									
NPV		€200.4M									
Milestones PV		€44.0M									
Pro forma net ca	sh	€31.0M									
Fair Value		€275.4M									
Pro forma share	count	64,324K									
Price Target		€4.28									

¹⁾ A project typically refers to a specific indication or, where necessary or relevant, a combination between indication and geographic market

PS CAN = Procedural Sedation in Canada

GA EU = General Anaesthesia in the EU

GA US = General Anaesthesia in the US

GA JAP = General Anaesthesia in Japan

GA CHN = General Anaesthesia in China

GA CIS/MENA/TUR = General Anaesthesia in the Commonwealth of Independent States, Middle East & North Africa, and Turkey

ICU US = General Anaesthesia in Intensive Care Units in the US

ICU EU = General Anaesthesia in Intensive Care Units in the EU

Other projects: GGF2 (HF) and Solulin (HPH)

HF = Heart Failure

HPH = Haemophilia

This share may be derived in the form of royalties (outsourced marketing/manufacturing) or operating EBITDA margin (in-house model), or some mix of both (depending on the specific parameters of partnership agreements)

Source: First Berlin Equity Research

Figure 5: Changes to pipeline valuation model

	Old	New	Delta
NPV	€202.3M	€200.4M	-0.9%
Milestones PV	€32.2M	€44.0M	36.6%
Pro Forma Net Cash	€44.4M	€31.0M	-30.2%
Fair Value	€278.9M	€275.4M	-1.2%
Diluted Share Count	€63.4M	€64.3M	1.5%
Fair Value Per Share	€4.40	€4.28	-2.7%

Source: First Berlin Equity Research

PS EU = Procedural Sedation in the EU

PS US = Procedural Sedation in the US

²⁾ PACME (Profit After Costs and Marketing Expenses) reflects the company's profit share on future revenues.

³⁾ Remaining patent life after the point of approva

⁴⁾ Includes company-level R&D, G&A, Financing Costs, CapEx and working capital; COGS and S&M are factored into the PACME margin for each project



INCOME STATEMENT

All figures in EUR '000	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018E	2019E
Net revenues	4	0	0	0	0	1,836
Other op. inc. (including milestones)	3,452	72	4,262	5,811	3,000	15,800
Total revenue	3,456	72	4,262	5,811	3,000	17,636
Cost of goods sold	4	11	0	0	0	0
Gross profit	3,452	61	4,262	5,811	3,000	17,636
G&A	3,702	5,729	5,129	3,828	3,750	3,900
R&D	11,799	29,385	23,408	17,854	16,000	20,000
Other operating income (expense)	411	965	-807	-2	0	0
Operating income (EBIT)	-11,639	-34,088	-25,082	-15,872	-16,750	-6,264
Net financial result	66	42	21	20	16	16
Pre-tax income (EBT)	-11,573	-34,046	-25,061	-15,852	-16,734	-6,248
Income taxes	2,468	5,834	4,944	3,759	3,000	3,200
Net income / loss	-9,105	-28,212	-20,118	-12,093	-13,734	-3,048
Diluted EPS	-0.23	-0.56	-0.38	-0.20	-0.22	-0.05
EBITDA	-11,327	-33,742	-25,029	-15,825	-16,700	-6,214
Ratios						
EBIT margin	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.
EBITDA margin	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.
Net margin	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.
Cash Coverage of Expenses						
Cash / G&A	15.9x	5.7x	5.9x	6.5x	3.7x	4.3x
Cash / R&D	5.0x	1.1x	1.3x	1.4x	0.9x	0.8x
Y-Y Growth						
Total revenue	-18.3%	-97.9%	5851.0%	36.4%	-48.4%	487.9%
Operating income	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.
Net income/ loss	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.



BALANCE SHEET

All figures in EUR '000	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018E	2019E
Assets						
Current assets, total	63,032	40,051	35,128	29,357	17,631	20,924
Cash and cash equivalents	58,912	32,680	30,111	24,839	13,909	16,726
Short-Term Investments	0	0	0	0	0	0
Receivables	467	0	0	37	0	275
Inventories	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other current assets	3,653	7,371	5,017	4,481	3,722	3,922
Non-current assets, total	3,516	3,417	2,855	2,529	2,089	2,151
Property, plant & equipment	76	56	167	114	9	71
Goodwill & other intangibles	3,440	3,362	2,688	2,415	2,080	2,080
Other Assets	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total assets	66,548	43,468	37,984	31,885	19,720	23,074
Shareholders' equity & debt						
Current Liabilities, Total	3,924	7,901	13,040	6,656	5,834	7,246
Convertible bond	0	0	0	0	0	0
Short-term debt	0	0	0	0	0	0
Accounts payable	3,338	7,332	6,353	5,921	5,306	6,633
Milestone	0	0	5,730	0	0	0
Provisions	306	224	555	391	0	9
Other current liabilities	280	344	403	344	528	604
Longterm liabilities, total	17	6	0	0	0	0
Convertible bond	0	0	0	0	0	0
Long-term debt	0	0	0	0	0	0
Provisions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Deferred revenue	17	6	0	0	0	0
Shareholders' equity	62,607	35,562	24,943	25,229	13,886	15,828
Total consolidated equity and debt	66,548	43,468	37,984	31,885	19,720	23,074
Ratios						
Current ratio (x)	16.06	5.07	2.69	4.41	3.02	2.89
Quick ratio (x)	16.06	5.07	2.69	4.41	3.02	2.89
Net gearing	-94.1%	-91.9%	-120.7%	-98.5%	-100.2%	-105.7%
Book value per share (€)	1.24	0.70	0.45	0.41	0.22	0.25
Return on equity (ROE)	-24.0%	-57.5%	-66.5%	-48.2%	-70.2%	-20.5%
	2	2	22.070		. 3.2,0	_0.0,0



CASH FLOW STATEMENT

All figures in EUR '000	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018E	2019E
Net result	-9,105	-28,212	-20,118	-12,093	-13,734	-3,048
Depreciation and amortization	93	125	759	347	50	50
Changes in working capital	284	3,999	1,137	-911	-394	1,127
Milestone	0	0	5,730	-5,730	0	0
Net taxes received	-3,988	-3,269	585	838	759	-200
Other items	672	1,071	321	-170	0	0
Operating cash flow	-12,044	-26,287	-11,586	-17,720	-13,319	-2,071
CAPEX	-26	-33	-192	-25	390	-112
Free cash flow	-12,070	-26,320	-11,778	-17,745	-12,930	-2,183
Debt financing, net	0	0	0	0	0	0
Convertible bond financing, net	0	0	0	0	0	0
Equity financing, net	57,618	22	9,212	12,494	2,000	5,000
Other changes in cash	72	66	-2	-22	0	0
Net cash flows	45,620	-26,232	-2,568	-5,273	-10,930	2,817
Cash, start of the year	13,292	58,912	32,680	30,111	24,839	13,909
Cash, end of the year	58,912	32,680	30,111	24,839	13,909	16,726
Y-Y Growth						
Operating cash flow	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.
Free cash flow	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.
EBITDA/share	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.



FIRST BERLIN RECOMMENDATION & PRICE TARGET HISTORY

Report No.:	Date of publication	Previous day closing price	Recommendation	Price target
Initial Report	2 April 2012	€0.79	Buy	€2.00
233	\downarrow	\downarrow	\downarrow	↓
34	14 February 2017	€2.45	Buy	€4.60
35	27 March 2017	€2.19	Buy	€4.40
36	4 July 2017	€3.04	Buy	€4.40
37	Today	€2.23	Buy	€4.30

Authored by: Simon Scholes, Analyst

Company responsible for preparation:

First Berlin Equity Research GmbH Mohrenstraße 34 10117 Berlin

Tel. +49 (0)30 - 80 93 96 94 Fax +49 (0)30 - 80 93 96 87

info@firstberlin.com www.firstberlin.com

Person responsible for forwarding or distributing this financial analysis: Martin Bailey

Copyright© 2018 First Berlin Equity Research GmbH No part of this financial analysis may be copied, photocopied, duplicated or distributed in any form or media whatsoever without prior written permission from First Berlin Equity Research GmbH. First Berlin Equity Research GmbH shall be identified as the source in the case of quotations. Further information is available on request.

INFORMATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 34B OF THE GERMAN SECURITIES TRADING ACT [WPHG], TO REGULATION (EU) NO 596/2014 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL OF APRIL 16, 2014, ON MARKET ABUSE (MARKET ABUSE REGULATION) AND TO THE GERMAN ORDINANCE ON THE ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS [FINANV]

First Berlin Equity Research GmbH (hereinafter referred to as: "First Berlin") prepares financial analyses while taking the relevant regulatory provisions, in particular the German Securities Trading Act [VVpHG], Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of April 16, 2014, on market abuse (market abuse regulation) and the German Ordinance on the Analysis of Financial Instruments [FinAnV] into consideration. In the following First Berlin provides investors with information about the statutory provisions that are to be observed in the preparation of financial analyses.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

In accordance with Section 34b Paragraph 1 of the German Securities Trading Act [WpHG] and Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of April 16, 2014, on market abuse (market abuse regulation) financial analyses may only be passed on or publicly distributed if circumstances or relations which may cause conflicts of interest among the authors, the legal entities responsible for such preparation or companies associated with them are disclosed along with the financial analysis.

First Berlin offers a range of services that go beyond the preparation of financial analyses. Although First Berlin strives to avoid conflicts of interest wherever possible, First Berlin may maintain the following relations with the analysed company, which in particular may constitute a potential conflict of interest (further information and data may be provided on request):

- The author, First Berlin, or a company associated with First Berlin holds an interest of more than five percent in the share capital of the analysed company;
- The author, First Berlin, or a company associated with First Berlin provided investment banking or consulting services for the analysed company within the past twelve months for which remuneration was or was to be paid;
- The author, First Berlin, or a company associated with First Berlin reached an agreement with the analysed company for preparation of a financial analysis for which remuneration is owed;
- The author, First Berlin, or a company associated with First Berlin has other significant financial interests in the analysed company;

In order to avoid and, if necessary, manage possible conflicts of interest both the author of the financial analysis and First Berlin shall be obliged to neither hold nor in any way trade the securities of the company analyzed. The remuneration of the author of the financial analysis stands in no direct or indirect connection with the recommendations or opinions represented in the financial analysis. Furthermore, the remuneration of the author of the financial analysis is neither coupled directly to financial transactions nor to stock exchange trading volume or asset management fees.

If despite these measures one or more of the aforementioned conflicts of interest cannot be avoided on the part of the author or First Berlin, then reference shall be made to such conflict of interest.

INFORMATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 64 OF THE GERMAN SECURITIES TRADING ACT [WPHG] (2ND FIMANOG) OF 23 JUNE 2017, DIRECTIVE 2014/65/EU OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL OF 15 MAY 2014 ON MARKETS IN FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND AMENDING DIRECTIVE 2002/92/EC AND DIRECTIVE 2011/61/EU, ACCOMPANIED BY THE MARKETS IN FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS REGULATION (MIFIR, REG. EU NO. 600/2014)

First Berlin notes that is has concluded a contract with the issuer to prepare financial analyses and is paid for that by the issuer. First Berlin makes the financial analysis simultaneously available for all interested security financial services companies. First Berlin thus believes that it fulfils the requirements of section 64 WpHG for minor non-monetary benefits.



PRICE TARGET DATES

Unless otherwise indicated, current prices refer to the closing prices of the previous trading day.

AGREEMENT WITH THE ANALYSED COMPANY AND MAINTENANCE OF OBJECTIVITY

The present financial analysis is based on the author's own knowledge and research. The author prepared this study without any direct or indirect influence exerted on the part of the analysed company. Parts of the financial analysis were possibly provided to the analysed company prior to publication in order to avoid inaccuracies in the representation of facts. However, no substantial changes were made at the request of the analysed company following any such provision.

ASSET VALUATION SYSTEM

First Berlin's system for asset valuation is divided into an asset recommendation and a risk assessment.

ASSET RECOMMENDATION

The recommendations determined in accordance with the share price trend anticipated by First Berlin in the respectively indicated investment period are as follows:

STRONG BUY: An expected favourable price trend of more than 50% combined with sizeable confidence in the quality and forecast security of management.

BUY: An expected favourable price trend of more than 25% percent.

ADD: An expected favourable price trend of between 0% and 25%.

REDUCE: An expected negative price trend of between 0% and -15%.

SELL: An expected negative price trend of more than -15%.

RISK ASSESSMENT

The First Berlin categories for risk assessment are low, average, high and speculative. They are determined by ten factors: Corporate governance, quality of earnings, management strength, balance sheet and financial risk, competitive position, standard of financial disclosure, regulatory and political uncertainty, strength of brandname, market capitalisation and free float. These risk factors are incorporated into the First Berlin valuation models and are thus included in the target prices. First Berlin customers may request the models.

INVESTMENT HORIZON

Unless otherwise stated in the financial analysis, the ratings refer to an investment period of twelve months.

LIPDATES

At the time of publication of this financial analysis it is not certain whether, when and on what occasion an update will be provided. In general First Berlin strives to review the financial analysis for its topicality and, if required, to update it in a very timely manner in connection with the reporting obligations of the analysed company or on the occasion of ad hoc notifications.

SUBJECT TO CHANGE

The opinions contained in the financial analysis reflect the assessment of the author on the day of publication of the financial analysis. The author of the financial analysis reserves the right to change such opinion without prior notification.

Legally required information regarding

- key sources of information in the preparation of this research report
- valuation methods and principles
- sensitivity of valuation parameters

can be accessed through the following internet link: http://firstberlin.com/disclaimer-english-link/

SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY: Bundesanstalt für Finanzdienstleistungsaufsicht (German Federal Financial Supervisory Authority) [BaFin], Graurheindorferstraße 108, 53117 Bonn and Lurgiallee 12, 60439 Frankfurt

EXCLUSION OF LIABILITY (DISCLAIMER)

RELIABILITY OF INFORMATION AND SOURCES OF INFORMATION

The information contained in this study is based on sources considered by the author to be reliable. Comprehensive verification of the accuracy and completeness of information and the reliability of sources of information has neither been carried out by the author nor by First Berlin. As a result no warranty of any kind whatsoever shall be assumed for the accuracy and completeness of information and the reliability of sources of information, and neither the author nor First Berlin, nor the person responsible for passing on or distributing the financial analysis shall be liable for any direct or indirect damage incurred through reliance on the accuracy and completeness of information and the reliability of sources of information.

RELIABILITY OF ESTIMATES AND FORECASTS

The author of the financial analysis made estimates and forecasts to the best of the author's knowledge. These estimates and forecasts reflect the author's personal opinion and judgement. The premises for estimates and forecasts as well as the author's perspective on such premises are subject to constant change. Expectations with regard to the future performance of a financial instrument are the result of a measurement at a single point in time and may change at any time. The result of a financial analysis always describes only one possible future development – the one that is most probable from the perspective of the author – of a number of possible future developments.

Any and all market values or target prices indicated for the company analysed in this financial analysis may not be achieved due to various risk factors, including but not limited to market volatility, sector volatility, the actions of the analysed company, economic climate, failure to achieve earnings and/or sales forecasts, unavailability of complete and precise information and/or a subsequently occurring event which affects the underlying assumptions of the author and/or other sources on which the author relies in this document. Past performance is not an indicator of future results; past values cannot be carried over into the future.

Consequently, no warranty of any kind whatsoever shall be assumed for the accuracy of estimates and forecasts, and neither the author nor First Berlin, nor the person responsible for passing on or distributing the financial analysis shall be liable for any direct or indirect damage incurred through reliance on the correctness of estimates and forecasts.

INFORMATION PURPOSES, NO RECOMMENDATION, SOLICITATION, NO OFFER FOR THE PURCHASE OF SECURITIES

The present financial analysis serves information purposes. It is intended to support institutional investors in making their own investment decisions; however in no way provide the investor with investment advice. Neither the author, nor First Berlin, nor the person responsible for passing on or distributing the financial analysis shall be considered to be acting as an investment advisor or portfolio manager vis-à-vis an investor. Each investor must form his own independent opinion with regard to the suitability of an investment in view of his own investment objectives, experience, tax situation, financial position and other circumstances.



The financial analysis does not represent a recommendation or solicitation and is not an offer for the purchase of the security specified in this financial analysis. Consequently, neither the author nor First Berlin, nor the person responsible for passing on or distributing the financial analysis shall as a result be liable for losses incurred through direct or indirect employment or use of any kind whatsoever of information or statements arising out of this financial analysis.

A decision concerning an investment in securities should take place on the basis of independent investment analyses and procedures as well as other studies including, but not limited to, information memoranda, sales or issuing prospectuses and not on the basis of this document

NO ESTABLISHMENT OF CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

By taking note of this financial analysis the recipient neither becomes a customer of First Berlin, nor does First Berlin incur any contractual, quasi-contractual or pre-contractual obligations and/or responsibilities toward the recipient. In particular no information contract shall be established between First Berlin and the recipient of this information.

NO OBLIGATION TO UPDATE

First Berlin, the author and/or the person responsible for passing on or distributing the financial analysis shall not be obliged to update the financial analysis. Investors must keep themselves informed about the current course of business and any changes in the current course of business of the analysed company.

DUPLICATION

Dispatch or duplication of this document is not permitted without the prior written consent of First Berlin.

SEVERABILITY

Should any provision of this disclaimer prove to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable under the respectively applicable law, then such provision shall be treated as if it were not an integral component of this disclaimer; in no way shall it affect the legality, validity or enforceability of the remaining provisions.

APPLICABLE LAW, PLACE OF JURISDICTION

The preparation of this financial analysis shall be subject to the law obtaining in the Federal Republic of Germany. The place of jurisdiction for any disputes shall be Berlin (Germany).

NOTICE OF DISCLAIMER

By taking note of this financial analysis the recipient confirms the binding nature of the above explanations.

By using this document or relying on it in any manner whatsoever the recipient accepts the above restrictions as binding for the recipient.

QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS

First Berlin financial analyses are intended exclusively for qualified institutional investors.

This report is not intended for distribution in the USA, Canada and/or the United Kingdom (Great Britain).