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Buy			
Recommendation unchai	nged		
Share price: EUR		1.64	
closing price as of 26/04/2024			
Target price: EUR			2.00
Target Price unchanged			
Upside/Downside Po	22.0%		
Reuters/Bloomberg		PLC.MI/PLC IM	
Market capitalisation (E		43	
Current N° of shares (m)			26
Free float		26%	
Daily avg. no. trad. sh. 12 mt		12	
Daily avg. trad. vol. 12 mth (k		10.67	
Price high/low 12 months	1.91 / 1.28		
Abs Perfs 1/3/12 mths (%)		-7.87/-0.61/19.27	
ADS 1 CHS 1/5/12 Hitris (70)		-1.011-0.	01/13.27
Key financials (EUR)	12/22	12/23e	12/24e
Sales (m)	60	67	88
EBITDA (m)	(6)	4	5
EBITDA margin	nm	5.4%	5.1%
EBIT (m)	(13)	2	2
EBIT margin	nm (12)	3.1% 1	1.8% 1
Net Profit (adj.)(m) ROCE	(13) -47.5%	10.1%	5.7%
Net debt/(cash) (m)	-47.5%	(1)	3.7%
Net Debt/Equity	0.2	-0.1	0.2
Debt/EBITDA	-0.5	-0.1	0.2
Int. cover(EBITDA/Fin. int)	(104.1)	8.1	(35.6)
EV/Sales	0.7	0.6	0.5
EV/EBITDA	nm	10.8	9.2
EV/EBITDA (adj.)	nm	10.8	9.2
EV/EBIT ,	nm	18.8	25.6
P/E (adj.)	nm	36.9	33.4
P/BV	3.1	3.5	3.1
OpFCF yield	8.3%	15.7%	-10.0%
Dividend yield	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
EPS (adj.)	(0.50)	0.05	0.05
BVPS	0.52	0.49	0.54
DPS	0.00	0.00	0.00
Shareholders			

Fraes 74%;



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CEO and CFO stepped down

The facts: PLC announced last Friday that the group's CEO Mr. Diego Percopo and the CFO Mr. Marco Aulisa stepped down following an agreement reached with the group.

Our analysis: Mr. Percopo and Mr. Aulisa would have ended their mandate after the approval of the FY 23 result by the shareholders meeting scheduled on 29 April 2024

We note that Mr. Percopo was not included in the slate submitted by Fraes, PLC's main shareholder.

We also highlight that the slate includes a number of new independent directors, the current chairman Mr. Francesco Esposito, and Mr. Andrea Orlando, who has served as CEO at the subsidiary PLC Service and as Head of business development and strategic planning at the parent company PLC.

Conclusion & Action: we understand that the top managers stepped down based on a reciprocal agreement with the company. We argue that the current strategy and the execution of the business plan will not be disrupted by this management reshuffle.

