

# **EQUITY RESEARCH**

MAPS NEWS BUY, TP 5.7€ Up/Downside: 77%

## MAPS Has Developed a New Energy Division

The Energy division aims to position itself in a high-potential market, thanks in particular to the €2.2bn investment by the PNRR (National Recovery and Resilience Plan) and an acquisition of approximately €2m for proprietary software with a strong potential for synergy.

Maps has acquired Energenius, an energy management and engineering company, experienced in the evaluation and analysis of energy solutions for consumption control, optimisation and cost reduction. The target has developed a software solution for monitoring, analysis, consumption modelling, technical management and maintenance.

Among the proposed solutions leveraging artificial intelligence tools, there is: GEM CoGe, for identifying optimal time-based controls for energy cost reduction; GEM building, for improving environmental comfort by fine-tuning facility energy settings based on forecasts; GEM branches; GEM industry, for consumption forecasts according to the production process/production plan; GEM sky, for the monitoring and sustainability of various assets such as ski lifts, snowmaking, water reservoirs, weather forecast.

This acquisition considerably strengthens Maps' energy division, which we expect to grow rapidly. The acquired target's proprietary platform, GEM, will be integrated with the group's proprietary ROSE platform to offer a unique solution for energy efficiency and renewable energy integration.

Energenius reported revenue of €1.2m (67% from the proprietary solution) and EBITDA of €270k in 2021. Two binding agreements have been signed: the first for €0.84m and 51% of the shares, to be paid in cash before 12 October 2022; the second for the remaining 49% to be completed in April 2023 at a price based on the close of the 2022 accounts, with at least 50% of the transaction to be paid in cash and the remaining 50% through a reserved capital increase and a subsequent contribution of Maps shares. It is estimated that the transaction could reach a maximum of €2m.

Energy is the smallest division of Maps, but it has very significant growth potential, thanks in part to PNRR funds that will arrive over the next few years, totalling approximately  $\epsilon$ 2.2bn. We are reiterating both our Buy rating and TP of  $\epsilon$ 5.7.

## **Key data**

Price (€)	3.2
Industry	Packaged Software
Ticker	MAPS-IT
Shares Out (m)	12.663
Market Cap (m €)	40.6
Average trading volumes (k shares / day)	6.000
Next event	23 Sept 1S 2022

#### Ownership (%)

Fondateurs & Management	55.8
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Free float	33.1

EPS (€)	12/22e	12/23e	12/24e
Estimates	0.27	0.30	0.32
Change vs previous estimates (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00

Performance (%)	1D	1M	YTD
Price Perf	0.3	-5.6	-18.3
Rel FTSE Italy	1.5	-1.6	1.7



TP ICAP Midcap Estimates	12/21	12/22e	12/23e	12/24e
Sales (m €)	24.1	29.9	33.5	36.8
Current Op Inc (m $\epsilon$ )	2.2	4.9	5.4	5.8
Current op. Margin (%)	9.2	16.2	16.0	15.7
EPS (€)	0.20	0.27	0.30	0.32
DPS (€)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Yield (%)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
FCF (m €)	-3.7	0.5	2.9	4.0

Valuation Ratio	12/22e	12/23e	12/24e
EV/Sales	1.4	1.1	0.9
EV/EBITDA	5.0	4.1	3.3
EV/EBIT	8.4	7.1	5.9
PE	12.0	10.8	10.0

Consensus FactSet - Analysts.na	12/226	12/236	12/246
Sales	28.8	33.1	37-7
EBIT	3.2	4.7	6.4
Net income	2.8	3.5	4.3







# FINANCIAL DATA

Income Statement	12/19	12/20	12/21	12/22e	12/23e	12/24e
Sales	16.5	20.3	24.1	29.9	33.5	36.8
Changes (%)	10.0	23.1	18.9	24.0	12.0	9.8
Gross profit	17.4	18.6	22.4	29.9	33.5	36.8
% of Sales	105.3	91.4	92.7	100.0	100.0	100.0
EBITDA	3.9	3.4	4.8	8.1	9.3	10.5
% of Sales	23.8	16.8	19.9	27.1	27.9	28.4
Current operating profit	2.2	1.3	2,2	4.9	5.4	5.8
% of Sales	13.2	6.3	9.2	16.2	16.0	15.7
Non-recurring items	0.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EBIT	1.9	0.8	2.2	4.9	5.4	5.8
Net financial result	-0.6	-0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Income Tax	0.5	0.2	-0.4	1.3	1.5	1.6
Tax rate (%)	21.3	13.0	-21.0	27.9	27.9	27.9
Net profit, group share	2.0	1.0	2.5	3.4	3.7	4.0
EPS	0.23	0.10	0.20	0.27	0.30	0.32
Financial Statement	12/19	12/20	12/21	12/22e	12/23e	12/24e
Goodwill	5.0	8.4	11.7	11.7	11.7	11.7
Tangible and intangible assets	5.3	7.5	7.2	7.3	6.9	5.7
Right of Use	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Financial assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Working capital	7.1	7.7	11.4	14.3	15.8	17.1
Other Assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Assets	17.4	23.5	30.4	33.4	34.4	34.6
Shareholders equity group	9.4	11.2	18.0	21.4	25.2	29.2
Minorities	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
LT & ST provisions and others	3.0	4.0	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9
Net debt	4.6	7.7	6.6	0.0	-2.7	-6.6
Other liabilities	0.5	0.7	0.8	7.1	7.1	7.1
Liabilities	17.4	23.5	30.4	33-4	34-4	34.6
Net debt excl. IFRS 16	4.6	7.7	6.6	0.0	-2.7	-6.6
Gearing net	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.0	-0.1	-0.2
Leverage	1.2	2.2	1.4	0.0	-0.3	-0.6
Cash flow statement	12/19	12/20	12/21	12/22e	12/23e	12/24e
CF after elimination of net borrowing costs and taxes	3.1	4.7	6.6	6.6	7.7	8.7
ΔWCR	-2.4	-0.3	-3.3	-2.9	-1.5	-1.3
Operating cash flow	0.7	4.4	3.3	3.7	6.3	7.4
Net capex	-5.2	-7.7	-5.6	-3.4	-3.5	-3.5
FCF	-4.1	-4.7	-3.7	0.5	2.9	4.0
Acquisitions/Disposals of subsidiaries	-O.1	-0.5	-1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other investments	0.1	0.0	-0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change in borrowings	1.8	5.9	1.8	-2.5	0.0	0.0
Dividends paid	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Repayment of leasing debt	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Others	3.0	0.8	4.4	-0.1	0.0	0.0
Changes in exchange rates	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change in net cash over the year	4.8	6.7	6.2	-2.6	0.0	0.0
ROA (%)	9.0%	3.3%	6.1%	7.2%	7.5%	7.5%
ROE (%)	28.7%	9.9%	17.0%	17.1%	16.1%	14.9%
ROCE (%)	11.0%	3.9%	10.8%	12.6%	13.5%	14.4%



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