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RESEARCH UPDATE



ADD Fair Value: €7.69 (€7.64) Price: €5.70 Upside: 35.0%

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Market Data:									
Main Shareholders									
BF Capital Srl			61.63%						
Hydra SpA			10.40%						
Italcode Srl			2.72%						
MktCap (€mn)			41,859						
EV (€ mn)			44,279						
Shares out. (mn)			7.3						
Free Float			25.3%						
Market multiples	2019	2020	2021						
EV/EBITDA									
FNL	9.7x	8.2x	6.9x						
Comps median	6.4x	9.6x	9.3x						
FNL vs Median	51%	-15%	-26%						
P/E									
FNL	21.3x	18.7x	14.7x						
Comps median	17.0x	22.2x	21.2x						
FNL vs Median	25%	-16%	-31%						
	Stock Data:								

Stock Data:		
52 Wk High (€)		7.20
52 Wk Low (€)		5.00
Avg. Daily Trading 90d		5,159
Price Change 1w (%)	-	0.8696
Price Change 1m (%)		-6.56
Price Change YTD (%)		-7.3

Industrial

Expectations Centered in Uncertain Scenario

€ Million	FY 17A	FY 18A	FY 19A	FY 20E	FY 21E	FY 22E	FY 23E
Total Revenues	22.4	29.5	34.6	43.7	47.7	50.6	53.5
EBITDA	3.3	4.2	4.7	5.6	6.7	7.5	8.1
margin	14.7%	14.2%	13.7%	12.8%	14.0%	14.8%	15.2%
Net Profit	1.7	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.8	3.4	3.7
margin	7.5%	6.8%	5.7%	5.1%	6.0%	6.7%	7.0%
EPS	0.25	0.29	0.28	0.31	0.39	0.46	0.51

Source: Company data, KT&Partners' estimates

2020 preliminary sales in line with expectations. In an overheated global economic scenario, FNL kept consolidating its leadership position within the labeling market. FY20 preliminary results show sales at \leq 42.8mn, +30% YoY and fully in line with our latest estimates. Revenue growth was driven by the label division which increased by +42% YoY, and was also thanks to the acquisition of STAF Srl at the beginning of 2020.

Pushing the boundaries of technology products. In 2020, FNL enlarged its partnership network by signing agreements with three multinational players active in the AUTO-ID & Data Capture sector: **Datalogic**, **TSC Auto ID Technology Emea** and **Custom**. Thanks to these partnerships, FNL will be able to enrich its technology product offerings while further expanding its customer basis in Italy and abroad. Furthermore, FNL has announced the development of: i) the first automatic print&apply system for color labels suitable for any production chain, partnering with EPSON; and ii) Layerloop, the world's first 3D printer capable of mass-producing objects that incorporate RFID or NFC tags through a proprietary and patented printhead. The launch of this solution will allow FNL to enter the Additive Manufacturing segment, which shows substantial room for growth.

Market developments. The COVID-19 pandemic has considerably boosted the demand for labels and AIDC products in the food, healthcare, personal care, and logistics sectors, whereas "non-essential" sectors (i.e. automotive, travel and catering) were suffering. As for M&A activities, in November 2020, Esprinet - specialized in the B2B distribution of technology products, including printers and consumables - reinforced its position within the AIDC sector. It acquired a 100% stake in Dacom - a distributor of products for the AIDC sector - and IdMaint - specialized in maintenance services and pre- and post-sales technical support for Auto-ID products. The total deal consideration amounted to \leq 13.9mn or EV/EBITDA of 6.1x.

Estimates unchanged. We confirmed our estimates, anticipating total revenues at €53.5mn in 2023 (+7% CAGR2020-23) and EBITDA margin to progressively improve from 12.8% in 2020 to 15.2% in 2023. Net income after minorities is expected to achieve €2mn in FY20 and €3.7mn in FY23 (CAGR20-23 of 18.7%).

Fair value at \in *7.69ps.* Our valuation - based on both the DCF and multiples method - returns an average equity value of \in 56.5mn or \in 7.69ps (+35.0% on the current market price), mainly following comps' multiples expansion.



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Finlogic S.p.A. - Key Figures

Current price (€)	Fair Value (€)								rre	e Float (%
5.70	7.69									25.2
Per Share Data	2014A	2015A	2016A	2017A	2018A	2019A	2020E	2021E	2022E	2023
Total shares outstanding (mn)	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	6.75	6.96	7.08	7.34	7.34	7.34	7.3
EPS	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	0.25	0.29	0.28	0.31	0.39	0.46	0.5
Dividend per share (ord)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	0.15	0.14	0.14	0.18	0.23	0.28	0.3
Dividend pay out ratio (%)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	60%	50%	51%	60%	60%	60%	60%
Profit and Loss (EUR thousand)										
Revenues	13,540	16,083	18,763	22,351	29,546	34,589	43,705	47,730	50,585	53,47
EBITDA	2,337	2,588	2,939	3,241	4,208	4,735	5,604	6,667	7,474	8,123
EBIT	1,753	2,002	2,351	2,640	3,049	3,240	3,549	4,479	5,310	5,868
EBT	1,744	1,988	2,327	2,421	3,006	3,173	3,458	4,389	5,219	5,772
Taxes	(577)	(649)	(735)	(700)	(916)	(995)	(1,085)	(1,377)	(1,637)	(1,813
Tax rate	33%	33%	32%	29%	30%	31%	31%	31%	31%	319
Net Income (including minorities)	1,167	1,340	1,592	1,721	2,090	2,178	2,373	3,012	3,582	3,965
Net Income attributable to the Group	1,167	1,338	1,580	1,670	2,012	1,969	2,243	2,846	3,385	3,742
Balance Sheet (EUR thousand)										
Total fixed assets	1,689	2,102	2,043	2,265	4,328	7,069	10,364	8,877	7,412	5,857
Net Working Capital (NWC)	2,281	3,566	4,638	6,133	8,154	8,514	11,655	12,463	13,119	13,654
Provisions	(534)	(626)	(838)	(890)	(1,304)	(1,510)	(2,043)	(2,612)	(3,200)	(3,806
Total Net capital employed	3,437	5,042	5,844	7,508	11,178	14,072	19,976	18,728	17,331	15,705
Net financial position (NFP)	(1,221)	(853)	(536)	(4,316)	(2,741)	(1,569)	1,718	(1,195)	(4,466)	(8,026
Group Shareholder's Equity	4,645	5,880	6,334	11,727	13,561	15,069	17,555	19,055	20,732	22,448
Minorities	13	15	47	98	359	571	702	867	1,064	1,282
Total Shareholder's Equity	4,658	5,895	6,380	11,824	13,920	15,640	18,257	19,923	21,797	23,731
Cash Flow (EUR thousand)										
Net operating cash flow	n.a.	1,946	2,184	2,460	3,326	3,748	4,490	5,261	5,808	6,282
Change in NWC	n.a.	(1,285)	(1,072)	(1,495)	(2,021)	(360)	(1,209)	(809)	(655)	(535
Capital expenditure	n.a.	(560)	(161)	(380)	(689)	(2,704)	(2,632)	(700)	(700)	(700
Investments in intangible assets	n.a.	(396)	(346)	(485)	(2,399)	(812)	(3,250)	-	-	
Other cash items/Uses of funds	n.a.	49	189	42	279	44	533	568	588	606
Free cash flow	n.a.	(246)	794	143	(1,504)	(85)	(2,068)	4,321	5,041	5,653
Enterprise Value (EUR thousand)										
Market Cap	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	32,739	36,575	39,990	41,859	41,859	41,859	41,859
Minorities	13	15	47	98	359	571	702	867	1,064	1,282
Net financial position	(1,221)	(853)	(536)	(4,316)	(2,741)	(1,569)	1,718	(1,195)	(4,466)	(8,026
Enterprise value	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	28,521	34,193	38,992	44,279	41,531	38,457	35,115
Ratios (%)										
EBITDA margin	17.3%	16.1%	15.7%	14.5%	14.2%	13.7%	12.8%	14.0%	14.8%	15.2%
EBIT margin	12.9%	12.4%	12.5%	11.0%	10.3%	9.4%	8.1%	9.4%	10.5%	11.0%
Gearing - Debt/equity	-26.3%	-14.5%	-8.5%	-36.8%	-20.2%	-10.4%	9.8%	-6.3%	-21.5%	-35.8%
Interest cover on EBIT	0.5%	0.7%	1.0%	1.7%	1.4%	2.1%	2.6%	2.0%	1.7%	1.5%
NFP/EBITDA	-52.2%	-32.9%	-18.2%	-133.2%	-65.1%	-33.1%	30.7%	-17.9%	-59.8%	-98.8%
ROCE	51.0%	39.7%	40.2%	35.2%	27.3%	23.0%	17.8%	23.9%	30.6%	37.4%
ROE	25.1%	22.8%	25.0%	14.2%	14.8%	13.1%	12.8%	14.9%	16.3%	16.7%
EV/Sales	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	2.05	1.55	1.33	1.05	0.96	0.91	0.86
EV/EBITDA	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	14.15	10.89	9.68	8.18	6.88	6.13	5.64
P/E	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	23.95	20.81	21.25	18.66	14.71	12.37	11.17
Free cash flow yield	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	0.4%	-4.1%	-0.2%	-4.9%	10.3%	12.0%	13.5%
Growth Rates (%)										
Sales	n.a.	18.8%	16.7%	19.1%	32.2%	17.1%	26.4%	9.2%	6.0%	5.7%
EBITDA	n.a.	10.7%	13.5%	10.3%	29.8%	9.2%	12.5%	18.4%	19.0%	12.1%
EBIT	n.a.	14.2%	17.4%	4.9%	23.7%	6.3%	9.5%	26.2%	18.5%	10.5%
Net Income	n.a.	14.7%	18.1%	5.7%	20.5%	-2.1%	13.9%	26.9%	18.9%	10.7%

Source: Company data, KT&Partners' estimates



Valuation

Based on our estimates, we have carried out our valuation on a multiples and DCF analysis basis:

- EV/EBITDA and P/E multiple, with a 10% liquidity discount, which returns a value of €6.82per share.
- DCF analysis, based on WACC of 9% and 1.5% perpetual growth, returns a value of €8.27 per share.

In order to take into account the resiliency of FNL's business and its high visibility we derived the company fair value through a weighted average of the DCF and multiple valuation models. We gave therefore a 60% weight to the price based on DCF, and a 40% weight to the price returned by the multiples method. The weighted average of the two methods yields a fair value of ξ 7.69 per share with an equity value of ξ 56.5mn.

Market Multiples Valuation

Following the comparables analysis, we proceeded with the definition of market multiples of the peer group, focusing on data for the three-year period 2020-22.

Peer Group Valuation Table - 2020-22 Multiples

Company Name	Exchange	Market Cap	EV/SALES 2020	EV/SALES 2021	EV/SALES 2022	EV/EBITDA 2020	EV/EBITDA 2021	EV/EBITDA 2022	EV/EBIT 2020	EV/EBIT 2021	EV/EBIT 2022	P/E 2020	P/E 2021	P/E 2022
AstroNova, Inc.	NASDAQ	64	0.92x	0.86x	n.a.	10.38x	9.10x	n.a.	52.93x	28.71x	n.a.	98.00x	43.12x	n.a.
Avery Dennison Corporation	NYSE	10,567	2.14x	2.05x	1.96x	14.12x	13.24x	12.41x	17.50x	16.36x	15.24x	22.23x	20.55x	18.58x
Datalogic S.p.A.	Milan	840	1.73x	1.53x	1.41x	19.58x	10.98x	9.35x	59.49x	17.80x	13.93x	80.09×	23.58x	18.21x
Fuji Seal International, Inc.	Tokyo	925	0.71x	0.68x	0.66x	5.84x	5.55x	5.35x	9.90x	9.15x	8.33x	13.67x	12.25x	11.14x
Lintec Corporation	Tokyo	1,440	0.60x	0.57x	0.54x	5.58x	5.03x	4.71x	9.96x	8.36x	7.55x	18.73x	15.11x	13.51x
Sato Holdings Corporation	Tokyo	616	0.71x	0.67x	0.64x	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	20.96x	13.34x	10.95x	8.31x	22.97x	19.05x
ScanSource, Inc.	NASDAQ	541	0.29x	0.29x	0.29x	8.77x	9.47x	7.66x	11.13x	12.36x	9.56x	12.43x	13.29x	9.66x
Seiko Epson Corp.	Tokyo	5,672	0.76x	0.74x	0.73x	7.08x	6.58x	6.56x	21.44x	15.80x	14.64x	52.12x	21.22x	19.47x
Zebra Technologies Corporation Class A	NASDAQ	17,533	5.16x	4.67x	4.42x	25.63x	21.79x	19.60x	28.08x	23.40x	21.58x	32.71x	27.43x	24.15x
Average peer group		4,244	1.45x	1.34x	1.33x	12.12x	10.22x	9.38x	25.71x	16.14x	12.72x	37.59x	22.17x	16.72x
Median peer group		925	0.76x	0.74x	0.70x	9.58x	9.29x	7.66x	20.96x	15.80x	12.44x	22.23x	21.22x	18.39x
Finlogic SpA	Milan	42	1.05x	0.96x	0.91x	8,18x	6.88x	6,13x	12.92x	10.23x	8,63x	18.66x	14.71x	12,37x

Source: FactSet data and KT&Partners' estimates

We based our evaluation upon 2020, 2021 and 2022 median EV/EBITDA and P/E multiples and our estimates of Finlogic's EBITDA and net income for 2020, 2021 and 2022. Additionally, considering the existing differences in terms of liquidity between Finlogic and its comparables, we applied a 10% liquidity discount on the median multiples.

Multiple Valuation

Multiple Valuation (€mn)	2020E	2021E	2022E	Multiple Valuation (€mn)	2020E	2021E	2022E
EV/EBITDA multiple comparison	9.58	9.29	7.66	P/E multiple comparison	22.23	21.22	18.39
Peer Group EV/EBITDA netted from 10% liquidity discount	8.62	8.36	6.89	Peer Group P/E netted from 10% liquidity discount	20.01	19.10	16.55
Finlogic EBITDA	5.60	6.67	7.47	Finlogic earnings	2.24	2.85	3.38
Enterprise value	48.30	55.72	51.51	Equity Value	44.88	54.37	56.03
1H20 NFP*	3.42	3.42	3.42	Number of shares (mn)	7.34	7.34	7.34
Equity Value	44.88	52.30	48.10				
Number of shares (mn)	7.34	7.34	7.34	Value per share	6.11	7.40	7.63
Value per share	6.11	7.12	6.55	Fair Value (Avg) - € ps	7.05		
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*Note: 1H20 NFP was adjusted by the €1.242mn capital increase related to the warrant conversion. Source: FactSet data and KT&Partners' estimates

DCF Model

We also conducted our valuation using a four-year DCF model based on 10% cost of equity, 3.0% cost of debt and a target capital structure with 20% of debt, in line with the average D/E ratios observed for listed companies operating in similar sectors.¹ We, therefore, obtained 9% WACC.²

By discounting 2019E-22E annual cash flows and considering a terminal growth rate of 1.5%, we derive a fair value of &8.27p.s.

Cash Flow Estimates				
€ million		2021E	2022E	2023E
EBIT		4.48	5.31	5.87
Taxes		-1.41	-1.67	-1.84
D&A		2.19	2.16	2.26
Change in Net Working Capital		-0.81	-0.66	-0.54
Net Operating Cash Flow		4.45	5.15	5.75
Capex		-0.70	-0.70	-0.70
FCFO		3.75	4.45	5.05
02/02/2021		31/12/2021	31/12/2022	31/12/2023
t		0.91	1.91	2.91
g	1.5%			
Wacc	9.0%			
FCFO (discounted)	*****	3.47	3.78	3.93
Discounted Cumulated FCFO	11.17			
TV				68.14
TV (discounted)	53.00			
Enterprise Value	64.17			
1H20 NFP*	3.4			
Equity Value	60.76			
Current number of shares	7.34			
Value per share (€)	8.27			

*Note: 1H20 NFP was adjusted by the €1.242mn capital increase related to the warrant conversion. Source: FactSet data and KT&Partners' estimates

¹ Source: Damodaran's website.

² Further inputs include: (i) 1.16 beta; (ii) 0.65% risk-free rate; (iii) 5.81% market risk premium; and (iv) 3.0% premium for size.

APPENDIX

Peer Comparison

We built a nine-company sample, which includes:

- AstroNova Inc., listed on NASDAQ, with a market capitalization of €64mn, is a global leader in developing and applying data visualization technologies in products serving industrial, packaging, aerospace and defense markets. In particular, through one of its business lines, AstroNova provides labeling solutions ranging from tabletop label printers to industrial label presses. During FY19, the company had \$137mn revenues, 63.5% of which came from the product identification business segment;
- Avery Dennison Corp., listed on the NYSE, with a market capitalization of €11bn, engages in the provision of labeling and packaging products and solutions for several industries, ranging from consumer-packaged goods to medical and healthcare, from automotive to apparel. During FY19, the company recorded \$7.0bn revenues, \$4.7bn of which came from the labeling and graphic business unit (67%);
- 3. Datalogic SpA, listed on the Milan Stock Exchange, with a market capitalization of €0.8bn, is a global technology leader in the Automatic Data Capture and process automation markets, specialized in the designing, production and distribution of barcode readers, mobile computers, scanners, RFID systems etc. In particular, Datalogic offers its solutions to the retail, manufacturing, healthcare and transportation industries. During FY18, Datalogic reported revenues of €613mn;
- 4. Fuji Seal International Inc., listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, with a market capitalization of €1bn, engages in the development and sale of packaging solutions, offering shrink sleeve labels, self-adhesive labels, spouted pouches and packaging machinery. The company reported ¥162bn revenues during FY18, with self-adhesive labels accounting for 15.3%, shrink labels accounting for 55.9% and other labels accounting for 0.96%;
- 5. Lintec Corp., listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, with a market capitalization of €1.4bn, develops and sells pressure-sensitive materials, specialty paper products and films. In particular, through its "printing and variable information-related products", it offers adhesive papers and films for seal and labels, barcode label supplies and digital label printing machines. Lintec Corp. reported ¥251bn revenues during FY19, ca. 49.0% of which came from the "printing and variable industrial materials products";
- 6. Sato Holdings Corp., listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, with a market capitalization of €0.6bn, is a global provider of automation identification and data capture solutions, which leverage on barcodes, QR codes, and RFID technologies. During FY18, the company reported ¥116.2bn sales;
- 7. ScanSource, Inc., listed on NASDAQ, with a market capitalization of €0.5bn, is a global leader in offering automatic identification and data capture technologies, providing barcode scanners, digital printers and selling technology products such as Epson, Honeywell, Toshiba and Zebra products. During FY18, ScanSource, Inc. reported \$3.8bn net sales, with a



68% contribution coming from the barcode, networking and security business unit;

- 8. Seiko Epson Corp., listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, with a market capitalization of €5.7bn, engages in the development, production and sale of technology products through three segments: printing solutions, visual communications and wearable products and industrial solutions. Specifically, the printing solution segment offers, among others, inkjet printers, scanners and label printers. During FY19, Seiko Epson Corp. recorded ¥1,080bn sales, of which ¥723bn came from the printing solutions segment (6%);
- 9. Zebra Technologies Corp., listed on NASDAQ, with a market capitalization of €17bn, is a global leader in the automatic identification and data capture market, designing, manufacturing and selling a broad range of products, including barcode scanners, RFID readers, printers for barcode labeling identification, and self-adhesive labels. During FY19, the company generated \$4.5bn revenues.



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